

David E. Brewer

NOTED INDIAN DISCIPLINARIAN
OF CHEMAWA INDIAN SCHOOL
SUDDENLY EXPIRES.

Was One of the Most Highly Educated Indians in the Government Employ and Held Office of Disciplinarian for Seventeen Years.

David E. Brewer, disciplinarian at the Chemawa Indian school, died at St. Joseph's hospital, in Tacoma, Washington, Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1908, after an illness of short duration.

Mr. Brewer became ill and unable to perform his duties at the Indian school about a month ago and asked for a leave of absence of thirty days, thinking that the rest from labor would do him good and be the means of restoring his health. During his leave of absence he went to Tacoma for a visit, but while in that city his illness overtook him more severely than before and he was removed to St. Joseph's hospital, where he shortly after expired.

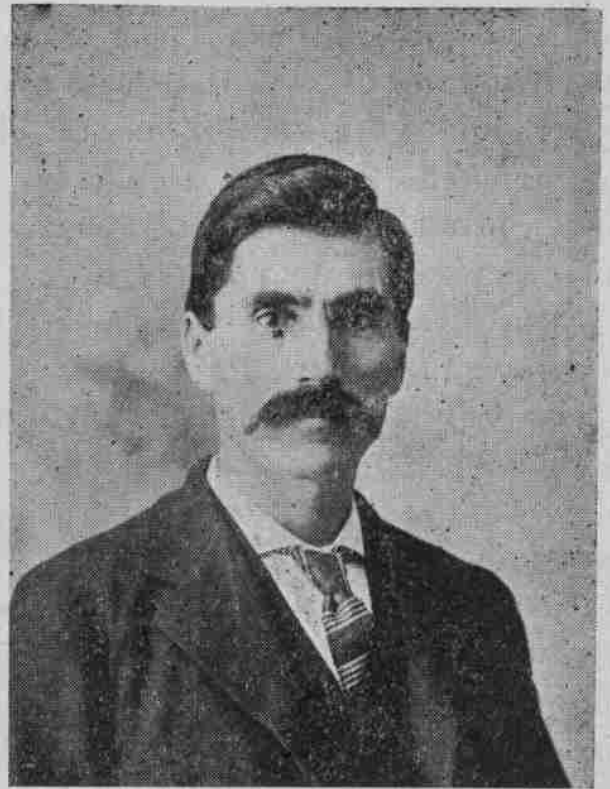
In the passing of David Brewer the cause of Indian training and education has lost one of its staunchest upholders and noblest workers, and none feel the loss more keenly than the students with whom he worked and played, over whom he watched and whose lives he influenced.

David Brewer was born on the Puyallup reservation in Washington forty-two years ago and was a full-blooded Indian, being a member of the Puyallup tribe. He was attending a boarding school on the Puyallup reservation when he was transferred with a number of other Puy-

allup pupils on February 25, 1880, to the training school at Forest Grove, Oregon, being the first party to enter the school at the time it was established.

In 1885 Mr. Brewer was detailed in charge of a party of students to take possession of the present school grounds at Chemawa, where they arrived in February. They went into camp and proceeded to clear the grounds and build temporary shacks for the school to use while other permanent buildings were being erected, which was done the following year.

In October, 1902, he went to Tacoma where he remained until July, 1905, when he returned and was immediately installed in his former position, which he



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has held with credit and honor.

He became united in marriage with one of the students at the school and like himself his wife grew to be one of the most highly educated, refined and beloved personages of the institution.

Mrs. Brewer is a graduate of the school