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THE INDIAN MAIDS ARE FAMOUS

It has long been known, says the Galveston News, that there is a strong demand in the business world for graduates of the Agricultural and Mechanical College. It now appears that a new demand for such graduates has come into existence. The young men who get their education here are to go at a premium in the matrimonial market, if a recent letter received by President Harrington is to be taken as an indication of the general attitude of the fair sex. The letter was written by two Indian maidens of the Chickasaw Nation, and was accompanied by photographs and clippings from The Dallas News, describing their allotments. The letter follows:

"We are sending you our pictures and our letters to The News describing our allotments. Please frame them and hang them at some prominent place in your college. We must have scientifically educated husbands if our allotments are ever properly developed and improved. This is the case with all the educated Chickasaw girls. Indian boys are not good at business; they need white girls for wives. We will always remember you if you will do us this kindness."

The reason the girls turned to

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this school for husbands is that they have seen a sample of what can be done by a graduate of the school. The sister of one of the girls had married a man from this school and he had made many improvements on the allotment. The writer says: "My sister contends that she is more lucky than I. She is so proud of her white husband and their little chief. Her husband put in a water wheel at the mountain spring and a dynamo. Wires run from the dynamo to convenient places on the farm, where they are connected with electric motors. These motors turn the biggest kind of machinery—his threshing machine, sawmill, corn sheller, shuck press, alfalfa baler, and various smaller machines about their house and barns. They have their barnyard and feed lots paved with asphalt. They keep their barn walls and the walls of their chicken houses saturated with oil from their oil spring. This oil cures and prevents mange and kills lice, mites and fleas. They have piped the gas from the oil spring down to their house and barn. Their home is lighted and heated with gas and they cook with it."

In describing her own allotment, the writer says: "My guardian sold an exporter of walnut logs all the walnut trees in my forest large enough for export at \$50 per tree. The exporter cut 560 trees. These logs were shipped to Galveston, thence, by steamer to Germany, where they were used in the manufacture of furniture and veneering furniture. So my big walnut trees brought me \$28,000. I was down in my forest this morning trying to count my remaining smaller walnut trees. There are about 1,500 of them."

After these facts were made known to the corps of cadets, students might be seen by the dozen crowding around the pictures that had been posted on the bulletin board. A little later several members of the senior class were seen boarding the northbound train in a mysterious manner. One or two of the bachelor instructors are also known to be absent from College Station. The fact that they took a southbound train is believed to be only a ruse to elude suspicion. At any rate, the publication of the letters has created an enormous interest among the eligible at the college, and it is safe to say that the fair Pochontases will not long be without technically trained husbands.

TRIBULATIONS OF THE GREAT.

Oh, who would be the President and have to wear each day
 A tattoo on his teeth because they always look that way?
 To have all babies named for him, however good or bad?
 To have to meet wild foreign freaks and show 'em he is glad?
 To lecture to the workingman and tell him why to seek
 A family of thirteen kids on seven plunks a week?
 To bow before the Indies' club and in his wisdom there
 Acquaint them with the sort of things a woman should not wear?
 To have to grab the eagle trust and tear it back from limb?
 To have a hat, cigar or brand of whiskey named for him?
 To ride upon the choppy waves, to see a warship's start,
 When possibly a picture show is nearer to his heart?
 When nations scrap he has to act and push himself between,
 And stand beneath their joint abuse in confidence serene,
 And, taking it just as it comes, one wouldn't give a bent
 To have the job that 'Paddy' has of being President. —Dallas News.

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A COLLEGE MAN'S VACATION.

Students Invited to Attend Encampment at Clifton.

Sunday evening Mr. Kneade of Houston, State secretary of the Y. M. C. A., addressed some of the members of the association here, with the intention of getting some of the students to attend the Summer's recreation at Clifton, where it is held every year from July 16 to July 26. Clifton is situated on the Bosque, and the camp will be on the bank of that stream. The scenery is splendid and the large lake formed by the dam in the river, affords plenty of sport in the way of boating and fishing. The tents and beds are furnished by the association. So is also the food, which is always of the best. The necessary expenses there are only \$12.00. The railroad fare is one and one-third fare round trip. The daily programs will consist of discussions on general association work and Bible study in the morning and recreation and good, solid fun in the evening. Good instructors in the Bible and speakers have been secured. Baseball, tennis, fishing, bathing and rowing will be in order in the evening. Everything tends to develop a good, strong fellowship. Girls will also attend, so the boys won't be disappointed on that score.

Several of the boys have already consented to go. Others will go if their time permits. Everybody is wanted there, whether he is an association member or not. There will be fun, recreation and mental stimulus enough for everybody.

EXCURSION FROM DALLAS.

Dallas A. and M. Club Plans to Visit College at Commencement.

The following is clipped from the Dallas News:

An excursion to the annual exercises of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas at College Station is being arranged under the auspices of the Dallas Agricultural and Mechanical College Club. All members of the club and their friends intending to attend the exercises have been requested to send their names to Temple Hoffer, secretary, whose address is Box 944.

All young men who are contemplating attending the college or parents of young men who are interested in college education are invited to join the excursion party. Information in regard to transportation, arrangements or reservations will be given by Secretary Hoffer.

The Dallas visitors will certainly be welcomed by both students and faculty.

PROF. ALVORD GOES TO TEXAS.

Prof. C. H. Alvord, who for the past five years has been farming in Hillsdale Co., Mich., has accepted the position of Professor of Agriculture in the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College at College Station, and has taken up his residence at that place. He has rented his farm in Michigan and has been granted a leave of absence by the Michigan Legislature of which he was a member last year, representing his county in the lower house. Prof. Alvord was connected with the Texas college and station for several years, severing his connection in 1901 to engage in farming in his native state (Michigan), so that he is well acquainted with the conditions with which his work will bring him in contact. He has visited Texas several times in the interest of this journal since his removal to Michigan, and this week has kept him in touch particularly with the live stock interests of the state.—Breeder's Gazette.

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PIONEER TIMES AT A. AND M.

Contribution to Long Horn by Hon. W. A. Treckman.

One of the most valuable articles in the "Long Horn" is entitled "Pioneer Times at the Agricultural and Mechanical College." It is written by Hon. W. A. Treckman, a member of the present Legislature from Austin County, who was one of the first students to register in 1876 and graduated with the famous class of 1879. It is crowded with reminiscences of President Gathright, Dr. Martin, Maj. Banks, Prof. Hogg, Gen. Hamilton P. Bee and other names familiar to the people of Texas a generation ago. It is an interesting fact in this connection, that Mr. Treckman has a son here, Cadet Robert Treckmann, who will take his degree in June.—Galveston News.

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