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WHAT THE FLOWERS SAID.

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§ AID the Morning Glory:
"When you see the light,
Praise the Lord who kept you
Safely through the night."

Said the purple pansy:
"Learn this truth from me:
You must be contented
If you'd happy be."

Said the white-robed Lily:
"You shall blessings know
If like me your thoughts are
Pure as driven snow."
Said the tall and stately
Flower of the sun:
"Greater beauty than a
True heart, there is none."

Said the Rose: "The thorns
That life ever brings,
Are by love and kindness
Robbed of all their stings."
Said the pretty fragrant
Violet: "So live
That your presence always
Sweet delight will give."

MARGARET EYTINGE.

AT NORTHFIELD.

The *Springfield Republican* in its account of Mr. Moody's school for Bible study held recently at Northfield, and which four of our boys were privileged to attend, speaks as follows in regard to a speech given by Stacy Matlack:

"Stacy Matlack of the Indian Territory and Carlisle Indian school said that he had heard so much of foreign missionary work while here that he feared the home heathen had been forgotten.

He had had seven years of education, but more strictly speaking but $3\frac{1}{2}$ years, as he worked a half day and went to school the other half.

The Indians are waiting to hear the gospel and he thought the home heathen should not be forgotten.

In the olden times the white people did not

dare to go to church without being armed for fear of being killed by Indians.

Now it is reversed.

The Indian does not dare to go without being armed for fear of being killed by the white men, what are called cowboys.

They are trying to make the Indians quiet by shooting.

Instead of the gun take the Bible to him.

When he visited his home last summer he found several hundreds listening to one who was telling them the story of Christ.

The school at Carlisle is conducted by Christian people.

The Indians have joined the churches and they now hold their own prayer meetings.

The Young Men's Christian association numbers 100 members.

They have a Bible training school and are trying to erect a building.

In closing Mr Matlack thanked the people of Northfield and the students for the hearty and hospitable treatment which he and comrades had received while here."

THE INDIAN ARROW A WORK OF ART.

Rev. J. F. Cross, Missionary at Rosebud Agency, Dak., in a letter to the *Word Carrier*, says of the Indian arrow, and our knowledge of the innocent looking little weapon, verifies the truth of the following:

"An Indian arrow is quite a work of art.

The head or point is made from a barrel hoop, about three inches long, tapered to a point and sharpened on both sides.

In a bunch of arrows these points are as uniform and perfect as if they were stamped out by machine.

The shaft is made of ash about twenty-three inches long.

The feathers are glued on and lashed at each end with sinew.

The head or point is inserted in the wood and also lashed with sinew.

And running along the arrow are three wave-like grooves from the head to the feathers.

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THE INDIAN HELPER is paid for in advance, so do not hesitate to take the paper from the Post Office, for fear a bill will be presented.

Frank Locke, of Rosebud Agency, is going to try to find work at Rushville, Nebr.

Miss Fisher found her sister not well when she arrived at her home in Detroit, Mich.

Sam Noble writes that Mr. Potter is at the Cheyenne Agency, Ind. Terr. We thought he was at Ft. Totten, Dak.

Miss Campbell is spending part of her vacation at Mr. Coffey's just west of town. She expects to go to the shore for part of the month.

Thomas Metoxen acknowledges with gratitude the good that Carlisle has been to him. He is one of the recent home-goers to Oneida, Wis.

"The Haydock's Testimony" published by the Christian Arbitration and Peace Society has been presented to each of our three libraries by Mr. J. B. Wood, of Philadelphia.

Levi StCyr, Class '91, is thinking of leaving his home, Winnebago, Nebraska, and going to work in the sugar-beet field at Norfolk. That is right! Anything to earn an honest living.

Mark Evarts is working at his trade of harness making, in Newark, N. J. He works by the piece and some weeks coins a good amount. His address is 52 Bank St., which in itself has a business air.

Prof. Duncan, of the Cherokee National School at Talequah, Ind. Ter., paid our school a friendly visit on Tuesday. Prof. Duncan is a graduate of Dartmouth College, and has been there attending Commencement. He spoke in high praise of all that he saw here, and believes that Carlisle is on the right track. The Professor is part Cherokee, and speaks from the Indian stand-point.

Miss Paull writes from her Blairsville home that she is enjoying life to the fullest extent, with no bells to interrupt her. The quiet of an out-door hammock is just the place to rest, she thinks. Little Rebecca must be as active as ever and would not give her aunty very much chance to read or rest if she could help it. The M. O. T. B. S. wishes the sweet child would come and bother him.

TO OUR FARM PATRONS:

Do not fail to have our boys and girls write the home addresses on their monthly letters, and then to send these letters to the school with the required report each month.

Reservation "Schooling."

One of our boys who recently went home without having finished the course of study writes in his own English that he wishes to send his brothers and sisters to Carlisle, and says:

"I will give you a curiosity for what this children learned in — (giving name of school on an adjoining reservation). Father send them to there and they been there over a year and when they came back father couldn't understand what they were talking about, then after while he listen and watch them closely and he found that they talk other savage language. Father says they shall not talk that kind of language again. It is bad business to go to school and learn something else. My father is willing to let them go to you."

Harry Kohpay, Class '91, who has just arrived at his home among the Osages of Indian Territory, is very much in earnest about the condition of things he finds there. He wants to return to Carlisle, review his studies, and then go from here to a higher school. Joe Big Wolf, who was here for a short term a few years ago, also wishes to return and finish his printing trade. We are glad to print this little pledge of Harry's and trust he will always stand by it. It comes from his heart—"I will never work against Carlisle but will always work for it and stand by it." It will be remembered that Harry's graduating speech was full of this sort of vim.

Miss Flickinger, of Fannettsburg, was one of the callers this week. She inquired warmly after the pupils that have lived with them from time to time and will be pleased to hear that James Bell has recently written from his home among the Creeks that he is very well and wants to return to Carlisle. Jimmy went home when quite a small boy and has not gone to school a day since. He is now twenty, and greatly feels the need of more education.

Julia Dorris is living for the summer at Ridley Park, Pa. That she enjoys her country home is evidenced by the following. She says: "This is a lovely place. To-day I baked bread and I wish you were here to see my bread, for it was very nice indeed. I suppose the folks thought that a little wild Indian girl could not bake bread."

Tillie Brother of the recent home-going party writes that she and the others who went to Montana, arrived safely. She has a good word to say for Carlisle and thinks that she will be able to find some work to do that will bring her some money; she says "I do miss dear Carlisle so much."

Yamie Leeds, Class '91, says in a beautifully written note, that he has arrived home at Laguna, New Mexico, safely. His father expresses much gratitude for all that Carlisle has done for Yamie.

Work on the hospital extension has begun. The days are getting perceptibly shorter, here.

The Standing family spent Saturday afternoon at the lower farm.

Mrs. and Miss Morrett, of Carlisle, called Saturday.

Miss McAdam is visiting parents and friends in Iowa.

The new barn at the near farm is fast nearing completion.

Miss Rote is enjoying the good country air of her native home, Millville, Pa.

Mr. Brainard Wolfe, of Carlisle, is assisting with the work in the large boys' quarters.

Are you not afraid you will annoy your neighbor when you chew gum so vociferously?

Miss Carter is rusticated among the Berkshire Hills of Massachusetts, a truly lovely spot.

Robert Mathews is now carrying the morning mail and attending to the janitor work and flag.

Miss Wood who is in New York State is playing a game of chess here with Miss Ely, by postal-card.

The library at the large boys' quarters has been the recipient of the full report of the Secretary of War, for 1890.

For "Stiya, a Carlisle Indian Girl at Home" address, INDIAN HELPER, Carlisle, Pa. Price fifty cents; by mail 57 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevick and Miss Laura left for Denver, on Monday night, after several weeks visit among friends in this vicinity.

The new offices are to be built on the foundations of the old chapel. The building will be a two-story brick, surrounded by balconies.

Glad to hear that Lawrence Smith already has a fair prospect for work at his home, Winnebago Agency, Nebr., where he recently went.

Irene and Nina attended the First Church S. S. picnic at Pine Grove, last Friday, and enjoyed the day greatly. Several of the boys also went.

The July and August *Red Man* will be printed together. Price of *Red Man* is fifty cents a year, mailed irregularly; twelve numbers constitute a year.

Persons living in town who wish to subscribe for the *Red Man* or INDIAN HELPER, can do so at Richards' book-store. All orders will be attended to promptly.

Dennison Wheelock has been appointed band-master for our school. This is a responsible place and we are sure that Dennison has the musical knowledge as well as poise of character to fill it creditably.

Charlie Damon, who went home this summer, does not like Arizona, and he is homesick for Carlisle. He says he means to go to work immediately and earn the money to pay his way back.

Carl Leider, of the Crow Agency, Mont. has been working ever since he went home. He has his mother comfortably fixed and now proposes to save some of his earnings for future emergencies. We like his spirit.

The new walks took a long stride this week. Job Hunterboy is safe, and will soon make a home run.

Capt. Pratt took a business trip to Washington, on Thursday.

Two taps of the bell are enough for the 2nd meal-call. Give our ears a rest, do!

Willie Carfield carries two of the mails and can attend to as much business with that one arm as most people do with two.

Miss Shears is private secretary of a newspaper correspondent in New York and is pursuing her musical studies at the same time.

Mrs. Given found her father, the Rev. Dr. Brown, quite under the weather with a hard cold, when she arrived at Holton, Kan., last week.

Miss Shaffner is spending the summer at Cape May. By sending for sample copies of the *Red Man* to distribute to friends she shows that the good times she is enjoying does not so absorb her attention as to have no time left for our interests.

Supt. Conway, of the Pawnee Agency boarding school, arrived last week, with a young lady, anxious to get an education. She is a niece of Stacy Matlack. Mr. Conway gave us some interesting news of old friends at Pawnee.

Miss Hunt and Miss Dalrymple arrived from Atlantic City, on Monday, and spent Tuesday on the battle-field of Gettysburg. Miss Hunt now takes charge of the girls for the rest of the month, relieving Miss Cooke, who leaves soon for her summer vacation.

The Chainmakers came out Wednesday evening to play ball, but the game was not started in time to play more than two innings before dark. There was bad playing on both sides, and the score stood at the end of the 2nd inning, 14 to 11 in favor of the visiting club.

Hotel de Howe, at Hunter's Run is becoming quite a favorite resort for Carlisle coevals. Charlie Dagenett has turned berry boy and gone to the mountains to rusticate. We hope he will turn over to Mrs. Howe every evening a good lot of berries to pay for the food, comfort and splendid mountain air she is able to provide. Mrs. Howe brought Don and Herbert home, last week. Roughing it did them both good.

The two Pawnee boys and the two Sioux boys who were at Northfield attending Mr. Moody's summer school have returned. It is a singular coincidence that members of the two tribes which only a few years ago were notorious enemies, should now be representing the Young Men's Christian Association and going hand in hand with brotherly hearts to search for Bible truths.

Mrs. Pratt gave a luncheon on Friday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Stevick. The occasion also served as a little re-union of the bridal party of two years ago, when Miss Marion Pratt and Mr. Guy Stevick were married. Not all of the bridal party were present owing to their absence from town, but to the merry group assembled the occasion was most enjoyable. The souvenir cards were unique, being a group photograph of Mr. and Mrs. Stevick and their baby Laura.

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This the Indians explain is to make the arrow go straight.

The bow is also made of ash and with a string of twisted sinew taken from along the back of a beef.

So that with an ordinary butcher knife and a file, if it is to be had, an Indian can make his own arms.

The penetrating force of an arrow is wonderful.

It is not a fable or falsehood that an Indian can shoot an arrow right through a buffalo.

So that when a general disarming of the Indians takes place it will be necessary to cut down all the ash trees in the country.

For I have heard it stated that bows and arrows would be much more effective weapons in the hands of Indians than such guns as they surrendered to Gen. Miles."

"Can the Indians be Civilized?"

seems still to be an open question with certain people.

Both such persons and those of greater faith and broader charity will find much to interest them in this little volume:

(STIYA, OR A RETURNED CARLISLE INDIAN GIRL.)

When one considers the surroundings in which the boy or girl finds himself upon returning to his people after a term of years at school, the wonder is not that some relapse into barbarism but that any remain faithful to the teachings of the stronger.

This little book "Stiya," presents a realistic picture of life in an Indian village. The reader's sympathies are enlisted at once in behalf of the maiden who finds herself a stranger among her own people.

No one can be unmoved by the story of her trials.

How one wonders whether filial love and duty combined with dread of suffering and fear of ridicule will gain the mastery over her loyalty to the precepts of her teachers; and how we rejoice when her faithfulness and courage gain such a triumphant victory.

This story deserves a wide reading not only for its considerable literary merit but much more for the good its author evidently meant to accomplish by arousing our sympathy for the Indian and our interest in the cause of his enlightenment."—*Prof. R. R. Rogers, of the Jamestown, N. Y. High School*

OUR NEW FLAG DOES HONOR TO THE OCCASION.

In giving incidents of the Fourth of July, we failed to notice our handsome new flag, unfurled then for the first.

At the same time that the first flags containing forty-four stars were waving over the Government buildings at Washington the large and elegant American ensign, with forty-four stars (newly purchased for our school) unspread itself most gracefully mid earth and

played very attractively in the waves of the fresh breezes from the West that swept over the beautiful Cumberland Valley that day.

Do all our pupils know that each star represents a State?

In 1818, April 4th, there was a law passed by Congress which reads as follow:

"On the admission of a new State into the Union one star shall be added to the union of the flag; and such addition shall take effect on the fourth day of July succeeding such admission."

So, a week ago, last Saturday, which was our national Independence day, flags were officially hoisted on the Capitol at Washington, on the White House, the Government buildings and all the Navy yard stations and war vessels, as well as at the Carlisle Indian School, and each flag had on it forty-four stars.

An appreciative letter comes from Delia Strong who says she arrived at her Michigan home safely. She thanks Carlisle for what it has done for her and encloses ten cents for the HELPER, which she says she must have to keep content

How to Sit at Table.

The chair should be well drawn up to the table. Sit easily in it. Do not lean your body against the table or rest your elbows upon it

It is sin that brings death, and darkness, and despair; there is light and blessedness for us as soon as we cast it off.—*George Eliot.*

Enigma.

I am made of 10 letters.

My 9, 3, 4, 5 if we do a great deal of and do it the right way will make us wise.

My 6, 8, 10, 3 an ox wears for a collar.

My 7, 3, 1, 2 is the part of the country that some of our pupils like best.

My whole is the very best medicine in the world.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S POEM PUZZLE:
Whale.

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 $4\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ 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 Navajoe 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 premium 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