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Return home
of pupils..

FOR FILE

Moses Friedman, Esq.,

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

The Office has received your letter of June 17 concerning the return home of the Renville children.

It appears now that these girls attended the public school before going to Carlisle and that probably some deception on the part of the parents was practiced in order to have them enrolled at your school.

This changes the situation somewhat and it is believed that you will not care to have the girls return.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke,

Chief Clerk.

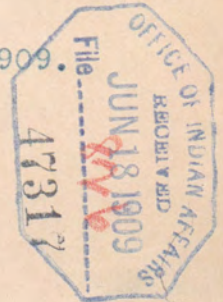
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

SUBJECT:
Relative to
return home of the
Renville children.

June 17th, 1909.



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

Sir:

Referring to Office letter of June 8, 1909, marked "Education - Administration, 41688-1909, A.V.S.", and relative to the return home of the Renville children, I respectfully report that the mother made a request some time ago that the girls should be allowed to come home for the summer months, promising that she would return them to school here in the fall. I refused in the general way in which other similar requests had been refused parents of other children enrolled here, for the reason that the girls never gave an indication of being dissatisfied and for the reason that it was deemed inadvisable to grant such special request.

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I respectfully report further that since the receipt of Office letter referred to above, Mr. and Mrs. Renville have again requested the return home of their children and have forwarded sufficient money to pay the expenses home. Arrangements are being made accordingly to send these girls home, and the parents are being notified to that effect.

In view of the tone of the letters received earlier

from the parents of these children, I respectfully recommend that these two Renville girls be carried "on leave" during the summer months and that they should not be denied the privilege of returning ^{to} the school to complete their term of enrollment if they so desire.

Mr. and Mrs. Renville's letter is returned to the Office herewith.

Very respectfully,

M. J. Quinn

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Superintendent.

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Hon. Robert J. Gamble,
United States Senate.

Sir:

I have your letter of June 12, inclosing one from F. E. Dudeck, Principal of the Peever School, in connection with the return home of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Renville, of Peever, South Dakota.

The Superintendent of Carlisle School has informed the Office that he is making arrangements to send the girls home and the Office has decided that since they have public school facilities nearby they should remain home and take advantage of them.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) R. G. Valentine,

Commissioner.

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R. J. GAMBLE, CHAIRMAN.
ISAAC STEPHENSON,
MURPHY J. FOSTER.

LEONARD UNDERWOOD,
CLERK.

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

June 12, 1909.

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

My dear Sir:-

I herewith inclose letter in connection with the applica-
tion of Samuel H. and Mrs. Renville of Peever, S.D. for the return of
their children for the Summer from the Carlisle Indian School for
your consideration.

Yours very truly,

Robert J. Gamble



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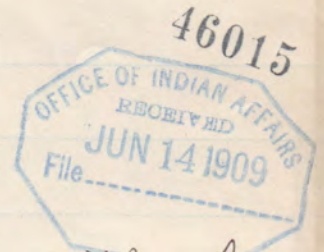
Peever, S. Dak.,

June 9, 09.

Senator Gamble

Washington, D. C.,

Dear Sir:



Mrs. S. H. Penville has asked me to write to you regarding her two girls Germaine and Fleeta who are attending school at Carlisle, Pa.. She wants her daughters to come home for the summer vacation but it seems the faculty does not want to let them come home. The girls are young, the youngest being eleven years old. I have been principal of the Peever school for the past four years and know that the girls could do better here than at Carlisle as here they would be among white children. They have both been in my room while I was teacher and will say that they are exceptionally bright. I recommend that they be allowed to come home and ask you to write the faculty asking them to allowd the girls to come home.

Thanking you in advance I am

Sincerely,

F. E. Dudeck.

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FOR FILE

Mr. Sampson H. Renville,
Peever, South Dakota.

My Friend:

In further reference to the return of your children from Carlisle School, you are advised that the Superintendent has informed the Office that arrangements are being made to send them home.

It now appears that they should not have been taken out of the public school to be enrolled in the Government Indian School, as these non-reservation schools are intended for Indians who do not have school privileges among white people.

It has been decided that your children should remain at home and attend a public school.

Your friend, lly,

(Signed) R. G. Valentine,

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Commissioner.

S. H. RENVILLE

HARNESSES, SADDLERY



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HARNESSES REPAIRING

Peever, South Dakota,

May 22nd 1909

Hon. A. Gamble,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,-



We have two girls attending the Carlisle Indian school, whom we should like to have come home this summer.

They went there last fall for a term of three years, but expected to be allowed the privilege of spending the summer vacation at home. Before the girls went to Carlisle I wrote to Supt. Friedman asking him if they could come home during the summer vacation if we paid their traveling expenses. His reply was that he would decide that later, or when the time came. The letter herewith will explain how he decided.

The new rulings, I understand, were made for those Indian children whose people live out on reservations and in Indian style. These children in going home for a time would naturally go back to camp life and

S. H. RENVILLE

HARNESS, SADDLERY



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speaking their own language, and, hence, have to begin anew upon their return to school.

These are the children whom Supt. Friedman has reference to, I believe.

Now, I do not think that our children can be classed with these, as we are living in town and have been in business here a number of years, and have a good home. Our children have been attending the public school here since they were six years old, and two were taking music lessons when they left for Carlisle.

We certainly expected the girls to be benefited by going to Carlisle and at less expense to us. We were told, by different parties, that the children could take music and drawing lessons with their other school work and would be fitted for Westchester Normal and sent there free of expense after finishing at Carlisle. The school was, evidently, misrepresented to us, and we certainly regret having allowed them to go there.

S. H. RENVILLE

HARNESS, SADDLERY



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Peever, South Dakota,

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I wrote Mr. Friedman about the girls taking music lessons and he replied that he would try to arrange for them to take music.

Thus far the girls have not had a single music lesson given them, and have not even touched a piano since leaving home. Consequently, I think the girls must have forgotten what music they did know when they went to Carlisle.

Our oldest girl, who is about sixteen years old, and now at Carlisle, played the organ for Church and Sunday School here before going to Carlisle, and was doing well in her music.

I do not wish to criticise the Carlisle school too harshly, but simply wish to point out in what respects the girls would be benefited by returning home. The school is undoubtedly alright for certain children.

Now, we wish to get our children home from Carlisle and respectfully ask your aid.

S. H. RENVILLE

HARNESS, SADDLERY



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HARNESS REPAIRING

Peever, South Dakota,

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One of our girls, who is twelve years old, has been sick and in the hospital a good share of the time she has been at Carlisle. I think the climate is one cause and the food she has to eat - another cause for her sickness.

I will send you letters, if necessary, to verify the statements made herein, that our children would be benefited by returning home. They are not satisfied there.

Will you kindly use your influence in helping to get our girls home as soon as possible?

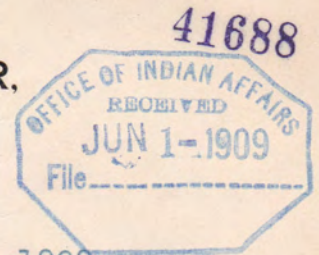
I may be able to do a favor for you sometime: and certainly will do so should an occasion present itself.

Awaiting your convenience and thanking you for past favors, I am,

Respectfully Yours,

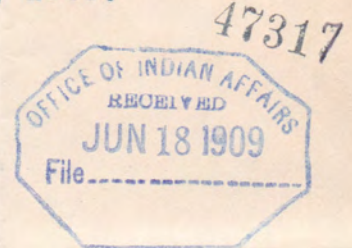
Sampson H. Renville
Rose D. Renville

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.



May 14th, 1909.

Mrs. S. H. Renville,
Peever, South Dakota.

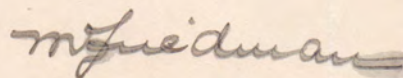


Dear Madam:

After carefully considering the contents of your letter of the 8th instant, I must again state that there seems to be no urgent reason for the return home of your girls. They are satisfied with their school work here and are getting along very nicely, so that it would not be for their best interests to allow them to have a leave of absence now.

It was the custom under former administrations to allow some of the pupils to go home for their summer's vacation, but it always caused a great deal of dissatisfaction among those that could not go home, so that I have come to the conclusion that it will be best for the pupils and for the school not to grant such vacations.

Yours very truly,



HKM.

Superintendent.

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Return of Renville
children to their
homes.

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Moses Friedman, Esq.,

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

There is inclosed for your information, a letter of Mr. and Mrs. Renville, of Peever, South Dakota, which has been referred here, concerning the return of their children from your school.

The Office is inclined to think from the tone of the Renville letter that it might be better to return these children to their home, inasmuch as it seems the public schools are easily accessible, and the parents have means to **provide properly** for their children. However, nothing definite will be determined upon until your reply is received.

Please submit a report and your recommendations, returning the letter of Mr. and Mrs. Renville.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) C. F. Hauke,

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Chief Clerk.

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from Carlisle School.

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Mr. & Mrs. Sampson H. Renville,
Peever, South Dakota.

My Friends:

I have received, by reference, your letter of May
22, concerning the return of your children from the Carlisle
School.

This matter will receive consideration and you
will be informed as to the conclusion reached.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke,
Chief Clerk.

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Carlisle School.

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Hon. Robert J. Gamble,
United States Senate.

FOR FILE

My dear Senator:

I have your letter of May 31, inclosing one from
Mr. and Mrs. Sampson H. Renville, of Peever, South Dakota,
requesting the return of their children from the Carlisle
School. This matter will receive immediate attention and
you will be further advised.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) R. G. Vallentyne, Jr.,

Acting Commissioner.

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W. J. GAMBLE, CHAIRMAN.
ISAAC STEPHENSON,
MURPHY J. FOSTER.
LEONARD UNDERWOOD,
CLERK.

United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

May 31, 1909.



Read by R. G. V.

Hon. R. G. Valentine,
Acting Commissioner Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Valentine,-

I inclose herewith communication just received from Sampson H. and Rose D. Renville of Peever, S. D., which explains itself. I have no knowledge concerning the matter other than as stated in their letter, and would thank you if you would cause the matter to be looked into and advise me as to whether or not their request can be complied with.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Gamble

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