

S. C. Armstrong, Principal;

J. F. B. Marshall, Treasurer.

Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute.

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Dear Captain:

Yours of the
2nd is recd. I am disappointedthat the whole matter
of our dues to you on a fee ofFlorida Indians was not
settled when Genl ^{ag. with you} MarshallThe principal reason
why I wished him to go ^{there}
at school expense, was to
take the thing over fully
with the records before you
and settle the matter
in the light of both

interests fairly represented.

You know from
his paper, ^{of Dec 18} just what
had been paid -
but you had paid in
full for the current year,
till April next.

It seems to me
fair that you should
pay the share of the boys
from here or see a
wherever they were to
Carbide - and advance it.

In case you have
nothing to do with it
it's matter of your
private expense are as,

do the very best we can

I don't know how
that is. It is too bad
the thing was not
lacked out. I felt that
it needed just that &
I hoped it would be done.

I don't see just
now ^{me} what part the
matter is.

The \$50. or is
a little. Wages' commu-
dities me: we
are simply killed
down to lower prices &
I have written to Selig
about export: also to
Senator Coke. But

I don't ask for higher
rates - I say we'll go on
so - only that the course
of the govt. is not
respectable & our friends
so consider it.

A certain heel in the
lump to get things into
more perfect shape would be
acceptable

I hope all goes
well with you. I shall
be in Newington on the
19th & 20th inst. Can you
be there? Sincerely yours
J. Canning
My kindest regards to Mr. Pratt