

# The Indian Helper.

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SCHOOL TO BOYS AND GIRLS

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## TRUE MANLINESS.

Does it make a boy any more of a man,  
To smoke a cigar, pray tell?  
If he's honest, and earnest and kind of heart,  
I think he will do very well.

Does it make a boy any more of a man,  
To be tricky and cheat at his play?  
And trade off his marbles and pocket-knife  
In a senseless, foolish way?

Does it make a boy any more of a man,  
To boast that he owns a gun,  
And can shoot down the little, harmless birds,  
And relish it all as fun?

Does it make a boy any more of a man,  
To master the slang of the streets,  
And find a "hale fellow well met," if he can,  
In every rowdy he meets?

Does it make a boy any more of a man,  
To be saucy to aged folk,  
And call his father the "Governor,"  
And think it a pleasant joke?

True manliness dwells in the soul, my boy,  
And is courteous to young and old;  
'Tis a jewel no station or wealth can buy,  
For it never yet was sold.

It grows as the sturdier virtues grow,  
On the universal plan;  
And a temperate, honest, and noble boy  
Is the germ of a noble man.

—[Scattered Seeds.]

## FROM A-TE-KA.

### Who Among the Readers of the HELPER Can Answer the Questions?

"Eva, dear," called Grandma, as she heard footsteps in the hall, "will you bring a pail of water before you take off your wraps? I never saw water boil away so fast as it does to-day."

"O, yes," was the cheerful answer as the beaming face of Eva peered through the half open door of the kitchen, where Grandma was hastening to complete preparations for dinner for herself and the two college girls who were ever ready to share in the household labors and thus lessen their expenses while adding to their fund of knowledge.

When seated at the table, Grandma apologized, saying, "I didn't mean to ask you to go to the well again to-day, but Mamie, I told Eva,

I never saw water boil away so rapidly as it did to-day. Why, nearly all that pailful you brought this morning disappeared in the cooking of our little dinner. I remember hearing when a child that the cook said we were to have a storm, if the water evaporated so rapidly when at boiling point."

"We will watch," said Mamie, "and see if a storm comes soon and thus prove the old saying true."

"And I," responded Eva, "shall ask our Natural Science Club if it is true, and if so, what is the reason."

"Shall I tell you something more?" said Grandma, "that you may have another question to ask?"

"O, yes," was the ready response.

And this was the story Grandma told:

"I spent a few weeks at a farm on Indian Hill, near Cincinnati, in 1843, when I was on my way to the great American Desert.

While there it was my special delight to watch a pair of pea-fowls, as they moved about over the lawn, in all the glory of their Spring plumage, and especially to see them fly up to their perch at night.

It was the one limb of the stub of a large dead tree, that shot out at a right angle from the trunk, about fifty feet from the ground.

The circling round and round, the crouching and rising upon tip-toe and apparent testing of every muscle of the birds before they took to the wing, was very amusing.

And now as I tell it I am reminded of having seen Michael in the gymnasium at Carlisle as he was trying to walk up the ladder without touching it.

He made more than one trial and failed.

Finally, he folded his arms, walked near and in front of the ladder, and I could see the Michael within him saying, "I am going to do what I have been trying to do."

And he did go up the ladder, walk on the one that lay horizontally across-beams and descend on the other side, without unfolding his arms.

I wonder if those birds had at some time tried to fly up to their perch and failed, and so

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It is one thing to borrow, but quite another to return what you borrow.

When this paper you renew.  
Please say "RENEW"! Yes, do! Oh, do!

In answer to inquiries again we say, that no letter in the word "reluctantly" may be used more than once except "l" and "t" and of course, these but twice in the same word.

John S. Kewaygeshik, of Petosky, Mich., says he can't get along without hearing from Carlisle, so he sends for the *Red Man* and HELPER. Mr. Kewaygeshik is evidently a man of good judgment.

The Sisseton pupils will be pleased to learn of the recent marriage of their agency friend Miss Arrie A. Grant to Mr. Jenkins, of Wilmot, Dak. She writes to have her address of *Red Man* changed and says she does not wish to lose a single copy "for I find no other paper that contains the Indian news it does."

Nancy Cornelius who is at the School for Trained Nurses, Hartford, writes frequently. She still enjoys her work. From the spirit shown in her own letters and from the reports received about her we are delighted to find that she is certainly successful as a nurse. Lilly Wind, who is newer at the business, passed her examination and is getting along well. Phebe Howell is at the Pennsylvania Hospital, in Philadelphia, doing responsible work, and we hope she will prove as successful as Nancy has and as Lilly no doubt will. A nurse must have good judgment and NEVER fail in doing what she is told to do by the doctor or the head nurse. She must be kind, and patient and ALWAYS willing. Such a nurse is worth the money.

At 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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## "RELUCTANTLY."

We are very much gratified at the interest manifested by our subscribers in making words out of the letters contained in the word "Reluctantly."

We have made no restrictions. Any words found in the dictionary are permissible, and we shall not throw out proper names. English words of any kind, class or color is what we want and the one who sends the greatest number on or before the 1st of April shall have the prize offered as soon after as the mail can carry it. The greatest number so far reached is 450. Each word must be complete in itself, parts of words are not counted.

The exhibition last Friday night brought its usual enjoyment for our school. We never tire of these school entertainments although there is much sameness to them.

There are always new speakers and the old ones have new pieces. We sometimes wonder, however, why certain pupils appear more frequently than others. Is it because they are more willing and less trouble to teach? This is a good fault of the pupil, but it does not give all a chance. Because a boy or girl is backward about coming on the platform or is difficult to teach, is no reason why he should be excused. The choir always enlivens the occasion by a new piece or two charmingly sung, and an occasional instrumental piece by some member of the music class is brought to the front this year, making a pleasant change.

Clarence Three Stars of Pine Ridge Agency, Dak. sent a list of words by far the longest received from any member of the Indian race. We want the Indian boys and girls to show as bright, quick minds as our white subscribers. Where there is a chance to run a race with the whites we like to see the Indian take hold with a determination to beat.

Since the above a list of 317 words has been received from our Annie Thomas, now at Alma College, Mich. "If I come out ahead," she says, "which I hope I will, please send me the Invincibles. The name sounds big and I am curious to know if the members are as big as the name."

If the boys in the different shops and on farms when looking at their instructors doing a particular piece of work would speak out and say, "Please let me try that," and if the instructors at such times would do the looking on instead of the work it would be to the benefit of the boy. But, no! It is so easy for a beginner to stand back and allow his instructor to do the work, and the instructor who is often in a hurry to get the work done would a hundred times rather do it himself than to take time to show the boy how.

When the weather is not suitable for the girls to go walking on Saturdays they enjoy as much the two hours in the large gymnasium trying their skill with the different apparatus and in doing as they please, generally.

Johnson, Webster has entered the printing-office.

The Michigan girls enjoy the snow, it makes them think of home.

Mr. Potter spent Sunday with friends at Shephardstown, Va.

Below Cozad and Laban have rolled up the biggest snow-ball of the season.

Aren't some of us glad Miss Hunt has a sister who lives in a maple-sugar district?

Keep off the grass! Ha! Ha! Ha! The snow is an Indian helper this week for it helps the Indians to obey orders.

Little Nina would go with Miss Rote to the creamery but she couldn't find her "slippers" (over shoes) anywhere.

The Invincibles entertained the Endeavors last evening the particulars of which are too late for this week's paper.

Mrs. Worthington had a delightful little visit in Philadelphia, with her daughter, Miss Marie, Saturday and Sunday.

Some of our singers will insist upon saying, "Sing right cheer-rah-ly." It is better to say Cheer-REE-ly than cheer-RAH-ly.

Mr. Grayson and Mr. McIntosh, of the Creek Nation, I. T., visited Carlisle, this week. They took with them to Washington, Millie and John McIntosh, and Lena Jacobs.

The Endeavor Society was photographed on Tuesday afternoon. If it is a good picture we may offer it for a prize, too. It will be a prize for in it are the faces of 40 of our most scholarly girls.

The color Mr. Norman finally reached for the wood-work in Capt. Pratt's office, is 'positively fine.' The new old carpet looks well too, and the Captain will hard'ly know his office when he returns.

The Man-on-the-band-stand has received a most excellent letter from Capt. Pratt which we are sorry came a little too late for this week's issue of the HELPER. It will be given in full next week. The party were on the Steamer at the Golden Gate, and Mrs. Pratt was already beginning to feel the effects of the sea. If the voyage has been a favorable one, at this writing they are more than half way across the broad Pacific's waters.

On Saturday evening, Mr. Standing in the course of his remarks to our pupils stated that he graduated with a class of London boys which numbered 80. The class is now scattered far and wide. Some are in Africa, some in Australia, some in Canada, others in the United States. The Man-on-the-band-stand could but draw comparisons. If such a scattering is proposed for the Indians, how they are "poored" and "deared" and "babied". It is such a shame, you know, for Indian tribes and families to break up and scatter, even when it is to their interest to do so.

The "Standard" entertainment to be, is looked forward to with pleasant anticipations.

Thanks to the carpenter boys for four handsome tables for the teachers' new dining-room.

Bessie Grinnell took tea at the club, Thursday evening, a happy little guest of Richenda Pratt.

The stray dog which came to the grounds one day this week was very friendly, making lots of fun for the girls.

Malthos E-ki-eh and Bishop E-ten-nah, Mt. Vernon Apache boys, have returned to their people in Alabama.

The party at Campbell's Thursday night was very impromptu, but there was enjoyment to every square inch.

The furnace gas came near being the death of Mrs. Campbell one night this week. She was stupefied and sick, and discovered only in the niche of time to save her life.

Otto Zotom returned from Hampton, Va., Wednesday evening, where he went to visit a little sick friend who died while he was there. We will hear what Otto has to say of Hampton when he is at leisure.

A great deal of pleasure is being got from the old gymnasium piano since it returned from Philadelphia, where it went to be decked out in a new dress and to have its voice cultured.

How charming it is to have such good order in the chapel as we had at English speaking Saturday evening and at the Sunday evening service. All was quiet, and every one seemed to be giving ear to what was going on.

Rev. W. W. Cadle, Rev. E. M. Stevens, Rev. A. Lamberton, and Rev. S. L. Mussina, in attendance upon the M. E. Conference held in town this week are stopping at the school. The town is full of ministers.

Last evening Mr. Morrett, our shoe-shop instructor, was married to a young lady from Shephardstown, near Carlisle. He brings his bride to town, where he has a nice little home fitted up. The Man-on-the-band-stand wants to wish the happy couple much joy, but he doesn't know exactly how to do it.

The girls' and boys' reading room have each been presented with "A Chronicle of Conquest," by its author Miss Frances C. Sparhawk, at one time a worker with us. The scene of the story is the Carlisle School itself, which will make the book doubly interesting to our pupils. The school returns thanks to our generous friend for being thus kindly remembered.

Misses Hamilton and Botsford have moved into their new quarters which at one time was occupied by the teachers club dining-room and kitchen. The rooms were altered, papered kalsomined and newly floored, and fitted up really quite handsomely or, at least, they are comfortable.

always after made such special preparations for their flight as I noticed!

One night, at the close of a cloudless day, soon after sunset they made their usual ascent, but the male bird instead of settling to rest began scanning the horizon, turning slowly toward every point, nicely balancing himself as he moved carefully round.

No fleck of a cloud was visible to a human eye. There had been no unusual heat, and there was no fitful breeze to give warning of an approaching storm. But after this outlook the fowls came down and going to a beech-tree that grew beside a shed, they settled for the night on one of its lower limbs close to the trunk, on the side next the shed.

A violent thunder-storm came to us that night, attended by a fierce wind, and had the beautiful birds been on their usual perch they must have been blown off—but how did they know the storm was coming?"

The next morning, after telling the story, while it rained and hailed and snowed and blew, Grandma said: "Our sign proved true this time, didn't it girls, but we must be glad, for our dry wells and cisterns need to be filled, and all the roots under ground that are waking from their winter's sleep will laugh to see the water come trickling through, that they may drink."

It will take many a storm of snow and rain to prepare the dry earth of Iowa's western slope, for the farmers' hopeful spring work.

A-TE-KA.

Iowa, March, '90.

**IMPOLITE THINGS.**

Loud and boisterous talking.

Reading when others are reading aloud.

Cutting finger-nails in company.

Reading aloud in company without being asked.

Whispering or laughing during worship in the house of God.

Receiving a present without an expression of gratitude.

Not listening to what any one is saying in company.

Commencing to eat as soon as you get to the table.

**Let all Hands try the Following.**

1. Two boys buy a hog weighing 240 pounds, for \$9.50. They divide it between them so that the boy taking the hind quarters pays 4½ cents a pound and the boy taking the front quarters pays 3½ cents a pound. Find the weight of the hind quarters?

(The example similar to the above, which was sent to us by a ... was incorrectly written.)

To run.

To swim.

To carve.

To be neat

To be honest.

To be truthful.

To be punctual.

To do an errand.

To cut kindlings.

To sing if he can.

To hang up his hat.

To sew on a button.

To respect his teacher.

To hold his head erect.

To help his mother or sister.

To wipe his boots on the mat.

To read aloud when requested.

To speak pleasantly to the aged.

To help the boy smaller than himself.

To put every garment in its proper place.

To remove his hat upon entering a house.

To keep his finger-nails from wearing mourning.

To treat the girls so well that they will wish he was their brother.

To close the door quietly, especially when there is a sick person in the house.—[Sunshine.

**Enigma.**

I am made of fifteen letters.

My 15, 4, 12, 3, is what eagles do in the air.

My 14, 2, 7, is a boy's nickname.

My 6, 1, 8, is what we have not had much of this winter.

My 10, 9, 3, is what we should say to gentlemen.

My 13, 8, 5, 11, is a girl's nickname.

My whole is a group of islands in the Pacific Ocean.

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