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HOTEL MADISON

St. Louis, Missouri.

June 6, 1913.

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Think of the boys of the school doing all their own building - that is all the building for the school - carpentering, bricklaying, plumbing, plastering, papering.

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About the immorality of the school. When I got to Carlisle I did not flaunt my credentials. I walked up the street until I found a restaurant conducted by an elderly gentleman and his family. I ordered lunch and while I paid my bill got into a close talk with the old man. I was an innocent passerby. He said the boys very seldom got drunk or acted in a rowdy manner. They all had plenty of money and were good spenders but usually staid sober and were not quarrelsome. The girls acted as ladies when on the streets.

I then wandered around until I found a barber shop, conducted by two young men. I went in to get a shave. Here they were very fond of the Indians, and spoke extremely highly of their general conduct.

I walked into a bookstore to buy a magazine. I asked for a magazine dealing with white slavery and the sex problem. The conversation drifted to the Moral condition of Carlisle in general and the Indian School in particular. The proprietor of the bookstore was extravagant in praise of the Indians. He compared them to the Methodist College students to the shame of the Methodist theologians.

I, without spying upon the Carlisle pupils, watched very closely (I spent the afternoon, night and forenoon there) I got up, as I usually do, at 5 o'clock. I saw the boys and girls when they thought I was in bed. I saw them do their morning chores, march to breakfast and go to work or study as the case might be. I believe the Carlisle school to be one of the most moral in the nation be it white or Red.

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Please read my article in Congressional Record.

(Signed)

J. F. Murray.

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