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KEEP A-TRYING.

Say "I will" and then stick to it—
That's the only way to do it.
Don't build up a life and then
Tear the whole thing down again.
Fix the goal you wish to gain,
Then go as to heart and brain,
And, though clouds shut out the Sun,
Do not lose your purpose true
With your sighing.
Stand erect, and like a man
Know "They see who think they can."
Keep a-trying.

Had Columbus, full seas o'er,
Tossed back to his native shore,
Men would not, to-day, proclaim
Round the world his deathless name,
So must we sail on with him
For he claims for us all.
Till at last we own the prize
That belongs to him who tries
With faith and trying;
Own the prize that all may win
Who, with hope, through thick and thin
Keep a-trying.
—[Nixon Waterman.]

THE INDIAN COMMISSION.

We were gratified when Indian Commissioner Jones consented to submit in the Indian Bureau and work out an Indian policy with a several-term advantage enjoyed by some of his predecessors. We are gratified now to learn that the salary of his head of that bureau has just increased from \$1,000 to \$2,000. This makes it up to the salary of the Chief of the United States Patent Commission.

Director of the Geological Survey is still \$1,000 more. The change was made wholly on the recommendation of the Secretary of the Interior without any solicitation of Mr. Jones. He enjoys the compliment of course, but being himself a successful business man, he is one of those who serve the Government from other than merely pecuniary motives. The duties of the Commissioner of Indian affairs grow each year more burdensome and perplexing as the point of contact between the Indian and their aggressive white neighbors increase, and hitherto the salary has been inadequate. Having studied that particular question on the ground at first hand, we have not been able to take the same view of the standing rock issue which Mr. Jones takes from his office standpoint. Nevertheless, we believe in him as a straightforward, diligent, conscientious public official, with whose judgment we regret occasionally to differ. But we have never yet found an infallible Commissioner.—[New York Independent, Apr. 21, 1902.]

THE CHEMAWA BAND.

The Band Concert Tuesday evening given by the Chemawa Indian Band at the Auditorium, was without any exception the best entertainment of this class that has ever taken place at the beach. The Troubadour solos by Oscar Smedhammer and the vocal solos by Chas. Chitty, were features of the evening that were greatly appreciated and highly mentioned on. The Chemawa Band may possibly have its equal on the Coast but certainly no superior. Mr. H. N. Smedhammer, the well known Klamath musician, is the leader. — [The Oregonian, Oct. 1, 1902.]