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Gen. R. H. Pratt,

Bemis Point, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge with sincere thanks the receipt of the clipping from the Jamestown Journal containing your address on our duty to American Indians, delivered at Chautauqua. I beg to assure you that I am deeply touched by your consideration in the matter of allowing me to see this material, the more so that I have been stirred to the depths by the circumstances surrounding your leaving the school at Carlisle, as I have understood it from some of your friends. Mr. Mason, of Jamestown, has promised me to send me some data in relation to the matter, which I await with considerable interest.

I beg to assure you of my sincere admiration for your personality and the splendid work which you have done at Carlisle, a work which, in my judgment, has not been equaled by any one else in the history of our country. I am in thorough sympathy with your point of view as to the plan and purpose of Indian education, and I beg to assure you that my cordial sympathy and support will be afforded you in any way possible.

Again thanking you for your consideration in sending me the address,

Yours very truly,

M.E.A. L.L.H.