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30/61 Capt. R. H. Pratt, 10th Cav. Inft
July 28th 1891

Rel. to wife of Joseph Baird,
now at Carlisle.

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See letter to Ripley on July 14,

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Very respectfully,

R. H. Pratt

Capt. 10th Cav. Inft.

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INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

July 25th, 1891.

The Honorable,

The Commr. of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

I return the letter of Simon Hill, John Powlas, Ludwick Hill and others, in reference to Josiah Baird's wife and enclose a letter written to me by her father. The girl has certainly been abused. I do not stand in the way of her being returned to her husband, but it seems to me that her father has taken the proper course and that it would be best she remain here, improve her education and increase her years and strength before she takes upon herself the full duties of wifehood. I am making up a party of students ^{at Oneida} for Carlisle of those who returned to their homes last month. They will come in end of Agust. Peter Cornelius is managing it. The suggestion that Baird come here could be carried out. I recommend that in answering his letter he be advised of this party, and that it be suggested to him by the Commissioner that he himself should take a few years at Carlisle. The statement comes to me that he is a drunken worthless fellow, and it might be well to suggest to him, in case he desires to

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do this, that he furnish me with an endorsement that he is of good character.

The girl is about 16 years old and looks like a full Indian.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

R.H. Poole

Capt. 10th Cav'y.,

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7/12th/91

Capt R. B. Hall
Carlisle

Dear Sir,

I am very sorry to state that there has been some what trouble about my daughter Lilly Huff, of ~~whom~~ In continuing this letter I am reluctantly obliged to state that Lilly is not of age and I think I have more right than her husband to see that she is in a good place, where she can have the privilege of improving her mind. Lilly's husband is

no man by all means. He drinks
and does nothing else, and has no
place to lay his head of his
own; no home, nor any thing.

When Lilly married to that man
(Mr Laird) she was influenced by
other Lady, with out our con-
sent, ^{by the reason} and I am not in favor
of her coming back. Keep her there
until she is of age. I will tell
you the secret of this trouble;

It is your own boy who is a head
of this trouble and that is Peter Pomeroy
whose party claims that you folks
at Carlisle going to make you
lost, for taking my girl. But
I hope that will not be the case
and that they are going to show
you that you can not hold

her there, If there is anything
more that I can do to help
my daughter of her remaining
there.

Much love to you all
and my daughters.

Yours truly,
P. Huff,