

once see that the Missionary and family, the School and Premises have been maintained from the Society's Funds at a great outlay.

The religious results have amply compensated the Annual Cost of such a prosperous Mission; but these are no reasons why the Society should submit silently to changes which may be beneficial to others, financially, - even if these are found among the Indians themselves, - involved in an expenditure to maintain a position coveted and invaded by those who never contributed to the transformation of the Indian from Heathen ceremonies to the simple and pure form of Christian Worship and which changes have been made with discourteous inattention to those who have expended large sums for the benefit of the Indians on this reserve, and the settlers upon the lands they have ceded.

As the Indians in Council have voted Three Thousand Dollars to erect a Mission House & Barn, School House and Council House out of the Ten Thousand Dollars which the Great Western Rail Road Coy. paid for the purchase of this last portion of Property, we respectfully claim that a House and Premises for the resident Missionary should first be provided out of such Appropriation, and whatever extra sum may be required to erect a School-House, and a Council House the cost beyond the Three Thousand Dollars should be chargeable to the Purchase Money of the said Property.

We are the more earnest in pressing this upon your attention because of information conveyed to the Committee that a movement has already been made to begin the erection of a Council House of most unneeded dimensions, and, if necessary with borrowed money, relying for payment upon the vote already referred to, which if sanctioned by the Indian Department would leave a very