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Maj. R. H. Pratt,
Carlisle School
July 2, 1900.

Forwards letter of
Charles D. Wheelock
who desires positions
for himself and wife,

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Charles D. Wheelock,
Asst. Engineer at Indian
School, Shoshone Agency, Wyo.
July 2, 1900.

Respectfully forwarded.

Charles D. Wheelock was a pupil of this school from Sept. 30, 1885 to Apr. 10, 1889. His wife, Julia Powlas was also a pupil here from Nov. 7, 1885 to July 8, 1889 graduating in the class of '89.

Their long absence from the school and their service under the Department make their qualities better known to the Indian Department than to me.

I respectfully recommend them for such consideration as the needs of the service and their record in it entitles them to.

R.H. Pratt

Major 10th Cavalry, Supt.

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Shashone Agency Wyo.

June 26th 1900

Major R. H. Pratt

Carlisle Pa.

Dear Sir

Ever since I left Carlisle I have been in several kind of business, trying to be some body, and to be independent. I start up a store in city of Deben just then hard times came on had to give it up. Then went in saw mill business with another man in partnership of which I lost pretty near all I had, then I bought traction thrashing machine outfit, paid so much on it and balance on installment plan. That year oats went down as low as 12 and 10 cents per bushels

and there I was again. Last summer I thought I settled down and be a farmer and got all the farm I can get (which was staid in Helpe) and worked hard but last spring it rained so much that part of the seed rotted and in fall when my brother James was at home we had a big wind the grain layed down flat and had hard times in getting it cut but James was very kind to help me while he was there we used six horse on a binden 3 in for noon and three in after noon I expected to raise at least five thousand bushels but instad of that I raised little over two thousand bushels I had lot of stam for the cattle then I was ~~discurged~~ discouraged and applied for a position

in Indian service and since my appointment
as assist. Engineer I have done my best of which
I will also enclose a copy of the recommendation
from the Chief Engineer here. My position
is to be abolished here at the end of this month
I wish to ask you if you would be so
kind as to help me to secure a position
and for my wife also. As soon as I get
enough money I wish to start up a
cattle business an early answer will
oblige

Your school boy
L. D. Wheelock.

P.S. I can not thank you enough for
the trade I learn at Carlisle, some thing
that I never can lose it

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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa.

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Pratt, R. H.,

Major 10th Cav'y, Supt.

*Endorsement of W. W. Cochrane
on Charles Wheelock as
engineer.*

In reply to:

Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,

Shoshone Agency, Wyo.,

June 26th, 1900.

Wind River Boarding School.

The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

This is to certify that Mr. Charles Wheelock has been my assistant (Engineer's department) at this school for several months, and has run the pumping machinery and electric lighting plant with skill and care, and by actual test has proven himself an efficient engineer, always faithful in the performance of duty.

Respectfully submitted for consideration.
W. W. Cochrane.

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Pratt, R. H.,

Major 10th Cav'y, Supt.

*Endorsement of Edwin L.
Chalcraft, Supt. on
Charles Wheelock.*

Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,

Shoshone Agency Wyo.

June 26, 1880

This is to certify that Charles Whulock has filled the position of assistant engineer at this school with credit to himself. He is competent and careful. I can heartily recommend him to anyone wanting such a man.

Edwin L. Chalcraft
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