

# Department of the Interior,

## INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,

Phoenix, Arizona, Nov. 10th, 1899.

Maj. R. H. Pratt,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Major:-

I was very glad to get your letter and picture sent Oct. 18th. I intended to acknowledge the receipt of them sooner but kept putting it off until now.

I like the picture very much. You could not have given me a more pleasant surprise. It is good of you. Many, many thanks.

Because I did not mention our Los Angelis meeting does not mean that I did not enjoy it. I wrote so many other things in my last letter I thought it might tire you to read if it were longer. No one will ever know how much I enjoyed every minute I was with you and Mrs. Pratt. It was a short time to be sure but it was better than not to get a glimpse of you at all. It was a great struggle for me to appear happy when I bade you all good-bye. It seemed that I ought to go with you. It was all for the best, though. No place will ever seem the same to me that Carlisle does. What I am I owe to Carlisle. If I had not gone there I would have been like many other ignorant Catholics, a priest worshipper, and no doubt my worst nature would have had full control of me. I realize what I have been rescued from.

I suppose Mr. Lumis supplied you with a copy of his magazine, "The Land of Sunshine", has he not? I have been reading his articles and have been very much amused at his ignorance of the right way to civilize the Indians. Poor fool!

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I am sure you never heard such a war-whoop as I gave, right in the dining-room, when I heard that Carlisle had won the game with U. P. I Would have given a great deal to have witnessed the game.

When Carlisle plays on Saturdays we get the news in the "Los Angelis Times" on Monday. There are a great many Carlisle sympathizers here and when Carlisle wins a game we get together and have the game all over.

What a great loss Dr. Wiles death will be to the school. It seems that no one can quite fill his place. Since I have been west I have not heard a minister that I liked as well as I did Mr. Wilde. What a pity that such good men are taken so soon. Very sad.

George Hazelet is here and he seems to be quite sick. His temperature reaches 102 degrees every day. He is boarding at the Hospital and has no duties to perform but is trying to get well. I hope he can but it seems doubtful.

I sent Miss Burgess 43 subscribers for the Helper. Mr. McCowan requested all boys and girls who are on the pay-roll to take at least, one paper. Some are new subscribers but many are old ones. Give my love to Mrs. Pratt and Nana and accept a good share for yourself. I am,

Sincerely your friend and School-daughter,

*Rosa Bourassa*