

Among these Indians there are a few very old indigent people, for whom a small supply of blankets and clothing would be very acceptable.

Agreeably to instructions a medical man accompanied me on my tour in paying annuities, who vaccinated over two hundred children.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

AMOS WRIGHT.

*Indian Agent.*

EGANVILLE, 10th September, 1881.

The Right Honorable  
The Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa.

SIR,—I have much pleasure in stating that the average at school is increasing, and each and every one of the pupils seem to be progressing very well. There has been very little illness among the members of band for the past year, save Maria Mashel, who died from a fever. Their crops are nearly all saved and housed.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

HENRY GEORGE,

*Indian Agent.*

CAUGHNAWAGA AGENCY,  
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC,

1st October, 1881.

The Right Honorable  
The Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa.

SIR,—I have the honor to submit the following Report on the condition of the Indians of this reserve for the year ended the 30th June last.

The harvest was good and they have reaped a good quantity of peas, oats, &c., and those who had sowed wheat have been able to get bread for their families for many months.

Money has not been scarce this year in the village, even during the winter, on account of a good number of men and boys being employed in the quarries.

A greater number Indians left for the shanties this spring than usual, owing to the higher wages, and many are staying there for the winter.

The trade in bead work has been brisk on account of the prosperous state of affairs in the United States.

Taking everything together, one can safely say that the tribe is more prosperous. The well conducted people of the place applaud the wise measures taken by the Department to close up the taverns; no doubt drunken men may be seen on the streets yet, because they can get liquor at Lachine or at Montreal, but there is much less disorder in the village and one is not so often disturbed during the night by the shouts of drunkards. The presence of a policeman has contributed much to the suppression of disorders. Many arrests of drunkards and other disorderly persons have been made.

The wood on the reserve is becoming more and more scarce and dear, but I am proud to say that the Indians are much more careful since the Department have taken steps for this purpose; nevertheless, I foresee that this winter and henceforth the poor will have to suffer from cold, and that many will winter in the United States. We have lately had to regret the burning of a barn belonging to the DeLormier family. Every one agrees in attributing the act to spitefulness. Is it the