



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 401-4.

ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

INSPECTOR'S OFFICE,

CALGARY, ALTA., October 4th, 1933.

Dear Doctor McGill:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 427063-10 of the 30th ultimo in connection with the competition for the position of Clerk, Grade III, at the Blackfoot Agency. On receipt of your letter I got in touch with Dr. Coffin, Principal of the Normal School, and he arranged with me to hold the examination in our office here. This took place on Saturday afternoon and the candidates wrote from 1.00 to 4.00 P. M. When they had finished I gave them an oral examination.

There were only three candidates: 1-James Wescott Clark, a young lad, son of Duncan Clark our Farming Instructor at Cluny in the Blackfoot Agency, whose standing was unsatisfactory. 2-William Kenneth Kerkpatrick, an elevator man. He has a permanent position as grain buyer, and does not wish to accept this position, which is only temporary. He was under the impression that it was a permanent position and that is why he made the application. 3-The only other applicant was Samuel Elliott Dafoe who has held the position in question for three years, and as the necessity for the employment of this clerk will soon be over for this year, the grain being all in, he would stand a fair chance of getting the position again next fall unless Mr. Kerkpatrick is out of work by then. I trust this meets with the approval of the Department.

Your obedient servant,

M. Christianson,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Alberta Inspectorate.

Doctor Harold W. McGill,
Deputy Superintendent General,
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