

a white boy, a cousin of his, passed him his citizen's clothes through the window, and he was changing his clothing to leave the grounds for the night. Those are the kind of characters we have here.

The Chairman. Is Louis Braun among the tough boys in the school?

941 Mr. Denny. No, not really. He has never done wrong here. He goes to school all day and eats and sleeps largely.

414 The Chairman. What is the relationship between the superintendent and the band master?

Mr. Denny. A very close friend, as far as I could understand.

The Chairman. Does he appear to exert any influence or control over the superintendent?

Mr. Denny. Yes.

The Chairman. In what particular?

Mr. Denny. Well, ~~the~~ his suggestions, the suggestions that he makes, his general stand. This band master is just a band master; he is not a disciplinarian, <sup>but</sup> he is taken in about the discipline of the school.

TESTIMONY OF MRS. NELLIE ROBERTSON DENNY.

The witness was duly sworn by the Chairman.

The Chairman. You are the wife of the assistant disciplinarian?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir; of the small boys' quarters.

The Chairman. Were you formerly employed at Carlisle yourself?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir.

The Chairman. In what capacity?

Mrs. Denny. I entered as a teacher, taught four years, and then I was clerk and assistant clerk for eight years, and in charge of the outing system for two years.

The Chairman. Do you live on the school premises?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir.

The Chairman. How long have you lived here?

Mrs. Denny. You mean, taking my time as a student?

The Chairman. All together, yes.

Mrs. Denny. All together, I came here in 1880.

The Chairman. Have you been here practically continuously since?

Mrs. Denny. I was three years at home and about four years at a normal school, but while I was at the normal school my name was kept on the rolls here.

The Chairman. Are you familiar with conditions prevailing in the Carlisle Institute?

Mrs. Denny. Pretty well.

The Chairman. What is the condition here with reference to discipline among the students? Is it good or bad? How do the pupils esteem the superintendent, and what is the relationship between students as ~~the~~<sup>a</sup> whole and the superintendent?

Mrs. Denny. I think they do not like him, in the first place, and they do not seem to be afraid of him.

The Chairman. Do they respect him?

Mrs. Denny. They do not respect him.

The Chairman. How long has this condition been prevailing in the school?

Mrs. Denny. It has been growing. I cannot say just when it started, but last year and this year it has been pretty bad.

The Chairman. What are the moral conditions?

Mrs. Denny. Pretty good now among the girls. Of course, I cannot tell very much about the large boys.

The Chairman. Do you hear of much drinking among the boys?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir. Not among our boys.

The Chairman. The larger boys?

Mrs. Denny. No. The small boys. We have had only one drunk in small boys' quarters this year.

The Chairman. What ages are embraced within the small boys' quarters?

Mrs. Denny. I think from 8 or 9 years up to about 20. Some of our officers are about 20 years old, I think.

The Chairman. What are the characteristics of the disorder that you observe and hear of among the pupils?

Mrs. Denny. One of them is drunkenness, and going to town without permission, and not in uniforms as they are required to be. Well, that is what I can see outwardly.

The Chairman. Have you seen or heard manifestations of discourtesy or disrespect from the students to the superintendent?

Mrs. Denny. Just lately I heard.

The Chairman. Tell me about it.

Mrs. Denny. I think it was Mr. Denny that told me about it. I forget where I got my information.

The Chairman. You do not know of your own personal knowledge?

Mrs. Denny. No.

The Chairman. Well, you need not state it then.

Have you observed how the children are clothed and fed?

Mrs. Denny. I have heard that they have not always had enough food, and in my experience while I was outing agent I know they do not get sufficient clothing while out.

The Chairman. When was that?

Mrs. Denny. This was about two years ago.

The Chairman. What about shoes?

Mrs. Denny. In very bad condition. We had more requests for shoes from outing pupils, but they refused to furnish them. They said they had used up their allowance, and consequently they either had to take their earnings or patrons would give them shoes.

The Chairman. Have you ever visited the dining room while pupils were being served?

Mrs. Denny. Not recently. I have now and then taken visitors in there.

The Chairman. Is the complaint general among the pupils that they are not properly fed?

Mrs. Denny. I have heard it from the girls, and I have  
916 heard it from the boys.

The Chairman. Do they complain they do not get enough bread?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir; that is the complaint, and that the food is not always properly cooked. They have a sufficient amount, but not well cooked sometimes.

The Chairman. What is the general state of feeling on the part of pupils at Carlisle now toward the management of the school?

Mrs. Denny. I think they are — well, discouraged.

The Chairman. Are they rebellious?

Mrs. Denny. At one time last spring they showed very strong evidence of it. And this spring too --- of course, I do not see this myself, but I heard that they were, and I know that last year that spirit was very strong, and now it seems to be. There is an undercurrent that we all feel, but we just cannot explain.

The Chairman. What is the relationship between the superintendent and the employees? Do you know how they regard him?

Mrs. Denny. There is great discord, I think, in a great many cases.

The Chairman. What do you think is the remedy for the conditions here?

917 Mrs. Denny. It would be either the removal of several employees, or the removal of the head; one of the other.

The Chairman. One of those two remedies might prove successful in restoring order in the school and bringing better conditions?

Mrs. Denny. I hope so; yes, sir.

The Chairman. Have you any antagonism or personal animosity toward the superintendent?

Mrs. Denny. Not any.

The Chairman. Your relationship with the employees was pleasant?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir; it is, and always has been.

Representative Stephens. Have you a bakery here in the school?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir; quite a good bakery.

Representative Stephens. Where do they get their flour and materials?

Mrs. Denny. I really do not know that.

Representative Stephens. Do they have any flour ground from wheat raised on the school farm?

Mrs. Denny. I do not know that.

Representative Stephens. They raise vegetables on the farm, don't they?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, sir; most of the vegetables are raised in the garden we have <sup>down</sup> ~~done~~ here.

Representative Stephens. Are those used on the tables?

Mrs. Denny. I think they are.

Representative Stephens. Do they make butter, and have you milk from the cows that belong to the school?

Mrs. Denny. They have separated milk, I think, and butter about once a week, I have heard the girls say.

Representative Stephens. Do they sell any of the butter from the cows belonging to the school?

Mrs. Denny. I could not say, about that.

Representative Stephens. Do you know anything about the system of getting students here from all over the country? Do they send men out from this school to collect students?

Mrs. Denny. Now and then they do, but I think most of that work is done by correspondence which Mr. Meyer handles.

Representative Stephens. Mr. Meyer then writes to the reservations and parents of the children?

Mrs. Denny. Yes, and to ex-students and graduates. He works through them.

Representative Stephens. Works through the students that

have been here, and they collect the students that are sent here?

218 Mrs. Denny. Yes, and then, I think the agents — I know that agents and other employees have brought several parties here.

Representative Stephens. Are they brought here against their will?

Mrs. Denny. I do not think so. I do not think any pupils are received before ~~wax~~ they sign what they call an application blank.

Representative Stephens. Do you know anything about the girl that was beaten by Band master Stauffer?

Mrs. Denny. I heard about that last spring.

Representative Stephens. You did not see it?

Mrs. Denny. I did not see it, no, sir; I do not know much about the circumstances.

#### TESTIMONY OF MRS. BERTHA D. CANFIELD.

The witness was duly sworn by the Chairman.

Mrs. Canfield. I have been at Carlisle fourteen years and in the Indian service twenty years. My experience entitles me to stand in protection of these children.

Mr. Friedman has given his first attention to the outside appearance of the school, but there is nothing in buildings when the moral standing of the school is neglected.

He has used the good name General Pratt made for the school to advertise himself. I feel that he is wholly unfit for superintendent, that he has neglected his duty to the pupils in talking to them and advising them.

General Pratt never failed in talking to them each day