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June 17th '90

To the Hon. The Commis of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to forward herewith 15 additional letters received from ex-Carlisle students and respectfully invite your attention to the letter from Harrell Stewart, Nez Perce, Celia Pickard, Wichita, Henry North, Arapahoe, Leonard Tyler, Cheyenne, and Maria Anallo, Pueblo. There are others that have points of interest in them, but these seem especially so.

Very respectfully, A. J. Standing Asst. Supt.

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Wichita Agency Anadarko I.T. June 1890

Capt. R. H. Pratt. Dear Sir:

I now seat myself to inform you of how I have been getting along since I left dear Carlisle. I received those printed question's to be answered and all the answer's are very true. I am the best Seamstress here and they say they can not get on without me. I can now make my own dresses as well as any one else. I will undertake to making my sister's clothes for her when she comes home from Phila. and not trouble mother about having them made. We have a small stockade house it is my brother in law's, we have a small farm too. We have a few peach trees & few apple trees, and we have a garden in the yard it is doing very well, there are onions, beans, tomatoes, cabbages, musk and water melons, Irish & sweet potatoes, pumpkins and different kinds of corn. we have ten rows of sweet potatoes right in the yard & twenty rows in the field. We always have plenty of sweet potatoes ours lasted from last summer till late this spring. I had about twelve head of cattle some were lost or killed by the

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From your scholar Cecila B. Pickard

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Seger Colony June 8, 1890

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Grand River, Ind. Ter. June 12, 1890

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Seger Colony June 8th, 1890

Dear Friend Capt Pratt

Your friendly letter come a few days ago. I am now seating for the porpose of answering. I was glad to be rememberd and also thankfull to know that the Honerable Comisoner is interested enough in us returned studants to enquier especally after

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us I have bein working at diferant things since I came back. Scouting farming fence bulding carpertering and now on the police force have bein Idel a good deal to boot. I am taking a new starting this year, and hope to do better in the futher than in the past. I would shurly do so if I could have a little help on the

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that is on a reseration whare all are poor, and no one to hire on a land without house barns on fance market or mills exsept the small improvements made by the Indians in four years. While I need a house I can build it myself if I had the lumber, doors and windows nales.

I wants a farme which I can make with my own labor. if I had a team wagon horsarss and wire to fance with. I have a small farme

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fenced but not enough to suport myself and wife and two childers I need about ten cows to rais my beefs and a few steares to sell to get money to buy clothes and suplyes with should thare be a faluer of crops. I need seed to plaint imploment to work with, and rations to live on for one year untill I can raise a crop. then I want a tittel title to my land so that I will know that when I plant a tree or build a house on it, it cannot be taken from me

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Very Respesfuly, Jack Bull Dear Indian Police answer my letter if you can.

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Crow Agency Mont. June 8th, 1890

My friend and School father,

It has Been to you questions letter came to hand sometime ago But I have to away from the agency so that is the reason I can answer soon. Will Dear Father I wish you help me about getting job for me at the Agency I would like to work at Agency School and this Agent has not good along got at at made the Indians all the time.

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and I will try to answer your letter. Will if you pleased write me soon.

From you School soul, Helen Onion

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Pine Ridge Agency June 8, 1890

Dear sir:-

I received a paper and questions that you wished to be answered, I will tell you "full and strictly truthful" As I am getting on very well. Well: I went to Carlisle 30th days of Nov. 1882. I was that time 16 years of my age, I remain there as far as 22nd days of June, 1886, So I have been at school 3 years, 6 months and 22 days, Well: my studies

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was Multiplications of Dec; fractions; 4th Reader; South America in Swindons Elm Geographer; Lessons from Powells; "How to write." Before I went to Carlisle I learn to say "A man" "A dog" that is all I could said but when there I could talk english fairly well. And also before I went to school I have nothing to do. But when I was at school I worked at "Tinner trade "Now I started home from school 22nd days of June 1886, and I

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[Along the side] Never my hairs let it grow an inch.

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Resp. Yours, Charles Bird

Department of the Interior, INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE, Seger Colony June 9th .- , 1890 Dear loapt. Pratt. your printed letter of recent date was received. and I will now try and answer your enquires as well as I can! Us return ed steedents have a good deal to contend with, and I am glad to know that The Honorable Commissioner is interested in us, and we are glad to tell him how we are situated.

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Seger Colony June 9th, 1890

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When we came back, while it is true, we had better education and understood work better than the Indians on the reservation we had no team to begin farming with and no place to make our home while engaged in farming, except with the Indians, and when we lived with them. We must live like them, to a great extent. If we worked for wadges the camp Indians begged from

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us until we would let them have, until, we found we might as well spend it our selves. I married a returned school girl who could keep house, cook, and sow. But she could not prevent her mother & sisters and their families from living with us. I opened up a farm although I had no team. The Agent paid for the breaking of two acres, and furnished oxen for me to

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break about 5 acres. I chopped the posts and fenced twenty-two acres. The Government furnished the wire, I browed a team and hauled the wire fifty miles to my farm and completed my fence. I then went to the commons and camped twenty miles from my place and cut cedar logs for a house. I borrowed a team to haul them with to my farm.

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Government furnished the shingles and floor, doors, & windows, and nails. Our Indian carpenter and I built the house. When I was married the Agent gave me a cow & calf. These I have kept with her calves and have bought two head, with these calves I have now eight head of cattle. I have also earned two head of ponies. I have now six acres of wheat, and a garden growing, my wheat will do to harvest

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I will here state the help, I would like to have to enable me to support my self and family, in a civilized way.

1st I want my land given to me with a clear title.

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Respectfully Henry North

the part Inpune 4. 1890 mr. R. U. Pratt Dear frund I have received your letter to day, I will try and see Whether I can write a letter fit to read. how it seems to me like a century since I left barlisle, but at the Same time I do not for-get that I am a barlisle student. now I am twentytwo years of age. I went to barlisle in the year of 1880, and there remained Six years, and studied, Grammer, arithmetic, Dravoing Geography, Reading, and a

little of History my ears were filled with, but Indian, my eque, my brains were shut with ignorance. I breathed with of Sound native language untill I went to barliste to learn the English language, which I now speak every day since I left barlisle. While There, I learned how to serv, cut and fit dresses, Wash & iron, book. and teach. how I am house keeping, and have been boarding our princepal teacher of this School, and earned 12. To a month, al that time untill last month. In answer to your eleventh questione, I have asked the Supt, of this School to work in the School, and no

answer was granted me. Only That I ought to work for nothing, since the Government has spend-20 much money on me, ought to work for nothing, whatever comes on hand, I am willing to work, but the Government - did not - say I should work for nothing to get along. I do not live in a tent, but for present - I am living in a Government-house, since miss Filetcher came. I do not know how to mar Indian clothes, I dress as a barliste student should. I am married to a graduate of Selam Indian School and who is now assisting, in the allotment with miss Fletcher

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frame house build, putty soon, and give up the old one, to my mother, We have horses and cattle. you will fine the letter 10 mitten withoutany helps, and please reminaber me to all I know. yours truly friend mrs, Harriel C. Stuart.

Lapwai Ag. Idaho June 4, 1890

Mr. R. H. Pratt Dear friend

I have received your letter today. I will try and see whether I can write a letter fit to read. Now it seems to me like a century since I left Carlisle, but at the same time I do not for-get that I am a Carlisle student. Now I am twenty-two years of age.

I went to Carlisle in the year of 1880 and there remained six years, and studied Grammar, Arithmetic, Drawing, Geography, Reading and a

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little of History. My ears were filled with, but Indian, my eyes, my brains were shut with ignorance. I breathed with of sound native language untill I went to Carlisle to learn the English language, which I now speak every day since I left Carlisle. While there, I learned how to sew, cut and fit dresses, wash & iron, cook and teach. Now I am housekeeping, and have been boarding our principal teacher of this school, and earned \$12.00 a month, at the time until last month.

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I do not live in a tent, but for present, I am living in a Government house, since Miss Fletcher came. I do not know how to wear Indian clothes, I dress as a Carlisle student should. I am married to a graduate of Selam Indian School, and who is now assisting in the allotment with Miss Fletcher.

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frame house build, pretty soon, and give up the old one, to my mother. We have horses and cattle. You will fine the letter is written without any help, and please remember me to all I know.

Yours truly friend Mrs. Harriet E. Stuart Department of the Interior, INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Laguna new Merico

Capt. R. H. Prace.

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June 1.2., 1890

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to send to the State Fair. Christine Showlematy is dead. She dead 1st of June. We have very good farm, and greet Many horses, gracet many sheep and many cattles, and we have good home, I am very well + happy . Very Truly Maria Analla.

Laguna New Mexico June 12, 1890

Capt. R. H. Pratt, Dear friend,

Since I have left Carlisle I having written you any letter.

So I am very glad to write to you this lovely morning. I will try and answer all the questions I can. I know you would like to know how we Carlisle children all getting along. I think we are all got along well, for my part I think I am doing well. I have very comfortable home. I have most everything I need. I have a very good sewing machine, cost \$27.

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I have great many sewing to do. I sew for my sister in Laguna too. And sew for myself. I am always be very busy. I spend most of my spare time doing fancy work. I am now busily engaged crocheting a bed spread. This after it is completed I intend sending to the the to State Fair. Miss McCarthy the teache here, taught me how to crochet the bed spread. I have not finished it, in one or two weeks I will have it done. I wish you could see it. It is very pretty. Miss McCarthy wanted me

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