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Enclosing application for ap-
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disciplinarian - Moses Shongo

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Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Carlisle, Pa., July 25, 1901.

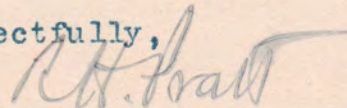
To The Honorable,
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir :-

I forward herewith application of Moses Shongo for a position as bandmaster and disciplinarian in the Indian service. Mr. Shongo is a trained musician, is at present a soloist in our band, and his playing certainly is fine. Personally I know nothing of his other qualities, but he is a strong, well built man and seems to have good commonsense. He was specially recommended to me by Dr. Lake who has worked among the Indians of New York for twenty-five years and knows them well, and also by the long time missionary, Rev. M. F. Trippe, who says his family is an exceptionally good one; that Shongo himself knows what is right and he believes intends to do right. He has shown great interest in the training of the boys in music and I believe could be well used in some smallish school where they have a band.

Mr. Potter, Supt. at Chemawa where he served, speaks very highly of his musical abilities. He left Chemawa under circumstances not creditable to himself, but from information I have from Mr. Potter and others I am led to believe he would gladly make amends. He would not want an appointment until after the Buffalo contract is filled, about Sept. 1st or 15th.

Very respectfully,



Lt. Col. 15th Cavalry, Supt.

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APPLICATION

OF

Moses Shongo,

An Indian of the

Seneca Tribe

For appointment as

Bandmaster & Disciplinarian.

Carlisle Pa.

July 25-1901

The Honorable
 COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
 Washington, D. C.

SIR :

I have the honor to apply for the position of Band Master
and disciplinarian, - - - - -
 in the Indian Service. I declare upon my honor that the answers to the subjoined
 questions are true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully,

(Signature.)

Moses Shongo

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
1. What is your name in full?	Moses Shongo.
2. What is the date of your birth?	don't know, about 1861.
3. Where were you born?	Alleghany Reservation.
4. To what tribe of Indians do you belong?	Seneca.
5. Where is your present residence?	Cattaraugus Reservation N.Y.
6. What Indian schools have you attended?	none
7. From which of these schools were you graduated?	none
8. Are you or have you been married?	yes.
9. If married, how many children, if any, dependent upon you?	Three - all.
10. Are you physically strong enough for the duties of the position to which you seek appointment?	yes.
11. Have you any defect of sight?	no.
12. Have you any defect of hearing?	no.
13. Have you any defect of limb?	no.
14. Have you any defect of speech?	no.
15. What is your height measured in your bare feet?	5 - 10 inches.
16. What is your weight in your ordinary clothing?	200.

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
17. Have you any chronic disease or disorder?	no,
18. Have you had any severe illness during the past five years?	no.
19. Do you promise on your honor to abstain from the use of alcoholic liquors while in the service?	yes.
20. What experience have you had in the work you seek?	24 yrs a musician,
21. Do you sing?	no,
22. What musical instruments, if any, do you play?	cornet.

I inclose a copy of my certificate of graduation (or attendance) at the last Indian School of which I was a member, the names of one Agent, one Superintendent, and one matron, to whom I refer as to my character and fitness for the work I seek.

Respectfully,

(Signature.)

Moses Shongo

(Post-office address.)

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