

The party reached Isle a la Crosse about noon today. The Indians being gathered from Canoe Lake, Buffalo River and Wapachewunak, to meet Bishop Charlebois, I paid all of Canoe Lake Band, and all of Clear Lake and English River Bands who were present. On the following day in the forenoon I met Canoe Lake Band and spent several hours with them in council. They had many requests to make, among which was that their treaty be paid to them at their reserve next summer. I assured them that this would be done. The other requests made were for a light waggon, a bob sleigh, a light plow and a harrow. The chief informed me that they had 9 head of native horses, 3 cows, 1 ox, 1 two year old steer, and 3 calves. These animals they have purchased themselves. They also have potato gardens, but I could not get any information as to acreage. In view of the fact that these Indians have animals to use, I would consider the expenditure for the implements asked for justifiable.

The health of this Band was good, only two deaths occurring during the year, one adult and a child. Births were five. One was transferred to James Roberts Band by marriage. The band shows an increase of four over last year. A resident doctor was asked for, to be stationed at Isle a la Crosse.

I had intended leaving for Buffalo River this afternoon, but could not cross Isle a la Crosse Lake on account of a heavy west wind. The wind however died down about 8.00 o'clock P.M. and I pulled out with two canoes. The Lewisés stayed here till I should return from Portage la Loche. We travelled all night, reaching Buffalo River at 9.30 A.M. of the 25th, one day behind schedule. As I had paid most of these Indians at Isle a la Crosse there was not much to do here. I paid those that remained in the forenoon, and had a meeting in the afternoon, while the doctor attended

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