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Capt. R. H. Pratt,
Carlisle School.

Feb. 6, 1890.

Wants to bring a number of Indian children from Blackfoot A. and make suggestions as to method of securing children for the school.

To Pratt Feb. 7/90.

E. H. Hill

Agreements cannot be signed from their offices to bring pupils to Carlisle but it is for better than to come from the locality of a group of pupils especially those which pupils must have the school. Except those coming out from the locality for the school.

I have looked up the transportation and had some...
 also send the blanks on which transportation is made...
 also from that you had instructed me to do...
 a package of our photographs to each agent...
 success in getting proper attendance. I will cheerfully...
 If this plan is pursued I feel assured we shall...
 held accountable for the liability of his examination...
 would be re-examined on their arrival at Carlisle...
 Agency provisions, and could be employed...
 all expenditures...
 Very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 Capt. J. O. G...
 G. H. Hill

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Reply to Office letter
about children from Mon-
tana. Feb'y 4,

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

February 6, 1890.

Hon. Thos. J. Morgan,
Commissioner of Ind. Aff'rs,
Washington, D. C.,

Sir:

I have a letter from Mr. Kennerly, formerly Interpreter for the Black Feet Indians, who brought his two sons and two other young men here at his and their expense, in which he informs me that it will not be difficult to raise a good party among the Black Feet, and that he would undertake to do it and escort them in.

Mr. Kennerly is a man of excellent judgment. His several days' visit to our school has qualified him to fairly represent us to the Indians, and I would favor his undertaking the party.

It now occurs to me a good time has arrived to carry forward a plan which I have several times in the past, proposed to the office and verbally to you, and that is, having Agents organize parties and either send or bring them in. Agents and Agency people know the ground, they know the children, and if they will act fairly can protect us better than we can protect ourselves. It would do away with the piratical methods which have grown up under the present system, of having agents from different schools on the grounds at the same time representing and mis-representing the Indians.

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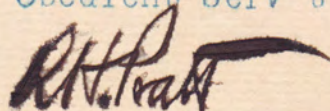
I would recommend therefore, that the Agents at the several Agencies from which we are authorized under this Authority to get children, be instructed to make up their parties and either bring or send them in. That they be required to bring only those who are between 12 and 18 years of age, not less than one third of whom should be girls, and that youth of bad character or who are unsuited for school on account of health should be excluded. There should be the most careful physical examination, similar to that in use in the Army, by the Agency physician, who should be advised that the students would be re-examined on their arrival at Carlisle, and he be held accountable for the integrity of his examination.

If this plan is pursued I feel assured we shall meet with success in getting proper students. I will cheerfully send a package of our photographs to each Agent, and you could advise them that you had instructed me to do that. I could also send the blanks on which transfer is made.

I have looked up, the transportation and had some preliminary talk with Railroad men, and if the matter is left entirely in my hands I shall be able to get them through on a very low rate.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedient Serv' t



Capt. 10, Cav' y
Supt.