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SUPPRESSING THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC AMONG INDIANS.

[From the Red Man-Editorial.]

The suppression of the liquor traffic among the Indians is a matter of most paramount importance. For years the Indians have been the easy prey of the white man because of the use of whisky. Furthermore, the use of whisky has been one of the greatest enemies facing the Indian race, breaking down his physical body and resulting in his deterioration, both mentally and morally. For some years a strong movement has been fostered by the Indian bureau, looking to the suppression of this liquor traffic. The work has had the active assistance and encouragement of Congress and the sympathetic backing of the American people. That this good work is bound to grow is indicated by an order issued some time ago by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs, F. H. Abbot, which reads as follows:

To U.S. Indian Superintendents:

You are directed to see that there is given all grades in your schools definite and systematic instruction relative to the effect of alcoholic liquors and narcotics upon the human body.

The instruction should be adapted to the grades in which it is given, and should cover the demoralizing and degrading effect of the excessive use of alcoholic liquors upon the human body, the dangers attending even moderate use of them as beverage, and the economic waste in connection with the manufacture and consumption of alcoholic liquors.

The series of physiologies which are now on the authorized list will furnish much material for this purpose, and with what additional technical information that may be gotten from the school physician and from other sources, it is believed that this instruction can be properly given.

Mr. Abbot, previous to his entrance in the Indian Service, was always a strong temperance advocate. In season and out of season he has assiduously preached and advocated a clean moral life for every one connected with the Service, and for Indians everywhere.

Officials throughout the field are

aware of this and appreciate the encouragement which he has given to the work of liquor suppression in the Indian Service. Early in January, in a letter to one of the Supervisors, Mr. Abbot heartily approved of a plan looking to the cooperation of temperance speakers and workers with Indian schools, in order to promote temperance among the students. wherever this was feasible. It is both gratifying and encouraging to know that no backward step is even considered in matters relative to the suppression of the liquor traffic among Indians. These features in connection with the whole forward movement are an earnest of the progress which is continually being made.

Students Confirmed.

Bishop Darlington confirmed into the Episcopal Church last Sunday evening, Emma Newashe, Della Smith, Flora Masta, Bridget Tiokasin, Addie Hovermale and Smiley Hopkins.

The Mercers Special Program.

The program rendered by the Mercer Literary Society in honor of the Seniors read as follows: Prelude, Mary Plets; song, Mercers; president's address, Lida Wheelock; recitation, Thirza Bernell; piano solo, Agnes Bartholomeau; declamation. "The Value of Higher Education for Women," Nan Saunooke; vocal solo, Agnes Jacobs; recitation, "McClain's Child," Leila Waterman; violin solo, Isabelle LaVatta; recitation, "Everyday Physiology," Rose Whipper: vocal solo, "If I Forget," Leila Waterman; vocal duet, Agnes Jacobs and Estella Bradley; quartette, Agnes Jacobs, Charlotte Welch, Nan Saunooke, and Estella Bradley.

The remainder of the time was occupied by the Seniors, each of whom responded to the call for a "speech" with sentiments befitting the occasion.

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS.

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Leslie James is now employed in town at the Seven Star Garage.

Juan Herrera is now employed in town doing electrical work for Hall & Company.

Hugh Weasel Bear, an outing student, writes that he is getting along very nicely in school.

Through a letter we learn that Mary Sawatis, who is at her home in New York, is getting along nicely.

Miss Gaither received a postcard from Rose McArthur, who went home a few years ago. She is now living in Gardner, Oregon.

A number of promising candidates for the track team are showing up; they will be infine condition for the coming orange handicap races which will be held in the gymnasium this month.

Elizabeth LaVatta, who has been visiting with Floretta Poodry in New York, writes that she and her mother will attend the Commencement exercises. Elizabeth was one of our good students.

A letter from Delancey Davis, who recently went to Mississippi to prepare for college in a private school, says that the climate is ideal; the leaves are out and they are having vegetables from the gardens.

Word has been received from exstudents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roberts, stating that they are getting along nicely. They wish to be remembered to their friends. These young people, who studied at Carlisle, were recently married.

The poultry farm at which Harry Bonser worked last summer, won five first prizes in the annual Bucks County Pigeon and Poultry shows, and Harry thinks that he ought to get some of the credit which he no doubt deserves.

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Conducts a Band.

Fred E. Smith, who was graduated from Carlisle in 1899, is conducting an orchestra in Seattle, Washington. Fred is not only a good band leader, he is also a cornet soloist of considerable ability.

Carlisle Graduate Runs for Office.

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Thomas Mani, a Carlisle graduate, is the Republican candidate for district attorney for Roberts County, South Dakota. Mr. Mani is a very progressive Indian and a man of much ability. His friends wish him success.

**** Bishop Darlington Confirms Students.

Emma Newashe, Sadie Ingalls, and Pearl Bonser sang in the Episcopal choir last Sunday evening. A number of boys and girls were confirmed by Bishop Darlington, who afterwards preached a masterly sermon. The church was crowded by members and friends.

*** Indians Meet Cornell.

To-morrow night the relay team will meet the Cornell team in a mile race at the University Gymnasium in Philadelphia. The members of the track team are training very hard and it is now evident that several will be called on to help the American team in the Olympic games in Europe this summer.

*** The Standard Meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Levi Hillman. After singing the society song the following program was rendered: Declamation, Leslie James; essay, Smiley Hopkins; impromptu, James P. Leggins; oration, Nuss Stevenson. The question: Resolved, "That Cuba should be annexed to the United States". The affirmative speakers were Amos Komah and Henry Mudget; negative, George Fairbanks and Calvin Lamoureaux. The judges decided in favor of the affirmatives. There were several visitors among whom were Miss Guest, Miss Margaret Harris and Miss Bessie Waggoner. Miss Waggoner favored the society with a humorous recitation. Editor John B. Farr read interesting notes, after which the critic made his report and the house adjourned.

Preparing for Commencement.

Capt. Reed, of Troop D, expects to have his troop in tiptop shape for the commencement parade.

Making Good.

Mrs. Cornelia House, one of our graduates, has a good home at Oneida, Wisconsin; she is also the mother of two healthy children. Her husband, whom she married five years ago, is an industrious farmer.

In the Service.

Marie Beauvais writes from Cantonment, Okla., that the weather is ideal, and quite a change from her own home in S. Dakota, at this time of year. She sends best wishes to her many friends at Carlisle. She is employed in the service at that place as instructor in sewing. She learned to become an expert dressmaker at Carlisle.

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Teaching Morals in Indian Schools.

The Rev. Mr. Wedge and Mrs. Wedge were present at the Mercer entertainment. Mr. Wedge said it was one of the best of its kind that he had attended for some years.

Mr Wedge has been at Carlisle with his wife and daughter several weeks. He is an expert in the subject of moral instruction and has been sent out by a society of Harvard University to assist in this work in the various schools of the service.

He expects to spend about two or three years in the field and it is predicted that much good will result from his work, which is undenominational. Former President Elliot and other Harvard men are members of the society.

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS.

Miss Yoos is now in charge of the hospital.

The roof on the plumbing shop is completed.

Remember that final examinations are coming soon.

Skating is a thing of the past and basket-ball games are now in full swing.

Miss Johnston spent a few days last week with friends in Buffalo. New York.

Isabel LaVatta played a beautiful violin solo at the Mercer meeting Friday evening.

Saturday evening after the school entertainment, every one was saying how splendidly each speaker did his part.

The declamation on "Lincoln's Life" which was delivered by Philip Welmas, of No. 4, was very well given and enjoyed by all.

The Jubilee Quartette who went to Newville and twice to Harrisburg last week, reported a "big hit." before good-sized audiences.

This is the Lenten season and many good resolutions are being made. A resolution is a promise to yourself; see that you keep faith and thus draw nearer to your ideal.

Joseph Bergie and James Crane, members of our football team, are not only "star" players but they are "star" brick-layers as well. They are now putting up a diamondbond wall for the commencement exhibition.

The "Athletic Colts," a newly organized basket-ball team composed of boys from the Athletic Quarters, managed by Gus Welch and captained by Reuben Charles, defeated the fast Junior Varsity team last Friday evening in a hard fought game by the score of 21 to 14.

The Catholic students held their meeting in the auditorium last Sunday evening. After singing a hymn they repeated the rosary, after which Father Stock explained its origin. After singing another hymn, the following selections were volunteered: Recitation, Iva Miller; clarinet solo, James Sampson. The meeting closed with the singing of a hymn.

Major Mercer Presents Society with Coat of Arms.

A feature of the Mercer program was the presentation by Supt. Friedman of the Mercer coat of arms, beautifully framed, a gift from Major Mercer, after whom the society is named. A congratulatory letter from Major Mercer accompanied the gift; this, Mr. Friedman read aloud and then presented it to the society.

Mr. Friedman reviewed the work of the Mercer society, the struggles at first, and the difficulties which their presistent efforts have overcome. He spoke of the present standing of the society, which, though the youngest in years, is quite up to the standard of the others in attainments. He also spoke highly of his predecessor in office, and lauded Major Mercer as a man of fine qualities. The Major's letter to the society follows:

DEAR MERCERS:

It is a pleasure to feel that your society is a link connecting me with old Carlisle, and that your name, "Mercers," was selected by the girls who organized the society, as a courtesy to their former schoolfather and devoted friend.

Toward one and all of those dear pupils I feel the affection, not alone that of a school-father, but a kindly sympathy for your race; and of love for young people placed in my charge, by fond parents so many miles away, so many of whom I knew personally, and many of them my personal friends.

So, now it is, that while so many of my former friends are no longer with you, yet, for the Mercers and old Carlisle I have a most keen attachment, and I hope I shall ever have many friends among the Mercers.

Always having had a desire to present the Mercers something that would symbolize my appreciation of the courtesy extended me by them, it was not until now, that I felt that I had an appropriate object for such expression of my regard and esteem. For the purpose, I have had especially prepared a copy of the Mercer coat of arms, with its mottoes and proper colors, with the hope that it may be given a place in your society room, and that you will consider that it represents, not alone my appreciation of friendship for your former school-father, but also for the best of wishes for the happiness of former, present, and future Mercers.

The Mercer coat of arms seems most appropriate as a gift to you from me, because, for every girl who is, has been, or may be, enrolled as a Mercer, I can wish nothing better than that in the upbuilding of her character, or as guides for her future conduct, she may possess those qualities which are the symbolism of the Mercer arms: Generosity, Fortitude, Truth, Loyalty, Hospitality, with the wisdom that will cause her to remember the motto, "Audi alteram partem" (Hear the other side); important in the conduct of a literary society, and but fair and just as between individuals; also, to appreciate that the star in the arms is an emblem of Gcd's goodness.

Sure it is as any thing on earth,

The Mercers are older than old Perth. And then should we bear us bravely, do no

shame,

Nor blot the escutcheon of our ancient name; Strive, sternly strive, till called to lay life down.

Through God's good grace to make Christ's Cross our Crown.

Trusting that I may see all the Mercers very soon, I remain,

Sincerely your friend,

WILLIAM ALLEN MERCER, Major, U. S. Army, Supt. of Carlisle, 1904–1908. To MERCER LITERARY SOCIETY, Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

→→ Carlisle Man Won.

At the Bleecker street skating rink last evening the skaters had the privilege of skating to the music rendered by a full uniformed band. Among the list of events for the evening was a race in which several of the young men participated. The race was won by Louis White, a former Carlisle man who is an expert skater. Stanley Pennock, Bert Kaple, and James Bingham finished in that order after Mr. White.—Utica Daily Press, Utica, N. Y.

₩ → Play Good Basket Ball.

The Junior girls' basket-ball team defeated the Commercial girls by a score of 14 to 4. The first half ended with a score of 4 to 2 in favor of the Juniors and all were in doubt as to who would win, but in the last half the Juniors completely ran away with the Commercials.

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS.

The boys are beginning to play baseball.

Miss Swormstedt spent the weekend at her home in Washington, D. C.

Minnie Jones was suddenly called to her home in New York where she expects to perform household duties for her sick mother.

Mr. Henderson praised the large boys for their clean quarters, Saturday. He said it was the best inspection of the year.

Miss Heagy, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stauffer for a couple of weeks, returned to her home in Harrisburg last Saturday.

At the Invincible meeting last Friday evening, Joseph Guyon and John Gibson signed the constitution, thus becoming members of the Invincible Debating Society.

At opening exercises in the auditorium Monday morning, Fred Cardin, Senior, gave a declamation entitled "Our Heritage from Washington and Lincoln."

Sunday was a day that everybody enjoyed; the Sunday-school was interesting, the walk to church, delightful, the afternoon service, instructive and the union meeting beneficial.

The illustrated lecture on Washington and Lincoln delivered last Thursday evening by Dr. Wedge was a real treat. The pictures were unusually clear; they showed the chief events in the lives of those two great men.

Last Sunday evening a missionary meeting was held in town at the Second Presbyterian Church, in which three of our girls took part; Joşephine Warren represented a Japanese girl; Nan Saunooke a Chinese girl; and Cecelia Swamp a Korean girl.

Nan Saunooke, the efficient and impartial critic of the Mercer Society, advised the members to do their best on every occasion. "The program," she said, "was good, but it could have been better. We need to be criticised lest we become too well satisfied with our work, which would be bad for us, since such a feeling stops progress, and we want to progress."

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INDIAN RACE PRODUCES GREAT ATHLETIC STARS.

In a full page illustrated story which appeared in the Sunday editon, January 14, of the St. Louis Republic, and other large papers, the following account is given of some of Carlisle's prominent athletes. The article was profusely illustrated with photographs of former Carlisle stars, and is in several colors. The following will be of interest to readers of the Arrow:

"There will be an Indian on the American team that is to compete in the Olympic Games at Stockholm next June. Jim Thorpe, a runner, hurdler, jumper and wizard of the football field will wear the little red, white and blue shield that is the emblem of the American team.

"Indian athletes are gradually creating fame for themselves in the world of sport. When the two contenders for the baseball championship of the world met in the East last autumn, two of the mightiest of the athletes were red men. Bender of the Philadelphia Athletics and Myers of the New York Giants were two of the most effective cogs in the contending machines.

"For a long time the white man has clung to the belief that there is a "yellow streak" in the make-up of the Indian athlete. He is wrong.

"Some of the most noted athletes in the United States are Indians. They come from no one tribe. Oklahomas, Cherokees, Choctaws and Arapahoes furnish about as many athletes as the Maine Chippewas or the North country Sioux and Pawnees.

"Deerfoot was the first of the great line of red athletes. His running, his endurance and his iron nerve have become traditions, wherever athletes gather.

"The Indian has always shone in the diamond game. Bender and Meyers are by no means the first of the redmen to win fame for themselves at baseball. Rogers, La Roy and Sockalexis are examples of other copper-colored stars of the national pastime who were the stars of their day.

"Cayou, now coach and physical director at Washington University, was one of the terrors of the older Carlisle football team. Francis M. Cayou is a splendid type of the Indian athlete and has proven as clever in the strategy of the gridiron as any of his white rivals who have been pitted against him.

"Longboat, another Canadian Indian, made a remarkable record as a runner. Simpson is another of the Indians who has distinguished himself on the cinder path. Tewanima, of a later date, made the best of the white "cracks" look to their laurels when he met them in the field games.

"It is in football that the Indian excels. These tough-muscled, stoical children of a primitive race, have proven themselves the most daring, tricky, heady and enduring of all the players that have entered that field of college sport."

"Thorpe has the kicking toe of a wizard and the scores of 1911 attest his prowess. There have been few men the equal of Metoxen as a lineplunger and back-field player. A little while ago it was Mount Pleasant who was electrifying the stands by his wonderful playing. Hudson, Wheelock, Pete Hauser, Pierce, Seneca, Miller, Warren and a hundred others have made names for themselves on the gridiron.

"These copper-colored sons of the plains and the windy reservations have grown up athletically in the last decade. They are making the touchdowns, helping to win and lose world's championships and breaking the tape on the cinder tracks with the best of their white competitors. The glory of Deerfoot, first of Indian athletes, will not suffer at their hands.

"Endurance, patience and a world of determination are the assets the Indian brings with him into the athletic world."

The Invincible Program, February 23, 1912.

Recitation, Ethan Anderson; instrumental duet, Jonas Homer and Ovilla Azure; declamation, John Russel; violin solo, Antoine Anaquot.

The question for debate read thus: Resolved, "That Italy was justified in declaring war on Turkey." The affirmative speakers were William Garlow and Ovilla Azure; negative, Andrew Dunbar and Stafford Elgin. The judges awarded the victory to the affirmative side. There were no official visitors.

Christian Union Service.

The leader of the Christian Union meeting Sunday evening was the Rev. McClure. He took for his text: "No man liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself." He said that man is the only selfish animal; all others help one another accord ing to the law of life. The same with plant life and with the heavenly bodies, which are obeying the divine law, without which there can be no harmony, and hence, no real progress.

The Squaw's Shawl.

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"The Indian wears his blanket on the hottest summer days. His theory is that if it keeps out the cold in winter it will keep out the heat in summer," says Ben M. Myers of Oklahoma City. "While he might not care to buy anything else expensive, the price of a suitable blanket is never questioned, but it would be difficult indeed to deceive him as to the texture of any robe.

"A squaw will imitate almost anything that pleases her fancy, but in the matter of her blanket or shawl she exhibits an unusual amount of individuality. With great care and patience she designs her blanket, and when she places the order with the mill man he does not dare duplicate it until she has had an opportunity to wear it.

"If she makes the request that it shall not be duplicated, her wishes are regarded, because it is the one article she possesses in which exclusiveness is much coveted, and also because what would please one squaw would not appear at all attractive to another.

"The lightweightshawlorblanket is thrown over the head of the squaw, and unless she is able to purchase a bright colored silk kerchief, it will serve as her only bonnet as well. It is just as common a sight now to see the papoose securely bound on the back of its mother by a portion of her blanket as it used to be to see the wee head of the Indian babe peeping from the tekas, or frame cradle."—Washington Herald.

Few thing are impracticable; it is for want of application rather than from circumstances that men fail of success.

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