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Rel. to return  
of Agency  
pupils to their  
homes

Letter to Pratt April 1/85.

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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa., Mch. 28. 1885.

To the Hon.

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

Sir:-

We have four boys and three girls belonging to the Nez. Percis band in the Indian Territory. I am informed from their Agency that the band will return to Idaho in three or four weeks. Of course there is a strong desire on the part of the parents and the children, that the children should return and go with the company to Idaho. There is a very urgent appeal from one mother for her daughter, whom, she says, she will send to the school at Forest Grove.

With the present conveniences of Railroad travel, there is, to my mind, no good reason why they cannot remain here and return

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to their Idaho home at the expiration of their school period, or when other reasons demand it. I would, however, prefer the judgment of the Commissioner. Those who have been here longest have sufficient intelligence to travel from here to Idaho without escort.

Very respectfully  
Your Obedt. Servant,

R. H. Pratt

Capt. 10<sup>th</sup> Cav.

Supt.