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Ottawa, October 5, 1906.

Reverend Sir : -

In reply to your letter of the 27th July last addressed to the Hon. Mr. Oliver, relating to the affairs of the Micmac Indians of Prince Edward Island, I have to say that in so far as the wharf is concerned an item was included by the Public Works Department in the Supplementary Estimates 1906-7 for this work and submitted to Council, but was not allowed. The question of making provision for this work in the Estimates of this Department will be submitted to the Deputy Minister on his return from British Columbia, where he is at present.

As regards the application for a post office on Lennox Island, the Post Office Department had an investigation made when it was learned that the distance between Lennox Island and Port Hill is only two miles and that it is only a mile from the shore where the Indians land, so that they can easily get or mail their letters and papers as they have business in that direction.

It was also stated that the correspondence would be so small that very little revenue would accrue, while the mail supply would cost considerable. For these reasons the Post Office Department regretted that it was unable to see its way to authorize a post office on Lennox Island.

The Department of Marine and Fisheries has

not

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