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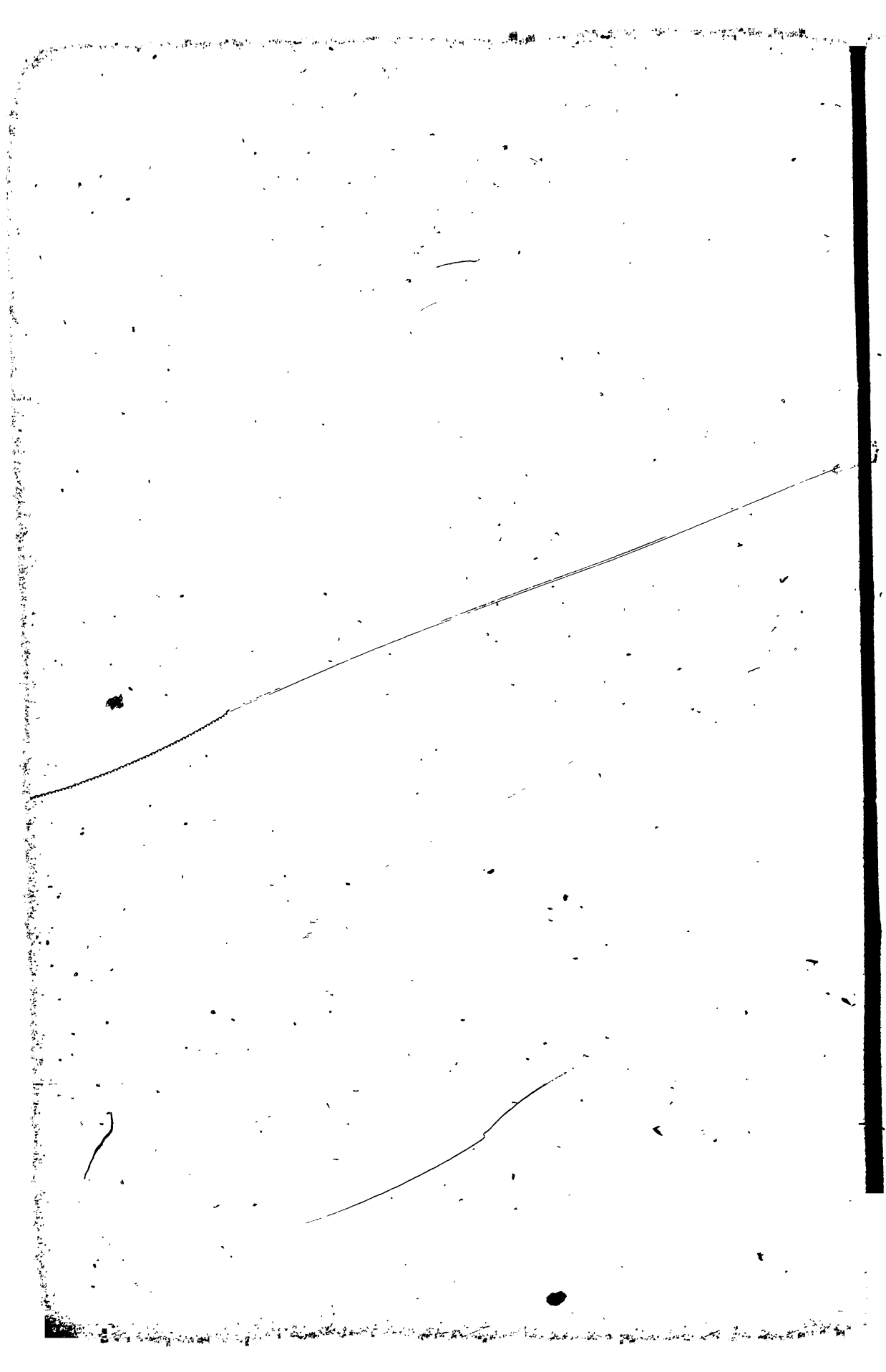
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COPY OF TREATY  
AND  
SUPPLEMENTARY TREATY  
No. 7,  
MADE 22ND SEPT., AND 4TH DEC., 1877,  
BETWEEN  
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN  
AND THE  
BLACKFEET  
AND  
OTHER INDIAN TRIBES,  
AT THE BLACKFOOT CROSSING OF BOW RIVER  
AND FORT McCLEOD.

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## ARTICLES OF A TREATY

Made and concluded this twenty-second day of September, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, between Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, by Her Commissioners, the Honorable David Laird, Lieutenant-Governor and Indian Superintendent of the North-West Territories, and James Farquharson MacLeod, C.M.G., Commissioner of the North-West Mounted Police, of the one part, and the Blackfeet, Blood, Piegan, Sarcee, Stony and other Indians, inhabitants of the Territory north of the United States Boundary Line, east of the central range of the Rocky Mountains, and south and west of Treaties numbers six and four, by their Head Chiefs and Minor Chiefs or Councillors, chosen as hereinafter mentioned, of the other part.

**W**HEREAS the Indians inhabiting the said Territory, have, pursuant to an appointment made by the said Commissioners, been convened at a meeting at the "Blackfoot Crossing" of the Bow River, to deliberate upon certain matters of interest to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of the one part, and the said Indians of the other;

And whereas the said Indians have been informed by Her Majesty's Commissioners that it is the desire of Her Majesty to open up for settlement, and such other purposes as to Her Majesty may seem meet, a tract of country, bounded and described as hereinafter mentioned, and to obtain the consent thereto of Her Indian subjects inhabiting the said tract, and to make a Treaty, and arrange with them, so that there may be peace and good will between them and Her Majesty, and between them and Her Majesty's other subjects; and that Her Indian people may know and feel assured of what allowance they are to count upon and receive from Her Majesty's bounty and benevolence;

And whereas the Indians of the said tract, duly convened in Council, and being requested by Her Majesty's Commissioners to present their Head Chiefs and Minor Chiefs, or Councillors, who shall be authorized, on their behalf, to conduct such negotiations and sign any Treaty to be founded thereon, and to become responsible to Her Majesty for the faithful performance, by their respective Bands of such obligations as should be assumed by them, the said Blackfeet, Blood, Piegan and Sarcee Indians have therefore acknowledged for that purpose, the several Head and Minor Chiefs, and the said Stony Indians, the Chiefs and Councillors who have subscribed hereto, that thereupon in open Council the said Commissioners received and acknowledged the Head and Minor Chiefs and the Chiefs and Councillors presented for the purpose aforesaid;

And whereas the said Commissioners have proceeded to negotiate a Treaty with the said Indians; and the same has been finally agreed upon and concluded as follows, that is to say: the Blackfeet, Blood, Piegan, Sarcee, Stony and other Indians inhabiting the District hereinafter more fully described and defined, do hereby cede, release, surrender, and yield up to the Government of Canada for Her Majesty the Queen and her successors for ever, all their rights, titles, and privileges whatsoever to the lands included within the following limits, that is to say:

Commencing at a point on the International Boundary due south of the western extremity of the Cypress Hills, thence west along the said boundary to the central range of the Rocky Mountains, or to the boundary of the Province of British Columbia, thence north-westerly along the said boundary to a point due west of the source of the main branch of the Red Deer River, thence south-westerly and southerly following on the boundaries of the Tracts ceded by the Treaties numbered six and four to the place of commencement;

And also all their rights, titles and privileges whatsoever, to all other lands wherever situated in the North-West Territories, or in any other portion of the Dominion of Canada:

To have and to hold the same to Her Majesty the Queen and her successors for ever:—



any of the Bands thereof, may expend the proportion due to such Band otherwise for their benefit.

Further, Her Majesty agrees that each Head Chief and Minor Chief, and each Chief and Councillor duly recognized as such, shall, once in every three years, during the term of their office, receive a suitable suit of clothing, and each Head Chief and Stony Chief, in recognition of the closing of the Treaty, a suitable medal and flag, and next year, or as soon as convenient, each Head Chief, and Minor Chief, and Stony Chief shall receive a Winchester rifle.

Further, Her Majesty agrees to pay the salary of such teachers to instruct the children of said Indians as to Her Government of Canada may seem advisable, when said Indians are settled on their Reserves and shall desire teachers.

Further, Her Majesty agrees to supply each Head and Minor Chief, and each Stony Chief, for the use of their Bands, ten axes, five handsaws, five augers, one grindstone, and the necessary files and whetstones.

And further, Her Majesty agrees that the said Indians shall be supplied as soon as convenient, after any Band shall make due application therefor, with the following cattle for raising stock, that is to say: for every family of five persons, and under, two cows; for every family of more than five persons, and less than ten persons, three cows; for every family of over ten persons, four cows; and every Head and Minor Chief, and every Stony Chief, for the use of their Bands, one bull; but if any Band desire to cultivate the soil as well as raise stock, each family of such Band shall receive one cow less than the above mentioned number, and in lieu thereof, when settled on their Reserves and prepared to break up the soil, two hoes, one spade, one scythe, and two hay forks, and for every three families, one plough and one harrow, and for each Band, enough potatoes, barley, oats, and wheat (if such seeds be suited for the locality of their Reserves) to plant the land actually broken up. All the aforesaid articles to be given, once for all, for the encouragement of the practice of agriculture among the Indians.

And the undersigned Blackfoot, Blood, Piegan and Sarcee Head Chiefs and Minor Chiefs, and Stony Chiefs and Councillors on their own behalf and on behalf of all other Indians inhabiting the Tract within ceded do hereby solemnly promise and engage to strictly observe this Treaty, and also to conduct and behave themselves as good and loyal subjects of Her Majesty the Queen. They promise and engage that they will, in all respects, obey and abide by the Law, that they will maintain peace and good order between each other and between themselves and other tribes of Indians, and between themselves and others of Her Majesty's subjects, whether Indians, Half Breeds or Whites, now inhabiting, or hereafter to inhabit, any part of the said ceded tract; and that they will not molest the person or property of any inhabitant of such ceded tract, or the property of Her Majesty the Queen, or interfere with or trouble any person, passing or travelling through the said tract or any part thereof, and that they will assist the officers of Her Majesty in bringing to justice and punishment any Indian offending against the stipulations of this Treaty, or infringing the laws in force in the country so ceded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF Her Majesty's said Commissioners, and the said Indian Head and Minor Chiefs, and Stony Chiefs and Councillors, have hereunto subscribed and set their hands, at the "Blackfoot Crossing" of the Bow River, the day and year herein first above written.

Signed by the Chiefs and Councillors within named in presence of the following witnesses, the same having been first explained by James Bird, Interpreter.

DAVID LAIRD, Lieutenant-Governor of North-West Territories, and Special Indian Commissioner.

A. G. IRVINE, Ass't. Com., N.W.M.P.	JAMES F. MACLEOD, Lieut.-Colonel, Com. N.W.M.P., and Special Indian Commis- sioner.	
J. McDOUGALL, Missionary.		
JEAN L' HEUREUX.		
W. WINDER, Inspector.	CHIPO-MEXICO, or Crowfoot,	his
T. N. F. CROZIER, Inspector.	Head Chief of the South Blackfeet.	x mark
E. DALRYMPLE CLARK, Lieut. & Adjutant N.W.M.P.	MATOSE-APIW, or Old Sun, Head Chief of the North Blackfeet.	his x mark
A. SHURTLIFF, Sub Inspector.	STAMISCOTOCAR, or Bull Head, Head Chief of the Sarcees.	his x mark
C. E. DENING, Sub Inspector.		
W. D. AUTROBUS, Sub Inspector.		
FRANK NORMAN, Staff Constable.		
MARY J. MACLEOD.		
JULIA WINDER.		
JULIA SHURTLIFF.		
E. HARDISTY.		
A. McDOUGALL.	MEKASTO, or Red Crow Head Chief of the South Bloods.	his x mark
E. A. BARRETT.		
CONSTANTINE SCOLLEN, Priest, witness to signatures of Stonixosak and those fol- lowing.	NATOSE-ONISTORS, or Medicine Calf	his x mark
CHARLES E. CONRAD.		
THOS. J. BOGG.		
	POKAPIW-OTOIAN, or Bad Head.	his x mark
	SOVENAH, or Rainy Chief, Head Chief of the North Bloods.	his x mark
	TAKOYE-STAMIX, or Fiend Bull.	his x mark
	AKKA-KITCIPIMIW-OTAS, or many spotted horses	his x mark
	ATTISTAH-MACAN, or Running Rabbit.	his x mark
	PITAH-PEKIS, or Eagle Rib.	his x mark
	SAKOYE-AOTAN, or Heavy Shield, Head Chief of the Middle Blackfeet.	his x mark
	ZOATZE-TAPITAPIW, or Setting on an Eagle Tail. Head Chief of the North Piegans.	his x mark
	AKKA-MAKKOYE, or Many Swans	his x mark
	APENAKO-SAPOP, or Morning Plume	his x mark



MAS-GWA-AH-SID, or Bear's Paw.	his x mark.	} Stony Chiefs.
CHE-NE-KA, or John,	his x mark.	
KI-CHI-PWOT, or Jacob,	his x mark.	
STAMIX-OSOK, or Bull Bacfat,	his x mark.	
EMITAH-APISKINNE, or White Striped Dog,	his x mark.	
MATAPI-KOMOTIWI, or the Captive or Stolen Person,	his x mark.	
APAWAWAKOSOW, or White Antelope,	his x mark.	
MAKOYE-KIN, or Wolf Collar,	his x mark.	
AYE-STIPIS-SIMAT, or Heavily Whipped,	his x mark.	
KISSOUM, or Day Light,	his x mark.	
PITAH-OTOCAN, or Eagle Head,	his x mark.	
APAW-STAMIX, or Wessel Ball,	his x mark.	
ONISTAH-POKAN, or White Calf,	his x mark.	
NETAH-KITEL-PI-MEW, or Only Spot,	his x mark.	
AKAK-OTOS, or Many Horses,	his x mark.	
STOKIMATIS, or The Drum,	his x mark.	
PITAH-ANNES, or Eagle Robe,	his x mark.	
PITAH-OTHIKIN, or Eagle Shoe,	his x mark.	
STAMIXO-TA-KA-PIW, or Bull Turn Round,	his x mark.	

MASTE-PITAH, or Crow Eagle,	his x mark.	} Stony Concillors
JAMES DIXON,	his x mark.	
ABRAHAM KECHPWOT,	his x mark.	
PATRICK KECHPWOT,	his x mark.	
GEORGE MOY-ANY-MEN,	his x mark.	
GEORGE CRAWLOB,	his x mark.	
EKAS-KINE, or Low Horn,	his x mark.	
KAYO-OKOSIS, or Bear Shield,	his x mark.	
PONOKAH-STAMIX, or Bull Elk,	his x mark.	
OMAKSI SAPOP, or Big Plume,	his x mark.	
ONISTAH, or Calf Robe,	his x mark.	
PITAH-SIKSINUM, or White Eagle,	his x mark.	
APAW-ONISTAW, or Weasel Calf,	his x mark.	
ATTISTA-HAES, or Rabbit Carrier,	his x mark.	
PITAH, or Eagle,	his x mark.	
PITAH-ONISTAH, or Eagle White Calf.	his x mark.	
KAYE-TAPO, or Going to Bear,	his x mark.	

We the members of the Blackfoot tribe of Indians having had explained to us the terms of the Treaty made and concluded at the Blackfoot Crossing of the Bow River, on the twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven;

Between Her Majesty the Queen, by Her Commissioners duly appointed to negotiate the said Treaty and the Blackfeet, Blood, Piegan, Sarcee, Stony and other

Indian inhabitants of the country within the limits defined in the said Treaty, but not having been present, at the Councils at which the articles of the said Treaty were agreed upon, do now hereby, for ourselves and the Bands which we represent, in consideration of the provisions of the said Treaty being extended to us and the Bands which we represent, transfer, surrender and relinquish to Her Majesty the Queen, Her heirs and successors, to and for the use of Her Government of the Dominion of Canada, all our right, title, and interest whatsoever which we and the said Bands which we represent have held or enjoyed of in and to the territory described and fully set out in the said Treaty, also, all our right, title, and interest whatsoever to all other lands wherever situated, whether within the limits of any other Treaty heretofore made or hereafter to be made with Indians, or elsewhere in Her Majesty's territories, to have and to hold the same unto and for the use of Her Majesty the Queen, Her heirs and successors forever;

And we hereby agree to accept the several benefits, payments, and Reserves promised to the Indians under the Chiefs adhering to the said Treaty at the Blackfoot Crossing of the Bow River, and we solemnly engage to abide by, carry out and fulfil all the stipulations, obligations and conditions therein contained on the part of the Chiefs and Indians therein named, to be observed and performed and in all things to conform to the articles of the said Treaty, as if we ourselves and the Bands which we represent had been originally contracting parties thereto and had been present at the Councils held at the Blackfoot Crossing of the Bow River, and had there attached our signatures to the said Treaty.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, James Farquharson MacLeod, C.M.G., one of Her Majesty's Commissioners appointed to negotiate the said Treaty, and the Chief of the Band, hereby giving their adhesion to the said Treaty, have hereunto subscribed and set their hands at Fort MacLeod, this fourth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

Signed by the parties hereto  
in the presence of the undersigned  
witnesses, the same having been  
explained to the Indians by the  
said James Farquharson MacLeod,  
one of the Commissioners appointed  
to negotiate the said Treaty,  
through the interpreter, Jerry  
Potts, in the presence of

JAMES F. MACLEOD, LIEUT.-COL.,  
*Special Indian Commissioner.*  
MEANXKISTOMACH, his  
or Three Bulls. x  
mark.

A. G. IRVINE,  
*Assistant Commissioner.*  
E. DALRYMPLÉ CLARK,  
*Lieutenant and Adjutant N.W.M.P.*  
CHARLES E. CONRAD,  
W. WINDER,  
*Inspector.*