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Capt. T.H. Pratt, 10th U.S. Cav., Supt.

Referring to bill for
keep of Seth Clearages
at St. Joseph's Hospital
St. Paul, Minn.

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To Pratt Sept 9/93

to Sister Bernardine Sept 11/93

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,

Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.,

September 2nd 1893.

To the Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.,

Sir:

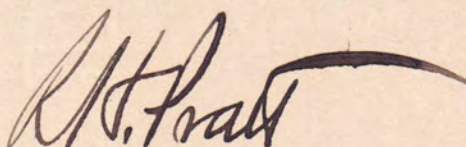
Replying to your letter of August 29th marked "Finance, 28901," with enclosed bill and letter from St. Joseph's Hospital St. Paul, Minnesota, covering care of Seth Cleareyes, a former student of this school, I have respectfully to advise you that Seth Cleareyes left here in company with Belknap Fox on the 17th of April. Belknap Fox was sent home under your order of April 11th on an appeal from the Agent. Seth Cleareyes was returned because of strong pulmonary tendencies. I had some difficulty in persuading him to go home. He said he had no good place to go to and he preferred to stay at Carlisle even though he did die. But I yielded to the Agency influences which inflexibly demand return in such cases. When the two boys reached St. Paul they had a delay of several hours. While strolling about the station they went into the barber shop and entirely without any warning and before he could be prevented Seth took one of the razors and cut his throat.

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I had a letter from Dr. Cowing, the house physician, informing me of the fact and stating that Seth would be able to go on home in two weeks. I wrote Dr. Cowing and told him that Seth had money of his own which I thought sufficient to cover his expenses for that time, and also informed him how the ticket home could be re-arranged. It now seems that Seth remained and died at the hospital. I recommend that the bill be referred to me for payment from our Carlisle appropriation.

Dictated.
2 enclosures.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. H. Pratt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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

Supt.