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SPRING.

 HE spring is in the air:
For with the first warm kisses of the
rain,
The winter's icy sorrow breaks to tears;
And the brown thrushes mate; and with
bright eyes the rabbit peers
From the dark warren where the fir cones lie,
And treads one snowdrop under foot, and
runs
Over the mossy knoll; and blackbirds fly
Across our paths at evening and the sun's
Stay longer with us! Ah, how good to see
Grass-girdled Spring in all her joy of laugh-
ing greenery! —[Oscar Wilde.

LET THE INDIANS "TUSSELE."!

Does the above seem harsh for a Christian gentleman like the Man-on-the-band-stand to advise?

It is the kindest advice possible for the Indian to take to himself.

See what a great railroad king says about the good fortune of being made to tussle for himself!

In an address not long since, Honorable Chauncey M. Depew, the popular and wealthy railroad man of New York, gave an incident of his early life which carries a weighty lesson.

He said:

"The best thing I remember connected with myself is, that when I graduated from Yale I thought I would lead a life of scholastic ease. I thought I would read and write a little, take it easy and have a good time."

(Some of our Carlisle graduates may have the same thought.)

"I had a hard-headed old father of sturdy Dutch ancestry." (Would that the Indians had such a father!)

"He had money enough to take care of me and I knew it."

(So the Indians think about their Great Father—the United States Government.)

"And when my father discovered that I knew it and intended to act accordingly it was a cold day for me."

(So it should be for the able-bodied Indians

who think the Government is going to take care of them whether they work or not.)

"My father said to me:

"You will never get a dollar from me as long as I live. From this time forth you have got to make your own way."

(Just what the great father of the Indians should say to them.)

"Well, I found I had a hard lot of it—nobody had a harder one."

(So would the Indians have a hard time of it.)

"My father stood by and let me tussle and fight it out."

(Just what the Government should do with the Indians.)

"I bless him to-night with all the heart and gratitude I have for that."

(So would the Indians of the future bless the great father at Washington after they had learned their severe lesson.)

"If he had taken the other course what would I have done? I would have been up in Peekskill to-night nursing a stove, and cursing the men who had succeeded in the world."

(Just what lazy Indians are doing to-day.)

"I would have been wondering by what exceptional luck they had got on."

(Just what the Indian wonders about the White Man)

"But having my way to dig alone, I got beyond everything my father ever dreamed of."

(So would the Indians very soon get away beyond what the Government dreams they can reach.)

"My success was gained by working 14 hours, or 16 hours or 18 hours a day if it were necessary."

(The Indians are able to work just as hard, and they would be just as willing under the same necessity.)

"My success has been reached by temperance, economy."

(Just what the Indian must be made to see the necessity of practicing.)

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Joseph Black Bear sends fifty cents from the country for the *Red Man*.

"I enjoy reading the HELPER as much as your boys do."—[SUBSCRIBER.

They are having a siege of the mumps at the Genoa Indian School.

"We look for the HELPER every week and work the enigmas; they give a great deal of pleasure.

Postage stamps are very acceptable either in payment for HELPER subscriptions or for "Stiya."

"I will subscribe for the HELPER for another year. The little paper is too good to go without."—LILA CORNELIUS.

"We most gladly renew your paper which is liked very much in this quarter. It is the friend of our family and we would not like to do without it. A word in favor of your paper has come from nearly every subscriber sent by us to you."—SUBSCRIBER.

Minnie Paisano is fast getting better since she went to her home in New Mexico. She writes a very nice letter and expresses sorrow at not being able to complete the course at Carlisle. She has a new sewing-machine and makes dresses and aprons and wears "English clothes every day," she says.

The many friends of Esther Miller are delighted to hear that she has the privilege of attending Business College at Quincy, Illinois. She is taking lessons in stenography and typewriting. These are hard lines for a young girl, but Esther has the mind and with the amount of push she is able to muster, we are sure she will make a success of this last new venture.

Richard Davis, a young Cheyenne, married one of our Pawnee girls and went to live on a farm, since which he has become a worthy citizen of Pennsylvania. The family of four—two pretty little children, are an interesting picture which may be had for twenty cents cash or a club of five subscribers for the HELPER.

HOW DO THEY DO WHEN THEY GO HOME?

The "they" which strangers invariably refer to is the educated Indian boy or girl, and the above question is the one invariably asked by a stranger to the Indian. It is impossible for one not familiar with the Indian camp to realize what it means for a girl accustomed to respectable surroundings to be transferred to a nest of vice and no helps.

"Stiya, a Carlisle Indian Girl at Home" is a story taken from life and gives a thrilling experience of a returned Pueblo girl. The book is published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, printed on nice paper, is attractive in appearance and contains eight illustrations (as good as photographs) showing groups of children in their home life and other scenes taken from the quaint old Indian villages. Price fifty cents a single copy or \$4.00 for ten. Sent by mail or express at cost of purchaser. Postage per single copy, seven cents. Address INDIAN HELPER, Carlisle, Pa.

A Brave Boy's Home Experiences are Teaching Him to Appreciate Carlisle Opportunities.

A young Indian with promising intellect, but one who objects to his name being published writes from his home in the west where he has been for over a year:

"I am sure that to a certain extent while at Carlisle I proved myself very ungrateful, but I am changed. What I used to consider tyrannical under the school rules I deem now as the best rules, and they were the instruments in the making of me. You can hardly imagine the trials and traps that are laid for us at home by the Indians as well as others. The Priest of the Parish has offered me a good sized sum to denounce all that I have said. I am what I have been and will be to the last. The Indians said that I belong to a certain clan and that I must serve. I told them I had too much business to attend to. I am steadily gaining friends on my side."

The account in Tuesday's Press of the horrible murder of Mrs. J. G. Richards and the shooting of Mr. Richards at Colora, Md., by burglars, is of peculiar interest to us, the Richards' family being one of our splendid country homes. Nellie Moore and Sarah Archiquette lived there at different times. Mrs. Richards was esteemed as a genial, lovable woman. Mr. Richards is not expected to live. We trust that the perpetrators of this dastardly act will be found and speedily brought to justice.

Mr. R. W. McClaghtry, Superintendent of the Huntington Reformatory was among the interested visitors of the week.

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 matter, and contains writings by Indian pupils, and local incidents of the school. Terms: fifty cents a year, in advance.

For 1, 2, and 3 subscribers for *The Red Man*, we give the same premiums offered in Standing Offer for the HELPER.

Address: THE RED MAN, Carlisle, Pa.

Forty cases of measles.

Capt. Pratt is in Washington on business.

There have been serious cases of the measles, but no deaths.

Mrs. N. Phillips from town has been assisting in nursing.

The gymnasium has been turned into a hospital for the boys.

We had a beautiful rain on Saturday, just the kind that was needed.

Reuben Wolfe takes Peter Cornelius' place at the bass horn in the band.

Bertie Kennerly is very happy over a new typewriter, sent to him by his father.

Stiya is on sale at the two principal book stores in town—Richards' and Means'.

Those who are not seriously taken think it is a sort of picnic to get into the measles' ward.

Herbert did not mind the measles as much as Don, and Irene has been very sick with them.

Misses Paull, Botsford and Merritt have been ill and out of school for a few days. All are improving.

The fire-plugs have been divested of their winter coats and are taking on their Spring dress of black paint.

The eating utensils at the teachers' club have been replated with silver, so we are all ready for company.

The old chapel is used for a girls' hospital. Misses Hamilton, Hunt and Cook are nursing measles these days instead of teaching.

The edition of Stiya is very small. At the present rate of selling they will all be gone in a short time. Who wishes the little book, order soon.

John Sanborn is rendering most efficient service in the sick room. He seems to know just how. John would make a good Doctor and we hope that is his ambition.

The game of ball to come off to-morrow between the Dickinson College nine and our school club is looked forward to with hopeful anticipations on the part of our boys.

Report of Thursday A. M. read: Girls present, 215; boys present, 215. This is the first time in the history of the school that there have been as many girls present as boys. There are on farms to-day 350 pupils.

The Captain went fishing for trout early Wednesday morning, in company with Mr. Peter Wertz, of town. It may be a good thing that our columns close too early to give the full number caught.

Katie Grinrod is the chief assistant nurse in the girls' measles ward and finds plenty to do. Miss Dittes has charge of the department the fore part of each night, and Miss Hamilton the latter part. At this writing, all are improving.

The small boys have organized a base-ball club and call themselves "The Young Regulars." Robert Big Bear is pitcher and captain; Joseph Gordon, catcher; David Vanacy, 1 base; George Buck, 2 base; Elmer Simon, 3 base; Clark Gregg, right field; Purcell Powlas, left field; Hugh Leider, short-stop; Isaac Crane, center field.

Jack Standing's case is well-pronounced measles, but he has gotten along very nicely. Mrs. Standing is ill.

During the meetings of the Presbytery of Carlisle this week the school was visited by a number of prominent ministers.

Johannie Given thinks there are lots of other things in the world nicer than the measles. He finds it hard to get just the right thing to eat.

The patients convalescing from measles seem to enjoy the story of Stiya as much as they do a nice orange. Some of them ask to have it read twice to them.

Miss Richenda, not being satisfied with one attack of the measles, began with the second, following close upon the first, and on Saturday was seriously ill. We are glad to report that she is out of danger and improving.

A real Indian baby on a pappoose board is the latest premium picture for five names for HELPER and a one-stamp extra to pay postage. The bright and laughing face tucked in among the beads and ornaments makes a very pretty picture.

It was very kind in Miss Shaeffner after taking a few turns for a walk on the long balcony of the teachers' quarters the other evening to stop in front of Dr. Dixon's windows and arrange them for the night. She thought they were her own windows and did not discover the mistake until Mrs. D. appeared on the scene to see who was house breaking.

The tree planted near the chapel, Tuesday, is a Mahogany brought from old Mexico a few years since by Mr. Gardner, our instructor in carpentering. The tree stood on a lot of his in town where he wishes to build, and for this reason the Indian School becomes the happy recipient of a rich gift. There were other trees planted on Tuesday.

Mr. Norman and his painters are putting the finishing touches on the fine new four-horse coach made by the blacksmith boys under Mr. Harris' supervision. The vehicle will carry twenty persons. Just the thing for a crowd to go to the mountains for arbutus, and done just in time. Hush! Don't whisper it! We might not get to go if we appear too anxious.

One of the pleasant walks in nice weather is a ramble to the near farm, and then to sit by the clear spring and watch the ducks floating on its silver surface, is an especial delight. One attraction just now down there is the incubator and the new chicken house so conveniently fixed up for the small feathery tribe. The old barn is about torn down and before the summer is over a sightly new one will take its place.

When one enters the large rooms now used for sick wards and sees such long rows of beds filled with coughing, burning, suffering patients the scene strikes a tender chord of sympathy. Each boy or girl is carefully watched and tenderly waited upon, but the question is instinctively asked of oneself, How would it be if they were in camp? Deaths, from measles when the epidemic rages in an Indian camp, is simply frightful. There is nothing to fear from them here where good care is given.

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"When you make a dollar, spend seventy-five cents and put the other twenty-five cents by."

(Just what is hard for the Indians to learn to do, but they see no necessity for it as long as their good father provides.)

"No man can stand still. When God created us He did a fortunate thing for us: He made us so that we must either go backward or forward. A man knows more to-day than yesterday, or he knows less."

In connection with this most excellent advice the Man-on-the-band-stand would further say:

We are too apt to lean upon parents, teachers, friends, systems, opportunities, promises, anything sooner than upon our own resolute purposes.

We do not like to persevere, persevere, persevere.

We are too willing to think, 'O, some one is going to help me, I will wait!'

The fact is, NO ONE however willing or however able, can do for us what we can do for ourselves.

They can open doors for us—we alone can enter.

If we are ever to amount to anything it must be through our own PERSEVERANCE.

If we want to have a strong brain we must USE WHAT WE HAVE, and use it hard.

If we want a good character each one must look after his own conscience.

WE MUST TUSSELE FOR OURSELVES.

What is said of "Stiya, a Carlisle Indian Girl at Home."

"It makes a nice little story and will sell in certain circles and it will have a good moral bearing on the Indian question while imparting information from its basic facts."

"I like its general appearance very much and its leading sentiment is good."

"It is beautiful, so new and fresh in its style."

"The author has made a good hit with that book."

"We read the story with interest and hope it will have good effect."

"Not only very interesting but gotten up in such a pretty style. Of course I read it as it came out in the HELPER, but on receipt of the book I sat right down and re-read it from beginning to end. Three friends, and Friends, have also had the pleasure of reading it and pronounced it very nice."

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S ENIGMA: Obey the rules.

FIND OUT THE WORD YOUR FRIEND HAS IN MIND.

This is what the Indians Might Call a "Medicine" Puzzle, because it is so Wonderful.

By use of the table given below you can ascertain the name of any person or place, providing the rules below the lettered diagram are strictly observed:

A.....	B.....	D.....	H.....	P
C.....	C.....	E.....	I.....	Q
E.....	F.....	F.....	J.....	R
G.....	G.....	G.....	K.....	S
I.....	J.....	L.....	L.....	T
K.....	K.....	M.....	M.....	U
M.....	N.....	N.....	N.....	V
O.....	O.....	O.....	O.....	W
Q.....	R.....	T.....	X.....	X
S.....	S.....	U.....	Z.....	Y
U.....	V.....	V.....	Y.....	Z
W.....	W.....	W.....		
Y.....	Z			

Have the person whose name you wish to know inform you in which of the upright columns the first letter of the name is contained.

If it is found in but one column it is the top letter; if it occurs in more than one column it is found by adding the alphabetical numbers of the top letters of the columns in which it is to be found, the sum being the number of the letter sought.

By taking one letter at a time, in the way outlined above, the whole word or name may be plainly spelled out.

Take the name Jane for example. J is found in two columns beginning with B and H, which are the second and eighth letters in the alphabet; their sum is ten, and the tenth letter down the alphabet is J, the letter sought. The next letter, A, appears in but one column the first, where it stands at the head. N, is in the column headed B, D, and H, which are the second, fourth and eighth letters of the alphabet; added, they give the fourteenth, or N, and so on.

STANDING OFFER.—For FIVE new subscribers to the INDIAN HELPER, we will give the person sending them a photographic group of the 17 Carlisle Indian Printer boys, on a card 4 1/2 x 6 1/2 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 Navajos as he arrived in native dress, and as he now looks, worth 20 cents apiece.

The new combination picture showing all our buildings and band-stand (boudoir) will also be given for TEN subscribers.

(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 premiums will please send 5 cents to pay postage.)

For TWO Subscribers and a One-cent stamp, we send the printed copy of the Apache contrast. For ONE Subscriber and a Two-cent stamp we will send the printed copy of Pueblo contrast.