

attended to. They allowed the cattle supplied to them to wander away and die, and now ask for more to replace those lost.

At Jack Head Reserve the Indians are doing very well, under the management of their councillor, James Sinclair. They have built sixteen houses and have about twenty-five acres under cultivation.

They generally raise very good crops of potatoes on this reserve, but the failure of the crop here this year was about the same as in other reserves. They only got about a third of a crop. They ask for more hoes, axes, pit, cross-cut and hand saws, and files for the same. They want cattle instead of those lost in 1881 (one ox and one cow); the ox died fat from some disease, which killed him in a few hours; the cow was lost while they were away at Dog Head receiving their annuity payments. It was found some time after by two young men from Fisher River, and sold by them to some person living at White Mud River.

#### *Beren's River Band.*

The Indians have built forty log houses, including Poplar River and Grand Rapids (B.R.) Reserves; also four stables. They have eleven head of cattle. Their gardens, with two or three exceptions, appeared neglected. They did not clean the weeds out of them until too late. Here only about a quarter of the usual crop was secured. They ask for more hoes, mattocks, grooving-picks, ammunition, twine and seed potatoes, wheat, barley and garden seeds.

They want seven head of cattle for Poplar River and seven for Grand Rapids, as they claim that they were promised them by treaty.

They also ask to be paid their annuities at Grand Rapids and Poplar River Reserves hereafter, as they are obliged to travel too far over a dangerous route to get their payments.

#### *Norway House Band.*

The Indians here have seventy-six log houses and thirty stables; fifty-two head of cattle and fifty acres under cultivation. Their potato gardens did not appear to thrive as usual, on account of summer frosts, but they got better returns after all than the majority of the bands in this treaty.

They ask for hay lands about the Pine Creek, at the north end of Play Green Lake.

The band request that their chief and councillors be paid as other chiefs and councillors. They also ask for medicines to be supplied to them, as they are very much in need of them, and cannot afford to purchase them from the Hudson's Bay Company. They want more hoes, axes, scythes, two harrows and two cross-ploughs.

#### *Cross Lake Band.*

The Indians have built sixteen dwelling houses and one stable. They have seven head of cattle.

Their potato crop turned out poorly, as in other reserves, and, with but a few exceptions, they are very indifferent about attending to their gardens, so that little or no progress is being made.

They ask for medicines to be dispensed in the band. They want more hoes, axes, mattocks and hay forks.

#### *Grand Rapids Band.*

The Indians have twenty dwelling houses and one stable, but no cattle, as they allowed them to perish for want of proper care.

Their potatoe crops looked very much neglected. They state that they have five acres under cultivation, but with one or two exceptions they do not plant at all. They work irregularly about the landings and warehouses, in the steamers of the