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## Indian Stories From LaPush School.

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I am now taking hold of my pencil to write an old story. The people lived at James Island in the longago, and I think they did not stay long at James Island. I think when the war with the Makahs was over, the Indians looked for a good place to stay and make houses, and they found that good place here. I think this village site was then full of every kind of bushes.

I think the school children are very glad that they did not see the war. I am very glad that our village is a good village, and that the lagoon is a pretty good place in which to play schooner. In the long ago I think the Indians did not have much to eat, because they had no chance to fish.—JOHNSON J. BLACK.

Once upon a time Towerlano and his father and Jack Ward's grandfather and and some other two I think were hunting elk. They met two white men and they killed one of them. The other one escaped. Probably three or four months afterward many soldiers came over here

and they went to Shuwha and brought down the Shuwha Indians and sent them to Stelicum. Two of them were hanged.

Chief Peter Brown, of Neah Bay, was at Stelicum at that time when one of the Indians died by sickness. The white men told Chief Peter to pray to God and so Chief Peter prayed to God and told him to punish all the soldiers who were in the funeral procession. Not many months after the funeral the white men went to Idaho to fight against the Nez Perce Indians and there the Indians killed nearly all the white men. After the battle was over the Shuwha Indians ran away from Stelicum and walked home all the way, except when they could steal a canoe to ride in.—JIMMIE HOBUCKET.

Long time ago the Indians used to do lots of unlawful things, such as fighting, dancing, singing and giving "Potlatches." My grandfather was the very richest man. He used to invite many hundreds of Indians from different places and give away many hundreds of dollars

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