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to surrender their reserves for others further north, and stated that the Minister of Lands and Forests would be disposed to exchange these two reserves for two others of the same area in the neighbourhood of Kickendatch, or even further up the St. Maurice nearer its source.

A peply was sent to him that this Department would make inquiry regarding the proposed exchange.

An undated memo. on the file states that Rev. and C. Boucher, Hudson Bay Co. Weymontachine, Father Guniard, Maniwaki, Que., called about 40 families living near Kickendatch who want to move to Lac Obidgewan and have a reserve there on the north shore about six acres or 1200 feet from the Hudson Bay store.

He said there were five widows and one widower destitute who would require stated weekly assistance.

There is a memo. made by Inspector C. C. Parker, dated May 7th, 1912, which states that these Indians are an unorganized band; that they have worked for the Hudson Bay Company for many years; that the Company has decided to move their post to a point on Lake Obidgewan and Indians favour the move.

He suggests that no steps be taken to procure a reserve for them until it is definitely known how many are actually desirous to settle at the point chosen by the Hudson Bay Company, and adds that an officer going to the place would have a trip of at least 120 miles by cance from the nearest railway point. (Weymontache) on the Transcontinuental.

Mr. Wilson, District Manager for the Hudson Bay Company, wrote on the 22nd August on behalf of the Chief asking what steps had been taken by the Department with the view of acquiring the land, and a reply was sent to him that

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