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 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
 INDIAN BUREAU  
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 Requesting authority to send W. P. Campbell and a Crow student to Crow Agency Montana and Pine Ridge and Rosebud Agencies Dak. to secure pupils for this school. To cover necessary incidental expenses, and placing of transportation.

Trans. to 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. 25/88  
 Nov. 1/88 to Recy.  
 To Capt. Pratt, Nov 7/88.

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## Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa., Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1888.

To the Hon-

The Commis. of Ind. Affairs,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

By the end of November our new school building will be completed and we shall be ready to give good school privileges to 500 students at this school besides those we can carry out in families and in the Public Schools. The number out at present is 189. If pressed at school I could increase this number.

The out students have privileges in district schools with white children and are so scattered that only a few are in any one school. Their advantages to learn English and to break up their old tribal notions are very much better than here at Carlisle.

Dr. Given still has authority to bring in 49 and is now working Ponca, Pawnee, Sac & Fox

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and will afterwards go to Quapaw. I very much doubt if he succeeds in bringing in his full complement, as the systematic pressure that has been brought to bear against Carlisle, during the past three years, has had its effect.

In addition to the 49 that Dr. Given has authority to bring in from Indian Territory, you have authorized 14 from Birch Cooley and there are 8 to come from Omaha & Winnebago Agency. This makes a possible 71 yet to come, which added to our total of 575 makes 646.

As I reported to Office during the summer, we can on our appropriation take care of 700 just as well as not, carrying 200 or there about out in families attending Public Schools.

The Crows have at different times lately, shown a willingness to send more of their children here and I would

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like to send Mr. Campbell my disciplinarian with one of my Crow students to secure a good sized party, say 40. The young Indian could bring the party through safely and Mr. Campbell could go to Pine Ridge and Rosebud, Dakota, from which point we had several applications lately, and make up a party of 20 more - a total of 60.

To accomplish these purposes, I respectfully request authority to send Mr. Campbell, my disciplinarian and a Crow pupil to Crow Agency, Montana, and that <sup>the</sup> Agent be instructed to aid them in securing a party of 40, half boys and half girls: ages from 12 to 18, and that transportation be provided at the nearest railroad point for that number, and that I be authorized to cover their necessary incidental expenses: that after he has accomplished this duty, I be further authorized to have Mr.

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Campbell proceed to Pine Ridge and Rosebud, to bring from these two Agencies 20 more, and that transportation be provided from Rushville and Calcutin for that number. It will be difficult to tell how many will come from each Agency, as all will depend upon the success of my agent. So that if the authority would be made to cover the full number from each point, it would be better I think: that is, 40 from Crow Agency and 20 from either Pine Ridge or Rosebud, or both.

I hope I may have this authority promptly.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

R. H. Pratt

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

Sept.