

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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GOOD WORDS.

LET US TRY AND TALK THE ENGLISH
LANGUAGE ALL WE CAN.

I am very glad that I am here at Carlisle Barracks and not in the Indian camp where I couldn't learn anything now I know it is best for me to go to school and learn. I am not meaning myself I mean all the Indian children also and it is best for us to learn how to do all kinds of work and to study our books too. We ought to take good care of everything that our kind white friends have given us and also what we get from the government we do not pay our own money but the government pays for all the things that we get. Grown up people have to pay for every thing they get their food and what they wear too. And we do not have to pay for our things yet. Now don't you think we ought to take care of our things and the things that we have received from our kind white friends some of us Indian children do not take good care of our clothes, and some of us take good care of our clothes. Boys and girls let us try and talk the English language all we can if we talk the Indian language all the time we will not learn the English language fast. It is best for us to learn the English language and to try to talk to each other in the English language and so let us all try together to learn all we can. I heard some of the girls say that they were afraid

they would forget their Indian language if they would talk English all the time but I don't think so. It will not hurt us if we do forget the Indian language. It helps us a great deal when we talk English. I am forgetting the Indian language very fast but it don't hurt me any it helps me more to learn English. Let us try our very best to learn all we can while we are here at Carlisle.

AN ARAPAHOE GIRL.

A NINE YEAR OLD GIRL'S LETTER TO A TEACHER.

I WILL TELL ABOUT IN THE CHAPEL.

Some boys and girls have Indian dressers. Some boys and girls speak very nice. One girl she afraid but I was sleep in the chapel. I heard Capt. Pratt talked to the people one boy he speak very nice he name is Luther. Miss Hyde she sing loud I think are the people heard her. I heard her. I will tell something now about sweet things. Do you like grapes I like them. Do you like strawberry. I like them. I will tell something again about yourself. Your are funny lady. And Miss — She is funny lady. Your are very kind lady. I like you so much. I have one little puppy at home. Her name is Short tail and my horse her name is black horse I like that horse and dog. I have three cows at home I do not know what her name. and are Cheyenne boys and girls have three cows that is all from your friend.

JULIA BENT, Cheyenne.

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CHARLES KIHEGA, (Iowa Indian boy,) EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

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WORK.

How much better for us boys working together here and happy. Last Saturday morning 15th all boys in the shops are busy. Lewis, Sioux, Howard, Comanche, Stephen, Sioux, Lucius Aitson, Kiowa, they working in the shoe shop. George Walker, Sioux, Ed. Cheyenne, Kise, Cheyenne, Wilson Toom, Kiowa, they in harness shop. Frank Twist, Luther, and Duke in the tin shop. Clarence, Sioux, and Chester, Cheyenne, they working sewing on coats. Carpenter boys working in hospital. Robert, Sioux, help in little boy's quarters. Dan Tucker, Arapahoe and Edgar, Sioux, in blacksmith shop. And Peter Charko in wagon shop. All these boys working all happy. Some boys go to school at home. So many other boys do not go to school. Suppose white child want to learn Indian way. How can white child learn way fast. Send two or three Indians to tell him everything or send the child among the tribes? So with Indian children want to learn white man way. They cannot learn if the people just come and tell them how. We must see and here we are with kind white people around us. Churches, Sunday schools, teachers, farms, mills, railroads, shops; everything to help us; nothing to pull us back.

—Present moments are ours we ought to use it that is given to us to do our duties. What ever you do try and do it right off. Do not put off do what you ought to do.

ANNIVERSARY.

Last evening October 6th the Indian Training School was two years old for the Indian education. And the school gave an intertainment of the amusement and exercises by the boys and girls who have been here since the opening of school and just came from their camps not know any thing of civilization. They have expressed more about what they wore and what they were doing before they came at the school. And so about saying that they can speak now. I wish to say a word or so. Some spoke as they were earnest of learning and do what they are told and also saying what they will do when they go away from here. But I am really alarm to say that they do not try as they should by saying they are trying hard and will try hard to learn. Only one or two spoke last evening did it well as my thoughts was, there were Ruben Sioux and Joe Taylor. They tried to speak more distinct they could not of course. But those two have been trying to learn in all thing they are to do. I have noticed them myself. The rest who spoke I have never heard use English language out their mouth only when they had to say a word or so. But another thing they can hardly hinder themselves they are two many together of same tongue. MICHAEL BURNS.

—Some of the boys soon as they came out from school they all run to big walnut tree stands here and knock some green walnuts off the tree and when they get enough they go off where they find bricks or rock to crack their walnuts. That is a good way to get sick.

Kind white people over the country have given Mrs. Garfield \$350,000.

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ABOUT OUR SCHOOL.

—Mrs. and Miss Shields of New Mixico visit us. They are teachers of Pueblo Indians.

—A boy wrote to his father and said. I want sink down deep into my ears good words.

—Our Indian girls have prayer meeting every Thursday evening. Mrs. Platt help them.

—Some of the teachers went to the gymnasium to see the boys playing on the rings, ropes and ladder. John Primoux is best player.

—Mrs. Lightfoot and Miss E. E. Starr came visit this school. Miss Starr she is teacher at Cheyenne boarding school Indian Territory.

—Luther received very fine clothes from Willie Mills of New York and made him very happy to received from a kind friend to the Indians such nice clothes.

—Joe Gunn broke his slate frame and he don't want to ask for a new slate. So he went to the shop and made a new frame good as new. Joe is one of the carpenters.

—One of the teachers was telling her class about George Washington. She said to them he was great man and wise. He used to lived in Fredricksburg about one hundred years ago. And the little girl open her eyes wide. She said. "Is he dead"? Girl thought he was living yet.

—One boy ask his teacher for stamp. The boy said I want stamps Capt. Pratt does not give me enough stamps. The teacher said to him Capt. Pratt don't give you stamps. It is Government that gives you the stamps. And he said. Government, where he live?

—Boys and girls try and talk English language soon. We came hundreds miles to learn this. Most of you talk nothing else but Sioux. We must try and learn English that what Government pays for our school so we can learn to help ourselves. If you learn only Sioux language when you go home and try to work yourselves Sioux language never will help you. But if you learn English language you will learn many other things which will lead you in right way all your life.

TALK ENGLISH.

MY DEAR BROTHER:—I am very glad to write to you. Your letter was very nice indeed I want you to try hard to study your lesson and to talk English every day and I want talk too now I must try hard to talk this time and when we go home we must teach our own people I want to talk English every day not to talk old Sioux. Now I don't want to talk Indian any more because I like English every day every boy and girl must try to talk English not to talk Sioux I always hear the boys and girls talk Sioux. Now let us stop that this time if you do not know how to talk just try. I think it is very good for us to learn to read and write and talk who came here first they don't know yet. But who came last they talk very well. Now I must say good morning. From your sister.

SOPHIE RACHEL.

THE GIRL'S MISTAKE IN TIME.

On the 5th of October about thirty Indian boys and girls were invited to attend the Fair at York. The night before they left Miss Hyde read us the names of the girls who were to go and she said, "Girls you will have to get up very early in the morning. If you do not, Capt. Pratt can not wait for the late ones." Then we had prayers and went up to bed with the thought that we would all get up early and be on time. Rachel and I were to go down to the dining hall and help get the breakfast ready for those who were to go away. We went to sleep and woke up after awhile got up and dressed. Rachel and I were ready to start to the dining hall. When all of a sudden, Miss Ely opened the door and said, "Girls are you all getting ready?" I said I am getting ready to start to the dining hall. And then she began to laugh at us and told us that it was only ten o'clock and that they had not yet gone to bed. A teacher went in to one room and found some of the little girls who were to go away, all dressed in their uniforms and hats. We all had to get to bed again and go to sleep. About four o'clock we all got up again. We did not get up too soon that time though. Rosa L. Ross, Cherokee.

COMPOSITION ABOUT A PICTURE.

here is two little girl's he is walking on the snow he get brown umbrella. and she is very wind blow and she is very cold for us and she get his arm is an the wreath. and she no hat and she had brown hair. The snow are on the ground and the trees is no leaves because In winter there are no leaves on the trees and the sky is grey because the snow is comes down.

MARY SIOUX.

A LETTER FROM ONE OF OUR CREEK BOYS.

CARLISLE BARRACKS PA., Oct. 14.

MR. JOSHUA ROSS—Dear Friend.—Your dated on the 21 came to hand promptly and was read with the greatest of pleasure. I am always very glad to hear from you. Our Indian band and some of the other boys and girls went to Winchester Virginia yesterday morning and returned last night at twelve o'clock. They said that they enjoyed their trip very well. Winchester is called one hundred and forty-five miles from Carlisle. They went to this place to see a Fair that was going on there. The boys are getting along very nicely and seem to be trying to do the best they can.

Mrs. Robertson our old teacher from the Indian Territory, came last week is here with us now. She will remain here untile Saturday then she is going to Washington. Mrs. Robertson is invited to a missionary meeting in town to-night. There she will explain and repeat her facts of the beloved story in which she delight so much to repeat. That is the question of the Indian who has for these many centuries been considered as the lowest human being upon the face of the earth. About this she will speak for us. Nothing more.

Yours truly.

ROBERT W. STEWART

Robert went to school in Indian Territory, but this letter shows Indian can learn to speak and write good English if they have a chance to learn.—Ed.

—Eva Pickard has been helping cooking and waiting on table at the teacher's club nearly one year. She does not get tired. She does so well some of the teachers call her faithful Eva.