

them will be found active and shrewd business men ; some speak French and English almost as fluently as their native tongue ; and among the females some may be met with who have received instruction in Music and Drawing. Twice in the course of his tour, the writer had the pleasure of an interview with an individual, a Pottawattomie by birth, and a Ottawa by adoption, who received a liberal education in one of the Collegiate Institutions of Western New York ; he is a worthy member of church, and a philanthropist, whose face is never averted from the needy, nor door closed against the weary and way worn traveller.

Among most of the tribes, Protestant and Catholic Missions have been established for many years, and accomplished much good. Until recently, the Friends and the Baptists have supported schools in the Shawnee Reserve. It is a subject of great regret that at a time when above all others it is of the utmost importance that the principles of "pure and undefiled religion" should be inculcated, the Baptist Board, and we think the Friends, have abandoned their vantage ground, and left their former pupils and their descendants to go astray, or be subjected to the tender mercies of those who have not their welfare at heart. We must think those Denominations have acted under wrong impressions, and that they will ere long renew their works of benevolence and Christianity.

Towards this ill-fated race, were the hand of friendship more frequently extended, than the weapon of destruction levelled, were the policy of Government one of peace rather than of war, of civilization than of brutalization, or what it threatens to be, of extermination, it would be far more to the credit of the white man, and we should eventually be convinced of the erroneousness of the long prevalent opinion, that the red man is irreclaimable.

This Company has always enjoined upon its Agents and upon settlers, to avoid committing trespasses upon any of the Indian tribes. Pursuing this course, it has