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IF! IF!

If every boy and every girl,  
Arising with the sun,  
Should plan this day to do alone  
The good deeds to be done—

Should scatter smiles and kindly words,  
Strong helpful hands should lend,  
And to each other's wants and cries  
Attentive ears should lend;

If every man, and woman too,  
Should join these workers small,—  
Oh, what a flood of happiness  
Upon our earth would fall!

How many homes would sunny be  
Which now are filled with care!  
And joyous, smiling faces, too  
Would greet us everywhere.

I do believe the very sun  
Would shine more clear and bright,  
And every little twinkling star  
Would shed a softer light.

But we, instead, must watch to see  
If other folks are true,  
And thus neglect so much that God  
Intends for us to do.

—SARAH E. EASTMAN, in *Golden Days*.

## SHE WANTS A HIGHER EDUCATION.

One of our girls writes from her country home:

DEAR FRIEND:—Having never written to you since you so kindly found me another place, I must do so now. I have a very good home and like it so much. But now I have another request to make.

I have long been wishing to attend College, but saw no way of getting to one. I asked my uncle some time during the past winter, what he thought of my going, he replied, saying, probably I could get the consent of my people to allow me the use of some of our tribal school fund to pay for my educational expenses. Therefore I wrote to the head chief (so called) concerning the matter, but

have not, as yet, completed my arrangements, that is to suit me. Uncle, who is yet in Washington had a talk with the Commissioner or rather officers of that department about sending me away to school and was told if the tribe were willing and would ask that office for a sufficient sum of money, "It could be done."

I received a catalogue of Earlham College, some time ago, and had my mind fixed upon that place, but have heard lately that the expenses are "rather steep" as it was expressed. I sent the catalogue to my uncle and he writes that he has a place selected which would be less expensive.

He expects to visit Carlisle on his way home and said, he wished to take me home whenever he goes. I told him, if you would permit me I preferred to go with the party rather than to go alone with him. I would indeed love to remain here until the middle of August.

I feel that the short time I have been out, has done me much good. I am gaining in bodily strength also in the knowledge of household duties. I am feeling stronger than I have ever before felt. I do not ask your permission to go home merely because I wish to go, for I feel that my vacation at home will not be as pleasant as it would be if I should spend it here. But having a brighter hope to look forward to, I shall not mind it.

I am glad to find so many friends of the Indians around about here. I attend the Grace Presbyterian church and Sabbath school and like to go. The church is doing work for the Indians of Ind. Ter. Dr. Colman and wife have been laboring among the Creek Indians, and were here lately reporting good work done. They returned last week, some say to Ind. Ter. and others say to New Mexico. I am well and happy. Hoping to hear from you soon. I remain your friend and pupil.

## A Modern Pueblo.

Up in the mountains, about twenty leagues from this capital, there is a "pueblo" or community of pure Indians which is governed by

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## The Political Parties.

Do all our boys and girls know about them? There is the Democratic party now in power.

Besides this there are the Republican and Prohibition parties.

Each of these great parties will try this Fall to elect a President of the United States.

Which ticket will the Indian boy vote?

Do you want some one to tell you which ticket to vote?

Only the ignorant and weak depend wholly for some one to tell them, how to vote, and some even sell their votes.

The Man-on-the-band-stand wants every Indian boy to read and mingle with intelligent people so he can judge for himself how to vote.

Grover Cleveland stands at the head of the Democratic ticket.

Benjamin Harrison stands at the head of the Republican ticket.

Clinton B. Fisk stands at the head of the Prohibition ticket.

The Fourth at our school passed off very quietly. In town there was a parade in which our boys took part. In their part of the procession first came the band, then the trade boys, each carrying some tool used at his trade. Back of this was a float on which were the productions of our different industries, tastefully arranged. After this the wee boys came drawing the fire-hose, and were followed by a party of large boys drawing the fire-engine. The day was lovely and all enjoyed the holiday part of the occasion. In the evening a crowd of employees and children gathered near the guard-house to see the town fireworks which showed up well from that point.

A party of sixty boys and girls will leave for their homes before many days. That the Man-on-the-band-stand and their teachers and friends here grieve to see them thus turned out so young and with so little experience to battle for themselves, need not be said. We have strong hopes, however, that many in this party will use to a good purpose the knowledge they have gained and, perhaps, when they find they have not enough to see them through life safely, they will return for more of the same kind. One thing feel sure of, boys and girls, Carlisle will always be a friend to you.

Luther Kuhns, one of the home-going Pawnees carries with him a handsome large Bible, a gift to the tribe from their friend Mr. J. W. Westfall, of Washington, who has had the book for some time waiting for a chance to send it safely. He has consigned it to the care of a board of trustees composed of a number of our pupils and a few of the leading chiefs and head men of the tribe. We are pleased to see on the list the name of our friend James Murie, a Hampton graduate.

The old school building is no more. The last walls were leveled to the ground about four o'clock on Saturday afternoon. The open space makes a beautiful outlook toward town, which in time will be filled with one of the most substantial and well equipped school-buildings in this part of the country. The work of tearing down was difficult, dusty and dangerous, but the boys made no fuss, and worked bravely until the disagreeable task was completed.

A member of one of the Friends' First Day School, of Bucks County, writes of our pupils in attendance: "We are very proud of our Carlisle students. There are twenty-nine enrolled and about twenty-one attend regularly. Benajah is going to read for us next First Day week."

We are grieved to hear of the death of Wm. Hyde, of Ware, Mass. Mr. Hyde was the uncle of Miss Hyde so long with us. Being a man of large benevolence, wisdom, and wonderful experience in business he will be greatly missed. Mr. Hyde was a friend to our school.

The July and August *Red Men* will be printed as one number and will be issued about the 25th of the month.

Owing to Wednesday being a holiday THE INDIAN HELPER will be one day late to some of our readers.



Fine weather for harvesting.

Nothing like a steam engine to work by the side of, these warm days.

Milk and butter were stolen from the spring-house at the Parker farm one night this week.

On the Fourth the Indian ball players beat the Carlisle nine by a score of 24 to 0 in five innings, when the game stopped.

Mr. Robert McFadden, of the class of '89 Amherst College, arrived yesterday for special duty in connection with the Indian Service.

Ben Thomas has returned from his place on a Bucks County farm with an excellent record, and we are glad to have his help again in the printing-office.

Dr. Rittenhouse, of Dickinson college called Saturday and paid for two years subscription to the *Red Man* for himself and the INDIAN HELPER for his little daughter Harrie.

Some one suggests that the pupils who are leaving for their homes this week have *quitted* from the Carlisle school instead of graduated, and we don't know but it is a very good word to use.

The feeling remarks made by Rev. Dr. Brown last Sunday evening concerning the home-going party were to the point and must have made a lasting impression on the minds of those about to leave us.

Our school is enjoying a visit from Mrs. Sarah R. Osgood and Miss Mary Bean of New York. It is a treat to converse with these dear ladies who have travelled much and are so full of bright interesting experiences.

An error went out in a few of the first HELPERS last week, in calling Tuesday instead of Wednesday the Fourth of July. No matter about the day of the week, the Fourth is the Fourth at all times and stands for itself.

Among the home-going party are three printers. Howard Logan, Chas. Wolf, John Miller, all of whom we shall very much miss. The Man-on-the-band-stand hopes to continually hear good tidings from these, as well as from all those who are not printers.

Mr. and Mrs. Standing and Jack arrived Tuesday night from England having had a very rough passage. As they approached the American shore Jack wanted to know if this was real live America. He says he is no English man, he is a little Yankee.

Five Crow men who were of the party recently taken prisoners in Montana, arrived on Sunday to enter Carlisle as pupils. One's name is Crazy Head and another Looks-with-his-ears. They behave nicely and no doubt will soon learn what will make them wish to lead better lives.

Miss Nana Pratt arrived from St. Louis where she has been visiting relatives for some time.

The Grand Army Encampment, this week at Gettysburg brought many interested visitors to the grounds.

Miss Shafer, a teacher for the past year at Wealaka Mission in the Creek Nation, Ind. Ter., spent a few days with us.

Sergt. Chester Cornelius has gone to Mt. Vernon Barracks, Alabama, for a party of Apache pupils who wish to come to Carlisle.

Frank Lock and John Londrosch came over from York to spend the Fourth. They both look remarkably well, and say they like their places.

The organist of the Trinity Church, New York, was on the grounds yesterday, and by request played the piano for some of the girls in their assembly-room.

Mrs. Lutkins, Miss Bessie Patterson and Miss Lowe have gone for their summer's vacation. Miss Leverett and Miss Booth have left, not to return, and Carlisle school loses in their departure two good teachers.

It is no little work to prepare a three days' lunch for a party of sixty, but Miss Noble is again equal to the occasion and was up and at her work on the morning of the Fourth at three o'clock, and kept busy on the move all day.

Little Eunice, one of the Apache babies has lost her father by death, which occurred at the hospital yesterday. Florence Barnett, of the Ottawa tribe, died on the same day. The funeral services of the two were held together.

Miss Sparhawk, of the editorial staff of the *Red Man*, leaves us to-morrow for another sphere of action. Her home is at Newton Centre, Mass., where she will remain for some time to rest and recuperate in health, before engaging in other work.

Mr. Richardville of the Miami tribe visited the school on his way home from Washington where he has been spending the winter watching the interests of his tribe. Mr. Richardville is an educated man. His thoughts on the Indian question are advanced and in the right line. Most of his life has been spent among the whites, and he would have the Indians given the broadest opportunity to mingle with the educated and industrious people of the world.

Mr. Richardville was much pleased with what he saw at Carlisle. He is the uncle of John and Esther Miller, students of the school.



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six wise old men and six venerable women, who form a sort of patriarchal council to which all the disputes or differences occurring in the village are submitted for arbitration.

In this pueblo each Saturday is set apart for labors of love and charity. All the able-bodied men and women leave their own land or usual occupations and till the grounds of the widows and young orphans, or else work for the benefit of the old, sick, blind and helpless. Sometime, when there is a large family of boys and the parents cannot give each land "whereon to raise his food," some energetic youth who has heard of the great world called Mexico City desires to go there to earn his bread and perhaps that, too, of some dusky maiden whom he designs or hopes to wed. The fact that he does not know a phrase of Spanish rarely deters him; moreover, there are a few learned men in Mexico City who understand the Ottoman language.

When the family of a young Indian has consented to the proposed exodus, the patriarchs and matriarchs hold a "solemn council." Ways and means are discussed, and then the would-be immigrant is earnestly admonished: "Be brave, honest, truthful and industrious, and never disgrace your pueblo by an act unworthy an Ottoman."—[*City of Mexico Letter.*]

#### A Stranger Writes Appreciative of our Paper.

THOMPSONTOWN, PA.,

EDITOR INDIAN HELPER,—DEAR SIR:—Upon the reception of your notice that the time for which I have paid for the HELPER has expired I will send you five 2-cent stamps for the same another year.

The little paper is always hailed as a welcome visitor in our family and though it is small it contains so much information, so many interesting letters and so much good advice that it is a paper which should be in every household. It is interesting for children to read and much more so for older folks who wish to keep posted upon Carlisle school news.

I am always glad to hear of the boys and girls doing well, but am sorry to hear that some are so vain, so foolish that when pains have been taken at the schools to give them an education and teach them trades they should so grieve their teachers and country as to turn out bad; but, I am still glad that there have not more been reported.

Owing to your promptness I receive the paper every Saturday eve.

Wishing you great success, peace and prosperity. I remain fraternally yours,

A. L.

#### The kind of letter the Man-on-the-band-stand likes to read about his boys and girls on farms.

One of the boys who went out for the summer was obliged to return to the school on account of not being able to stand the heat of the harvest-field. The following letter from the farmer who employed him tells the kind of a boy he was:

"We are very sorry to part with ——— for he has proven himself such a good boy that we have become very much attached to him. Whatever he was asked to do, he always did so willingly. I feel very sorry to think that he suffered and we did not know it. He did not complain once. I think he would make a good soldier."

No man is so foolish but he may give another good counsel sometimes, and no man so wise but he may easily err if he takes no other than his own. He that was taught only by himself had a fool for a master.—Ben Johnson.

#### Square word.

1. \* \* \* \*
2. \* \* \* \*
3. \* \* \* \*
4. \* \* \* \*

1. Something which all possess.
2. A continent.
3. A young lady.
4. Not difficult.

#### ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S SQUARE WORD:

P E A S  
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**STANDING OFFER.**—For FIVE new subscribers to the INDIAN HELPER, we will give the person sending them a photographic group of the 13 Carlisle Indian Printer boys, on a card 4½x6½ inches, worth 20 cents when sold by itself. Name and tribe of each boy given.

(Persons wishing the above premium will please enclose a 1-cent stamp to pay postage.)

For TEN, Two PHOTOGRAPHS, one showing a group of Pueblos as they arrived in wild dress, and another of the same pupils three years after; or, for the same number of names we give two photographs showing still more marked contrast between a Navajoe as he arrived in native dress, and as he now looks, worth 20 cents apiece.

Persons wishing the above premiums will please enclose a 2-cent stamp to pay postage.)

For FIFTEEN, we offer a GROUP OF THE WHOLE school on 9x14 inch card. Faces show distinctly, worth sixty cents.

Persons wishing the above premium will please send 5 cents to pay postage.

Persons sending clubs must send all the names at once.

**A**t the Carlisle Indian School, is published monthly an eight-page quarto of standard size, called **The Red Man**, the mechanical part of which is done entirely by Indian boys. This paper is valuable as a summary of information on Indian matters and contains writings by Indian pupils, and local incidents of the school. Terms: Fifty cents a year in advance.

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