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In reply to:

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

Carlisle, Pa., Sept. 3, 1895.

Dr. W. N. Hailman, Supt. Ind. Schools,
Washington, D. C.

Sir :

The monthly letter which you desired has, partly through my absence and partly through my forgetfulness, missed getting to you regularly, as I intended when I wrote to you some time ago.

As you know, I spent a month in Colorado and returned home early in August. I found that during my absence Mr. Standing had been active in cleaning, repairing, painting, whitewashing and building, so that our place was in a fair way toward getting into good condition by the opening of school. The walls to the gymnasium were up to the second floor. The walls are now up and the roof going on. We shall get no end of good from this improvement.

The plan to send us the names of pupils at agency schools ready and wanting to be transferred, has been without material result. Scarcely any pupils have come from those named. Seeing that nothing was to result from that plan, I have resorted to the old method, and sent Dr. Montezuma, Dennison Wheelock and Mr. Spray; the first to Dakota, where from Pine Ridge he has already sent us 19 students, a good lot, a number of them having been at White's Institute. He is now at work at Winnebago and asks for transportation tomorrow.

W. N. HAILMAN

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2. (Dr. W. N. H.)

Mr. Wheelock was sent to Minn., Wis., and Mich. He sent in 11 from Charlevoix, Mich. and Petoskey and 7 more from L'Anse, Mich. and starts a party from White Earth today. He returns to Ashland, from which place probably 5 or 6 more will come. 8 or 10 others will come from that agency with Miss Lampson who desires to bring a party so she can see the school and something of its methods. From Oneida we ought to have 20 or more of our last year's students return to graduate and some new ones.

There is also a party likely to come from Crow Agency. 4 will be here today from California and 4 will come later from Hoopa Valley. These last I believe you arranged for under Capt. Dougherty's request.

Mr. Spray has just telegraphed for transportation for 11 and quite a number are in sight from different agencies in the Territory. We are already 79 above our number at this time last year. Should students present themselves, I shall not stop short of 800, notwithstanding our ^{reduced} appropriation.

Owing to the lack of success in our attempts to get in the parties whose names you forwarded, I drew lines closely in the out-
ing, denying a great many who offered good winter homes and country schooling. However, since there is a better prospect, I have sent out circulars and will increase the number I intended to keep out. We are comfortably full with 600 pupils on the grounds, but can carry 700 without being unduly crowded.

3.(Dr. W. N. H.)

Our teachers are now all back, and if Miss Mosher were added, I should feel that we were tolerably well prepared to do the work which we ought to do this year.

The sloyd teacher has arrived and has her place and equipments ready and will begin work today.

Teachers who have attended summer schools generally express themselves as having special satisfaction in their experiences this year. My annual report which went to you so recently will give you additional information.

We have had a long period of exceptionally fine weather, and the health of the school is correspondingly good. Out of nearly 700, only 5 are in the hospital, only one bedfast, and he is convalescing.

Very respectfully,



Capt. 10th Cavalry, Supt.

(Dictated)

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