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From Hyds. Alex.
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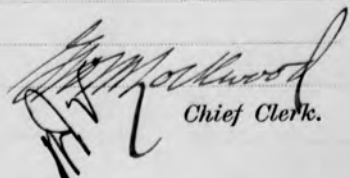
In rel. to Indian
 Children placed
 as an "experiment" in
 his family by St. Pratt.
 and req. settl^{mt} of
 his claim for their
 board. \$100.⁰⁰
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RESIDENCE OF ALEXANDER D'NEE, LEE, MASS.

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Lee, Mass., Dec. 13. 1880

Hon Carl Schury

Dear Sir You may remember that I called your attention ^{last week} to the feasibility of educating our Indian wards in the families of farmers and mechanics, much after the fashion of the Chinese lads that are being educated in this country. Since writing you I have had in my family three of the Carlisle pupils on girl "Sally" and two boys "Stephen" and "Frank" for four months and Capt Pratt can tell you the success of the experiment. They certainly learned to speak English and obtained some idea of Yankee farming and mode of living. They gave me no trouble on the score of deportment. Better behaved, more respectful and docile youths I never ~~before~~ ^{before} not expect to see. When I took them I expected Capt Pratt would pay something towards their board, as they

were too young and inexperienced to pay their way but at the close of their time she said he had no appropriation which he could devote to their support. They were with me from about the 1st of June to the first of October. No blame is to be attached to Capt. Katt on this score. When my daughter Miss Mary R. Hyde who is matron of the girls at Carlisle wrote to me about taking them I asked to inquire of the Capt how much he could allow me for their board and instruction, but this she neglected to do and he thought they were to pay their own way, and was much chagrined when I sent him my bill for \$100 which I considered a low price for the three. In our previous correspondence he had stated that the Government might allow \$150 for the board and care of Indian pupils. Now is there any way in which I can be remunerated for the care of these children? Between Capt Katt and myself there was simply a misunderstanding and I do not blame him at all. I should like to continue this experiment but can hardly afford to do it as I am in moderate circumstances, such as in the sphere of most teachers. — Should be glad to receive your last report in pamphlet form for information. Yours truly Alex. Hyde