Dr. Charles A. Eastman's Task Nearly Completed.

ENGLISH AND INDIAN WORDS USED

To This Full-Blooded Stoux Indian Was Given the Work of Finding New Names for the Sloux.

AMHERST, Mass., Nov. 30 .- Dr. Charles A. Eastman (Ohlyesa) has nearly completed his task of renaming 20,000 Stoux Indians. He has recently returned here from Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota after his fifth season on the name giving job as agent of the United States government. A full blooded Sloux, he is a graduate of Dartmouth college of the class of 1887 and

of Boston University Medical school. He writes books, and lectures in a dress suit like the most decadent paleface. Renaming the Indians has been government policy since Harrison's administration The agents on the reservations were supposed to work at it, but as a whole they have not done so systamatically or successfully. They have known too little of the origin and poetry of the old roots.

been too artificial for the best cooperation or most sympathetic study of the problem The past that fitted the old Indian names is dead. New names are required to suit actual conditions. The allotment of lands makes it particularly necessary that family names be assigned to the Indians, so that deeds can be given and records made. If the Indian is to become a citizen and vote the added need for a systematic nomenciature is very obvious.

Why New Names Are Needed. Young Copper Face, grinding beside scions of Puritan stock who spent their Harvard years playing tag with Boston's police or ambushing stage entrances, finds it no easier to demonstrate his theory before giggling freshmen if the professor has to call him up as Mr. Drowsy Coyote. Carliste's left guard may have a name with advertising value, but if the boss every time he wants the new office boy to polish up the handle of the big front door has to address him as Mr. Afraid-of-a-Bear the silimpersonal machinery of business

The present renaming enterprise assumes. it to be highly desirable that the new names rotain as much of the distinctive Indian flavor as is possible, consistent with practical every day business use. An English form of the original, shortened enough to be practical, yet reminiscent of its origin, seems in the majority of cases nost desirable. Relatives are grouped under one surname so far as possible. Examples of the Changes.

English equalents consisting of two words are commonly united in one. Such are these names just given. Reuben Anotherday, Albert Blacktomahawk, Alfred Greyeagle, James Brownshow, Ezekiel Brownthunder.

Many impossible unwieldly names are got rid of by using the English translation of modification of it. Abraham Tamilavanka, whose surname means always here, becomes Abraham Alwayshere, John Wanowlcaqu, whose top-heavy surname means the one who lends the arrows, can now stand erect as John Arrowlender.

Albert Tatankakunyunke, a tongue tangler, which means the bull that Hea down, lessens friction by becoming Albert Bulldown. John Pretty Bald Eagle will find less temptation to vanity as John

unfaithfulness to nature. But Mr. Bluehorse was attached to the destination he and having no descendants he was permitted to keep it.

Poetry is Preserved. Old poetle names are retained so far as

possible, sometimes as middle names. James Brownsinew's mother has become Nancy Daybreak Brownsinew. Derisive names are put out of sight

John Ground Hog escapes responsibility for February weather by becoming John Badger, Louise Don't Know How escapes gle woman." by marriage her name given in derision, and will seem more feminine as Mrs. Louise Birdnecklace.

Many Indians prefer the original untranslated tites, which they may have used for some years in business transactions and eattle branding. If such names are decently pronounceable they are often pre-

Mr. Tapetala, whose name is euphonious, seems much more dignified that he would have appeared under the English equivalent, Little Back. Mr. Chansu would gain othing by taking the English form, Seed of Tree, hardly descriptive of a strapping big fellow.

Mr. Matoska has a name as easily handed as the translation, White Bear, Alfred Bear-Flying-Over-the-Water, hard to provide for in the English form, is better off by keeping the old Indian word minus a letter or two, and so he goes as Alfred

The old nomenclature was given under half a dozen different methods. It was

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NAMES FOR 30,000 INDIANS made up of individual names, not family titles translated from father to child. An Indian would often give a certain name to a reservation agent and when rounded up by the next statesman that

> lesignation previously given. Hence endless Chistion names given by missionaries and schools are very general. Then there is the nearly obsolete custom of the ten prenatal names, one of which used to be given to each child, according to sex and

order of birth. These were for boys: Chaske, Hepanna, Hepida, Chatanna and Hakeda; and for girls, Wenonah, Hapanna, Hapstinna, Wanskelta and Wihakala, Chaske and Wenonah survive among some branches of

The most common type of Indian surname is that given by a father or village leader in honor of some characteristic or exploit of the father or other ancestor, Simple names of some admired animal or bird are common, as Gray Eagle.

Many names symbolize by some gesture or act of animal br bird an exploit or a characteristic. Bear Looking Around recognizes the alertness of some ancestor symbolized by a bear that was watchful as to what was going on about him. Dr. Eastman says that the white man invented the idea that the Indian looked outdoors when a child was born and named the youngster for the first thing he saw. and their relation with their charges has Sitting Bull's Names.

Sitting Bull, says Dr. Eastman, got his name from the exploit of an ancestor who was wounded in a battle at the same time that his horse was hurt. The injured animal sat down upon its haunches and the, old hero, instead of trying to grawl away, held his place on the stricken animal and cheered his braves on to the fight. The name Sitting Bull symbolises this res-

olute stand. Occasionally a grown up Indian gets a new name in recognition of some exploit or characteristic of his own. Nicknames given derietvely are common and halfbreeds often have English or French pames.

Such is the fantastic and chaotic nomen clature, a handicap to the red man's competition in white civilization in which Dr. Bastman is trying to ntroduce some order. When he gathers a village together to talk it over there is commonly a cheerful assent. The only objection comes from some of the older men. They regard this merely as a new cami in the national pastime of filmfiamming the red brother. But schools, see the good reasons for the exchange.

Changed by Whites. The early settlers made a mess-of trans-Minnesota revolt of '63 bore a name that had let it degenerate to Petit Corbeau (Little Raven) and the Americans completed the fall by calling him Little Crow. the Indian equivalent of which would be Bad Grandmother, a chattering, gossiping

The modern Indian is remote enough from his traditions to accept the word, so that many are the namesakes of the sable marauder of the cornfields. Indians named for the falcon, a bird whose noble appearance and warlike spirit made it the companion of kings in the old sport of falconry, were degraded to the level of the hen roost robber when the settlers called them Black Hawk or the like.

Indian sense was also jarred by translating their word for raven as crow. The former was considered much the nobler bird. Henry W. Longfellow sensed the Indian conception in "Hlawatha."

When Minnehaha, robed only in darkness John Bluehorse's name did not appeal as a garment, had drawn her magic circle, much to Dr. Eastman, who perhaps could of footsteps about the grave of Mondamin, he corn spirit, the body snatching rabble of jays, blackbirds and other sable and croaking marauders was headed by no had summered and wintered many years, plebelan crow, but by a cavaller and patrician, Kah-gah-gee, king of ravens. Imagine a crow tapping at Edgar Allan Poe's door and sitting on a bust of Pallas! A few old-timers like White Bull, a patri-

arch of '87, give trouble to the renamer. Dr. Eastman's Task. "The Great Father,' Dr. Eastman would

say, "wishes that you should say which of your wives shall take your name. He wishes the other to take a name as a sin-"What!"

Dr. Eastman said his little speech over

Finally the old fellow grasped it. And Dr. Eastman, impassive Indian that he is, who will answer your charges of barbarity against his beloved people in his metronome voice without accelerando or cresendo, has to become dramatic of gesture when he tries to portray the old man's emotion,

"Tell the Great Father that I have lived with these two women for sixty years. We have lived in peace. Their children have lived in peace. I cannot put one of them

"I have seen the soldiers of the white man. I have seen the towns of the white man. I know the way of the white man. "If a man has two wives let him keep both in sight." In such cases the government does not

insist and the two Mrs. Whitebuils will bear the name and inherit equally the prop-The common conception of the Indian

woman as a mere slave is combated by Dr. Eastman

Indian Woman's Place.

"She was dignified as in the case of her brother by names given to recognize noble living," he says. She ruled the home. She was held in closest reserve that she might be modest and a true mother. Light talk with any man was forbidden, except perhaps her grandfather or brothers-in-law, but not excepting her brothers.

"The Indian cruel? Ob. no, you are thinking of Philip, not Massasoit, Philip drank the white man's whisky for sixty years, and it made him an anarchist.

civilizer, no builder of cities or creator of business. But he was great as a philosopher and moralist. He did not measure the distance to the stars. But he made the stars serve him as far as he needed them, to direct his path by night,"

The Sloux, with some exceptions, seem to be rather unsuccessful farmers as Dr. Eastsomething at stock raising, with an average of perhaps fifty head of stock, some They are getting worldly wisdom, with education in eastern schools rather common and the visits of some across the seem to be too good spenders to win at business. In the few reservations where they vote they are singularly apt at pickwhite man.

Dr. Eastman spends his winters at his home here, completing his records of of other people that they smell your bad names for the government. He has fin-Many who are foud of onions ished with all but one or two of the goold eating them because of the odor they dozen Sloux reservations. Dr. Eastman looks very well tamed, not merely for an store clothes, his library jammed with We are so convinced that you will find books, an outdoor entourage of college ising them, that we will send you a sam- professor type in mental habit and the Stuart Co. 300 Stuart Bldz. Marshall, Goodale, poet and former teacher and supervisor of Indian schools.

### UNCLE SAM BOWS TO OMAHA

Recognizes Grain Market by Installcaptured the plum would turn in one of ing Glass Weather Map. his other names, saying nothing about the BIG HELP TO THE GRAIN MEN

Daily Colonel Welsh Will Have Portrayed at the Exchange Map Showing the Weather at All Points.

In recognition of the importance of the Omaha grain market, the chief of the Weather bureau, United States Department of Agriculture, has notified the Grain exchange that one of the large "glass weather maps," and boards for the complete climate, weather and crop bulletins will be installed in the main room of the exchange about January L.

The map has been secured through showing, which L. A. Welsh, chief of the local weather bureau, has been able to make and Omaha will be one of the few more important cities of the country which will secure the best weather map service which the United States government can give. On a large glass plate some eight skeleton map of the United States appears. Daily an expert from the local weather office will go to the Grain exchange and paint the map, showing the condition of the weather in various parts of the country, the pressure, rain or snow fall and other information shown on a high class

weather map. The bulletin boards which the govern ment proposes to install, make the entire map and boards twenty-four feet in length. On these the local weather office will keep the complete bulletin service posted, and special attention given to information of interest and necessity to grain dealers. In every state the government now has stations which report regularly on the climate. On the boards in the Grain exchange a report from each state will be posted.

Something of Its Officers. Something of the efficiency of the service may be gained from the fact that it will cost almost \$1,000 annually to maintain the map in the exchange, while the device itself costs something like \$400.

Inspector of the Weather Bureaus Conger happened to stop in Omaha a short time ago, and visited the exchange with L. A. Walsh and Secretary E. J. McVann. He the Indians under 30, educated in good that the service be supplied to the Omaha

When Inspector Conger made a trip over the local weather bureau, it was the first time the Omaha office had been insignified Charging Falcon. The French to the local management of the United States weather makers.

THOUSAND-DOLLAR CAT ONE Faust, Smoke Persian of Morningside, Will Be at the Big

Shew. Aristocratic cats are accepting the invitation of the Tri-City Poultry association to be present at the poultry, dog and cat carnival to be held in the Auditorium in January. Big doings are scheduled for the of Omaha will entertain their poor counand wealthy relatives from neighboring cities.

Among those who have promised to guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. Cat for the week about is the great "Faust," a smoke Persian cat from Morningside, Ia. "Faust" is a great traveler and a favorite among the show cats. He is owned by Mrs. W. N. Baldwin of Morningside and carried away the ribbens at the big Detroit out show last win always acts that way when at a cat carnival. Mrs. Baldwin has a cat controversy

and has been instrumental in establishing numerous comfortable homes all over Iowa and Nebraska for puss-cats. To care for all the aristocrats the Tri City association will employ vocal instructors and manicurists, that the cats may be heard at their best and show the assets in their feet to the best possible advantage. Some Omaha cats have declined to on the fence, as the show will keep them.

out late and make their hours irregular. From outside cats the committee on feline entertainment has received both letters and telegrams, either accepting invitations or sending regrets. But a large number will attend and one side of the Auditorium. will look like a field of fur.

Local cats which do not have season tickets will not be allowed to mount the roof tops nor telegraph poles and witness the parade by looking into the windows. A special policeman, who will be known as the "cat catcher," will enforce the order. Inside the Auditorium a peace committee, consisting of dogs and cats which are on friendly terms, will impress on the aggregation the necessity of keeping backs cats which have "cut" each other's society will not be compelled to meet each other in the arena.

WADSWORTH HAS GOOD TRIP President of Bellevue Meets with

Success in the Eastern States. Dr. Guy W. Wadsworth, president of east, where he spent several weeks in the interest of the college, as well as a delegate to the Presbyterian Brotherhood convention in Cincinnati and the international

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Recommends Greeley's Plan-GENEVA, Neb. Nov. 27 .- To the Editor of The Bee: Don't you think it about time to have a little more practice and not so much theory on the financial question. I think it time to apply the late Horace Greeley's advice. When the country was in the threes of ways and methods of how to resume specie payment after the civil war and a majority of the financial statesmen had offered suggestions, Mr. Greeley settled the question by one common sensa suggestion, and that was: "The way to resume is to resume," and the same will apply now. COMMON SENSE

From an Unreconstructed Democrat. VERONA, Neb., Nov. 26.-To the Editor of The Bee; You deserve the thanks of feet long all the important cities and a the rank and file of democrats for publishing the communication of Dr. George

L. Miller. Samuel J. Tilden's, Grover Cleveland's, the late J. Sterling Morton's and Dr. George L. Millor's writings of any date

are good, sound reading. Now, time has proven their wisdom as against Bryan's wild predictions if we did not get free silver; his claims about the quantative theory of money when his silver theory failed; his unwise counsel to the party in speeches all over the country for the last eleven years, would, if printed in parallel columns (in the light of the present panic), make one of the largest crazy quitts of modern times. But the curious thing that we as democrats have to contend with is that leaders like Hitchcock, Dahlman et al., while privately confessing that Bryan is a failure, publicly proclaim him as a great leader. Congressman Hitchcock fold the writer at a democratic state convention that Bryan had made more mistakes than any living democrat, and how he kept affont was a mystery, but, he added, he does.

Mayor Dahlman told the writer at the St. Louis convention that Grover Cleveland would not be nominated for a third recommended to the department at once term, but if he would be he would poll more votes than any man they could nominate. But if they would proclaim such truths publicly, Bryan and his fierce friends would denounce them in every hall in Omaha, the same as he did Judge lating Indian names. The leader in the spected for seven years, and the second Parker before the St. Louis convention, time in twelve years, which is a tribute the same as he did Sullivan of Illinois, Grover Cleveland and a host of other democrats, who were right when he was wrong.

But his latest wanderings as a financial prophet is to have the government guarantee bank depositors, so that instead of the huge majority, for instance of Omaha depositors carrying the bulk of their money to the Omaha National, the Nebraska National and other safe and sound and timetried institutions that never fail, they could drop it in the nearest bank and swell the deposits of the unsafe bank and dishonest banker, and pull them all down to one low feline world and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cat level. Drop your money in the nearest bank, same as you would a letter in the try cousins, as well as their aristocratic nearest mail box-the government would guarantee it all. What a haven it would be for bank officers to favor their friends and speculate. No depositor worrying who the banker loaned to or how much they speculated, the government would guarantee the dishonest banker the same as the honest one. JOHN MURTEY.

Contraction of Currency Volume. ter. "Faust" is said to be worth \$1,000 and Bee: The New York Herald in a leading editorial says that the country is about to be confronted with an entirely new problem -namely, not how to expand the volume of the currency, but how to contract it, an

Long before congress can see its way through the maze of conflicting schemes for creating an ideal currency the country will be confronted with an entirely new problem—namely, not how to expand the volume of currency but how to contract it. The Herald is right. It confirms my own view which appeared in The Bee several attend and declare they prefer to remain days before the declaration above was printed in the Herald. But for its environment and extreme conservatism, it would probably say much more, but it could not say more in the same space if it

should try to do it. The Herald says contraction of the currency instead of its expansion presents "an entirely new problem." Not unless the expansion of the volume of currency to the danger-point of redundancy and consequent inflation is a "new problem." This is as matter of fact

and of history a very old problem. Perhaps it may appear indelicate for me to say that I should not continue to test the courtesy of The Bee so freely if thoughtful citizens in Omaha in numbers did not make known to me their interest in what I have been saying in it about the down and suppress the barking. Dogs and existing disturbance of business in our country. The discussion going on all over it reminds me of the battle fought and won for sound money by such masters of finance as Samuel J. Tilden, greatest over all Americans since Hamilton, in my own estimation, Salmon P. Chase, John Sherman and their illustrious contemporaries. It is in a very high sense educational, GEORGE L. MILLER.

Bellevue college, has returned from the RIVER DELEGATES PLAN TRIP Senator Saunders Chairman of the Crusade Going to Washington,

Delegates of the Commercial club, Real Estate exchange and Omaha an Missouri Wadsworth, "though of course I found River Transportation company, who will the effect of the money flurry apparent attend the National Rivers and Harbors congress in Washington next week, met at the Commercial club Saturday noon to discuss the work to be done and elected Senator Charles L. Saunders chairman of the delegation.

Those who will represent the various organizations are Charles L. Saunders, John A. Scott, J. L. Baker, H. E. Palmer, H. T. Clarke, C. F. Weller, Rev. F. L. Loveland, F. D. Wead, Victor Rosewater, R. B. Snyder, Charles Morrell and Major F. El Wolcott of the Union Stock Yards

With the delegation from Kansas City consisting of eighteen members; Stoux City, six; Council Bluffs, three, and St. Joseph, 10, the representation from the upper Missouri river will be over fifty and will make the best showing ever made by the Missouri river cities at a rivers and harbors congress.

The Omaha delegates have been instructed to co-operate with all other Missouri river ities, and not to intimate wanting any improvement for particular stretches of the river. The delegates will work for the \$50,000,000 annual appropriation to be dewaterways, and will urge that the Missouri river is one of them. Well supplied with yellow badges, and the

Ak-Bar-Ben colored buttons, the Omaha delegation will leave Monday. H. T. Clarke to have the curtain down. He appealed to and Mr. Palmer have already gone. From district court and was again convicted by the number of letters which Commissioner Guild of the Commercial club has received from members, who regret that they will not be able to go, a new interest is shown regulate the curtain, but the motion was In the Missouri river.

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