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Capt R H Pratt, 10th Cavy, Supt

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Recommends that Ambrose Gurney, now blind, be sent to Pennsylvania Institution

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Cant. 10th Cav. U.S.A.

Supt. Indian Training School,

Carlisle, Pa.

Sir:

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

R H Pratt

Capt. 10th Cav. U.S.A.

Supt.

of Mr. Gurney, and provided for his support, and the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Institution are willing to receive Ambrose on the terms of their letter which I have enclose.

The case was submitted to the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind to receive Ambrose on the terms of their letter which I have enclose.

He is especially anxious that it is thought for certain reasons, that it might be well that my authority be con-

ferred upon me to remove him in case of my misfortune overtaking him, and provided the Govt. will pay the $150 and stand ready to receive him in case of my death, I might be well that his education be con-

tinued in the Pennsylvania Institution and it is my fervent desire that he may be not left to occupy a place in the Pennsylvania Institution for occupying high places in that line. I recommend and urge that arrangements be made with the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind to receive Ambrose on the terms of their letter which I have enclose.

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INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

Feb. 13, 1892.

The Honorable,

The Commr. of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

We have an Apache lad, named Ambrose Guruz, who came to us with a very serious eye trouble in 1887. He is a bright, capable, exceedingly well behaved boy, and has made quite a little progress, notwithstanding his eye trouble; but his eyes have continued to fail, and although I have sent him to Philadelphia twice for examination and prescription by Dr. Fox, the celebrated oculist, we have not been able to save him and he is now quite blind. His lot will, of course, be a very said one, if he returns to his people at Mt. Vernon. It has occurred to me that he might be made useful, like so many blind people now-a-days, by learning some of the trades they follow, and be made sufficiently useful in the service, at some school or agency, to warrant his being employed.

At the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, they teach broom making, mattress making, pillow making, carpet weaving and some other trades, so that

the blind can do quite a good deal of work. I have had one man who was taught in the Institution to come twice and overhaul our mattresses and once to make brooms for us. Thinking it possible they would take Ambrose, I corresponded with the officials and found that they were not willing to accept of him unless he was paid for. I then stated that the Govt. might, and probably would, allow $167 per year for him while he was being trained. The case was submitted to the Board of Managers, and as a special favor they have agreed to accept of him provided the Govt. will pay the $167 and stand ready to relieve them in case of any misfortune overtaking him, and ready to remove him after he has acquired the necessary training. It might be well that his education be continued in other lines. He is especially musical and it is well known that students of the Pennsylvania Institution are occupying high places in that line. I recommend and urge that an arrangement be made with the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind to receive Ambrose on the terms of their letter which I here enclose.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

R H. Pratt

Capt. 10th Cav'y., Sup't.

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EDWARD E. ALLEN,
PRINCIPAL.

Philadelphia, Feb. 6, 1892.

Capt. R. H. Pratt.
Supt. Indian Ind. School
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir: Our Board of Managers has decided to admit Ambrose Spring to the benefits of this Institution as soon as you shall have effected an arrangement with the Government to pay us the $167. mentioned in your letter of Jan. 26. The admittance is for one year on trial, it being understood that you are responsible for the boy's removal when discharged or dismissed.

From what you have written Ambrose will make an interesting addition to our School. When comes to us, you may rest assured we will do all we can for him — Enclosed please find list of required clothing. —

Very truly
Edward E. Allen