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In response to letters received
concerning pupils for the
School at Carlisle

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United States Indian Service,

Fort Belknap Agency,

March 13th, 1880.

Hon. Commissioner
Indian Affairs
Washington D. C.

Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter marked "Education" dated 5th inst. together with one from the Indian Industrial School at Carlisle Penn. enclosed therewith, requesting me to secure forty instead of twenty-five children for the School at Carlisle.

In reply have to state, that I have had no previous notice, nor have I received Office letter of 25th ult referred to. I presume a mistake has been made in addressing the letters, as it would be difficult to procure any children on this Reservation, without previous notice and preparation.

Should the Department desire me to procure children here I shall do my utmost to comply. The building of a Boarding School at this place will fully accommodate what children there are here in conjunction with the St. Pauls Mission School. Besides these Indians are averse to letting their children go to the Carlisle school, or any other, as they dislike parting with their children for any great length of time. If the Department will telegraph me in relation to its wishes in this matter I shall act promptly.

Very respectfully

A. O. Simons

U. S. Indian Agent