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Capt R. H. Pratt, 10th Cav'y, Dept

Dec 16, 1891

As to return of Fanny
Bird to her father,
who asks for her.

See letter to James Bird

Dec. 26, 1891.

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Referring to your letter of 12th inst., marked "Education
43830," in which you enclose copy of portion of letter, dated
Dec. 2, from James Bird, Winnebago Agency, Neb., in regard to
the return of his daughter, Fanny Bird, I have to respectfully
advise you that Fanny Bird is a little girl about eleven years
old. She has been here three years and is rather a delicate
child, but is in better health at present than she was six
months ago. Not only her health but her conduct is
constant improvement. If she does come home, all that has
been done for her here will probably be lost. It does not
seem best to me that she be sent home, even under the circum-
stances of her father's reported illness. She can do no
good there, and the chances are it would be a great disaster
to her.

Very respectfully,

Your obedt. servt.,

Capt. 10th Cav'y, U.S. Army.

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

Dec. 16, 1891.

The Honorable,

The Commr. of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of 12th inst., marked "Education 43639," in which you enclose copy of portion of letter, dated Dec. 3, from James Bird, Winnebago Agency, Neb., in regard to the return of his daughter, Fanny Bird, I have to respectfully advise you that Fanny Bird is a little girl about eleven years old. She has been here three years and is rather a delicate child, but is in better health at present than she was six or eight weeks ago. Not only her health but her conduct is constantly improving. If she goes home now, all that has been done for her here will probably be lost. It does not seem best to me that she be sent home, even under the circumstances of her father's reported illness. She can do no good there, and the chances are it would be a great disaster to her.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

R. H. Loan

Capt. 10th Cav'y., Supt.