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~~The Secretary~~

OTTAWA, 5th February, 1902

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 20th ultimo, enclosing statement and accounts of money expended for the erection of a combined school and council house for the Burnt Church Band, I beg to say that you had no authority for incurring any expenditure in this connection, as the consent of His Excellency the Governor in Council has not yet been obtained. The Department wrote you on the 5th ~~instant~~ <sup>December last</sup> for full information which was necessary before a memorandum to Council could be prepared and the work should not have begun until you had received proper authority.

*L.H.*  
*J.M.*  
*M.O.*

Your obedient servant,

J. D. MOLEAN

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