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In connection with Aps  
of Capt R. H. Pratt - Supt  
Carlisle School - modifies  
Arts: & of contracts so  
as to allow the Supt  
to pay for supplies,  
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To Pratt May 8/86.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON, May 4, 1886.

The Commissioner  
of Indian Affairs.

Sir:

I return herewith the letter of Superintendent Pratt of the Carlisle Indian School, Pa., which accompanied your letter of 3rd instant, concerning certain exceptions taken by the Second Auditor of the Treasury in the settlement of the accounts of the Superintendent relative to payments made by him for supplies delivered under contract with Andrew Blair and George S. Beeten & Co., both dated July 11, 1885, and Mosser & Saddler dated July 13, 1885, on account of the phraseology of the contracts, which is to the effect that payment shall be made through the Office of Indian Affairs. You state that Superintendent Pratt "estimated for the funds," that "they were placed to his credit" and that "he paid for the supplies himself."

In view of the statements made by Superintendent Pratt and your recommendation in the case, articles 8 of the contracts in question are hereby so modified as to allow payment for said supplies by Superintendent Pratt instead of through your Office.

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This modification is made solely as a possible means of final adjustment of the accounts in question at the Treasury.

The contractor having been paid it is not deemed essential to have his consent to this modification.

Very respectfully,

2858, Ind. Div. '85.

One enclosure.

*H. H. Mulder*

*Acty* Secretary. ✓