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Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.,
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Major W.A. Mercer,
Supt.

Recommends that Wm.B. Gray, dairy
man be transferred to position of
asst. farmer, and that authority be
granted to appoint a new dairyman.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PENNA.

Jan. 17, 1906.

The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that William B. Gray, dairyman at this school at \$480 per annum, be transferred to the position of assistant farmer at \$600 per annum to fill the vacancy in the latter position.

I do not think the condition of Mr. Gray's health is such that he should longer continue as dairyman. He is anxious to try the farm and it is the school physician's opinion that that would be a good change for him, and as he is able to take charge of the farm work on the lower farm I have deemed it advisable, in the best interests of the school, to recommend the above change.

It is also very important that we should have an up-to-date dairyman here. The product of the dairy means a great deal for the school and owing to the diseased condition of the herd resulting in the necessity of killing 38 of them, and the old obsolete methods pursued in the dairy, the results have not been at all satisfactory and I believe that the appointment of a new dairyman will also work to the advantage of the school, provided we can get a good man for the place, and to this end I would consider the school fortunate if conditions are such that I may be permitted to select a good man for a special examination, and request that this be allowed if possible.

Very respectfully,

W. A. Mercer
Major 11th Cavalry,
Superintendent.