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Rel. to hospital
building for the
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Copies of reports
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U.S.A. office rel
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United States Indian Service,
TRAINING SCHOOL FOR INDIAN YOUTH,
CARLISLE BARRACKS,

Carlisle, Pa., Sept. 27, 1886.

To the Honorable
The Commissioner of Ind. Affairs.
Washington
D. C.

Sir,

When in Washington, last Thursday, I had some conversation with the Honorable Secretary of the Interior in reference to a Hospital building for this School.

I now beg leave to transmit for the consideration of the Department the enclosed reports, procured by me from the office of the Surgeon General of the Army, & to state that the views therein contained are substantiated by our own men's experience. I am fully satisfied that a change of location to higher ground, & to a building better adapt

ed to the purpose of a Hospital, will greatly improve our health statistics.

It is also necessary that the Hospital building should be more isolated from the other buildings than at present, so that epidemics common to children, may be better controlled.

We need a larger Industrial room, & the present Hospital building can be thoroughly renovated & used for that purpose.

I propose the erection of a new Hospital building on the high ground in the vacant lot South of the South Barracks. This is the site which was selected for an Army Hospital, at the close of the war, & upon which the erection of a Hospital was begun. Brick walls were built to the second floor, at the time it was determined to abandon the Plot. The bricks were sold in the

walls, & the walls were torn down.

The drainage from this point is excellent, & the outlook in every direction cheerful & picturesque.

I would like to put up a frame building somewhat on the plan of the two-story regulation Post Hospital, described in Circular No. 10. from the Surgeon General's Office, Oct. 20. 1877.

This provides for twelve beds; with some modifications, we can make a similar building accommodate a larger number, without increased cost, & have in it all the conveniences of store-room, dispensary, mess-room, kitchen, closets, Matron's & Surgeon's rooms, &c.

I find that a building of the dimensions described would cost here \$4550.⁰⁰, & I would respectfully request your authority to construct a Hospital-building upon the ground designated, & to expend in its construction the sum of \$4550.⁰⁰, following in

general, the plan of the building named.

In this connection, I invite your attention to the fact that we are just beginning this work; that the mortality of our pupils is a subject of the highest importance; that our pupils are remote from their homes, & constantly under our care, that they are naturally subject to certain forms of disease, & that in all probability we shall have, from time to time, such epidemics as scarlet-fever, measles, &c., requiring entire separation from the others, & that only by having a satisfactory Hospital can we meet all these emergencies, successfully.

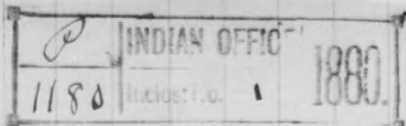
Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

R.H. Pratt

1st Lieut. in Charge

Carlisle Barracks
Pa. May 1. 1886



J. J. B. Wright
Surg. Bvt. Brig -
General ref. army
Commandg Post.

Stating that no re-
-pairs to the Hospital
at this post are de-
sirable —

Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

May 1, 1876.

Adjutant General U.S.A.,
Washington, D.C. —

Thos. Med. Gns. Mil. Div. of the Atlantic.

General:

In compliance with General Orders No. 94, Series of 1875, A.G.O., I have the honor to state, that no repairs to the Hospital at this post are desirable. In January last an expenditure of \$25.00 — was incurred to repair the Hospital by means of props and collar beams, to prevent its falling down. — In the event of the re-occupation of this post, it would become necessary to erect a new hospital, as the present building is utterly unfit for the purpose, on account of its unhealthy location, its construction, and of its having been often crowded from necessity, during the late war, with cases of Hospital Gangrene, Typhoid fever, Erysipelas, Variola, Rubella, Scarlatina, Syphilis &c. — The post is at present occupied by six enlisted men. —

Very respectfully,

Your obt. Servant,

J. J. B. Wright

Surgeon, 1st. Brig. 1st. Inf. Regt.,
Commanding Post. —

Official Copy

Wm. C. C.

Asst. Surg. Genl.

S. G. O. —

August 20. 1880 }

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Extract from Circular No. 4. Page 61.
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It is doubtful whether the Guard House or the Hospital at Carlisle barracks can best claim the bad eminence of being a public nuisance; the latter more particularly, perhaps, on account of its location than of its construction, though it is not built after any approved Model. It is placed near the western limit of the slope of the military tract of ground, which extends in the direction of the low marshy bottom of a basin, through which runs a deep creek which overflows its banks several times a year, leaving the surface of the ground, comprising many acres, submerged for weeks.

The sewer - which drains the southern portion of the Garrison - empties itself immediately below, and in fearful proximity to, the Hospital; at that it bears of slops and dirt from the Company Kitchens and wash-houses, remaining exposed to the Sun during the whole Summer.

Official Copy
L. A. Lane

Asst. Surg. Genl.

S. G. W. —

August 20, 1850 }

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Inclosure to Sanitary
 Report of 1895-

Carlisle Barracks
 Penna. Oct. 28, 1896

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 J. J. B. Wright
 Surg. Bvt. Brig. Genl.
 ref. a. Commandg, Post.

Estimate for repairs
 to the Post Hospital,
 48, M. & A. Div of the
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Carlisle Barracks Penna,
October 28, 1875,

To the Adjutant General &c.,
Washington, D. C.,
Thru the Med. Director Mil. Div. of the Atlantic,
General;

I have the honor to state, that the Hospital at this post lacks all the elements and features of a Sanatorium - more perhaps on account of its location, than of its construction - though it is not built after any approved model. - I very respectfully refer you to circular No. 4. War Dept. Surgeon General's office, Washington, D. C. Dec^r 5th 1870. - This Hospital - a frame building - was erected, after the conflagration of these Barracks by the Rebels, in July 1863 - to be used as a temporary hospital only, until a permanent one, could be constructed; but it has been used ever since, as the Post Hospital, until January 1873, - since when, a room has been appropriated, and used for the purpose; in one of the Barrack rows. - In the event of the reoccupation of this post, it would become necessary, to erect a new Hospital, as the present building is utterly unfit for the purpose, on account of its unhealthy location, its construction, and of its having been often crowded - from necessity, during the late War, with cases of Hospital Gangrene, Typhoid fever, Erysipelas, Variola, Rubella, Scarlatina, Syphilis &c.

If it should be deemed advisable, to prevent the frail-
Structure from falling down, I respectfully submit the -
(over)

following estimate for the necessary repairs, furnished by a master carpenter of Carlisle -

1100 feet lumber (New collar Beams)	3. 00
25 lbs Nails	— 75
200 feet lumber for scaffolding and props,	6. 00
8 1/2 days Labor \$2.00	— 17. 00

Total — 26. 75

The post is at present occupied by six enlisted men.

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant
(Sg'd) J. J. B. Wright
Surgeon, Bvt. Brig. Genl. U.S.A.
Commanding Post, -

A true copy,
Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
December 21, 1845.

J. J. B. Wright
Surgeon, Bvt. Brig. Genl. U.S.A.
Commanding Post.

Official copy
L. H. Crane
Asst. Surg. Genl.
Sg. C. —
August 20, 1880

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War Department,
Surgeon General's Office,

Washington, D.C. Aug. 19. 1880

Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 12th inst. - addressed to the Adjutant General of the Army and by him referred to this Office, copies of reports relating to the hospital at Carlisle Barracks are enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

L. H. Traue

Assistant Surgeon General,

U.S. Army.

1st Lieut. R. H. Pratt, 10th Cav'y.
Carlisle Barracks, Pa.