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28<sup>th</sup>/82  
Cassida,

Apr. 19-82

"Keracto" and "Big  
man" - wife, now  
here, requests  
a Spring Wagon  
& set of harness  
& other. it.

In case if "big appo." will  
warrant.

Ans April 24/82

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# United States Indian Service,

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR INDIAN YOUTH,

CARLISLE BARRACKS,

Carlisle, Pa., April 19 1882

To the Honorable

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The Wichita Chief Na astoe, now here, very much desires one of our spring wagons & a set of harness, also the Gaddo, "Big Man" & I have told them that I would write to you about it. I can say for these people that I have known the Gaddos & the Wichitas since 1867, that I have had repeatedly men from both tribes with me as Indian scouts & that on my judgment the Government never had truer friends. During the winter of '74-5, Na astoe was a sergeant under my command when we made three separate expeditions against the hostile Cheyennes & Comanches & captured the prisoners which were sent to Florida. In the performance of the arduous duties that devolved upon my Indian



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scouts Na as to c was one of the most reliable <sup>and</sup> m-  
tiring men, <sup>and</sup> I should be gratified if you can give  
authority to send forward to each of these men a spring  
wagon <sup>and</sup> set of harness.

Very respectfully  
R. H. Pratt

1st Lieut. 10<sup>th</sup> Cav.  
Supt.