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~~At. R. H. Pratt~~
OFFICE OF
In Charge and ~~Head~~ School,
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Asks authority to fit up a
gymnasium at a cost of
not more than \$300.

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United States Indian Service,

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR INDIAN YOUTH,

CARLISLE BARRACKS,

Carlisle, Pa., December 6 1880

The Honorable Commissioner

of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

We need very much a large room for gymnastic ^{and} exercise purposes for the boys. Your authority given us for the rental of the farm allows us to vacate a large proportion of the stable. This I can turn into a most excellent gymnasium, giving us a room forty feet by one hundred ^{and} thirty. I can cover the whole with a good yellow pine floor, put in appliances for gymnastic exercises ^{and} buy such dumb-bells, Indian clubs ^{and} other implements as we might need, at a total expense of \$300. For drill ^{and} exercises in bad weather it will be invaluable. Therefore I respectfully request your authority to do this, ^{and} a remittance of the sum named.

Very respectfully
Your obt. servant
W. H. Ball

Act Lt. 10th Cav., In Charge.