

arrangement. I consider it a very good thing; but so many different Agents and Members of the Indian Department have thought differently, and when they have proposed one plan it has not continued long. This is another reason why I cannot consent. I have done, I have nothing more to say."

In respect to the last two Chiefs, See note on p. 62 (Memorandum).

Chief JOSEPH SNAKE next addressed the Superintendents as follows, by his orator, Mr. JOHN SNAKE:

"MY CHIEFS,

We have for a long time heard of these High Schools, and the more we hear of the plan the better we like it. We had a Council about it. The one of the Superintendents who passed, mentioning the subject; we were very much pleased with the plan; so we held a Council and agreed to give Two hundred Dollars a-year (£50).

I will tell you the sentiments of the Chiefs of my people. They are rather disposed to wish that the High School should be on Lake Simcoe. In the event of any disturbance among the Whites, the High School at a distance might be destroyed; whereas, if it is back in the central parts of the Country, it would be safer.

This is the opinion of the Scugog Chiefs, and this is the reason why I said that I did not know where my children would be sent. This is all I have to say."

Chief NAAINGISHKUNG, a subordinate Chief of Rama, then spoke as follows:

"MY CHIEFS,

I will say a little. I have told you before that I have no power; if I had the power I would readily comply with what the other Chiefs have agreed to, for this is the sense of my people. This is all I have to say."

This is because he is not head Chief, YELLOWHEAD being the head Chief, who has opposed the Government plan, as his speech shews. NAAINGISHKUNG had liberty to speak, in order to shew the sentiments of the majority of his people.

Chief THOMAS AISAANS, a subordinate Chief, of the River Severn, then rose and said:

"MY CHIEFS,

I entertain the same sentiments as those expressed by my brother, JOHN AISAANS. If I had my money separate, I would then say what I would do; but, as I have no control over it, I say no more."

This, it was remarked by the Government Officer, is what we wish to know, the sentiments of your half of the Village, since you are divided.

The Coldwater community being now divided; a part at Beau-Soleil Island, under Chief JOHN AISAANS, the rest on an Island in the River Severn, with THOMAS AISAANS, a subordinate Chief.

Before the close of the Council, Capt. ANDERSON read the following Memorandum, the substance of which had already been several times declared by him to the Council.

