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SCHOOL NEWS.

"A pebble cast into the sea is felt from shore to shore.
A thought from the mind set free will echo on forever more."

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THE CAMP AT THE WARM SPRINGS.

The Indian boys from Carlisle Barracks, have their camp at a place called the Warm Springs, in Perry County, 16 miles from Carlisle, out among the mountains. There is one hotel at the Warm Springs, open for guests, and three or four are staying there as regular boarders.

On the 8th of July, a beautiful morning, a company was formed in front of one of the quarters and the names of those who were to go out to camp were read out and a new line was formed. The command was given "Fours right, march," to about 60 in number. It was a beautiful morning when we set out on our march. Our road lay along the north bank of a little creek that runs close by the Barracks, for a mile or two. Then straight across to the mountains, where we passed many thrifty looking farms. The men were still working at the remnant of the harvest. Our company was completely broken up before we reached the mountains. The boys ran from the

road to the other, picking blackberries. So the boys were strung out for four miles. Some of the boys pulled off their coats when they got tired. Walter Matches, a friend of mine had as many coats as he could carry when we reached our destination. After we got out of Cumberland County, in to Perry County we came to a very irregular ground it was hilly and rocky. The land seemed very poor for farming use. The men looked more like frontiers men than eastern men. When we would ask them how far it was to the Warm Springs, the answer would be "I guess it is about ten or twelve miles." We would go on a little further and ask again for we began to get very tired of walking. The answer would be a little further than it was the last place we asked. We began to think we were lost and going the wrong way. I thought the water at Warm Springs would be warm, but it was almost as cold as ice water. It is a very nice place to camp over there and the boys like to be over there very well.

JOHN DOWNING.
(Cherokee)

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SAMUEL TOWNSEND, EDITOR.
(A Pawnee Indian boy.)

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EDITORIAL.

It is better for the Indians to send all their children to school for if they don't send their children to school they will not know anything. Now the Indians don't know how to make wagons, plows, hoes, and harness; they don't know how to make anything. They have to buy these things from the white people. That is the reason the white people like to make wagons and plows and everything because they think they can get lots of money. If the Indians knew how to make wagons and plows and all these things they would get lots of money from the whites and would keep all their own money saved. The Indians don't know how to make anything, that is the way they spend all their money. Long time ago the Indians used to go to hunt buffalo. When they found some buffalo they killed them and take the skins off and take it to some town and sell it and get money for it, but now almost all the buffalo are gone. What will the Indians do? Why they have to work hard; plow the ground and do something, for if they don't they will starve to death

and their children too. It is better they should send their children to school and learn to read and write, and not only read and write but learn how to work at a trade. That is the way the white boys do; they learn a trade and when they grow up to be a man, they can go on working and make some money of it. If the Indians do the same way they would not be poor. The men who make the wagons and plows and clothes and everything get much money from the Indians, because the Indians must buy these things from the men who make them. If the people of the United States will help the Indians they will soon find the way. From all over the parts of the country Washington sends teachers to Carlisle and Hampton and to the agencies to educate the Indians, but there are not enough schools like this one, where the boys and girls learn to work at everything. We learn from books and we learn about God too.

—Charlie Kihega is a very good driver. He takes the wagon to the mountain every day, and he never lets the mules run away. He takes the wagon and buggy anywhere. He often gets up early in the morning and takes the wagon in the town to market about 4 o'clock in the morning.

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—Most of the boys will be glad to go to school again, when school commences next month, but they have had good time this vacation.

—The boys are helping to white-wash and fix up their quarters. When the camp boys come home they will find that the quarters are all cleaned up.

—I guess everybody who read this little paper last month saw a big mistake. We put the first page on the fourth page, but we will try not to do it any more.

—Joshua, Elwood, Howard, Amos, Dan Tucker, Luther, Tom, Owen, Joe Taylor and Reuben are learning to play music on the brass band. O, the horns are pretty. I think that will be very nice to have a band here.

—We thank Mrs. Anmidon, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Frysinger, of Harrisburg, and the other kind ladies because they helped us so much to get names down on our list at Oakville.

—Every boy in this school has two long rows of potatoes. Some of them take good care not to let the bugs get on, but some of them are full of bugs. Capt. Pratt said the boy who gets the best and largest potatoes will get the most money, and the boy who does not take care of his rows will get only a little. Now it is nearly time to dig the potatoes.

—Capt. Pratt told the men to cut some of the trees down. The large girls wanted to cut the largest tree down, and they cut off the small limbs and made stilts of them. The girls looked very funny walking on stilts.

—John Downing, of Hampton, was here a few weeks. He got tired of staying here and he went to Philadelphia. Johnson and Frank went with him. They will only stay a little while. He said this was a nice school.

—Mr Hays of Washington Pa., made a good talk to the Indian children, at Oakville. He told them never to swear or fight or chew tobacco, and he said he was not pleased with this little paper. I think ALL the people do not like this little paper.

For the SCHOOL NEWS
A LITTLE STORY.

BY MARY NORTH (Arapahoe)

We all have good times and we went out to the Camp meeting and heard the people talk about God, and we sang two or three hymns and the people it was very much glad to hear us sing. When we were at home in Indian Territory we had nothing to do but play and go to the river and go in swimming and now we are way off from home at school and learning something. I think that is better than swimming and picking berries. I know picking berries is very good, but you will get your hands scratch and then you will be tired to go another time. Now I am very glad to go to Carlisle school and learn something that is all right, and we have good time here too, and I am trying to write a story and I will do the best I can and write it till I get done.

When I get letters from home I always look at them and they would say push hard and learn all you can.

For the SCHOOL NEWS.
WHAT WE DO AND SEE.

BY JOSIE VETTER (Iowa)

We had a nice time at Oakville yesterday. Some boys and girls spoke to the people and did nicely. We had a very nice time when we went to Harrisburg. When we was on the cars we crossed the Susquehanna river and we saw the men in the boat on

the river and we saw the bridge for the wagons. We could see the bottom of the river. In Nebraska we can not see the bottom of the river when it is deep, for it is so muddy; here we could see the stones in the river. We went to the Capitol and we saw a great many things. We saw a very beautiful fountain and around it there were very beautiful flowers and after that we went to the church and all the people looked at us. Capt Pratt and some of the boys spoke to the people. We are all very glad to see Miss Hyde come again. Miss Cutter is going home to see her mother; that is going to be very nice when she can see all her friends. We would all like to see our friends.

MR. TOWNSEND:—I have been among the white people about five years now, and I find that the white people are very good friends to the Indians, I think I will be kind to the white folks and work for them till I die and go to heaven. I heard my brother wants me to go home to our Indian Camp but I dont like to go because I have not learned very much yet. I am very glad we are going into camp because we will have splendid times when we go into camp. I will write some in our language and let you print it too. I must close now so, "Kom-yea-ga-tsu". Tah-kow-tah
SHUA H. GIVEN.