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Carlisle, Pa., Apr. 11, 1904.

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Concerning Charles King.

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Department of the Interior,

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,

Carlisle, Pa., April 11, 1904/190

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To The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

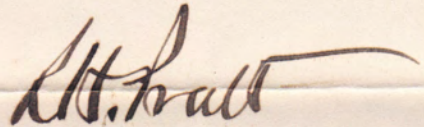
Sir :

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant marked "Education 17994 - 1904" relative to Charles King, a student of this school, whose father is reported by Supt. Hart of Oneida to be in great need of him, I have to respectfully advise you that Charles came to Carlisle for a second term Sept. 13th, 1901. Having come for five years as do all students who enter Carlisle, his time will not expire until the summer of 1905. His ambition was to graduate within that time. He may not be able to accomplish this, being a little slow at books, but he has not reached his limit by any means. He has been interested in his work and has done very well in the country this winter where he has been attending public school and is considered one of our trusty boys. He certainly deserves an opportunity to continue in school. As he is in the country I have not been able so far to consult him specially as to his wish at this time, but I understand he has lately been somewhat disturbed by letters from home. As it is very doubtful that he would be content to remain with his father if he were sent home, and moreover as he lost one year of school on account of his father's opposition when sent home after his first term, I cannot see the justice to the boy of returning him before the expiration of his term even though he might feel for the

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time that he would like to go. From information I have of the home conditions he would go to, it would be a favor to the boy to even exaggerate the rules somewhat in order to keep him away from their influences. He is very undersized for his age and in all ways quite too boyish to be loaded with the support of his father.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "A. H. Hall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Col. & Supt.