

The School News.

"A pebble cast into the sea is felt from shore to shore,
A thought from the mind set free will echo on forever more."

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Virginia, (Kiowa) writes from her farm home, where she has gone to stay a few weeks.

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MY DEAR MISS H.—I want to write to you this afternoon you must excuse me I did not write to you two weeks but I have not much time I am very busy set the table and wash dishes make my bed and make pies and cakes and try to make bread too, and the other things beside. Mrs Borton is very kind lady she has two children one girl and boy. I love two this little children very much some time I make fire and bring in wood to Mrs. Borton's sister and Miss Ely come there last Saturday morning and I am so glad to see Miss Ely and she brought my clothes.

I like to know how are you getting along, I like to see all the girls, give love my to all the girls also teacher.

My dear Miss H.—I am not bad a girl I help now a great deal I pray for you almost every night, also when I wake up in the morning. I like to pray very much because I make myself good. My dear Miss H.—you must pray for yourself in the morning in the afternoon in the evening to be good yourself I know you are a very good lady but I mean more and more I am feel very happy every day I sing every day too and that lady told me I like, some body sing for me I am very glad the girls trying to cook and keep house clean I like clean house when I go back our home and how to cook and keep

clean houses I don't like to live in dirty houses and dirty clothes that is the best way. I love you very much you know how I obey you, you some times told me some thing to do and I did not said, I don't want to do that, I said I try and you sent me to sewing room, ironing I did not sit down and crossed, I don't like that I try to work every hour and every thing clean when I sweeping some times and sweeping nice every corner and make clean because a great Father watch us every day I know some of the don't like to work I don't like to lazy of myself that is great shame I like to be pleased and kind that is the best way. My dear Miss H.—I am sure what you told us when we going way I like to try that sometimes you told us something and I listen to sure and thought because she knows a great deal better then I and also my teacher told me to read over again and I thought I guess I did not read very well and I read over and over I like to read again poor Capt. Pratt I guess he thought I guess Virginia is good girl I sent to church to be christian girl and she remembered church and she try to be christian he thought I guess and I try very hard about the christian way I remember our church and I will help Capt. Pratt a great deal. I will send you a great deal of love you also Capt. Pratt be sure what I told you in this letter.

From your very truly friend.

VIRGINIA OEQUA.

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SAMUEL TOWNSEND, EDITOR.
(A Pawnee Indian boy.)

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OUR PRESIDENT.

THE shooting of President Garfield was very dreadful. The man who shot him, we suppose, thought he would please some of the people in the United States. He thought he was very smart. If President were to die how would every white man, black man and the Indian feel? Why they would be mourning and sorrowing for the loss of President. It was not in war when the President was shot, for our country don't have war any more, but in peace.

Some people think the man who shot the President was crazy we don't think so. He was mad we guess, because the President would not let him be one of the head men in some office. So he got mad and shot him. The President was in the rail-road depot at Baltimore and Guiteau walked in and shot him, first in the arm, then next in his body. We all feel sorry because the President is suffering so. We hope he will soon recover.

ABOUT 100 boys and girls have gone out to work on farms. We get reports from them, most all are good and a very few bad, and too lazy.

A boy or a girl who is lazy we don't think will ever become a good and useful man and woman. If they are lazy they are the ones that will go back to their blankets, put them around themselves and live in the dirt. The other Indians that are not lazy will not respect them and the lazy ones will just eat what some body gives them, they will soon die. They are no good in the world, not any

better than the animals. But a boy who works and determined to do some thing, he is the one to take care of himself, when he goes back home and help the other Indians by setting a good example. If a boy is not lazy he will not be a lazy man. We are glad there are not many lazy boys at this school only a few, but every lazy boy ought to be ashamed of himself.

We all hope that President Garfield will get well.

Our President was wounded some time ago, very badly, but we hear good news from him every day. I read a dispatch at the office yestertay which said that the President was favorable in every way except pulse, which was only ninety.

We all hope that he will get well. If he was to die, what would become of our people and government? I am a little afraid that it would perish, also. Nearly every body who looks at things with an open mind can see what a great loss it would be to our people if our President should die. But we all hope that God will take care of him and restore him to health and strength again. We can never get a better President than President Garfield is. ROBERT W. STEWART,
(Creek).

—The farmers up country say the Indian boys can bind wheat first rate.

—Wilson Toome was out at the country to work on farm, but he came back because he had Erysipelas on his face. While he was out there a ring came off from the harness. So the farmer told Wilson to fix it on, so Wilson went at it. He was not afraid to show what he had learned at this school. He took a needle and sew the ring on the harness. People who saw him were very much pleased. Wilson is learning the harness maker's trade.

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About our School.

—Mrs. Capt. Pratt says Mary North is a very good girl. She is helping her and she says that she is learning to work in the kitchen and mending, and she likes it, too.

—Nellie Cook, Sioux, made 36 sheets in one day, last week, Nellie Cary, Apache, made 32, and Ella Moore, Creek, made 30. Boys, do you think those girls are lazy?

—Mr. Robertson, who has been with the Creek people for many years died on the 26th of June. He is the father of Miss Alice M. Robertson, who is an employe at this school.

—One of the boys who is on a farm was told to go out and pick a few raspberries. He stayed a good while and the people did not know where he had gone. By-and-by he came in with a half-bushel basket full of peas.

—Little Mattie Reed (Pueblo) was seen the other day washing the large window blinds on a teacher's window with a feather and a small bottle of water. There was too much dust on them to suit her. The teacher afterwards gave her an oiled rag to rub them with and she and Sophie (Nez Perce) made them shine. Nothing lazy about these two little girls.

—On the 4th of July, of course every body had a nice time on that day, except that every body felt sad because the President of the United States was suffering so much. About 60 Indian children took a trip to Philadelphia. We left the Training

School at 6 o'clock and took a train that goes to Philadelphia. At 10 o'clock we got there. The children got off the train and went to the Main Centennial building, but the printers remained in the train and went into the city. This was the first time that ever we went to Philadelphia. So many things are there that we never saw in Carlisle. We saw some large printing presses working off papers, they were very wonderful, and we took a short ride on the Delaware river on a steam boat which we enjoyed very much.

—Our reporter took a walk around in the shops to see what the boys were doing. In all the shops every boy was busy. Not one of them looked like lazy boy, all looked industrious doing some thing. In the carpenter shop there were Jock, (Arapahoe) Ralph, (Sioux) Elwood, (Iowa) and Joe Gunn, (Ponca) sawing out window and door frames. Oscar (Cheyenne) and Micheal Burns (Apache) were busy carving balcony posts and Lester (Arapahoe) was out side chiselling out a beam. These things are all for our new hospital. The boys are pushing it up rapidly. Jesse (Arapahoe) and Little Elk (Cheyenne) were busy in the gymnasium. The wagons which Robert American Horse has finished painting are to be sent to Oregon and Washington Territories. They look very nice. In the harness shop Mr. Standing was wrapping and marking harness and cushions to go along with the wagons.

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WHAT THE LITTLE ONES THINK ABOUT
THE FOURTH OF JULY IN PHIL-
ADELPHIA.

Ruth Mather, a little Sioux girl twelve years old writes:

"I never saw before such long house. It is biggest than other girls' quarters and the guard house. Ralph speak very nicely and we heard every words, and he speak very loud. I tell you two men was in the balloon they went up in the air. We have very nice time I like to go in Philadelphia and I like to ride in the cars. I saw some play house. We go in first time we wash our faces and our hands too and we comb our hairs and we put on our aprons but when we eat the aprons are all dirty. I didn't saw any dumb people in that large city. I like to go in large city again. I saw water come out from the trees. We was sitting on the ground I was very glad indeed that time because I was see every thing. I never saw such thing. It is very large city. I think you will see large city."

Celia Pickard (Wichita) says:—"The house where we sing it is long and black. We saw the balloon too they wear one lady and one boy and man. One was so glad to see Capt. Pratt. He said that President Garfield was getting well. The little children were marching, they had flowers round the stick. After we got there in cars we eat apples and pie and it was very nice time."

Hope, (Sioux) says:—"I wish all the Indian children see the wonderful things in that long house. We have nice time at Philadelphia but I was afraid because so many people clothes (close) by us. I saw one little balloon five dollars in it and a basket go up."

Julia Bent, (Cheyenne) writes:—

"The ladies are glad to see us. One lady said to me are you buy some orange. I said no I do not want any thing in here. I said I am tired. I saw a large house and sing in them."

The following is taken from a Sioux girl's letter who is now on a farm.

"I wash dishes every days. I think it is very nice. I working. I am glad to wash dishes because Miss Pierie she was very glad and she kind to me because I love very much. I tell you Miss H——, now I can talk English every day and one little child play with me. I think it is very nice little girl her name is Julia Pierie. She talk English to me every time, I like her so much. I try to pray to God and I say God please you must help me, I say every times, and when I am go to bed I must pray to God and my heart is very happy to sleep. That is all for this time, I will say Good-morning, Good-afternoon, good-evening, good-night, good-bye Miss H——. Please you must keep all the Sioux girls well I will kiss you. From your loving child. MAGGIE STANDSLOOKING."

Minerva, (Cheyenne) has gone to live with a farmer a few weeks. and she writes.

DOLINGTON, PA. June 23, 1881.

MY DEAR MISS M. R. H: —I thought I would write to you a letter this afternoon. I tell you something about myself. I work in the kitchen and dining room and I sweep the rooms too. I like to do everything best I can, and then I wash dishes in the morning and afternoon and evening, I never tired every day, I try again and again every day. I think it is very good for us to learn all. I think I will to get to learn every thing about kitchen and dining room too, because it is not hard.