June 30th, 1881, there was a balance on hand Ordinary grant for 1882		89	63 00 22 21
I have expended for destitution, June 30th       \$ 66 23         Balance of seed money	·	90	
On hand due Department	\$	9	83

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

J. E. BECKWITH,

Indian Agent.

Indian District No. 4, CHESTER, 2nd September, 1882.

The Right Honorable

The Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose herewith a tabular statement of Indian affairs in this District, No. 4.

I find but little to report this year. The crops have been more or less favorable. The hay crop would have been especially good, and would have surpassed that of any previous year, but owing to the very wet season a large quantity was

injured before being made.

I am gratified to be able to report a general improvement in the moral condition of the Indians. They are a law-abiding people, and with, few exceptions, afford an example it would be well for some of our more civilized whites to imitate. The Indians residing both in Bridgewater and New Germany are of late taking a very deep interest in their children, and showing a strong desire to have them educated. Five out of eleven in Bridgewater are going to the public school. The others are willing and anxious to go also, but it seems they will not be admitted on the grounds that the school rooms are already filled. After an interview with the Trustees a few, weeks since as to the necessity and advisibility of supplying a school-room for the Indian children, they informed me of their willingness to furnish a room providing the Indian Department would pay a teacher. The Indians at New Germany express a wish to build a small school themselves if they could be supplied with a teacher.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

E. J. McCARTHY,

Indian Agent.

Indian District No. 5, Prospect, Halifax County, N.S., 5th June, 188?.

The Right, Honorable
The Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

SIR,—Conformably to the orders of the Department, I forward a tabular statement and a report in duplicate for the Agency, District No. 5, or Halifax County, Nova