Refer in reply to the following:

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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON, November 1, 1889.

Hon. Albion W. Tourgee,
Mayville, N. Y.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of 25th ult., you are advised that this Office will esteem it a favor to be placed in communication with Mr. Charles W. Hall whom you say is now working among the Digger Indians and ought to be engaged by the government to open a school among them. I should like a statement from him of his qualifications, and some definite information as to the number of Indians in the vicinity who could be collected in a school. He should also inform me what accommodations for a school are available and at what rate a building can be rented and at what cost furnished. I trust that inasmuch as you have interested yourself thus far you will write Mr. Hall to lay the claims of these Indians before the Indian Bureau, at such length and in such particulars as seem to him wise, with a view to securing the aid of the government in educating them.

Very respectfully.

Sommissioner.