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THE ORIGIN OF THE TURTLE CLAN.

William C. Bishop, Cayuga.

The Iroquois tribes are subdivided into clans, and those of the Turtle Clan of the Cayuga tribe relate with pride the following legend as descriptive of the incident which led to their existence: At a certain pool or lake there dwelt the tribe of tortoises commonly known as "mud turtles." During one particular season of prolonged drouth the lake became dry and the family of tortoises were compelled to leave their home and seek a new abode. While on this quest they wandered from place to place and most of the time were obliged to traverse hot fields and dusty roads. This was an unusual experience for these wanderers and they suffered much discomfiture.

Now there was among them one tortoise which was very large, and owing to his size, he suffered more than his companions. He became so blistered and irritated from travel that he sought relief in an unusual way. It so happened that the cartilages which connected his shell and body were so bruised and irritated from constant travel that in his efforts to ease his pain the huge shell was wrenched off.

His body, being released from the confines of his shell, assumed an upright stature and in course of time formed the features of a man. He was the first progenitor of the Turtle Clan.



Indian Is Self-Supporting.

In Supt. Friedman's report of the Carlisle Indian School, made to the commissioner of Indian affairs, he says the American Indian is finding himself and is rapidly taking his place with the white man as a good citizen. He declares that at first the benefits of education were rarely recognized by the Indian himself, but that now the red man is being "redeemed from the old ways of indolence and super-

stition, to a capable, self-sustaining individual, differing little except in physical characteristics from the white man." The Indian on the reservation is more industrious, and he is found in the professions, the trades, in the government service, and in commercial life. He lives in a permanent home instead of roaming from place to place and is a much better Indian than he used to be.—*Editorial in Utica (N. Y.) Press.*



The Red Man and His Vote.

One of the most interesting bits of political gossip heard in Washington relates to an effort to organize the votes of the Indians. Tired of being helpless wards of the Government, a movement has been started by educated Indians to make the white man sit up and take political notice of his copper-skinned brother.

The formation of the redskin machine is in full swing and has at the head of it a full-blooded educated Indian. Success at football has come to the Indian, and if he can do only half as well as a politician he will get his rights. It is figured that in 17 States there are 93,000 full-blooded Indian men of voting age, and it is proposed to add 60,000 more who are classed in the popular mind as Indians. This looks like the nucleus of a good machine, and when we have equal suffrage the squaws of course will swell the total.

This movement is a significant sign of the favorable effect of educating the Indians at Carlisle and Hampton. Many people have doubted the schools, and yet it is apparent that education is making the red man a very decent citizen. So decent has he become that he is beginning to think of his rights and how to make himself felt as a political factor. There's progress for you!—*Editorial in Globe, Boston, Mass., Nov. 25, 1911.*



Common sense is not common.

NOTES OF RETURNED STUDENTS.

Carrie Dunbar, who is in the country, reports that she is getting along well.

William Yankee Joe, who left Carlisle several years ago, is now in Odanah, Wisconsin.

Minnie Billings writes from Oaklane, Pa., that she is getting along well in her school work.

Eli Shabonobosh is doing well as an operator at the Western Union Telegraph office in town.

In a letter to a friend, Frances Roberts tells of the fine school she is attending in Moorestown, New Jersey.

Naomi Greensky writes from Alpena, Michigan, telling us of the many snow-storms they are having.

John Waterman, one of our ex-students, is working at his trade of blacksmithing, in Versailles, New York.

David Redstar writes from his home in South Dakota that the weather in that part of the country is fine.

Mr. and Mrs. William White send best regards from Wadsworth, Wisconsin, to their former class-mates, the Seniors.

Addison Johnson, an ex-student who is at present employed in the State Printing Office at Harrisburg, was a recent visitor.

John Heardy, who was a student here in 1910, is busily engaged in fruit and berry farming at his home near Redcliff, Wisconsin.

A letter was received recently from Adeline Boutang, who is nursing at Lansdowne, Pa., stating that she is well and enjoying her work.

Aaron Minthorn, who went home last summer, and is at present attending school at Spokane, Wash., states in a letter to a friend that he is getting along very well.

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GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS.

Mitchell Kakitosh left for his home in Wisconsin, Saturday morning.

Many of the new girls are signing to go to the country with the first party.

The Misses Florence and Esther Heagy are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Stauffer.

Our assistant quartermaster, Mr. Crider, expects to leave for the West immediately after Commencement.

Mr. Carns and his detail of boys, having finished painting the shoeshop, are now ready for work outside.

The Y. M. C. A. will organize a track team to compete with the various Y. M. C. A. teams within the state.

A large number of Catholic boys and girls will be confirmed next Sunday afternoon. Bishop Shannahan, of Harrisburg, will be in Carlisle for the purpose.

At the opening exercises last Monday morning Myrtle Thomas, a Sophomore, gave a fine recitation entitled "Cheerfulness."

The boys engaged in the club drills for commencement are required to do extra drilling in order that they may do as well as the girls.

The students of Room 10 are glad to welcome into their class Ella Fox, who has lately arrived here from Traverse City, Michigan.

The girls who made their own graduating dresses are very proud of their work, and well may they be, for the dresses are very pretty.

At the Catholic meeting held in the Auditorium last Sunday evening the following program was rendered: Hymn and repeating of the rosary, Congregation; piano solo, Mary

Pleets; select reading, Anna Roulette; piano and cornet duet, Mary Pleets and Robert Bruce; reading, John Farr; piano solo, Isabelle Lavatta. The meeting closed with the singing of the hymn, "O Lord, I Am Not Worthy."



Good Lacrosse Prospects.

The lacrosse candidates have taken advantage of the warm weather to practice out-of-doors. Prospects for a good team to represent Carlisle are brilliant, and many candidates are working hard.



Out in the Busy World.

Mrs. Lewis George, formerly Margaretta Reed, and her husband, are now in Orleans, California, Lewis' old home. She writes that they are doing very well and that life is "one grand sweet song." She sends best wishes to the Class of 1912, of which organization she was formerly a member. Both are returned students of Carlisle. They were married in Supt. Friedman's home about a year ago.



A Visit to Irving College.

Miss Winifred Wood, of Carlisle, accompanied Rose Whipper and Nora McFarland, two of our students, to Irving College, where they had been invited to spend Saturday and Sunday as guests of the Y. W. C. A. Nora entertained the Irving girls by giving, in pantomime, "Nearer my God to Thee" and "Red Wing." Rose sang two hymns in the Sioux language; they also sang "Old Carlisle," after which each was presented with an Irving pennant.

Sunday they visited the classrooms and attended services at the Trinity Lutheran Church. At dinner they were the guests of the Senior class. The last hour of their stay was spent in visiting the girls' rooms which they found to be simply, but very attractively furnished. The girls presented them with their cards so that now they know the name of each one. The visit ended all too soon, as do all pleasant things, and they returned Sunday evening full enthusiasm over the beauties of Irving College and the charming hospitality which had been so graciously extended to them.

NOTES OF RETURNED STUDENTS.

Michael LeClaire is getting along finely as a ranchman at White Eagle, Oklahoma.

Louis Runnels, Class '10, is attending a business college in Spokane, Washington.

Walker Penn, from his home in Pawhuska, Okla., sends greetings to the class of 1912.

Ira Cloud, one of our "Outing" students, writes to a friend that he is getting on very well.

Frances Doyle writes from Nebraska, where she is attending school, that she is getting along well.

Miss Pelagie Nash, who was graduated from here some years ago, is now a stenographer at White Eagle, Oklahoma.

Eddison Johnson, who is working in the State Printing Office at Harrisburg, visited the school last Sunday; his friends were very glad to see him looking so well.

Mitchell Pierce, one of our ex-students writes from his home near Iroquois, New York, that they are still having cold weather in that section of the country.

Through a letter we learn that a Carlisle graduate, Pennington Powell, is well and getting good wages employed as a teamster in the city of Pocatello, Idaho.

James Luther, one of our ex-students, writes from Gallup, New Mexico, that he is doing well; he wishes to be remembered to his friends, especially his classmates.

John Santiago, who is now at Gallup, New Mexico, remembered his former teacher, Miss Johnston, by sending her a post-card picture of himself; it is a very good likeness.

Lottie Pennell, who is at her home in Reddies River, N. C., states that she receives the Arrow regularly every week, and when she reads it she often wishes she were back at Carlisle.

Anita Pollard and Edith Emery are looking forward to the time when they will come in from the country, although they have a very pleasant home with Miss Edge at Downingtown, Pennsylvania.

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS.

The four upper grades are getting ready for the finals on the 19th and 20th.

Mr. John Kenworthy of Pawhuska, Okla., is here visiting his brother William.

Dr. Wedge gave the large boys several very helpful talks during the past week.

Capt. Loyd Reed of Troop D is instructing his officers in commanding their troop.

Mrs. Stauffer and Mrs. Henderson, who have been ill for several days, are improving.

Last Tuesday Mr. Henderson attended the United States district court at Scranton, Pennsylvania.

The boys who were fortunate enough to win the oranges in the "meet" have enough to last them a week.

All the officers are drilling their troops faithfully; each captain is expecting to put up a better showing than he did last year.

Edward Morrin was the speaker for the Sophomore Class in the afternoon division; his recitation was entitled, "The Value of Judgment."

"Pop" Warner intends to have the cinder path in fine order for the dual meets this spring; the track is to be recoated with a layer of cinders.

Mr. Friedman watched the boys and girls drill last Friday evening in the gymnasium, and he said that the girls were far ahead of the boys.

The Juniors are glad to have with them again, Abraham Colonahaskie, their class president, who has been confined to the hospital for some time.

The J. V. basket-ball team of the Small Boys' Quarters defeated the strong Dickinson Freshman team last Saturday in a hard-fought game, 35 to 21.

The meeting of the Y. W. C. A. last Sunday evening was well attended. It was in charge of the "Student Voluntary Movement" of Dickinson College. Among the speakers were Misses Thompson, Baer and Rinker. Each spoke on the following subjects,

respectively, "The Watchword," "His Purpose," and "What Student Voluntary Movement Means."

A letter was received from Bessie Saracino stating that she is getting along nicely at her home; she wishes to be remembered to her classmates, the Sophomores.

Last Friday night the Invincible Society held a benefit basket-ball game, which was successful both in a financial way and in the score, which was 21 to 9.

Miss Rinker attended the Y. W. C. A. meeting Sunday evening. The girls were pleased to see her as she has always shown a great willingness to help them in their work.

The Y. M. C. A. basket-ball team played the Dickinson College Freshmen last Saturday evening. The Indians won out during the last few minutes of play. Score 23 to 17.

Roy Large spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Doner, his former country people. Mr. and Mrs. Doner are good patrons of the school and they say Roy is one of their best boys.

A letter has recently been received from Rose McArthur who is in Oregon, stating that she had been out picking wild-flowers, such is the Oregon weather at this season of the year.

A great many girls have signed to go "Outing", and the sewing-room girls are beginning to have a busy time to get their clothing ready, as the first party will leave the ninth of April.

By request we wish to correct an item in the last number of the Arrow. It was to the effect that Miss Pearl Finch and Mr. Boyd were recently married. Miss Finch is still at her home, but she is enjoying life alone.

The Rev. Dr. Wedge was again the speaker at the Y. M. C. A. meeting last Sunday evening. His subject was "Temperance." "Temperance in all things develops the right type of manhood and womanhood," is one of the many good thoughts which remains with us. The Rev. McMillan also spoke on the same subject and the good things said by those two men will long remain with those who were fortunate enough to be present.

Illustrated Lecture.

Some of the pictures in "The Life of Jesus" which were shown us by Dr. Wedge last Saturday evening were the "Annunciation," "The Flight into Egypt," "The Wise Men," "Christ in the Temple," and "The Transfiguration." There were several others, but those mentioned were very beautiful and interested us deeply.



Out at Work.

A letter has recently been received from Alice Denomie in which she states how well she enjoys her work at the Crow Agency in Montana. Alice was graduated from Carlisle in 1908. She is a good stenographer and clerk and has rendered good service in several places.



The Tuberculosis Contest.

Whether our school receives any prizes in the Tuberculosis contest or not, one thing is certain, the contest has proved to be both profitable and beneficial.

The papers are finished and the best five from each room are now in the hands of the physician, who will grade them, after which the best two papers in each grade will be sent to the District Supervisor.

The District Supervisor will forward to the Supervisor at large the best in his district.

From these latter the Supervisor at large will select the "All-American" winners.



Dr. Wedge off for the West

Dr. Arther P. Wedge, Mrs. Wedge, and Miss Wedge, who spent three weeks with us, left for the West Thursday at noon. He will visit most of the Indian schools and reservations during a trip which is expected to take about two years. Dr. Wedge said he had learned much from Carlisle and that the time spent here had been both pleasant and profitable. The Carlisle school has, in turn, profited greatly by his visit. His pleasant personality, tact, and spirit of helpfulness will be long remembered. While here he vitalized the subject of moral training in the class room and gave many inspiring talks to the students. We predict that his stay with the Indians will be a great blessing to them.

THE BUFFALO CHASE.

CLIFFORD TAYLOR, Pawnee.

Many years ago, before the western plains of our country were discovered and explored by white men, large herds of buffalo and deer roamed over the vast area of pasture lands, shifting north or southward as the grass became scarce, or resting near salt licks which were numerous on the plains. The Indian having little or no knowledge of tilling the soil, or the use of machinery, farming was of no value to him. He enjoyed the out-of-door life, fishing, trapping and hunting or perhaps trailing across the prairies in search of big game. Oftentimes he found it difficult to come within close distance of his game. To deceive his prey he carried a robe which he placed upon his back, and which covered his body, and prowling about in disguise he succeeded in getting within shooting distance. This crafty trick was practiced by the Pawnees, and they are termed Foxes by the neighboring tribes because of the fact that they disguised themselves in such robes. As he possessed skill in hunting, trailing and trapping, hunting was his chief occupation. The deer and buffalo supplied him with meat, and the hides were worked from which moccasins, leggins and other garments were made. As there were no large extensive wheat fields and busy flour mills to supply him with flour for bread, Indian maize took the place of wheat.

Early in the spring maize was planted, cultivated, and cared for by the squaws by means of rude implements or hoes made from bones or rocks. All the work about the camp or village rested upon the industrious squaws. While the female sex labored at home the braves were on a hunting expedition.

Perhaps there was no other sport enjoyed by the savages as was the buffalo chase.

This chase was held in the spring and fall of the year, often lasting for several days, depending upon the scarcity of game.

They were not held for mere sport, but all game killed was packed home, dressed, and prepared for storage to be used during the coming winter.

Since the settlement and discovery

of the plains, the buffalo and deer have rapidly disappeared, and the Indian has settled on his farm allotted to him; but the custom of the chase is still held and exercised by a few tribes. The Ponca tribes of Indians near the One Hundred and One Ranch, Bliss, Oklahoma, still observe this chase.

Every fall of the year the chase is held under the auspices of the Miller Brothers, at Bliss.

Many people gather to witness the event.



New Students at Carlisle.

As an indication that the splendid training afforded young men and women at the Carlisle Indian School is being appreciated by the Indians throughout the country, more than 350 new students have come to this school since the beginning of the new year in September.

The students that have been brought together are mature, purposeful, and not only came to Carlisle because they wanted to come, but with the definite aim of mastering some vocational activity. The contents of the applications which these students write, the plea they make, and the evidences of earnestness which are manifest indicate on the students' part a desire for education and training which is most gratifying as a sign of progress and of development on the part of the Indian race.

Both the old and the young Indians are beginning to realize that as their reservations are being opened to settlement, their coming into closer touch with the white man will mean that the old order of dependence will have to give way to a new, down-to-date order of business dealing and that only the educated Indian can expect to make progress in competition with the white man, or even hold his own against such newcomers to the vast domains where formerly his affairs were conducted by the Government.

With a purposeful class of students now enrolled at Carlisle, this year has proved thus far to be the best argument yet advanced that Carlisle is filling a definite need in Indian education and that the Government's money is being expended in preparing a fine lot of Indian young men and women to be economic factors when their school days are over.—*N. Y. Times.*

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS.

Mr. Boltz is now preparing for his annual exhibition of hand-made shoes.

The boys attending school in town are now looking forward to the Easter holidays they will have two weeks.

Emma La Vatta, who is attending the Academy at Pocatello, Idaho, writes that she enjoys the work immensely and is getting along very well.

Troop F from Small Boys' Quarters are drilling faithfully every morning in order that they may make a good showing during commencement week.

A few lines have been received from Harry Hutchinson, ex-student of Carlisle, telling that sometime ago he purchased a beautiful home in Blackfoot, Idaho.

Frank Johnson sends word from Mt. Hermon that he hopes to be here for Commencement. He is attending school there and is working his way through.

A letter has recently been received from Robert Anderson, a member of the present Sophomore Class, stating that he has a good position with Via Company in Lewiston, New York.

The arrangements for commencement exercises in the gymnasium are almost completed. It now devolves upon the students to keep the place clean and in order.

Mary Marcot, who went to her home in Louisiana sometime ago, writes that she has been employed as a domestic in a very good home; she is very grateful for all that she learned while at Carlisle.

In a recent letter from Iroquois, N. Y., we learn that Mitchell Pierce, a former member of the Sophomore Class, is still striving to live up to the class motto, "Courage," in order that he may overcome the trials and difficulties along life's rough road.

The girls who are making the graduating dresses are very busy under Mrs. Canfield's and Miss Searight's directions. Most of the girls in this year's class are making their own, as a number of them are in the dress-making class.