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Capt. R. H. Pratt  
Carlisle Sck

Aug. 27/96

In regard to Mr.  
Spray taking the  
Civil Ser. Exam.  
and the necessity  
for two teachers at  
the school

Ans. enclosing with Sprays  
appl. Aug 31/96.

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In reply to:

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

Carlisle, Pa., August 27, 1896.

Dr. W. N. Hailman, Supt. Indian Schools,  
Indian Office,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

When in Washington before your return from the west, among other things, I talked with Judge Browning about Mr. Spray, and it was concluded that Mr. Spray might remain until he could have an opportunity to go before the Civil Service Commission and take the examination for teacher's place, when, if he passed, he could be certified here. This gives us a tried and capable teacher for our juniors who will during the coming year be one of the heaviest sections. Mr. Spray has already made application to the Commission for the privilege of taking the examination. His application has been in some two weeks but he has no information yet

Mr. Hendren's health gave out entirely before the close of last year's work. He has been sick all through vacation. I have a letter this morning advising me that he has had a light attack of typhoid fever, from which he is convalescing, but that he still hopes to be with us by September first. If not then he assures me that he can be here within a week after school begins. I very much fear that his health will not hold out. We should have a teacher capable in emergency of taking No. 10 or 11, and who will be an extra. We are constantly having to meet lapses on account of ill health or other reasons. This person should be an experienced teacher of mature



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habits.

We also require a teacher for No. 3 .

I request therefore two teachers and ask that they come directly from the civil service and not by transfer from other schools.

We have two salaries at \$540.00 and one at \$500.00, three in all. I would give the experienced teacher \$540.00, and the other \$500.00. This would leave the other \$540.00 salary for Mr. Spray.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. H. Pratt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent, sweeping flourish at the end.

Captain 10th Cavalry, U.S.A.,

Superintendent.

(Dictated)

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