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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

Carlisle, Pa., May 7, 1907.

The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In compliance with Office Circular No. 150, Education, dated April 22, 1907, the following report relative to the religious exercises at this school is submitted:

The total present enrollment of the school, separated as to denominations, is as follows:

<u>Denomination.</u>	<u>Boys.</u>	<u>Girls.</u>
Roman Catholic	208	130
Methodist Episcopal	161	77
Presbyterian	151	79
Episcopal	48	45
Evangelical	16	
Baptist		13
Lutheran		4
Congregational		3
No choice	30	34
	<u>614</u>	<u>385</u>

It will be understood that the above figures represent the choice of the pupils as to denominations, but do not indicate that the pupils are members of the denominations named. The number of pupils in full membership with any of the denominations is comparatively small.

All pupils attend Sunday school at 9 a.m. on Sundays, the Protestant girls in the school building under the instruction of teachers of the school, and the boys and Catholic girls at the

various churches in the town of Carlisle. An employe accompanies the Catholic girls. The boys are divided into squads for the different churches and each squad, under charge of a pupil officer, marches to its respective church and returns to the school at the close of Sunday school. Roll is called before they leave the school and after they return, and each officer carries a list of the names of the boys in his squad.

Girls of the Protestant denominations often attend church services in town at 11 A.M. on Sundays accompanied by an employe, but such attendance is not compulsory. At 3:30 p.m. on Sundays the Catholic pupils meet in the Y.M.C.A. hall of the school where services are conducted by a priest, and at the same time the Protestant pupils meet in the school auditorium where a short sermon is preached by a minister. Sunday evenings a prayer meeting is held in the Y.M.C.A. hall attended by all the large boys; one in the small boys' dormitory attended by all small boys; and one in the girls' dormitory attended by all the girls. These are usually conducted by employes. Except in the one instance above noted, attendance is compulsory. Between six and seven p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays Catholic sisters conduct exercises for large boys, small boys and girls, respectively, at the school. At times other denominations hold such mid-week meetings, but not regularly.

"Prayers" are held every evening before retiring in each of the dormitories, the same consisting of the Lord's Prayer repeated by all in concert. A copy of the graces sung before meals is here-

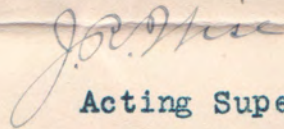
with inclosed. The Doxology, to the tune of "Old Hundred" is often sung in lieu of one of the special graces.

All the regular religious exercises are mentioned above. Special arrangements are often made with representatives of the various churches to meet pupils at the school, or for certain pupils to go to special services in town, when such arrangements will not interfere with the school work of the pupils.

When a pupil arrives he is asked as to the church he desires to attend and his answer is recorded. A change of denomination is not allowed without the written consent or request of parents or guardian. Parents seldom request such changes.

As the pupils are called out from the line at roll call to attend the churches, there is small chance for absence without cause. An offender in this respect is reprimanded or denied social privileges for a stated period.

Very respectfully,



Acting Superintendent.

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GRACE FOR MEALS.

(EVENING.)

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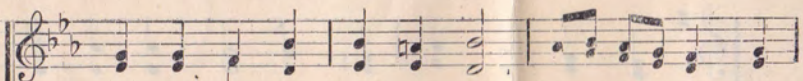
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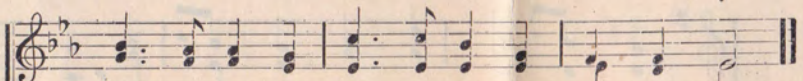
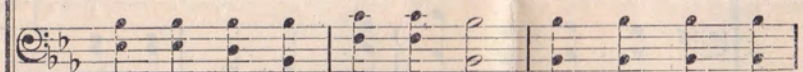
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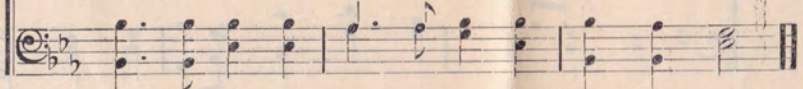
day is done; Thanks and love we bring, re - call - ing



All thy care from sun to sun, And when days no



more are giv - en, Pray we may be thine in heaven.



Words and Music written especially for the Carlisle, Pa. Indian Industrial School.

Grace Before Meals.



WORDS AND MUSIC

WRITTEN ESPECIALLY FOR THE

CARLISLE, PA., INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.



DINING HALL INTERIOR.

MORNING.

Words by EDNA DEAN PROCTOR.

Music by WM. G. FISCHER.

For sleep and comfort thro' the night, For strength and joy with

morn - ing light, For food and friends and gra - cious care And

all that makes our life so fair, We thank thee Lord, and

hum - bly pray Thy love may guide our steps to - day.

NOON.

Words by EDNA DEAN PROCTOR.

Music by WM. G. FISCHER.

Noon has come with peace and cheer, In the home we

hold so dear, Swift and bright the hours go by,

While our pleas - ant tasks we ply, And for all thy

boun - ty's store, Lord, we thank thee ev - er - more.