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About

Government Relations with Native Americans, Native American Employees at Reservations, Native American Schools, Native American Reservations, Government Relations with Native Americans

Identified Persons

Gertrude Parton; James M. Perrigo; Jennette Stricker; Major Edmond Mallet; Margarete Tallis; Victoria Arcange; Volney Wiggins

Identified Places

Genoa Indian Industrial School; Genoa, Nebraska

Recipient

Major Edmond Mallet

4 poor^{thing} rather than to constantly
every day I said I talk
more about that too, and
then Mr Wiggins he take
his hat and he says I am
going to report you in office
he said and went to report
on me and he said I could
report if I see wrong that's
why I came in here ^{he} said,
so I said I could speak about
more thing of the Indians I
said and I know something
is wrong or some thing is
not coming out right I
said more.

If I have a pay from the
Indians every day I could
kind to them as I can or
as I live long at school only
get money that is all and
never be right any thing or a
round the school.

The never kind to them but only
once a while and to much

^{Em.} ^{attached}
I have your friends
we send best love to you
Geneva Neb
1/2/1890

My dear friend
Mr Mallet

I thought I would
write a few lines to you to day.
I thought I would report to
you if I have something befo-
re me but if I dont like it
some thing I could tell you
about it but is this I am
asistant matrons at this scho-
ol with Victories Arcouge who
is excellent asistant laundry
at my own reservation one year
ago this year.

We started out ^{first} of December
1889 we pass on 1890 now
to day, asistant matron here.
This is my second time having
to do it to teacher among the
Indians.

One year I have been teacher
my own reservation at home
where I was born at last.
Now I try on this school to
teacher the my own race.
I will try hard as I can
clean around the house
never be stop busy to con-
stantly every day.

My dear Mr. Hallett I was so
anxious to write to you
to tell you this.

I will take part of the ^{kitchen} first
for this is my word I said
a layd one morning I have
make them work the girls
about house clean because
that my part so I did and
the girls know it where the
work so just I am doing
as same thing I have.

And one of the employes came to
me that is landrady teacher

work over ~~the~~ landry who is
man cooking his wife of it
came to me, told me that so
I tell the landry girls go
~~over~~ to landry to wash I
thought was and then I am
working again some one came
to me and told me that
was I am funny matrons
who is work in landry wife
of Mr. Wiggins so I said
I try hard clean as I can
every thing since I am employe
and then said well whip
them, I said I can not whip
them because I stand beside
the Indians or before the Indian
and I know I am matron the
girls never mind us that reason
I said I can't do it.
that is my word and this are
my word I am not stand before
the whites and the Indian

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again we want you in
here if we have stay here
long that next spring.
We want to see you before we
leave this school.

I don't know how long we
going to stay here we want
to go home to see the Indians,
Margraffe Hallis and I.
One more thing I don't
like it; is this the big boys
whip them sometimes that
one and another one the girls
whip with iron stick. and
that is Miss Parfou doing
and Assistant pointed
to whole school I don't
like that big boys whip
them and at last fight
him of Mr Parriago who
Assistant under Supt of
this school.
That is not right to do it.

5 for me things those. There are
different agencies all have
school by the Indians home.
They had so many teacher
among them who they so
many teacher & every where
therefore I am thinking about
all the land those things
every day now I have been
working for the Indians teach
them what is right as I try
hard for two years to day.
The Indians spent on them
their children about the
Million dollars every
day but more thinking this
things will be thank
for the Indians, because
they pay for them teach
but sometimes they never
paid to them just like this
school, but it is so far
from home this school that reasons.
How can Mr Waggin's to right
in Government take part of

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the cooking some times there
is not enough for food
sometimes of this Government
under the school.
and this is a shame.

He can thinking more about
his doing will be right
to do in Government every
little thing some body else
to do, it always report but
I shall report him in my
greatest part, over to
Washington that is for
his duty to do right
under the Government.
Mr Wiggins words to me I
was not to do right any
thing never clear every
thing I dont know how
to work but I am employe.
That is words for him to
said to me but of course
I am Indian that reasons

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I could not do it clearly good
my duty because this is
my first work on the
Assistant matrons.
My dear Mr Mallet how
can I do to do right
this school I dont know
if I am bad girl they
could send me home I
like to be to do that way
If I do right in Govern-
ment how can have those
things what going to do them.
I thought was I do right
but I am not do right this
school.

If he do right how can
continued under the
Government for to Indians.
I guess something is not
right under him and
mine is like that too.