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Right Reverend Sir,

As Your Lordship is aware the improvement of Indian day school conditions has been for sometime receiving consideration and already marked improvement is noticeable in many instances. Some months ago particular attention was paid to the schools in the southern part of the North Saskatchewan Inspectorate, and, with a view to extending the work, the situation as existing on the more northern reserves has been looked into and reported upon, and the Department now wishes to try to effect an improvement at the Ahtakakoop and Sturgeon Lake Schools.

Your Lordship will readily recognize as one of the first essentials to success the procuring of efficient and interested teachers, and to obtain and retain such the co-operation of the authorities of the church directly interested is much to be desired. This matter, is, therefore, being brought direct to Your Lordship's attention with the hope that it will receive early consideration.

The Ahtakakoop school is in charge of Mr. Louis Ahenakew, an Indian who attended Emmanuel College. The very poor enrolment and attendance at this school are evidences that there is something wrong in the management and the conclusion has been reached that the fault lies largely with the teacher. Mr. Ahenakew is reported to be

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