



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,

CARLISLE, PA.

April 20, 1912.

My dear Mr. Valentine: -

I was tremendously pleased to note the practical carrying out of your policy with regard to the employment of Indians, as noted in your letter to Senator Brown, a copy of which you so kindly enclosed to me.

I consider the general principle under which this action has been taken, and your whole policy on this subject. one of paramount interest and value to the Service. The rapid filling of official positions by Indians themselves, when they prove competent and through the regular Civil Service channels, will do much to give the Indians everywhere confidence and ambition.

It seems tome that this is a notable beginning along a line which will rapidly bring good results. Assuredly it must be the natural outcome of our work in Indian education and civilization. I desire to congratulate you on the stand that you have taken, and to say that I shall spread the gospel in every way in which I can.

Very sincerely yours,

mucdua Superintendent.

Hon. Robt. G. Valentine, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.