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The appointment of Gen. Eaton to the National Board of Education was a most fortunate one for the country and the special interests committed to his charge.

Inspired by confidence in his integrity and capacity, Congress increased the appropriations to the Bureau at its last session, giving larger means of usefulness.

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