

is a government scout, and draws pay for services performed. I saw them one day on dress parade and it was a fine sight. Geronimo takes great pride in the work going on around him, and is happy and contented with the life he leads. His one great ambition is to visit Washington before he dies.

Naiche, who is the hereditary chief of the Chiricahua Apache Indians, is a fine specimen of a man, and well liked by all who know him, especially so by army officers. He wears a medal for being the best shot among the soldiers and Indians at Fort Sill. He is a fine Indian artist. If he had received the benefit of advantages when he was young he would probably have made his mark.

Geronimo has a nephew who is a

blacksmith at Darlington, O. T., and he is considered the best in that part of the country. He made a wagon which was exhibited at the World's Fair at Chicago, and sold there. He was with Geronimo in all his raids in later years, and it is very interesting to hear him relate his experiences.

At some future time I trust a historian may be found who will be able to portray the various difficulties the government has had with the Indians from the Indian point of view. Were the motives actuating these people truthfully transcribed there would probably be a great change in the popular conception of the Indian, and much that is now condemned would be found to have extenuating circumstances.

