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THE PROGRESS OF THE INDIAN.

To the people of the West the development of the Indian is an interesting study. The last few years have seen a wonderful transition in many instances from the untutored savage to the intelligent, ambitious scholar and graduate of our government schools. The CHRONICLE publishes today a letter written by an Indian boy at the Carlisle Indian school in Pennsylvania. Accompanying the letter is an explanatory note from one of the teachers at the Siletz reservation, which reads as follows:

EDITOR CHRONICLE:
 The enclosed is a specimen of what the Indian can be intellectually. The letter is from a Siletz boy (Jose Adams) now at the Carlisle training school in Pennsylvania, to his cousin, a Siletz girl at this agency, and as he intended it for nothing more than a letter of friendship, I know that such a destination was farthest from his thoughts when he wrote it; but I am so interested in the welfare of the people with whom I have been living during the greater part of the past two years that I think the production too remarkable to remain for her observation only. She has kindly consented to let me send it to you for publication.

The letter itself is a remarkable one, and shows how the Indian mind is taking hold of ideas that a few years ago were beyond its reach. The interest which the writer takes in football simply goes to prove that he is like the other young men of his generation. The letter is neatly written, correctly spelled and as a single bit of evidence of the Indian's progress, is a satisfactory one. The CHRONICLE is glad to publish it.

CARLISLE, Pa.
 DEAR COUSIN:—If I remember right, I received your letter not long after I had written you. I was real glad to hear from you, as I am always glad to hear how you are and others there.

I am at present kindly pressed a little in my studies on account of reviewing what we're going over during the term and preparing for the fall term examination. Then it is I often remember the old home away out to the land of the setting sun, where, perhaps, if I had been, I would not have to rack my brains over books. These thoughts come only when I feel depressed and cornered, which I do not think dangerous, for after reflecting a little, it would give additional vigor and determination to persevere the subjects more definitely. I am glad to say that I am well, although I had a little attack of cold and some pain in the side, which caused my absence for at least a week.

Our band has re-organized, and is making fast progress. Our football team is now disbanded. The last game was with the New York City Y. M. C. A. team on Manhattan field in New York. Our boys defeated the team by a score of 16 to 4. We were very successful in that line. The papers praise our team, and the team of red men will in a few years be the champion of the inter-collegiate football contest of America, which we now hope and cherish.

The boys first played the Pennsylvania college at Gettysburg, defeating them in a fair contest, and then played the athletic club of Pittsburg and defeated them by a large score; then accepted the scheduled contest from the University of Pennsylvania, and were defeated on Franklin field in Philadelphia by a large score; but an exception. The team of the U. P. is one of the strongest teams in American colleges of today, so that we did not expect to win, but only to give them a hard battle for the victory. So it was, the Philadelphia papers declared, the strongest team the old William Penn sons ever faced. Our next game was at New Haven, Conn., with the Yale University, the grandest, largest and oldest college in America. Our boys were again beaten; but this time by a small score. Then a game with a local Y. M. C. A. team at York, Pa., where our boys gloriously defeated the York by the overwhelmingly score of 42 to 0. Then came Bucknell University, in which we were again thrashed, but not bad. So that this year's season of football contest for us ended with a good move towards gaining foothold on the American soil as an equal with all nationality of the civilized world, which we have long been deprived of.

People begin to know Indians as beings not only capable of attaining the attire of civilization, but also competent in all respects of further bettering the intellectual functions, which are so essential in this age of the world. I am an enthusiast in the line of promoting the idea of your abilities. I am fully aware of the fact that thousands of people think Indians as a whole are only a set of animals with no reasoning power. We, the better class of that inestimable race are dying to see the day dawn when we will be recognized as a part of people who have a voice in the law-making and welfare of the community. Excuse me, dear cousin, we can only hope that we will fool and frustrate the idea by showing ourselves as we are now doing.

Miss M. S. Barr, the head nurse, sends her love to you. She is in every way my adviser and helper; one to whom I can safely say I look to as a

mother. She takes more interest in my welfare than I can describe. When I left here to get work on the farm she cried herself to almost despair in the fear of my probable difficulties. But I assured her of my knowledge of farming, so I had consent to go. From this you can see how good and faithful she is. Of course I mind to be good. So please send some word of recognition of her when you write.

My regards to all. Good bye.
 P. S.—Probably this will be a funny letter to you; but I wrote only what I felt. Tell all that I am well. I will soon have my holiday vacation, then I will tell you of smaller details of news. For the present I will close, with much love. From your loving cousin,
 JOSEPH.

December 1st. TWO VIEWS OF THE BAYARD INCIDENT.

Walla Walla Union: It does not become Mr. Bayard to talk at home or abroad about "class legislation," "breeding iniquity," "corrupt public life," and like expressions, when it has been charged for many years that the politics of Mr. Bayard's little state of Delaware, which has kept the Bayard family in office since the formation of the present government, has been notoriously corrupt. None know the power of corrupting influences, and how to be benefited by them, better than does the aristocratic Minister Bayard. He should be recalled, and his place filled by a representative of American patriotism.

Evening Telegram: It was natural that Mr. Bayard's association of state socialism with protection of the trusts should have stirred up the ire of the high-tariff people, but the only fault that non-partisanship can find with it consists in its lack of originality. It was merely an oral reproduction of the sentiment expressed by the people of the United States when they elected a complete anti-protection government three years ago. Since then the partisan complexion of the house majority has been changed, but the mutation indicates a popular rebuke to the democratic party for non-fulfillment of its tariff pledges rather than a popular desire that McKinleyism shall be restored. And that the republican party appreciates that fact is shown by the gingerly way in which its leaders treat the proposed revision of the tariff.

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