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Lt. R. H. Pratt
Carlisle Pa.
July 31/80

Rel. to furnishing coal for schools for coming year — Ask authority to expend $2280 in laying in year's supply

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United States Indian Service,

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR INDIAN YOUTH,

CARLISLE BARRACKS,

Carlisle, Pa., July 31st 1880

Hon R. E. Trowbridge
Commissioner of Indian Affairs
Washington D. C.

Sir.

I am convinced that it would be economy to the Government, save us much trouble and concern in the Winter, when the Roads are bad and large demands upon dealers, and give us a better article, to buy during the month of August, what Coal we shall require, for the use of the School during the coming year. The very best arrangement I can make now for Coal delivered in our Coal House is $5.70 per ton of 2240 pounds. In this connection I would say that as we are off from the Coal lines we have to pay 90¢ per ton more for Coal here on account of transportation and Siding. I think it best to lay in at least 1400 tons of Coal; we have a Coal house large enough for double that amount.

I would therefore request your authority to expend $2280.00 in the laying in of a Years Supply. I

intend this sum to include the amount I estimated for Coal for 3d Quarter 1880. Your early action is respectfully requested.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
R.H. Pratt
1st Lt. 10th Cav'y
In charge