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*Pratt, Cap. R. H.*

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*Asks for authority to return  
43 Indian Pupils to their  
various homes.*

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*Miss Cook*

*Commissioner of Indian Affairs  
Washington  
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# United States Indian Service,

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR INDIAN YOUTH,

CARLISLE BARRACKS,

Carlisle, Pa., Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> 1883

To the Honorable

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs  
Washington D.C.

Sir-

We have forty-three (43) pupils whose period of three years has expired, or will have expired by Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, and for whose further stay I have not yet been able to fully arrange with parents and Agents. There is determined objection from some parents at Agent Mile Agency, against keeping their children beyond the time. I still feel assured that the number to be returned may be considerably reduced by my personally meeting the parents when I go to the Agency, after new pupils. It will be best at present to only send those whose return is demanded. Afterwards, if I fail to make arrangements for a longer stay of the others, they can be sent home. Any of our pupils who have been with



as three years can travel without escort.

The largest number go to the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Agency, but a number are from the Sioux, Comanche, Pawnee, and Pueblo Agency.

I think it would be well in the Authority to cover all contingencies, and therefore respectfully request your authority covering me in returning to their homes forty three pupils or such less number as I may find it necessary to send this fall.

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

R. H. Pratt

Capt. & Supt.