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Indian Training School,
Carlisle, Pa.,
Aug. 18. 1882.

Mt. Lieut. R. H. Pratt, 10th Cav.
Supt.

Asks authority to buy bed-
steads, pillows & mattresses,

*Telegram to Pratt Aug²³/82
To Dept Aug²⁸/82
Ans'd Aug³¹/82*

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United States Indian Service,

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR INDIAN YOUTH,

CARLISLE BARRACKS,

Carlisle, Pa., August 18 1882.

To the Honorable

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

Sir:

When the pupils that have been ordered for the school, arrive, we shall have upwards of sixty more than we have ever had before at one time. I hope to keep fifty out with garmers as proposed. If I do this I shall still be short of beds ^{and} mattresses ^{and} pillows.

The bedsteads that we purchased on the start are not as satisfactory as I anticipated, they are hardly as substantial - the cross pieces breaking from time to time keeping us repairing. They cost us \$6.50 each, I have found a bedstead made at Hartford, Conn. which I can buy for \$7. each ^{and} which is very much more durable ^{and} satisfactory. I would respectfully request your authority to buy forty. I would also request your authority to purchase sixty elastic felt pillows

at not to exceed \$1- each and fifty mattresses at
not to exceed \$3- each.

Very respectfully
R. H. Prall

pt. Lieut. 10th Cav.
Supt.