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(FROM THE QUIVER OF "THE HOUGHTON LINE.")

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After all, matrimony is the greatest intelligence test.

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Education is getting to be almost as expensive as ignorance.

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Many a kid is lost now-a-days because he cannot reach his mother's skirt.

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Never conclude that an illiterate man is necessarily an unwise man.

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Of course a college education pays. Are not all the great coaches college graduates?

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Affections that may be alienated are never worth the price asked for them.

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It is the nut that holds the steering wheel that is responsible for most automobile accidents.

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You can't cure the world's ills by taking wealth from one class and giving it to another.

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We took this country away from the Red Man. Let us be careful that we don't turn it back to the Reds.

FROM OUR OWN QUIVER:

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All that a laggard can do well is to lag.

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Good Intention needs help to build houses.

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Who is there among us that needs to be reminded so-called fun is not always funny?

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To reverence superiority and to accept a fact though it slay him are the final tests of an educated man.

## LAW AND ORDER ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS

(Report of a Committee of Superintendents to the Conference of Superintendents held in Washington, D. C., August 7th to 15, 1929)

### Education and Reservation Conditions

On the Indian reservations of the country are situated the homes of the young people who make up the legitimate enrollment of our Government Indian Schools. They arrive at such institutions with many preconceived and, in many instances, ineradicable ideas of chastity, the sacredness of family ties, sobriety, and, in general, the reciprocal rights and obligations of people in their intercourse with one another. Existing conditions within the reservations are such that these ideas are very often so perverted that no good soil is provided for the planting and cultivation of correct ideals and habits of thought and action.

We are not able, under existing laws, adequately to invoke the aid of the courts to correct these unsatisfactory conditions that are working so disastrously against the progress of the Indian, and to remedy the situation, the following is presented:

#### Laws of Civilization Should Apply to Indians

We respectfully invite attention to the needs of ways and means to enforce the general laws of civilization on Indian reservations. Some local state officers and courts take jurisdiction of offenses committed by Indians on their reservations, but on many reservations they do not. Without going into detail, the fact of the matter is that there are many deplorable conditions existing on the reservations that must be corrected. Educational and industrial progress are materially retarded, to say the least, by lawless conditions on the reservations. We are told that legislation is required to extend the jurisdiction of the courts. We, therefore, desire to impress upon the Indian Office the urgency of the need and to request that efforts be made to obtain the necessary legislation at the earliest possible date. We recommend that if practicable, concurrent jurisdiction be given to the federal and state courts to handle such cases and that plans be worked out to extend the operation of the state courts on Indian reservations as rapidly as possible.

#### Courts of Indian Offenses

For the interim of time that must elapse before legis-

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