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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,



Subject:-
Statement of
sales at Harris-
burg, Pa.

Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa., March 26, 1908.

The Commissioner
of Indian Affairs,
Washington.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter, Education 12498/1908, File '047, in regard to an Indian exhibit at the department store of Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart in Harrisburg, Pa., from March 2nd to 14th inclusive, I have to enclose herewith copy of letter from said firm, dated the 25th instant, together with copy of a statement showing sales of goods for each day during the progress of the exhibition.

It will be noted that the total sales amounted to but \$61.38; deducting from this the 10% allowed said firm left proceeds \$55.24.

The company carried out the arrangements for this exhibit most satisfactorily in every detail, and, on the whole, we believe that the exhibition was a success and proved helpful to the Indian boys and girls participating.

*Exception taken
U. S. G.*

During the first week, Allie Bearing, of the Shoshone tribe, Wyoming; Nancy Redthunder, of the Sioux tribe, North Dakota, and Wesley Tallchief, of Seneca tribe, New York, attended daily as representatives from the pupils. The second week Virginia Grant, of the Shoshone tribe, Wyoming, Ethel Daniels, of the Ute tribe, Utah, and Jane Katchenaga, of the Menominee tribe, Wisconsin, Samuel Anaruk, an

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Alaskan, and John Feather, of the Menominee tribe, Wisconsin, went to represent the pupils, two girls and one boy going every day. As escort, the wife, unemployed, of some employee of the school, went each day, and the welfare of the pupils in going and returning and while at Harrisburg was carefully looked after.

The report of this matter has been delayed owing to the fact that we were awaiting detailed statement and report from the firm in question. Several days after the goods were packed and returned they mailed us a mere statement of proceeds, accompanied by check for same. By letter dated March 20th, I requested a more detailed report and this we have just received this morning.

Very respectfully,

Chas H. Dickson

Supervisor in Charge.

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Following is a correct statement of goods from our daily reports, sold each day during "Carlisle Indian School Exhibit" at Harrisburg, March 2, to March 14, inclusive,

March 2,	Mdse,	\$.38
" 3,	"	7.87
" 4	"	2.88
" 5	"	6.29
" 6	"	6.40
" 7	"	4.43
" 9	"	.40
" 10	"	3.60
" 11	"	2.65
" 12	"	3.55
" 13	"	4.75
" 14	"	17.68
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		61.38
	Less 10%	<hr/>
		6.14
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		\$ 55.24

Respectfully,

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.

Per. E.B. White, Acct.

E.B. White.

Indian Industrial School,
Carlisle, Pa.
Mr. Chas. H. Dickson,
Supervisor in Charge.
Dear Sir:

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Answering your esteemed favor of the 30 inst., we beg to enclose herewith a report of the sales of articles at the Indian School Exhibit during the recent Industrial Exposition. This report is taken from our daily report sheets, on file in our accounting room.

Concerning the worthiness of the exhibit we wish to state that your exhibit met with signal success from the day it was begun. During the exposition hundreds of visitors asked to be directed to the "Indian Display".

Altogether it was one of the finest exhibits of its kind that has ever been seen in any American city.

For your kind cooperation and Mr. Venne's able help in making the exhibit so pronounced a success we wish to extend our heartiest thanks.

Yours very truly,
DIVES, POMEROY & STEWART,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. H. Stewart".

Special
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,

Subject:

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

Forwards letter
of Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart relative to
proposed Indian exhibit.

Carlisle, Pa.,

Feb. 19, 1908.

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The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a communication dated the 19th instant from Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, owners of a large and thoroughly responsible department store at Harrisburg, Pa., which will explain itself. The plan is to have space in their store during their annual industrial exposition from March 2d to 14th in which to place on exhibition and sale articles of Indian design and manufacture which we now have in our Indian art studio; also photographs, souvenir postals, etc. It is further proposed to have two girls there daily, one to be engaged in bead work and the other in basket making; also to have one of the Indian boys, in uniform, to act as salesman and to supply information to visitors regarding the articles comprising the exhibit.

I am inclined to favor the proposal to have such a display as it would not only afford opportunity to display Indian art work and designing in a larger way than is possible here at Carlisle, but also afford an opportunity for training and experience to several of our Indian boys and girls. My plan would be, if favorable action is taken, to select pupils for this work who are not in the upper grades and whose progress in their school courses would not

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be seriously affected. It will be noted that all expenses for transportation to and from the school to Harrisburg daily, together with meals for the pupils and an escort, are to be supplied by Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, and every precaution would be taken to see not only that the pupils are properly protected but that they would profit to the largest extent possible from the arrangement.

The matter is submitted to your Office with favorable recommendation and with the request that I may be advised as soon as practicable whether the plan is approved.

Kindly return the inclosed letter with your reply.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles H. Dickson".

Supervisor in Charge.

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Carlisle

I agree with you that apparently this presents a favorable opportunity to display Indian art work and designing, and at the same time add to the training and experience of some of the Indian boys and girls. You are therefore authorized to accept the proposition of Messrs. Dives, Pomeroy and Stewart under the conditions set out.

Your plan to select for the work pupils who are not in the upper grades, and whose progress in their school courses will not be seriously affected by the interruption, seems wise, and there is no objection to your carrying it out.

You should be particularly careful to see that a person of responsibility is provided to act as escort, so that we may feel assured of the welfare of the pupils while they are absent from the school.

At the close of the exhibition, please send in a report with regard to it.

The letter from Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) J. E. Keupp,
Commissioner.

F.A.F.