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A. W. Ferris.
U. S. Indian Agent.

In regard to petition
sent by Indians ask-
ing that their children
be returned from
Carlisle School.

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Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.,

Sir:

A few days since I forwarded to you a petition addressed to the President asking that certain children in the Carlisle school from the Cattaraugus Reservation be discharged.

Since forwarding the petition I have seen some of the intelligent and reliable men of the Seneca Nation and they tell me that only a few families are dissatisfied with having their children at Carlisle. They say most of the children there are pleased with the school and their treatment, and they think it is a mistake for their

friends to try to get them away.
I am informed that an effort was made at the last session of the Seneca Nation Council to get the Council to pass a resolution asking that the children be sent home from Carlisle but after mature deliberation the Council declined to pass any such resolution.

I acquaint you with these facts, as I trust you would know how the majority of the Indian people feel about the matter.

Very respectfully,
P. A. W. Fernald
U. S. Indian Agent,