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M. F. Holland
Superior Indian Schools.

Inspection report,
Carlisle School

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Page 4 Presentation of facts.
Recommendations:

Very respectfully,
M. F. Holland
Superior Indian Schools.

Done.

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Orsburn,	" 14th,	" 18th.
Haskoll,	" 3rd,	" 13th.
Pottswastonia,	Jan. 4th,	" 8th.
Klamath,	" 23rd,	" January 2nd.
Great Nemaha,	Dec. 21st,	to 22nd.

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Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,

St. Louis, Mo.,

December 29th, 1898

The Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

In compliance with directions contained in Office letter of December 16th, I proceeded on the 19th, to the Carlisle Industrial School, and have the honor to submit the following report of my inspection thereof:

The location of the institution, its grading, its many branches of instruction, both scholastic and industrial, are so well known to the Office that remarks upon them here, would be a work of supererogation.

To my great gratification, I found everything pertaining to the School in excellent order. The systems employed in both the literary and industrial education of the pupils, are all modern and peculiarly adapted to the development and enlightenment of the Indian intellect. To reach the minds of these people in the earlier stages of their development, and interest them, ocular demonstration is necessary to a greater extent perhaps, than with the Whites, and at Carlisle, the system seems to be reduced, or rather enlarged, to a Science. The black-board of which the School boasts 36,000 square

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feet, constitutes a very valuable feature,

The decorum and discipline of the several class rooms was particularly noticeable. The children presented a clean and tidy appearance, and showed diligent application. The rooms were all in good order, and generally decorated with pictures and drawings of educational value.

The teachers, all of whom I met, are evidently heartily interested in their work, and therefore do good work. Their conduct toward the pupil, is the kind that leads, rather than drives, and by appealing to the better natures of the pupils, wins their respect and secures the best results.

Among the teachers themselves, a commendable spirit of harmony and co-operation exists, and the same may be said of the employees generally.

The food supply, both in quality and quantity, is all that could be desired, and the dining room and kitchen were found to be scrupulously clean and well kept. The bed rooms are models of comfort, cleanliness and neatness.

The health of the children is very good. Of the 894 children enrolled--494 boys and 400 girls--about thirty, only, were ailing, on the 20th, inst., from slight disorders.

In my inspection of the store room, I found a large quantity of lamps and fixtures that were rendered useless by the introduction of electricity a few years ago. Many of these lamps have

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never been used, and those that have been used are generally good and serviceable. A statement showing the quantities and styles of these lamps was submitted to the Office by the Superintendent's letter of Dec. 13th, 1895, to which attention is invited. This property is not only occupying much needed space in the store room, but will necessarily deteriorate to some extent, and it should be disposed of in some manner. If lamps of these styles are required at other schools and have to be purchased from time to time, it is respectfully recommended that those at Carlisle be sent where they are needed.

This recommendation is based upon a continuation of the present method of lighting by means of power obtained from the town of Carlisle where duplicate sets of machinery are kept to provide for accidents. If, however, an electric plant should be established and operated by the school, a project that is understood to be under consideration, the lamps may occasionally be needed where they are. Twice within the last two years I have been at places where the private plant failed and caused great inconvenience for several days. It is in my opinion very questionable whether a private electric plant for this school would be a wise move.

Owing to the fact that I bought a straight ticket from Washington to St. Louis my stopover privilege was limited; and this, together with the exceedingly bad weather during my stay at Carlisle, rendered an inspection of outdoor matters impracticable. Neither

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was I able to give the attention to indoor affairs that I would have liked.

If, therefore, this report should indicate remissness in any particular, it is hoped that it will be charitably attributed to my lack of time and to my inexperience.

I arrived here late last night after being delayed on the road for about six hours by an accident just out of Harrisburg.

Will leave tomorrow morning for the Great Nemaha School and, as nearly as I can calculate at this time and place my itinerary will be as follows:

Great Nemaha,	Dec. ^{27th} 27 th ,	to 28th.
Kickapoo,	" 29th,	" January 3rd.
Pottawatomie,	Jan. 4th,	" 8th,
Haskell,	" 9th,	" 13th.
Quapaw,	" 14th,	" 18th.
Seneca, &c.,	" 19th,	" 23rd.

Should I find that my contemplated stay at either of these points can be shortened without slighting the work, it will be done.

Very respectfully,

M. A. Holland
Supervisor Indian Schools.

Recommendations:

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