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Carlisle, Pa. Mar. 16. 1896

Pratt, R. H.,

Captain 10th Cav'y, Supt.

Asking appointment of
Annie Lockwood.

Enclosing letter of Supt.
Collins.

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In reply to:

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

Carlisle, Pa., Mar. 16, 1896.

To The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir :

I have a Laguna Pueblo girl, Annie Lockwood, who has been here since October, 1885, save one year spent at her home in New Mexico. Three years ago she developed incipient phthisis, and it was thought best to send her home. She remained at home one year, but was so discontented and so anxious to continue her studies that the people there thought it would be better for her to return to Carlisle and she herself insisted upon returning, even though it might be fatal. Yielding to her wishes, I brought her back. My doctor here reports that she is in about the same condition she was when she returned. Without exception she is one of the most cheerful and happy spirits in the school, is bright, active and intelligent, has the respect of the girls and is recognized as a leader among them, and is capable of a great deal of work. The disease seems to be stayed, and my doctor says that she would become established in health if she had work to do in a suitable climate. Some years ago Annie Thomas, one of our good girls from the same place, was in practically the same condition. She was given a place at Keam's

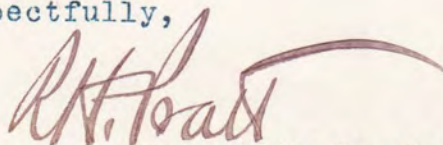
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Canyon, and she proved to be a very valuable laborer in the school first at Keam's Canyon, then at Ft. Defiance, and later at Ft. Lewis where she married one of the officials of the school, and seems to be giving excellent service.

I wrote to Mr. Collins about Annie Lockwood, and he writes me the enclosed letter. I believe that Annie could fill the place Supt. Collins desires her to have, exceptionally well, and from all the conditions in the report of my school physician, that she would build up and become an efficient school employe.

I would add my request to that of Supt. Collins, that she be favored in this matter, and that the low salary he names, which would be entirely satisfactory to her, be given to Annie.

Very respectfully,



Capt. 10th Cavalry, Supt.

Dictated(P)

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INDIAN OFFICE,

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KEAM'S CANON, ARIZONA.

Mar. 5th, 1896

RALPH P. COLLINS, SUP'T. & SP'L. DISB. AGENT.

Recommends that the Hon.
Comm. of Indian Affrs. be asked
to have a position authorized
for Annie Lockwood, at
Kearns Canon.

I have the honor to recommend that
this be approved, both in the interest of
the school and of this rather unusual
Indian girl. The need for assistant-matron
at Kearns Canon is urgent.

3/18/96.

W. V. S. G.
Supt

Keams Canon, Arizona,
March 5th, 1896.

Captain R.H. Pratt, Superintendent,

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Captain:

Yours of the 25th ultimo, relative to sending Annie Lockwood to me, is received.

I should be very glad indeed to have her come, if I had any place for her. I have little doubt that if she could come here she would regain perfect health, and that she could live a long and useful life in this country. At the present time I have no vacancy or no place which she could possibly fill. I need an Assistant Matron and asked that I be allowed one, but the Indian Office refused my request. Possibly if you would present Annie's case to the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and ask that the position be authorized here, for her, at a salary sufficient to pay her board and a little more, for the balance of this year, say at the rate of \$300.00 per year, it would be authorized. If you see fit to do this you may use this letter as representing my willingness that this be done. We can give her work suited to her condition, and I am convinced that it would be very beneficial to her, and moreover we really need the assistance which she could give.

Very respectfully,

Ralph P. Collins

Superintendent.