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Prof. R. H.,

Lt. Col. 15th Cav'y, Supt.

Enclosing letter of Ella Sturm  
who applies for a position in the  
Indian Service.

Endorsing application.

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**Department of the Interior,**  
**INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,**

Carlisle, Pa., Oct. 30, 1901.

To The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

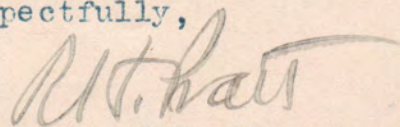
Washington, D. C.

Sir :-

The enclosed letter from Ella Sturm, who graduated from Carlisle in March of this year, explains itself. I have to say in her behalf that during her period here we found her industrious and pleasant in disposition, and above the ordinary Indian girl in judgment and responsiveness. For some time she assisted in the school hospital and acquired some knowledge in caring for the sick. She has a good stock of common sense, and I think would be useful in any minor position she feels herself most competent to fill. I have advised her to write direct to the office, making application on the blank usually used.

Ella is the daughter of Dr. Sturm, who married a woman of the Caddo tribe and has for many years lived among the Indians. His influence has always been on the side of progress, and he has many times performed valuable service to the Government in his relations with the Indians of the southwest.

Very respectfully,



Lt. Col. 15th Cavalry, Supt.

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Cobb, O.T.

Oct. 23/01.

Col. R. H. Pratt,

Carlisle, Pa.

My dear friend:—

It has been my mind  
to write to you ever since  
I came home but the mere  
thought of breaking home  
ties again kept me from  
doing so. For what I want  
to ask you Col., is to be

so kind as to recommend  
me for a position. It is true  
I have a nice home and  
my father and mother  
would like to have me  
stay but that is not the  
Carlisle idea; is it Colonel?  
To stay home and depend  
on one's parents even tho'  
they have plenty.

This country is settling  
up very fast with white  
people and we have  
more white neighbors

than Indians. They say  
Anadarko is quite a town  
but I don't think it is  
much. One day we drove  
through the town and we  
counted twenty-one saloons.  
It seems as tho' every  
other door is a saloon.

My father is well and  
sends his regards to you.

This letter leaves me  
well but am impatient  
to get out and work.

Write to me soon  
and let me know what

you can do for me.

I shall thank you by  
trying to do my best in  
whatever I do.

with best regards.

I remain yours  
Respect.

Ella Sturm.

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From R. L.

Ex. Col. 15th Cav. Regt.

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