

Memoranda of Questions to be answered by the
resident Superintendents of the Indian Department
in Canada

- 1 How long have you had charge of the Indians under your Superintendence?
- 2 Are they improved during that time in their moral and religious character and in habits of industry?
- 3 Where and in what manner are they settled whether in villages or upon small farms?
- 4 What is the size and extent of each village: viz: No. of Houses, Barns &c and of what materials built?
- 5 Do any of the Indians under your Superintendence from choice live in Wigwams? If so state the number.
- 6 Is the land cultivated by the Indians under your Superintendence subdivided into regular blocks or parcels or does each Indian select the spot he wishes to cultivate according to his taste, or is the land selected by the Chiefs for him?
- 7 Will you state as nearly as practicable the No. of Acres under cultivation in your own particular settlements & also the number of Acres cultivated by each family? In each case in which the family has no land under cultivation how does it procure the means of subsistence?
- 8 When an Indian is once in possession of a piece of land is he secure from the intrusion of other Indians? Also has he the power by usage of transmitting it to his heirs, or conveying his interest in the property to other members of the Tribe, or to other parties?