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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa. Aug. 8, 1900

Pratt, R. H.,

Major 10th Cav'y, Supt.

Requesting authority to purchase two pieces of timber for flag-pole.

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Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

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CARLISLE, PA., Aug. 8, 1900.

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

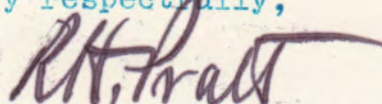
Sir:-

On the 25th of Nov. 1898 by letter, I explained to you the need of a new flag-pole and asked to purchase. Authority was granted Dec. 7, 1898 see Finance 53398, Authority 59164 for the sum of \$225.00.

The conditions that we take two car-loads of lumber at the same time, operated against us and I was unable to make a purchase. I therefore patched up and strengthened by wrapping strap-iron around the old pole and continued it, but it ought to be replaced and at once. I have been looking for some time for a proper flag-staff which is difficult to find in this region but have at last located near Chambersburg two trees that will make us a staff 120 ft., which will be delivered on our siding for \$165.00.

It is not so much a question of competition as to secure what is needed. I therefore request authority to purchase the two pieces of timber, delivered here at a cost of \$165.00.

Very respectfully,



Major 10th, Cavalry, Supt.

R.B.