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LISTEN.



HOEVER you are, as you read this,  
Whatever your trouble or grief,  
I want you to know and to heed this;  
The day draweth near with relief.

No sorrow, no woe is unending,  
Though heaven seems voiceless and dumb,  
So sure as your cry is ascending,  
So sure an answer will come.

Whatever temptation is near you,  
Whose eyes on this simple verse fall,  
Remember good angels will hear you  
And help you to stand, if you call.

Though stunned with despair, I beseech you,  
Whatever your losses, your need,  
Believe, when these printed words reach you,  
Believe you were born to succeed.

You are stronger, I tell you, this minute,  
Than any unfortunate fate!  
And the coveted prize—you can win it;  
While life lasts 'tis never too late!

—Ex.

## MIDWAY PLAISANCE AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

When tired of viewing the buildings and grounds which go to make up this fairyland of beauty known as the "White City," and when weary of examining the inexhaustible accumulation of exhibits curious and wonderful contained in these monumental edifices, it is very refreshing to run down into the Midway Plaisance, which is a part of the World's Fair wherein one can go *around the world* in a couple of hours.

Yes, around the world so far as seeing interesting reproductions of classic Old World towns, of noted foreign buildings and quaint and curious people from almost every nation on the face of the earth, goes.

But beware!

The first visit to the Plaisance is enough to set a weak brain whirling.

I, for instance, was quite seriously affected after the first walk through being entirely

unprepared for the sounds I heard and the sights that met my gaze.

Our passage under the Illinois Central Railroad tracks, over which bridge there were at the time four trains running at maddening speed, the thunder of whose rushing, grinding, rumbling wheels was enough to deafen one's hearing faculties for all time, was the initiation to our first Midway experience.

Then upon emerging from this passage way of head-crushing roar to find one's self in a moving phalanx of human flesh, coming and going and pushing and staring, did not tend to lessen one's bewilderment.

Such a vast and continued throng of people has been rarely ever seen.

And the mixture of curiously dressed foreigners with their strange jargon makes the scene unique and impressive to the fresh observer.

Now let us drop in at the Dahomey village and see the African in his wild state performing his war dance which no doubt is as much of a farce as the war dance to be seen in the American Indian village, where well-to-do civilized Indians have been hired to put on a war paint and feathers to satisfy the gaze of a curiosity loving public, while the proprietor of the disgraceful show is pocketing the money and the Indian is being hindered in his progress toward civilization.

Without change of flannel or fear of taking cold we may step from Dahomey into the Lapland village and see the natives with their reindeer and sledges.

And thus we may go from Lapland to China, and from China to Austria and from thence to Algeria, and then Tunis and Cairo and Turkey and Persia and Germany and Ireland and Switzerland and the South Sea Islands and the Holy Land and East India and Japan and Java and Soudan and so on to the end.

Into all these villages we must pay extra to go, but there is enough on the outside to see

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## EXHIBIT PERSONALS.

Mr. Backus, Supt. of Genoa school, and his girls came around to visit the Carlisle exhibit on Friday.

Rev. F. P. Pomeroy, of Northampton, Mass., who has seen Capt. Pratt several times at Smith College, dropped in at the exhibit last Thursday and made inquiries that indicate sincere interest in the Indian work.

The Genoa school has arrived at the Fair to occupy the school building for a month. Reuben Wolfe and Jos. B. Harris, graduates of Carlisle, are in the Genoa band and called at the exhibit to pay respects to Carlisle on Wednesday.

Stephen Smith, who has recently received honorable discharge from the U. S. Army, on returning from Walla Walla, Wash., to Carlisle stopped off two or three days to view the wonders of the World's big show at Chicago. He says he is returning to the school for more education.

On Sunday evening Miss Burgess had a very pleasant call upon Mr. and Mrs. Penfield and Mrs. Allen at the home of the former in Chicago. Mrs. Allen it will be remembered is Mrs. Pratt's St. Louis sister. She is visiting the Penfields while doing the Fair. Mrs. Penfield is a daughter of Mrs. Pratt's brother and Carlisle's good friend, Mr. Mason of Jamestown, N. Y. Upon lighting the gas in the cosy little parlor, a life size bust of Mr. Mason spoke from a large frame upon the easel mak-

ing him one of an enjoyable group. Mrs. Mason's less conspicuous picture also reflected her silent enjoyment of the scene.

The Carlisle Exhibit at the World's Fair, has been a meeting ground for old friends. Along with the hundreds of visitors on Tuesday came Emily Peake and Miss Sibyl Carter, of Chippewa Indian lace renown. Emily has been acting in the capacity of interpreter, and the two are now on their way to Boston and other points in the East.

Robert Mathews and Samuel Townsend of Pawnee Agency are doing the Fair and have called. They are both on the hunt for work with little prospect of success as Chicago is at present overrun with unemployed workmen. I am rejoiced to learn that though in straitened circumstances, Robert refused a situation in Buffalo Bill's Wild West.

Benjamin Wheelock called on his way from the school to Oneida. He found his way about the city alone with out difficulty and seemed to understand routes and directions to perfection. He said, "No, I don't know the name of the street I go out at to find the station, but I know *how* to go." He was pleased to find his name among others in the showcase who had done work upon the fine harness on exhibition.

Dr. P. Johnson, of Pekin, N. Y., was among the interested callers on Friday. He is sorely vexed and righteously so over the display of the Iroquois Indians in the Southern part of the Fair Grounds, in their bark tents selling Indian toggery and trinkets, which he says is not a real representation of the true Indian and his customs. Nothing is shown of the advancement his people have made in the last two hundred years, as Prof. Putnam refused to have anything to do with civilized Indians or any of their productions of civilization. Dr. Johnson, who is an Indian and graduate of a medical college, said he was about as well pleased at the showing his people are making at the World's Fair as a white citizen of New York state would be to see the manners, habits and civilization of his state 400 years ago paraded in a most exaggerated manner, and no exhibition given of the marvelous advancement New York has made in the arts and sciences.

## A MANLY SPIRIT

One of our boys shows the right spirit in the following letter to Capt. Pratt:

"I am not much of a boy yet, but with my own will and knowledge wrote to you this note, see if you will do it what I said. I would like to stay for during next winter in farm to learn how to feeding horses thats only things I could do always when I going back in the west. I am old enough to behavior well and do what is right. I will try to keep good condition all them horses, and always keep all the rules of the school."

Visitors are quite numerous these days. Although the school is not seen at its best just now on account of the absence of so many on farms, yet the workings of the school are a revelation to those whose ideas on this subject are vague. Visitors are always welcome.

Cool?

Decidedly so.

Especially for August.

The carts in their new blue dress look quite gay.

The flag pole has been given a fresh coat of paint.

The roads at the near farm are being put in good shape.

Miss Botsford is back from the camp at Mont Alto.

Miss Russell was on the sick list for several days last week.

Mrs. Thompson is now acting as matron of the Teachers' Club.

Johnnie, Don and Herbert have gone into the cattail business.

Don Campbell spent several days at Mrs. Howe's near Hunters Run.

Miss Cutter is back from her vacation, having arrived Monday night.

Mrs. Given and Johnnie returned from their vacation Friday night.

Miss Augusta Zug of town took tea with Mrs. Campbell Thursday evening.

Messrs. Given and Wheelock spent Thursday evening of last week in Newville.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dominick made a visit Saturday evening to their son William.

Edward Marsden leaves tonight for the western part of the state to visit friends for several weeks.

Our band has secured the contract for furnishing the music for the Cumberland County Fair, the last week in September.

The President has issued a proclamation opening the Cherokee outlet to settlement at noon of September 16th, 1893.

The first and second nines changed batteries on Saturday afternoon and played an exciting game which the second nine won by a score 5 to 4.

Mr. B. F. Bennett, formerly school farmer here, in asking that his papers be sent to Ivyland, Pa., instead of Schuz, Nev., says that he feels lost without them.

The heavy rain storm of Saturday evening prevented the rendering of more than one selection by the band. The concert was given on Monday evening and the fine playing of the new music was much enjoyed by all.

The band boys went Wednesday to Inwood Park, near Winchester, Va., where they played for the Berkley County Fair, which is being held there. On their return home, being compelled to lay over in Hagerstown, they gave a short concert in the public square and were afterwards treated to ice cream.

Miss Hunt writes from Siletz, Oregon, that they are trying to get everything in shipshape for beginning school Sept. 1st. She is going on a forty mile canoe trip down the river to help gather up children about the third week in August. She met Mr. Marshall in Chicago. She says she is getting along beautifully.

Miss Henry is indisposed.

The farm pupils are coming in one by one.

Mrs. Marshall and child arrived last week.

Capt. Pratt spent Tuesday in Philadelphia.

The grass is beginning to look natural again.

The band is giving three concerts at Mont Alto today.

The girls have voted to bury slang words and expressions.

Watermelon parties are in high favor, and Doctor is kept busy.

The Sunday evening meeting was led by Dr. Montezuma.

Picking grass out of the sidewalks affords out-of-door work for some of our printers.

Hattie Bissel, Tuscarora, who went home last year on account of ill health, is married.

On account of the dry weather, the potato crop this year is poor and the "taters" are quite small.

Don Campbell sang a solo at both morning and evening service in the Episcopal Church on Sunday.

Miss Bessie Jamison, of Asheville, N. C., is now Mrs. Worthington's assistant in the sewing room.

The harness makers are busily engaged on an order for thirty sets of harness to be sent to the West.

Stephen Smith has a beautifully woven horsehair bridle for sale. It is certainly a fine specimen of Indian hair work.

The assembly room at the Large Boys' Quarters, has been papered and painted and presents an attractive appearance.

Miss Hamilton had a severe fall the other day at the dining hall and is off duty for the present. Miss Cutter is taking her place.

Mrs. Collins, of Philadelphia, with whom Mary Bailey has been living, stopped at the school for a day this week on her way home from New Mexico.

RECIPE FOR HAPPINESS.—Go without your dinner, and see if you don't feel happy when it is supper-time.

Some of the band boys felt happy yesterday noon.

If you know anything that would make a newsy item, stop in and tell us. Do not wait till the paper is out and then feel disappointed because there is no mention of it.—[*Ex.*

And so say we.

Only one more week for our subscription contest, and from present indications small lists will win the prizes. It is still possible for an enterprising person to start and win. Be sure to send your list so that it will reach us on or before the 31st.

Who can better speak on the subject of self-made men than the Hon. Frederick Douglass, himself a brilliant example of that class of men, who owe their success to their own efforts. Send 11 cents for his lecture on that subject, which we have printed in pamphlet form. It is well worth the money.

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without pay to make a trip down the Plaisance entertaining and profitable.

There are the Japanese, Turkish, East India, Chinese, Algerian and Tunisian Bazaars with rich and expensive articles for sale and native salesmen and women.

They are queer people to deal with and they evidently think the American lady loves flattery.

"How much is this?" she will ask picking up a bracelet.

"O, very nice, very cheap, one dollar?"

"Too much," says the lady turning away.

"Come here, lady. You are very nice, very handsome, very beaut, seventy five cents? O, lady, very cheap, very handsome, lady?"

"No, I don't want it," she says and turns again.

"Come here! Come, Come here! You very handsome, very beauty, how much you pay, 50 cents? Here you take it, because you very handsome, very nice," and before she can back off he presses the article into her hand and she pays, satisfied that she has a good bargain, until she arrives at the next booth to see another person buying the same article for a quarter.

Each nation has a theatre or place of amusement and outside attractions to induce people to attend.

Before the Swiss pavilion four singers appear at stated periods whose voices mingling with the whirl of the crowd, sound prettily and always causes a standstill.

Then the chunky young Turk in native costume on a landing of the stairs before the Turkish theatre always amuses the multitude as he claps his hands and calls:

"Come! Come! Come! Everybody welcome! Very good dance! Very nice! Come! Come! Come! Ter-ra-ra-boom-da-ya!"

The man who bakes a curious kind of waffle and serves them hot is a well known figure, for his strong voice is heard for squares calling some sort of a gibberish and ending with "Hot! Hot! Hot! Hot!" evidently the only English he knows.

The Hagenbeck trained lions always draw a crowd, as that trainer gives a free performance in a cage with four immense and savage looking lions far above the heads of the people.

They leap through hoops and sit upon chairs and kiss their master and make of themselves a pyramid of lions all at their master's command.

These free exhibitions and processions and dances and concerts meet you at every turn.

One of the greatest wonders of the Plaisance is the Ferris Wheel.

One seated in a car on this wheel is taken

up, up, up, till he reaches a point three times as high as our flag pole.

Think of a WHEEL that large around!

It is made of iron and looks like a huge bicycle hung between two towers.

Over 2000 people can be taken in one round trip.

At night the rim of the wheel is brilliantly lighted with electricity, and looks at a distance like a moving circle of fire in the heavens.

It is a grand sight.

The Crowd upon Plaisance is composed of nice people as far as appearances go.

I have not seen an ungentlemanly or unladylike act yet and not one drunken person have I beheld either on Midway or on the Fair Ground proper.

This has been an astonishing feature of the Fair to me, for I supposed I should see all kinds of rascality practiced and much drunkenness.

There is much more in the Plaisance to tell about.

The Libbey Glass Work and other notable features must be left for some future paper.

M. B.

#### Enigma.

I am composed of 12 letters.

My 12, 7, 8 is 2000 lbs.

My 2, 1, 5 is the opposite of good.

My 4, 10, 3, 11 is not far.

My 6 and 9 is a letter which expresses the desire of a blind man

My whole is something we all like to hear.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S ENIGMA: The World's Fair.

#### STANDING OFFER.

Premiums will be forwarded free to persons sending subscription for the INDIAN HELPER, as follows:

2. For two subscriptions and a 1-cent stamp extra, the printed copy of Apache contrast, the original photo, of which, composing two groups on separate cards, (8x10), may be had by sending 30 subscriptions, and 5 cents extra. Cash price 60 cents for the two.

(This is the most popular photograph we have ever had taken, as it shows such a decided contrast between a group of Apaches as they arrived and the same pupils four months later.)

3. For five subscriptions and a 1-cent stamp extra, a group of the 17 Indian printer boys. Name and write of each given. Or, pretty faced pappoose in Indian cradle. Or, Richard Davis and family. Or, cabinet photo, of Pigan Chiefs. Cash price 20 cents each.

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6. For fifteen subscriptions and 5 cents extra, a group of the whole school (9x14), faces show distinctly. Or, 8x10 photo, of Indian baseball club. Or, 8x10 photo, of graduating classes choice '89, '90, '91, '92, '93. Or, 8x10 photo of buildings. Cash price 50 cents for school, 30 cents for 8x10's.

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8. For fifteen subscriptions and eight cents extra for postage, a 13 1/2 x 16 photo of 8 Pigan chiefs in elaborate Indian dress. This is the highest price premium in Standing Offer and sold for 75 cts retail. The same picture lacking 2 faces Boudoir-size for 7 subscription, and 2 cents extra. Cash 25 cents.

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