

ELSEWHERE IN THE SERVICE

Mr. W. H. Balmer, assistant Disciplinarian, who was in Oklahoma on business, started home on the ill-fated train that went through the bridge near Dover on September 17. He was rescued after floating fourteen miles down the Cimarron river. Since reaching here he has been confined to his bed from the effects of the exposure.—The Indian Leader.

Zero weather at Colorado Springs, but an ice cream social at Phoenix school tonight.—Oct 6.—The Native American.

Supt. O. H. Lipps, recently transferred to the Superintendency of the new Indian school at Wapeton, N. D., has again been transferred to the position of superintendent at Fort Lapwai Indian school. The Fort Lapwai school carries with it the management of affairs for the Nez Perces agency and is a substantial promotion for Superintendent Lipps.—The Weekly Review.

The new floor in the gymnasium will be prepared for the use of roller skaters. About one hundred and fifty persons can skate at one time. The children are looking anxiously forward to the completion of the gymnasium.—Indian News.

The city council of Long Branch N. J., has re-engaged the Carlisle School Band for its concerts next season, and at greatly increased compensation over that given this year.—Indian Friend.

A good appointment in the interest of temperance for Indians has been made by the Government in the selection of Mr. William E. Johnson as special agent for the suppression of the liquor traffic in Indian Territory. Mr. Johnson was formerly managing editor of the New Voice, and has lately been connected with the Associated Prohibition Press.—Indian Friend.

Curtis' History of North American Indians.

The most expensive and the most extensive work ever published in this country is to be given to the public by Edward S. Curtis of Seattle, who has spent the last eighteen years in Indian camps collecting material for his work. It is a history of the North American Indians comprising the various tribes of the race, and is in twenty volumes containing aside from the subject matter, about two thousand pictures of Indians and Indian life.

Mr. Curtis is a western man and has passed the greater part of his life studying his subject. His attempt to perpetuate the types of the Indian tribes by photographs which were an interesting exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Exposition last year, attracted the attention of President Roosevelt and gained his enthusiastic support.

It will take 8 years to publish this work and the cost already is in the hundreds of thousands. J. Pierpont Morgan who is perhaps, the best art critic in America, has contracted to purchase twenty-five sets of the history at \$3,000 per set.

The first volume will be published next July and will deal with the Navajoes and the Apaches. To learn the customs of these very reticent Indians, Mr. Curtis was compelled to become initiated into some of their rites. By this means and by his tact and earnestness in dealing with them, he will be able to give some very interesting stories which will be entirely new to enthusiasts of Indian legends and literature.

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