

AN INDIAN REFORMER.

NO HEART'S SAD EXPERIENCE CIVILIZING HIS BRAVES.

This Chief, whose name was a misnomer, really wanted to raise his people to the white man's level—the efforts he made and how they resulted.

No Heart was one of those Indians who do not require the episode of death to apostrophize them into decency. After he had done his careful, painstaking best to kill a reasonably large number of people in the Minnesota country in 1862 he hurried over to the westward and safely located in Dakota. He reformed and became as a brand plucked from the burning. No Heart's reformation was bona fide.

Percival ran a little newspaper in Fairbanks, and the bottom land whereon No Heart and certain of his wives lived was just across the river. It was very handy for No Heart, and he used to devote most of his time to talking to Percival about the improvement of the Indian race.

"I am going to save the Indian race," said No Heart to Percival. "I am going to make it like the white. Why should the Indian freeze and starve and wear especially frouzy rags while the white man lives in town and runs secondhand stores and barber shops and plays in the city brass band?" He said this partly in Indian and partly in English, for it was one of his earnest moments.

Percival warned him. An Indian is an Indian, he told him, and it is no use trying to make him anything else. No Heart was firm, however, and he set out straightway to bring about an improvement in the affairs of his race. He had a snug amount of money, so he was well equipped to swing his scheme. He went to the tailor in Fairbanks and caused a most marvelous suit of clothes to be made for him—broadcloth, silk lined; patent leather shoes, a high hat, a shirt of dazzling whiteness.

"When I appear in this before the Two Kettle band," he told Percival in his mixture of English and Sioux, "it will cause emulation. In three weeks I expect there will not be any more Indians wearing 'G strings' and blankets. What pay ought an Indian to get as clerk in a drug store?"

Thus garbed in all the glory of Solomon he went across the river to the camp of the Two Kettle band. He was gone three days and reappeared in Percival's office clad in about 4 cents' worth of buckskin and cotton. Percival asked about his clothes.

"It is a great success," said the reformer. "To instill that feeling of self respect which good apparel brings"—you understand, most of his words were of Sioux manufacture, but that is what they meant—"I lent it to Elk Walks Away, a noted and vehement drunkard, whose habits need correcting sadly. It made a new man of him, did my broadcloth suit, but to my regret in the evening he sold it to Lacy at the trading post for a gallon of cognac, and he drank the cognac for the alcohol that is in it, and for three days he has been the most magnificent, sweet smelling sort of a drunken beast known to the Two Kettle band."

"I shall proceed now to the second course," said No Heart. "I'm not discouraged. To inculcate self esteem and a laudable ambition to be equal to one's superiors we must provide the immediate surroundings of those superiors, wherefore—"

"Hold on there, No Heart; hold on!" cried Percival. "Lord bless you, Injun, you are chattering around there with a Sioux mixture of verbosity and long words that would drive one into a cyclone cellar for protection. Easy now, easy. Confine yourself to English, and 22 caliber English at that."

"In short," said No Heart, "I am going to take over to my camp a sewing machine, a set of popular authors and a double seated cutter. Seeing these, can you understand how my people can fail to be filled at once with the same ideas as the whites? Percival, how does one proceed to establish a banking business? I think Throws His Hatchet at His Mother ought to be cashier. We shall open next week."

Percival looked in awe and wonderment at this remarkable philanthropist and wished him well. Two hours later No Heart, still clad in buckskin and rags, but driving a pair of dejected Indian ponies hitched to a most startling and gaudy sleigh, disappeared toward the frozen river. He carried in the rear seat a sewing machine and about 50 handsomely bound books.

He was mounted on one of the ponies when next he appeared at the office of the newspaper. Gentle, patient resignation was depicted upon his face as he quietly moved into the editorial room and seated himself on a keg. He was silent for several minutes, and then, speaking meekly, he said:

"You have perhaps heard that Throws His Hatchet at His Mother, who was to have been cashier of the bank, erroneously mistaking the cutter for a new kind of folding bed, lay down in it to smoke himself to sleep. We buried some of Throws His Hatchet at His Mother, but there was not enough ashes left of the cutter to mention it in ordinary conversation. The books I distributed among the Two Kettle band, and I was called upon today by a deputation, who, representing that the books had made enormously successful fuel, requested that I get more. My squaws, I regret to say, are fools. They took the sewing machine out and cut a hole in the ice and dumped it into the river, for it was, they said, accursed."

One day in the summer No Heart appeared before Percival and made a final report.

"The man at the bank," he remarked, "says my money is all drawn out. It is very fortunate. I had intended to buy a top, a roll top desk and a gas stove, which I am sure would at last have brought complete civilization to my people. But I am thwarted"—in Sioux, of course—"and am fain to give up my enterprise. Percival, you have always been a good friend to me and my race. Will you be especially noble now?"

Percival said he would.

"Let me have 60 cents to get drunk on," said No Heart.

And Percival gave him the money.—Chicago Record.

BANKRUPT!

\$10,471.00.

Ten Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy-one Dollars worth of Bankrupt Dry Goods, Clothing, Carpets, etc., etc. bought at a shade over half price will be opened and thrown on the market this week. The whole stock will be disposed of as quickly as possible (Wholesale and Retail) in small lots or in whole pieces to suit purchasers. This sale will be for cash only. This will, without doubt, be the greatest sale of the kind on record. Below you will find a full list of goods to be slaughtered.

WOOL TWEEDS.

- 12 pieces heavy wool Tweed for 50c.
- 19 yds tweed, . . . 70c. for 50c
- 25 1/4 yds " . . . \$1.35, for 80c
- 24 yds " . . . 90, for 60c
- 24 1/2 yds " . . . 75, for 45c
- 23 1/2 yds " . . . 75, for 45c
- 23 1/2 yds " . . . 85, for 60c
- 23 1/2 yds " . . . 85, for 60c
- 24 yds " . . . 1.25, for 85c
- 20 yds " . . . 75, for 55c
- 21 yds " . . . 1.15, for 75c
- 23 yds " . . . 75, for 55c
- 27 yds " . . . 68, for 48c
- 46 1/2 yds " . . . 75, for 50c
- 24 1/2 yds " . . . 85, for 60c
- 24 1/2 yds " . . . 95, for 55c

This lot is all new and fresh having never been put in stock.

Waterproof Coats.

- 19 Men's Waterproof Coats, worth \$7.50, will be sold for \$5 each.
- 8 worth . . . \$8.50, now \$6.00
- 3 worth . . . 7.00, now 4.50
- 1 worth . . . 6.50, now 4.50
- 5 worth . . . 8.00, now 5.50
- 5 black, worth 9.00, now 6.50
- 18 tweed, worth 10.50, now 7.50

Ladies' Waterproofs.

- 7 Gossomers, worth \$5.50, for \$3.75.
- 21 Gossomers, worth \$4.50 for \$3.00.

Dress Goods.

- 6 pieces, 23 1/2 yds, French wool Dress Goods, worth 55c, for 35c.
- 10 pcs, 62 1/2 yds, 45 inch Cashmere, worth 72c, sale price 48c.
- 57 1/2 yds Dress Goods, worth 75c, for 50c.
- 62 1/2 yds Dress Goods, worth 85c, for 60c.
- 10 pieces, 62 1/2 yds, Black Cashmere, worth 70c, now 50c
- 7 pcs, 175 yds, French wool Dress Goods, worth 60c, for 45c.
- 3 pcs French Suiting, worth 50c, for 35c.
- 42 yds Fancy Dress Goods, worth 55c, for 30c
- 50 1/2 yds black Cashmere, worth 55c, for 45c.
- 39 1/2 yds Black Cashmere, worth 75c, for 45c.
- 35 1/2 yds Black Cashmere 70c for 50c.
- 36 1/2 yds Black Cashmere; 65c. for 45c.
- 33 yds Black Cashmere, worth 70c, for 50c.
- 54 1/2 yds Black Cashmere, worth 35c; for 25c.

Men's and Boys' Clothing

- 4 Mens Suits, worth \$6.25, for \$4.50.
- 7 Men's Suits, worth \$5.50, for \$4.75.
- 5 Men's Suits, worth \$7, for \$5.50
- 2 Men's Suits, worth \$7.25, for \$5.75.
- 13 Men's Suits, worth \$8.00 for \$6.00.
- 24 Men's Suits, worth \$8.75 for \$6.75.
- 6 Men's Suits, worth \$9.50, for \$7.50.
- 7 Men's Suits, worth \$9.75, for \$7.75.
- 58 Men's Suits, worth \$10, for \$7.75.
- 22 Men's Suits, worth \$11.00 for \$8.50.
- 3 Men's Suits, worth \$11.25 for \$8.75.
- 15 Men's Suits, worth \$11.70 for \$9.00
- 1 Men's Suit, worth \$12.00, for \$9.25.
- 6 Men's Suits, worth \$13.00 for \$10.00.
- 3 Men's Suits, worth \$15.00 for \$11.00.

Men's Pants

- 32 pairs, worth \$1.25 for 75c
- 48 pairs, worth 1.40 for \$1.00
- 69 pairs, worth 1.60 for 1.20
- 30 pairs, worth 1.85 for 1.40
- 24 pairs, worth 2.10 for 1.50
- 18 pairs, worth 2.10 for 1.50
- 121 pairs, worth 2.50 for 1.75
- 13 pairs, worth 2.75 for 2.00
- 12 pairs, worth 2.85 for 2.25
- 92 pairs, worth 2.85 for 2.25
- 45 pairs, worth 3.00 for 2.30
- 28 pairs, worth 3.10 for 2.50
- 93 pairs, worth 3.50 for 2.75
- 18 pairs, worth 3.75 for 2.90
- 56 pairs, worth 4.50 for 3.50

Children's Suits

- 106 Suits, worth \$1.00 for 75c
- 56 Suits, worth 1.50 for \$1.00
- 13 Suits, worth 2.00 for 1.50
- 27 Suits, worth 2.50 for 2.00
- 76 Suits, worth 3.00 for 2.25
- 50 Suits, worth 3.50 for 2.50
- 51 Suits, worth 3.75 for 2.75
- 32 Suits, worth 3.95 for 2.95
- 50 boys' 3-piece suits for \$3.75
- 55 " " " 4.00
- 23 " " " 4.75
- 37 " " " 5.00
- 207 Youths' Suits, worth from \$5.00 to \$10.00, will be sold \$4 to \$7; double and single breasted

Towels

- 12 pieces Flannelette worth 11c a yd for 8c.
- 26 pieces Flannelette, 1,647 yards, worth 9c will be sold for 5 1/2c
- 15 pieces Shirting, 796 1/2 yds worth 18c will be sold for 14c
- 5 doz Cotton Towels worth 75c for 50c or 4 1/2c each.
- 6 doz Diaper Towels worth \$1.50 for \$1.10 or 10c each.
- 2 doz Damask Towels 18x38 worth \$2.75 for \$2.00 or 18c each.
- 4 doz Damask Towels 19x39 worth \$3.00 for \$2.75 or 20c each.
- 5 doz Linen Towels worth \$1.75 for \$1.25 or 11c each.
- 14 doz Linen Towels worth \$2.00 for \$1.40 or 12c each.

Table Covers

- 7 doz Linen Table Covers \$5.50 for \$5.00 or 45c each.
- 3 doz Linen Table Covers worth \$6.00 for \$5.50 or 40c each.
- 4 doz Table Covers 60x60 worth \$9.00 for \$6.50 or 60c each.
- 2 doz Table Covers worth \$10.50 for \$8.00 or 70c each.
- 3 doz Linen Table Covers 50x70 worth \$7.50 for \$5.50 or 48c each.

Table Linen.

- 12 pieces Damask Table Linen, 613 yds, 60 in width, worth 60c for 40c.
- 6 pieces Unbleached Linen Tabling, 60 inches wide, 312 yds, worth 50c for 35c.

Table Napkins

- 30 doz Table Napkins worth \$1.10 for 75c.
- 20 doz Linen Table Napkins worth 75c for 55c.

Blankets

- 150 pair Heavy Cotton Blankets, worth \$1.10 for 85c, white and grey.

Handkerchiefs

- 3 doz Jap. Silk Handkerchiefs worth \$4.00 will be sold for \$3.00 per doz or 25c cents each.

194 doz Cambric Handkerchiefs worth \$1.00 for 65c.

Dozens upon dozens of Collars, Ties, Braces, white and colored Shirts of all kinds and grades—at a shade over half price

Carpets

- 10 rolls 5 frame Brussels Carpet worth \$1.50 for 75c.
- 8 rolls second quality Brussels worth \$1.30 for 65c
- 5 rolls good Wool Brussels worth \$1.10 for 55c.
- 7 rolls Tapestry worth \$1.00 will be sold for 55c.
- 6 rolls of Tapestry worth 85c will be sold for 50c.
- 13 rolls of Tapestry worth 75c for 45c.
- 9 rolls Tapestry worth 65c for 40c.

Rolls upon rolls of cheaper grades for 25c and 35c.

Oil Cloth, Hemp Carpet, Mats, Matting, Blinds, Lace Curtains, etc., from 20 to 30 per cent. less than in the regular way.

Serge Suiting

96 1/2 yds of Blue Serge Suiting, just the thing for men's or boys suits, worth \$2.75 will be sold for \$1.75.

To men wanting working shirts we would say see our Bankrupt Stock. There is 50 doz in all, varying in price from 35c to 1.00. Will be sold for a shade over half price.

If you want to buy good goods come.

If you want to save money come.

If you want to be treated well come.

Seeing is free, it won't cost you a cent to look through our stock and see how much you can get for so little money.

You will not be urged to buy. Your own good judgment will tell you what to do when you see the piles of bargains we have to offer you.

Carpets

Clothing,

Dry Goods

Come and look at our Bankrupt Stock; you will find reliable goods at Bankrupt prices—you will find the signal at the mist-head, beckoning you to the strongest aggregation of good goods and low prices that has ever been our pleasure to offer you. Store will be open each day from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday excepted.

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