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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa. Feb. 11, 1897

Pratt, R. H.,

Captain 10th Cav'y, Supt,

Replying to letters of
Jan. 26, Feb. 8, + Feb. 12,
respectfully advising
that Miss Cummings
has been put in charge
of Normal room and Miss
Drum taken back to her
former place as clerk
and respectfully request-
ing Mr. Sprague and Miss Mer-
riam be allowed to continue
until after Commencement
when two graduates will be
available as teachers. A

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In reply to:

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

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Carlisle, Pa., February 16th, 1897.

To the Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Replying to your several letters of January 26th, February 8th, and February 12th, I now respectfully advise you that I have placed Miss Cummins in charge of the Normal room on trial, and have returned Miss Quinn to her place as clerk. If Miss Cummins does not promise well, then after Commencement a more general change can be made with less detriment to the school, and I will put one of my other teachers there, and assign Miss Cummins to the room she fills best. I am not, therefore, able to recommend any teacher for promotion to Normal Teacher for the present.

In regard to No. 1 and No. 11, I can dispense with two teachers after the end of March, and it seems unnecessary to send Civil Service appointees for the limited period until that time. Your letter of the 26th of January advises that authority may be granted for Mr. Spray and Miss Merriman to "remain temporarily pending the arrival of regular Civil Service appointees." Now that the measles have left us, we have fixed Commencement for the 10th and 11th of March. After Commencement we shall have two acceptable graduates available for teachers' places whom I can recommend for appointment to fill the limited time to March 31st. As the chances are that the time still left would not permit Civil Service appointees to report be-

Hon. Com. of Indian Affairs.

fore the date of our Commencement, and as after that date we can have the use of these two graduates, I trust it may be permitted that Mr. Spray and Miss Merriman can continue temporarily until that time as advised by your letter. If, however, this cannot be done and it is still considered vital that we take Civil Service appointees, they may be sent with the understanding that we shall not need them after the 31st of March.

Very respectfully,



Capt. 10th Cav'y., Supt.

(Dictated)
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