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## THE BEST WE HAVE.

**C**HRIST wants the best. He in the far-off ages,  
Once claimed the firstling of the flock, the finest of the wheat,  
And still He asks His own with gentlest pleading  
To lay their highest hopes and brightest talents at His feet.  
He'll not forget the feeblest service, humblest love;  
He only asks that of our store we give to him  
The best we have.

Christ gives the best. He takes the hearts we offer,  
And fills them with His glorious beauty, joy, and peace,  
And in His service, as we're growing stronger,  
The calls to grand achievements still increase.  
The richest gifts for us on earth, or in the heaven above,  
Are hid in Christ. In Jesus we receive  
The best we have.

And is our best too much? O, friends, let us remember,  
How once our Lord poured out His soul for us,  
And in the prime of His mysterious manhood  
Gave up His precious life upon the cross.  
The Lord of lords, by whom the worlds were made,  
Through bitter grief and tears gave us  
The best He had.

—Selected by John Dillon for the HELPER.

## CAPT. HUDSON CONTRASTS YALE AND CORNELL GAMES.

(Special despatch to The Phila. Press.)

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 22.—Yale to-day played the greatest football of any team Carlisle has met this season. The game so far as I know was entirely free from objectionable features. It was hard, straight football from start to finish.

I am glad of the opportunity which "The Press" has afforded me, to compare Yale with Cornell, for this reason, that the contrast is so marked, both in the playing of the respective teams and the treatment Carlisle received at these games.

When Cornell played Carlisle, the former placed the flower of her team upon the field, but Carlisle time and time again pierced her line for gains from fifteen to twenty yards.

Cornell's offensive play at that time was fast and hard and I may say they had good interference which was found quickly and which resulted in good gains.

Their kicking department was only fair.

Carlisle's disadvantage then, you will see by my article about the game, that appeared in your columns October 10.

Here is where the contrast is so distinct, in to-day's game Yale furnished to her supporters the ideal football and played as football should be played. At no stage of the game did Yale show inclinations to slug. Her offensive and defensive plays were strong and well-formed. There were no attempts at trick plays and Yale from start to finish played the straight hard football, the Yale backs coming in for their share of work, straight bucks through on either side of the center. McBride, Yale's fullback, did more than his share and proved more than a match for us in the kicking department.

Carlisle met defeat not because of unjust ruling by the officials, but because we met opponents who played better football. I do not hesitate to say that Yale got as good a practice game as she desired. The treatment received from the spectators was all that could be desired.

## FALSE STATEMENT.

Alex. Upshaw, '97, has heard that it was said that he was seen at the Omaha Exposition dressed as Indian, and he would have it distinctly understood that the statement is false and injurious. Richard Davis and he were called to have their photographs taken for the Smithsonian Institute and donned buckskin suits for the picture. They both wore the same coat and he wore the pantaloons that morning. Alex. in keeping with those not Indian, paid his board, and did not join in any of the Indian games except when sent by the authorities; the interpreters must do their duty and he did not wish to refuse the agent. He took part in sham battles in order to have his men understand what Captain Mercer planned for the Indians. He went with the Crow Indians as their interpreter. Alex. would have his school-mates know that he is trying to be a man, although in the midst of trials and temptations. He says Montana is a great climate for good health.



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Dr. Clara J. Kretschman, of Philadelphia, says she enjoys "reading the little paper very much after my office hours are over."

We see by the Haskell Leader that Mrs. Messerve, wife of Charles F. Messerve, ex-Superintendent of Haskell, died Oct. 6th.

A subscriber in Watertown, N. Y. says she has taken our little school paper through all its changes, since it was a wee sheet not half as large as THE HELPER. "I like it," she says "for its cheeriness as well as for the many profitable hints."

They hold inspection on Saturday afternoons at the Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kansas, instead of Sunday mornings as we do. The item in the Leader says: "This does away with so much hurry and work on Sunday morning."

THE INDIAN HELPER, a weekly sheet printed by the Indian boys at Carlisle, possesses unusual interest, letters from pupils who have returned to their Western homes particularly. In comparing it with other school papers, we are most impressed with the intense earnestness which characterizes it throughout.—[The Easterner.

Not the pupils alone should join the M. H. A. C. U. S. society. The writer knows one, who, when done reading her daily paper, throws it on the floor for some one else to pick up. There are others who cannot go to a pile of books, take out some and leave the pile in as neat order as they found it. Somebody has to follow and straighten up the pile. There are those who can't get paper from a pack without twisting the entire pile leaving it uncovered and in an untidy shape. Some will untie a package, take out the contents and leave wrapper and strings for others to gather up. The accumulation of grime on wash bowls and pitchers and the cyclonic appearance of the fixtures about the stand in some of the private rooms are anything but tidy, and yet we are supposed to teach tidiness. Let us ALL join the new society and see if we cannot improve!

A University of Pennsylvania student who was at a sea-side boarding house this summer and was waited upon at table by one of our girls, expresses the belief in a recent letter that the Indians of Carlisle are going to beat the University team, on the 12th of November or put up a very tight game, to say the least.

Will you join the "M. H. A. C. U. S's"? We understand there is contemplated a new organization among us, not a society of "Mercy and Help" exactly, but one that proposes to enlist our 800 boys and girls in neatness and order. The members will pledge themselves to pick up every scrap of paper or refuse in buildings and on the grounds and to put it out of sight; to keep things everywhere, neat, orderly, clean, tidy, etc. It is suggested that we call this society. "The Mercilessly Helpful Against Carelessness, Untidiness and Selfishness."

Supt. and Mrs. W. P. Campbell were most welcome visitors at Chemawa last week, while en route to their new post at Warm Springs from Shoshone Agency, Wyoming. Mr. Campbell is an energetic and able worker, and he will soon build up the Warm Springs school as he did the Wind River School in Wyoming. The American wishes them much success in the field of labor.—[Chemawa, Oregon, American.

We learn incidentally, through Mrs. Campbell's brother in Philadelphia, that they like their new field of work, very much.

It is a good thing to give the Juniors and Seniors a test. It has been said they will "fool away" the study hour if allowed to spend it in their rooms. There are calves, who with too much rope when tied in a field to graze, will wind themselves up until they choke to death. Professor Bakeless' argument in giving these young ladies and gentlemen a little more time to themselves is this: A man is not a man, a woman is not a woman until they can make themselves do what they ought to do, WHEN they ought to do it, and by their own force of will. That means self-control, independence, CHARACTER.

It is gratifying when an Indian pupil awakens to the realization that what he gained at Carlisle has been of benefit to him that he speaks of his accomplishments in the spirit that shows appreciation and gratitude. Letters have been received recently from several of our boys and girls who have passed out from the school into useful employment. One especially writes to his instructor privately and says: "I wish to write a few words of thanks to you as my instructor. The instructions you gave has made me useful in competing with useful people of to-day. The knowledge that I obtained in the school rooms and in the shop has been the means of earning my bread and butter. To you, sir, I owe a credit—the credit of lifting me up to the position where I am receiving \$600 per annum. Where did I learn these things? Whom do I owe? I cannot find words to express my gratefulness to you."

Elijah Brown has been promoted to the Junior Normal class so is in school all day.—[Haskell Leader.

The fence around the Athletic field is done and the locomotive sparks are down on the track.



A marrow-chilling breeze, yesterday.

Mr. Standing has gone to Omaha to pack up the Carlisle exhibit.

Yale, 18; Carlisle, 5; not so bad. Last year Yale 24; Carlisle 9; a little gain, see?

Miss Jane Cooper, of Edgewood, Pa., Miss Paul's cousin, was her guest on Saturday and Sunday.

The Invincible Literary Society will hold its annual Fair on Saturday night, in the gymnasium.

Rev. Dr. West, President of Metzger College, was out, Sunday afternoon at our School Service.

Mr. Thompson, disciplinarian, left with the football team for Boston this morning. They play Harvard tomorrow.

Major and Mrs. Pratt attended the Peace Jubilee, Philadelphia, this week and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Blankenburg.

The Susans have the schedule for Declamations and Essays made out for the year. The committees in the boys' societies seem slow to act.

Miss Mellor, of Unalaska, arrived this week with five Indian children who have come East to be educated. She went to New York yesterday.

There was an excellent attendance at all the societies last Friday evening. It is said that the debates in the Standards and Susans were almost fizzes.

It was Hudson's kicking that gave us the score Saturday, but it was the good playing of the rest of the team that prevented Yale from scoring as many as they tried to.

Miss Forster's classes in drawing begin to promise excellent results in expression. The teachers will continue this year as last to take one hour's instruction per week.

The Wyoming Seminary football team is composed of fine looking young men. They visited the school on Saturday morning and were defeated by Dickinson in the afternoon.

The efficiency of Mr. Hall's coaching was readily seen by the way our boys prevented Yale from making the gains they wanted to through our lines last Saturday in New Haven.

Dr. McIntire, of Dickinson College, with the Professor in charge of the Wyoming Seminary men who played Dickinson Saturday, made the rounds of the school, in the afternoon before the game.

Talks at the opening exercises of school: Monday, "The Naval Academy at Annapolis," Miss Wood; Friday, "The Battle of the Nile and the Story of Casablanca, the little hero of Mrs. Hemans' poem—"The Boy Stood on the Burning Deck." "

Many of the new pupils do careless, slovenly work in penmanship. It is hoped that they will take themselves in hand and improve their written exercises without being driven and urged by their teachers. Those in class with them have passed through the drudgery necessary to do neat, careful, and rapid written work. He who masters his bad habits is cultivating the qualities that win success everywhere.

Miss Ackerman addressed the meeting Sunday evening.

Miss Luckenbach's chrysanthemums are not at their best this year.

A big crowd is expected on the athletic field to witness the game on November 5th.

Mrs. Sawyer and Miss Barclay visit the Susans to-night; Mr. Bietzel and Mr. Ralston the Standards; and Misses Carter and Burgess the Invincibles.

Mr. Dennison Wheelock is off on his annual leave. Mrs. Wheelock has joined him at Oneida, Wisconsin, arriving there from her home in Minnesota, this week.

Mr. Gardner and his carpenter boys are finishing the "bleachers," ready to seat the crowd which will be in attendance upon the Dickinson-Indian game, Nov. 5

Who was the Northfield student that did not know the difference between the Ten Commandments and the 23rd Psalm last Wednesday night at Rev. Bell's entertainment.

Mr. Gray, who returned from the army on the 11th, is down at business again in the dairy. When asked what he gained while out, his answer was "experience, which is worth more to me than money."

The October-November Red Man is printing. It is the Report Number and contains eleven illustrations, 6 by 8 inches, from new and expensive half-tone plates. Five cents a single copy, mailed to any address in the United States and Canada, postage paid by us.

The school was entertained on Wednesday evening by Rev. J. H. Bell, of Carlisle, with his phonograph. Each number was enjoyed by all, and there were those present who having never heard the like were amazed at the reproductions of the human voice and instrumental music.

It is rumored that the Invincibles have accepted a challenge from the Standards for a public debate. This will no doubt be a hard contest, for the Invincibles have won two debates in succession and the Standards will work to keep them from winning the third. Where are the Susans?

The school was favored on Sunday with the presence of Miss Rose Flautt vocal instructor of Wilson College, Chambersburg, who sang several beautiful solos on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. Miss Flautt was Miss Senseney's guest. Her sweet voice and genial, unaffected manner won the hearts of all who met her.

The Seniors and Juniors are turned out of their school rooms on Tuesday and Thursday evenings during the period for study to give them a chance to show how they can use their time when left to themselves. The question is, Will there be manly and womanly effort and as good lessons as when under the eye of the teacher?

Debates this evening: Susans—Resolved, That it is probable America will hereafter become the greatest of nations; Invincibles—Resolved, That the Indian of the present day is readier for citizenship than the Colored Man; Standards—Resolved, That the majority of the colored race were better off under slavery than in freedom.



## HE'S ALL RIGHT.

Charles Kerima is still working at the coal chutes in Laguna, New Mexico. He says he has Carlisle in his mind nearly all the time and keeps his interest in the school on account of his sisters being here.

If he meets a person and he asks where he got his education he always gives that person a long talk on Carlisle.

He is very sorry that he did not stay long enough to get a good education. He feels the lack of education, but is very thankful for what the school did give him in the time that he was here.

"I am trying to use every step of my education" he says, "and through the help of my white brothers who are always ready to help the weak I am getting on."

"Of course," he continues "there are many bad ones among them who are ready to do you harm, thinking because we are Indians and they are whites they can do what they will with us. But I respect every man alike, no matter whether he is black, yellow, red, brown, white blue or green, as long as every one of them minds his own business and respects others as he is respected, and this is the only true way to get along among men."

## PREPARE.

Some of our young men from No. 9 school-room and up, seem at times willing to sacrifice almost anything for the sake of earning a little money. The Man-on-the-band-stand likes to see a business spirit manifest itself, but he wonders if the same boys had not better be a little more anxious about making themselves good, accurate workmen at their trades and excellent in their lessons so as to PREPARE themselves for good paying situations when through school. Prepare, now. PREPARE! Let us PREPARE for the future and live on as little as we can, while saving the pennies we get hold of. There are business organizations through which if a boy saves 17 cents a day for eight years, he will receive at the end of that time ONE THOUSAND Dollars. Many a boy spends more than 17 cents a day for cakes, candy, and other things he could do without.

## A RETURN AFTER MANY DAYS.

A little friend of the Indian in Allentown, received, through a friend of his, the HELPER several years ago, when he was too small to be interested in it, but, he says:

"The other day as my mother was cleaning out the closet I found a lot of HELPERS and soon got very much interested in them. I now thought I would write to you and see if they were printed yet."

## JUST THE NAME WE LIKE.

Superintendent Myers of the Whiterock Indian School, gives a good name to John Brown, ex-pupil, in the following extract from a recent business letter, and in the same calls us just the name that we are proud of.

He says:

"John Brown was one time a Carlisle student, and has been appointed Industrial teacher in my school; and from the way he takes hold, Carlisle will have no cause to regret that he was ever a student in that great 'Teacher-to-help-yourself' institution. Mr. J. Brown's home is Siletz Reservation, Oregon.

He is a LIVE, energetic young man, and his 'body keeps marching on.'"

## CAN WE SAY AS MUCH?

The Guide published at the Indian Industrial School, Battleford, Saskatchewan, Canada, has this to say of the Indian boys' bed-making:

The beds in the boys' dormitories have been supplied with new coverlets, and the manner in which each boy makes his bed leaves nothing to be desired, they are simply perfect.

Sixty beds and not a crooked pillow, or a sheet folded unevenly. Order is certainly in evidence in every detail in connection with the boys' beds. Well done boys!

## Football Schedule.

- Oct. 29, Harvard at Cambridge.
- Nov. 5, Dickinson at Carlisle.
- Nov. 12, University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.
- Nov. 19, University of Illinois at Chicago.
- Game with Bloomsburg, Sept. 24th, WON; score, 43-0.
- Game with Susquehanna, Oct. 1, WON; score, 48-0.
- Game with Cornell, Oct. 8, LOST; score, 23-6.
- Game with Williams, Oct. 15, WON; score 17-6.
- Game with Yale, Oct. 22, LOST; score 18-5.

## Enigma.

- I am composed of 8 letters.
- My 2, 3, 1 is part of a circle.
- My 7, 5, 8 is what I hope the Carlisle Indians never do.
- My 6, 8, 2 is a body of water.
- My 3, 2, 5, 4, 6 is what Lincoln used to split.
- My whole is what every Indian in the land should love.

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ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S ENIGMA: Peace Jubilee.