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Ottawa, December 13th, 1909.

Rev. Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, in reference to the discharge of four pupils from the Birtle Boarding School.

With reference to the first mentioned, Andrew Pencagrecotiner, I beg to say that this boy may be discharged and the matter of assistance to enable him to start farming, if necessary, should be brought to the attention of the Department in the spring. The Department is having a special certificate of discharge prepared and when the supply comes to hand one will be sent you for this boy.

The Department would be pleased to see pupil No. 0127, Louise Catakas, placed in Mr. Blewett's home, if possible, and you will be good enough to try and obtain the consent of the parents to this arrangement. The Department cannot see what advantage it would be to have this girl's name remain on the roll after she has reached the age of eighteen years, as it would be powerless to cause her return to the school under those conditions after she has reached the age limit, as set forth in the regulations.

The cases of the two pupils from the Birtle Agency will be dealt with at a later date.

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

Rev. Wm. McLaren,
Principal,
Birtle Boarding School,
Birtle, Man.

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