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Charity Fund.

Mr. Oscar H. Lippe,
Supervisor in Charge,
Carlisle School.

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My dear Mr. Lipps:

The Office has received your letter of August 17, enclosing papers pertaining to a bequest made about May, 1908, to the Carlisle School by Mary P. Ropes and her sister, Eliza O. Ropes, of Salem, Massachusetts, and asking to be advised as to how you should account for the bonds and the check left by the trustees with you.

Inasmuch as there is no United States statute prohibiting the Government from accepting bequests of this kind, and it is now too late to take up the question in this particular case, you should account for the bonds and the check for \$179.40 under Miscellaneous Receipts,

Class 4. The enclosures to your letter are herewith returned.
Very truly yours,

INITIALING COPY - FOR FILE.

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(Signed) E. B. Meritt
Assistant Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR
INDIAN SERVICE

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I inclose herewith the files of this office relating to one of the so-called "charity funds" of this school. The file does not appear complete but it contains all the record we have been able to locate in this office. It appears that about May, 1908, that Mary P. Ropes and her sister, Eliza O. Ropes, both of Salem, Mass., died leaving a bequest to the Carlisle school in the sum of \$5,000; that this was an ordinary bequest without restrictions; that the money was paid to former Superintendent Friedman and turned over by him to a board of volunteer trustees. Mr. Wetzel and Mr. Ray, members of this board of trustees, came to my office a few weeks ago and left with me the railroad bonds enumerated in the inclosed statement and their check for \$179.40 which are now being held in the office safe at the school.

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Please advise me how I should account for the bonds and the \$179.40. Is there not a U.S. statute prohibiting the Government from accepting donations of this kind?

Respectfully,

O. H. Lipps
SUPERVISOR IN CHARGE.