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HELL GATE!

Where IS it?

Where is East River?

East river is between Long Island and New York. Find it on your map.

Hell Gate is the entrance to this river from Long Island Sound.

In the water at Hell Gate there are many rocks, and some of them have sharp points.

The water just covers some of these points, so men who are guiding ships can't see the rocks. Many a good ship has struck one of those points and sunk or been greatly damaged, and sometimes people are drowned.

It is said that at least one ship every week is lost on those rocks.

Hell Gate has always been a dangerous place for ships, so wise men went to work to try to THINK out a way of getting those great rocks out of the water in order that ocean ships could go safely through into East River and on to New York City.

They began to think and study and plan 35 years ago.

Just think! That was before Mr. Campbell was born.

Well, how did they go to work?

Fifteen years ago men began with great machines to make long, deep, dark holes in the rocks, away down under the water nearly 100 feet.

After these large holes were made, then they made more than 13,000 smaller holes leading down to the larger ones from the outside.

Do you understand?

Then they filled all the holes both ^{with} thing like ^{gun} powder, only what they used is much stronger than gun-powder.

Then they fixed a wire that would reach away out from these holes so the gun-powder could be fired off with electricity and no one get hurt.

It took many years to do all this, and it cost at least \$1,000,000 to get it ready to fire.

At last the chief man, General Newton told the day and hour when the rocks were to be blown to pieces.

100,000 people gathered on the banks of East River to watch the performance. Just 14 minutes after eleven o'clock, last Saturday, little Mary Newton, General Newton's 11-year old daughter, touched the button on the wire that blew up 9 acres of solid rock.

The earth shook for miles around. It felt like an earthquake.

A solid mass of water as wide as from the boys' quarters to the school house was shot up 200 feet—twice as high as our flag pole.

Shut your eyes and try to think how that would look.

People who saw it, say it was a beautiful and wonderful sight.

The rocks were split, and now they can be carried away. A very dangerous channel of water will be made into a safe place for ships to go through.

This clearing of the rocks from Hell Gate will go down in history as one of the wonderful things done in this year of 1885.

Read about it! THINK ABOUT IT!
REMEMBER IT.

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The INDIAN HELPER is PRINTED by Indian boys, but
EDITED by The-man-on-the-band-stand, a person of another race
and color.

Dakota wants to become a state.

The Pennsylvania railroads employ
70,000 men.

Hundreds of hogs are dying out west
with the hog cholera.

No less than 18,061 young women are
at college in this country.

Luther Standing Bear's father is quite
sick at Rosebud Agency, Dakota.

"A crank is a man who has a capital idea
with not sense enough to carry it out."

There were over eight hundred deaths
from small-pox in Montreal during the
month of September.

Lizzie McIntosh is visiting her cousin at
Muscogee, I. T. and while there assists Miss
Robertson in her school occasionally.

If you have paid for the INDIAN HELPER
and don't receive it, come or send to the of-
fice and find out the reason. Printers some-
times make mistakes.

Rachel Checote and Martha Moore go to
school in Muscogee, I. T. Eliza Chissoe,
Sam Scott and Rosa Miles are living in the
same town.

General Garfield was once asked what
he was going to do. His reply was that
he first intended to make a man of himself
before undertaking anything else.

MONEY.

Franklin says, "Money can make
money." TRUE! But your money can
NOT make money if you spend your
money for watches, chains, silk-handker-
chiefs, more neck-ties than you need, pic-
tures of yourself too often, ear-rings, finger-
rings, and shoes than you need, better
clothes than working people should wear,
Texas hats, candies and cakes or any other
needless thing.

YOUR money can make money if you
put YOUR money in the right place and
KEEP IT THERE.

A tree grows slowly, but in a few years
it becomes a large, strong tree.

Would it become a large, strong tree if
you should dig it up every few weeks and
put it in different ground?

SUNDAY MORNING INSPEC- TION.

The-man-on-the-band-stand did not go
around to inspection last Sunday morning.

I don't want to go around on Sunday
morning. Of course, the boys and girls
have their rooms fixed nicely Sunday morn-
ings, for that is the time they expect com-
pany. I want to go in the different
rooms some week-day, when the pupils are
all at dinner. I will not steal anything.

I just want to see which boy keeps his
clothes folded nicely, and his bed in good
order, and which girl has the neatest
bureau and closet. You should have
heard the ladies who went around last Sun-
day talking as they went by the band-stand.

One of them said, "Did'n't room num-
ber . . . look nicely?"

"Yes, indeed," said another, "Every
thing was clean in THAT room."

"Oh, it is very easy to keep the outside
smooth and clean looking, but when you
go around and look under the wash-stands,
and in the corners, it is not ALWAYS
clean," said the third lady.

"That is true, You know in number . . .
the table had on it a very pretty cover,

WHAT I SEE AND HEAR.

Winter is here.

The boys have new boots.

The board walks are down.

"Let him that STOLE steal no more!"

Thanksgiving day is over. Now what?

Joe Wisecoby made a good speech last night.

The girls are better at guessing enigmas than the boys.

Where is the girls' Literary society we heard about, two weeks ago?

Rev. Mr. Olmstead arrived Wednesday evening with six more Oneidas.

Edgar Fire Thunder is working in Pine Ridge Agency black-smith shop, now.

That ONE horn in the band makes TERRIBLE discord. Who blows it?

How much better and more intelligent the girls look with their bangs combed back.

Clarence Three Stars still holds his position in the Pine Ridge Agency school. He says he finds that he learns English by teaching it to the students.

A boy who can see beyond the end of his nose, will take the best care of his good Sunday clothes. He'll not put them on every day in the week, but keep them for best when he wants to look sleek.

Little Elk has gone back to Cheyenne Agency, Indian Territory. He does not say why he left the Lawrence school. A person who keeps changing from one place to another all the time never succeeds well in business. When you change be sure you are getting into a BETTER place than the one you are leaving.

The question for discussion in the debating-club this evening is, "Resolved, That wood is more useful to man than iron.

AFFIRMATIVE: Jimmie Given, Chas. Hood.

NEGATIVE: John Miller, Joel Cotter.

What did Capt. Pratt mean last Sunday night about the grain in the store-house rotting if we do not use it? Did he mean the knowledge in our heads?

Yes! Knowledge is the grain, and our heads are the store-houses.

Let us make GOOD USE of every bit of knowledge we have, and not let it rot.

That boy or girl who went home and is lying around doing nothing is allowing "the grain in the store-house to rot."

We had no time to be lazy after the chapel bell rang last night, did we?

"The exercises, speaking, singing and dialogues were the best we have ever had," said a young man this morning, and he spoke the truth.

We were glad to see Mr. See All, but where was the Man-on-the-band-stand?

He was just where he ALWAYS is--on the band stand, of course.

Each boy and girl did his and her part well, but Steve was about the best.

Samuel Johns is a much younger boy than Thomas Wistar but he has a few words to say in reply to Thomas' piece of last week.

He wants that educated Indians should be made citizens NOW.

Then he goes on to say, "But those who are yet ignorant should not be made citizens of the United States, until they have a good knowledge of the ways of citizenship, and when they are READY to become citizens, then MAKE them citizens and let them vote and enjoy what the citizens of the United States enjoy. Then they can help the ignorant ones to become as they are. I think that Mr Wistar forgot those who are educated and ready to be made citizens."

Thomas this is worth a reply, and we hope to hear from you again.

GIRARD COLLEGE.

TWO OF OUR BOYS TALKING.

There are 1,153 pupils in Girard College, now.

Where is Girard College?

In Philadelphia.

What kind of pupils go there?

Poor orphan boys.

Is it a nice place?

Yes, indeed. The buildings are very fine, most of them are built of solid marble. The main building cost nearly \$2,000,000, and it is built the same way that large houses were made hundreds of years ago in Greece. It is called the finest piece of Grecian architecture in America.

Where did they get money to put up such fine buildings for poor orphan boys?

Stephen Girard gave the money.

Who is Stephen Girard?

He was a very rich man who died about 54 years ago, and in his will he said that a great part of his money should go to build a beautiful home for orphan boys.

He said they should be fed and clothed and educated.

What a kind man he was! I should like to see that College.

When you go to Philadelphia you can see it. Some of our Indian boys and girls went there once, and we had a nice time. The grounds are kept in beautiful order; nice green grass and flowers are around the buildings.

How much ground have they?

There are 41 acres inside of the wall.

Inside of what wall?

Inside the wall which is made around the grounds. It is a stone wall, 10 ft. high, so it is not easy for the boys to get in or out of that place.

How old must the boys be to get in that college?

They must be from 6 to 10 years old.

They stay there until they are 14.

Then they have to go outside to work 4 years at some trade or on a farm.

Did you say there are more than 1000 boys in that college now?

Yes, I said 1,153. I saw that yesterday in a Philadelphia paper.

Oh, my! I wonder if they get tired of staying in there.

Yes, I suppose so. All boys get tired of staying any ONE place.

If boys had their OWN way they would be changing all the time to different places, and they would never amount to anything.

That is so? It is a good thing for us that we can NOT always have our own way, and I suppose Stephen Girard thought so, too, when he ordered such a high stone fence put around Girard College. He thought, no doubt, the little fellows would get tired before their education was finished, and would try to run away.

TOO SLOW.

I notice that many of the Apprentice boys work too slow.

It is right to be careful but not slow all the time.

Think of two horses. One is safe and gentle and quick also.

The other is safe and gentle but very slow.

Which would you consider the best horse?

Boys, put energy into your work and quickness into your actions!