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Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.,
June 24, 1905.

J.R. Wise,
Acting Supt.

Reports on letter of Princess
Chinquilla relative to money and
effects of Harry K. Cole, who
deserted.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE
INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL
CARLISLE, PENNA.

June 24, 1905.

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

Sir:

I am in receipt of letter "Education 45575" dated the 16th instant from the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs, inclosing letter dated the 8th instant at San Francisco, Cal., from Princess Chinquilla in regard to her son Harry K. Cole and the circumstances under which he left this school about four years ago. You request a report in connection with the statement of Princess Chinquilla that her son left \$20 here in the school bank, his trunk and a gold watch.

In reply I have to state that it has been the practice at this school for many years that when pupils deserted they forfeited any moneys remaining to their credit in the school bank earned by themselves and also their trunk and personal effects. This rule has always been thoroughly understood by the boys here and no doubt the said Harry K. Cole well knew the penalty which he must pay when he deserted. The accounts of the school show that this young man had a balance of \$20.35 when he left here. This sum was converted, it appears, into the fund for the reading room at the small boys' quarters and undoubtedly was expended for that purpose. We are unable to find any record of the personal effects of this boy or

the disposition made of them. It has been the practice, however, to sell the trunks or other personal effects of run-a-ways at auction after waiting a reasonable length of time for them to return, and use the proceeds to meet the expenses of the boy's reading room. It is quite probable that such disposition was made by Col. Pratt of the effects in question. It is doubtful whether there was a gold watch included among the effects as no one has any recollection of the same here nor is there any record of it. If he had a gold watch it is more than likely that he would have taken it with him.

This young man's record as a student here was anything but creditable, and it may not be out of place to remark that Princess Chinquilla herself is quite a noted character, being in the show business and traveling constantly. Her letter is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,



Acting Superintendent.

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Princess Chingulla,
San Francisco, Cal,
June 8, 1905
Want a position
for her son Harry
K. Cole.

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C. F. Larrabee

Dear Sir

Yours received. My son Harry K. Cole will be 19 July! coming. since leaving Carlisle has did many things worked in shoe shops restaurants day labors and in fact any thing he could get to do. last place was in a fire Proofer in New York City Howell & Lawrence Co. he left this because they put him to work on buildings in the winter and as he had previously froze his feet & hands he could not stand the work. I belong to the Southern Cheyennes daughter of Lone Star. who is dead. My husband who was a white man died when my boy was one year old. I have maintained myself and boy since. except while he was in Carlisle. not enrolled for years

I wish my son to have
possible. He cannot stand on
building in the winter. I am very sorry
to tell you he deserted his school
under Col. Pratt. for no other reason
then that they use to make speeches
to the boys about running away. and
that if they did they could be found
at once. & to prove to them that they
could not find him. he ran away &
for 3 years was away. I spent my lifes
savings looking for him. all his cards
while at school sent to me not one
bear a black mark against him.
he left \$20.00 in the school bank which
Supt. Wise said, belonged to the school.
under the conditions & rules of the school
a gold watch & his trunk which I sent
him they also kept. I only found him
this last Dec. as he is quite a man for
his age being about 5 ft. 10. I did not
return him to the school. he is willing
to work if he can get it. or farm if he
had the land and a start. Jamaica N.Y.
Shore View Park will reach him. You may write
me to Auckland N.Z. G. H. Brett evening star
Princess Margaret office