

-3- Cont.

them that if they had occupied the old residence they would possibly have caught pneumonia and in any event they would still have been together in the one building.

When Miss Freeman left, Miss Coleman found a new boarding house and appears to be more content mentally and physically.

There is no complaint about their work; they worked hard and conscientiously, and the comparison between the operations of the school this year and last is indeed satisfactory.

I would lay Miss Freeman's decision not to return, to her conviction that she cannot get along with the others and I may say that I believe she is sincere in this conviction.

If a replacement cannot be found we shall have to arrange with Mr. Dey for some sort of shift system.

As regards to any recommendation concerning Miss Freeman's re-employment I must say that she has failed to live up to her contract and has left her position for reasons which I believe could have been overcome by herself. I do not infer that she be refused employment should she so apply, but I do believe that a one room school would suit her better. She is high strung and nervous but perhaps working alone would solve her problem.

There has been such a decided improvement in school management this year that despite these difficulties the actual school operation has been successful. It is regretted that some of the children have to be yet more retarded in their work.

I should appreciate your further comments in the matter. I have attached a copy of the first position of Miss Freeman's letter to us.

J. A. Findlay

J.A. Findlay,
SUPERINTENDENT,
Queen Charlotte Agency.

JAF/JDC

P.S. During the writing of this letter a delayed wire was phoned from Miss Freeman informing me of her decision.

INDIAN AFFAIRS
AFFAIRES INDIENNES

RG 10, C-II-2, vol. 11306
pt 1C1

National Archives of Canada
Archives nationales du Canada

001790