Ottawa 21st August, 1909.

sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, giving a statement in connection with the \$70.85, made up of the interest shares for 1909 (spring distribution) of certain Indians of the Moravian Band of the Thames, which you forwarded to have placed in the savings account; and in reply I may say that it is observed that you show \$32.70 of this amount as the the shares of Jonethan Hill's family (No 15 on pay-list); \$10.90 as the shares of A.W. Logan's children, and \$16.35 as the shares of the chaldren of Thomas Noah. A savings account is never opened in a family name, but in the name of the individual depositor. If it is desired that each member of the three familie referred to shall have a savings account it is necessary that their names be reported, and that you show the amount to be deposited for each such individual. In making this report you should state why it is desired to open the accounts.

The share of Absolom Whiteeye should not have been, returned for savings. You should have shewn his name on the pay-list as an absentee, and returned his share as portion of amount undistributed.

when rendering pay-lists in future you should endeavour to follow the instructions which have been given you from time to time regarding the action to be taken. A little care on your part will obviate much inconvenience at Headquarters.

Your obedient seveant.

A.R. McDonald, Esqr, Indian Agent, Duart, Ont.

Secretary.

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