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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa. *Feb 20 1900*

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Major 10th Cav'y, Supt.

Enclosing letter from
Jeannette M. Buckles who
desires a transfer from
asst. matron to teacher.

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To Carlisle Feb. 26 1900
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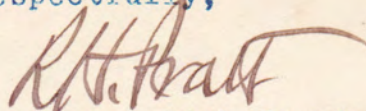
To The Honorable,
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir :-

I enclose a letter from Jeannette M. Buckles, now assistant matron at the Puyallup School, Tacoma. She has several times written me asking if I could not help her to get a transfer from matron to teacher. Jeannette is a graduate of our last class, is exceptionally healthy and capable, jolly and buoyant in her character, and so far I believe has made a good record.


If it happens that she can be favored in her wish to be transferred to an assistant teacher's place, which is what she fitted herself for, I should be pleased to have that done. I do not ask it, however, unless the change would be a convenience and advantage to the service.

Very respectfully,



Major 10th Cavalry, Supt.

Dictated (P)



Pacoma, Wash.,

Jan. 20th 1899.

My Dear Major,

I am going against my word in not writing as often as I thought I could but still I often think of you and the good you have done for me and my race. Lately I have had a greater responsibility thrown upon my shoulders. Instead of being matron over the forty small boys, I have now on my roll between 100 and 103. Some in my building are older than I am. Mrs. Etmer's system as matron over we girls has helped me a

great deal now that I am
matron of the boys for I
try to run things like she
did and glad to tell
you that more then once
I have been congratulated
as matron. But oh, how
much more I wish to be
a ~~matron~~ teacher and I
know I could do it as
well as any white person,
having had a four years
training at Carlisle.

There has been two
vacancies for teachers here
since I came but I had
no chances for getting them
as the first place was
gotten by the lady tele-
graphing to Washington
and the other got ^{it} from
from friends there. Both

are white women.

Miss Blake, my friend is
looking for a teacher's
position also and she has
helping her Mrs Hart, our
superintendent's wife, who knew
Miss Blake at Haskell, when she
was there as teacher. Mrs Hart
has written to Miss Reels for
a place for her, which I hope
she will get. I want to ask
you if you won't please
use your influence in getting
me in as teacher. I think
that I would be improving
myself a great deal more if
I was teacher.

When I think of Carlisle
I feel like a lost chicken.
but still I am perfectly happy.
I have been reelected as
leader of the King's Daughters

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here and so I have been these past seven months. Now I am trying to get one of the new teachers to take my place so that with our next term we will have a new leader probably.

I am learning to do fancy work, embroidery etc. and am doing my best all around. I shall not bring disgrace upon dear Carlisle even if some Carlisle boys and girls have done so for I am too thankful for the training I received.

Please try to help me get a teachers position. With love to you all. Lovingly - Jeannette M. Buckles.