

1914-15 there was a snowfall of seven feet, a thing unprecedented for at least fifty years, it thawed quickly and as the mountains on both sides are steep and rocky it raised the inside water to the height of the sea at highwater. Last year with a normal snowfall there was no trouble.

Besides two small creeks there are numerous springs at the foot of the mountains. These in a great measure dry up during the summer. Mr. Hutcheson's land is so situated that it received the greater part of these springs on the western side of the valley. Last winter he dug two small ditches about fourteen inches wide and two feet deep; these have relieved him somewhat but should have been at least double the capacity.

It will be seen from the foregoing that the whole trouble is with the fresh water, Mr. Hutcheson's land being parched in summer and too wet in winter, though the tides are the same.

The Indians last spring broke up about one-and-a-half acres and sowed it with wheat, oats, potatoes and a small patch of carrots and onions, they also cut ten or twelve acres of wild grass where they have been unable to before. The grain crops are harvested and are the heaviest on the reserve; the potatoes also look well. This year preparations are being made to increase the area of arable land considerably.

I enclose a voucher for \$248.35, the amount expended, and a diary covering the period during which the work was done.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Richard H. Green*

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