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T. D. FORM 1.

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Time 1045 Feb 18 1893

From Ottawa Ont

To Asst Ind Comr

How many Cattle have moose woods and How much hay do they require annually

Stayler Reed

Ans by wire 20/2/93

Ans by wire 20/2/93

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86 heads of stock

will probably used. per annum

~~15~~ 188 tons hay

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2 1/2
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1420 Regina, 20th February, 1893.

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Memo for Commissioner.—

Re your message of 18th inst re Cattle and hay requirements - White Caps Reserve -

There are at present on hand — 86
which with Estd increase this Spring
of 30 calves will make a total of — 116

Inspectors report for 1892 gives the quantity of hay on hand and required as follows —

* 168 loads already stacked *
75 " more required
50 " old hay on hand
293 loads ~~[illegible]~~ = say, 180 tons for 74 head or say, 2½ tons per head

Typed

At this rate for 116 head there would be required next year ~~say~~ 290 tons.

The allowance of 2½ tons per head, including ~~[illegible]~~ Yearlings, would seem to be high —

Two tons should be a sufficient allowance which would call for 230 tons -

Of the 180 tons put up last summer 75 were secured under permit to cut on Jos lands.

for Commr

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SUPPLIES FOR INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.—*Continued.*

To be addressed to the Indian Commissioner and delivered in the Department Warehouse at Regina. The goods for each point of delivery to be packed separately, with the name of the school plainly shown on each package.

ARTICLES.	INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.				Quantity.	Date of Delivery.	Rate.	AMOUNT OF TENDER.
	Qu'Appelle	Battleford.	High River.	Regina.				
GIRLS' CLOTHING.								
Boots, laced.....prs.	100	100		80	280			
Braid.....yds.	150		100		250			
Brushes, hair.....each	24	24		10	58			
do tooth..... "		20		40	60			
Buttons, dress, ivory.....gross	10	6	3	8	27			
do do metal..... "	20	6	4	10	40			
Clouds.....each	24	75		60	159			
Combs, fine, metal.....each	60	36	24	50	170			
do dressing, metal..... "	12	50	22	25	109			
do round steel..... "	12		30		42			
Combination Suits..... "		100	22	80	202			
Corsets..... "	24	20			44			
Cotton sheeting, twilled.....yds.	100	400			500			
do bleached..... "	200				200			
do unbleached factory..... "					5650			
do blue check..... "					1650			
do dark do ..... "	1000				1000			
Counterpanes.....each						1st June, 1892.		
Drugget, checked.....yds.	1000	525	150	500	2175			
Duffle..... "								
Elastic, cotton, for garters..... "	100	300	36	40	476			
do do flat..... "		100		20	120			
Feather pillows.....each	12				12			
Gloves, cotton.....prs.		60			60			
Holland, brown.....yds.					625			
Hoods, woolen.....each	50	5	30	40	170			

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No. 1420

Regina, 20th February, 1893.

Memorandum for Commissioner.

Reference your message of the 18th Instant re cattle and hay requirements, White Cap's Reserve:

There are at present on hand ---------- 86

which with estimated increase this Spring of 30 calves will make a total of ---------- 116

Inspector's Report for 1892 gives the quantity of hay on hand and required as follows:-

168 loads already stacked,

75 " more required

50 " old hay on hand

---

293 loads, - say 180 tons for 74 head, or say 2 1/2 tons per head.

At this rate for 116 head there would be required next year 290 tons.

The allowance of 2 1/2 tons per head, including yearlings, would seem to be high.

Two tons should be a sufficient allowance, which would call for 230 tons.

Of the 180 tons put up last Summer, 75 were secured under permit to cut on Government lands.

L.A. Sapet

~~For Commissioner.~~

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MEMORANDUM

for information of the Commissioner.

re. Further Assistance:--

Mr. Tucker was told that it is not the intention to continue rationing the Moose Woods Sioux, that they are the only Sioux now receiving any assistance from the Government although at least as well able to support themselves as many others who do so.

re. Slates:--

Mr. Tucker asked for 18 new Slates without explanation. His Return to end of December last had been sent back for correction but S. Return for September quarter, showed 15 on hand, consequently he was asked for further explanation of requisition for 18 Slates.

His December Return since received, shows that he has yet 10 (some said to be broken), so a dozen have now been sent him.

re. Hay Lands:--

Mr. Tucker was told more than once that all possible effort to secure the Hay Lands he pronounced necessary was being made but on receipt of Department's letter No.60697, 5th September 1892 and enclosure, he was informed that "after due representation of

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His December Return since received, shows that he has yet 10 (some said to be broken), so a dozen have now been sent him.

re. Hay Lands:--

Mr. Tucker was told more than once that all possible effort to secure the Hay Lands he pronounced necessary was being made out on receipt of Department's letter No.80307, 5th September 1930 and enclosure, he was informed that "after due [illegible]

"of all the facts it has been finally decided not "to increase the size of the Reserve, any hay required "beyond that which can be got on the Reserve, will "therefore have to be obtained under cover of a permit.

He was authorised last year to take out permit for hay required.

Ait.

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Ottawa, February 24th, 1893.

My Dear Burgess,

Referring to the conversation had with the Minister about hay lands for the Moose Woods Sioux near Saskatoon, I find that we will in all probability require from 150 to 175 tons of hay from lands not included within the Reserve. Will you kindly have instructions sent that we are to be allowed a permit pending a decision as to the transfer of land for hay purposes.

Will you also instruct one of your officials to meet an appointee of mine to examine into the matter after snow goes

Yours very truly,

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,

Deputy Minister of Interior.

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Ottawa, 28th February, 1903.

Sir,

I am informed by the Indian Commissioner that in all probability the Department of Indian Affairs will require from 150 to 175 tons of hay from lands not included in the Moose Woods Sioux Reserve near Saskatoon. You are hereby authorized to issue a permit up to the quantity mentioned to the Indian Department on application.

You are further instructed to ask Mr. Cook, the Homestead Inspector, to hold himself in readiness to proceed to this point in company with an officer of the Indian Department whose name will be conveyed to you later to make an inspection of the hay lands in the vicinity and to make a report jointly or severally as the circumstances may call for, as to what it may be reasonable to do for the Indians without interfering with the necessities of the white settlers. When the officer of the Indian Department who is to accompany Mr. Cook has been named you will please try and arrange with the Indian Commissioner at Regina that the inspection shall take place at a time when Mr. Cook can be spared from his ordinary duties.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN R. HALL.

The Agent of Dominion Lands,

Prince Albert, N.W.T.

Secretary.

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Office of the
Commissioner of Indian Affairs
for Man. & the N. W. T.
REGINA, Sask., 6th, 1913.

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Sir,

By direction of the Commissioner I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 23rd January last and to inform you that as he was at Ottawa when it was received here, it was transmitted to him to that place and shown by him to the Supt. General who as you are doubtless aware is also Minister of the Interior, so that you will be spared the trouble of addressing yourself to the latter as you are good enough to threaten to do in the event of certain hay leases being refused the Moose Woods Indians.

This perhaps is all the better since another letter in the tone of that now acknowledged, could hardly fail to result in the severance of your connection with this Department.

The views of employees are always cordially received and all possible consideration afforded them but no attempt on the part of subordinates to dictate to the Department can for an instant be tolerated. You may be very sure the Commissioner is at least as much interested in the welfare of the Indians as you can possibly be, and in the way of responsibility has a good deal more at stake,

Yr. W. R. Tucker,
Moose Woods Reserve,
SASKATOON.

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stake, but he has a duty to perform for the Depart-ment with regard to public funds, and that is to see that none be expended on purchasing for Indians, even within our own Treaties, as the Moose Woods Sioux are not, anything they can be made to provide for themselves.

You were requested to tell the Indians that it was not the intention to continue rationing them. This was done with a view to make them exert themselves to be self maintaining as other Sioux in this country are, but it was not intimated that assistance would be abruptly and entirely cut off before they were in a position to provide for themselves, and as a matter of fact some flour and biscuits were sent.

As to hay lands, the Commissioner had made every effort to secure them and when you were told that the Reserve could not be enlarged, it was in consequence of the decision of the late Minister of the Interior.

Notwithstanding this the Commissioner when he went to Ottawa before receipt of your letter, had made a memorandum to secure matters to receive his personal attention there, of this hay lands matter, with a view to getting the adverse decision rescinded if possible and was in course of negotiating it when your letter reached him. He had already succeeded in securing a promise of a permit from the Department of Interior to cut if necessary up to 175 tons of hay, and the appointment of an officer to go into the whole question afresh with a representa-tive of his.

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From this you will doubtless be able to perceive that the terms in which you thought proper to couch your effusion were unnecessary as well as objectionable.

As to not getting the slates on your first requisi-tion it may be pointed out that there is an inaccuracy in your last reference to the quantity as a dozen. You asked for a dozen and a half, and if proper explan-tion had been given at first, they would have been sent. The fact that you broke slates when you went to school is noted, but that can hardly be regarded as a sufficient reason for supplying out of public funds a demand for slates, unaccompanied by proper explanation.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obediently,

for the Commissioner.

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Office of the
Commissioner of Indian Affairs
for Man. & the N. W. T.

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REGINA, Mch., 9th, 1893.

Sir,

With reference to letter from this office of 6th inst., it occurs to me that it may be well to give you more exact information than was therein conveyed with regard to what had been effected by me relative to securing hay and hay lands for the Moose Woods Indians.

The Department of Interior has instructed the Agent of Dominion Lands, Prince Albert, to issue Permits on application, up to the amount of 175 tons of hay to be cut from lands not included in the Reserve. He has been further instructed to request mR. Cook, the Homestead Inspector to hold himself in readiness to proceed to the spot in company with an Officer of the Indian Department whom I may appoint for the purpose, in order that a full investigation may be made into what the circumstances of the Indians really require and what can be reasonably done in the matter without interfering with the interests of white settlers.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

W. R. Tucker, Esq.,
Moose Wood Reserve,
SASKATOON.

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In your reply refer to
No.
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Moose Woods

May 10 1893.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE MAY 19 1893 N.W.T.

Ans'd Agt. Dom. Lands Prince Albert 19/5/93.

Dear Sir,

As the winter is past and spring well advanced I deem it my duty to draw your attention to this hay business

You informed me some time that you were going to secure a hay permit. But the chances are a permit will be of no use to us as it will give us no protection from people pasturing their cattle on the meadow. There is another rancher coming this week from Bright Water Lake 10 miles from here where he puts up hay to winter his stock. The reason he is leaving there is that this is a good pasture and the Black Leg disease is among the cattle on Brt Wtr. I will give you here on the margin a rough diagram of this valley and you will see how we are situated and the fix we are in.

Now if we get hayland as part of the reserve people will make an effort to keep their cattle off it and that is all we want. We dont want to take advantage of any person. for if we did. we have had a good chance to this winter. as we helped to keep about 400 head of cattle besides our own from starving. and I have been talking to quite a few people this spring about Indians hay land. and they all agree that the Indians should have as much hay as they are able to make. for as they say a ranch dont



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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office,

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Sir, dont know what may happen his hay in the fall it may get burnt or he may not have enough and be very glad to drive his cattle here to winter them I have been advised to get up a petition asking the Minister of Interior for all the hay land here which is not over two sections and I have no doubt but 9/10 of the settlers in the Temprance Colony would sign it in fact I know of no person who would refuse except Mr Ferguson who is nothing but a trespasser and has no claim here and is a bad man even after we sold him hay at $4 per ton to feed his 90 head of stock 5 weeks he deliberately made a road through the snow to the last piece of a stack we had and drove his cattle to it and fed them there as long as it lasted and we could do nothing as it was not on the reserve

I may explain the reason we had so much hay to spare was that we could not get good hay to cut but had to cut a certain kind of grass that the cattle did not like and therfor it lastes a long time as it was only hungry that made them eat it then we had a lot of old hay and I had 25 tons that I bought two years ago thinking we would not have enough to winter our cattle that winter but this winter has cleaned up everything

The Indians are asking me every little while when they are going to get the land you promised them

Inside no promises

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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office,

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Sir, them. They think it must take a long while to settle it as it is two years since you promised them it.
The dont doubt for a minute but what they will get it. and I have told them nothing to the contrairis as I dont know what would be the consequences
Hoping the inspector or surveyor will be along soon and settle this business for good

Your Obedient
Servant
J R Tucker

Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.T.

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May 14th, 93

Sir,

I beg to refer to a letter which I was advised had been sent to you by your Department on 28th February last relative to hay lands required for the Moose Wood Sioux Indians, and to inform you that I expect one of our Surveyors here before the end of the month and would like to have the joint investigation made at the earliest date possible after his arrival, because the matter is regarded as one of vital importance.

I have therefore to request you to be kind enough to state whether the Homestead Inspector, who appears to have been selected to represent your Department in the investigation, can attend to it at the time indicated, or if not the earliest date thereafter at which he can do so

I trust in the meantime you can see your way to withholding permits to cut upon the hay lands in the vicinity of the Reserves pending settlement of the question.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Agent of

Dominion Lands,

PRINCE ALBERT.

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May 19th, 9?

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 10th, and will do all possible to have the question of hay lands settled without evitable delay.

With regard, however, to what you say about Indians making enquiries relative to hay lands which I promised them, I beg to point out that I never made any further promise in the matter than I do now, namely to do my best in their interests.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

HTR

Commissioner.

Mr. W. R. Tucker,

Moose Woods Reserve,

SASKATOON.

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In your reply please refer to No. 8110

Department of the Interior,
Dominion Lands Office,
Prince Albert 22 May 1893.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 19th instant, No 1420, asking when our Homestead Inspector can attend, jointly with an officer of your Department, to the investigation relative to hay lands in the vicinity of the Moose Wood Sioux Reserve, and to inform you that our officer will be ready at any time on a few days notice.

As to the issue of hay permits in the vicinity of the Reserve in question I have to inform you that, that part of the country being outside of this District, I have nothing to do with the issuing of permits there

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina
Assa.

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

Jno. McTaggart
Agent of Dominion Lands.

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Domin. Lands Agt.
Prince Albert.

Surveyor Ponton will meet your officer Tuesday 20th inst. at Saskatoon to visit Moose Woods re hay lands.

A.P.

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Mr W. R. Tucker.
Moose Woods.
Saskatoon.
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July 13th, 3

Sir,

I beg to inform you that pending the result of an enquiry ordered by the Minister of the Interior, the Agent at Prince Albert was instructed to issue permit to us to cut 175 tons of hay in the vicinity of the Moose Woods Sioux Reserve. Since however I am informed that that district is now under your jurisdiction I have to request you to be kind enough to send me permit to cut the quantity mentioned on Secs.19, 30 and 31, Tp.38, R.5 W 3rd I. M.

I have moreover to request you to be kind enough pending further instructions from the Dominion Lands Commissioner to whom I am now writing on the subject, to withhold from entry and to refuse all other applications to cut hay upon the sections mentioned.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

HR

Commissioner.

Agent

Dominion Lands,

REGINA.

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July 13th, 3

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be kind enough to instruct your local Agent to withdraw from entry and to refrain from giving permits to anyone to cut hay upon Sections 19, 30 and 31, Tp.33, R.5 W 3rd I. M. required for the use of the Moose Woods Sioux Indians.

No doubt is entertained that upon the joint report of Mr. Homestead Inspector Cook and our Surveyor Mr. Ponton, who have just visited the Reserve for the purpose of investigating the necessity for reserving hay lands, the sections mentioned will be added to the Reserve by the Minister of the Interior who ordered the investigation and promised to reserve what might be shown to be really necessary, and I have therefore no hesitation in request -ing to have them held pending the decision of the Department.

Your Department authorized their Agent at Prince Albert to issue in the meantime a permit to us on applica -tion to cut 175 tons of hay in the neighborhood, but as I understand the matter now comes under jurisdiction of the Agent at Regina, I have applied to him for a permit,

and

Commissioner of
Dominion Lands,
WINNIPEG.

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and requested him to withhold lands from entry and other permits to cut on them, pending instructions from you, because it is of vital importance to the Indians to get the key.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Commissioner.

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July 13th, 3

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to that part of your
101576 letter of 2nd ultimo, which speaks of sending Mr. Ponton to accompany an Officer of the Department of the Interior to enquire into the necessity for reserving hay lands for the use of the Moose Woods Sioux Indians, and making a selection if necessary, and to transmit herewith copy of report made by Mr. Ponton, and of letter addressed by Mr. Homestead Inspector Cook to the Commissioner for Dominion Lands, therein referred to, together with a sketch illustrative of Mr. Cook's report.

With reference to Department's remark that the Department of Interior had refused to increase the size of the Reserve, I beg to explain that the question was re-opened on the occasion of my last visit to Ottawa, and the Minister of the Interior promised that if shown to be necessary hay lands would be reserved.

Since the matter is one of the greatest importance, I will be glad if the Department will press to a con-clusion the addition to the Reserve of Sections 19, 30 and 31, Tp.33, R.5 W 3rd I. M. against the giving of which

To the Deputy of the
Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs,
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which Mr. Homestead Inspector Cook says he has nothing to urge, and which are now thought to be the best to apply for in the interests of Indians and settlers alike.

I have asked the Dominion Lands Commissioner to have these lands reserved pending a settlement of the matter.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

HRL

Commissioner.

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F.J.E.

Copy to Dept. Lands Comm. & Reg. Lands aft written to 13/7/93.

13th July, 1893.

Sir:-

I have the honour to submit for your information a draft of a letter addressed by Homestead Inspector Cook of Prince Albert Land Office to Commissioner Smith of Dominion Lands, with reference to the application of the Sioux Band of Indians residing at Moose Woods, for hay lands in the vicinity of their Reserve.

Mr. Cook puts the matter very clearly, and as my views are quite in accordance with his , I need not go over the same ground.

I would draw attention to the immediate necessity of securing hay lands for this Band, either the sections recommended by Mr. Cook or elsewhere; otherwise they must dispose of their fine herd of cattle and wander to the towns to seek work. Their Reserve of some 1500 acres is composed of land worthless for agriculture, and far too limited in extent in any case to support ten families and pasture 120 head of cattle and 50 ponies.

~~Care~~ Since

The Indian Commissioner,

For Man. & the N. W. T.,

Regina,

Assa.

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Since owing to the nature of the lands by which the Reserve is surrounded, no settlement is likely to approach its immediate neighbourhood, there will be no danger of interfering with the interests of future settlement, through granting the application for hay lands.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Assistant Surveyor.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

1420

Ottawa. 18th July 1893

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Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th inst. with enclosures in further reference to the matter of the land which this Department is desirous of obtaining from the Department of the Interior for hay purposes for the Moose Wood Sioux Indians; and in reply I have to inform you that the Department of the Interior has been furnished with copies of your letter and its enclosures

The Ind. Commissioner
for Man & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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enclosures and requested to advise this Department whether in view of the facts set forth in the documents sent them the sections referred to in Mr Coots letter can be added to their Reserve.

In future when transmitting sketches made by the blue print process you will be good enough to forward them in duplicate

I am obedient Servant
D Lawson Jones
Deputy of the Supt Genl
of Indn Affairs

Mr Fraser
of the Land
office tells me
that they have orders
to reserve the Land
in question

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Sir

Saskatoon
8th July 1893

In compliance with your instructions I have the honor to report having visited the Sioux Reserve at Moose woods in Tp. 33 Range 6 West 3rd in company with Mr. Poulton of the Indian Department, and as the instructions given me are of a rather indefinite nature as to what is really required I feel that I had better make a general report on the whole situation:

The present reserve contains about 1500 acres of cold low bottom land, the soil is a brown washed out clay and grain crops have been a total failure as might have been expected, and the Reserve and surrounding country is of no value except for the coarsest grazing purposes.

The Indians have now given up trying to raise grain and are going into stock and have about 120 head of Cattle & 50 ponies for which they will require this year about 300 tons of hay, and as very little of it can be obtained on the Reserve they are applying to get the Reserve enlarged so as to take in sufficient hay and grazing lands to meet the requirements for the present, and have asked for Sections 19. 30 & 31 Tp. 33 Rge. 5 W 3rd and I see no reason why their request should not be granted. I have known these Indians since 1880 and am surprised and more than pleased to see the rapid strides they are making towards civilization and self

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self-support; and I feel that they are deserving of every encouragement so long as it does not interfere with the interests of other settlers.

anxiously

The whole difficulty with the existing state of affairs appears to be this: the Indians have to depend almost entirely on hay obtained outside of the reserve limits for their winter fodder, and any white settlers could at any time get a permit to cover the only hay lands in the vicinity Viz: 19. 20. 30. 31 2p. 33 Rge. 5 W and N.E. 24 and E ½ 25, 2p. 33 Rge. 6 W 3rd and the Indians would either have to buy the hay at exorbitant rates or move off to other quarters, again the White settlers could turn his cattle into the hay swamps and destroy the hay, which is being done to a certain extent at the present moment.

There is only one settler at present in this locality whose interests could in anyway be effected by any alterations in the Reserve; a Mrs McCullum located on S½ 36 33 6 W 3rd and by extending the Reserve lines to take in Sections 19, 30 & 31 she would be fenced in on two sides by the Reserve and on the West by the River, and the only exit her cattle would have would be to the South — There is also a squatter on Sec. 25 named Malcolm Ferguson with a band of 85 head of cattle, but as he has no landed interest and can move at any time his interests should not be considered. I had a talk with him on the proposed extension of the Reserve and asked him how it would

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would effect him, he said that he would still be able to get hay enough, but that he would eventually have to move as it would be impossible to keep his cattle off the Reserve.

I do not agree with him in this because he could quite easily drive his cattle up the River a few miles for summer pasture and save the hay for winter use and not destroy is as he is at present doing by allowing his Cattle to run through it.

The hay crop in this country varies with the seasons and it is impossible to give a Correct estimate of the Amount of hay that Could be cut on the above mentioned sections (19. 20. 30 & 31 — 33. 5 W 3 & ½. E 24 & E 25 - 33. 6 W 3rd) even this year until it is time to cut, for instance there is a very fine strip of hay extending across the E½ 25 that would cut about 300 tons if it dries out in time, but it is very doubtful if it will, and if not but a few tons can be cut; last year I am told it was quite dry.

I would judge that the following quantities of hay could be cut this season on the sections asked for by the Indian Department - 19 - 125 tons - 30, 70 tons - 31, 40 tons, these sections are of no Value excepting for the hay and grazing purposes,

I would beg to respectfully recommend that in the event of the Reserve being enlarged at once, that Mrs McCallum be given the prior right to a permit to cut what hay she requires on ½ E ¼ 24 33. 6 W 3rd and that she be written to to this effect, because heretofore she has obtained her subsidy of hay from Dec. 31 I have re

(Sgd) C.S. Cook

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[illegible] July, 1893.

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Sir:-

I have the honour to submit for your information a draft of a letter addressed by Homestead Inspector Cook of Prince Albert Land Office to Commissioner Smith of Dominion Lands, with reference to the application of the Sioux Band of Indians residing at Moose Woods, for hay lands in the vicinity of their Reserve.

Mr. Cook puts the matter very clearly, and as my views are quite in accordance with his , I need not go over the same ground.

I would draw attention to the immediate necessity of securing hay lands for this Band, either the sections recommended by Mr. Cook or elsewhere; otherwise they must dispose of their fine herd of cattle and wander to the towns to seek work. Their Reserve of some 1500 acres is composed of land worthless for agriculture, and far too limited in extent in any case to support ten families and pasture 120 head of cattle and 50 ponies.

~~Care~~ since

The Commr has arranged this with the Minister

The Indian Commissioner,

For Man. & the N. W. T.,

Regina,

Assa.

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Since owing to the nature of the lands by which the Reserve is surrounded, no settlement is likely to approach its immediate neighbourhood, there will be no danger of interfering with the interests of future settlement, through granting the application for hay lands.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Assistant Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
N.W.T.

Ottawa, February 3rd, 1894.

Ref 1483

Sir,

Tucker 10/2/94

1420

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo, and in reply to inform you that by Order-in-Council dated 21st October last, Sections 19, 30, and 31, in Tp 33, R. 5, West of the 3rd Principal Meridian, were reserved from sale and settlement, and added to the Moose Woods Sioux Indian Reserve.

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It is regretted that the necessity for advising your office of the foregoing was inadvertently overlooked at the time.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Deputy of the Sup't General
of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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Regina
12/2/94

Sir/

Referring to my letter of the 27th ulto. I beg to advise you that I am informed by the Dept. that by Order-in-Council dated 21st October last. Sections 19, 30 and 31 in Tp. 33, R.5, West of the 3rd Principal Meridian were reserved from sale & settlement and added to the Moose Woods Sioux Ind. Reserve

M. W. R. Tucker
Saskatoon

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Indian Office Manitoba

24th Feb. 1873.

Sir

In reply to your telegram of the 22nd Inst. asking for a "report showing obligations to "be yet fulfilled under Agreements "and additional to Annuities" I have the honor to inform You that this Vexed Question is the foundation of what little trouble we have had with the Indians at the times of their payment, and of that which may be yet to come. The circumstance of the case are these. When Treaty No 1 was in process of negotiation

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negotiation the Spokesmen of
the several Indian Bands
Enumerated the gifts and
Benevolences which they required
from Her Majestys Representatives
in return for the surrender of the
Indian Country. Some of these
were accorded; some refused,
but in the natural desire to
conclude the Treaty, His Excellency
the then Lieutenant Governor
and Mr Commissioner Simpson
assented; as it afterwards proved,
too hastily; that their destructions
and decisions were understood
and accepted by the Indians.
Amongst the several Speakers

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on the part of the Commission
who a Clergyman who had been
for many years in pastoral
charge of the St Peters Reserve,
and this gentleman supplemented
the articles enumerated by the
Indians by mentioning others which
the Lieutenant Governor, he said,
had authorized him to say they
were to receive. Though immediately
interrupted by Mr Commissioner
Simpson, the words had been
spoken, and at that juncture of
affairs it would have been
difficult and probably inexpedient
to entirely disallow them. So
the Treaty was signed, the
Commissioners

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Commissioner meaning
one thing, the Indians meaning
another. The proceedings were
over but a short time before
it became evident that there was
some misunderstanding, and
with the view of setting the
matter at rest; at least as
far as regarded one side;
His Excellency the Hon Lieutenant
Governor asked Mr Commissioner
Simpson, the Hon. James
McKay and myself, as the
persons knowing best the circumstances
and details of the matter to
join with him in signing a
list of Articles, which we severally

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and collectively understood to be the things promised to the Indians, but not mentioned in the Treaty. Some little discussion took place about this but it was eventually signed and, I believe, forwarded to Ottawa, with the Treaty, in October 1871.

This document was attached to the original of Treaty No(1).

This list expressed our understanding of the matter, but it by no means covered the understanding or expectations of the Indians, and from that time to the present we have not visited any band, parties to that Treaty, without the untrustworthy nature

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nature of the Commissioner's
and Governor's promises being
thrown in our teeth.

You will perhaps remember
that in the Summer of 1871.
the Pembina Bands refused
to receive their first annuity
without the fulfelment of the
promises they alleged had been
made to them, and we were
obliged to return leaving them
unpaid and discontented.
In the Summer of 1872 the
Portage Band refused to
receive their annuity, and we
returned leaving them in
the same Condition, and it
was merely a fortunate
circumstance

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circumstance, that I induced them later in the season to accept their annuity and leave the settlement of the questions in debate until the Government at Ottawa could be induced to deal with the subject

The Indians of St. Peters Reserve also, were loud in their complaints, and, as I informed you in a former letter, kept me for six hours in discussion with their Chiefs and Spokesmen before they could be pacified and persuaded to accept their annuity.

There

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There is no difference of
sentiment amongst them
in this point; however remote
they may be from one
another, their demands and
assertions are alike; in
every case the cry has been
the same and there is
not a shadow of a doubt
that when they left the
Grand Council at the Stone
Fort, they were firmly
impressed with the idea
that the demands which they
had made had been, with
few exceptions, granted by
the Queens representatives.

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I am not aware whether
or not Mr. Archibald was
a Joint Commissioner with
Mr Simpson, but he was the
central figure at the Council
table and the Indians
attached as much weight
to his utterances as to those
of Mr Commissioner Simpson.
In after times they constantly
visited him on the subject of
the Treaty. It is necessary
to know this to understand
some of the conflicting accounts
that are given by the Indians
themselves. For instance the
Pembena Bands based
their

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their expectation of a complete
settlement of the matter in 1871
on their understanding of a
conversation with Mr Archibald.
When we visited them in the
Fall of that year, they asserted
that they had been told by
the Lieutenant Governor to go
back to their Reserve - Rosean
River - and that when the
Commissioner visited them to
pay them he would satisfy them
as to the articles they asked for.
Mr Simpson made them
repeat this assertion and took
it down in writing signed by
the Revd Mr. Cochrane, himself
an Indian, who acted as interpreter,

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for he denied having given any authority for such a promise The Indians however thought that what the Lieutenant Governor had said was as binding as the word of the Commissioner and so they became sulky and unmanagable

The following is a copy of an unsigned list in Mr Archebald's handwriting and is a nearly correct enumeration of what we have always called "the outside Promises'

" Memorandum of things
" outside of the Treaty which
" were promised at the Treaty

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"at the Lower Fort signed the 3rd
"day of August A.D. 1871.
" For each Chief that signed the
"Treaty a dress distinguishing him
"as Chief
" For two Braves and two Councillors
"for each Chief a dress; it being
" supposed that the Braves and
" Councillors will be two for each
" Chief
" For each Chief - Except Yellow Quill -
"a Buggy
" For the Braves and Councillors of
"Each Chief except Yellow Quill a
" Buggy
" In Lieu of a Yoke of Oxen for
" each Reserve, a Bull for
" each, and a Cow for each Chief
" A Boar for each Reserve and
" a Cow for each Chief
" A Plough and Harrow for
Each

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"each person cultivating the
"ground.
"The animals and their
"proceeds to be government
"property but to be allowed
"for the use of the Indians
"under the superintendence
"and control of the Indian
"Commissioner.
"The Buggies to be the Individual
"property of the Indians".

There was another promise - a promise the Indians never omit to mention - that they should be supplied with a male and female of each animal used by a Farmer.

Supply them to each Chief A.P.C.

And this appears in another fragment

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fragment of a Memorandum, also in Mr. Archibalds handwriting. Besides these promises which unfortunately we read in one way and the Indians in another, and to which I will again refer is the question of Reservations and Schools. They say it was promised them that their Reserves should be laid out at once — Carry out the supposed pecuniary so I believe it was. They refer to the promise mentioned in the Treaty that a school should be maintained on each Reserve — the school contained will be the means when the Indians are ready for the scholars forthcoming

A Grant of $200 a year is made to the School at St Peters & others will be made as applied for

The Secy of State has some [illegible] Offr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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ready for it. My report to Mr Commissioner Simpson, of 15th September last, pressed this subject on his attention, and in his letter to the Department, of 21st September you will observe that he asks for certain authority to be given that the matter may be set at rest. Failing the Government School on the St Peters Reserve + the Indians were assessed for the money to pay for the Schoolmaster &c and regarding this as a tax imposed by the Government which they were bound to pay they made

+ The Sch is probably first Eng 1873 and if it was in Sch 1872 - the Sch was in 1 Sch 1872 - [illegible] from [illegible] letter

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made grevious complaint of the non-fulfilment of the Treaty promeses. They have since learnt that it was a Parish assessment, not a Government tax and the Clergyman of the Reserve, who has more than once asked for relief in this matter, tells me that the Indians will not pay anything towards the School till the government have fulfilled the undertaking contained in the Treaty. There are two Schools on this Reservation and the method in which I proposed to deal with the matter — the government being bound to maintain only

Aid to one School on each Rem can be claimed under the Treaty

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only one School [illegible] was submitted
for the Department by Mr Commissioner
Simpson on the 21st September
1872. The same letter
opened the Question of a
School for the Fort Alexander
Band, and one for Fairford.
I do not think that any
other Bands are yet prepared
to make use of a School, but
of this I shall be more certain
after my Tour of visits for
payments in the Summer.
To refer once more to the
alleged Promises.
The Indians claim that each
head of a family was to
receive, as he settled down on
his

Three Schools authorized

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his share of the Reserve, a
male and female of all
animals used by Farmers (Yes N.C.)
(Horses I think were specially
exempted during the discussion
about the Buggies). They
claim a N.C. Plough and a Yes
N.C. Harrow, a 2 N.C. spade, an N.C. axe,
and a 2 Hoe for each head of family
a Yoke N.C. of oxen with N.C. Yoke and
chain. A Farmer to teach
them to cultivate the land, (Yes if it can be arrived)
and a Blacksmith and Carpenter (Yes if it can be)
to assist them in Building &c
Seed Yes wheat and implements
to cut Yes their crops; and other
matters
Clothing for themselves and their
families (as far as understood to be promised Yes N.C.)

A Chy of N.C. [illegible] to the [illegible] with exception [illegible] by [illegible] as to promises made

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and food when they require it
in the winter.

As most, if not all, of these
things were spoken of during
the negotiations of the Treaty, and
as the Indians never understood
the use of assent and dissent of
the Commissioners, the latter
has given, in those cases where
he deemed it expedient, such
articles as he thought would really
benefit the Indians.

On the 6th of September last I
received a large deputation
from the Pembina Bands, and
I send a Memt. of their wants
and [my] the substance of replies! I send herein
copy of it as it may afford
you some light on this question
the

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the speedy settlement of which is so desirable.

Copy

Sept 6. Indian Office

Keweelayash, Nanawananan, Wahiowush and others. Atkinson interpreting

Demand	Reply
1 Ploughs & Harrows –	Perhaps more may be given when the Government are satisfied that those already given are used as intended
2. A Farmer.	Some one will be employed to show them how to plough. (Mr. Told Atkinson to devote one week to this end, in the spring.)
3. Schoolmaster.	Will be sent when Reserve is ready for him
4 Dresses for children	– Cant say anything at present [illegible] when children are at school perhaps Government may allow me to do something
5. Copy of Treaty	Shall be sent

Approved A.C.

Approved A.C.

Approved A.C.

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Do what [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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Demand	Reply
6 Wood cut on Reserve Cart Spring.	Will see Lieuts Govt about it
7 Pigs. Sheep. Hens.	Pigs – Yes. Sheep. No, because of [illegible] – Hens – Yes when I see where they are going to keep them.
8 Another Yoke of Oxen.	Only one promised can [illegible] all the work they [illegible] present [illegible]
9. Sick men.	Must take care of their own [illegible] Say [illegible]
10 Houses	Never promised A.C.
11 Store at Riviere Marais	No. Never promised useless. A.C.
12. Hay for Oxen.	Must cut their own Hay A.C.
13. Locations for 30 Families	Shall be attended to A.C.
14 Using wool of Sheep	– Nonsense A.C.
15. Yoke for Oxen	Yes. Yoke by and get them [illegible]

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16. Kewaytayash's Brother will unite
in law being moved from to Government
American Band

17 Reaper Give them not necessary for
Scythes or
Cradles places
A.C.

18 Surveyor To be sent as soon
A.C. as commissioner returns

You will observe in this that there
are several matters not spoken
of in the Treaty, or mentioned in
the outside promises. It would
be a long and tedious story
to show the expressions which
led to such and such a demand
and to explain the why and
wherefore of each misunderstanding.
It has been palpable from the
first that the present on

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unsatisfactory state of the
relationship was inevitable, and
Mr Commissioner Simpson though
always seeking to tide over any
difficulty in the hopes that time
would excuse its usual influence
in such cases, has always expressed
his regret at having allowed the
signing of the first Treaty to be
rushed as it was, when as
subsequent events have shown
it was so necessary to have a
perfect understanding. The full
demands of the Indians can not
of course be complied with but
there is nevertheless a certain
paradox in asking a wild Indian
who has hitherto gained his
livelyhood

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livelyhood by hunting and
trapping to settle down on a
Reservation and cultivate the
land without at the same time
offering him some means of....
making his living. As they
say themselves "we can not
tear down trees and build
huts with our teeth; we cannot
break the Prairie with our hands
nor reap the harvest when
we have grown it with our knives".
The Indian can of course be dealt
with on the basis "$3 a head
and continue hunting and fishing
till you die or are civilized off
west", or he can be induced
to settle on his Reserve and add
to the working portion of the population

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In the former case all the promises real and alleged could be commuted for a sum of money down, and the Indians would gradually disappear from here to reappear in diminished numbers further West; but taking the latter view as the more desirable one the necessity of helping the Indians rather with what he really requires than with what he thinks he wants seems to me to be beyond a doubt. And it must be remembered that there is a wide difference between one Band of Indians and another The Portage Indians are

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hunters living in Skin lodges
on the Prairies; the St Peters
Indians live either in houses or
in Canoes and Birch Bark
Wigwams. And even on
this Reserve there is a
difference of sentiments and
custom between the Saulteaux
and the Swampies, and
therefore no inflexible rule
will serve to overcome the
little difficulty that has
wound itself round the
Indian Question.
I would venture to suggest
that the first thing to be done
to be immediate Survey
of the Reserves; that

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only deferring the order time
but laying off a sufficient number
of quarter sections (as per Treaty)
in order that some families may
settle down at once. You will
observe that the deputation from
Pembina told me of 30 families
(they gave me the names of 84) who
desired to take up their locations
at once. The most ample power
and authority should be given to
myself or whoever may be, in the
opinion of the government, to appoint
officers to prevent the cutting of
wood on the Indian Reserves.
Tools and farming implements
might be given or lent to them
according to the nature of the
article and circumstance of the
case

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I believe I would supply these
to the Band and make the
Chief and Councillors responsible
for them. That is, not responsible
in the sense in which we use the
word, but in a manner answerable
for their safe keeping
The animals promised must
of course be given. The question
for decision is "To whom were
the animals promised?
The four persons opened to
named a limited number
of Indians; the Indians
say the animals were promised
to every head of a family as he
settled down on the Reserve
It is but common honesty to say
that although this was not promised
the things which were promised
and

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and those which were refused,
mentioned as they were by three
apparent authorities and spoken
of in no regular annunciation,
were so mixed up that it is
little wonder if even the four
persons most likely to know the
exact state of the case could
hardly agree in the precise
detenation when that was
attempted to be made within
a month after the Treaty; and
not at all surprising that
the Indians believe their
demands were complied with
at the time, and that are
are now trying to shuffle
out of our obligations.
It is not necessary to give all

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these things at once; I certainly would not recommend it. But I should be in his position to tell the Indians exactly what they will have, in addition to what they have received, and when they will have it. And there can be no better criterion as to when to give them than the demand of the Indian and the approval of the Agent. It is useless giving a pair of animals to A. who has neither place to put them in nor food to keep them through the winter, when it may be proper to give them to B who has both. In the same way with tools or implements; Schoolmasters,

If there is use his discretion to time A.C.

use his discretion A.C.

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and indeed most of the articles they claim. By dealing in a liberal yet careful manner we may convert those who are now a nuisance and a danger into a population of peaceful and in their own way useful members of the Community

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Molyneux St. John
Indian Agent.

W. Spragge Esq
D.S.I.A
Ottawa.

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For original see Treaty No 1.
M.L.D.

24/9/74.

Memorandum of things omitted in the Treaty which were promised at the Treaty at the Lower Fort signed the 3d. day of August A.D. 1871.

For each chief that signed the Treaty a dress distinguishing him as Chief.

For Braves and for Councillors of each Chief a dress. It being supposed that the Braves and councillors will be two for each chief.

For each chief except Yellow-quill a Buggy. For the Braves and Councillors of each chief except yellow-quill, a Buggy.

In lieu of a yoke of oxen for each reserve, a Bull for each, and a cow for each chief, a Boar for each Reserve and a sow for each chief, and a male and female of each kind of animal raised by farmers, these when the Indians are prepared to receive them.

A plough and a Harrow for each settler cultivating the ground.

These animals and their issue to be Government property but to be allowed for the use of the Indians, under the superintendence and control of the Indian Commissioner.

The Buggies to be the property of the Indians to whom they are given.

The above contains our understanding of the Terms concluded with the Indians

(Sgd) Kenneth Mr. Simpson
(") Molyneux St. John
(") A. G. Archibald
(") Jas. McKay

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OTTAWA NOV 3 1874

September 30 11½ 1874

To his Honor

Sir

I am very Glad to
hear that your honor arrived again
so his all your men and Chiefs. but
another thing we are glad your honor came
about the treaty we made. they dont
follow the agreement at all. it is not
for three dollars a head. that I would
have sold my land. I dindt sold niether
signed the treaty. before they had promised
me what I asked. but now they
dont even give us enough to eat. I never
sold my land only at Stone fort. and
Now we all the Chiefs want our rights
of the treaty. When we made the treaty
we took three reserves one at portage la prairie
the other at la Riviere au mort down
the Indian Settlement and the other one
at la Riviere au Marais were we are
now When we telled our ~~rese~~ land go

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we dindt want any white men to come and take our reserves. about Railroad that they are making it is passing right on my reserve and I want to be paid for the ground that they are taking. The ground his my own. When we made the treaty at Stone fort with his honor the Lieutenant Governer Archibald and mister Simson the Indian Commissioner. We were promised iff they were to take any of our land on the ~~reserve~~ reserve they were to give us has much and beside pay us for the land they were taking. We were promised tax suit of clothes a year one light one for the summer and another for winter and for women the same but we dont get nothing. We are naked we can scarcely get anything to eat. Also we were promised to get houses build for us but we dont see nothing of that. Now we ask your honor

to give us what ~~you~~ they have promised us — to give us something this fall of clothing and to eat. I was promised while they were a son on heaven that I was to get what I asked. That is all

I remain your honor
your must humble obedient
servants

Kee-we-ta-yash. C

"Wa-na-wan-na-nang- C

"Wa-quse. Chief

Answered by Entrance
Octobr 1, 74

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By Telegram

Mr Syrneau St John Esq
Indian Office
Fort Garry Manitoba

Ottawa 31.5
March 1873

The Recommendations in your Communication of twenty fourth February will be complied with. — Ascertain what further Farming Stock must be purchased and telegraph estimated cost.

Ascertain descriptions and quantities of other things specified by you, still required and telegraphing estimated cost — Send details by Letter and stating what should first be forwarded

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Articles stipulated by Mr Simpson to be given to the Indians of Manitoba and North West under Treaties Nos 1 & 2 --

Under Treaties Nos 1 & 2

$15.00 to Each family of 5 persons or in that proportion in Blankets, Clothing, prints (assorted Colors) Twine or Traps at Montreal Cash prices or the whole in Cash as may seem to Her Majesty best.

As Each Indian settled down on his share of the Reserve and Commenced the Cultivation of his land he was to receive a Plough and a Harrow, Each Chief was to receive a Cow, and a Male & female of the smaller kinds of animals bred upon a farm. There was to be a Bull for the general use of each Reserve

In addition to this Each Chief was to

Extracted from Mr Simpson's Lett. 23 Nov 1881

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to receive a dress, a flag and a medal as marks of distinction, and each Chief with the exception of Oozawequon, the Chief of the Portage Band, was to receive a Buggy or light Spring Waggon.

Two Councillors and two Braves of each Band were to receive a Dress somewhat inferior to that provided for the Chiefs and the Braves and Councillors of the Portage Band excepted were to receive a Buggy

Every Indian was to receive a gratuity of $3.00 which though given as a payment for good behaviour was to be understood to cover all demands for the past

In his requisition for Waggons - Clothing &c Mr Simpsons describes the principal men who were to receive additional presents as Chiefs & Councillors His requisition has been complied with in full

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The recommendations
contained in your
letter of — — —
will be complied with
by me. Let me know
by telegraph what
things and in what
quantities I should first
have forwarded to
you - Let me know
also what passing Work
you think necessary

to undertake at present
what the cost will be
by letter -

W. Cumming Powell Esq
Supt Gen'l Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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OTTAWA NOV 3 1874

Report of an Interview between the Honorable the Minister of the Interior, and certain Indians residing on the Reserve at Rosseau River, at Winnipeg. Oct 1st. 1874.

Rat Bone said, I am not going to say very much just now, only to lodge a few complaints. I am very glad to have met you, and have something very important to say. I want to speak about the Treaty. It has not been fulfilled by the parties who made it with them. What is stated in the letter you received yesterday one fools. Of all the promises that were made we only received the $3.00 per head. We never would have made the Treaty if it was not for the promises that were made besides the $3.00 per head. Now when we see one of our great mothers representatives here we expect to get what was promised us. I just felt as if it were the first time I had seen daylight when I heard of your arrival here. The impression of all the Indians out there is that you will cause the promises to be fulfilled if you hear the complaints fully. We want nothing more than the promises, when we get that we will be contented. I am speaking for all, and would like to get before we start for home all that was promised in the Treaty.

I think that the Railway will run somewhere through our Reserve, if so we want an Equivalent for the land so taken just by. From reports I think the Railway will take away a good part of the best of our Reserve, I hope the promises will be fulfilled and then we will not come to bother the settlement but will remain quietly on our Reserve. We hope that some steps will be taken to remedy the evil. I had given up all hopes of ever getting anything, but since the Queen has been so good as to send you out, I have hopes of getting things rightly.

There was one thing that we were told at the Treaty that we were to get provisions three times in the ye

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I am speaking to you as if I were speaking to my father, and I hope my talk will not be in vain.

Hon. Mr. Laird - I am sent here by the Queen, but I have no power to break the ~~promises~~ Treaty that has been made. Every thing that was promised them in the Treaty sent to the Queen's councillors has been fulfilled. You have got the money payment, the cattle, tools and implements. You say (in your letter) that you were promised two suits of clothing. That was not in the Treaty sent to the Queen's councillors, and if they were promises we do not know who made the promises, neither is it in the Treaty that you were promised provisions three times in the year, neither is it in the Treaty that they you were to get horses built for you, as stated in your letter. As these were not in the paper sent to the Queen's councillors, you could not blame them or the Queen for not fulfilling promises they never heard of. I have no power to give more than is in the written Treaty. All I can do is to report what you say to the Queen's councillors.

With regard to the Railway - if any of your land is taken for it you will get an equal portion or the value of the part taken, you need not be afraid of that. When we know where the Railway goes, we will see that no injustice is done to them.

I will give directions for you to get some provisions to take you home, but cannot give you provisions for the winter.

Indian - We got two animals yesterday, and it is a shame for the man who gave them. They are staggering. It looks as if they would not live long. They are starving. We have no harness for them

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Mr Provencher said he has no harness when he gave them the oxen, but could give them some now. He has lots them so. (I believe the Indians received two cants harness next morning, Mr. S.D)

Indian said — My chief told me to get a plan of the Reserve giving the size of it. —
It is a shame before the Reserve was laid there were very few stumps in it, but now wherever go there is nothing but stumps. They are cutting the woods. They had been told that the Reserve would be taken care of for them.

Now Mr Davis said that the men who were making the maps were very busy, but as soon as they could they would send one to the chief. —
He said that they must send the name of any one cutting timber on their Reserve to Mr Provencher and he would be punished, but they must be sure first that he was cutting on their Reserve —

The Indian said he had been one of the speakers when the treaty was made, — that he was stupid, but he has not forgotten the promises made, and which they cannot deny were made. There were plenty of people who heard Simpson and Archibald promise. They would not ask for them if they had not been made. —

The Indian complained of the medals. He said they hurt his neck, and that he was ashamed to show his alongside of the medals their fathers had received from private individuals

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INDIAN BRANCH.

OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

1873

Hon. St. John
Ind. Office

24 Feb
18 Mar. Winnipeg

On re Paysheets of Fort Ellice & Behrens River Inds & in re manner of paying Inds. —

Copied for House of Commons
Apl 7. 1873

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Indian Office Winnipeg
24th Feb. 1873

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that in reply to your Telegram asking for Pay Lists of Fort Ellice and Behrens River Indians, I telegraphed to you stating that the Fort Ellice Band was the same as that described in the Pay Sheet as the Riding Mountain Band, under the Chief, "Mekis". The Behrens River Indians did not come to the place of Rendezvous at the time of the first payment (1871) nor did they I believe make an appearance when Mr. Commissioner Simpson went out to Lake Manitoba in

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in the summer of this year. They are probably amongst those to whom I refered in my report to Mr Commissioner Simpson, of 15th September 1872, in which I suggested the propriety of the Indian Agent being permitted to pay the Indians of Lake Winnipeg in convenient localities without respect to the question of their belonging to Treaties No 1 or No 2.

By reference to that report, which was forwarded by Mr Commissioner Simpson for the information of the Secretary of State for the Provinces, it will be seen that the Arbitrary line drawn in defining the Territory surrendered by Treaty throws

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many Indians into Treaty No 2, who never go near the place hitherto appointed for that payment. I suggested that some latitude should be allowed to the Indian Agent in the matter of paying Indians in convenient localities without respect to their belonging to Country surrendered by a Treaty not covering the Country where they might happen to be assembled.

I purpose to make several alterations in the places of payment during the present Year and I believe that with your authority to deal with such matters, when they present themselves, as I may deem best, I shall be

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be able to execute my duty
with more satisfaction to the Indians
and without any detriment to the
Public service.
To provide for the possibility of my
telegram failing to reach you, I
may state that the amount paid
to the Fort Ellice Band was Five
hundred and Thirty one (531) Dollars.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Molyneux St. John
Indian Agent.

W. Spragge Esq
D.I.A.
Ottawa

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No. 1455

Black

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

1882

Black

E. Hyde

Chipman

Ottawa

10/24/April

Asks, in event of Reservation or Farm at Pincher Creek being leased or sold, that his application for same may have preference.

1st	Inq as to Chipman
2	" " re pvs inq re matr
12	July let from E. Dewdney.
25	" " do
8/12	Dec let from E. Dewdney.
1/4	
10/12	Mar let from E. Dewdney.
19	Apl " from E to do
24/26	Apl let from A. Reed.
	May let from E. Dewdney.

Ill 2787

ACTION

14 June Let to Dewdney
20 June B let to Chipman
with encl
3/ July let from B.N. Chipman.
July 13/83 Let to B.N. Chipman Esq
14/23 July let from Ind Comr.
6 Aug Let to Comr Dewdney
16 Feby let to Ind. Comr
3 March " to do
— with encl —
3 " to A.M. Burgess
— with encl —
20/27 Mch let from Ind Comr.
16 April. to do.
16 Feb. '85 Let. to do
30 Mch/10 Apl let from E. Dewdney.
2 May " to do
7/11 May let from Dept. Interior.
24/23 Dec let from Dept. Interior
Jan. 8/90. Lr to Dept Interior.
15 Jan let from do
Feb 4 Lr to do

ACTION CONTINUED.

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Jan. 20.1.90

Oct 1884

Dec 25 2 19-2-85

6-4-85

Dec 14-4-85

Mch 23-4-85

Mch 13-5-86

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 12 1883

This Agreement made and entered into on the eighth day of March in the Eighteen hundred and Eighty third Year of our Lord

— Between —

— Edgar Dewdney —

Indian Commissioner for Manitoba & the N.W. Territories representing the Government of the Dominion of Canada in this behalf and hereinafter called the Party of the First Part.

— And —

James E. Chipman

of Halifax in the Province of Nova Scotia. Gentleman presently of Ottawa in the Province of Ontario and hereinafter called the Party of the Second Part

Witnesseth that the Party of the first part agrees to let, and the Party of the Second Part agrees to hire that

Certain

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certain property known as 'The Peuchen Creek Indian Supply Farm' which said Farm is said to contain three thousand acres of land more or less, situated, lying and being at Peuchen Creek in the North West Territories of the Dominion of Canada for the full term of one year, the said term beginning on the first day of April A.D. 1883. upon the conditions and terms following that is to say: -

First. The party of the first part to furnish and supply the party of the second part sufficient seed, if on hand at the Farm, for all that portion of the Farm now under cultivation. Said seed to consist of Oats. Barley and Wheat.

The party of the second part to give to the party of the first part therein one fourth portion of the whole crop or crops produced by the said seed.

And

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and the party of the second part further agrees at the end of the term of lease to transfer to the Government of the Dominion of Canada all buildings, fences, and &. in as good condition as when the said party of the second part takes possession.

In Witness whereof the Parties to the presents have on the day and year first above mentioned.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered In the presence of

Wm McGirr.

Edgar Dewdney
Ind. Com.
"

James E. Chipman
"

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Chief Surveyor

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Reference No. 218312.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS DEC 23 1889

Department of the Interior,

Secretary's Branch,

Ottawa, 21st December, 1889.

☞ Address your reply as follows:
To the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

☞ Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.

☞ Write legibly your full name and address.

2.1.90

Sir,

With further reference to your letter of the 3rd March, 1884, No. 1455, in the matter of the Pincher Creek Indian Supply Farm, of which you enclosed with that letter a sketch of the survey made by John Nelson, D. L. S., I now beg to draw your attention to the fact that according to this sketch the farm is located upon Sections 34 and 35 in Township 5, and Sections 2, 3, 10 and 11, in Township 6, both in Range

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L. Vankoughnet, Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent-General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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29, West of the 4th Meridian, making in all an area of 3840 acres. In your letter in question the area of the farm was alluded to as being "about 3000 acres", and if this area be correct, then the farm will cover less than these six sections. I am now to request you to be good enough to state whether Mr. Nelson's sketch is to be taken by this Department as representing the boundaries of the farm and consequently embracing the larger area above named.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Lyman M. Pereira
Assistant Secretary.

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MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Deputy Minister

Ottawa, 28th January 1890

I respectfully recommend that the Sketch showing the Pinches Creek Supply Farm be returned to the Dept. of the Interior with the following information:

The limits of the Pinches Creek Supply Farm were never defined by Survey, the dotted boundaries shown on the Sketch simply included the Lands thus it was proposed should eventually comprise the Farm.

W. A. Austin
per J. B.

JAN 29 1890 BRANCH

CORRESPONDENCE JAN 29 1890 BRANCH

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TO 1873

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Order in Council

21/22 Mar. Ottawa

Reserves

Empowering Com[r] Powell to set apart & mark off in Surveyed Sufficient Reserves for Indians in B. C. & that $2000 [00/100] be placed in his hands for said purpose

2. When is Com[r] Powell likely to visit the O.C. Indians?

24th

Copy sent Mr Powell Mar: 22nd

Cert[d] 431 — $2000 [00/100]

25/May Lett[r] from Mr Powell re number of Indians to constitute family when setting apart land in B.C. enclosure from Com[r] of Public Works.

See memo of May 23 for letter

Ans[d] May 30th

25 June / 6 July fur lett[r] from Mr Powell

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Copied for the Hon[ble] the Minister of Customs 9th May

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Department of Indian Affairs

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British Columbia

Department of Indian Affairs

Victoria June 25th 1873

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of May 23d. 30th and the 4th inst. which I found awaiting my arrival from a visitation to the Tribes inhabiting the East coast of Vancouver and North West coast of the Mainland. I have also to acknowledge the receipt, through the politeness of Mr Dendraye of a package containing silver medals which I will retain for the purposes of presentation when desirable

Where are they?

W. Spragge Esquire
D.S.G.I.A.
&c &c &c

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desirable. The Flags have not yet come to hand, but I presume the ones described, will answer about well. Respecting your letter of the 30th ult I have the honor to state that I am now in correspondence with the Local Government in regard to land Reservations, which I hope to have satisfactorily arranged as soon as possible, when I will at once proceed with the necessary Surveys agreeably to the Instructions of the late Honorable Secretary of State for the Provinces as conveyed in his letter of the 22nd of March. I should be glad to have any Forms used in conferring title to Indian allotments of land of customary in other Provinces of the

forms

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of the Dominion. In the formation of the Department in B.C. especially in reserving lands for the future use of Indians it is desirable to ascertain their correct number by census, but I am of opinion that this cannot be properly done without the assistance of local agents, the appointment of whom, I have previously referred to, as most necessary to the peace and good government of our native Tribes. I shall have the honor of reporting almost immediately upon the important visitation I have just completed in H.M. Ship "Boxer" and will endeavor to inspect as many of the different other Bands, where my presence may be most needed, as time will permit before the close of the present year

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
I. W. Powell
Commissioner

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Let me know
Thank you

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Copy

Indian Branch
Ottawa May 30: 1873

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 5 inst. I have to inform you that in locating Indians in the Province of Ontario, each male head of a family, without reference to the number of Children in it. Or if the father of the family be dead then in that case the female head of it is regarded to be entitiled to a Farm Lot, and is located for it accordingly.

And that in planning the arrangement of British Columbia, the same principle was had in view. And I have further to remark that were an 80 acre location set apart as an allotment of lands arbitrarily to be shared by six persons, it might be that two families might be required to share it between them which would be contrary to the spirit & intention of the Order in Council which provides for a location of 80 Acres for each separate family

I am.
Sir
Your obedient Servant
signed Wm. Spragge
D.S.I.A.

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Lands & Works Dept
Victoria 30 April 73

Dr Jn Powell
Supt Indian Affairs
Victoria Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th ult with Enclosure —

In regard to the suggestion, that "Each family be assigned a location of Eighty acres of land", it will be in the first place necessary to define the number as applied to the term "family", and would suggest that we adopt the rule in use in the North West territory viz "Six" as applied to that term, but in doing so consider that Eighty is far too large an acreage for each family of Six —

The reservations so far in this Province have averaged about Six acres to each family, taking the population at your figures and the acreage of present reserves —

I have the honor to be
Your obt
Robert Beaven
C.C.I.W.

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British Columbia

Department of Indian Affairs

Victoria May 5th 1873

Sir

Referring to my letter of the
28th ult I have the honor to enclose
a communication from the Honorable
the Chief Commr of Lands & Works
in respect to the number which shall
constitute a "family" and suggesting that
it shall be six persons. I beg
to submit the proposition for your
consideration and shall be glad
to receive your Instructions thereon

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
I. W. Powell
Supt Indian affairs

The Honorable
Joseph Howe
Secty of State for the Provinces
&c &c
Indian Branch
Ottawa

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KODAK SAFE

British Columbia

Department of Indian Affairs

Victoria Apl 28th 1873

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd ult, enclosing a Copy of an Order in Council relative to Indian Reserves and acquainting me "that the sum of two thousand dollars ($2000.00) has been placed to my credit on a/c of Expenses in connection therewith". I shall be glad if you can authorize me by telegram to confer with the Senior Naval officer here for use of Her Majesty's Gun boats with which to make a visitation to the Coast tribes, for the purpose of arranging with them

The Honorable
Joseph Howe
Secty of State for the Provinces

&c &c &c

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with them in regard to these Reserves. At present there is no other way of communication with the West Coast and as they are still a nation of Savages with crude ideas of right and wrong it is highly important to convince them at my first visit, that I am supported by what they consider the best and only authority ie - one of Her Majesty's ships. The constant rumors of Indian troubles, my desire to silence the present popular outcry against further delay in laying off all reserve land & lead me to hope that my suggestion as to an immediate reply to the above may meet with your favorable consideration. I am not aware of any particular uniform which might be used by an Indian Commissioner, but if there was such, or some military rank conferred by the appointment, the uniform of which was to be worn by such Commissioner

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at all official interviews with a tribe or a number of tribes it would add much to his influence with all the Indians of the Province—who I might add are intensely fond of, and have great respect for, display of the kind to which I allude. Should these and other suggestions which I have had the honor of making from time to time be adopted—Especially those in regard to the suppression of the nefarious Indian liquor traffic I have no hesitation in affirming that the government of the Native Tribes of British Columbia can be managed without difficulty and without much trouble or anxiety to the Government—

I have the honor to be Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
I. W. Powell
Supt of Indn Affrs

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Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the **PRIVY COUNCIL**, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 21st March 1873

The Committee have had before them a Memorandum from the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs submitting a letter from J. W. Powell, Esquire, Local Superintendent at Victoria relative to difficulties apprehended with British Columbia Indians at Alberni.

The Deputy Superintendent states that the apprehended trouble appears to arise (as shown by correspondence, copies of which the Superintendent has furnished to

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The Secretary of State for the Provinces
&c., &c., &c.

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in consequence of sales of land in that locality having been made by the Local Government to Messieurs Anderson and Company and a contention on the part of two Settlers who had attempted to pre-empt lands at that place.

That it would seem that no reservation for the Indians had been made there, nor other satisfactory arrangements entered into with them.

That they objected to surveys being proceeded with and that Wm. Taylor, a farmer at Alberni had been driven off the Port with knives, and that

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that no property is safe with them at present.

That this and other communications transmitted by Superintendent Powell prove the absolute necessity of his being empowered to confer with the Local Government with the view to sufficient Reserves, on a liberal and just scale being set apart, and marked off in survey, for the various bands of that Province.

We accordingly suggest that each family be assigned a location of 80 acres of land of average quality, which shall remain permanently the property

Each family than 80 acres

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property of the family, for whose benefit it is allotted.

That it is a matter of urgent importance to convince the Indians of that Province that the Government of the Dominion will do full justice to the rights of the Indian population, and thus remove the spirit of discontent, which in various quarters appears to prevail.

That Superintendent Powell proposes to make a general visit to the coast Indians, at an early day, with a view to a settlement of their land disputes; for which

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which purpose he would require the use of a Government Vessel, and he names the Dominion Government Steamer "Sir James Douglas" for that service.

The consideration of this proposition, the Deputy Superintendent suggests, may probably occupy time, he submits therefore, that authority be at once given to Wm. Powell to confer with the Local Government in regard to Indian Reserves already set apart which may require to be extended, and the outlines marked out in survey.

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also for the setting apart such additional Reserves as in his judgment he may deem to be important for the purpose of fulfilling the just Expectations of these Indians.

That it will be requisite to supply the Superintendent with sufficient funds to carry out the plans proposed, and he therefore suggests that from the amount Voted by the Legislature the sum of $2,000 be placed in Dr. Powell's hands, to be accounted for in due course.

On the recommend-
-ation of the Honorable the
Secretary

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Secretary of State for the
Provinces the Committee advise
that the suggestions submitted
in the foregoing Memorandum
of the Deputy Superintendent
be approved and acted on.

Certified

W. A. Himsworth

C.P.C.

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A. Campbell

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and the Government of the
Provinces may be useful and
I concur in Mr Spragge's recom-
mendation. His report thereon
being recommended by the Secty
of State for the Provinces might
I think be adopted by Council
2- A visitation of the Indians
by Dr Powell as recommended
by him and I think is necessary
but to make it the services of a
Gun Boat or of the Steamer "Douglas"
will be necessary. I think a
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4/5/52

Messrs R.J. Pritchard
J.W. Beth & others
c/o A.E. Porter Esq. M.D.
Prince Albert,
N.W.T.

May 8th 1852

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs to ack. the rect of your Petition for the appointment of a Medical Superintendent to the Indians in the N.W.T. in the room of Dr Hagarty, resigned, & recommending as a fit & proper person for the position Dr. A.E. Porter, of Prince Albert.

I am to inform you that the prayer of the application cannot be complied with as the arrangement under which the Medical Officers of the North West Mounted Police are charged with the duty of attending the Indians of the localities where these Officers are stationed gives satisfaction. And as respects any other points at which the services of these Officers cannot be given to the Indians the

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the Lieut Genl is of opinion that it will be better to depend upon local Practitioners for such Medical aid as the Indians may require; & as there are Indian Agents for all the different Districts in the Territories, upon representation being made by them, when the Indians, at points that cannot be reached by the Surgeons of the Police really requires Medical treatment, it will be the duty of those Agents to see that they ~~are~~ ~~in that respect~~ are attended to by the nearest Medical Practitioners.

With regard to Vaccination, I am to inform you that Supplies of Vaccine matter are sent periodically to the N.W.T. & the Vaccination of the Indian is entrusted to Competent persons where the services of Regular Police Surgeons for the purpose cannot be obtained. During the last Winter, in view of the fact that small pox was prevalent in the States of Montana & DaKota, a large Supply of Vaccine was forwarded to the different Agencies in the Territories for use among the Indians.

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Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 1st May 1882

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To the Right Hon. Sir John
A. Macdonald K. C. B. &c., &c,
Minister of the Interior and
Prime Minister of Canada:

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Reserves in the said Territories are located in the immediate vicinity of, and adjoining the large Settlements of White people now existing in the said Territories and should any Epidemic of a Virulent type break out among the Indians so Situated it would Spread to the adjoining Settlements thereby causing much suffering and loss of life, which might otherwise be prevented if attended to in time.

Therefore your petitioners (the inhabitants of Prince Albert and Surrounding Settlements) humbly Shew That if Some professional man were appointed to visit the different Indian Reserves at times for the purpose of Vaccination and Enquiring otherwise into their Sanitary Condition and reporting thereon to the Government many direful diseases and plagues might be averted.

And your petitioners respectfully beg to recommend to your administration as a fit and proper person to be appointed to the position, Lately held by the Dr. Haggarty, of Medical Superintendant of Indians in the North-West Territories Dr. A.E. Porter of Prince Albert, a Gentleman who has during the past three years devoted a large portion of his time to the Indians on adjoining Reserves receiving from Government only a Slight compensation for Such Services, and whose drugs to say nothing of time occupied, long trips or other incidental expenses cost almost fabulous prices in this Country.

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I will be greatly obliged
if Sir J. A. Macdonald
can do this—Dr Borden
is highly recommended
by Mr Richardson the Stipendiary magistrate C.L.

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District of Carlton.
We. the undersigned. Chiefs & head men of the Cree Indians, Mis-ta-wasis. reserve.

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Messrs R. J. Critchard
J. McBeth & others
C/o A. E. Porter Esq. M.D.
Prince Albert,
N.W.T.

4/5/52

May ~~[illegible]~~ 8th 1852

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs to ack. the rect. of your Petition for the appointment of a Medical Superintendent to the Indians in the N.W.T. in the room of Dr Hagarty, resigned, & recommending as a fit & proper person for the position Dr A. E. Porter, of Prince Albert.

I am to inform you that the present arrangement under which the Medical Officers of the North West Mounted Police are charged with the duty of attending the Indians of the localities where those Officers are stationed ~~[illegible]~~ ~~satisfaction~~ and as respects any other points at ~~the~~ which the services of those Officers cannot be given to the Indians

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the application cannot be complied with as the services are too [illegible]

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The Lieut. Governor is of opinion that it will be better to depend upon local Practitioners for such medical aid as the Indians may require; & as there are Indian Agents for all the different Districts in the Territories, upon representation being made by them when the Indians really require medical treatment, it will be the duty of these Agents to see that they are attended to by the nearest medical Practitioners. With regard to Vaccination, I am to inform you that Supplies of Vaccine matter are sent periodically to the N.W.T. & the Vaccination of the Indians is entrusted to Competent persons, where the services of Regular Police Surgeons for the purpose cannot be obtained. During the last Winter, in view of the fact that small pox was prevalent in the States of Montana & Dakota, a large supply of Vaccine was forwarded to the different Agencies in the Territories for use among the Indians.

at points that cannot be reached by the Surgeons of the Police

I am, &c

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Memo.

No. 1503

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner

FOR MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

1886.

Victoria
Agency
Treaty No 6

Blue Quills
Band —
Removal of
to Saddle
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Action.

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Indian Office Victoria M.W.T
Edmonton 24th July 1885

No 6.

Sir

I beg to report that as stated in my letter No 1 of 23rd inst. I have endeavored to induce Blue Quill. A.M. of the Egg Lake Band, to abandon his present location and settle under Chief Pacan at Saddle Lake.

Upon pressing him for an answer, he expressed his willingness to go, but I find that he still entertains the idea of receiving some compensation for the loss of the Bands improvements at Egg Lake.

In accordance with your promise made during your visit to Edmonton last Fall, I told him that three Cows would be given him for the use of his followers should they settle at Saddle Lake, but as their improvements at Egg Lake are of considerable value I would suggest that if it be possible some further Compensation be given them.

This Band have also suffered loss thro' the late rebellion, a good deal of their private property having been Stolen by Straggling Indians and the four work Oxen formerly belonging to the Band, taken from the Reserve during the absence of the Headman by Scouts from the Big Bears Camp, who forced the man in charge of the Cattle to accompany them.

It will therefor be necessary to furnish them with Oxen and I have to request that if it can be done authority be granted me to purchase two Yoke to replace those taken to be given to the Band on condition of their

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Settling at Saddle Lake.

I would also recommend that Blue Quills position as Headman be still recognized should he enter Chief Pacans Band, altho by doing so Pacan would be allowed five Councillors.

The firm Stand taken by the Blue Quill, throughout the whole of the late insurrection and his general character for so long a time as I have known him deserve I think some recognition at the hands of the Government

I have the honour to be
Sir
your obed.t Servant
John P. Mitchell
Actg Indn Agent.

The Honourable
The Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.T

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No. 133. Indian Office Victoria N.W.T. 1503 ~~1201~~

8th March 1886

Ans'd 30 March 86

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. MAR 29 1886

Sir

With further reference to my letter of 24th July No. 6 re the removal of Blue Quills following from their present location, I beg to state that upon the matter being referred to the Assistant Commissioner during his visit of last Autumn, such excessive demands were made by the Headman of the Band, that nothing could be done in the matter.

I have however since then succeeded in bringing them to reason and now beg to submit two propositions received from them, which I consider reasonable.

My proposal to them is, subject to your approval, that they abandon their present location and remove to that of the Wahsahatanow Band (No. 26) and thus by the merging of two small bands form one of fair size, under the control of their respective Headmen.

This they agree to do, on the following conditions

1st That the Government replace to them their houses and land under cultivation, as now in their possession at Egg Lake; or

2nd That, as compensation for improvements abandoned, each family receive from Government two cows to be considered as their private property. The Band to build their own dwellings and break out

Approve of his own plan but [illegible] better hire two men & give them cattle of those being sent in & the land can then be broken - but it is considered better to try & get them to settle at Saddle Lake & in this Pekan's influence Ed be not to hear as he is desirous

If the improvements are replaced why pay cows for them?

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fields for themselves.

It is of the greatest importance that this Band should be removed and also that they should be merged with that at Wahsahatanow, as at present through the smallness of these Bands nothing can be done for them and instead of progressing they are rapidly falling behind.

To remain as they are, they cannot receive the benefits of instruction for themselves in farming nor of Education for their children, but were they gathered together on one Reserve, there would then be a sufficiently large body to warrant the establishment of a School among them.

Another objection to Band 127 remaining at Egg Lake is the scarceness of game of any kind in that vicinity, whereas at Wahsahatanow, a good tract of hunting country lies immediately to the north of the Reserve, and the Saskatchewan which bounds the Reserve on the South forms another source of support, from its Spring fishery.

I enclose on a separate sheet estimates of the cost of carrying out the plans proposed by the Band, and would recommend, should you approve of their removal, that I be informed by wire, of your decision, as it is desirable that the removal be made in time to permit of them farming on the new site this Spring.

I am Sir, Your obedt. Servant

J. A. Mitchell

Actg Indn Agent.

The Honourable
The Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.T.

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Estimates

No 1. (proposition made by Band)

To Erection of 8 houses Equal to those now Egg Lake Reserve @ say each $50.00 —— $ 400.00

" breaking out 30 acres new lands @ per Acre —— $5.00 —— $ 150.00

$550.00

No 2. (proposition made by Band)

To 2 Cows per family for 9 families @ per head —— $50.00 $ 900.00

No 3. (Scheme of my own)

That 30 acres new land be broken out for them, work to be done by Contract at the rate of say 5.00 per Acre —— $ 150.00

That they be allowed to build their own houses, but that a bonus of $20.00 per house be given, for say Eight houses —— $ 160.00

$ 310.00

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Regina
March 30th 86

Sir/

Ack L 8th Inst and to say that while I approve of your plan in preference to the proposations set out by the Band. I Conseder it ~~would~~ will be far better if they can be got to settle at Saddle Lake under Pekan and must ask you to use your utmost endeavours to have them moved to that place, If however you find it impossible to persuade them to do so you are at liberity to carry out your own proposition

I am Sir
my Hayter Reed

Indian Gov
Victoria

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No 194. Indian Office. Victoria. N.W.P.
6th May 1886.

Sir

With reference to your letter of 30th March re removal of Blue Quills Band from their present location, I beg to report that I have effected an arrangement with the Band for their removal to Saddle Lake, as desired.

I submit herewith a memorandum embodying the terms of an agreement entered into by myself and the Headman of the Band and which is now forwarded for ratification if approved.

In Section 2; Subsection 3 of the memo it will be seen that I have exceeded the limit of of the Band first proposal, but the object for which they ask these Cattle, being so good a one for them, I felt certain that it would meet with your approval.

I would also draw your attention to Subsection 5, referring to the position of the Band and its Headman, after their removal, and trust that you will ratify this clause in particular, as a refusal to continue to recognize the Band as separate and distinct from that of Chief James Seemms, will bring about a refusal on the part of the Band to remove from their present location

I am Sir
Your obedt Servant
John A Mitchell
Indian Agent

The Honourable
The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.P. MAY 28 1886
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To be copied

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Memo — Terms of An Agreement Entered into by S.A. Mitchell Indian Agent Victoria, on behalf of the Dept. General of Indian Affairs and Blue Quill, Headman, on behalf of the Egg Lake Band of Treaty Indians.

1st That in Consideration of the fulfilment of certain promises, hereinafter Set forth, the Said Blue Quill and his Band, agree to Remove from Egg Lake during the Coming Summer and Settle at Saddle Lake or Vicinity, at a point to be Chosen and decided on by the parties to the Agreement.

Copy sent Dept 3/5/86 answd

Copy sent Dept June 2/86 Approved June 7/86

2nd That in Consideration of the Removal of the Band to Saddle Lake, the following promises Shall be fulfilled to them.

1st That thirty (30) Acres of land Shall be broken up for them at Saddle Lake at the point decided on.

2nd That the Sum of Twenty dollars ($20.00) Shall be paid to the present owner and occupant of a dwelling house at Egg Lake, upon the Completion of a Similar Building at Saddle Lake.

3rd That the Band Shall receive the three (3) head of Cows promised to them by W.Z. Dewdney in 1884 Conditionally on their removal, and also a further gift of three Cows, in order that they may be in position to raise Cattle for themselves.

Approved Cattle to be distributed in accordance with directions already sent

4th That the Cattle and their increase Shall be the private property of the Band, but Subject in matters having reference to the disposal of Same, to the Control of the Indian Agent

Approved as above

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2nd (Continued)

4th That the Said Band shall receive, from time to time, assistance, to such an extent as may be deemed necessary by the Indian Agent, in implements, provisions and Cattle, to enable them the Said Band to successfully carry on their farming operations, but that during periods in which they may not be engaged in such work and it is possible for them to provide for ~~maintain~~ their own maintainance, they shall not expect assistance equal to that to be given them at other times.

app'd

5th That the Blue Quill shall retain his position as Headman of the Said Band and further that his following shall be considered as a Separate Band and shall, in all transactions, be so dealt with.

Endeavour should be made to have him Headman under Seemen but no objection to being treated separately

(Signed) John A. Mitchell
Acty Indn Agent.

(Signed) Blue Quill his x mark
for the Egg Lake Band.

Witnessed by
(Signed) Thos Herbert L. Edmundson
(Do) Gordon Clarke
(Do) Joseph House

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Regina
June 2nd/86

Sir

Enclosed herewith information dept. a copy of an agreement between Mr. Indian Govt. Mitchell & Blue Quill relative to the removal of the Cattle Band to Saddle Lake.

This is some thing which we have been endeavouring to accomplish for a long time as it will save a great deal of expense to the Dept & to be beneficial to all concerned. It will now be no longer necessary to send a man to supervise their spring work. not for the Govt to make the long journeys to Egg Lake to look after them which have hitherto been so

Dept

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so expensive and troublesome, (a large river having to be crossed). and moreover the change is desirable for the sake of the Indians, who will now have the benefit of direct overdight and other advantages.

Blue Quill is a good Indian and took a firm stand during the troubles, losing a good deal of property, which was stolen by rebels; and the Band had made improvements at Egg Lake ~~of considerable value~~

In view of the circumstances it is thought that the agreement made by the Agent was the best that could be expected to make.

He is being instructed to endeavour to have Blue Quill a headman under Seenum with the understanding if desired by the Band that he would be treated with separately.

This is desired in order to obviate the necessity of a separate reserve and at any time a separate instructor.

I have the honor to be, Sir
Your obed't Servant
A. R
Asst Comm'r

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Regina
June 7th 86

Sir/

Of the 6th ultimo regarding the removal of Blue Quill Band to Saddle Lake and enclosing a Memo of the Agreement entered into by you on behalf of the Dept with Blue Quill, and to inform you that the Arrangement you have made is approved of and may be ~~carried~~ Carried out.

The Cattle should be distributed in accordance with Circular No 1148 of the 27th of March last, being of Course the property and the increase the property of the Band but distributed in this way in order that some particular Indian may have the Care & responsibility of each animal.

Regarding Section 5

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Govt.
Victoria
via Edmonton

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~~some future time~~ of a separately
surveyed Reserve or of the
possibility of requiring at some
further time a farm instructor
for each band.

I am Sir
Y Hyde Reed

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File No. 30176

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 22 1886
REGINA N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1201

Ottawa, 15th June 1886

Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 2nd Instant, enclosing a copy of an agreement between Mr. Indian Agent Mitchell and Blue Quill relative to the removal of the latter's Band to Saddle Lake.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. Hawkes Jones

Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

The Hon. E. Dewdney.

Ind. Com. for Man. & N.W.T.

Regina. N.W.T.

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No. 246.

Indian Office, Victoria N.W.T.
27th July 1886

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. AUG 17 1886

Sir

1201

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your of 7th June authorizing the removal of Blue Quills Band as proposed in my letter of the 6th May last.

In reply I beg to state that arrangements have been completed for the Bands removal in Spring of 1887 to the Site which has been chosen for them at Saddle Lake.

It was found to be impossible to persuade Blue Quill to accept the proposition contained in the last clause of your letter, and as it is very desirable that he should be removed from his present isolated position I consented to forego the matter and allow him to occupy a separate Reserve.

The Site chosen is immediately adjoining the Saddle Lake Reserve on the West and can be outlined as a portion of the latter Reserve.

Land will be broken up for them during the coming fall, as at present owing to the intense heat the ground is too hard to work.

Building operations will also be commenced during the Fall, and every thing will be in readiness for the commencement of work upon the opening of Spring 1887 Season.

As the authority given me for the purchase of the Six (6) Cows for this Band, will not now be made use of until next Spring and as

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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it does not cover the present Fiscal year. I must request that you will renew the same.

I have the honour to be
Sir
your obed.t Servant
Wm. S. Mitchell
Sup.t Genl

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S TELEGRAPH.

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To guard against mistakes or delays, the sender of a message should order it *repeated*; that is, telegraphed back to the originating office for comparison. For this one-half the regular rate is charged in addition. It is agreed between the sender of the following message and this Company, that said Company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any *unrepeated* message, whether happening by negligence of its servants or otherwise, beyond the amount received for sending the same; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, nor for non-delivery, of any *repeated* message beyond fifty times the sum received for sending the same, unless specially insured; nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines, nor for errors in cipher or obscure messages. And this Company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward any message over the lines of any other Company when necessary to reach its destination.

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The Company will not be liable for damages in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after sending the message.

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Victoria NWT 17 Jan 1887

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Jno A. Mitchell
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Jany 18/87

Indian Agent-
Victoria via Edmonton

You should be the best-Judge knowing all circumstances, but-be very guarded

Hayter Reed

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No 529

Indian Office Victoria N.W.
5th May 1887.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. JUN 2 1887

Sir

a/ 7/6/87

I have the honour to enclose for approval and payment - Voucher No. 158, in favour of Blue Quill, Headman of Band No. 127, for $40.00 being amount of bonus to be paid him upon the completion of two dwellings upon the Bands new Reserve.

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I have issued the Voucher in advance of the work in order that the money may be at hand to assist him in his work at the time when he will be most likely to require it.

I am Sir
Your obedt. Servant
Jno A. Mitchell
Indn Agent

The Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.

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agreement re Bldgs has been fulfilled as per voucher 24.106 and agreement on file 1503

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Form No. 2.

File No. 0148.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE JUN 1887

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

OTTAWA, 17th June 1887.

SIR,—

I enclose official cheque of the number , and in favor of the party for the amount , and services stated below, of which please acknowledge receipt.

1503

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

6/22/6/87

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Hon. E. Dewdney.

Indian Commissioner for Manitoba & N. W. T.,

REGINA, N. W. T.

NOTE.—All cheques should be presented at the Bank for payment as soon as received by the parties in whose favor they are drawn.

No. of Cheque.	In Whose Avor Drawn.	For What Service.	Amount. $	cts.
14784	Blue Quill. Chq sent Ind Agt. Saddle Lake Pakan P.O.	Voucher No. 2 4867 recd. with your letter of 7th Instant.	40	00

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No. 643. Indian Office, Saddle Lake, Mb.
26th July 1887

Sir

I have the honour to submit herewith, for approval and payment the following Vouchers in favour of members of Band No. 127 - for house-bonuses due under the terms of the agreement under which they removed from Egg Lake to Saddle Lake during the past Spring.

No. 13	Keesickoowasis	$20.00
14	Alexis	$20.00
15	Wakpeeinew	$20.00
16	Kakkeesine	$20.00
17	Sans Duguette	$20.00
18	Jessie	$20.00
		$120.00

I have delayed issuing these Vouchers until I should be certain of the Bands good faith as regards the permanancy of their occupation of the new Reserve on which point I am now satisfied

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedt. Servant
Jno A Mitchell
Indn. Agent

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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P.S. The Vote has not been filled in as I was not certain to which year the Vouchers were chargeable.

Have we any no. from Dept. or in Echinos

Ackd 19 Aug 86 87

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I write Agent
and ask if these
buildings are
actually Completed
to answer
by wire

Hold the
Cheques pending
Agents Reply
20 Aug 87.

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Regina
19 Aug 81

Sir

Ack L 643. 26th of July last enclosing Mr Touchers in favor of various Indians belonging to Band 127 & in reply to inform you that I have approved & forwarded the same to the Dept. for payment

I am Sir
H.R.

Opt
Saddle Lake

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Regina
20 May 87

Dear

With reference to your letter of the 26 ultto Enclosing Vouchers Nos 13 to 18 in payment of house bonus to C Indians, I should be glad if you will inform me if the above Indians have each a dwelling house built & completed at Saddle Lake in accordance with the terms of agreement

I am Sir
H R

Gt
Saddle Lake

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Form A. 2

File No. 41,983

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

OTTAWA, 30th August 1887.

1503

SIR,—

I enclose official cheques of the numbers , and in favor of the parties for the amounts , and services stated below, of which please acknowledge receipt.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
SEP 5
1887
N.W.T.

Ack. 5/9/87

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Hon. E. Dewdney.

Indian Commissioner for Manitoba & N. W. T.,

REGINA, N. W. T.

NOTE.—All cheques should be presented at the Bank for payment as soon as received by the parties in whose favor they are drawn.

No. of Cheque.	In Whose favor Drawn.	For What Service.	Amount. $	cts.
15,581	Alexis	Payt of Vouchers Nos. 25850-55 recd under cover of your letter of the 19th instant.	20	00
2	Wah-pee-in-ew		20	00
3	Kee-sick-oo-wacis		20	00
4	Nah-tee-cuin		20	00
5	Jane Dugnette		20	00
6	Jessie		20	00

sent Agt Dauphin Lake

MD

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1503

In your reply refer to
No. 699.
Also to the date of this letter.

Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake, Alberta
19th September 1887.

1503.

Sir

I have the honour in reply to the Enquiry Contained in your letter of 20th ultimo, to state that with the exception of the two women in whose favour Vouchers Nos. 17 and 18 were issued, all heads of families of Band No. 127 have houses in Course of Construction, which will be ready for occupation at an early date.

As was stated in a former letter the money was asked for prior to the Completion of the dwellings in order that they might receive it at a time when it would be most usefull to them.

8/Oct 1887

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~~Petto~~ 2.

I am. Sir
Your obedient Servant
Geo. A. Mitchell
Indn Agent.

The Honourable
The Indian Commissioner
Regina. Assn.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1503

Also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Regina, October 8th 1884

Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter N°699 of the 19th ultimo, And with reference thereto would inform you that it was our intention to hold the cheques until the completion of the buildings, so that the money would be used by the Indians in finishing the interior of their dwellings; but this matter was apparently overlooked, & the cheques were sent you and the result, it is to be hoped, however, that you did not hand them the money until the houses were erected, and that it was not spent foolishly.

I am Sir
Your Obdt. Servant
For Commissioner

Indian Agent
Saddle Lake
Pakan P.O.
via Edmonton
Alb

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In your reply refer to
No. 1039
Also to the date of this letter.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. SEP. 19. 1888

Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake, Alta.

5th September 1888

Ans'd 4/1/88.

Sir,

Having been requested by Blue Quill, H.M. of Band No. 127, to advise and assist him in the following Case, I beg to Submit the particulars to you and to request that you will advise me as to what Course, if any, I should pursue in the matter.

The agreement under which Blue Quill Band removed from Egg Lake to Saddle Lake, provided that each house owner at Egg Lake at the time of the removal, should upon the Completion of a dwelling on the new Reserve, receive the Sum of $20.00 partially as Compensation for the loss of the old houses and as a means of assisting them in the work of building the new houses.

In reply to their Enquiries I told the owners of the houses about to be abandoned, that I did not think that they could hold them, but that if they Could Sell them to the Victoria Settlers for a few dollars each, they might as well do so.

Complaint is now made by Blue Quill as follows. He States that when he removed from Egg Lake he Sold his two houses to Fred'k Desjarlais

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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Desjarlais of Victoria for $15.00, the money to be paid by Desjarlais at as early a date as possible.

Upon Desjarlais proceeding to occupy, he found that one of the houses and the land adjoining had been taken possession of by Philip Whitford also of Victoria, who refused either to pay for or remove from the house.

Desjarlais therefor refused to pay Blue Quill for the one house and having since removed from and abandoned the second house, he now declines to pay for either of them.

What I am desirous of knowing is,-

1st Whether the Department can or will take up the matter on Blue Quills behalf.

2nd If so, what course should be followed against Desjarlais.

3rd Whether there are grounds for action against Whitford.

Blue Quill states that he left both houses locked or fastened securely.

I am, Sir
Your obedient Servant
Jno A. Mitchell
Indian Agent.

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October ~~4th~~ 5th 1888.

1039

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 5th ~~Ins~~ alto: and in reply to inform you that while the ~~information~~ particulars furnished of Blue Quill's case, are not sufficiently full to allow of definite instructions being given ~~as~~ with regard to taking action in the matter — it is thought that the following advice will enable you to arrive at a conclusion for yourself.

It may be noticed in the first place that ~~it is with F. Desjarlais~~ if a sale of the property were made to F. Desjarlais, it is with him alone that Blue Quill is concerned, and even ~~were~~ should there be a sufficiently ~~clear~~ good case, to afford a reasonable prospect of success, it clearly would be unwise to proceed, unless it be known that Defendant possesses property ~~upon~~ out of which a judgment, if obtained, could

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Agent
Saddle Lake.
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be satisfied.

In considering the question of the probability of ~~of~~ securing a judgment, the first point arising is as to whether evidence can be produced that the bargain was made. If the agreement were a verbal one, then, as the plaintiff and defendant might probably directly contradict the evidence of ~~the~~ each other, and the case be dismissed, ~~Talbot~~ Guilt should have at least one ~~independent~~ witness to corroborate his statement.

~~It may be noticed~~ In the next place there arises the question as to whether delivery of the property were made to Desjarlais - and to constitute such, it must be remembered that if the houses were locked up, the keys must have been put into Desjarlais' possession or in the event of their having been otherwise secured, he must have been informed that he could effect an entrance and take possession.

Should the foregoing points be susceptible of proof the case ~~is~~ of would appear to be a good one, and it may be here remarked

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remarked, that if, as is inferred from your letter — Desjarlais on the strength of the bargain took possession of one house, and at one time made an offer, from which he subsequently withdrew, to pay for that house, there would ~~appear~~ seem to be inferential evidence of his having made the purchase of both, and therefore being liable for both, for if he ~~made the b~~ ~~made~~ did make the purchase, it was clearly his business to evict Whitford.

Should you after a careful consideration of the foregoing be of opinion that you would have a fair prospect of ~~succes~~ carrying it through successfully, it will be well to enter an action against Desjarlais in Blue Quill's name, since the ~~interest of~~ rights of Indians should be protected at least as carefully, as those of white men.

I have

A E F

Asst Commr.

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1503

In your reply refer to
No. 1084
Also to the date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake, Alta

23rd Novr 1888.

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Sir,

I beg to report that Simon, No. of Band No. 127, Blue Quill has requested that the bonus of $20.00 allowed to other members of the Band who were house-owners at Egg Lake, prior to their removal to the Saddle Lake Reserve, be allowed him upon completion of a house here.

He was a house owner at Egg Lake, but was omitted when the agreement between myself and Blue Quill was entered into.

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I am, Sir
your obedient Servant
Geo. A. McFarlane
I.A.

To may issue where house completed.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina, Assn.

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1508

15th Dec. 1888.

Sir

I beg to ack^g the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ulto. and in reply to inform you that a voucher in favor of "Simoss" may be sent here when his house is completed

I have &c.

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Ind. Agent
Saddle Lake
Pakan P.O
Alba

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In your reply refer to
No. 605
Also to date of this letter.

1503

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

31st March 1891.

Sir,

Answ 24/4/91

Referring to your telegram of the 24th inst from Gleichen, I have the honor to report that after no end of evasion and procrastination on the part of the indians interested and no little trouble on my part, I have at last succeeded in completing the arrangements for the transfer of the R.C. indian families from Thos. Hunter's reserve to that of Blue Quill.

To Loghead I have given one heifer and the loan Cow now in his possession.

To Mooswah similar remuneration.

To Red Crow 3 heifers and the loan cow now in his possession.

To Pusquac 1 heifers.

On their part they have to erect for themselves good dwelling houses with shingled roofs on Blue Quill's reserve.

These indians understand that the cattle remain under the control of the Department, a point which raised a good deal of discussion.

The farms of Red Crow and Pusquac are about the best on this reserve, and I expect to get at least one animal from each family that moves on them.

I have the honor to be.
Sir,
Your Obt Servant,
John Ross
actg: Indian.

Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No. 604.
Also to date of this letter.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

31st March 1891.

Ans 24/4/91

Sir,

I have the honor to report that no: 8/126. - O sum-u-mas and family 1-1-2-4.. eight persons in all. and no: 1/126. Muskegwatic's widow with her daughter have removed from Wahsatānan with their effects and will be transferred to Band 125 from the first prox.

I intend to visit Wahsatānan next week to hasten the removal hither of all the members of the band who have partly promised, and those whom I may yet induce, to settle on Thos: Hunter's reserve.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obt. Servant
John Ross
Actg. Agent

Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No.....
Also to date of this letter.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

23rd July 1891.

Copy.

Sir, Memo: Ind: Agt: Saddle Lake agency.

Being found desirable to make an endeavour to remove the Roman Catholic Indians now residing upon Mo's. Hunters portion of the Reserve to that of Blue Quill, in order that they may be near the church about to be built upon the land of the Indians of the latter, and thus obviate any unpleasant feeling which might otherwise arise; you are desired to accomplish this end if possible in a manner not too expensive to the Dept. and not to exceed a gift to the following of what appears opposite their respective names:—

Red Crow - Three heifers.
Wah-pay-waise. (Pusquac) - Three Heifers.
John B. Doghead - Two heifers.
Louisan Doghead - Two heifers.
Mooswah - Two heifers.
Henry Cardinal and the balance probably being prevailed upon to remove without remuneration.

(Signed) Hayter Reed
Comr

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In your reply refer to
No. 6111
Also to date of this letter.

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APR 22
1891
N.W.T.

16th April 1891.

Sir,

Reverting to my letter no 605 of the 31st ult: I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of your memo: of authority relative to the remuneration to be given to the H.C. indians on compliance with the wishes of the Department that they remove from Thos Hunters reserve to that of 'Blue Quill', and to draw your attention to the distribution I have made, which, while it differs from that proposed by your memo in the details, does not exceed in the aggregate the number of cattle allowed, and the transfer includes all of the families referred to by you therein.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant.
John Ross
Actg: Agent.

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a/6/5/91

Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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15-03

24th. April, 1

Sir:-

604,605, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of 21st. ulto: reporting the progress made in getting Roman Catholic Indians removed to Blue Quill's Reserve from that of Thomas Hunter, and to the Reserve of the latter from the Wabiskaw Reserve.

I transmit herewith forms upon which the consent of the one Band should be given to the departure of its members and that of the other to their reception. One form will do for as many names as can be written into it.

With regard to transfer from Thomas Hunter's to Blue Quill's Band, probably no difficulty will arise about getting consent of both Bands, but if the Wabiskaw Band objects to letting members leave for Thomas Hunter's then we will for the present have to be content with the consent of the latter to receive them, and retain the

Acting Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake,
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the consent to their departure later on when the band has come to realise the uselessness of opposing the measure.

I am glad to note that you are pressing on the completion of transfers as far as they can be accomplished for the present.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The desire of each head of a family desiring to be transferred should be expressed in writing on a separate paper.

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1503

Office of the Indian Commissioner,
North West Territories,
Regina, 6th. May, 1901.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of 16th. ulto: in connection with the removal of the Roman Catholic Indians from Thos. Hunter 's Reserve to that of Blue Quill, I am unable to gather clearly whether you have been succe sful, and the Indians have already removed,- kindly advise me.

Yours truly,

JR

Actg Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake,
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In your reply refer to
No. 627
Also to date of this letter.

1503

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

11th May 1891.

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MAY 27 1891
N.W.T.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter no: 1503. of the 24th ult., enclosing forms upon which the consent of the Bands should be given to the transfers of their members to and from one another, and to inform you that, as the majority of the Headmen are at present absent from the Agency "on pass" for one month, I am at present unable to carry out your instructions as regard the families transferred from Thos: Hunter's reserve to that of Blue Quill and those from Wahsatanan to that of the first-mentioned.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedt: Servant,
John Ross
Actg Agent

Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Saddle Lake, 8th June 1891.

We the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Saddle Lake Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the Rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to Muskegwaticks widow to join our said Band, and as a member thereof, to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also hereby give full consent.

Witness to mark.
G H Harper.

His + mark. James Seenum, Chief.
His + mark. Sam Steinhauer. Headman
His + mark. Thomas Hunter "

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent

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Indian Reserve

Saddle Lake, 8th June 1891

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Witness to marks.
G H Harper

His + mark. James Seenum chief
His + mark. Sam: Steinhaur, Headman
His + mark. Thomas Hunter, Headman.

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Blue Quills, 8th June 1891

We the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Blue Quills Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the Rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to Pusqwack to join our said Band, and as a member thereof, to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks.
G H Harper

His + mark. James Seenum Chief
His + mark. Blue Quill Headmen.

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Blue Quills 8th June 1891.

We the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Blue Quill's Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the Rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to Mooswah to join our said Band, and as a member thereof, to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks.
G.H. Harper

his
mark. James Seenum. Chief
his
mark. Blue Quill. Headman.

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent

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Indian Reserve

Blue Quills, 8th June 1891

We the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Blue Quills Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the Rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to Red Crow. to join our said Band, and as a member thereof, to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks.
G. H. Harper.

his
mark. James Seenum, Chief
his
mark. Blue Quill, Headman.

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Blue Quills, 8th June 1891.

We the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Blue Quill's Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the Rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to J. B. Doghead. to join our said Band, and as a member thereof, to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks
G. H. Harper.

his + mark. James Seenum. Chief.
his + mark. Blue Quill. Headman.

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Blue Quills. 8th June 1891.

We the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Blue Quill's Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the Rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the 3rd day of August 1890 granted leave to Mah-pa-waise, to join our said Band, and as a member thereof, to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks
G H Harpur

his
mark James Seenum. chief.
his
mark Blue Quills Headman.

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Saddle Lake. 8th June 1891.

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as the Saddle Lake Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to Puoqwacke a member of our Band, to be transferred from our said Band, to the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No 6 and known as Blue quills Reserve, to which transfer, we, the undersigned, also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks.
G.H. Harper.

his mark + James Seenum. Chief.
his mark + Sam. Steinhauer Headman
his mark + Thomas Hunter " .

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent.

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Saddle Lake. 8th June 1891

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Saddle Lake Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to Mooswah a member of our Band, to be transferred from our said Band, to the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No 6 and known as Blue Quills Reserve, to which transfer, we, the undersigned, also hereby give full consent.

his + mark. James Seenum, Chief.
his + mark. Sam: Steinhauer. Headman
his + mark. Thomas Hunter. "

Witness to marks.
S. H. Harpur.

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent.

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Saddle Lake, 8th June 1891

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Witness to marks
C. H. Harper.

His + mark. James Seenum. Chief.
His + mark Sam. Steinhauer Headman.
His + mark Thomas Hunter "

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent.

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Indian Reserve

Saddle Lake 8th June 1891

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Saddle Lake Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present, at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890. granted leave to I. B. Doghead. a member of our Band, to be transferred from our said Band, to the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No 6 and known as Blue Quill's Reserve, to which transfer, we, the undersigned, also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks.
G H Harper

His + mark. James Seenum, Chief.
His + mark. Sam: Steinhaur, Headman
His + mark. Thomas Hunter. "

Certified
John Ross
Indian Agent.

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Consent of Band to Transfer

Indian Reserve

Saddle Lake. 8th June 1891.

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors, of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as Saddle Lake Reserve, do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has, by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality, on the third day of August 1890 granted leave to Mah-pa-waise a member of our Band, to be transferred from our said Band, to the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No 6 and known as Blue Quills Reserve, to which transfer, we, the undersigned, also hereby give full consent.

Witness to marks.
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Certified.
John Ross
Indian Agent.

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Blue Quills reserve. Saddle Lake agency.

8th June 1891.

The undersigned was willing and desirous to be transferred from the Reserve of Thos: Hunter to that of Blue Quill, in the Saddle Lake agency.

his
x
mark Pusqwack.

Witness to mark.

Interpreter

Certified

John Ross

Indian agent.

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Blue Quill's reserve. Saddle Lake agency.
8 14/11 June 1891.

The undersigned was willing and desirous to be transferred from the Reserve of Thos: Hunter to that of Blue Quill, in the Saddle Lake agency.

his
X
mark. Mooswah.

Witness to mark.

_____ Interpreter

Certified.
John Ross Indian agent.

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Blue Quills reserve. Saddle Lake agency.

8th June 1891.

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his
+
mark. Red Crow.

Witness to mark.

Interpreter.

Certified.

John Ross Indian agent.

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Blue Quill's reserve, Saddle Lake Agency.
8th June 1891.

The undersigned was willing and desirous to be transferred from the Reserve of Mos: Hunter to that of Blue Quill, Saddle Lake Agency.

his
x
mark. J. B. Doghead.

Witness to mark.

Interpreter.

Certified.

John Ross Indian Agent.

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Blue Quills reserve. Saddle Lake agency.
8th June 1891.

The undersigned was willing and desirous to be transferred from the Reserve of Thos Hunter to that of Blue Quill, Saddle Lake agency.

His + mark. Wah-pa-waise

Witness to mark.

Interpreter.

Certified.

Indian Agent

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In your reply refer to
No. 654
Also to [redacted] of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake.

9th June 1891.

Sir,

Referring to your letter no: 1503. of 24th april, I have the honor to return herewith the forms therein enclosed on which the consent of the Bands was required for transfers of their members from Thomas Hunter's reserve to Blue Quill's and to the former from Wahsatānan. These forms are now completed with the exception of those on which consent of the latter band is wanted. This I shall endeavour to obtain as early as possible.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant.
John Ross
Actg: Agent.

Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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By Telegraph from Victoria B.C. 12

To E. Dewdney

Sir John will arrive evening of Wednesday eighteenth and leave there for Winnipeg friday Morning

Fred White.

To secure prompt despatch send reply to

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Hon E Dewdney

On Train leaving Winnipeg

While wires Sir John will arrive evening Wednesday 18th and leave Winnipeg Friday morning

by H Reed

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Haying

The hay which had been left standing in cock at the beginning of harvesting was hauled and stacked making the completed haying operations to stand as follows.

	Tons Hay Grounds	Tons Stables	Total Tons
Pheasant Rumps B^d	180.	26	206
Striped Blankets "	167.	23	190
White Bears "	321.	53	374
Farm & Reserve		20	20
Agency "	45		45
			865

It will be noticed that a reduction has been made in the quantities of hay shown as put up the change being due to the loss of ten tons by Pheasant Rumps Band and ten tons by Farm by fire, and the consumption of five tons by the Agency Stock.

Backsetting of new breaking and Fall Ploughing.

The work of harvesting was so prolonged this year by the effort to get the crop of grain harvested by hand that all of the fall work was thrown back

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back and the finishing of haying, work at threshing etc occupied the Indians until some cold weather caused them to abandon other work and attend to the preparation of their houses for winter occupation and no fall ploughing was done, There is no doubt that their dissatisfaction at the regulations regarding harvesting by hands caused them to endeavour to evade the work of ploughing, and as there is always a lot of pressing work to be done in the fall, they had always had some good excuse why ploughing had to be put off for another day or two. There were large crops of roots to harvest, additional root cellars to dig etc and the result has been that an unusually early and severe winter has caught them with fall ploughing undone, Pheasant Rumps and Striped Blankets Bands have one hundred acres summer followed and White Bears Band

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Band three acres and I had hoped to get sufficient new land broken on White Bears Reserve to summer fallow half of the cultivated area each year but unless the Department should in the mean time see fit to modify the instructions given regarding harvesting and allow the Indians to get their grain harvested in the way they prefer so long as no demand for assistance is made upon the Department in connection with the work of harvesting or the purchase of machinery, it is hard to foretell what measure of success I will have in getting new land broken or any increase in the area cultivated

Stables Byres etc

The work of refitting for winter began about the middle of the month and was not finished at the end of the month. Three new byres were being built on Pheasant Rump Reserve, one on Striped Blanket Reserve, and three on White Bears Reserve,

Broken

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KODAK SAFE

Broken stanchions in old stables are being replaced and stanchions built in new stables excepting one built by John for his work Oxen and to accomodate the horses of Settlers coming for wood,

The cattle are now being watered at Lakes, and the work of preparing the stables etc receives close personal attention from the Farmer and myself.

Securing Seed for next Season,

The Indians have stored their potatoes themselves and as they have been careful to keep these from frost in the past this plan will it is thought give most satisfaction as when they are pitted together each one thinks that he has been taken advantage of by others,

White Beans Beans and grain is stored at the Agency, and some of the other Indians seed grain is being stored at the Farm and the remainder at their own houses

Mackenzie

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Machinery

Implements and Vehicles.

Almost all the implements not in use were stored by the end of the month, and ploughs etc are being repaired as opportunity offers.

Threshing

White Bears Bands grain was threshed on October 7th and the following yield was realized including the oats for Agency horses, Two hundred and thirty seven bushels wheat, three hundred and twenty nine bushels oats. The threshing of Pheasant Rumps and Striped Blankets Bands grain was begun on the 9th, but owing to delay through the breaking of the horse power is not yet finished, When I visited the Indians while threshing they were doing all the work themselves and seemed to understand the working of the machine quite well

Health

There was nothing especial about the health of the Indians during the month to call for comment,

Vital Statistics

"Wahtahpes" five year old boy Pheasant Rumps Band died of consumption and

Kah nah wah pah niant

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"Kah nah wah pah mint" of White Bears Band who was probably about ninety years old died of old age.

At the time of the treaty payments Dr Hardy vaccinated those not before operated on, in White Bears Reserve, and attended to a few cases requiring advice.

Echwayatouka and Wahseyn naije of Pheasant Rumps Band had sons born, Shah Oakshid of Striped Blankets Band, a daughter, and Papa of the same Band a son,

Civilization

Rupert Masandutah of Pheasant Rumps Band has moved to a new and better location on Pheasant Rumps Reserve where he will have an abundant supply of good water for his cattle, being near a lake fed by a good spring with good shelter from a large bluff for house and stables. through which bluff the cattle will go from the stable to water and with good land adjoining for garden. He has also built houses there for his father

and

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Civilization

and father in law near his own and it is proposed to induce other Indians to move to the same place. Some had promised to do so but the very unusually sudden closing in of winter was an excuse for postponing the removal.

Eto anape has nearly finished a larger and higher house and Red Thunder has the walls of a larger higher house up.

Kay Kay Kahway of White Bears Band has a new one and a half storey shingled roof house partly built. Jack has built a new house larger, better lighted (having two sashes) and more neatly built than his old one and with a lumber floor. Shewack had the walls of his new house up but cold weather brightened him, and the old house which was only a few years old was replastered, freshly whitewashed, newly floored, furnished with two windows sashes and occupied for the winter.

Jimmie

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Jimmie Mustashine is building a new house, Wahweekowskit purchased and brought home the lumber and shingles for a one and a half storey house but on account of the cold weather continued to occupy his old house for this winter. It is however comfortable, well floored cleanly whitewashed, with raised beds, table etc.
Sheepskin has built a new and much better and larger house than the one occupied last winter, has bought lumber for floor - beds table etc, oil cloth, dish pan, crockery etc, and when settled will be comfortable, but promises to build a still better house for next winter. As this Indian was very non-progressive until a couple of years ago, when he first took cattle and began to farm, his case is encouraging.
White Bear has had a much larger house built which is to be floored Nokahoot is getting a

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a floor into his house.
Alex. Kahquatawayo, and
Kas ah peet and Tom have
built and are building
new houses superior to those
previously occupied, and
two of them are to be floored.
All the houses in the Agency
have been or are being
whitewashed. most of them
have raised beds, and others
will build them as soon as
they get settled. the unexpected
cold weather having somewhat
upset their calculations,

John has the logs for
a new house on the ground
and the lumber for floor
etc on the ground but has
put off building until
next year as has also
Shahwahchakoos. Both
are cleanly and comfortably
housed in the meantime
having lumber floors etc.

There is a fireplace
in every house in the Agency
excepting three and I will
continue to endeavour to
get fireplaces built in
them,

General

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General

When I visited Pleasant Point and Striped Blankets Reserves after the fire I found that although very little hay had been lost, thanks to the fire guard running North and South, that much of the timber had been burned.

The fires came from different directions for some days and active and constant exertions by Farmer Lawford and the Indians were necessary to save the Reserves from being burnt over. The settlers in every direction met with losses of hay and grain.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
[signature]
Indian Agent

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Regina 18th July 86

Capt Begg

Notify Indians that Sir John cannot leave train but will meet them at Gleichen Tell Crowfoot Comdr - anxious he made good display & will sleep at Agency

sgd H Reed

1511

Regina July 15th 86

F Lohiti

Wpey

If agreeable to Sir John it is proposed to present addresses to him in the skating rink at 3 o'clock Saturday

Are you coming by regular train if so what time should carriages meet you —

sgd E Dendney

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Regina
July 8th/86

Dear Colonel

Ack letter to the Comm^r regarding the expressed desire of the part of your Indian that Sir John should visit them on their Res - or that failing this they should interview him at station when on his way through

While there can be no doubt as to the pleasure it would give Sir John to be able to see the great improvements these Indians have made & have a talk with them it must be remembered that the Premier is very old & in delicate health & has a long Journey before him, his time is limited but it may be relied upon that it is within his power I will be pleased to gratify the wishes of the Inds

Yours Sincerely
J. S. Reed

Col McDonald
Cor Rev Lakes

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A July 9/86

Indian Office
Crooked Lake
4th July 86

My dear Mr. Dewarry.

The Chiefs and Head men with several of the other Indians of these reserves called on me last evening. and requested me to write and let you know that it is their desire that Sir John A. McDonald should visit them on their Reserves (including the Agency) or if not able to come that they be allowed to see him at Brantford. Men, women and children.

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They say they have heard
that he is very sick, and should
they not see him now, they
will never more see their big
great Chief in this world
Brant. Respectfully &c

The moon ordered us to
come with them & Sir John A
should see them when they
got to Montreal —

Should they be allowed
to go to Montreal, they will
no doubt go in a little clothing
as they came, and call upon
their Great Chief to give
them something to cover
the bodies of their women &
Children —

If it could be managed
I should say, let him visit
their Queen. Since as far as
the lots of the Indians
he can have a beautiful
view on several good farms
at the town of the hill and
Brantford Take a short distance
off. There is something to
be seen this summer, the
Crops look well. do not think
they could be better. The Grass
I mean. Barley and oats not
so good.

While I take my pen in
fear tones to thank and ask
the same Favor asked by the
Indians —

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with regard to conveyance that would have to be supplied by the police I suppose.

I send by "Copithorne" who goes to the Darcen Reserve by tomorrow's express - a parcel of samples of Wheat Barley and Peas. raised by a widow on Little Childs Reserve. of the former she has 18 acres. Barley 1½ and Peas ½. I think it is a good as is grown in the Country.

We have picked Wheat in other places three miles longer than this

I remain
Yours very
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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner

FOR MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

1886.

A. O.

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INDIAN BRANCH.

OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

Legislation.

1873

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J. W. Powell
Ind. Com.
6/27 Mar Victoria
B.C.

Draft Memo & Sketch of a Bill providing for Ind. Coroubenes Destitute Halfbreeds &c of B.C.

Copied for House of Commons May 1873

Transmitted under Secretary of State's letter of 22nd June 1874
S.A.

25 May/74 - See Report by Min. of Justice -
Sept 6/74
A.E.

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No 875.

Department of Justice.

Ottawa,
28th March 1874.

Reference is made by the Minister of the Interior of the draft of a Bill proposed by the Chief Justice of British Columbia for providing for Indian Concubines and destitute Half-breed Children of persons dying intestate and leaving property in the Province.

The Bill is transmitted in an interesting letter of Chief Justice Begbie, stating the reasons which exist for his proposal of such a measure. The object proposed is to enable the Supreme Court, in cases where a person dies intestate and possessed of property, and without legal relations

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in the Provinces, but leaving native Indian women ~~—~~ concubines and children the issue of such Concubines or of other Concubines them surviving, to make provision out of the estates of the deceased intestate.

The undersigned is of opinion that this subject, as proposed to be treated by the draft Bill, is one within the competence of the Legislature of British Columbia. It is in effect an act referring to the estates of intestates, and is therefore one treating of property and civil rights.

In so far as the Bill proposes to enable the appropriation of part of an intestates' property to Native Indian Women, inasmuch as Legislation connected with Indians is left with the Parliament of Canada, it may be requisite for the Parliament to confer on them

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them by statute the capacity to take, hold and receive any property so distributed, and it would probably in such case be deemed advisable to put it on the same footing required under the Statutes now in force in Canada to Indians. In respect to the Half-Breed Children of intestates by Native Indian Concubines, no such question can arise as to their capacity to receive and hold any appropriation to them for the reason that they are not under the same legal disabilities as Indians.

H Bernard
D.M.J.

I Concur
A. A. Dorion
Minister of Justice

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British Columbia

Department of Indian affairs

Victoria Mar 8th 1878

Sir

I have the honor to enclose for your consideration, a Memorandum and Sketch of a Bill for providing for Indian Concubines and destitute half breed children of persons dying intestate and leaving property in this Province, by the Hon'ble B. Begbie, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of B.C. Judge Begbie's long service in this Province, enables him to understand thoroughly the many evils of Indian Concubinage - and I have therefore great pleasure in forwarding his views upon one of them.

In the absence of some Act to legitimatize the issue of Indian Concubinage, Mr Begbie's proposition is most desirable and would be, if adopted, both useful and popular in this Province

I have the honor to be, Sir
Your most obedient Servant
I W Powell
Supt Indian Affairs

The Honorable
Joseph Howe
Secretary of State for the Dominion
&c &c &c
Ottawa

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Province ~~State~~ British Columbia

Sketch of a bill for providing for Indian Concubines and destitute half breed children of persons dying intestate & leaving property in the Province

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Whereas in the [Province of Brit. Col.a] or [remoter parts of divers Provinces in the Dom.n] it sometimes happens that divers persons die intestate & possessed of considerable property & without any legal relatives in the Province but leaving native Indian women their concubines and children the issue of such concubines or of other concubines then surviving. And whereas no provision can now be legally made for such concubine & children out of the assets of the deced

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deed and such encumbrances & children being thrown on the charity of their neighbours for subsist, the community are put to undue expense and the children are exposed to physical & moral deterioration to the further injury of the community And Whereas it is just & reasonable that some provision shall in some cases be made out of the assets of such intestate for the maintenance & education of such concubine & offspring

Be it enacted &c.

I Where any man shall die intestate in the [illegible] Province of B.C." or "remoter districts"] leaving him surviving an Indian concubine who may at the time of his decease be actually

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be actually maintained by him or under his protection or leaving any illegitimate child or children under the age of [16] years reputed to be by him begotten on any Indian woman for the support maintenance or advancement of such child he shall have made any provision within the 12 months next before his decease Then and in such case it shall be lawful for the Supreme Court or any Judge thereof in his or his discretion to order that there be retained for allotted & applied for the support maintenance & benefit of such concubine & of every such child respectively so much of the net real & personal estate or either of them of such

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of such intestate (after paymt. of all his debts) as to such Court or Judge shall seem fit not however allotting to ~~any~~ such concubine or to any such child a sum + [~~greater~~] for each than [$250] + or than the amount of [5] per cent on s^d net residuary real & personal estate - whichever limit may be the largest.

* Wm Ann

+ I would say "not less" J H Powell

qu $500 & 10% MBB

II Any applicn. for an allowance & provn. under this act may be made to the Supreme Court of the Province or to any Judge thereof by petition or motion in a summary way by the admor or by any person acting as next friend for such concubine or any such infant child

(4) And any

And any such Judge either on any applicn. or on any distinct applicn. under this act for letters of admon may if think proper direct inquiries as to the existence & mode of life of any such concubine or inft. child and as to the rate and descriptn. of the maintenance allowed to her or them resply by the intestate in his lifetime and such Judge may if he think fit appoint some person to act as next friend for such concubine or inft. child.

III If such intestate leave a widow him surviving within the Province no order shall be made on any such applicn. without the consent of such widow.

IV. The amount directed to be

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to be allotted & retained by by
any order made on such
application as aforesaid shall be Expended
& laid out in such way as
such Court or Judge shall by
the same or any other order
from time to time direct,
for the maintenance of such Cemetery or
for the maintenance Education
& advancement in the World
of any such Child

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Canada.

Province of British Columbia

Indian Concubines and their half-breed children

Memorandum for the Secretary of State for the Provinces.

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(1) In the Session of the Provincial House of assembly, Brit. Col^a 1872, an act was passed, for reversing the old English law - never, I believe, attempted to be reversed since the famous "Nolumus leges Anglie mutari" of the Parliament of Merton, 600 years ago - and declaring (among other things) that the marriage of a man with a woman who had been his concubine shd. ipso facto legitimatize the previously born issue of such Concubinage. - The Act was however reserved by the Executive here for the approval of the Governor General - & that approval was refused.

(2) It is of course quite unnecessary to go into the reasons for that refusal. I shall only say, that I cannot conceive myself arguing in favor of such an Act - much

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Act - much less approving or suggesting it.

(3) At the same time I should wish to be allowed to point out, that the supporters of the measure in the House here had a very real grievance & public hardship to allege, for wch they proposed their measure as a remedy: and wch I also sho. wish to see remedied, but in a very different way.

(4) There is in this Province a large class of very useful, hardworking but not highly educated or refined pet of men who form as it were the van of the settlers. They generally preempt land far up the country, & employ themselves in stock raising or other agricultural pursuits: sometimes in mining in isolated localities, or packing - sometimes in a combination of these or other occupations according to the season of the year: but generally having a log house wch they consider their home, and generally an Indian Concubine whom they consider & treat in all respects as the wife of a man in similar circs of life wo be considered & treated by him in Great Britain. - There is very often issue of the concubinage. These men, being enterprising, frugal & industrious, & their concubines being in many respects "help" more "meet" for them than women of European descent or education wo be, live in a rude comfort, & often amass property of considerable value - from a few hundreds of dollars to $10.000 & upwards. They are generally much separated from their heirs or next of kin by long intervals of time & space & often ignorant, and careless, whether there be any body in the whole world living to claim kinship with them at all. The concubines, it is to be observed, consider themselves to be and are according to the native customs, lawful wives, generally.

(5) In the rough & exposed life wch these men lead they are often cut off suddenly without making the smallest provision containing for their concubines or children. They invariably, I think, die intestate. Probably most men do: and this is a well known weakness of human nature wch it is the business of the legislator not to ignore. I had in this present week in a case before me wch the property left by the intestate will probably realize over $1000. - When realized, it will be paid into Court

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Court under the Trustee Relief Acts, to await some application by the next of Kin. The deced an Englishman left England in 1845 as a common sailor: has never been in England since, and has been settled in Brit. Col.a ever since 1858. — All that is known of his next of Kin is, that he once told his partner here that he believed that when he left England, he had a brother working somewhere in London. That seems to be the latest & most detailed inform.y wch he had or cared to have about them. He has left a concubine of many years standing & an infant child quite unprovided for. Another case occurred last fall. The estate of the deced, a thriving farmer, realized close upon $12.000. he died suddenly at Victoria, whither he had come to get his will made, and to place his eldest girl at one of the best schools here. The girl he placed at the school, & paid 1 yr's charges in advance, so she is still there. — But he died suddenly without making any will. There are none but collateral (legitimate) relatives. — The concubine and 3 or 4 children whom the deceased was educating with great

with great care, will of course be thrown utterly destitute on the hill-side. — There are many of such cases yearly: the children are worse off than those of full Indian blood: less useful to the community when grown up, & far more expensive in the meantime: for of course they have to be maintained alive somehow.

(6) It was partly as a remedy for these cases of manifest hardship that the late abortive Act was proposed. In addition to the inherent & general objections to the principles of such an act, however, it was of course obvious to remark (1) that a remedy so much more extensive than the evil it was to cure, might be suspected of being intended, or at least of being hereafter perverted, to cover cases of concubinage other than, & of a very different nature from, the cases alleged. 2° that it was not, after all, a satisfactory remedy: for a man in such a position might well desire to make some provision for persons thus dependent on him, without wishing, or thinking that they required or deserved, to inherit his whole property 3°. that it was at the same time a very imperfect remedy, as it did not guard agst the fatal consequences of procrastination, any more

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than his testamentary power did — & finally 4°. that a man might always make such provⁿ as he thought fit by making a will.

(7) I do not propose to evade the force of any of these arguments — on the contrary, I think them so forcible, that, in particular the 3° of them wo^d have rendered expedient some such measure as I now propose, even if the late proposed act had been passed into full effect. It is clear that men wo^d, or that men might, delay until too late their marriage, just as they now delay their wills. The mother of the children might be dead. The children might be by different mothers.

(8) The measure I wo^d suggest wo^d meet all these cases, and satisfy (to some extent) our humanity, without (I hope) insulting our Christian morality. — It is shortly to enact, that in cases of intestacy, — where the deceased has left connexions of the kind alluded to, recognized or maintained by him within the year before his death, — and where he has left no legitimate widow in the province — and there is a net estate after payment of all creditors —

Creditors — the S. Court may apply for the maintenance &c. of such concubine or children so much of the real & personal est^d (the course of descent of lands here is, generally, exactly the same as of personalty) as may seem proper, within certain defined limits, — in preference to the legitimate next of kin.

9 For obvious reasons, I wo^d not suggest that this power sho^d be given to the court where the deced has left a widow in the Province: nor where he has made a will: nor over the whole estate, except when it is of small amount: nor at all, unless all cred^rs be satisf^d: nor unless the deced has recognized the connexion.

10 It is not a sentimental hardship alone, or even cruelty, but only some concrete evil to the community wch can call for the intervention of the Legislature. I venture to think I have pointed out such — especially in paragr. 5, sub finem. — And there is the same general reason for some such measure as there is for the General Statutes for the distribution of Intestate's estates at all. And the parties who alone co^d complain of the measure I propose — the heirs or next of kin — co^d only complain that their windfall

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windfall was diminished. They are generally, besides, distant collateral relatives — of whose very existence the deceased is often ignorant — & who often are roused to inquiry, not by the promptings of blood, or the voice of natural affection, but by the correspondence of some consular agent.

I Enclose a rough sketch of a bill. All Indian matters being by the B.N.A. act 1867 exclusively reserved to the Dominion I venture to trouble the Dominion authorities with this communication

Matt B Begbie
Chief Justice B.C.:

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Re Section I of Sketch of proposed Bill I would recommend that the same be allowed to be left to the discretion of the Court

J W Powell

Court House Victoria B.C.
Thurs. 6 March 1873

Sir

I have the honor to enclose for your perusal copy memorandum and sketch of proposed Bill for providing for Indian emancipation & half breed children.

I shd be much obliged, if you think the subject of sufficient importance by your forwarding the same to the Secretary of State for the Provinces with such alterations or suggestions as you may think calculated to improve the efficiency of the proposed measure

I remain Sir Your obt Servt
Matt B Begbie C.J.

Dr Powell
Gen'l Superintendent &c
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1892

Jas F. Graham
Winnipeg

24/April
1 May

Copy of letter from Messrs Drake and Rutherford asking permission to build a mill on the Indian Reserve, Fisher River

1893

29 Apl
2 May 2 Lts from A.R. Crowe
13/18 & ext " do
13/31 May " " do
2 June — fm Ewell
7 July Lt & Encl from do
26 Aug ext from do

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882

Jas D. Graham

2d April Prompted

1 May

Copy of Letter from Messrs Blake & Rutherford asking permission to build a mill on the Indian Reserve Fraser River.

2d May Lett. J Graham

26 July Lett from J Graham

9 Aug " to do

26 Jan 83 Lett from J Graham

9 Feb Lett from Dept of Justice

" " to J Graham

24 Dec Lett from E McColl

28 Dec Let to Do

3 Jan 84 Lett from Ind Off

13 Feby Let

MEMO.

Rec'd 28-11-92

Mar 5 1892

Sent Mar 5 92

B 21-12-85

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Let. 28. 2. 91

Mar. 23. 2. 91

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Rec'd 14-7-91

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ACTION.

Dec 27 84

12/7 Appl Lett from E McColl.

14 June Lett from C McColl.

to do

8/13 " June Lett from E McColl.

/ with enclosures /-

22 June Let to J McCole

24 July Lett from C McColl.

13 " to do

9 Oct 84 Lett from E McColl

15 " to do

20 Oct 86 Lett from do

24 Jan 87 " to do

29 5/8 Feb " Let from E McColl.

14/22 " " Lett from C McColl.

1 Apl Let to do

5/12 Apr Lett from E McColl.

28 Apr. Let. to do (a)

10/22 Aug Let from do

28 Feb. Let to E McColl.

6/19 Jan 91 " from do.

26 June " to do

11/14 July 91 Let from do.

16 July " to do

16 July " " Dept of Justice with this file as enclosure-

2/12 July Let from Dept of Just

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MEMORANDUM.

To Dy. Minister

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 15 Jany 1884

In relation to the Surrender of five acres of land on the Fisher River Indian Reserve for a Mill Site for Messrs Drake & Rutherford. The undersigned begs to report that before the Surrender is prepared a Sketch of the Site together with a description thereof should be had by the Dept.

The boundaries of the tract required by Messrs Drake & Rutherford should be clearly defined, otherwise they might monopolize the Banks of the River indefinitely and exclude the Indians from access thereto or even the free Navigation thereof.

There is no Plan of the Reserve in the Dept. Mr. Austin (Chief Draughtsman) says that the Plan as well as tracings thereof are in the Dept. of Interior.

J. McD. Plummer

Mr Plummer - the area of land to be surrendered is only 5 acres. We can prevent too much frontage being given by instructing Mr McColl in the matter - See agreement of the Inds with

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Mr Graham's letter of 26 July 1882 - The Surrender may be drawn - limiting the quantity of land to be surrendered to five acres at the bend of the River as stated in the agreement of the Indians & stipulating that no more than a frontage of three chains shall be allowed

A tracing of the Reserve map should be obtained & sent to have the Mill site laid down thereon.

A Vankoughnet

D.M.

Jany 12/84

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MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To.....

Ottawa, 15/1 1884

Description.

Commencing at a Post planted at high water mark on north or South Bank of Fisher River in the Fisher River Indian Reserve. Thence from the post aforesaid up the River a distance of ——— to a post on the bank of the said River; thence at right angles to a line between the two posts mentioned a distance of ——— thence at right angles to a post a distance of ———. Thence at right angles to the post ~~at the post~~ at the point of beginning. a distance of ——— Containing by admeasurement five acres, be the same more or less

WP

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As the undersigned has not
the time to write a fair copy
of the Surrender Chemin
required. he begs that
Mr Benson may be
authorized to do it.
Mr. B. does not object
but wishes the Dy
Minister's authority
W.P.
Approved
KR
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Surrender

The Fisher River
Band
To
Her Majesty the Queen

Five Acres to be
Leased for a Mill
Site

Dated 1884

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Know all Men by These presents.

That We the Chief and principal men of the Fisher River Band of Indians owning the Reserve on the Fisher River a tributary of Lake Winnipeg in Treaty No 2 entitled to vote at a meeting or Council thereof Summoned for that purpose according to Our rules and held in the presence of Mr ~~Alexander McKay~~ Ebenezer McColl Our Agent duly authorized to attend such Council have this day consented and agreed to Surrender and yield up unto Her Most Gracious majesty Queen Victoria Her Heirs and Successors, in trust, to be leased for the joint benefit of Our Band aforesaid for the purposes of a Mill site to Messrs Drake and Rutherford the following parcel or tract of land: Commencing at a post planted at high water mark on the ~~___~~ Bank of Fisher River in the aforesaid Reserve; thence running up the River a distance of feet to a post planted on the said Bank of the said River; thence at right angles to a line drawn between the two posts mentioned, a distance of feet; thence at right angles feet to a post; thence at right angles feet to the post planted at the place of beginning: Containing by admeasurement five acres be the same

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same more or less.

In Witness whereof We the undersigned Chief and principal men have hereunto set Our hands and Seals this day of in the year of Our Lord One thousand, eight hundred and Eighty four and in the forty seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

Signed, Sealed and delivered, having been previously read and interpreted in presence of

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Province of Manitoba We ~~Alexander~~ Ebenezer
To wit ~~McKay~~ McCall, Agent
for the Fisher River Band of Indians and
name of Chief or principal man - of the
said Band make oath and say as follows:

1 The deponent Alexander McKay for himself saith, that he was duly authorized to attend a meeting or Council of the said Band summoned in accordance with their rules for the purpose of obtaining the assent of the majority of the male members of the Band of the full age of twenty one years and entitled to vote, to the within Surrender

2 That such Surrender was assented to by a majority of the male members of the said Band entitled to vote at such meeting or Council.

And the said says that he is Chief or one of the principal men of the aforesaid Band of Indians and that he was present and voted at the aforesaid meeting or Council and that the said Surrender was assented to by a majority of the male members of the Band entitled to vote at such meeting or Council.

Sworn before me at

file in jurat & make the affidavit before a judge or Stipendiary magistrate as required by sec 37.552 of the Indian Act 1880

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RESERVE No. 86.

PLAN OF INDIAN RESERVE AT FISHER RIVER

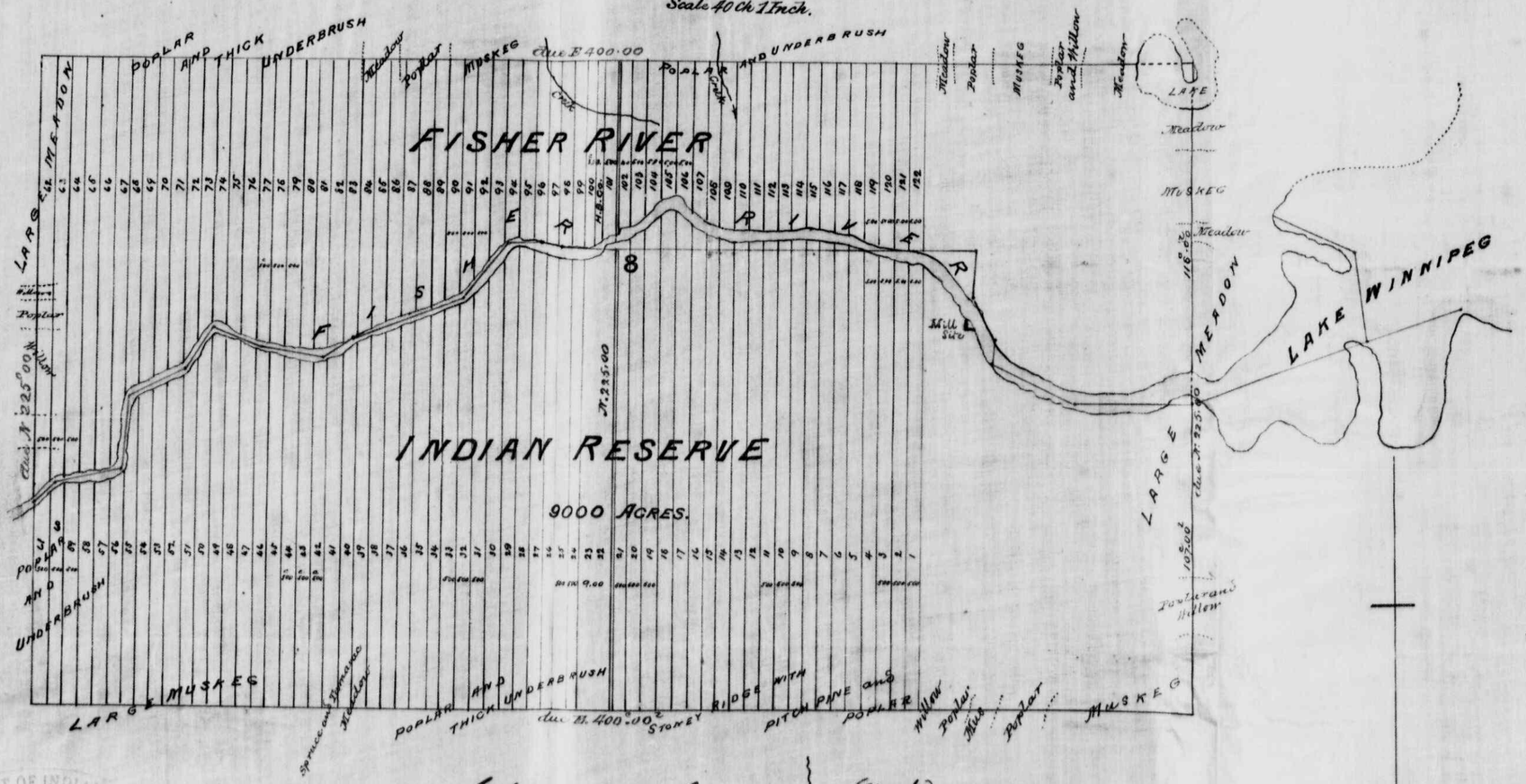
On the West side of LAKE WINNIPEG DISTRICT of KEEWATIN

According to the provisions of Treaty No. 5 and surveyed under instructions from the Surveyor General dated 18th June 1877 by Duncan Sinclair D.L.S.

Scale 40 Ch 1 Inch.

Dep. of Interior
6/2/84
A TRUE COPY
P.C.

Notes
Lot 22 = 1.00
E½ Lot 100 = 300 belongs to H.B.Co.
W½ " " 300
Lot 102 " 400



K. Van Koughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Gen. of Indian Affairs

(Signed) Duncan Sinclair DLS
Winnipeg Man 2nd Mar 1878
D.L.S.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SURVEY BRANCH
TRACED
12-2-84
OTTAWA, CANADA

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Winnipeg 6th June. 1885.

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E. Meredith Esq.

Inspector of Indian agencies

City.

Dear Sir

re Millsite on Fisher River

We have been informed that the Government of Canada have through you made an offer to lease 8 acres more or less in the Indian Reserve at Fisher River at $50- per annum from the 17 July '83 to the firm of messrs Drake and Rutherford the rent being payable in advance. It also appears that John Jebson was a member of the firm of Drake and Rutherford and that Drake, Rutherford, and Jebson, by a deed dated 1st October '83 took Theodore A. Burrows into the firm, they putting into the partnership the mill at Fisher River and the appurtenances. The firm then became Drake, Burrows, Rutherford

and

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and Gibson trading under the name
of Drake Burrows and Rutherford

On Oct 22nd 1884 Drake Burrows
and Rutherford assigned to James Colclough
in trust and among other things the
Saw mill, Mill fixtures and other Connections
Situate on certain land surveyed as a
millsite under the direction of the
Indian Department of the government
of Canada being on Fisher River Indian
Reserve and on the south bank of the
Fisher River about 2 miles from where
the Fisher River enters Lake Winnipeg
all the real estate and the personal estate
of the said firm of Drake Burrows and
Rutherford.

By virtue of a conveyance made by
Mr Colclough as trustee of the said firm with
consent of said Drake Burrows & Rutherford
and of their Creditors all the real & personal
estate belonging to said Colclough as
trustee aforesaid, were conveyed to
N. Boyd and G. R. Crowe, Winnipeg
Lumber

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Lumber merchants. The purchase has not been completed and before paying over the purchase money to the trustee Messrs Boyd & Crowe wish to be satisfied that the Government recognises their title to the benefits of this arrangement made between the government of the Dominion of Canada and Messrs Drake and Rutherford to the lease

As they are the assignees of the mill and its fixtures and all appurtenances they will of course be entitled to the use of the mill site as assignees of Drake & Rutherford and are entitled to all benefits which the firm of Drake and Rutherford have to the mill site

Our fees are $5.00 which you should get from the other parties

Yours truly

(Sgd) Aikens Culver & Hamilton.

Barristers &c.

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To Messrs Nathaniel Boyd
and Georg R. Crowe.
Winnipeg.

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Sirs

I hereby acknowledge to have received the sum of $200. in full of all arrears up to the 17th July 1885. due to the Indian Department in respect of a certain agreement for a Lease undertaken to be given to messrs Drake and Rutherford for the term of 10 years from the 17th July 1882 at the rent of $50xx per annum of 5 acres more or less situate on Fisher River Indian Reserve and I hereby acknowledge and recognise you as the assignees of the said Drake & Rutherford of the said agreement for a lease and upon the completion of the declaration of the Chief of the Band located on the said Indian Reserve I will

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will recommend a lease to be granted to you for the balance of the said term

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Em. Coll

Inspector of Indian Agencies

Office of the Inspector
of Indian Agencies
Manitoba Superintendency
Winnipeg
9th June 1885.

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Manitoba Superintendency.

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg, 8th June 1885

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 13 1885

In your Reply refer to
No. 10.739.
also to the date of this letter

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SIR,

With further reference to your letter of the 13th February 1884 No 1531 re application of messrs Drake and Rutherford for permission to build a Sawmill on the Indian Reserve at Fisher River Treaty 5, I beg to say that in accordance with the instructions contained therein I, when on my annual visit to that Reserve in August last, brought the matter before the members of the Band and after a full discussion the enclosed deed of surrender was signed unanimously I thereupon went over the Site and measured off the quantity surrendered viz 5 acres (more or less) drove in the posts, and blazed the trees marking the proper boundary lines of said site which is duly noted on the departmental plan which I beg to return herewith

Since

The Right Honorable
The Supt General
of Indian affairs
Ottawa.

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Since that time messrs Drake and Rutherford the parties to whom the lease was granted have assigned over all their right to and in the said mill and machinery erected upon the site to messrs Boyd and Crowe who have requested that the aforesaid lease be vested in them, Having received a letter -copy enclosed- from messrs Atkins Culver and Hamilton that messrs Boyd & Crowe were in fact and legally the assignees of Drake and Rutherford, I therefore received the amount due $200.xx which was tendered to me by messrs Boyd & Crowe and gave them a receipt in full of all arrears to 17th. July next, a copy of this receipt I also beg to enclose.

I have the honor to enclose herewith deposit receipt No 1467 — consisting of duplicate, triplicate, and draft from the Merchants Bank here for the sum of Two Hundred ($200.xx) Dollars placed to credit of the Receiver General,

on

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on account of Casual Revenue being the Rent of mill Site on the Fisher River Indian Reserve from the 17th July 1882 to 17 July 1885 @ $100.00 per annum = $150.00 and $50.00 in payment of Timber standing upon the said mill Site.

The affidavit to the deed of Surrender I shall have the honor to forward to the Department as soon as the Chief of the Band can be sworn, this could not be done at the time of surrender for the reason that there is neither a Judge nor magistrate near to Fisher River,

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obedient Servant.
E. McColl
Inspector of Indian agencies

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Fisher River Sept 11th 1876

E. McColl Esquire.
Inspector of Indian Agencies

Dear Sir

We the Fisher River Band of Indians would respectfully ask the government through you, to grant us the two hundred dollars to put credit for the purpose of purchasing a yoke of oxen, and that the oxen be sent us this fall as we are greatly in need of them. The extra amount of clearing done this season, and what will still be done this fall will make more work than our present oxen can possibly do, and we would like to get as much as possible ready for crops for next season.

We would also ask that twenty five bushels of wheat be sent out this fall, and fifty bushels of oats, that we may have them in time for sowing next spring; If the seed should not come until the first frost next spring it will be too late, and expose our crops to be ruined by early fall frosts

Hoping that our requests will be granted

We have the honor to be

Dear Sir

Your obedient Servants

David Prince Chief

Councillors { Harry Prince
Joseph Prince

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Ottawa, 7th April, 1893.

The Honourable Mayne Daly,

Superintendent General of Indian Affirs.

With reference to the letter of the 27th ultimo from Mr. C.R. Crowe, of Winnipeg, to Mr. Boyd, M.P., respecting the old mill and machinery which, for a number of years past, has been located upon a site on the Fisher River Reserve, Treaty No. 5, the undersigned begs to report that, in the year 1882 the Indians owning the above Reserve gave their consent to five acres thereof being occupied by Messrs Drake & Rutherford as a site for a steam saw mill; and this was also consented to by the Department, the terms being that Messrs Drake & Rutherford were to pay, besides $50.00 for the wood standing on the five acre lot, a rental of $50.00 per annum in advance, and to furnish security that they would not cut nor cause to be cut for them any timber outside the five acres on the Fisher River Reserve.

Up to the year 1885 the rent was paid, but since that date no rent was received.

In the mean time the mill property had changed hands, Messrs Drake & Rutherford having assigned the same to Messrs Boyd & Crowe, who subsequently abandoned it.

These latter parties were frequently called upon

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to pay the arrears of rent, but they utterly failed to do so, and the matter was at length placed in the hands of the Department of Justice, who, through their Agents at Winnipeg, endeavored, ~~but unsuccessfully,~~ to effect an amicable settlement with the owners of the property. This, however, was likewise a failure; and it ended in the Department's having to pay the costs of the negotiations had by the Agent of the Department of Justice with Messrs Boyd & Crowe in the matter.

The Indians, in the meah time became very pressing in their demands for the rent, which the Department found itself utterly unable, ~~however,~~ to satisfy, owing to the failure, on the part of Messrs Boyd & Crowe, to pay the arrears due.

As a final resort the Indian Agent for the locality was instructed to take possession of the mill property, and to forward to the Department a statement in detail describing the machinery and the condition of the same.

It appeared from the statement that the mill itself had become completely dilapidated, but that the machinery was in fair order.

The Inspector of Indian Agencies and Reserves at Winnipeg was requested to report whether the lumber composing the mill property would be worth preserving, and if so what steps should be taken with a view to something being done. He recommended that the mill and other buildings connected therewith should be dismantled, and that the lumber should be sorted into different grades and stored in such a way as to protect it from the weather, in order that it might be available for the use of the Indians. Instructions were sent to have this done and to have the machinery placed under proper protection, and, if necessary, taken apart and cleaned.

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Arrangements were recently reported by the Inspector of Indian Agencies and Reserves at Winnipeg to have been made with a Mr.Robinson to do this work,and it is presumed that the same is now in progress.

H. Stankowski

Deputy Supt.General

of Indian Affairs.

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Winnipeg, May 13, 1893.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 31 1893

Hon. T. M. Daly, Esq.,

Minister of the Interior,

Ottawa.

Dear Sir-

Re the Selkirk Lumber Co's. Mill at Fisher River.

On the 27th of March last I wrote to Mr. Boyd M.P. for Marquette concerning the ground rental of this mill and received a reply from Mr. VanKoughnet dated April 27th and May 4th 1893. Will you kindly per mit me to state my case to you.

In 1885 we purchased the estate of Messrs. Drake, Burrows and Rutherford, then insolvent, from the assignee which purchase included the mill property at Fisher River. This mill is located on the Indian Reserve there and the Indian Department had let the ground for the purposes of the mill at an annual rental of $50.00 Mr. T. A Burrows conducted most of the negotiations for the purchase of the property and represented to me that he had an understanding with Mr. McColl of the Indian Department, that when the timber tributary to this mill was all cut the Department would take overthe buildings we had there, that is dwelling houses, stores &c. &c. on account of ground rent, as either the buildings or the lumber contained in them could be profitably used for the necessary buildings required for the Indians. As no account for rent was ever sent to us, nor any request for payment made, I very naturally presumed that

Copy of this letter to cept what I have shown and with blue pencil should be sent to Mr. McColl for report & categorical reply

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this arrangement was all right and I was very much surprised to receive about eighteen months ago, as the first request for payment, a letter from Messrs.Aikins & Culver, as solicitors for the Departmt demanding immediate payment of rental or suit would be entered against me. I protested against such treatment and immediately sought the intercession of Mr.H.J.Macdonald,M.P. who interviewed Mr.Dewdney on my behalf, endeavoring to get the Government to complete the arrangement I understood was made in '85, as stated above. The result of Mr.Macdonald's efforts were not very encouraging as Mr.McColl denied having made any arrangement with Mr.Burrows and much time was spent in securing from Mr.Burrows, who was then near Lake Dauphin, a statement of what he claimed took place, which statement I forwarded to Mr.Macdonald who again pressed Mr.Dewdney for a more favorable consideration. In the meantime changes were likely to be made in the Cabinet and I thought it better to wait and see what could be done with Mr.Dewdney's successor and consequently took the matter up with Mr.Boyd last winter, as he being a partner of mine at the time of the purchase, was familiar with the whole transaction. I saw Mr.Aikins several times during the early part of last summer andtold him I was using my best endeavors to get the matter closed up and if I could not succeed I would pay the rent. In March last I received a letter from Rev.Mr McHaffie, missionary at Fisher River, who had been looking

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after the property for me. This letter stated that the Indian Department had taken possession of the property and that the agent said it was the intention to dismantle the mill in the spring This letter I sent to Mr.Boyd. In April I received another letter from Mr.McHaffie stating that the dismantling had been done and the machinery exposed to the weather. Now all these proceedings of taking possession,dismantling &c.&c.has been done without giving me any notice whatever, although it was done under the instructions of men living in the city, and who knew that I never disputed nor refused payment, but only asked for delay in order that I might get an arrangement concluded that I believe had been made.

The action taken by the Department seems to me to be most unwarranted, unjust and unnecessary. Unwarranted because I got no notice of the Department's intention,unjust because the proceeding has caused me much damage in destroying the property,and unnecessary because ground rental could have been collected without any such proceeding. I have therefore lodged a formal protest with your Department against the whole proceedings. Being anxious however that no further trouble or annoyance should take place,I beg to submit the following propostiion without prejudice to my legal rights in the premises. If the Department will immediately go out of possession of the property, and put it in the position that they found it, I shall immediately that this done send you

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payment for the groun d rent without interest and without any expense whatever as I claim that all the expense you have chosen to incur in the matter was wholly unwarranted and I have no right to be asked to pay it. If this proposition meets with your approval I am prepared to enter into a formal agreement to carry it out.

I may say to you confidentially that I have a strong suspicion that a resident of Winnipeg, who has lumber interests on Lake Winnipeg has been at the bottom of this matter. I think the gentleman referred to has been a life long opponent of the present Government, it is needless for me to say to you that I have been a life long supporter and I consider the treatment I have received at the hands of the Department is not of such a character as I deserved.

I trust that you will give this matter a favorable consideration, and await your reply.

Yours respectfully,

G. R. Crowe

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MEMORANDUM.

About 1882 Messrs Drake and Rutherford applied for a lease for 10 years of a mill site, on the Fisher's River Reserve at a rental of $50 a year. They entered into occupation and erected a mill, but no lease appears to have been executed : the firm failed in 1884 ; made an assignment to an assignee in trust, who conveyed their interest in the contemplated lease to Messrs Boyd and Crowe, by whom rent was paid up to the 17th of July 1885, since which time no rent has been paid. In the summer or autumn of that year the Selkirk Lumber Company was incorporated, Messrs Boyd and Co being the principal shareholders,--the Company having, it would appear, really been organized to take over their business. The firm of Boyd and Co has been out of existence for some years, and if any person or firm were in possession of the mill site since 1885 it would appear to have been the Selkirk Lumber Company, which, in 1892, was virtually wound up, and the agents of the Company were not then in a position to say whether, if a judgement were recorded against the Company, any assets would be found to seize. Demands made in writing by the agents of the Department of Justice on Messrs Boyd and Co for payment of rent were always answered by Mr. Crowe as Manager of the Selkirk Lumber Co.

In April 1892 Mr. Hugh John Macdonald, M.P. of Winnipeg, enclosed to the Department a letter addressed to him by Mr. Crowe, referring to a request that a transfer of the buildings might be made at a valuation to the Department on account of rent, and alleging that he would hold the Department responsible for damage

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damage which, he learned, was being done to the property.

In February 1891 Inspector McColl reported to the Department that Boyd and Co had paid no rent for the mill site since July 1885, that the lumber on the limit had all been manufactured and sold, and that they might possibly remove the mill and machinery to some other locality ; he stated that he had called the attention of the Company to the overdue rent, and that they had suggested that the Department should take over the building for the arrears due : He was thereupon instructed to notify the lessees that if the arrears were not at once paid legal proceedings against them would be commenced, and that meantime the buildings and machinery must not be moved. Up to the 16th of June 1891 no reply had been made by the occupants of the mill site to the repeated demands for rent made by Inspector McColl, who was instructed on the 26th of June to make enquiry for the purpose of ascertaining whether the estate of the firm in the hands of the assignees was in such a condition that if a suit were brought against it for the amount due it could be collected ; he replied on the 11th of July following that he had been informed that Mr. Crowe had a half interest in the firm of Boyd and Co worth, probably, $25,000, and that he owned besides about $10,000 of personal property. Thereupon, on the 16th of July 1891 the Department of Justice was requested to cause legal proceedings to be commenced against Drake and Rutherford to recover arrears of rent amounting to $3000 due to the Department, with interest of 6 % thereon, and Inspector McColl instructed was ~~expected~~ to give all the information respecting the matter in his power to the agents of the Department of Justice.

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At this point in the negotiations the lessees had offered to pay the rental, but they claimed an offset of $120 for lumber furnished to the Department. In August 1891 a copy of a letter signed by T. A. Burrows was sent to Inspector McColl for report ; it ~~is~~ alleged that in a conversation with Mr. McColl at Fisher River in 1888 the latter suggested that when the mill should be removed one building should be left as a donation to the Reserve, that he, Burrows, then offered to sell all of the buildings very cheap, or would leave two of them in lieu of arrears of rent. In his reply dated on the 16th of October 1891 Inspector McColl denies that any such conversation or arrangements were entered into between him and Mr. Burrows. In Janaury 1892 Agent McKay reported through Inspector McColl the condition of the buildings on the mill site : he found by measurement that they contained about 37,884 feet of lumber ; that neither of the buildings was suitable for a storehouse for the Indians, that many of the doors and windows had been carried away, that a great number of boards had been pulled off, that the Chief and Headmen of the Fisher River Band had endeavoured to save the buildings by nailing up doors and windows, but that they were constantly broken open again : he found that much of the lumber used in the construction of the buildings was of inferior quality and of little value, having become decayed, and he estimated the whole quantity would be worth about $5.00 per thousant feet, at which price it would amount to $189.42. The correctness of this estimate was verified by Mr. Robert Mc Gregor, who erected the building, in a letter received under cover from Inspector McColl on the 3rd of May 1892. It was estimated

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estimated that the cost of dismantling the buildings, sorting and piling the lumber and protecting the machinery, would be about $120 which proved to be the actual cost.

On the 23rd of May 1892 the Department of Justice reported that Mr. Crowe's solicitors had finally decided not to pay the rent, and that it seemed to their agents that the best course to adopt was to take possession of the buildings : they asked for further instructions, and those were given in a letter of the 2nd of June, empowering the agents of the Department of Justice to proceed against the defaulters, while at the same time Inspector McColl was directed to instruct Agent McKay to take possession of the building. This was done, and costs for proceedings taken, amounting to $20, were paid to Messrs. Aikins, Culver & Co., in July following. In that month Mr. Crowe, writing to those gentlemen, raised the question of an off-set for lumber supplied to Agent McKay, amounting to $120.30, which was repudiated by the Department, on account of the debt being a private one due by Mr. McKay.

The instructions to dismantle the buildings and house the machinery did not finally issue until December 1892, so that the defaulting firm had no reason to complain that the action taken was sudden.

Mr. Crowe was informed by direction of the Minister, and in answer to a letter addressed by the former to Mr. Boyd, and forwarded to the Department by Hugh J. Macdonald, Esq.,that the Department held the machinery connected with the saw mill for non payment by the Selkirk Lumber Company for arrears of rent, interest, and expenses, amounting to $503., and that unless the amount

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amount due was paid within 30 days from the 23rd of April 1893 it would be sold to satisfy the claim, and he was further informed that should he, as representing the Selkirk Lumber Co., consent to the Department taking the machinery in the mill building, in satisfaction of the claim that the Department was open to settle with them in that way, and he was requested, if the former mode of settlement was prefered, to pay the amount to Inspector McColl, who was duly advised as to the Minister's decision.

On the 28th of April Inspector McColl reported that he had demanded payment for of $503 from Mr. Crowe, who refused to give him any answer, and the Inspector promised to report further on the expiry of the 30 days grace.

On the 13th ultimo Mr. Crowe filed a formal protest against all the proceedings which had been taken by the Department, stating that Mr. Burrows, who conducted most of the negotiations for the purchase of the property, had represented to Mr. Crowe that he had had an understanding with Mr. McColl of the Indian Department that when the timber tributary to the mill was all cut the Department would take over the buildings, consisting of dwelling houses, stores, &c, on account of ground rent, as either the buildings or the lumber contained in them could be profitably used for necessary buildings required by the Indians. He alleged also that no account for rent was ever sent to the firm, nor any request for payment made, and that he presumed that this arrangement was all right, and was much surprised to receive, about 18 months ago, the first request for payment, by Aikens, Culver & Co.

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as Solicitors of the Department, demanding immediate payment, with the alternative of legal proceedings to recover.

It may be proper here to remark that the arrears of rent have not been paid, and that the 30 days of grace given ~~him~~ have expired : it may be well also to point out that on a memorandum addressed to the Minister by the Deputy on the 7th April last the Minister asked for a further report in the matter when Captain Robertson had completed the work of dismantling the buildings, but that such report has not yet been made.

With respect to Mr. Crowe's letter of the 13th ultimo, his allegations as to the manner ~~as to~~ in which he, as representing the Selkirk Lumber Co, has been treated regarding the arrears of rent due to the Department, and to the proposition he makes for a settlement of the indebtedness, the undersigned begs to state that he cannot find any evidence of harsh treatment in the papers of record in the Department. The cessation of the payment of rent was the act of the lessee alone, and this, notwithstanding that they had been frequently asked, both verbally and in writing by Inspector McColl, to pay rent and to discharge arrears due. There is absolutely no evidence of any understanding between Inspector McColl and the Selkirk Lumber Co or any one representing that firm as to the taking over of the buildings in lieu of rent, and any damage which the buildings received after they ceased to operate the mill in 1885 appears to be due to the negligence of the owners, who failed to leave any person in charge : the damage may have been, as was alleged, done by Indians, but there is no positive evidence on that point, and certainly no identification of the individual who

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who removed doors, windows, and boards has been attempted. Mr. Crowe's proposition that the buildings should be re-erected by the Department, and the machinery again placed in position, appears to be preposterous, and it is the opinion of the undersigned that he will have no cause of complaint if he is permitted to pay the $503 demanded of him, and to resume possession of the machinery.

June 19th, 1893.

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Ottawa, 20th June, 1893.

The Honourable T. Mayne Daly,

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

The undersigned begs to submit herewith a report, dated the 19th instant, from the Chief Clerk of the Department respecting the mill-site on the Fisher River Reserve, Treaty No. 5, occupied, in the first place, by Messrs Drake & Ritherford, then by Messrs Boyd & Crowe, and subsequently by the Selkirk Lumber Company, of which Messrs Boyd & Company were the principal share-holders.

The undersigned begs to state that he concurs in the conclusions arrived at by Mr. Sinclair in consideration of all the facts as described in his report, namely, that Mr. Crowe's proposition that the building should be re-erected at the expense of this Department, and the machinery again placed in position, is preposterous, and that the Selkirk Lumber Company will have no cause of complaint if permitted to pay the amount of arrears due by them, namely, $503.00, and to resume possession of the machinery of the mill.

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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Manitoba Superintendency,

In your reply refer to
No. 38.823
also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, July 18th 1893

Sir,

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, enclosing me a copy of a portion of a letter addressed to the Superintendent on the 13th of May last by Mr. Crowe with regard to the mill property on the Fisher River Indian Reserve, claimed by the Selkirk Lumbering Company; and requesting me to report on Mr. Crowe's representations &c.

L. Vankoughnet Esq
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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I asked as directed Messrs Aikens, Culver & Co for a letter as to the notice given Mr Crowe, and I hereby enclose their reply to my enquiries.

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In my letter of the 16th of October 1891, I fully reported on Mr Crowe's statements, and I have nothing further to add or retract from that report, as I stated the whole truth in relation of Mr Burrows misrepresentations in the matter.

In giving instructions to Capt Robinson to have the mill dismantled, I acted on the instructions contained in your letter of the 21st of December last, and not on those

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the advice of Messrs. Aikens, Culver & Co.

I am satisfied from the tenor of Mr Crowe's letter to the minister that he is, as he had been all along endeavoring to get out of the payment of the rent of the mill, altogether.

I may mention that on consulting Capt Robinson, and the Revd Mr Dennison's relative to the dismantling the mill, and the buildings in connection therewith, I decided to dismantle the other buildings, and have all the lumber carefully taken off & safely stored in the mill as it was the best building

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building and the only one in which all the lumber could be properly stored, and I gave strict instructions that the lumber and machinery should be protected in the mill, by having it securely enclosed therein, but as my agent Mackay has not reported yet whether or not my instructions were carried out, I am unable to state how the work was performed until I hear from him.

Capt Robinson informs me that he had his foreman Mr McGregor to carry out my instructions to the letter.

I have the honor
to be, Sir
Your obt Servt
Duncan C. Ross

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Manitoba Superintendency,

~~OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,~~

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUG 26 1893

In your Reply refer to No. 39,101 also to the date of this letter.

Lake Winnipeg, August 7th 1893

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Sir,

With further reference to the correspondence with regard to the dismantling of the buildings in connection with the sawmill at Fisher River, and especially to the letter which Mr. Crowe sent to the Department representing that the machinery of the mill was left exposed to the weather &c, I have the honor to inform you that on my recent visit to the reserve

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I examined the mill, and the machinery in it, and found that this building had not been dismantled nor any part of it, but is in precisely the same condition in which it had been when I was there last year, with the exception that the lumber in the other buildings had been dismantled according to instructions by Captain Robinson, and piled in one end of it, and the trucks and other loose iron material which was left outside by the mill owners was gathered into the mill, and the machinery oiled and then the mill was carefully enclosed by nailing boards on all open places all around it, but

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but the roof of the building is precisely in the same condition as it was left by the owners and therefore the rain and snow comes through it on the machinery below. A beam to on the north of the building is beginning to fall down and I had it propted up the other day when I was there. I had also all the loose boards and open places where the boards had been removed by some unknown parties, nailed and securely enclosed. I requested the Chief and Councillor to see that no one would break into the building again.

J. W. McG.

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Mr. McGregor who superintended the dismantling of the buildings in connection with the mill informs me that the buildings dismantled were of but little value, as they were in a dilapidated condition, and that the mill building and the machinery is in no worse condition than he found it, but on the contrary the machinery having been oiled, and everything enclosed here the condition of affairs is evidently better than they were. Mr. Agent Mackay, & the Rev. Mr. McDougall informs me, I placed the tool chest and other such valuable articles, at the Mission

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mission in charge of the Rev. gentlemen for their greater safety, as the building had been several times broken into, and some articles abstracted therefrom by some parties unknown. Mr. McGregor, the Indian agent and the Indians having found some boards removed from the building marked them again. Mr. McGregor who was foreman for the company while the mill was running informs me that Mr. Theodore Burrows told him that they wanted to have some of the buildings there in payment of the rent but never once intimated that

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that I made any such proposition to them.

Mr. Crowe's contention that the Company was never asked for payment of Rent until recently is incorrect as I asked it of Mr. Burrows several times, and of Mr. Crowe himself as the Ons coming back from my inspection of Treaty No. 3 several years ago. I told him to the effect that the Department had written me about it, and requested payment without delay or words to that effect.

I then proceeded to recommend that unless the Rent is paid

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paid in full without any further quibbling that the agent be instructed to sell the lumber stored there and so much of the machinery, as will fully liquidate the amount against the Company for rent of the mill-site.

I have the honor to be, sir;
Your obt. servt
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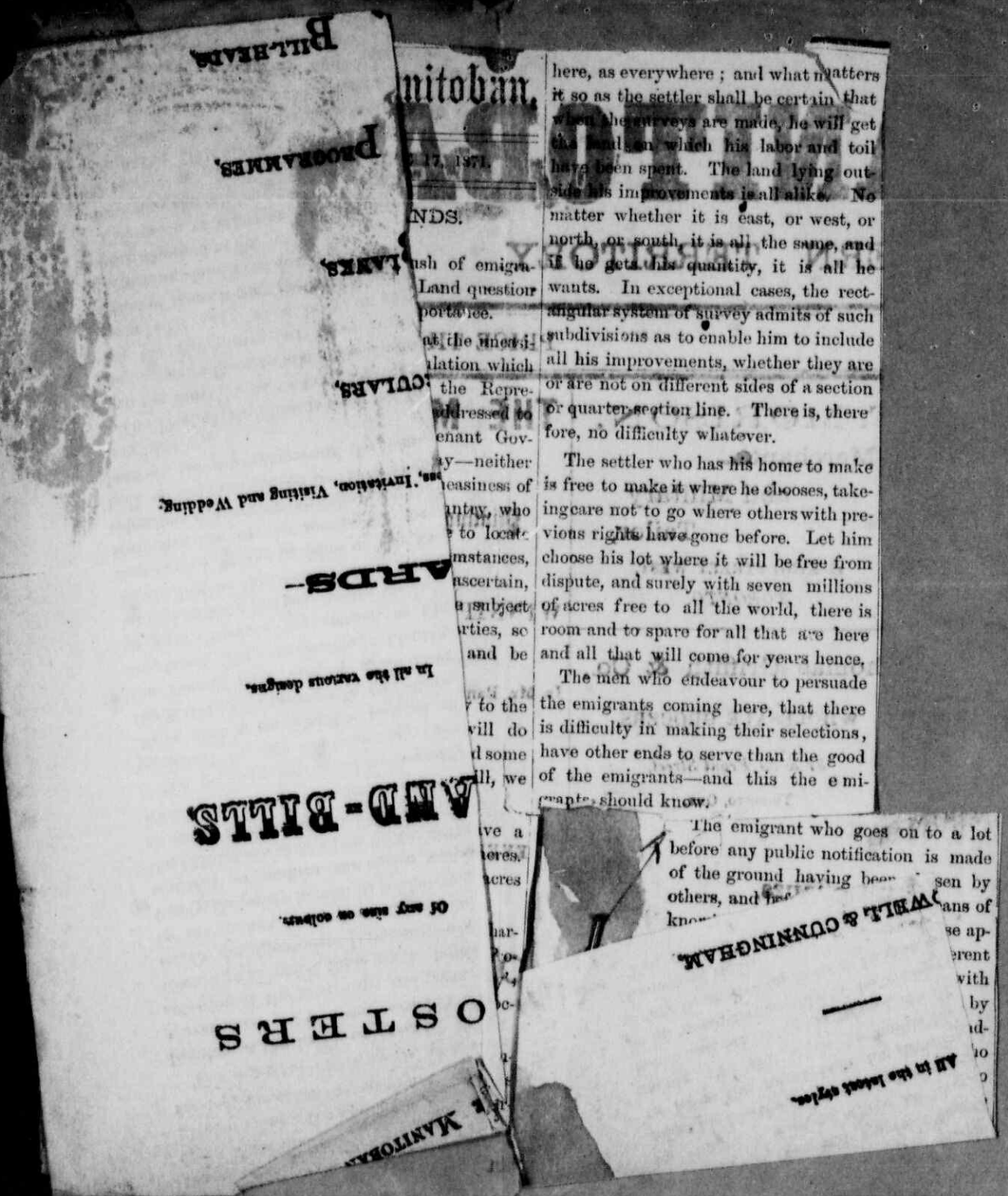

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CROWN LANDS.

In the light of the rush of emigration to this country, the Land question becomes of paramount importance.

We are not surprised at the uneasiness of the Half-breed population which has prompted the letter of the Representatives of five parishes, addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, which we print to-day—neither are we surprised at the uneasiness of emigrants coming to the country, who feel uncertain where they are to locate themselves. Under these circumstances, it seems necessary to ascertain, with as much clearness as the subject will admit of, the rights of parties, so as to enable each to exercise, and be contented, with his own.

The answer of His Excellency to the letter of the Representatives, will do much to remove the difficulty; and some consideration of the whole case will, we think, remove it altogether.

The half breed population have a right to a grant of 1,400,000 acres. This leaves about 7,000,000 of acres free and unembarrassed.

There is little difference in the character and quality of the soil of our Province outside of the Hudson Bay Co's. surveys. It is mainly prairie, with occasional swamps and forests.

The Forest land is the most valuable, in proportion to its extent; but as the Dominion Government have determined to divide the wood adjoining the prairies into small lots for the use of the owners of the prairie, it may be thrown out of the question—as between swamp and other prairie lands, there is not much difference in the marketable value; the one being required for hay, the other for culture.

The principal difficulty is, as to the location of the half-breed grants. The Government at Ottawa have left the selection of the townships and parts of townships in which these are to be given, to the Lieutenant-Governor, who, by his answer, has indicated, we think wisely, the policy he will be guided by—which is to confirm the choice which the half-breeds themselves make, so far as it can be done without injustice, or without violence to the lines of surveys.

We perceive by the advertisements published in our contemporary, the *Métis*, that a considerable number of the Half-breeds, principally, we believe, the French, have already made their selections. They are anxious, evidently, to group themselves together, as the land chosen by the parishes on the Red River lies to the west of them, while that chosen by the parishes on the Assiniboine, lies to the south—the two selections converging, and throwing the bulk of the land chosen by the French between the Assiniboine and the Boundary line.

The English Half-breeds seem not to have the same desire to keep together. They appear willing to take their chance with the emigrants; but there is no reason why they, as a body, or any portion of them, if they prefer this mode of selection, should not do as the French appear disposed to do.

This mode of selection will simplify enormously the allotment of the 1,400,000 acres.

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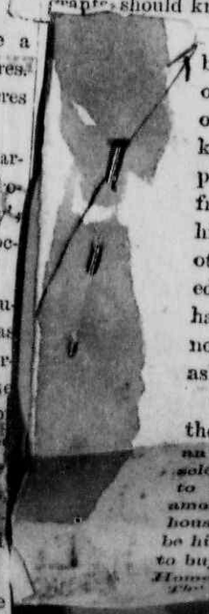

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Outside of the selections so made, the choice is free and ample. There an emigrant may go where he likes, select his location, taking care, however, to leave the forest land for division among all; and when he builds his house and cultivates his ground, it will be his home irrevocably, if he chooses to buy it, or live on it so as to gain a Homestead right.

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Probably the excitement was not diminished by the feeling prevailing among the French Halfbreeds that Colonel Dennis who has charge of the Surveys was from his antecedants not likely to take too favorable a view of their claims. This of course, is idle prejudice but is not unnatural in the light of the events of 1869.

At this stage of matters I received a letter addressed to me by the Representatives of five Half breed Parishes, four of them French and one English asking information on several points connected with the land.

This letter having been published in the Newspapers here, I send you a printed Copy in English and in French.

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I should have hesitated about replying if the situation had allowed me any choice, but I felt bound to give some answer at the risk even of not being sustained by His Excellency the Governor General.

If there had been no understanding or pledge on the subject I presume the footing the Halfbreed population would have occupied in respect of the Crown Domain would have been that they were to be regarded as purchasers who had paid their money into the Crown Land Office, and were asking their grants.

The principle applied in all such cases in the different Provinces, is, so far as I understand it that priority of application gives priority of right, under this rule of "first come first served," the Halfbreed from the time of their application would be entitled to the lands they selected if there were no prior rights existing.

Whether they choose as Individuals or as communities can make no difference in the principle, I was governed by this view in the reply I gave.

The minor points in the letter I left unanswered dealing only with the question of allotment.

I send you in English and in French a printed copy of my reply with the publication of these documents in the Manitoban newspapers, I directed the Editor to insert, as a leading articles some explanations which could not well be given in

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It locates the Halfbreed grants at once, and leaves the great bulk of the Lands of the Province free to be occupied by immigrants. It avoids the evils incident to the delays in the surveys and finally it prevents, (which is the most important result of it) the dangerous collisions which would have arisen from throwing suddenly among the French Halfbreeds a body of new comers differing from them so widely as they do in language and race in habits and faith

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Probably the excitement was not diminished by the feeling prevailing among the French

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French Half-breeds, that
Colonel Dennis who has
charge of the surveys was
from his antecedents not
likely to take too favourable
a view of their claims.
This, of course, is idle
prejudice, but is not unnatural
in the light of the events of 1869.

At this stage of matters
I received a letter addressed
to me by the Representatives
of five Half-breed Parishes,
four of them French, and
one English asking information
on several points connected
with the land. This letter
having been published in
the newspapers here, I send
you a printed copy in English
and in French.

I should have hesitated
about

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about replying of the situation had allowed me any choise, but I felt bound to give some answer, at the risk even of not being sustained by His Excellency the Governor General.

If there had been no understanding or pledge on the subject, I presume the footing the half-breed population would have occupied in respect of the Crown Domain would have been that they were to be regarded as purchasers who had paid their money into the Crown Land Office, and were asking their grants

The principle applied in all such cases in the different Provences, is, so far as I understand

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understand it, that priority of application gives priority of right. Under this rule of "First come first served", the Halfbreeds from the time of their application would be entitled to the lands they selected if there were no prior rights existing

Whether they choose as Individuals or as communities can make no difference in the principle. I was governed by this view in the reply I gave.

The minor points in the letter, I left unanswered dealing only with the question of allotment.

I send you in English and in French a printed copy of my reply.

With

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with the publication of these documents in the Manitoban newspaper, I directed the Editor to insert, as a leading articles some explanations which could not well be given in the reply: and of this document also I send you a printed copy.

With these papers before His Excellency the Governor General, he will judge whether the course I have pursued meets his approbation

I am convenced it is the only course that would not have led to serious trouble. I believe too, that it is the course suggested alike by the interests of the Half-breeds and those of the Immigrants

It locates the Half-breed grants at once, and leaves the

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the great bulk of the lands of the Province free to be occupied by immigrants It avoids the evils incident to the delays in the surveys and finally it prevents, (which is the most important result of it), the dangerous collisions which would have arisen from ~~having~~ suddenly among the French Half-breeds a body of new comers differing from them so widely as they do in language and race in habits and Faith

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obed.t Servant
Signed Adams G. Archibald

The Hon.ble
The Secretary of State
for the Provinces

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner

FOR MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

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Industrial School
Qu Appelle 27th April 1886

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. APR 28 1886 2304

wrote Manitoban 29 apl 86 J.

Sir

I have the honor to lay before you for your consideration the following matter:

With reference to the difficulty in teaching the pupils of the Industrials Schools to speak the English language: I have commenced to write a "Manual of Cree & English Conversation" which I think if used in the Schools: will facilitate the instruction very much: –

I have made enquiries of Messrs Proctor Brothers Printers Fort qu Appelle and they have offered to furnish 2000 Copies as per sample sheet enclosed for a cost of $600.00 – which would be at a rate of 30c per copy of 200 pages – each copy bound in Cloth with blind blocking:

It would be an advantage to have the printing done here as I would have an easy opportunity of correcting proofs &c.

I shall feel obliged if you will give me your opinion on the subject, and instruct me as to whether I shall proceed with the work or otherwise.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
J Hugonnard
Principal

His Hon
E Dewdney
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Regina
May 11th 1886.

Sir/-

I have the honor to represent to the Dept that frequent complaints have been made to me by the Principals of the Rud- Schools in regard to the difficulty teachers have in educating the Indian pupils to speak English -

The Rev. Father Hugonnard should have a fair knowledge of what is most required and what would be most desirable to introduce in order to facilitate this work and the Strongly recommends the use of a Manual of Cree and English Conversation - He is now engaged in writing one Solely for the benefit of the Schools and this course is, he says, dictated by the difficulties which he has had to contend with up to the present - wish to overcome,

Without Something of this kind which I regard as necessary to instruction in English in order that the meaning of words may be comprehended by the children, I see that progress in that direction will be comparatively slow.

Pere Hugonnard has made Enquiry relative to the cost and the uniform

Dept

* The Govt will see that the cost of the work would be comparatively small as no charge would be made for Composition

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To the Indians of the

North West Territories.

As the Spring is coming on, the Government is doing all it can to provide seed-grain, etc. for all the land you can cultivate, in order that you may put in a good crop for the coming season. Large quantities of wheat, barley, oats, and potatoes, as well as garden-seeds, will be sent to your Agents; it will, therefore, be necessary for you to make every preparation to begin work as soon as the weather will permit.

The knowlege, that soldiers are coming to the country, has, I have no doubt, already reached you; and you have been told by people, who want to do you harm, that your arms are to be taken from you, and that arrests are to be made of those who took part in the troubles last Spring; This is to notify, -- all Indians, that such is not the case; no Indians will be disarmed who behave themselves, and attend to what the Agent tells them. Neither will arrests be made of any who took part in last years troubles.

The soldiers who are coming, are for the purpose of keeping the peace; and while here, will endeavor to stop horse-stealing, both from Whites and Indians; and arrest any found so occupied. They will,

also,

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we that 2000 copies of 200 pages each, as per sample sheet enclosed herewith, bound in cloth with blind blocking could be obtained from a ~~local~~ Qu'appelle printing firm for 30¢ apiece -

The Principal says that he would prefer, if the Dept authorized the book, that the printing should be done in the District as it could be printed as written and he could correct his own proofs - I look upon this as important and as Father Hugonnard is a good Cree scholar we ~~should~~ could rely on its correctness when finished -

The Dept would scarcely require 2000 copies for the three Industrial Schools but I would advise if printed that a number of copies be sent to each Indian school in the Territories and Manitoba - I am sure they would be of great assistance to the Teachers and beneficial to the children in their studies

I would strongly recommend that authority be granted ~~for the printing~~ to obtain 2000 copies -

Thanks.

[signature]

ck Hibb.

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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa. 31st May 1886.

Wrote Supt. 11 June 86

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE JUN 5 1886 N.W.T.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th Instant, enclosing a sample page of a Manual of Cree and English conversation proposed to be published by the Revd. Father Hugonard, Principal of the Qu'Appelle Industrial Indian school; and in reply I have to inform you that I am advised by the Queen's Printer that the cost of such a work should be about $350.00 for 2000 Copies

Hon. E. Dewdney
Ind. Com. for Man. & N.W.T.
Regina N.W.T.

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copies or 28 cents per copy.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obdt. servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl.

of Indian Affairs.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, 28th July 1886.

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AUG 2 1886
N.W.T.

Sir:-

With reference to my letter to you of the 6th Instant relative to the proposed publication and printing in the North-West Territories of a Cree and English vocabulary to be compiled by the Rev. Father Hugonnard, the Principal of the Industrial School at Qu'Appelle, I beg to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General in Council has been pleased to approve of the printing and publication of the same outside of the Government contract with Messrs. McLean & Roger, and I have,

therefore

Hon. E. Dewdney,
Ind. Comr. for Man. & the N.W.T.
Regina. N.W.T.

Lowett
Ask Qu'Appelle Progress price. Send them sheet to be ret'd.

Wrote Qu'Appelle Progress 2 Aug H.G.

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therefore to inform you that you
may carry out the arrangement
proposed by you to be made
with the printing firm at Lethbridge
for the printing and publication
of the said work, provided
that they will do the same on
the terms mentioned in my
letter to you of the 30th May
last. I beg to inform you
that similar authority has
been obtained for the Rev.
Father Lacombe to have publish-
ed a vocabulary in the Black-
foot and English languages, and
that gentleman is at present
engaged in the compilation
of the work, he having
generously agreed to do the
same without any charge

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for his trouble, and which will be printed at Montreal.

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LESSON I.

Article THE--No Article in Cree.

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Timiw,	the water is deep.
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LESSON II.

Articles A and An--None in Cree

N't'ayan masinahigan,	I have a book,
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Kit'ayanawow monahigan,	you have a spade.
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—Capt. J. C. Richardson, who has spent considerable time as a school teacher among the aborigines of Keewatin and the North-West, since his first appointment in March, 1881, is completing a pronouncing Cree dictionary with two parts—English-Cree and Cree-English. He is also translating some Hymns into Cree. The dictionary will supply a long felt want to teachers, farm instructors and missionaries and will be very valuable to the student for Indian missions, in short to any one coming in contact with, or having dealings with the Indians.

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Revised

Cree-English Grammar.

Lesson 1.

Article The -- Very seldom in Cree. and expressed Kah.

1	Mās'kan aw	me'wasin,	the road is good.
1	{Sah kah'e kun,		nail. (for the add uh)
2	{Sah gah'e kun	ah'kwah tin,	the lake is frozen.
3	Mis ta tim' we ye noo',		the horse is fat.
4	{Ah yam e hā wik ah nik	me sah'ō,	the church is large.
	{Do.	ayakaskaw,	Do. wide.
5	{Pāk wā'sikun,		flour.
	{Mas ko se min'ah (the) ā'tis oo.		the wheat is ripe.
6	Mā'ni kan is'paw,		the fence is high.
7	Pimikonoo',		the snow is deep.
8	Sak'he kan oo	nipē,	the water is cold.
9	[illegible] payow,		the water is deep.
10	{Kis'tik an ah	Sā'kik in'nwah,	the potatoes are sprouting.
	{Do.	Ne tah we kin'nwah,	Do. growing.

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Lesson I (continued)

11	Nă pā' sis	ă' koo soo,	the boy is sick.
12	ă shis' kē	pas tā o,	the earth is dry.
13	Mik' koo	mik kwaw,	the blood is red.
14	Ke puch ke tah we nepin,		the summer will soon come.
15	Ō as kah' e kun'	ke sis' che kah tā o,	the house is finished.
16	Tē tē' pe tah' pamask	pe koo pī yeoo,	the cart is broken.
	O tah pan ask	do.	the sleigh do.
17	Ah toz k win	mah che-pī yeoo,	the work is commenced.
18	Ké se kow	pé' sim kis ass tā' o,	the sun is (very) hot.
	do.	do. kis ass e kā o,	do. warm.
		kis' is oo,	Hot, used only when heat is an ne
19	ah kē wah' we ya yah,		the earth is round.

Lesson II.

Articles A and An - usually not expressed in Cree.

20	Ne tē yan'	mus in ah' i kan,	I have a book.
21	Ké tē yan	mok' ko man,	you have a knife.
22	I yaw'	che kah e kun,	he has an axe.
23	Ke tē yan an	was kah i kan,	we have a house.
24	Ke tē yan' ah wow	moon ah' e kun ah pisk'	you have a spade.
25	I yah wuk	moon ah e pan,	they have a well.
26	Ke tē yan' ahé	pe wah pis' ko ke tah' wan' ah' pisk,	have you a stove.

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Qu'Appelle Station Jan. 22nd 1887

The Hon. E. Dewdney Lieut. Gov.
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Hon. Sir.

I beg herewith to present my application for a situation to revise Cree-English Grammer compiled by by the Rev. Father Huganard, which I understand is about to be published by the Indian Department, a copy of the first page of which has been placed in my hand and on examining I find it very incorrectly done. Your Honor will find by comparing my revision with the accompanying print proof that there are several very radical canges even on the first page. In short there is scarcely a word correct, but the main errors are in the spelling.

Trusting my application may receive your Honor's favorable consideration

I have the honor to be, Sir

Your obedient Servant.

J. C. Richardson.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JAN 24 1887
N.W.T.

Invitt — Reply for Gov & say that these were merely sheets — & with the proof revised by a person already engaged

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Qu'Appelle, N. W. T. Feby 2nd 1887

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To His Honor
E. Dewdney
Indian Commissioner
Regina
Sir

In reply to the letter of your Assistant, Hayter Reed, Esq., dated Feby 1st inst, I beg to say that I will print and bind in blind blocking 2000 copies of a Cree-English Manual of Conversation similar to the sheet hereto attached, for (30) thirty cents per copy for not more than 200 pages and at the rate of $3.00 per page for each additional page over 200. The copy or manuscript must be perfectly legible especially in the Cree and all alterations from copy to be charged extra at (50) fifty cents per hour.

I have the honor to be Sir.
Your obedient Servant
E. Wadman

Ans. and the Principal advised 10/2/87

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Fr. Co.

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Regina.
Feby 10th 1887.

Sir/-

I have the honor to ack the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst stating that you will print and bind in blind blocking 2000 Copies of the Cree-English Manual, spoken to you about, for 30¢ per copy of 200 pages each and in reply to inform you that your offer being the lowest we have received the Contract is hereby awarded to you at the figure named.

I have notified the Principal and advised him to transmit the sheets through this office before being forwarded to you.

Thanks.

J. Weidman Esq
"The Progress"
Qu'appelle Station/-

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Regina.
Feby 10th 1887.

Sir/-

With reference to your application for the publication of a Cru-Engeist Manual to be written by yourself I have the honor to inform you that tenders having been called for the offer of the Qu'appelle Progress was the lowest and has accordingly been accepted and awarded the Contract for the printing & binding the latter in blind blocking at the rate of 30¢ per book of 200 pages each for 2000 Copies -

You will be good enough to prepare the matter and forward it to this office for revision (our Wiedman stipulates that the copies sent him must be clear and distinct) which in turn will be transmitted to the Progress office to be printed -

When the printer is ready to go on with the work it will be well to give him as much manuscript as possible to begin with,

Kindly advise me what matter you have on hand at present and at what rate you can prepare the balance.

Reds
Principal
Ind School
Qu'appelle.

Thaw.

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Re Construction of an
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April 21. 87.

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A.

Abide (abide thou) stau'pit; I a. nit si tau'pi; he a. i tau'pi u; abiding, sto pĭs'sin ni
a. with me, pok au'pim o kit; a with him, pok au'pim is; I a. with you kit o pok au'pim o; he a. with him, i pok au'pim i u ai ε.
abiding with, (in company with) po kau'pim sĭn ni

Able Kots— (in composition), as, he is able to do it, I kots'ĭs tuts ĭm ai ε

Abode my a, no ko'ai; your a. ko ko'ai; his a. o ko'ai

Abundance a kau o'; There is a! a kau o'i au.

Above Spots'im

Abreast kai ĭst'— (compos.), as, They stand a~~breast~~, kai ĭs'tui pu yi au; They come in a~~breast~~ kai ĭst'-to tai pi i au.

Absent he is a, mats in a ku ai ĕm'ats; he is long a. ai'sŭm si u.

Accept (see Take)

Accidentally pats— (compos.), as, He did it a. pats'ĭs tuts ĭm ai ε; I knocked it over a. nit si'pats o pŏt tsi ip.

Accompany a. thou me, pok om'o kit; a. thou him, pok om'ĭs; I a. you, kit o pok om'o; He a. him, i pok om'i u ai ε.
accompanying, pok om'sĭn ni

Across a. land, is ki tau'o tsi; a. water, ap'ŭm mots ĭm; he swims a. i pŭm mo'tsĭm; It is placed a. (at right angles) au'wi i tsi u; It is placed a. (not at right angles) a'tsĭs tui tsi u.

Active be thou a. krĭs sŭp'ĭts ĭs sĭt; I am a. nit si krĭs sŭp ĭts-ĭs'si; he is a., krĭs sŭp'ĭts ĭs si u.
being active (activity), krĭs sŭp'ĭts ĭs sĭn ni

Adze a pŭx'ĭs to ko kax a'kin

Afar pi ε'tsi

Afore ma to'mots

Aforetime ai sŭm'mo yi

Afraid be thou a. ko put'; I am a. nit ai'ko pu; he is a. ai'ko pum; being afraid (fear) ko pu sĭn'ni.

Afterwards sa ko'okhts

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C. M. S. Mission House,
Blackfoot Reserve,
April 20th 1887.

To the Indian Agent.

Sir,

I have been engaged for some time past in the construction of an English-Blackfoot Dictionary, partly for my own use and partly for the benefit of those who are, or hereafter may be appointed to work amongst the Blackfeet as Missionaries and School-teachers in connection with the Church Missionary Society.

I desire now, that my work shall benefit others who are employed under the government on the various reserves where Blackfoot is spoken; and also be within reach of settlers in the country, between whom and Indians misunderstandings often arise from the fact that the settler doesn't know what the Indian says and vice versa.

I therefore desire, through you, to ask the Indian Department either

i To allow me a sum of money towards the publication of the work, or

ii To undertake the publication of it entirely, allowing me in this case a royalty on each copy sold or issued by them.

In either case I desire that the book should be got up in good style and under my direction.

The dictionary ~~will contain~~ consists of about 200 M.S. pages similar to sample attached

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and will be prefaced with a few remarks on the inflections of the verbs, and a verb in full which, together with the parts given in the dictionary itself, will enable anyone to form for himself any part of the verb he may need to use.

I shall also give full explanations as to pronunciation and accentuation.

The words are to be printed with a hair space between each syllable as written which will make the long words more easily to be pronounced.

If you see the necessity as I do for the publication of such a work I trust you will support my applicatin to the Department of Indian Affairs.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. W. Tims

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Blackfoot Agency
April 23rd 1887

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose a letter from the Revd Times in reference to assistance in publishing an English-Blackfoot Dictionary.

It will be a most valuable book to any one learning the language as the words are so spelt, that any one can pronounce them, so as to be understood, which I have not seen before in any other work of the kind.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obt servant
Magnus Begg
I.A.

The Indian Commission?

Macrae — ~~Alg & no doubt~~ Have 1 or 2 app. already — & one bk. Regina. already printed found fault with & if Deptt decrees proper to encourage matter further think advisable that 2 or more gentlemen be come — to get one up & thus avoid multiplying styles —

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. APR 25 1887

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Regina
4 May 87

Sir

Ack. L 23 ult. enclosing a letter from the Rev. J. W. Jones asking aid in the publication of a dictionary of the Blackfoot language.

In reply I beg to say that no doubt is entertained that the Rev. Gentleman work is a good one & it might perhaps be of value for the purposes to which he refers, but a book recently prepared in Blackfoot and English by the Rev. Father Lacombe to facilitate instruction in English has met with such adverse criticism that the Dept is unlikely at present to run with favor any proposition to publish or assist in publishing another work.

Should it in future encourage such an undertaking as the orthography of Indian words is more or less arbitrary, it is considered that to minimize the likehood of difference

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Blackfoot

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of opinion ~~after~~ after publication
it would be well to interest several
Gentlemen thoroughly cognizant of
the Langue & of philological princi-
-ples to compile or revise the work
it is decided to assist

Sincerely
H R

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Sept. 6th. 1880.

Sir:-

In reply to the letter of the Superintendent General desiring an expression of my views upon the Rev. Mr. Claas' Cree and English Primer for the use of Indian Schools, I have the honour to state that the Department is already in possession of my ideas as regards teaching our Indian children through the medium of such books.

Further experience has taught me that in all words not having an abstract meaning English can be taught as readily without a knowledge of the Indian tongue as with its aid or that of books in the vernacular.

As regards words having an abstract meaning possibly more difficulty may be met with but once that is overcome the more permanent will be the result. All Indian children are prone to use their own tongue in preference to the English and the less it is used in teaching the quicker will the child be inclined to adhere to English solely in order to express its views.

Having books in which the vernacular is found would foster its use and the more the mother tongue is kept alive

The Deputy of the

Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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alive the more is the child diffident in using the English language and until it can be made to speak English freely that bashfulness natural to Half-breeds and Indians who can speak English will ever be noticeable in him the consequence being to shrink more or less from whites and an unfitness to battle in life.

The fact of the Indian part of the book being printed in syllabics renders it the more undesirable as a teacher would have in the first place to learn those the pronunciation would not be the same by all white people and it would teach something not already known by the plain Indians and not necessary to their advancement.

In so far as those Indians who are in the main away from schools and white influences such as those well North of the North Saskatchewan are concerned I fancy the book would be particularly useful and be a means of extending that knowledge of the syllabics already in use among them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JR

Commissioner.

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Hobbema P.O., Alta.
April 16th, 1891.

Dear Mr. Reid,

I wrote to the Supt. Gen. of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, after the conversation I had with you, Concerning the adoption of the "Primer & 1st Lessons in Eng. & Cree", by the Dept. Mr. Dewdney replied Jan. 27th, '91, "I will see however what I can do for you when our next Estimates come up. Personally I am disposed to do all that is possible, but in these and similar matters the consent of Council has always to be secured, &c., &c.

I proposed to dispose

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of the edition for the expenses, in all $400, for 500 copies.

Do you not think that if you, wrote Mr Dewdney (as you kindly offered to do last Autumn) recommending that the Dept. make the purchase, or buy say 500 copies at 60¢ the selling price, the matter could be settled before the present session closes?

Our teacher here has, in a surprising manner, addressed the pupils in conversational Eng. since commencing to use the book.

A number of schools in the Ter. have sent to me for copies.

I am yours truly
E B Glass.

Reed,
nes I.A. Regina.

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M.

22nd. April, 1

Dear Mr. Glass,

I have your letter of 14th. inst: telling me of your correspondence with Mr. Dewdney and his favourable reply as regards aiding you in your undertaking in connection with a Cree and English book.

I may say that I had, at the time the matter was put before me by you, written to Mr. Dewdney, but upon a favourable opportunity I shall again broach the matter to him.

I am pleased to note, as by the School Returns received this morning, what a remarkably good attendance there has been at the school on Samson's Reserve. Under the energetic efforts of the Agent I have no doubt it will continue.

Referring

Rev. E. E. Glass,

Battlebrooke.

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Referring to our conversation had this [illegible] last week, and in view of the contemplated changes to Agency buildings, may I ask you to speak to the Agent in connection with my promise to build a second school on the Reserve, for, in view of these changes being carried out, I think it would be more advantageous to all concerned that only one building be in existence.

Yours truly,

JAR

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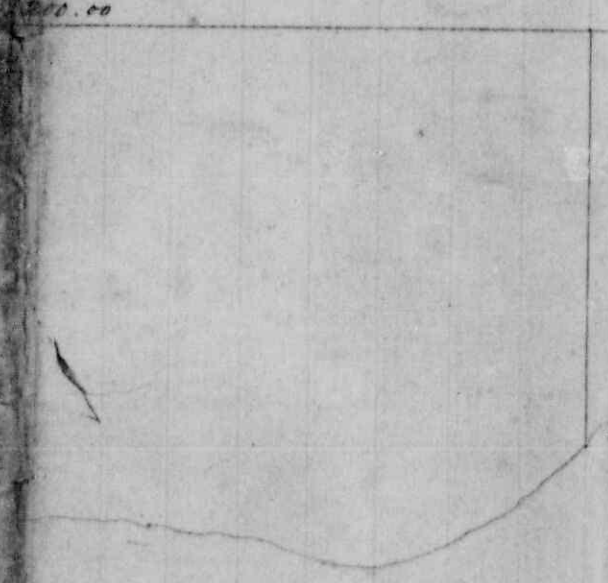

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land, situated at Rivers Inlet, and described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake on the North shore of Rivers Inlet; thence running true North for a distance of 40 chains; thence true East, 40 chains; thence true South, 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line of Rivers Inlet; thence West, along the said shore line, for a distance of 40 chains, more or less, to the point of commencement.

MICHAEL HART.

Victoria, B.C.,
September 27th, 1881.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase one thousand acres of land, more or less, situated on Glendale Cove, Knight's Inlet, British Columbia, commencing at the north-easternmost corner of land on Macdonald Point applied for by S. A. Spencer on the 24th July, 1880; thence due south a distance of two hundred and eighty chains, more or less; thence due east a distance of one hundred and fifty chains, more or less; thence due north a distance of one hundred and sixty chains, more or less, to the continuation of the southern boundary line of land applied for by T. Lubbe on the 24th July, 1880; thence west along the continuation of the said line and the southern boundary of said land a distance of sixty chains, more or less, to the eastern bank of Glendale Cove; thence southerly and northerly along the banks of Glendale Cove to the commencing point, and not to include any Indian Reserve.

No mining or mineral claims are known to exist in the neighbourhood.

E. M. JOHNSON.

Victoria, Oct. 5th, 1881.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase One hundred and sixty (160) acres of land, at the mouth of Okaman River, on the East side of Tofino Inlet, Vancouver Island (Latitude by chart 49° 8′ 30″); running from a post at the mouth of said river, in a S. E. direction, along bank of river about fifty chains, and a sufficient distance back from said river to enclose 160 acres.

No minerals or mining claims are known to exist in the neighbourhood.

HUGH McKAY.

Victoria, 22nd October, 1881.

West coast of Vancouver Isl.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land, situated on the South side of Rivers Inlet; commencing at a N.E. post, thence running 40 chains on front of inlet, crossing a small creek; thence 40 chains S.W.; thence 40 chains S.E.; and 40 chains to point of commencement.

No mines or minerals are known to exist in the neighbourhood.

ROBERT DRANEY.

Victoria, B.C.,
18th November, 1881.

Drawing. Hart & Shotbolt in pertinence

NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS OF LAND.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the following lands in Queen Charlotte District have been surveyed for Mr. William Sterling, and the map thereof can be seen at the Lands and Works Office, Victoria:—

Lots 2, 3, and 4, Group 1.

And that claimants to any portion of this land should prove up their claims in the manner provided by the "Land Act, 1875."

GEO. A. WALKEM,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands & Works Department,
Victoria, June 21st, 1879.

Plan. Surveyed No title not paid for

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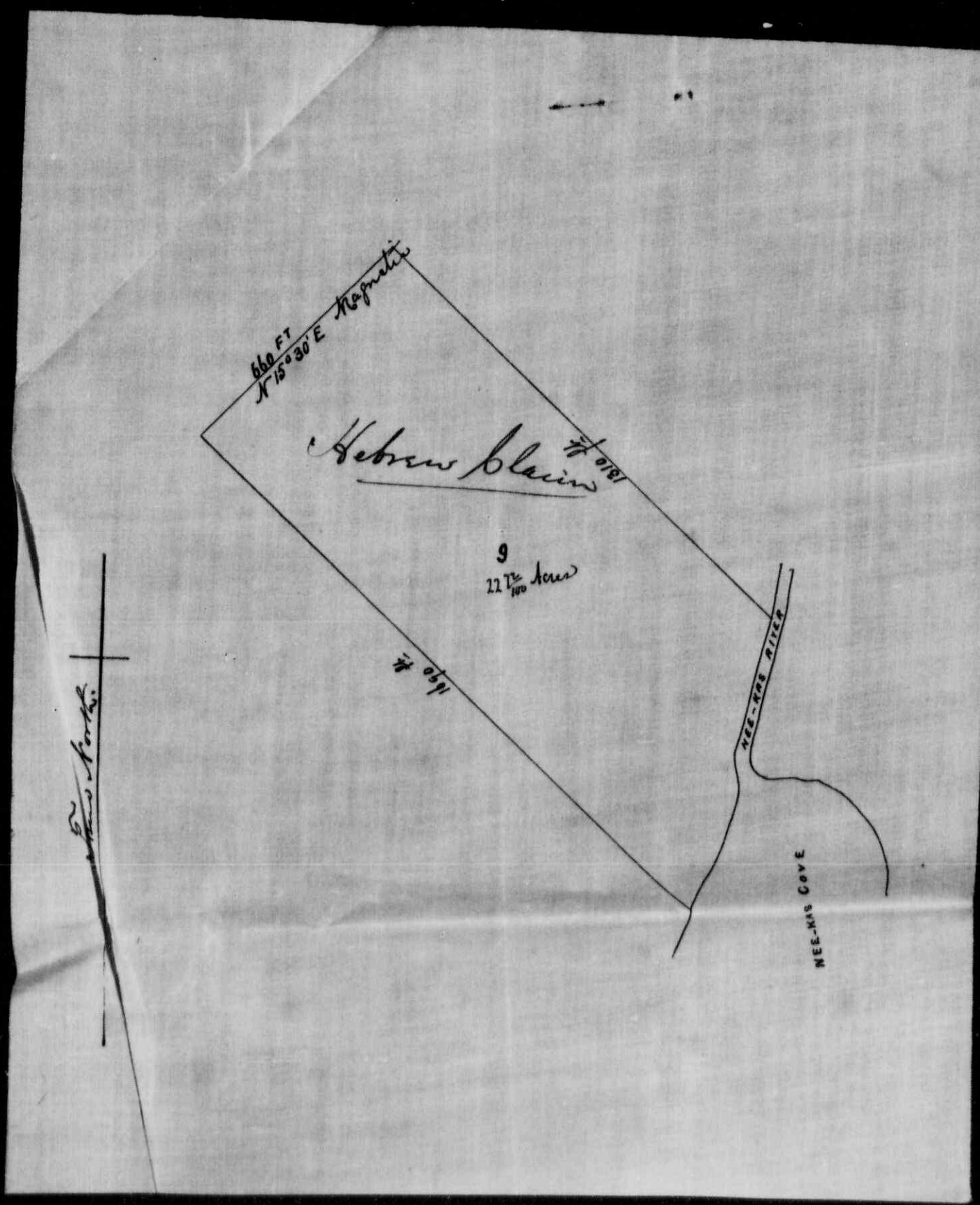

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I intend to apply for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land, situated near Beaver Cove, Fort Rupert District, and bounded as follows:

Commencing at a post on the South bank of Tsulton Creek, and running thence due North forty chains; thence due West, forty chains; thence due South, forty chains; thence due East, forty chains, to the place of commencement.

No mining or mineral claims are known to exist in the vicinity.

Notice of intention to purchase was posted on said land on 6th instant.

JNO. ROBSON.

Victoria, September 15th, 1879.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that I intend to apply for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land at the Mouth of Nimpkish River, on the South side, notice of which has been posted on the said land, commencing at the North end of said land, running Southerly forty chains; thence Easterly forty chains; thence Westerly forty chains; thence Northerly forty chains to the place of commencement.

No mining or mineral claims are known to exist in the neighbourhood.

Notice of purchase was posted on the above land September 1st, 1879.

A. W. HUSON.

October 10th, 1879.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that we intend to make application to purchase twenty-three thousand and forty (23,040) acres of Crown Land, situate at False Head, Broughton Strait, and Rupert Arm, Quatsino Sound, Vancouver Island, British Columbia; commencing at the South-east corner post of Section No. 1, Quatsino District, situate on Rupert Arm, Quatsino Sound; thence true North, following the East boundary of said Section No. 1, 80 chains, more or less, to the North-east corner of said Section No. 1; thence true North, two miles; thence true East, nine miles; thence true North, two miles, more or less, to False Head on Broughton Strait; thence in an Easterly direction to a point on the shore of Broughton Strait, four miles, more or less; thence true South, two miles, more or less, to a point true East from the head of Rupert Arm; thence true West, nine miles, more or less, to the head of Rupert Arm; thence in a Westerly direction, following the sinuosities of the shore, to the initial point.

No mining claims or mineral lands are known to exist in the neighbourhood.

J. ROLAND HETT,
M. W. WAITT,
DONALD McLEAN,
H. S. ROEBUCK,
ARTHUR STANHOPE FARWELL.

Victoria, B.C., May 30th, 1881.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase One hundred and sixty acres of land, more or less, situate at Nimkush River, Vancouver Island, and described as follows:—

Commencing at the North-east corner stake of the Nimkush Indian Reserve, which is situate about 10 chains North-easterly from the North side of the old village site, described in the Admiralty Chart as "Cherlakee;" thence true West, along the Northern boundary of said Indian Reserve, for a distance of 40 chains; thence true North, for a distance of 40 chains; thence true East, for a distance of 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line on Johnston Strait; thence in a Southerly direction, following the said shore line of Johnston Strait, to the point of commencement; and containing 160 acres, more or less.

No mining claims or mineral lands are known to exist in the neighbourhood.

S. A. SPENCER.

Victoria, B. C.,
August 3rd, 1881.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, two months from date, I will make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of Land in Coast district, in Telegraph Passage. Commencing at a certain blazed hemlock, near high-water mark, running east 40 chains; thence south, 40 chains; thence west, to Telegraph Passage; thence to the initial point.

A stream, about 12 feet wide, 400 yards from place of beginning, empties into the passage.

Application to purchase was made by me on the 15th November, 1877.

W. H. WOODCOCK.

Victoria, July 8th, 1879.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, two months after date, I, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 or more acres of Crown land, situated on Koeye Harbour, Fitz-Hugh Sound, B. C. Commencing at post near the shore, marked A; thence Northerly, 50 chains, to post B; thence Easterly, 40 chains, to post C; thence Southerly, 50 chains, to post D; thence Westerly, 40 chains along the shore, to point of commencement.

No minerals are known to exist on this land.

JOHN CLAYTON.

Victoria, B.C., 15th May, 1882.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, two months after date, I, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 or more acres of Crown land, situated on Namoo Harbour, Fitz-Hugh Sound, B. C. Commencing at post near the shore, marked A; thence Northerly, along the shore, and including two small islands, 50 chains, to post B; thence Easterly, 40 chains, to post C; thence Southerly, 50 chains, to post D; thence Westerly, 40 chains, to point of commencement.

No minerals are known to exist on this land.

JOHN CLAYTON.

Victoria, B.C., 15th May, 1882.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED has applied to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the Crown Grant to the Mining Claim known as "The Hebrew Claim," and situate at Ne-kas Bay, Ellersly Channel, Milbank Sound, for and in the names of Morris Moss and Joseph William McKay.

J. W. McKAY.

Victoria, B.C.,
April 24th, 1882.

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Deans Canal 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26.

Recorded this 17th day of April 1861, to 1 Robert Miles, 2 John Swanson, 3 Samuel Reid, 4 Frederick Green, 5. Edward Green, 6 George Hunter Cary, One hundred and fifty acres each of land on Deans Canal of which the following is a description. "Beginning at a Stake near a Waterfall on the Eastern shore of Deans Canal, thence running Westerly following the sinuosities of the shore to the mouth of Deans River, thence crossing the said River to a spit of land, thence South by East along the sinuosities of the said Canal to a Stake at a grove of Pine trees near a Waterfall thence along the foot of a range of low Hills East by South to a certain Stake at the mouth of a gorge thence Southerly crossing Deans River to a Stake, thence Westerly following the base of a range of high Mountains to the point of departure; said tract of land being the Delta formed by Deans River flowing through the same and containing 960 acres of land.

Certified to be a true Copy
W. J. Phillips for the A.C.L.O.
31 January 1866.

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North Bentinck Arm.

27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32.

Recorded this 17th day of April 1861 to 1. John Miles, 2 Robert Miles, 3 Duncan Mackay 4 Herbert J. Lewis, 5 P. W. Mackay, 6. William Murray. One hundred and sixty acres each of land on the North Bentinck Arm of which the following, is a description, "Beginning at a stake at the foot of a range of high Mountains on the Southern shore of at the head of North Bentinck Arm; thence running Southerly along the sinuosities of the bay at the mouth of the River Balakonla, thence crossing the River to a certain stake, thence running South by West along the sinuosities of the bay to a stake at the foot of a range of high Mountains on the Southern side of the said Arm, thence North Easterly along the foot of said range of Mountains to a stake, thence Southerly to a stake on the banks of the Balakona River, thence crossing said River and running Southerly to a stake at the foot of a range of high Mountains on the Southerly side of said Arm, thence Southerly along along the foot of said range of Mountains to the point of departure, said tract of land being the Delta formed by Balakonla River flowing through the same and containing 960 acres of land.

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M. J. Phillips for the A.C.L.M.
3rd January 1866.

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South Bentinck Arm. 71

Recorded this 12th day of November a Recumption in favour of J. B. Wilkinson. It is on the South Bentinck Arm within 50 Yds of the Indian Reservation, & the first landing on the South Bentinck Arm. It is clear open land surrounded by high Mountains. — No plan furnished.

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W. J. Phillips for the a.c. L.M.
31 January 1866.

At the junction of Bella Coola river and New Cliff Creek 15

Recorded in favour of William Stood this 8th day of October A. D. 1862. One hundred and sixty acres of land commencing at the junction of the Bella Coola river and Newcliff Creek thence along bank of said river half a mile, thence Westerly half a mile, thence Southerly half a mile, thence along the bank of creek to place of beginning. Claim staked off — Plan furnished.

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31 January 1866.

At the junction of Bella Coola River and Newcliff Creek 16.

Recorded in favour of M. D. Barron this 8th day of October A. D. 1862. One hundred and sixty acres of land commencing at the junction of the Bella Coola river and Newcliff Creek, thence in a Southerly direction along bank of river half a mile, thence in a Westerly direction half a mile, thence in a Northerly direction half a mile to creek, thence along bank of creek half a mile. Plan furnished.

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Rewcliff Creek

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Recorded in favour of George Shaw this 8th day of October A.D. 1862. One hundred and sixty acres of land adjoining the preemption claim of M. D. Barron on the West, and extending in a Westerly direction along the bank of Rewcliff Creek half a mile. Plan furnished

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W. J. Phillips Jr A.C.L.M.
3 January 1866.

Bella Coola River

18

Recorded in favour of Charles Wilson the 8th day of October A.D. 1862. One hundred and sixty acres of land adjoining the preemption claim of Wm Hood on the North and extending in a northerly direction along the bank of Bella Coola River half a mile. Plan furnished.

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No 1560

Coast District

Thomas Shotbolt

6 June 1882

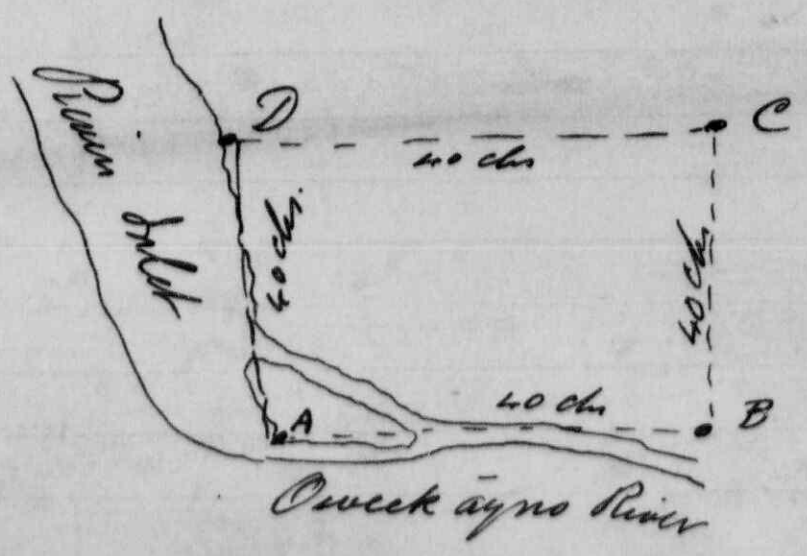
160 acres.

Rivers Inlet

sketched at back

No signature.

Commencing at a post marked A on sandbank at the mouth of the Owekayno river, being the South West corner, thence Easterly to a post marked B being the South East corner: thence Northerly to a post marked C being the North East corner, thence Westerly to a post marked D being the North west corner; thence Southerly to the point of Commencement



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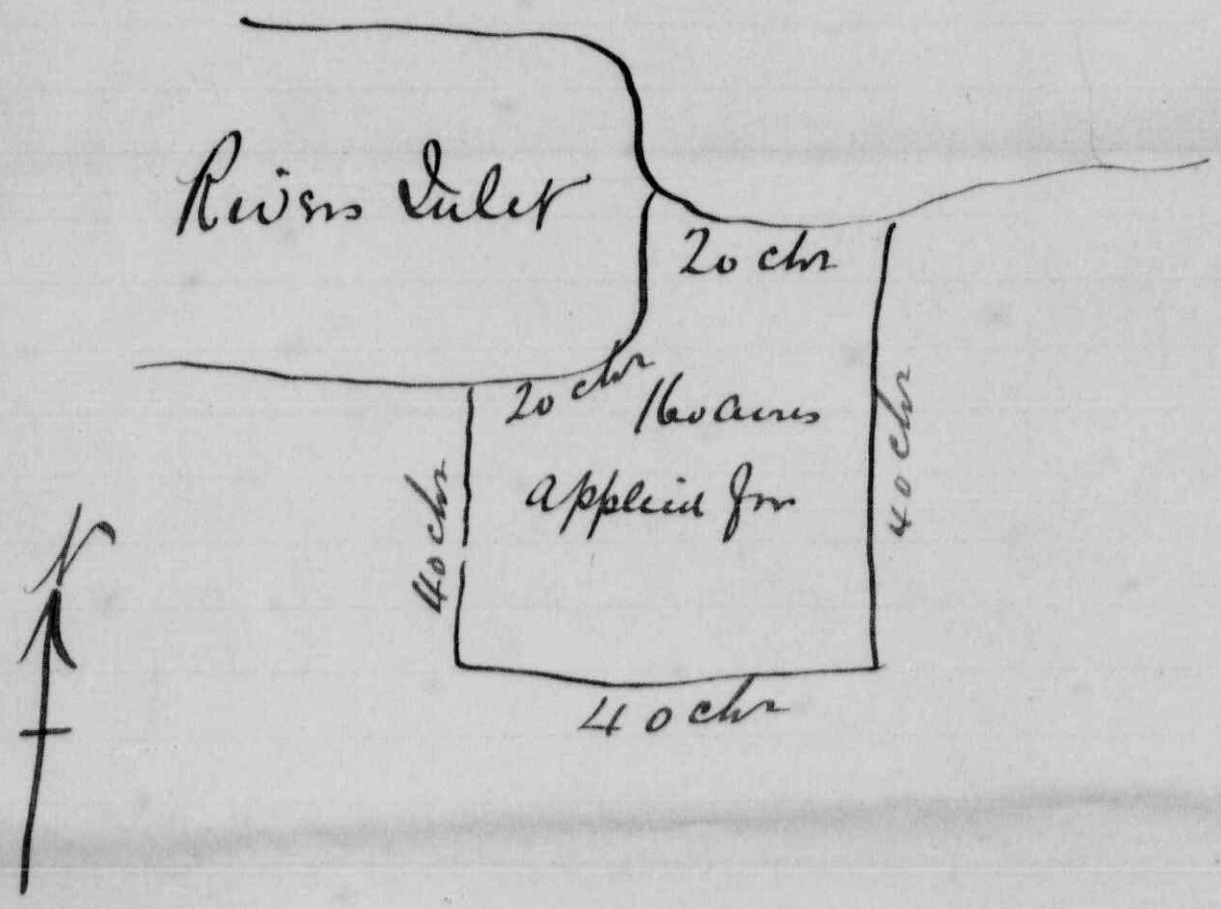
No 1551

Coast District.
William Henry Mullroy
29th August 1881.
One hundred and sixty
Head of Rivers Inlet.

Commencing at the mouth of OK Keena River thence up said River for a distance of 20 chs thence South 40 chs thence West 40 chs thence North 40 chs to the shore line of Rivers Inlet thence following the shore of said Inlet to the mouth of OK Keena River and starting point.

(Sgd) W. Spore
Commr.



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Memo.

No. 1564.-A

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1886.

Sioux from Poplar River U. S. at Oak River.

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Indians from across the line being sent back by Police

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OFFICE L.M.N. INDIAN COMMISSIONER
SEP 9 1886

Wisdom Man
6 Sept 86

The Commissioner
N. W. T. P.
Regina

Sir

I have the honor to report that I left Alameda on the morning of the 4th & when I arrived at the Outlet, I found that the Indians had gone to Tooth so I continued on to Oak Lake arriving there at 4.30 P.M. of the 5

Some of the Indians are at Oak ~~Lake~~ River & a few more are scattered round about Myself or men cannot tell the American from the Indian, at Oak Lake I require the agent with an Interpreter, what few we did see refuse to go back. They are from Minnewaka Devils Lake Dakota they left there on a/c of a Railroad train put through their reserve. It is a two days Journey from Oak Lake to Alameda I have 9 men with me I did not bring waggon with rations as I thought I would get

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get the Indians at the Author.
It will take quite a few days
to get the Band together
head I better go back in the
mean-time

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
(sg) J A McGibbon
Incapt

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North-West Mounted Police,
HEAD QUARTERS,

Ref. No. 65

Regina 7 Sept. 1886

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the Enclosed copy of a letter from Inspector McGibbon, relating to the recent incursion of American Indians, as notified to you in my letter of the 1st Sept.

I beg to draw your attention to this matter, as if the irresponsible nomads from the other side of the Line are allowed to wander at large about this country, there is every probability of their causing trouble at some time in the near future.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
L. W. Herchmer
Commissioner
N.W.M.P.

The Sioux Reserves are yellow, wererounded and their numbers are condensed by immigrants from U.S. Letter

Campbell

Report facts to Deptmt

Police directed [illegible] in route [illegible] to U.S. back [illegible] to [illegible] it [illegible] back

Dept. written to 9/7/86

The Asst. Commissioner of Indian Affairs Regina

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Regina
Sept 9th/86

Sir/

I have to inform you that in accordance with theses instruction the Mounted Police recently attempted to turn back a party of Sioux Indians including in their number some 20 Bucks well armed who being United States Indians were coming over in Company with some of our own Sioux to this Country, In this attempt the Police were unsuccessful because the Indians immediately scattered & it is found that they are going on to the Res allotted to the Sioux here.

There have been from time to time additions made in this was to the number of the Indians upon the Res referred to & in Consequence they are beginning to be some what Crowded. I would therefore be glad to be informed what you desire to be done in this Matter whether these United States Ind's should be allowed to remain on the Res or should be sent back across the line

Lawser
N.R.

Dept

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Inspector of Protestant Schools.

County of Dennis.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
SEP 22
1886

Griswold, Man., Sept 20 1886

Ref. No.

Hayter Reed Esq
Assistant Indian Commissioner
Regina

Dear Sir

I have the honour to report that I have this day had an interview with a number of the Sioux lately come from U.S. Territory, and am now able to give a full list of the names of heads of families and number of the same. The chief spokesman Matowaste reports that they and many others have been badly treated by the U.S. Officials. Rations given out once a week were far below proper weight They received neither bacon - tea, nor ammunition. Their agent are changed very frequently so that their case is never fully understood. They have been allowed to break up several small patches of poor land with their own horses, but have not been allowed to crop the

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the same land twice, they having been removed and their land given to others. Even if ammunition had been given them game has been too scarce to enable them to live by hunting.

They have therefore come to this side hoping they might be allowed to settle here.

They number in all twenty-two tipis, and one hundred and six individuals as you will see from list attached. I have also given as nearly as possible the relationship of each individual named, to the Indians here.

They brought with them 41 horses, and several waggons, all of which have been purchased by themselves.

They are not yet all here, some six families being still at Turtle Mountain, but those present on being questioned as to their intentions

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County of Dennis.

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intentions said they wished to be allowed to settle down on a reserve near their relatives here, so that they might live by farming. 20 of those named are Pistilowans - the rest are Isantis. They are all related to the Sioux here either directly or by marriage.

I write this from Virden, I shall return home by train from Elkhorn on Friday morning. If you think it necessary to come down again before we leave for the East, perhaps you could come down on that day.

I am Sir
Yours faithfully
Wm A. Burman

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 1564
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

North-West Territories,

Regina, September 24th 1886

Sir,

I have the honor to refer you to my letter ~~to you~~ No. 1308 of 9th Inst. in which I reported for your information that some Sioux Indians who had eluded the Police were settling upon the Reserves having come from across the line, and requested to be instructed as to what course to pursue with regard to allowing them to remain, or taking them out back.

Since writing that letter, I have to inform you that I have visited those refugees personally, whom I found scattered at

To the Right Honorable
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Various

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various points along the line of Rail-
The number who have come over in this
way amounts in all, as accurately as can
be ascertained, to one hundred and six
divided among twenty-two tepee's, and they
possess forty-one horses and several
waggons, purchased by themselves.
They appear to be more or less closely re-
lated to the Sioux already settled on this
side, and give as their reason for desiring to
be allowed to take up their abode here,
that they have been very badly treated on
the other side.
They state that they have been defrauded in
the weight of the rations issued to them by
U. S. officials once a week, and have not
received Bacon, Tea, nor Ammunition, while
the frequent changes of agents have prevented
their cases being ever fully understood.
They complain further that they have been
moved about so frequently that the poor
land which they have been permitted to
break up by the use of their own horses,
has been invariably given to others, before
they had been allowed to crop it ~~thrice~~
twice, while even had they been supplied
with ammunition, the scarcity of game
would have prevented their gaining a
living by hunting.
I am inclined to believe that there is some foundation for this
statements but the whole has to
be taken with more or less
while it may appear harsh under such
circumstance

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circumstances to insist upon their
return to the United States, it has
none the less to be remembered that the
provision made for those recognized by
the Department while sufficient for
themselves, when made to extend over so
many additional recipients, will not pro-
vide satisfactorily for any, and further-
more that should those who have thus
crept in be allowed to remain, there is
no doubt, that large numbers of others
will follow in their footsteps, and it
is open to suspicion that the treatment
complained of by them may be meted
out in order to compel them to the course
adopted, and this provide an easy way
for the Americans to relieve themselves of
the burden of their support.
I will therefor be glad to learn what
course the Department desires to be
pursued with regard to them.

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

A R
Asst: Commr.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
(1) 32,957
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA
INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
OCT 1886

Ottawa, 28th Sept. 1886.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th Instant reporting an unsuccessful attempt on the part of the North West Mounted Police to turn back a party of Sioux Indians from the United States who were coming over in company with some of our Sioux Indians to this country; and in connection with the matter you state that Sioux from the United States are coming on to the Reserves allotted to the Sioux

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Acting Indian Comr for Man.
& the N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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Sioux in this country, and that there have been from time to time additions made in this manner to the number of the Indians upon the Reserves referred to, and that in consequence the Reserves are beginning to be somewhat overcrowded.

I have to instruct you, in reply to your request to be informed what the Department desires should be done in the matter, that you should cause those Indians who have recently come from the United States to be sent back by the North-West Mounted Police, as the Reserves allotted to the Sioux on this side of the Boundary line are not sufficiently large to

 accommodate

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accommodate any additions to the number of Sioux for whom they were set apart. It would, moreover, be establishing a bad precedent to allow incursions of American Indians into Canadian territory. It is better, therefore, that the Indians of the United States should at once be given to understand that they will not be permitted to settle upon the Reserves of our Indians.

I am,

Sir,

Your obt servant

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl.

of Indian Affairs.

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Ottawa 22nd Oct 1886

Ref No
959

Sir,

Referring to your letters of the 17th and 27th Sept - No 65. transmitting papers respecting a body of Saultaux Indians, consisting of 20 men well armed with repeating rifles and some 30 women and children with 40 ponies, who crossed the line from the united states on the 23rd August last, and scattered between Brandon and Virden.

I observe by Inspector McGibbons report of the 13th Sept that he received instructions by telegram on the 6th of that month to the effect that the Indians were to remain as long as they were quiet.

There should be no difficulty with the assistance of the Indian agents, in identifying these Indians and compelling them to return, or at least to surrender their rifles,

If Indians who become dissatisfied with their reserves South of the line are permitted to enter Canada with arms in their hands and scatter among the Canadian Reserves, we may at any moment find

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ourselves face to face with serious trouble. whatever the decision of the Minister may be with regard to this particular band, some definite instructions should be issued to the Police for their future guidance.

I am to request that you will consult with the Indian Commissioner and report your views for the consideration of the Minister.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedit. Servant
(Signed) Fred White
Comptroller

The Commissioner
N. W. M. P.
Regina

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The Commissioner
N.W.M.P.
Regina

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North-West Mounted Police,
HEAD QUARTERS,
Regina 28th Oct. 1886

Ref. No. 45

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. OCT 29 1886

Ansd 3/11/86.

Campbell

Presumed the 20 lodges Sioux meantly this To Comr. N.W.M.P.

I never saw this ap.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose herewith Copy of a letter from the Comptroller N.W.M. Police-Ottawa, with reference to a band of Sanltaux Indians, who crossed the line from the United States on the 23rd August last.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servant
S.M. Herchmer
Commissioner

The Commissioner
of Indian Affairs.
Regina

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To the Honorable Edgar Dewdney
Indian Commissioner
Regina

The petition of the Undersigned
Sheweth as follows
That your petitioners are residents
of Moosejaw and district
That there are in this neighbourhood
some Indians who belong to the
Sioux from Dakota that have
been resident in this vicinity for
the past two or three years and
that we have found them to be
uniformly industrious, virtuous
and law abiding, and are a great
convenience to the citizens engaging
as they do in all work given to them
by the people with zeal and faithful-
ness particularly the female members
of the tribe who are valuable aids
to the women of this district where
female servants are difficult
to obtain, and we would respectfully
request that you as Indian Commissioner
assign to them a reserve in this
vicinity where they may remain
unmolested, and where they will
feel that they have a place to lay
their heads.
And your Petitioners will ever pray

Mrs Chalmers
Guillermo Loi
[illegible]
E. Clarke
Thos Murray

In J. Bride
Mrs In. J. Bride.
Wm Walsh
James G. Chalmers

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Mrs T. Murrey
Thos Cowan
Mrs Cowan
Miss. Maggie. Cowan.
Miss Grace. Cowan.
Thos Cayette
Chas Cowan
E. W. Scott
M. N. Scott
J. G. McLean
John Bellamy
Martin T. Cambridge
James Crack
R. H. Riddell
Alf Brown
Mrs M. W. Allen
O. H. Allen
J. Rutherford
Mrs Tillen
Duncan Stuart
R. Bogue
Frank Faulkner
George Hayes
T. W. Robinson
Mrs T. W. Robinson
John Shields
John A. Cook
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Pearson Waller
Russell Wilson
John G. Beasley
Thos. B. Baker
John Sunnington
Mrs J. M. Sunnington
H. Hunsucker

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No 1564

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

For Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Regina, October 28th 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor by direction of the Indian Commissioner to acknowledge the receipt of a petition presented on behalf of the Sioux Indians in the neighborhood of Moose ~~Mountain~~ Jaw by the settlers located in that vicinity, (amongst the names of whom yours appears) ~~at the head of the list~~, and to inform you that he is much gratified to receive so favorable a report of the Indians referred to, which quite accords with the report furnished by an officer sent down expressly to enquire into this subject.

He desires further to inform you that your petition will be forwarded to the Department at Ottawa, and he requests that you will be kind enough to make known the contents of this letter to as many as possible of the settlers who signed the petition now acknowledged.

~~especially Messrs~~ -

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J A R

Asst. Comr.

Thos. B. Baker ✓
J. A. McKenzie. ✓
M. M. Brick. Esq. ✓
Moose Jaw.

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No. 1564

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

For Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Regina, October ~~29th~~ 30th 1886.

File

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that a petition has been received by the Indian Commissioner, signed by 68 men and women, settlers in the vicinity of Moose Law, ~~whose petition~~ which sets forth that there are in the neighborhood just mentioned some Indians ~~who although from Dakota~~ part of the remnants of Sitting Bulls Indians have been in their present locality for two or three years ~~that they~~ have been found to be uniformly industrious, virtuous and law abiding - that they are a great convenience to the citizens, as they perform zealously and faithfully any work given to them; that the women are particularly useful where domestic servants can hardly be obtained - after which preamble comes the request that a Reserve may be assigned to these refugees.

Teton Sioux

Still in our Territories.

The contents of the petition are forwarded for your consideration in accordance with the terms of promise made in acknowledging its receipt.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

HR

Asst. Commr.

To the Right Honorable
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

cf HSR

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA

Ottawa. 6th Nov. 1886

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T.
NOV 10 1886

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, reporting that you had received a petition signed by 68 men and women settlers in the vicinity of Moose-Jaw, requesting that a Reserve may be assigned to certain Teton Sioux Indians that have been in the vicinity of Moose-Jaw for the past two or three years; and I have to request that the petition referred to or a copy thereof may be

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Ans. & copy sent 15th Nov 1886

Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Comr. Man & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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be forwarded to the Department.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

Wm Plummer S.

for the Deputy of the Supt. Genl

of Indian Affairs

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United States Indian Service,

Devils Lake Agency,

Fort Totten, D.T. Nov. 9th, 1886.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. NOV 15 1886

Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
North-West Territory,
Regina, Canada.

Ans'd 22/11/86.

Insp. McColl advised 23/11/86.

Sir:

I have the honor to advise you, that an Indian of this reservation by the name of "Ipagemani" or "Bird" recently left this place and has gone north into Manitoba and took with him a span of Govt mares (gray), harness & wagon, with one yearling and a sucking colt.

He also run off with another man's wife. He was legally married to the wife abandoned and the woman, who accompanied him, was also legally married to another man, so that he is guilty of bigamy and theft of Govt property.

I would therefore respectfully request, that this man be arrested and the Govt property taken possession of, by the Indian Agent, who has charge of Indian matters in the section of country, where he has taken refuge.

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United States Indian Service,

..... Agency,

....., 188 .

I understand, he has gone north of Turtle Mountain, where there is a settlement of renegade Sioux — this place is called by the Indians Long Lake, I do not know, whether it is the proper & general name or not.

I am very anxious to get possession of this stolen property and the man also, if possible, and I assure you, that I will at all times hold myself in readiness to assist your agents in the apprehension, and delivery to the proper authorities of all Indians from your side of the line, who may commit similar offences and come here or to Turtle Mountain (where I have charge) to escape punishment.

I experience some trouble and much annoyance by Indians on both sides of the line near Turtle Mountain, and will be pleased to adopt such measures, as will prevent, if possible, so much annoyance from renegades from either side of the line -

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United States Indian Service,

..... Agency,

....., 188 .

Please give me the name and address of the Indian Agent, where this man Spagemani has gone, that I may correspond with him with a view of securing the stolen property, and I hope you will give such orders in the premises, as the circumstances in the case will admit, for the arrest and punishment of this man, that I may recover the U.S. property stolen by him.

I am, Sir, very respy,

Your Obedt Servant,

John W. Cramsie,

U.S. Indian Agent.

Write Markle & Notify Police & here

Brandon written 16/11/86.

16/11/86.

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No. 1564

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

For Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Regina, 16th Nov 1886.

File

Sir

I have the honor to advise you that I have received a letter, dated 9th Inst, from the Indian Agent, Devil's Lake, Fort Totten D. T. informing me that an Indian of that reservation of the name of "Spagemani" or "Bird" recently left that place, and has come North into Manitoba and taken with him a span of Govt. mares (grey) harness and wagon, with one yearling and a sucking colt. He also ran off with another man's wife - She was legally married to the wife, he abandoned, ~~and the woman who accompanied him, was also legally married to another man, so that he is guilty of bigamy, as well as theft of Govt property.~~

The Agent believes that this Indian has gone North of Turtle Mountain, to a settlement of renegade Sioux, called by the Indians

The ~~Acting~~ Chief
~~Provincial~~ Police - Long
~~Winnipeg~~
Brandon. Agent Bird
Comm. N.W.M.P. Regina

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Long Lake.

The Indian Agent is very anxious to get back the stolen property, and the man also if possible, therefore I request you will be good enough to use every means to have this man arrested and handed over to the proper authorities

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

Asst. Commissioner.

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North West Mounted Police.

Office of the Comptroller
Ottawa 11th Nov. 1886.

Ref. No. 1133.

Sir,-/

The Minister has desired me to prepare a statement showing as far as can be ascertained the movements of Indians across the Boundary Line during the past season, either Canadian Indians crossing to the United States or United States Indians crossing to Canada.

To aid me in preparing this statement I beg that you will be good enough to furnish all the information which can be obtained from the Officers in Command of the Police in the Southern part of the Territories. It is desirable that we should be able to identify the different bands the number of Indians and horses. the dates and place where they crossed the Line and when they returned. Particulars should be given of any known cases of horse stealing on either side of the Frontier.

I am to request that you will communicate with the Indian Commissioner asking him to be good enough to let you have any particulars on record in the Agency Offices respecting permission granted to Canadian Indians to cross to the United States during the past summer.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obedient Servant.
(sgd) Fred White.
Comptroller.

The Commissioner
N. W. M. Police - Regina -

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preparing this statement, to request that you will be good enough to cause me to be furnished with any particulars on record in the Agency Offices respecting permission which may have been given to Canadian Indians to cross to the United States during the past summer.

I have the honor to be,
Sir.
Your obedient Servant
L. W. Herchmer
Commissioner
N.W.M.P.

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North-West Mounted Police,
HEAD QUARTERS,

Regina 16 Nov. 1886

Ref. No. 66

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. NOV 17 1886

Sir.

I have the honor to forward the enclosed copy of a letter received from the Comptroller N.W.M. Police stating that he is desired by the Minister to prepare a statement showing, as far as can be ascertained, the movements of Indians across the Boundary Line during the past season, either Canadian Indians crossing to the United States, or United States Indians crossing to Canada, and, to aid him in preparing

A 22/11/86.

Send to Govt. Blood. Blackfeet & Pegan for information

The Commissioner
of Indian Affairs
Regina

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North-West Mounted Police,
HEAD QUARTERS,

Regina 17 Novr 1886

Ref. No. 65

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. NOV 19 1886

Ansd. 22/11/86.

Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 16th instant. No 1564.

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to direct the various Indian Agents to report the whereabouts. when known. of "Ipagemeni" or "Bird", who is charged with having brought stolen property into Canada from the United States. and steps will be taken to arrest him accordingly.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your obedient Servant

The Asst. Commissioner of Indian Affairs Regina

L. A. Herchmer
Commissioner

Have taken action at

Mr. C
Look this up

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Birtle Nov 18th 1886

Ans 24/11/86

Sir

I have the honor to report that when I visited the Oak Lake Sioux Reserve on the 6th inst I learned that 22 camps of American Indians had come across the line, sometime in Sept last, from a section of Country southerly from Wood Mountain, and on a branch of the Missouri River and were now camped at different places in Manitoba and the N West.

Seven of these were camped near Kedin and I visited them to learn if possible their object. They assign as their reason for coming that they did not like their Indian Agent, and now wished to remain here to hunt &c

During their visit to the Sioux at Oak Lake Reserve they allowed their ponys to destroy a stack of Wheat and Oats of a settler adjoining the Reserve

Named

Thrbton

The Indian Commissioner

Regina

Ans

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named Adam Scott. He assigns as his reason for not impounding them that he was away from home two days assisting a neighbour to thrash, and on his return found his stacks destroyed. also if at home he is doubtful if he would have been able to catch any of the pony's.

He alleges that he has lost about $37.00 worth of grain, that he is a very poor man and thinks he should be recouped for his loss.

If the Indian can be traced they could be prosecuted & any property of Mrs [illegible] to pay [illegible]

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
J. Amarkle
Indn Agt

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Regina
Nov 22. 86

Sir/

To inform you that I have been advised in a letter dated 9th Inst from the Indian Agent Devils Lake Fort Trotter D.T. that an Indian named "Spayeman" or "Bird" recently decamped from that Reservation with another man's wife having in his possession a span of Mares (Gray) one yearling & one sucking Colt one Waggon & harness, all the property of the U S Govt. He is supposed to have gone North of Turtle Mt to a place called by the Indian Long Lake

I therefore to request that you will be good enough to instruct the agents in Manitoba to keep a good look out for this man & takes steps to have him arrested should he be discovered

Yours
A C Dudrup

C McColl
Inspector &c
Mpy

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Regina
Nov 22nd 86

Sir

Ack receipt Letter 17th Inst re instructing our agents to report the where-about of "Spazemane" the Indian said to have come across the line with American Govt property in his possession & to inform you that action has been taken in the Matter.

I am Sir
Y E Dudney

Cond.r
N W Mt Police

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Regina
Nov. 22d '86

Sir/

Ack receipt Letter 9 Inst relative to an Indian named "Spayceman" or "Bird" who you state has gone North into Manitoba Carrying with him the Govt property mentioned & to inform you in reply that I have given instructions to the Indian Govts & to the Police to keep sharp look out if he can be found.

Any-thing which may transpire will be duly Communicated to you.

I am Sir
J. E. Dudley

J. W. Crawford
Indian Agent
Devils Lake

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File 66.

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

For Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Regina, Nov 22 1886.

Sir -

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th inst enclosing a copy of a letter from the Comptroller of the N.W.M.P. asking for information relative to Indians crossing the Boundary Line and Vice Versa and to inform you by direction of the Commr that our Agents in Treaty No 7 have been written to and asked to report fully in the matter giving the data called for by the Comptroller so far as they are in possession of facts -

I have

Commr of Indn Affrs

N.W.M.P.

Regina

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No. 1564.

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

For Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Regina, Novr 22 1886.

File

Sir/-

The Comptroller of the N.W.M.P. has requested to be furnished with information for the Minister relative to the movements of Ins across the Boundary Line during the past Season, Either Canadian Ins Crossing to the U.S or U.S. Ins Crossing to Canada and I have to ~~request~~ ask that you will furnish me with a full report on the Same giving the identity of the Indians under your charge, their numbers, if known, ~~at at~~ the point at which they crossed and date - also state ~~whether they~~ who had permission from you to go South, etc, etc,

I have

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Agents
Blackfoot King
Gleichen
and
Blood Reserve
Macleod/-
and
Sarcee Res.

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Regina
Nov 24 86

Sir

Ack 18th Inst reporting the information gathered by you relative to the arrival of American Inds from across the line & the damage done by some of their ponies to the grain of a settler Mr Adam Scott during his absence from home.

In reply to inform you that if the ~~damage~~ damage done can be traced to the owners of the ponies they are open to prosecution & if convicted can have their property sold to pay for what has been destroyed - The Dept does not admit any liability for actions done by our own Inds. for which there is the same redress to be obtained as against white men - much less can it assume any responsibility for American Inds.

Yours
Wm Jno Gerr

Jph
Bertie

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Manitoba Superintendency,

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg 25th Novr 1886.

In your Reply refer to No. 15,506 also to the date of this letter.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE NOV 25 1886

1564

SIR.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant advising me that an Indian of Devils Lake, Fort Totten D.T., named "Spagemani" or "Bird", recently decamped from that Reservation with another man's wife &c, and in reply I beg to inform you that I have instructed Messrs Agents Muckle, Ogletree & Martineau to take steps to have him arrested should he be discovered in their District.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Emmett Call
Inspector of Ind. Agencies.

The Honorable
E. Dewdney
Indian Commr
Regina.

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No 267

Sarcee Agency
27th Novr 1886

Sir

In answer to your letter No 1564 - 22 November. I beg to inform you that none of the Indians on of this Agency have had permission to cross the line, three had a pass for one week to the Blood reserve but as they returned up to time They could hardly have gone so far

I have the honor to be
Your Obt Servt
Wm Cole Balinhard
I A

The Commissioner
Indian Affairs
Regina.

Mf
Keep in Mt
all other ans
are rec'd

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No. 54

Blood Agency
3rd December 1886

Ansd 14/12/86

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. DEC 1886

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I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd ult re information required of Movements of Indians during the past season and would state that we have not kept any detailed record of our Indians crossing the Boundary Line, and therefore any information that I can give is from memory.

As to stating where they crossed and the date that I cannot do as parties going to war never cross on the regular trails, but strike out on a line of their own. With respect to giving dates I would inform you that, that cannot be done, it will frequently happen that a party may be away two or three days before they are missed, as they invariably start in the night, so soon as they are missed, their rations tickets are taken in and inquiries instituted as to where

This should be done

Commandt. L. Police. Sent Porcupine - Rations -

The Indian Comd
Regina
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where they have gone.

I enclose a list of all the Indians who have left their Reserve within the last few weeks, all of whom have returned excepting those marked thus (x), the latter will probably remain at the S. Piegan Agency until Xmas when I understand there is to be a distribution of presents.

The only U. S. Indian whom I know is one "Middle Bull" a South Piegan and wanted on U.S. Territory for the murder of a halfbreed named Isadore, he has been here on and off for sometime, but does not draw rations.

I propose opening a book in which the names of all Indians off their Reserves will be recorded their destination & business if known and date of their return in fact all the information I can possibly procure

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
H. Porklington
Tag

Short is no one.

This should have been done before
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Ref. No: 399.

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DEC 6 1886

Blackfoot Agency.
December 3. 1886.

Sir;—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No: 1564 of the 22nd ulto: relative to the movements of Indians across the Boundary Line during the past season and to state that I only know of one Indian having gone from here to the American side, he was a son of "Bull Elk," M.C of the North Camp and was killed with the five Bloods last fall somewhere about the boundary line;

at summer? 5

I know of no United States Indians coming on this Reserve last season;

I granted no passes to Indians for farther South than MacLeod, except to "Three Bulls," who did not use it, having a trip to Montreal instead.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obed. servant
Magnus Begg
Indian Agent.

The
Indian Comm:
Regina.

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10th Dec 1886.

Sir

I have the honor to ack. the receipt of a letter from the Comptroller of the N. W. M. Police to yourself and handed by you to me, in which it is requested that a reply be given to a certain letter in which you were asked to consult with me relative to Indians from the United States crossing into Canadian Territories with arms in their possession a copy of which letter you sent to me on the 28th Oct. last.

In reply I beg to remind you that Mr. Asst. Commr. Reed's letter of even No. of 3rd Nov. in which he requested to be informed whether the Indians to whom the Comptroller had reference were the same as had been reported to you by Inspector McGibbon on 6th Sept as Sioux refugees from Devil's Lake Dakota, is still unanswered.

N. W. M. Police
Regina

Presuming.

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Presuming the above to be the case I beg to inform you that on receipt of a copy of the Inspector's report referred to under cover of your letter of the 7th Sept I communicated the whole matter to the Dept.

Shortly afterwards the Asst. Commr made a personal investigation & full particulars of the Nos. names etc. etc. of the refugees were sent to our Dept. with a request for instructions as to how to act with regard to them-

In reply I was informed that these Indians should be sent back across the line by the N. W. M. Police.

I may add that in my opinion it would be a great injustice to those indians already located by the Govt. on Reserves to allow them to be crowded by strange Indians in this way & to have such assistance as can be afforded them eaten up by these refugees

Under the circumstances I can not see that anything remains to be done but the carrying out the Instructions of the Dept with regard to this matter by having

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them escorted back to the line by the Police if they are still here.

I beg to return the letters from the Comptroller to yourself

Thanks

E Dewdney

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Return of Indians who have crossed South in 1886

Band	Name	Destination	Remarks
A	Running Rabbit	Gun River	
"	Spotted Eagle (son)	Montana T.	Supposed steal horses
"	Rainy Chief	Marias country	Steal horse
B	Hog Shirt	Belknap	Killed by Gros ventres
" x	Lazy young man	South Piegans	visit relatives
D x	Sailing away	do	do do
" x	Bellows	do	Fugitive from justice
" x	Day woman	do	visit relatives
" x	Old Star	do	do
E.	Bull Shoe	do	do
"	Flat Head Bulls (brother)	Belknap	Horse stealing
G x	Morning good looking	South Piegans	visit relatives
" x	Sore Fingers	do	do
"	Only Chief	do	do
" x	Crow Head	do	do
"	Prairie chicken old man	do	Steal horses
"	Many Chiefs	do	visit friends
"	Eagle Child	Missouri River	Horse stealing
"	Good killer outside	S. Piegans	visit friends
"	Side hill Medicine	do	do
I x	Running Wolf	do	do
" x	Black Snake	do	do
" x	Spear woman	do	do
"	Packing tail on his back	Birch Cree	Buy ammunition
"	Medicine white horses	do	do
"	Wolf Scout	S. Piegans	visit brother in law
"	Morning bird	Rocky Springs	Horse stealing
J x	Running Crane	S. Piegans	Recover a horse
K	Eagle Plume	Sweet Grass Hills	Horse stealing
L x	Sharp Face	S. Piegans	visit relatives

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Band	Name	Destination	Remarks
L	Running Funny	Belknap	Recover horses
"	Small Gut	do	do Killed by (Cayuse) Gros
M	Long Mane	S. Piegans	visit friends
"	Bull young man	do	do
N	Eagle Rib	do	do
P	Tall Eagles Son	Belknap	Killed by Gros ventre
Q	Spy Glasses	do	do
"	Dog running back	do	do
	Bull Elks son (Blackfoot)	do	do
R	Heavy Shield	S. Piegans	visit relatives
"	Small Leggings	do	do
S	Gun cover fringes (husband)	Badger creek	do
T	Young Pine	Belknap	Horse stealing
V x	Low Legs	S. Piegans	visit friends
" x	Womans word	do	do
"	Small Breast	Rocky Springs	Horse stealing
"	Nice old woman	S. Piegans	visit friends
"	Panther Bones	do	do
"	Owl Child	do	do
"	Spears with a knife	do	do
D	Good Saying	do	do with leave

Those marked thus x are still absent "Good Saying" in D is the only one absent with leave

W. Corklington
Sgt

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Sept. 24

Sioux from Poplar River U.S. at Oak River

Name	No in family	Relationship to Oak R. People.	Names	No in family	Relationship to Oak R. people.
1 Kiyahdinajin	6	Brother in law to late Chief Wabadiska	12 Sunkakandula	5	Related to several Has been here more or less three years.
2 Waonsida	4	Wabadiskas brother.	13 Napeiwanka	4	Related to Antoine O. R. band.
3 Kaigisapa	4	Son of No 2	14 Sunkaeigadan	5	Son of No 10
4 Matohnaskiyan	2	Brother to Wabadiska	15 Gwokpamna	10	Near relative of Matoka - O.R. band
5 Mato waste	3	do. do.	16 Sunkanoupa	2	Uncle to Tasinawakanhdi O. R. band.
6 Istogikiya	2	Son in law of No 2.	17 Matotopa	4	Son of No 16
7 Hokikage	6	Brother to Wabadiska	18 Sintasnawin A widow	6	Franks sister O. R. band. wants to stay here.
8 Hekakadula	5	Son of No 10	19 Makainyanke ~~A widow~~	7	Nephew to Tatangwaste O.R. band.
9. Tatankawakan	5	Son in law of No 1.	20 Canwapa Isanti	5	Son-in law to Hehahdi O. R. band
10 Istokdi	6	Uncle to Tatangwaste O. R. band.	21 Tateooye Isanti	6	Brother to Wasudan O. R. band.
11 Hekakawanmdi	2	Son of No 10	22 Makanambdu-win A widow		Cousin to Wakansni O. R. band.

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North-West Mounted Police,

HEAD QUARTERS,

REGINA, 11th Dec 188 6

Ref. No. 65

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEC 14 1886
N.W.T.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 10th instant, I have the honor to inform you that there is no record in this office of the receipt of Mr Asst Commissioner Reed's letter of the 3rd Nov last in which he requests to be informed whether the Indians to whom the Comptroller has reference were those mentioned by Inspector McGibbon.

In answer to this inquiry I beg to inform you that the party of Indians referred to by the Comptroller is that which was reported by Inspector McGibbon to have entered Canadian Territory carrying arms, and which refused to recross the line, and which was allowed to remain so long as they gave no trouble.

If you will be good enough to furnish me with the names of the foreign Indians, or with means

of

The Commissioner of

Indian Affairs.

Regina.

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of identifying them, and with their whereabouts, the Police will be ready to carry out any instructions that they may receive as to reconducting them to the frontier.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

L. W. Herchmer

Commissioner.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1564
Also to [illegible]te of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, December 14th 1886

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Sir,

By direction of the Commissioner I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 3rd Inst. and to express to you his regret of the fact as stated by you that no ~~such~~ records have been kept ~~by~~ ~~you~~ of the movements of your Indians in going to, and returning from American Territory, as would have been of ~~some~~ use, now that information on the subject is called for.

The Comr. is desirous that ~~you~~ the ~~It is a great pity that you had not~~ ~~before this time~~ ~~opened such a~~ ~~shown~~ book of record of the movements ~~and business~~ of your Indians, as you state it as your intention to now open ~~to do now, and the Commissioner hopes that the book when once opened~~ will be carefully kept.

I am, Sir,
your obedient servant

for the Commr.

To the Indian Agent
Blood Reserve
Gleichen.

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Regnier
Dec. 17th 86

Sir

By direction of Comr Ack receipt of Letter 16th ultr enclosing a letter to yourself from Comptroller of the N W M Police requesting you to communicate with the Ind Comr in order to obtain through him any particulars on record in the agency offices respecting permission granted to Canadian Inds to cross to the U.S during the past Summer.

In reply the Comr desires me to inform you that the only agents who could have any such information to impart are those for the Sarcee, Blkfoot, & Bood & Peyain agencies & that they have been communicated with, with the following result.

Mr Agnt de Balinhard of Sarcee Res states that none of his Inds had permission to cross the Line & that as the only three of them who had a pass for one week to go to the Blood Res was back on time they could hardly have gone so

Comr

N W M Police

Regnier

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Jar.

Mr Agt Begg of Blpoot 4 writes that he knows of only one Indian having gone from there to the American Side, & he was a son of "Bull Elk" M & E of North Camp & was killed with fire Bloods last summer some-where about the boundry line the only Indian to whom Mr Begg allowed a pass for any distance further south than Fort McLeod was three Bulls & as he had a trip to Montreal he did not make use of it.

Agt Pocklington of Blood & Peigan Agency reports that no detail record of Indt crossing the Boundry has been kept & therefore such information as he can furnish is supplied from memory.

He states further that as parties going to war never cross on the regular trails but strike out on a line of their own it is not possible to say at what point they may have crossed the boundry nor can the date of their departure be fixed with any degree of accuracy owning to the fact that they set off during the night & it may be days before notice of their absence leads to inquiries being made about them.

The Lest here-with forwarded is a copy of one Rec. from Lewis who have left their Res within the last

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few weeks & they have all returned with the exceptation of those marked thus x who he state will probably remain at the S Puyan agency until after an expected distribution of presents at Christmas time -

The only U S Indians on this side known to Mr Agat Pocklington is one Muddy Bull a South Puyano wanted on American Territories for the murder of a half breed named "Isadore" and he has been on the Res off & on but has not rec. rations

The Comm^r regrets that no more valuable information can be afforded, but Mr Agat Pocklington has been instructed to keep careful records in further

Dear Sir
J Wm McGuire

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Regina
Dec 20th 86

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Sir

By direction of the Comm^r to ack Letter 11 Inst & to inform you that the letter to your self from the Asst Comm^r of 3rd ultto no trace of which can be found in your office was duly copied in our letter Book & index as having been mailed to you

To enclose herewith a list of the names of the American Sioux with thus families whom the Asst Comm^r found camped along the line of C P R in Sept last Park

Jan Sen
s/ W M Gerrie

Comm^r
N W M Police
Regina

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Moose Jaw Decr. 27th '96

1564

Dear Sir:

At the request of the people of this place without exception, I enclose a petition signed by many of them asking for food and clothing for the Indians near this. Every one has signed it who has been seen. All are exceedingly anxious that its prayer be granted. They can do a great deal to support themselves during the summer months and do it; but they are helpless during the winter season. Their claims upon the Canadian Government may not be strong, not stronger than the claim which a person in a state of destitution has upon a party able to afford relief for assistance; but in recognition of that alone, it is our hope that your Honour may be able without delay to give them some food and clothing and continue it during the winter season. I am told they are very destitute and this is very inclement weather for persons to be so situated.

Yours respectfully

J. G. Gordon

Hon. Edgar Dewdney
Indian Commissioner

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Reply - will send some one up to enquire closely into their exact wants & will then supply such actual necessaries as may seem proper

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To the Honourable Edgar Dewdney
Indian Commissioner:

The petition of the undersigned residents of Moose Jaw and its immediate vicinity humbly Sheweth:

That to the South of Moose Jaw and near to it is a band of Indians numbering about Eighty persons who are without the means of subsistence;

That said band is composed of Indians who are as a whole well behaved and industrious and who are able and do support themselves fairly well (with the assistance of the people of Moose Jaw) during the summer months; but that during the winter season they are able to do scarcely anything for that purpose and the people of Moose Jaw cannot afford to maintain them;

That said Indians are at present without sufficient clothing or food and that they will be in that state of destitution all winter unless the Indian Department of the Government will come to their assistance with both;

That while there are many here who think that it would be a wise policy for the Government to remove them a little further from the Town of Moose Jaw and place them upon a small reserve containing some arable land as well as grazing and wood lands and that by so doing they would before long become almost if not quite self supporting, your petitioners are all very desirous that during the winter season and especially during inclement this

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weather they should be furnished with the food and clothing rendered necessary by their destitute condition.

Wherefore your Petitioners pray that your Honour may without delay afford to said band of Indians such relief in food and clothing as their destitute condition requires.

And your petitioners will ever pray &c

Petitioners	Names
H. G. Gordon, Mayor	Joseph Buckland
B. Bogue Merchant	Henry Bates
Wm Grayson Barrister	Colin Thomson
J. G. McLean Merchant	P. J. C. Nisset
S. J. Taylor, Chuggman	M. McInnes
D. M. Ross	L. Abbey
R. L. Alexander	J.P. Wm Spaughton
Chas. A. Fass	H. Plante
J. A. McDonald Teacher	S. B. Denton
G. M. Annable	F. H. McCaskill
C. H. Hopkins	O. H. Allen
E. D. Robinson & Co Merchants	Wm Riddell
S. N. de P. Green J.P.	J. E. Loxton
E. A. Baker & Co Merchant	A. L. Grayson
W. J. Bradshaw Councillor	J. P. Sargent
John H. Cook	Wm Walsh
Thos Cowan	G. M. Ross
Martin J. Cambridge	Fred. G. Herrler
J. E. Simpson	John Bellamy
Robt Wilson	
J. M. Sinnigham	
William McCarter	

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William Rutherford
Joseph Woodall
W. J. Battell
G. T. Sanderson
James [illegible]
Thos Healy
John W. Glassford
H. B. Card
A. Hannah

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Regina
3 Jan 7/87

Sir/

Ack L 27 ultto enclosing a petition signed by a number of the resident of Moose-Jaw praying that a number of Indians camped near that town be assisted with food & clothing during this winter; & in reply to say that we will send one of our officers up to enquire closely into the matter & ascertain their actual wants. We will then supply them with such necessaries as may seem proper

Jan Sir
H R

J. G. Gordon
Moose Jaw

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Regina,
January 18th 1887

Copy sent to Dept. 21/1/87

Sir,

I have the honor to report, that obeying instructions received from you, I proceeded to the Town of Moose Jaw, on the morning of the 15th instant, for the purpose of enquiring into the condition of a band of Teton Sioux, who are living near that place.

Accompanied by Mr J. G. Gordon, Mayor, I found the camp of these Indians, numbering thirty tents, on the bank of Moose Jaw Creek, on Section 9 Township 16 in Range 26 W.2, about four miles South of the Town.

This band is a remnant of those Sioux who came into Canadian Territory, with "Sitting Bull" in 1876 after the conflict with the United States troops, in that year. Since that time they have

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The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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have resided in the vicinity of Wood Mountain, until about three years ago, when they came and camped in the place where they now are.

I endeavoured to obtain a list of the names of the men, and the numbers of their families; but this I was unable to do, as they regarded me with great suspicion, and refused to give any information. The reason for this as far as I could learn, and from what was told me by, "Black Bull" who apparently is one of their head men - is, that as some of them had taken part in the Massacre of General Custer and his men, they were afraid that I was trying to gather information for the United States Government. I informed them that the people of Moose Jaw had represented them to the Indian Dept as being destitute and requiring assistance. They replied that they did not want anything to be given them, as they earned money for themselves by Hunting, and working about the Town of Moose Jaw.

There are about one hundred Men, Women, and Children, in this Band. They are all living

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living in Cotton Tents. many of which are old and worn affording but slight shelter in cold weather. They also are very poorly clad and must suffer for want of warm clothing.

The principal means by which these Indians gain a livlihood, is by hunting in the Summer months, and in Winter they polish Buffalo horns, which are sold at from fifty cents to one dollar a pair, cutting wood for the Settlers, and the women do washing and scrubbing for which they are paid twenty-five to fifty cent a day. They also are able to obtain some food by snaring Rabbits, which are said to be numerous.

The people of Moose Jaw Speak of these Sioux as being honest and well behaved, and seemingly desirous to do what is right.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obed't Servant
John Taylor

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In your reply refer to
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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, January 22nd 1887

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Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of a report made by Mr. Lohee Taylor of this office, who was sent to inquire into the condition and circumstances of a band of Sioux, living in the neighbourhood of the town of Moose Jaw.

This was done I beg to inform you, in consequence of the recent receipt of a petition from the people of Moose Jaw praying that in consideration of the fact that these Indians have been well behaved, & when there was work to be had during the summer months, labored

To the Right Honorable,
The Superintendent General
of Indian affairs
Ottawa.

I am most respectfully

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industriously for their own support, some relief should now be afforded them in their ~~pitiful~~ present ~~destitute~~ condition.

In referring the matter for the decision of the Department, I beg to point out in connection with what is said in that regard in the report inclosed, that there is no doubt the Sioux Indians concealed particulars of their condition, from the suspicion that Mr. Taylor was acting in some way on behalf of the American authorities, and that they really are in need of some assistance.

It may not be out of place to ~~remind~~ observe ~~the Department~~ that whatever may be done with regard to these Sioux, who are really American Indians, may have a bearing upon the present question with reference to Canadian refugees, whom the United States Government, considers should be returned to this side of the line.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant,
HR
Asst. Commr.

†. I beg to remind the Department in this connection of all the correspondence which has taken place relative to Indians from across the line coming over & settling ~~along the line upon of railway~~ on the Reserves along the line of railway, and our difficulty in getting rid of them.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, 28th Jany 1887.

N.W.T. INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
FEB 2 1887

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd Instant, and a copy of a report enclosed therein from Mr John Taylor who was sent by you to enquire into the condition, and circumstances of a Band of Sioux (American) living in the neighborhood of the Town of Moose Jaw.

It is possible, although these Indians for the reasons suspected as indicated by your letter informed Mr Taylor to the

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the contrary, that some of them may be in distress. The Supt. General leaves the question of relief and the measure of it to be afforded in such cases to your own discretion. The Supt. General says that you should see that these people are not allowed to starve.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obt servant

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl.

of Indian Affairs.

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Canada
North West Territories.

I Valentine A. Cook Constable of N.W.M. Police Force, at present stationed at Moose Jaw, do solemnly declare that on the 25th day of January last past, I accompanied Mr Sequesne a distance of about 8 miles on the Saskatoon Trail, and there found a strawberry colored pony said to be the property of the Indian Department branch at Regina –

That the said pony was stated by Sequesne to have played out with him the previous day on his road from Poke Cap's Reserve to Regina via Moose Jaw

That the said pony seemed to be in fair condition, except ing having the hind feet bandaged in consequence of having had them cut by the crust of the snow –

That we tried to bring the said pony into Moose Jaw but were unable to get him along more than two miles, beyond which distance it was impossible to make him move a step –

That before leaving him Sequesne put a blanket over him,

That I have no doubt in my mind that the said pony after being left as above stated, perished from the severity of the weather at that time prevailing

and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the act passed in the 37th year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled "an act for the suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial oaths"

Declared before me at Moose Jaw
this 5th day of February D. 1887
I G Gordon
A. I. P. M. for the N. W. Territories

V A Cooke

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Moose Jaw Feby 4th 1857 1564

Dear Sir:

In reply to your favour to me of the 2nd inst. received today I beg to say that the Quesne was here shortly before Mr Taylor was up from Regina and also on the morning of Tuesday or Wed^y of this week (I think it was the former day). These were the only occasions on which he has recently been here I believe.

I desire to add that the Sioux Indians are in great need. and though Mr Taylor, on the occasion of his visit to them faithfully executed his mission, yet they were suspicious of him, chiefly because of his peculiar Sioux - from which theirs somewhat differs. His is that spoken in Montana. They thought he was an emissary from Montana. They were therefore afraid of him. At least they say so now. Seeing they are in a bad state for food and clothing, I think it would be advisable to help them a little with both.

Yours truly

J. G. Gordon

Hayter Reed Esq
Asst Indian Commissioner
Regina

McLain
Heir

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Moose Jaw Feby 11th 7

Dear Sir

McClure

My letter to Mr Hayter Reed to which you refer in your letter of the 7th inst to me which I recd today was written in good faith and in the belief that what I stated was correct. I was told what I stated on what I regarded as good authority but I don't know now who he was. I have forgotten who not having charged my memory with that matter. I may have been wrongfully informed however and doubtless was as you say you were not here then.

Yours truly

J. F. Gordon

W. E. A. Laquesne Esq
Regina

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA

Ottawa, 24th Feby 1887.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. MAR 1 1887

Sir:-

I copy the following extract from the "Brandon Times" of the 27th Ultimo respecting the alleged stealing of wood and hay by some of the Indians on the Oak River Reserve and alleged trouble in connection therewith.

"There appears to be con-
"siderable trouble amongst the
"Indians of the Oak River Reserve
" at the present time. One of their
" number was in the city on
"Tuesday to try and induce
"Chief

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"Chief of Police Duncan to go out
"and try to settle matters. His
"Indian says that the trouble
"commenced by the stealing of
"wood and hay by some of the
"bad ones and that matters
"have now got to such a pass
"there is considerable damage
"being done by the stabbing of
"horses and cattle as well as
"fighting amongst the owners."

I should be glad to have a report from you in this matter at your early convenience.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obt servant
L Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

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In your reply refer to
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Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

File

Regina, February 24th 1887

Sir,

I beg to inform you that it has been reported at Ottawa, by Mr C.J.B. Martin one of the leading Ranchmen of the Calgary District, that bands of armed Indians are raiding Alberta and Montana, stealing horses and killing cattle.

I am unable to believe that such a state of affairs as here described, could be going on without your having heard of it and reported to this office, but I will be glad to learn directly from yourself as to whether such a report has any foundation in fact, and if so, all particulars you are in possession of.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Indian Agents
Blood Reserve Ft Macleod

Asst Commr

Blackfoot Agency Gleichen

Sarcee Reserve, Calgary.

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Regina
Feb 24th

Dear Mr Bankoughnet

I am in receipt of your private letter relative to a Communication received by you in Connection with a Report made by C.W. Martin to the effect that armed Indians are raiding Alberta & Montana Stealing horses & Killing Cattle this is the first intimation I have had of any Indians acting in such a manner on our side of the Line & Consequently do not Credit the Report in the least

If any Report of such a Nature had reached me the Dept would Certainly have been immediately advised.

I shall nevertheless make every enquiry in order to ascertain the foundation of Mr Martin fears

Yours
H R

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Regina Assa.
25th February 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to report, that acting upon instructions received from you I proceeded to Oak Lake Station on Monday the 21st instant, for the purpose of inquiring into the condition of the Sioux Indians on the Oak River and Oak Lake Reserves.

On Tuesday the 22nd I drove to the latter reserve. I found but very few Indians there, Some of the band were said to be residing near the town of Virden, and others were with the band living north of the Assiniboine River near the town of Oak Lake.

The Indians of this band, have in the past, wintered among the Sand Hills, near where the Pipe-Stone Creek empties into Oak Lake. They were until last winter able to obtain

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The Indian Commr
Regina

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obtain a good supply of fish, when the fish became scarce, owing it is said to a mill on the Plum Creek - which runs from the lake to the Souris River - not having a proper slide to permit the fish to return up stream after going down. This winter the water is so very low at the old fishing ground, that no attempt has been made to catch fish.

Within the last two years the Indians having lost a number of their houses in the Sand hills by fire, have built several huts on the Reserve.

This band in the past has done very little farming, and has subsisted chiefly by hunting. They plant some potatoes and corn, and a good deal of their time was spent away from the reserve. Last Summer however there was a tendency to remain more at home.

This winter there has been very little sickness, there were but two deaths, one an old man, over 70 years of age, the other

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other, a young man who I believe died of Consumption.

The Cattle are in fair order and have good shelter, there is not very much hay, but probably Enough to do till Spring.

I returned to Oak Lake the same evening.

The following day I went to the reserve at Oak River.

I found a good number of the Indians at home, others were away at Brandon, and other places

The general health of this band appears to be very good, there were five or six deaths however, all children.

They have very good houses - some of them rather too Small - but all appear to be warm, many being supplied with one, and Some with two stoves.

The Cattle I saw were in fair order, and seem to be well attended to. The Indians State that their supply of hay is running short.

Five head of cattle have died this winter - three Calves

and

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and two young beasts which were said to be sickly.

Last-Summer the crops on this reserve were very poor, and the Indians asked that a supply of seed of all kinds be given them, and a quantity of flour and tea to enable them to get through the Spring work.

I informed them, that the sheep which they did not go to Birtle for last-Fall, and which were handed over to the 'Gambler's band, would be given them next-Summer.

The school on this Reserve is closed, and the Teacher has left the district. The reason for this, I believe, was that very few children attended, and the master became discouraged and left. The Indians told me that many of the families were away hunting in the Fall, and did not return until near Christmas, and then it became too cold for the children who had not warm clothing, to go to school.

It is to be regretted that there is not a school in constant operation here, as the Sioux children are very intelligent-

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intelligent, and I feel sure would be apt pupils.

Some of the men appeared to be exercised over information they had received in letters from friends in Minnesota, telling them that there was going to be war between Canada, and the Americans over the Fishery question. I allayed their uneasiness on that point.

The Yankton Sioux who came from Little Poplar River in Montana last Summer, are still living in the neighborhood. They are very peaceable, and earn a livlihood by working for the white settlers. They seem determined to remain in this country.

The families who are scattered along the north side of the Assiniboine River, west of "Boss Hill", are doing fairly well.

Some of these Sioux are very fond of dancing, but I was told that there were fewer 'dances' this winter than last.

With reference to a report which appeared in one of the Winnipeg newspapers a short time.

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time ago, in which it was stated that there was internal strife among the Oak River Band, and that horses and cattle were being wounded by the Indians. I was unable to find out anything to corroborate the statement.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your obedient servant
John Taylor.

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Ref: No:
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Blackfoot Agency.
February 28. 1887.

Sir;-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No: 1564 of the 24th instant and to state that I have not heard of any Indians raiding in this section, stealing horses and killing cattle; there have been quite a number of Indians from here who have gone to Calgary and the Sarcee Reserve, but very few with guns and most of them to work & trade at Calgary; they have had it explained to them that the Cattle men do not want them on the ranges and I would give no Passes for what some of them wanted, which was to kill dead cattle on the ranges on High River.

I do not know Mr. Martin or where his Ranche lays.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obed: Servant
Magnus Begg
Indian Agent.

The
Indian Commr:
Regina.

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, March 15th 1884

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 24th ult: requesting a report on an extract from the "Brandon Times" relative to trouble among the Indians on the Oak River Reserve, and to inform you in reply that the copy of a report here-with forwarded was in the act of being dispatched, when your letter now acknowledged reached this office.

The report now sent is made by Mr. John Taylor ~~who is~~ of this office, who knowing enough of their language to communicate with the Sioux Indians without the intervention of an Interpreter,

To the
Right Hon:
The Supt. Genl
Ind. Affairs
Ottawa.

was

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was sent by the Commissioner
to enquire into the truth of the report
referred to, as well as into the general
condition of the Sioux Bands on
Oak Lake & Oak River Reserves.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant
for the Commissr.

From this remark there seems no doubt
that the Mr. Taylor's inability to learn
any thing of the alleged state of affairs on
the reserve, there seems no doubt that the
Report is just one of those which occasionally
get sent in, from some imperfectly
understood conversation of an Indian.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant,
for the Commr.

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Sarcee Agency
March 4th 1887

L.M.N. INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE MAR 10 1887

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Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 24th ultimo, relative to bands of armed Indians killing Cattle, I have the honor to report that all Indians absent from this Reserve, are on pass, and are all of good character. No reports such as you mention have reached my ears, & I should consider such rumours to be without foundation, as the country is so full of dead cattle, that there would be no inducement for Indians to kill live stock.

None of my Indians are south High River.

Taylor

Dept give this to the one from Xing & say that we expect similar and from there

Has not Arrd who Martin is

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
Wm J McBalmhard
Indian Agent

To the
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Blood Agency
8th March 1887

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Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 24th ult re a report from a Mr C. W. Martin that armed bands of Indians are raiding Alberta & Montana and would state that it is all news to me.

I believe Mr Martin is interested in a Cattle & Horse Ranche on Sheep Creek near Calgary managed by Mr J. Baiter.

I may further state that I have not had a single complaint of any cattle being killed in this district & that horse stealing from the South has not been so prevalent as on previous years owing to the extreme severity of the winter.

I have no hesitation in saying that so far as my district is concerned Mr Martin's statement is a "Canard"

I am Sir
Your obt Servant
W. Focklington
I.A.

The Indian Comr
Regina
Assa

Campbell
Deposit

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA

Ottawa, 11th March 1887.

ans'd 15/3/87

Sir:-

I am directed by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs to inform you that a despatch has been received from Her Majesty's Minister at Washington to the effect that Congress has been asked for an appropriation of $50,000.00 to subsist the remnant of Sitting Bull's Band of Sioux Indians now in Canada, and I am to inform you that the Supt. General desires that you shall co-operate with any Officer that may be despatched from the

C. too little to be advised when any Offl. comes over so as to meet [illegible] of Dept.

Hon. E. Dewdney,
Indian Comr. for Man.
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the United States with a view to obtain the consent of the Sioux Indians in question to return to that country and to facilitate their return.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obt servant
L. VanKoughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, 11th March 1887

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st Instant, with enclosures reporting on the subject of the Extract from the "Brandon Times" respecting trouble among the Indians on the Oak River Reserve; and in reply I beg to inform you that the report is satisfactory, except in regard to the school towards the re-opening of which in the Spring measures should be taken.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
A. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs

Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Comr. Man & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, March 16th 1884

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 11th Inst: stating that it is the desire of the Super-intendent General that we shall co-operate with any officer that may be dispatched from the United States with a view to obtaining the consent of the Sioux Indians (the remenant of Sitting Bull's Band) — to return to that country and to facilitate their return.

In reply I would beg to request the Department to be kind enough to advise this office should any official come across for the purpose indicated, in order that every effort may be made to give effect to the wishes of the Superintendent General, in the matter.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant
Asst. Commr.

To the Right Honorable
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

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MAR 28 1887
T.M.N.

Sir,

Adverting to previous correspondence on the subject of the proposition to induce the remnant of Sitting Bull's Band of Sioux Indians to return to the United States I have the honor to inform you that by order of His Excellency the Governor General Her Majesty's Minister at Washington is to be advised, with a view to his so informing the United States Government, that you have been instructed to co-operate with any officer of the United States who may be despatched to

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Indian Comr. Man: & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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to the North West Territories with a view to induce those Indians to return to the United States.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

D. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa. 24th March 1887

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MAR 28 1887
N.W.T.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th Instant requesting that in the event of an officer of the United States being despatched to induce the remnant of Sitting Bull's Band of Sioux Indians to return to that country you may be advised of the fact.

In reply I beg to state that if this Department is advised of the proposed mission of a United States officer for such

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such a purpose you will be
informed accordingly.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
L. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Genl
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Form No. 40.

In reply, refer to No. [illegible]

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North-West Mounted Police,

Regina 10th October 1887

To The Commissioner of Indian Affairs Regina

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Sir

Referring to a number of Canadian Indians who are being sent into Canadian Territory by United States authorities, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with a list of Any Indians who should be arrested on account of Complicity in the recent rebellion, or from any other Cause which may be known to the Indian department.

The Commr states he gave the name to the Police

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Burton Deane Supt

Commanding H.Qrs Dist

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Ans'd See inside

Moosejaw
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Dear Mr. Dewdney

I find Mr. Nicolls very file anxious to know if we c? not do something for the Lions who live about here. He says that ~~they~~ in summer they live within about 3 ms of the Town, & keep to themselves except in working for the Townspeople. He wants to know (1) whether there is any chance of their being given a Reserve, (2) if this depends upon them what are the conditions with which

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they would have to comply, &
(3) if not whether the Government
would be willing in any way to
aid a School for their children
– if only by the Grant of a portion
of land on which one might be
built. He thinks he might will
work this Mission if he had some
one living with him, in conjunction
with this Town & District
Excuse my troubling you again
& Believe me
Yrs very truly Adelbert
Bishop of Qui'Appelle

Ans –
That they were
Mr Lacy – Indian
[illegible]

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The Parsonage.

A/18/6/88 Moose Jaw. Assa.

June 16th 1888

Your Honor,

For some time I have been trying to do something for a band of Sioux Indians encamped South of the town but without success, owing to the fact that they have no reserve. I would like to ask Yr. Honor if you regard it possible that they may be placed on a reserve. Suppose them to be within an easy distance of town I would

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undertake or see undertaken the School work amongst them, without pay if necessary. The great help would be in the buildings. There is a large quantity of unoccupied land to the South which could be given them, or north of Buffalo Lake. I believe the Bishop wrote to Yr. Honor sometime back, when you said you were uncertain what would be done. if you thought anything could be arranged I would come up to Regina on any day Yr. Honor named.

The band number about 200 Souls as far as I can learn, & if recognized by the Government would require something done amongst them.

I remain
Yrs very truly
(Rev.) W. Nicolls.

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Revd Sir

I have the honor to
Ack^t receipt letter of 16th inst
re Sioux at Moosejaw & in reply
am directed by Comr to inform
you that these Indians are
Americans & therefore no
reserve can be given them in
this country.

Chas Ng

The Rev^d W Nicolls
Moosejaw.

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Dear Sir,

I alay to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 31st ulto: and to ~~inform~~ state in reply that I fully sympathise with all you say about relieving the sick Sioux.
There are however difficulties with regard to non Treaty Indians, but if you will kindly give me some approximate idea of what the cost of affording such relief as you talk of, would be, I will see what can be done in the matter.

AR

Thos W Asplin
Moose Jaw

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CITY DRUG STORE
MAIN ST.
E. H. [illegible]
MANAGER.

Dept 6/2/89

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Moose Jaw, Jany 30th 1889

Dept 6/2/89

Hayter Reed Esq
Regina
C-

Dear Sir

When we got Aspdin's reply we can then reply to Cases Only in Sessions

For part of our years I have had to supply the band of Souris with medicines & attendance & as I do not consider it of air that I should be called on to do so have of late refused except in urgent cases

At present there are some cases that require treatment & medicine & I wish to know if any arrangment can be made so that I can take charge of the band at a nominal amt per month for proof services & medicine If you think any such arrangment

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MAIN ST.
E. H. Scott, M. D.,
MANAGER.

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Can be made I will be happy to enter upon it provided I am not the loser by same. Should you require any information about me Mr Whitman or Dr Dodd Mr James of your town will I think supply it

Yours Respectfully
[illegible] Scott

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Answered 2/2/89

Moosejaw
31st January/89

Dr Sir

May I request the liberty of addressing you to ask if you can possibly make any arrangement with the druggist here to supply any of the Sioux Indians camped here with medicine & advice in case of sickness.

Being known to them so long I am constantly asked to procure medicine for them when sick - In some cases it is only a simple cramp or cold but in one or two cases lately where the patients were afflicted with some chest affection & spitting of blood. a man would have to be adamant to refuse them. I have repeatedly procured for them advice and medicine at my own expense as can be substantiated by Dr Scott the druggist and others.

C.

Ask what exp. wd. be approx.

Although I am aware that these Indians are looked upon as aliens yet surely in cases like these the facts have only to be made known to you to arouse your sympathy and aid for them in case of sickness

When well they desire nothing but to pursue their work and make a honest living but in sickness they are helpless and have not the money to procure the proper medicines.

As I am married and have a small family of my own I cannot always help them and it is hard sometimes.

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to turn them away - I have never done so yet in any serious case and I hope you will do something for them. The amount expended need be very small.

Trusting you can do something for them in this way and hoping you will excuse me adressing you on the matter.

I remain
Yours respectfully
Thomas, W. Aspdin

To H Reid Esq.
Indian Comr.
Regina.

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Moosefaw. 1564

Feb. 6th 1889.

Campbell

Dear Sir,

Mr. Aspin tells me he has written to you asking if assistance can be given to the Sioux Indians near this town, in the matter of Medicine &c. I am very glad to be able to bear witness to what he has said with regard to their need of it, and hope that something can be done for them. They appear to be very independent in every other way, & so perhaps deserve it more than otherwise. The Church of England will in a short time if all goes well establish a mission amongst them, when I hope we shall be able to do something for them in many ways.

I remain

Yrs very truly

(Per) W. Nicolls

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Dep 6/2/89

Moosejaw
5th Feby/89

Dr Sir

In answer to your letter of the 2nd Feby No 1564 I would say that I made a point to see Dr Scott who practices here and also keeps the drug store with a view to find out as near as possible for your information the approximate cost of affording medical relief to sick sioux Indians as requested in your letter. Before stating his offer as to terms I think it better to state the position of the

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The camp which is divided in two are half being about two miles up the Creek from the town the other half being camped about the same distance down the Creek.

In my conversation with Dr Scott he informed me that he would visit both camps and supply medicine and comfort such as milk and broths when required at the rate of twenty-five dollars per month. He would if preferred charge by the visit or trip. The tariff

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usually charged by medical
men here is 1.50 per visit
and 1.00 per mile which
would make a visit in an
ordinary case $3.50 he in-
forms me that in this case
the medicines would be extra
With regard to the matter
of comforts mentioned there
would be required say in
case of scarlatina among
children; where milk and
some kind of nourishing
broth is as much required
as medicines. There is a
case now in one of the Cook
of a young child about
6 yrs old. She is very low;
although the Indians them-
selves and in their way

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So all they can the food which they have perforce to offer to the child is altogether unfit. for any-one so low. I was in the tent with Dr Scott to see her. and he prescribed for her gratis. and also gave medicine.

I beg to thank you for your kind expression of sympathy in your ~~expressed~~ letter and feel sure you will do all in your power to extend aid in some shape to these Indians in cases of sickness.

I remain.
Yours respectfully
Thomas W. Aspdin

Ex Hd Reid Esq.
Indian Cons.
Regina.
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PHYSICIAN, SURGEON
AND
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Moose Jaw, Feby 4th 1889

W. Reed Esq
Regina

Sir/- C

Adviser Dept of Mines
Sickness of Mine
Mr Thos Ashden of the
Souris Camp has just shown me
your letter & as I stated to him
what arrangements I would make
need not repeat
I feel that some arrangement should
be made re the matter as soon
as possible as it is not fair that
the burden of the expense should be on
me to say nothing of loss of my time
in going & coming

Yours Respectfully
E. H. Scott

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7th February 1889

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Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that cases from time to time occur among the Sioux Indians camped in the neighbourhood of Moose Jaw, which urgently demand medical relief. These Indians endeavour to maintain themselves by working for the settlers, but are as a rule too poor to meet the cost of advice, medicine, and what in many instances is more necessary even than drugs, nourishing food, ~~necessary~~ required in ~~cas~~ acute pulmonary cases, which appear to chiefly prevail.

Their condition at such times has, I am informed, been so pitiable as to ~~excite~~ procure them assistance ~~from~~ while those who can not afford to render ~~it~~ ~~and who implore the government to relieve affliction which they can not afford~~ yet ~~are~~ have been hindered by feelings of humanity from with-holding.

The burden of this they implore the Dept to undertake, and the Commr therefore desires to be informed whether the Dept: will ~~consent to~~ authorize such small expenditure, as may be required to make the necessary provision for such extreme cases as may occur from time to time. I have

Dept:

AE Jno

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No 8587
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
FEB 20 1889
N. W. T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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Ottawa 15th Feby 1889

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Instant, on the subject of medical attendance on and relief of Sioux Indians camped in the neighbourhood of Moosejaw who may be in need of the same; and in reply I beg to refer you to my letter to the Indian Commissioner of the 28th January 1887, leaving the question of the relief to be given those Indians

Hayter Reed, Esqr.
Indn Comr for Manr & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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Indians when on duties to
that officers discretion

I am
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
A MacDougall
Depty of the Supt. Genl.
of Indn. Affairs

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March 4th 1889

File

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 27th ulto: and in reply to inform you that the Rev. W. Nicolls has been asked to be kind enough to give orders upon you for medical attendance in really urgent cases since it is thought better to try at any rate for a time, your alternative offer to make single visits at the rate of $3.50 each.

I have

A. G. H.

asst Commr.

Dr. E. W. Scott
Moose Law.

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March 4th 1889

Feb.

Rev Sir,

I have the honor to refer to my letter to you of 18th ulto. with reference to the Sioux Indians in your neighbourhood — and to inform you that it has been determined to provide for them such medical assistance & comforts as may be actually necessary.

* Dr. E. W. Scott of Moose Jaw has offered to visit both camps, and furnish medicines & comforts, such as milk & broths when required for the sum of $25.00 per men: or if preferred to visit any ordinary case for $3.00 exclusive of medicine etc

~~Since we~~ Leaving no agent in the vicinity, it is difficult for us to determine which of these offers it would be ~~the~~ more advisable to accept, however it has been determined to try the latter at any rate for a time. For obvious reasons, although ~~Dr. Scott~~ there is not the faintest ground ~~for~~ supposing that Dr. Scott

would

Rev. W. Nicoll
Moose Jaw

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not act with the utmost integrity, it is not a proper business arrangement to make him the sole judge as to what visits should be made when their cost ~~of which will~~ is to be defrayed out of public money — and I have therefore to ask you, since you appear to take an interest in their welfare, whether you would for the present undertake to give Indians really requiring medical assistance, an order upon Dr. Scott for the same, and take some method of procuring them if required, medical comforts, and send a monthly a pc ~~tot~~ of the cost to this office.

Should you be able to undertake this, the influence thus obtained, will Doubtless be of service towards carrying out your proposed mission work among them successfully.

I have

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Asst Commr.

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The Parsonage.
Moosefort.
March. 6th. 89.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of yr. letter of March 4th. (No 1664) regarding the Sioux Indians.

I shall be most happy to act in the capacity you wish me to do; as you very kindly say, it will be beneficial to me to work amongst them. I would however ask you in order to have things perfectly clear. Does the $3.50 fee of Dr. Scott's simply

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mean one visit to an individual
or total visit to whole
all who may desire assistance
when he goes out there?
Also whether the 3.50 per
means a visit to both camps
or one? I shall go out
to them at least once a
week to see if there are
any deserving cases & if
there are to give them an
order. Several of the cases
are lingering, for instance
one man Running deer,
is in a consumption, all
that can be done is to
provide a little soothing
medicine & nourishment,
but the difficulty is in
the want of providing necessary

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if the case were attended
to at all closely the
amt. of fees would soon
run up a tremendous bill.
In such a case once a week
would I suppose be ample.
Might I include under the
head of medical comforts
such things as milk,
brandy &c - 42. nourishments
which in most cases is
the one thing needful as
they are very badly off in
the matter of food.
I am very to trouble you
with such small details,
but I would like to have
the matter clearly understood
especially in reference to
"what is understood by"

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a visit & the work to be done - Thanking you very much for the opportunity you give me of getting some hold of them,

I remain

Yrs very truly

W. Nicoles

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March 8th 1889

Rev Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 5th Inst. and to thank you for the willing manner in which you undertake what was requested of you relative to the Sioux Indians in your neighbourhood.

In reply to ~~the information~~ your request for definite information upon certain points I beg to state that Dr. Scott's offer to pay a visit for $3.00 was understood to cover one ~~single~~ visit to one patient at one camp only, calculated at $2.00 for mileage & $1.50 for professional advice. In case however of his ~~for~~ making such a visit & there being more than one patient requiring his advice, it is thought that he should only charge $1.00 for advice to the first patient, and should attend others at reduced rate of $1.00 each, so that having gone to visit one patient at a charge of $3.00, and having attended a second patient at the same

Re W. Nicolls
The Parsonage
Moose Law.

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time, his charge would be altogether $4.50. In case of several patients being visited at the same time you might perhaps induce him to make a still further reduction, but you will doubtless make the best terms in this direction that you can for the Dept.

In such a case as that of "Running Deer", cited by you, where advice can do little if any good, it would not appear to be advisable to incur much outlay in ~~that dire~~ procuring it, but rather to afford a reasonable quantity of medical comforts, which would include milk broth, & similar articles of nourishment.

The idea is ~~that~~ as already stated that this plan will be better than the acceptance of Dr. Scott's offer to visit both camps - and provide medicine together with nourishment when required, for $95.00 per mon: but if you see that it is going to turn out the more expensive arrangement, kindly advise as soon as you conveniently can, to that effect.

Rev Sir
Asst Comm

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E. H. SCOTT, M.D.C.M.
PHYSICIAN, SURGEON
AND
ACCOUCHER.

Moose Jaw. Mar 8th 1889

A E Forget Esq
Regina
Nwt

Dear Sir

Your favour Mar 4th
no 1564 duly to hand & contents noted
I regret very much you do not see
your way clear to accept the monthly
arrangment as stated as I am quite
sure it would have been best for
all parties. The Rev Nicholls myself
paid a visit to Big Jims
Camp East of here & found two bad
cases & have taken them in charge &
to do any justice to one of the cases
that would require daily visits but
of course that is out of the question
at present under this arrangment
I have told the Indians that if they

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ACCOUCHER.

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are sick & able to come to me I will supply them with medicine free but will not come out to camp unless they are very bad - Mr Nicholls will make weekly visits to the 2 camps & see if any cases want medicine & if well enough will bring them in & in such cases I will only charge your dept with the medicines & milk supplied & in case any one has to be seen he will issue order to me to visit. I would like very much if you would make the arrangement monthly instead of at present & hope you will be able to see your way to do so

Yours Respectfully
E. H. Scott

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APR 2 1889

Moose Jaw. Assn.
April. 1. 89.

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The Asst. Commissioner
Indian Affairs. Regina.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with your instructions, I enclose the accounts of the expenditure for the month of March, for medical attendance, medicines &c supplied to such cases of sickness in the Sioux camps as they were required. Most cases have been of lung disease, brought on by the open spring, wet &c, aggravated by want of proper nursing. There has been one fatal case, Running Bull, of consumption. Dr. Scott has been most attentive, in several instances visiting for the 3.50 fee several patients in the same camp.

It is highly probable that now summer is coming on, the amount of sickness will be greatly reduced, outside of exceptional cases.

With one exception of a man named Graham everything has gone smoothly. Graham (white) has married according to Indian custom (as far as I can learn from other Indians) a squaw, and has been living with her for some time. He wished to avail himself of Government help on her behalf. The squaw is consumptive. I refused on the grounds that he was himself able as well as bound to look after her as his wife. He appears to be dissatisfied. and I would ask for instruction in such cases. The Indians appear to be grateful for the assistance, and are very ready to avail themselves of its privileges.

Issue voucher

a/3/4/89

Extract attached voucher and sent Dept.

Extract 3/4/89 [illegible]

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I have given orders only in urgent cases, visiting the camps at least once a week (in many cases more frequently) and seeing the cases applying for assistance.
The following are the chief cases.
White cap's - papoose squaw, Inflam. of lungs. Big Jim's Camp.
Jack's papoose. Bronchitis. Black Bull's camp.
Squaw. Pleurisy. Big Jim's camp.
Running Bull - consumptive. Black Bull's camp.

Account.		$	c.
E. H. Scott. M.D.			
	Profess. visits (4)	14	00.
	Medicine &c.	6	35.
E. Coalpits			
	Milk.		30.
E. A. Baker & Co.			
	Eggs &c.		70
H. Ferguson -			
	Meat (for Beef tea)		90.
		$22	25

(Rev). W. Nicolls.

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Regina
4/4/89

Rev. Sir

I have the honor to ack receipt of your letter of the 1st instant enclosing accounts in connection with the medical wants & attendance on the Sioux Indians camped near Moose Jaw. and also reporting on their condition for which I beg to thank you.

The accounts have been approved and forwarded to the Dept. for payment and when cheques are received they will be sent you

With regard to the man Graham who is married to a Sioux woman I may say that he cannot expect aid from the Govt. for his wife.

A E F

Rev. W. Nicolls
Moose Jaw.

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In your reply refer to
No. 160
Also to [redacted] this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,
Qu'Appelle April 8th 1889.

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APR 12 1889
N.W.T.

Sir,

"Antoine" of Oak River Sioux band No 58 has sent me the following information:

"Three Ojibway runners from "Turtle Mountain U.S. visited "Hinhanhota" "of Oak River band on 23rd ult., a meeting was "called and the Sioux were asked to make "a league with the above bands, for a purpose "to be afterwards explained by "Hinhanhota". "Tobacco was left with him to seal the compact, "but the latter named Indian has not yet "disclosed their intentions. These runners represented "an Ojibway Chief known as "Red Bear," and "stated that runners had been sent to "White "Earths" and Popular River Reserves in U.S.

They returned to Turtle Mountain on 23rd ult on foot. "Antoine" alleges that the Indians do not want to get into any trouble through the action of these runners, and he thinks "Hinhanhota" should be looked after for countenancing them, and forced to divulge the meaning of visit

I am
Sir
Your obt Servant
J. A. Markle
Ia

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Grossejaw
16th April/89

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APR 17 1889
N.W.T.

Dear Sir

I beg to inform you that there are about six lodges of the Sioux who are camped here are thinking of going over to the Spotted Tail Agency N.S. Their names are as follows

Black moon & family
Running Bull & family
The Coyote & family
Running Bull's Son & family
also two more families whose names I do not know.

As I am aware that your department is anxious

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for as many to go as possible
I have encouraged these Indians
to go & have succeeded to the
foregoing extent. Great efforts
have been and are still made
by the other Indians to get them
to changed their minds and the
most artful Stories are told
them to deter them from going
over. Black Moon & Running
Bull are head men of the
Minneconjou branch of the Sioux
in fact Black Moon is con-
siderable of a chief when with
his tribe. I have combatted
the efforts of the other Indians
to persuade them not to go &
now they are camped at a
distance of 4 or 5 miles from the
others. but are visited almost
constantly by the others trying
to induce them to alter their
minds. As far as I can under-
stand they are waiting till they
earn enough to make provision
to take with them and until
they can get duck eggs around
the ponds en route. I would
beg to suggest that you might
probably give them some provision
to carry them on Twenty or Thirty
dollars divided among them would
furnish them with Flour, Tea
Bacon &c. to take them a con-
siderable way and the Sooner
they start the better.
Two of the lodges who intend
going were nearly persuaded by

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the others to change their minds but luckily they came to me for advice & I turned the Scale again If they were given anything by you it might be necessary to give it in such a way as not to appear to come from the Government. You may remember a year ago when you visited their camp. they agreed to do everything you requested them to do but declined the provisions you offered them.
By the fact of them getting provisions would make them stay the sooner as all the time they are here they are exposed to the influence of the other Sioux who are trying all they can to get them to stop.

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Qu'Appelle
4th April/89

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 17 1889
N.W.T.

Dear Sir

I beg to inform you that there are about six lodges of the Sioux who are camped here are thinking of going over to the Spotted Tail Agency
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If you should see your way
to furnish every thing I have
no doubt that the Rev. Mr
Nichol would act for you
I would give him every
assistance & do not desire
any pay for it but would
do it to return your kindness
in giving those people medical
assistance last winter when I
wrote you and also that I
think it would be better for
the Indians themselves to go
back.

I remain
Yours very respectfully
Thomas W. Aspdin

To
W. Reed Esq.
Indian Commr
Regina

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Sir,

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 8th inst. and in reply to state that through antoine from whom you received the information relative to the Ojibway runner or in whatever other manner may appear to yourself to be best, you should keep a strict watch on "Glenhanhola" and endeavour to ascertain the mission of the Red Bear's emissaries.

Should any thing of a ~~serious~~ sufficiently serious character, to justify the measure, appear to be on foot, you will exercise your discretion with regard to making arrests, and keep me fully advised of what is going on.

I have

Agent
Birtle.

~~Asst~~ Comm

HR

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April 16th 1859

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that it has been ascertained from one of the Oak River Bands of Sioux that three Ojibway runners from Turtle Mountains, U.S. have been visiting the Band and making presents of tea and tobacco.

These runners are said to have come from the Ojibway Chief Red Bear, and ~~as it is reported~~ are reported to have stated that others had been sent to White Earth and Poplar River Reserves in the United States.

The object of this visit is not known; however, a close watch will be kept on the Indians who received them, and in case of there appearing to be any grounds for taking action, it will be done.

I have

Dept: IR

~~Lieut Governor~~

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April 18th 1889.

File,

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 16th Inst. and to thank you for the trouble you have gone to in order to encourage the Sioux Indians, you speak of to return to where they properly belong.

I quite agree with you that it is very desirable to afford them any reasonable assistance which will hasten their removal from the influences being brought to bear upon them to dissuade them from carrying out their intention, and am ~~requesting the Re~~ acting upon your suggestion, with regard to requesting the Rev. Mr. Nicholls to lay out the sum of $25.00 in the direction indicated.

I have

Comm.

Thos. G. Aspdin Esq.
Moosejaw.

HR

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April 18th 1889.

Rev. Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Thos. C. Scudder, has written to inform me that some 6 families of the Sioux in your neighbourhood are only awaiting means to enable them to set out for the Spotted Tail agency, D.T. but are in the meanwhile subjected to pressure brought to bear upon them by their fellows, to discourage them from carrying out their intention.

I certainly would deem worth while to contribute assistance which will remove them from influences under which their resolve may succumb, and Mr. Scudder think that from Twenty to thirty Dollars would provide them with enough of Flour, Tea, & Bacon, to take them well on the road.

She suggests that you might be disposed to undertake the investment of the money in the articles mentioned, and divide them up.

Rev. W. Nicoll
The Parsonage
Montreal.

Yours
sincerely
[illegible]

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Assa
N.W.T.
26th April /89

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Dept 2/5/89 Acted 7/5/89

Dear Sir

I received your letter of the 19th inst. in answer to the one I wrote to you relating to the departure of some of the Sioux Indians. In consequence I have the most gratifying news that no less than eleven lodges have left for the Spotted Tail agency during the last few days.

After I had written to you "Black Moon" came to see me and asked my advice again about going over, and I strongly advised him to go. As this was on Thursday when we have no mail and as I could not get in to the Post Office until the evening of Good Friday I gave him some Flour &c before I received your letter so as to get him & the other

C- Report Dept. of Carried out directions Gave food etc

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five lodges to move out some 6 or
7 miles so as to be away from the
influence of those who were trying all
they could to get them to stop.
A day or two after this another Indian
came to me & said he thought he would
go as soon as he got enough money
to purchase, Powder Shot and some
little provision. I requested the Rev. Mr.
Nichol to give him some which he
did at once and the Indian Family
left at once to overtake Black
Moons outfit.
Yesterday morning four more lodges
left to overtake the others. I got a
few little articles from Mr Nichol to
help them along this makes eleven
lodges in all. - and is the largest
outfit to go at one time since the
Surrender of "Sitting Bull"
I foresaw if I could once get Black
Moon away his departure would

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be followed by some of the others as he was a man of great weight with them. and therefore I was very anxious to get him well going.

They will go in slowly stopping to hunt on the road. they cannot move quick having but few horses & the journey is a long one.

I had considerable influences to work against as the Indians who are here wounted from time to time the most awful stories to discourage the others from going. As I could not keep pace with all their inventions I took the Course of forcing their hand by getting those who were willing to go to move out of touch of the others.

On the other hand I had to be very Cautious as they are and always have been very suspicious of any arrangement been made between the two governments to have them handed over.

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with a view to punish them in some way for old hostilities.

For your information I may state that the most of the Sioux here now are Uncopapas & belong to the Standing Rock Agency. U.S.

By asking you to aid these Indians in going over. I think it may be as well to explain that they were not what would be called destitute some of them. having quite a little store of provision which they had accumulated by working. but there were others who were short of several articles which they wished to get before their departure & it was with a view to hasten this event which made me write to you. The amount expended will I believe come considerably under the sum ~~specified~~ authorized by you. but as I presume Mr Nichol will make a report to you & give you all the information on this point I will

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Ottawa, 30th April 1889

Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 16th instant reporting that three Ojibway runners from Turtle Mountain U.S.A. have been visiting the Oak River Band of Sioux Indians, and stating that it is reported that others have been sent to "White Earths" and "Poplar River Reserves" in the United States.

File

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. A. Austin

For Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

The Indian Comd

For Man & N.W.T.

Regina

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Moose Jaw, Assa.

May 2nd 89.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of yr. letter of April 18th (No 4564) regarding the giving of supplies to the Sioux Indians wishing to leave for the Spotted Tail Agency U.S.A. I have contributed assistance in order that they might go the sooner. Mr. T. W. Aspin has acted in the matter in arranging with them as to amt. &c. & it is chiefly owing to his influence that they were persuaded

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to go - I have exercised a certain amt. of liberty in giving powder & shot in place of actual supplies of bacon &c - where it appeared necessary & under Mr. Aspdin's Advice - as they required them on their road to Shot-game &c. The number of lodges ~~[illegible]~~ who have gone over is eleven - consisting chiefly of old men & squaws, who thought they would be looked after by their friends on the other side - A good number of young ones remain, getting a living by working in town. The total amt. expended is $15.32. orders for which I enclose - Mr. Aspdin had given some on his own responsibility, before Yr letter arrived in order to get them away from the influence of the rest who were trying to persuade them to stay - I have given him an order for the amt. expended -

I remain
Yours very truly
W. Medus

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In your reply refer to

No. 1564

Commissioner's Office,

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

North-West Territories.

FILE

Regina, 2nd May 1889

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 26th Ulto. and in reply have to thank you for the interest you have taken with regard to the removal of the Sioux Indians camped in the neighbourhood of Moosejaw and to inform you that the result of the influence you brought to bear on them is most gratifying to the Department.

I remain
Yours obediently

Commr

Thos W Asplin Esq
Moosejaw
Assa

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May 2nd 1889

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your letter of 16th Feby last and previous correspondence on the subject of Sioux Indians camped in the neighbourhood of Moose Jaw, and to communicate the gratifying intelligence that several lodges of these Indians have departed for the Spotted Tail Agency U.S.

Some little time ago I was informed that some of them felt much inclined to return to where they properly belong, but were being subjected to every influence all that their companions could bring to bear upon them to dissuade them from carrying out the idea.

I ascertained more over that one of the causes of delay in carrying out their desire, was due to the necessity of getting together enough of provisions

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to carry them on their road until they might expect to ~~find~~ fall in with game, and some ammunition with which to kill the same when found.

Since it appeared very questionable whether during the time likely to be consumed in earning means for a start, their resolution to go would remain constant against the counter ~~influence~~ persuasions of their friends, who endeavoured to strengthen them by the circulation of all sorts of stories, calculated to discourage a return, I came to the conclusion that an expenditure of some ~~of~~ $25 or $30.00 in aiding them away, would be a most profitable investment for the Dept. and I therefore got the Rev. Mr. Nicolls of Moose Jaw, to purchase what was most essential, with the result here in above reported.

I have

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YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
MAY
N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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Ottawa, 20th May 1889

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant reporting that eleven lodges of the Sioux Indians being the remnant of the Setting Bull camp who have for some time been camping in the vicinity of Moosejaw have departed for the "Spotted Tail" Agency U. S. A. and stating that for the reasons given you had authorized an expenditure of $25 or $30. for the purchase of provisions for

The Indn Comr.
for Man & N. W. T.
Regina, N. W. T.

C "did we say the remnant"
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MAY
1889
N.W.T.

for these Indians for use on their journey.

In reply I beg to inform you that your action in the matter is approved of.

I am

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl.

of Indn. Affairs

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

REGINA, N. W. T.,

November 1894

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Virginia
21st Nov/94

Dear Sir

In reply to your letters of the 17th instant I beg to say that the Dept. will pay for medical attendance and medicines for those Indians who are in destitute circumstances and unable to pay for same themselves—

Forms for the Doctor to use in making out his account which should be certified to by him as well as yourself will be sent you shortly. The Doctor should only attend under your orders—

You may purchase a bag of flour for each of the families referred to

A.G.T.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin
Moose Jaw

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NOV 7 1894
N.W.T.

Moosejaw N.W.T.
6th November 1894

Dear Sir

I beg to bring to your notice the case of the two families of Sioux Indians who returned from Cherry Creek Cheyenne River Agency this fall.

These Indians when they left here parted with most of the articles which they had accumulated and which even go to make up a certain amount of comfort. They have been travelling mostly all summer and at the present time ~~and~~ are in no fix to face the winter. There are seven children of tender age who have neither clothing or blankets.

In ordinary years they could have managed to prepare themselves as the both heads of the families are young men & good workers. Owing to the exceptional state of the country the farmers in place of being able to give work are themselves asking & receiving aid from the Government.

I have no fear of these Indians suffering from lack of food as they appear to make enough in town to live on but they are nearly naked as far as clothing or blankets are concerned. and no prospect of

72 children's Blankets
50 Wasserjs
2 prs Trousers
2 overcoats
2 Tunics
12 Blankets

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of being able to better themselves in this respect. Their case is different to the Indians who have been here all summer. and who are fairly well fixed.
I am of course aware that it is their own fault in coming back but they tell me that they tried to stop on the other side but could not do it. They have grown up in this country and look upon it as their's. I was down to their lodges to-day & never saw the children so miserably clad before & their lodges are bare of blankets. They seem to have parted or used up everything on their long journey. If you can possibly help them at all. any assistance extended would be worthily placed.
Except in these cases I do not anticipate any hardship amongst the Indians here as there are but few aged Indians amongst them and most of them are in good health & fairly fixed.
As a set off to the return of these Indians I beg to report to you the departure for the other side of a Sioux family of seven. The Indians name who

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has gone, is "Topa" and he went
to the Fort Peck Agency (Poplar River)
I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Thomas W. Aspden;

To the Asst Indian Com^r.
Regina
N. W. Ty.

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Regina
7/11/94.

Dear Sir

In reply to yours of the 6th instant I beg to say that the following supplies will be shipped at once to your address for the two families destitute of clothing viz

12 Blankets small
75 Yds. Serge
2 Men's Overcoats.
2 Tunics
2 Prs Mens Trousers.

We have no large blankets in stock or shirts but Tunics are sent ~~in~~ to take the place of the latter — It is assumed there are two men

A L F

T. W. Aspdin Esq.
Moose Law

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NOV 15 1894
N.W.T.

Birtle Agency
11th November 1894

Sir

I have the honour to report for your information that two more lodges of Sioux numbering 10 individuals have left for Cherry Creek, Cheyenne River Agency U.S.

The head of the party is an Indian by the name of "Eclay-chah", well known amongst the white people as "Jim McCoy"

These Indians would not go in the Spring but they several times told me that they thought they would go before the moon fell.

They left the Willow Bunch and went by Estevan and should be at or near Fort Berthold by this.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
Thomas M. Aspdin.

To the Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

U.S. agent
Ft Berthold
written 15-11-94
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19th November,

Sir:-

I have the honour to inform you that it has been reported to this office that two lodges of Sioux, numbering 10 individuals, have left Moose Jaw for Cherry Creek, Cheyenne River Agency, and are thought to be now in the vicinity of Fort Berthold. The leader of the party is "Ee-tay-chuh," better known among white settlers here as Jim McCoy.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

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Asst. Commissioner.

The United States Indian Agent,

Fort Berthold,

Dakota,

U. S. A.

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Regina Nov. 15th 1894

Sir/

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Cheyenne

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I have &c

Asst Commr for
Man. & N.W. Territories.

Alex F

The U.S. Indian Agent
Fort Berthold
Dakota
U.S.A.

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NOV 21 1894
N.W.T.

Moosejaw N.W.Ty
17th November 1894

Sir

Referring to medical aid being given the Sioux camped here.
Since your instructions I have incurred no liability in accordance. This was easy to do in summer as they were not here very much besides they are not so liable to ailments as in the winter.
They are all camped here now and several cases have occurred where it would have been very hard to refuse to relieve. As of course I had no authority to do so I could not charge to the Department and such expense has mainly come out of my own pocket.
May I ask you for authority to give them medical aid as before at the public expense when absolutely necessary.

I have the honour to be,
Sir.
Your obedient Servant.
Thomas W. Aspdin

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authorize usual medical aid to such as are in destitute circumstances but to no others.

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Regina
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NOV 21 1894
N.W.T.

Moosejaw N.W.Ty
17th November 1894.

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of articles of Clothing &c forwarded to me for the Sioux Indians. "Pootay" and "Oh-Koot-ay" and their families. I have to thank you on their behalf and assure you that the assistance was most timely.

As they informed me the day after I distributed the Blankets &c "their children could sleep all the night now instead of waking up every hour or so crying on account of the cold."

Their tents are by no means good but I would not go the length to ask for new ones as they are expensive. and they have been helped so liberally by you. I might however suggest that if each family was given a bag of flour it would give the women a chance to go to places where they would be paid for their work in money so they could buy some duck to fix their tents.

Should you see fit to allow this these families would then be very comfortable. Whilst I issued to them the most of the Clothing I thought it best to keep a little back the Serge in particular not wishing to give them more at one time than they could make up into garments.

Hoping the above action will have your approval.

I remain
Your obedient servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

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To the Asst Indian Commissioner
Regina
N.W.Ty.

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Moosejaw N.W.T.
17th Decbr 1894

Sir

I beg to enclose you an account of Messrs E. A. Baker & Co. for articles supplied to two parties of Sioux leaving this side for reservations in the United States. (already reported)

Having had some talk with them in the summer I promised them assistance if they made up their minds to go.

The latter Indian "Eeet-ay" I met coming from the Willow Bunch. and gave him an order for provisions to be used only if he meant to go across.

I also gave the other party an order in the Summer.

All these parties have gone to the other side

I have the honour to be
Sir.
Your obedient Servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

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Moosejaw N.W.T.
18th Decr 94

Sir

I have the honour for your information to give the following recapitulation of Sioux Indians returned and also gone since the large party in the Spring left here.

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Left	Eeelay or Jim McCoy his wife and 3 Children	5
	Mother and 1 Child	2
	Wah-nah-Kick-Zee his wife & Child	3
	Topah his wife & 3 children	5
	Father and 1 child	2
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Returned	O. Koot-ay wife and 3 Children; Poot-ay wife and 4 children	11
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The above leaves six to be added to the number of those who left in the Spring

I have the honour to be
Sir.
Your obedient Servant
Thomas Wasfdin

To the Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEC 26 1894
N.W.T.

Moosejaw N.W.Ty
14th December/94

Sir

I beg to enclose an account of Mr O. Field for the sum of two dollars. for a keg supplied to "Eetay-chah" and party of Sioux going to the other side. These Indians were very anxious to get a keg to carry water along as owing to the drought throughout the country they were afraid that the places where they could procure water on their journey would in some cases be a good distance apart.

As I thought their request reasonable I gave them an order on Mr Fields' for a keg.

I regret that by an oversight I did not forward it with the other accounts the other day.

Hoping it will meet with your approval.

I remain.

Your obedient Servant.

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Asst Indian Commissioner
Regina
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REGINA JAN. 8. 1895
ASST. INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

Moosejaw N.W.Ty
27th December 1894

I have the honour to report for your information the condition of the Sioux Indians at this place and vicinity during the year 1894.

As previously reported to you at the time, last spring I was the means of inducing a number of them to return to their reservations on the American side. Although two families returned here, this was offset and a further gain made by some who went across later, the full particulars of which I have reported to you.

I cannot say that I am sanguine of getting many more to go. as those at present here evince a strong determination to stay on this side.

With regard to the matter of trying to get them to go on a reserve near Prince Albert Shope soon to be able to report to you what they think about the offer.

They are at present divided between this place and Wood Mountain the greatest number being around here. They are managing to make a fair living although the "hard times" even affect the Indians. Numbers of people who heretofore gave employment to them are compelled to do their own work. There has been no case of actual want but they do not appear to be able to "fix" themselves so comfortable as in former years.

The fine weather which we have enjoyed so far is a great help to them.

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There has been no trouble with their ponies this year the Indians looking well after them.

Regarding the work of getting the Indians across as outside work and as a separate contract. I beg to ask for the sum of fifty dollars for the usual work of the year and that out of this sum the charge for my children at the Industrial school be deducted which will leave a small balance in my favour. This charge you will remember you kindly allowed to run on last year.

May I ask that a small amount of tobacco be sent me. Whilst of course I do not require a great quantity - I find it expensive to buy here and sometimes a suitable kind cannot be procured.

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

Thomas W. Aspdin.

Indian Agent

Regina.

N. W. T.

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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
14th January/95

JAN. 17 1895

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JAN 16 1895
N.W.T.

1564

Sir

I beg to report for your information on the State of one or two families of Sioux here and beg to suggest that if possible some relief be extended to them. As formerly reported none of these Indians are not so well fixed in the matter of tents, Blankets or Clothing as former years. One cause of this is the hard times and the scarcity of cash so they are paid more in victuals than before; I think the fact that some of them stayed out on the prairie later than usual has also something to do with it. They feared it was the intention of the Government to put them forcibly across the line & so kept out of the way.

I was around some of the tents

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during the late cold spell and some of them are really in a bad way and must suffer considerable from the cold. I found two small children living with a squaw named "Aunty" in a state of almost complete nudity - and snow blowing through the lodge on them. Luckily I have some of the dress material left so was able to get them clothed warmly.

If about a couple of dozen of mitts and stockings, half a dzen pairs of blankets and about three sheet iron stoves were distributed amongst them it would relieve the worst cases and make them fairly comfortable.

One hard working squaw came to me for medicine to put on her foot having frozen it going to town. I found that for a flimsy moccasin she might just as well have been

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barefooted.
They are doing fairly well for provisions and all seem to get enough to eat.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedt. servant.

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Asst Indian Comr.
Regina
N. W. Ty

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OTTAWA.

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Answer required.

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JAN 18 1895
N.W.T.

Ottawa 14th January, 1895.

Sir,

Referring to your memorandum of the 8th instant, in regard to the request made by Mr Thomas Aspdin ,in his letter of the 27th ultimo, for payment of the sum of $50.00 for his work in connection with the Sioux Indians , in the vicinity of Moose Jaw ,I beg to inform you that you may send in Vouchers ,as suggested by you , for payment.

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Your obedient servant.

for Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs

The Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina,
N.W.T.

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Moosejaw, N.W.T.
26th January 1895

Sir

Referring to your letter of the 18th inst (No 1564) relating to the sending of certain clothing to be given to some of the Sioux here who are hard up. I beg to inform you that at this date it has not come to hand nor can I hear anything about it at the C.P.Ry although I have made several enquiries.

Also referring to a letter of mine to you dated sometime during the latter part of Dec. and containing amongst other matter a proposition as to payment of myself for the year and the disposal of most of the Sioux in payment for my children at the Industrial School, I beg respectfully to call your attention that I have received no answer thereto.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Thomas H. Aspdin.

To the Asst Indian Commr
Regina
N.W.T.

JAN 28 1895 INDIAN COMMISSIONER N.W.T.

Aspdin
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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

1564

With Cheque.

Ottawa 1st February, 1895.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 24th ultimo, I enclose herewith cheque No 3868 ,in favour of Mr T.J. Aspdin ,for $44.58 being the amount of Voucher No 2134F in his favour ,less the sum of $5.42 ,which has been deposited to the credit of Casual Revenue on account of the tuition of his children at the Regina Industrial School, prior to the per capita system coming into force.

Your obedient servant.

for Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

The Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina,
N.W.T.

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MAR 4 1895
REGINA ASSA.

ANS'D
MAR 4 1895
FILE.

Moosejaw Sask
2nd March 1895.

Sir

I beg to report to you the following for your information and to ask you to kindly advise me as to any procedure under the circumstances.

This morning about one oclock a.m. a Sioux Indian by the name of O. Kootay came to my house and informed me that a white man was down at their camp (which is upon my land) and was abusing and threatening to shoot him and had already shot at another party further down the creek. The Indian informed me that the man had a gun and was either drunk or crazy. The Indian pleaded for me to go with him and stop him from murdering some of them. I got out of bed and Messrs Robertson & Thompson volunteered to accompany me.

Upon arrival at the edge of the bank of the creek opposite the bank of the camp I heard a commotion

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and exclamations from the women & children to the effect that the man was going to fire again. Hurrying forward I came upon the man and grappled with him endeavoring to get the gun from him to prevent mischief & partially succeeded but both fell but on the arrival of Messrs Robinson & Thompson was able to secure him and take the gun from him which was loaded. The man was very violent and in liquor. Mr Thompson left for Moosejaw for the Constable and in about one hour and a half returned with him when the prisoner was given in custody. and the Constable took him to Moosejaw. I informed the Constable that I would be in the town later in the day with the Indians &c, when I presumed the prisoner would be arraigned.

I was surprised upon my arrival in Moosejaw about 1 p.m. to find the prisoner out on bail for a common assault case and a summons for assault against myself & friends.

I urged upon the Justice of the Peace the summary haste of the whole transaction and the inadequate bail for the serious nature of the charge by which

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the prisoner should have been charged. and I am informed that the constable had also remonstrated at the time but without effect.
There is the strongest prima facie case against the prisoner for shooting with intent &c and I procured a warrant and had the prisoner re-arrested and lodged in the cell.

I know it will be your opinion that if these Indians and all other Indians are expected to be law abiding and remain so that on the other hand they should be protected from outrages of this sort whether the perpetrator be drunk or sober.
There is to my mind a very strong case against this prisoner but he may get off by being able to employ counsel which the Indians are unable to do.

I cannot say I have much faith from what has already transpired in the Justice of Peace who will sit on the case, I do not think he would do anything willfully wrong but it would be more in the interests of Justice in this case if an officer of an independent position

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such as a Mounted Police officer who is a J.P. were to hear the case.
They to ask you if such an arrangement could be carried out. or if not could you give me authority - to employ counsel for the Indians
As I presume you will get this on Monday morning may I request you will wire me. any advice or instructions you think would help me and I would feel much obliged.
As the hearing is put for Monday afternoon a wire would reach me in time to ask for a remand. ——
In conclusion I may state that if I was not of the strong opinion that it is a case which in the interests of justice as well as policy should be followed up I would hesitate to trouble you.

I have the honour to be,
Sir.
Your obed't Servant
Thomas H. Aspdin

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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4th March 1895

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 2nd instant I would say that it is quite beyond the power of this office to interfere in the case at its present stage and there are no funds available to employ counsel for the Indians. I would ask you to furnish a full report on the proceedings before the Justice of the Peace in the examination being held today, and if it is found that there is cause for complaint against the action of the court, the matter will be placed in the hands of the Crown Prosecutor for investigation.

Yours obediently

Asst Commissioner

T. W. Aspdin Esq

Moose Jaw

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From Moosejaw 1564

To Asst Indian Comr

Case Shooting at indians crown versus Vigor strongly recommend prompt action attack totally inexcusable and unprovoked good effect if prompt action taken kindly authorize employment of counsel or if crown prosecutor is coming on behalf of indians please answer

Thos W Aspdin

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MAR 19 1895
REGINA ASSA.

FILE.

Moosejaw Nwty
14th March 1895

Sir

I have the honour to report for your information on the cases of bigars charged with shooting at Indians.

After receiving your letter of the 4th inst no 1564 in reply to my letter of the 2nd in which I asked for authority to employ counsel on behalf of the Indians and also suggested that it might be better if a Police magistrate could be got to hear the cases. the police constable stationed here called upon me and informed me that he had received a telegram from Supt Perry instructing him to prosecute. and the constable engaged J.G. Gordon Esq, Barrister of this place as counsel to prosecute. It was absolutely necessary in the interests of justice to have counsel as the prisoner or persons on his behalf had secured legal services to defend. The court was held on Wednesday afternoon the 6th and enlarged till Friday afternoon and on that day after hearing part of the evidence adjourned till Saturday at 2 p.m. At 11.30 p.m. of that day all the evidence was taken and the witnesses had been cross examined on the first charge viz shooting with intent &c at four Indians. The Magistrate again adjourned the court till Monday and on the afternoon of that day he dismissed the charge against the prisoner, and another charge of shooting with intent against one "Pootay" another Indian was taken up and adjourned till Wednesday afternoon, the Magistrate suggested that a less serious charge might if counsel agreed be put against prisoner to which he might plead guilty After some discussion this was done although Mr Gordon the counsel for the prosecution was reluctant to do so. As the party who laid the information I agreed to this course for the reason that I feared from what I had seen of the first charge there was a danger of the prisoner getting.

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altogether and I preferred to seeing him punished for certain even on a minor charge than get off altogether.
The prisoner pleaded guilty to assault and was fined (fifteen dollars) $5.00 and costs.
I very much regret that it was not found expedient to get a Police Officer such for instance as Supt. Perry to hear these cases as I am certain from the evidence offered the prisoner would have been sent for trial.
There is not the slightest doubt in my mind that the Magistrate was in favour of letting the prisoner go if possible and it was this fear which made me suggest that a Mounted Police Officer might be got to hear the case if possible in my letter to you of the 2nd.
Local Justices of the Peace are influenced no doubt by local feeling and in the case of Indians such as this case I am firmly of opinion that a Government Official such as a Mounted Police Officer would have been far better, as a Magistrate, than any local J. P.
I regret very much to state that a feeling prejudicial to the Indians was attempted to be stirred up by interested parties by getting around rumours that the Indians were thieving when bigars fired upon them. There was of course no truth in this. As a matter of fact three out of the five shots fired were shot by bigars when on property belonging to myself.
The man was in liquor at the time and it was a deed of drunken bravado. and it is fortunate for him that no fatal result followed his outrage.
It is to be hoped that the prisoner may take a lesson from his punishment (slight as it is) — He is a man of that kind of character who after getting liquor in them are always wanting to fight. and he has several times got into trouble before with parties whilst in his cups. but heretofore has managed to content himself with those weapons which nature alone

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gave him.
I may say that the prosecution was hampered by not having an efficient interpreter. From the position I held I could not act, another was objected to by the defense as liable to favour the Indians and the Interpreter agreed upon was far from efficient although doing his best.
In conclusion I beg to state that as one who has always kept before the Indians that they must be quiet and law abiding I felt strongly that such an unprovoked attack upon them should be promptly punished as showing that they would be protected and anything to the contrary would not be justice and moreover have a bad effect.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Asst Comr Indian
Regina,
N.W.T.

P. S.
I cannot close this letter without stating that in my opinion Mr Gordon did all that was possible to be done as counsel for the prosecution under very adverse and trying circumstances to have the prisoner committed for trial.
(Sd).

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1564

Moosejaw N.W.T.
10th April/95

Sir

Referring to a certain letter sent me last fall instructing me to sound the Sioux Indians here with a view to getting them to go on a reserve near Prince Albert. You may remember I replied that I would talk it over during the winter as it was a question they could not answer offhand. nor could I see them all at once owing to the camp being divided up so. some at Wood mountain, willow Bunch Old Wives Creek and this place.

Whilst not unwilling to take the opportunity of receiving help from the Department and some of the younger generation particularly would like to advance themselves & children yet they do not care

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to go as far north as Prince Albert. They seem wedded to this part of the country including the Wood Mountain district & here they very rarely go much north of this place.

I feel certain of some more going across the line although probably no great number. The old men are not so adverse to going across as that generation who have grown up on this side.

I merely throw it out as a suggestion but think it would not be a bad idea as soon as those who are going away have pulled out if an effort could be made to have all those remaining got to come together with a view to having them come to some sort of understanding as to their future.

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Some plan might be hit upon whereby they could be got into some certain way of making a living also means towards getting their children to school &c.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedt Servant

Thomas H. Aspdin

To the Asst Indian Comr

Regina

N. W. Ty.

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April 22nd, 05

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 10th instant, relative to the proposal to trahsfer the Straggling Sioux of the Moose Jaw District to the new Sioux Reserve at Prince Albert, I note your remark that some further departures for the United States will probably take place shortly, and that after they have gone it may be possible to do something with the remainder.

If you will let me know when it would be best to meet these Indians, that is, after those who are likely to go to United States have left - I will make a point of going to Moose Jaw to see those who remain and endeavour to come to some understanding with them as to their future.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

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Asst. Commissioner.

Thos. W. Aspdin Esq.,

Moose Jaw.

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18616 Department of Indian Affairs Received APR 29 1895

Thos. W. Askdini

Prospect, Canada

Apr. 23/95

Complains that his wife & children are detained at the Hay River Agency when they want to visit relatives and he wishes them to be allowed to return

See to Ind. Com'r, N. W. Br., May 9, 1895 - L.B. 305

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 8 1895
REGINA ASSA.

Moosejaw Terry
Canada
23rd April 1895

Dear Sir

I have the honour to address you in regard to my wife and three children now on Cherry Creek, Cheyenne River Agency S.D.

Last spring acting under the instructions of your Asst Indian Com^r I started a number of the Refugee Sioux to go back to their agencies — At first it was presumed a larger number would go and I was instructed to accompany them across. Finally when only about a third went the Office concluded merely to give them letters.

My wife a Sioux woman and daughter of "Black Moon" a Minneconjou Sioux wished to make a visit so as to see relatives whom she had not seen for a long time. I thought it a good opportunity for her to go and gave her an outfit.

She wishes now to return and I am informed that the Agent has instructions not to allow any to come back.

I really cannot understand this. I am most anxious to get her back and also get the children to School. It puzzles me greatly to imagine why your office can wish to keep myself and family apart and I feel sure it is a mistake.

I am and have been for some time the Department's agent among these refugee Sioux, & had I had the slightest feeling that my family would be forcibly detained because they naturally wished to pay a visit to their relatives I certainly

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I appeal to you Sir for help and
feel sure there is some great err
through the business.
May I ask you if you will kindl
instruct the Agent to allow them t
leave at once.
Uncertainty - as to the movement
of my family is causing me a
great deal of anxiety - and some
expence.
Apologizing for troubling you and
hoping for a speedy solution
I remain
Yours very respectfully
Thomas W. Aspden

To the Hon the U.S. Indian Comr
Washington
D.C.

P.S.

If you will confer a favour by
instructing the Agent at Cheyenne River
Agy to allow my wife I will at once perfect
arrangements for their return here either by
trail or Railroad.
It may not be out of place to ask if
you will give your permission for some
relative to come with my wife. It will
be very acceptable to her and really
cannot see what harm it can do.
T.W.A.

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Refer, in reply to the following:
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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

WASHINGTON. May 3,1895.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE REGINA ASSA. MAY 1895

REC'D MAY 9 1895 FILE.

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The Honorable Indian Commissioner,

Regina, N. W. Ty.,

Canada.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose,herewith,a letter dated at Moosejaw,North West Territory,April 23,1895,by one Thomas W.Aspdin relative to his wife and children,who he says are detained on the Cheyenne River Reservation in South Dakota.

Mr.Aspdin states that he is and has been for some time the "Department's Agent" among the "Refugee Sioux" in Canada; that last spring when he started a number of such Sioux back to their agencies,he took advantage of the opportunity to send his wife,a Minneconjoux Sioux,along for a visit to her relations; and that she now wishes to return,but he is informed "the Agent (at Cheyenne River Agency?) has instructions not to allow any to come back."

This office is accordingly appealed to by Mr.Aspdin for help,and he requests that the Indian Agent at Cheyenne River Agency be instructed to permit his family to leave at once. In a postscript he also asks that permission be given "for some relative to come with my (his) wife."

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Regarding this matter I would respectfully state that, inasmuch as this office knows nothing of Mr.Aspdin's identity or official character, or of the facts contained in his letter herewith relative to the alleged detention of his family on the Cheyenne River Reservation, it seems to me the requests made by him as indicated above, should either be made through your office or receive its endorsement.

When this shall have been done, the Office of Indian Affairs will cheerfully take such action, if any, as the facts in the case may seem to require.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully

Thos. P. Smith

Acting Commissioner.

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1564.

10th May, 5.

Sir:-

I beg to inform you that a communication from yourself to the U. S. Indian Commissioner, relative to the detention of your wife and family on the Cheyenne River Reservation, has been referred to this office by the U. S. Indian Department, and I have to-day replied confirming the statements contained in your letter and requesting that the Agent at the Cheyenne River Reservation be instructed to allow Mrs. Aspdin and family to proceed on their journey and to be accompanied by one relation. I may say that it would have been better, in view of your connection with the Department, had you forwarded your communication through this office in the first instance as also had you made me aware of the fact that Mrs. Aspdin and family had accompanied the party who were returned last Spring.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

AWT

Asst. Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
Assa.

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1564.

10th May, 5.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd Instant, No. 18618/1895 (Land), enclosing a communication from Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin, of Moose Jaw, N. W. T. on the subject of the return to Canadian territory of his wife, a daughter of "Black Moon" of the Cheyenne River Sioux. In reply I would say that Mr. Aspdin is, as he states, acting as an Agent of this Department among the "refugee" Sioux, of whom a small party are still resident at Moose Jaw and that the circumstances attendant upon his wife and family being now temporarily resident in the United States, are correct, as stated by Mr. Aspdin. The statement that Mrs. Aspdin and family have been detained by order of the Indian Agent at the Cheyenne River Reservation I am of course unable to confirm, but am of the opinion that Mr. Aspdin's information on this point is reliable.

As Mr. Aspdin is desirous of having his wife and family return as soon as possible, I should be glad if you would kindly instruct your Agent at the Cheyenne River Reservation to allow them to proceed on their journey and also to grant permission to one relative of the family to accompany them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

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Asst. Commissioner.

The Indian Commissioner,

Department of the Interior,

Washington,

D. C.

U. S. A.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE MAY 20 1895 REGINA ASSA

Moosejaw N.W.Ty
17th May 1895

Sir

In the matter of the advisability of the Sioux Indians here moving away for the Summer so as their ponies are not liable to get into the Settlers crops I beg to inform you that about eight lodges have already gone.

The rest of them although willing and desirous to go keeping hanging on. I have had several complaints from settlers about the ponies but so far have managed to smooth things by telling them that it was the intention of the Indians to move.

I have been urging the Indians to go and they inform me they are most anxious to do so but wish to supply themselves with certain necessaries first, such as flour Tea and Ammunition to keep them going until they get out to the Old Wives Creek Country.

I merely suggest to you as a way to accelerate their starting that it might be as well to supply such of them as require it a small quantity of the things mentioned.

I have noticed a good deal lately that (I presume owing to the hard times) that they have a harder time to get money than formerly for their work.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the
Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.Ty

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21st May, 5.

Sir:-

I am ih receipt of your letter of the 17th Instant, reporting on matters connected with the Moose Jaw Sioux.

I am pleased to learn that they are removing away from the town for the Summer and thus removing any cause for friction between themselves and the settlers which might arise out of damage to crops by their ponies, but I do not think it would be politic to grant any aid in the form of provisions to those who have not shown an inclination to promptly comply with your requests in this connection for such action would tend to establish an undesirable precedent, and would not be fair to those who have gone promptly and with but little, if any, urging.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Asst. Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,

Moose Jaw,

Assa.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONERS OFFICE MAR 28 1895 REGINA ASSA.

Ottawa, March 22nd, 1895.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that a letter has been received from N. F. Davin, Esq.,M.P.,stating that the way the Sioux Indians at Moose Jaw are behaving "is perfectly terrible," cutting good timber, shooting out of season, and stealing. He has been told of the Department's efforts to get them back to their own country, the measure of success attained, the effort being made to get them to go to a Reserve, and reminded of the delicacy required relative to application of force to political refugees ; also that Moose Jaw residents have encouraged them to remain. He has no confidence in Mr. Aspdin, but he has been told that caution is required about receiving detrimental statements relative to one who has made enemies through defending Indians from the aggressions of a certain kind of settler ; also that the law can be applied to these Sioux just as to settlers.

It will be well for you to enquire into these complaints, and press the Indians to join their brethren on the Reserve near Prince Albert, if they can not be induced to return to their own country.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
6th June /95

FILE.

Dear Sir

Two lodges of Crees arrived here yesterday & I was just on the point of reporting their presence to you, when the Mounted Police Constable here arrested one by the name of Oke-we-han for theft and ordered the others back to their reserve upon instructions received in a telegram from his Comdg officer Major Perry. Oke-we-han is now in custody and the others promised to go back.

There are also one or two others here from the Crooked Lakes but they appear to have passes from your office to cover their cases.

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Everything is very quiet here in Indian matters.
Some of the Sioux have left for the south and of those still remaining I have heard no complaints lately.
I have succeeded in getting those with the most ponies to go away.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours obediently
Thomas H. Aspdin

To the
Asst Indian Commissioner.
Regina
N. W. Ty.

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Moosejaw Terry
20th June 1895

Dear Sir

Referring to the detention of my wife and family on the Cheyenne River Agency South Dakota. U.S. I beg to inform you that I have received a letter from J. Touchman Esq Agent to the effect that he has received a letter from Washington instructing him to allow them to proceed over here.

As through the delay I have missed the chance of getting them over earlier in the season and at a time when an opportunity offered of a reliable Indian coming from Fort Peck.

As stated in a letter I wrote to you about three weeks ago. I would much like to get a letter from you which would be of great service to me on the other side.

JUN. 20 1895

In view of the great expense of going across I asked if the same offer would be continued to me as was made to an Indian last fall to go across and report on the condition & usage of those already gone (with a view of getting a further number across.) As stated my wife from a years residence will be able to give the Indians all the information.

I have the honour to be
Sir.
Your obedient servant
Thomas W. Aspdin.

The Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

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20th June, 5.

(Author Thos Aspdin
Moose Jaw)

Sir:-

The bearer, Mr. Thomas Aspdin, who has for some years past acted as Agent for this Department in connection with the "refugee" Sioux residing near Moose Jaw, Assiniboia, will visit your Agency for the purpose of bringing back his wife, a daughter of Chief Black Moon, who accompanied her father on a visit when he and a portion of the Moose Jaw band returned to U. S. territory in the Spring of 1894.

Correspondence relative to the granting of permission to Mrs. Aspdin to return has recently passed between this Department and the United States Indian Commissioner at Washington, regarding which you have doubtless been advised, and I trust that there will, therefore, be no difficulty in the way of her returning with her husband.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

AHT

Asst. Indian Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Cheyenne Indian Reservation,
South Dakota,
U. S. A.

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21th June, 95.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th Instant; and in reply to say that I mailed you on the same date a letter addressed to the Indian Agent at the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation, T. P., which I trust will be of service to you.

As regards your request that the offer made last Fall in connection with the proposition to send an Indian to the Cheyenne Agency for the purpose of obtaining information regarding the reception accorded those Sioux who returned to U. S. territory in the Spring of 1894, be extended to yourself in this case, I cannot give you any definite assurance that anything can be done, but if you wish to secure the necessary information and on your return to impart the same to the Department in a report, I will endeavour to obtain for you suitable recognition of such service as may be rendered thereby.

You refer to a letter written this office "about three "weeks ago", but none such has been received. Probably your reference is intended to be to the conversation you had with me here about the time mentioned.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

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Asst. Commissioner.

T. W. Aspdin, Esq.,

Moose Jaw,

Assa.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 27 1895
REGINA ASSA

Moosejaw N.W.Ty
26th June 1895.

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the letter of introduction to the U.S.I. agent at Cheyenne River Agency which I have no doubt will be of good service to me. As I understand those Agencies are kept under a very strict surveillance and the Agents are very particular about who they allow on the Reservations, it is almost necessary to have some identification in going around them.

Regarding the letter sent to you about three weeks ago. I mailed this letter myself, it therefore must I presume have gone astray in the mails

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

Thomas, W. Aspdin

To the
Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.Ty.

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12th July, 5.

Sir:-

With further reference to the project of removing the remnant of the Moose Jaw Sioux for Northern Reserve on to their original Territory, the United States; I should be glad to have you make another attempt, upon Mrs. Aspdin's return from Cheyenne River, S. D. to persuade them all to return to the United States, if the report which Mrs. Aspdin brings back regarding those who have already gone over, is of a favourable nature.

Failing in this, further pressure might be brought to bear to induce them or some of them to settle upon the Wah-spa-ton Sioux Reserve near Prince Albert, to which point they might perhaps send a delegate to examine the land and thus satisfy the others.

As it may be possible that I may be able to be present when these matters are discussed, I would ask you to let me know when you are in position to proceed.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

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Asst. Commissioner.

T. W. Aspdin, Esq.,
Moose Jaw,
Assa.

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MAY 31 1895
REGINA ASSA.

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Moosejaw. N.W.T.
28th May 1895

Dear Sir,

Referring to the matter of the debt of my wife and family on the Cheyenne River Agency no. I beg to inform you that although I have not received any notification in reply to my letter to the U.S. Indian Com^r I have received several letters from my wife urging me to come for herself and children I have concluded to do so and would be much obliged if you could kindly give me a letter of introduction to the Agent. I do not anticipate any delay or trouble about the matter as no doubt the Agent at Cheyenne River will, before I get there have received authorization from Washington to allow them to go in answer to your letter.

Give letter of introduction

The most serious feature about the affair (to me) is the expense such delay is going to cause me. I had it arranged for a reliable party to bring them over and as he was coming this way the expenses would be small. Owing to the delay this party is no longer available and I shall have to go myself. first by rail to Forest City S. D. and then drive back by rail.

I am at all times very diffident about troubling you on what might be considered my personal family affairs and it was this feeling which led to my writing direct to Washington lately.

If it is possible for you to help me in this matter it would be a great benefit to me

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Last fall you offered certain help to any Indian I might get who would go over and report on the condition of those who had gone across for the benefit of those Indians still remaining here.
As I am going across and shall bring back my wife and children who have been over for a year. We should be able to give a very full report when I get back and it will be believed just as much as if an Indian had gone over.

It may not be out of place here to mention that my wife was of considerable service to those going across last year taking several of the most infirm in her waggon were unable to travel I am informed fully about this by those who returned here.

I have the honour to be,
Sir.
Your obedient Servant.
Thomas H. Aspdin.

To the
Assistant Indian Commissioner
Regina
N. W. T.

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29th May, 5.

Sir:-

Reference to the Department's letter No. 8567 2, 22nd March, 1895.

I have since the receipt of the above had two interviews with Mr. Aspdin and have learned from him that as regards transferring the Moose Jaw Sioux to the Wah-spa-ton Sioux Reserve near Prince Albert, with the exception of one or possibly two families who might by dint of much persuading be induced to go, there exists too strong an objection to a move Northward, to be overcome.

Mr. Aspdin also considers that the question of their returning to the United States is about in the same position, that all who were inclined to return have gone and that those who remain are fixed in their determination to stay unless compelled by force to go. Here also one or two might be prevailed upon by dint of persuasion and gifts, but the decision of the majority would not be affected by anything short of force. They appear to be desirous of settling on a Reserve, but desire that it should be in the vicinity of Moose Jaw or in the Wood Mountain country.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Asst. Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Supt. General of,
Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
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OTTAWA

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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Ottawa, July 3rd, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th May last, reporting the result of the interviews held with Mr. Aspdin relative to the probabilities of inducing the remainder of the Sioux to leave the vicinity of Moose Jaw ; and in reply to inform you that an effort should be made to get the one or two families who, it is thought, might be induced to remove to the Wah-spa-ton Reserve, Prince Albert, to do so ; also to induce any whom there is any chance of influencing in the desired direction to go to the United States, and then report should be made to the Department of the exact number of men, women, and children remaining, in order that the question of how best to deal with them may receive ~~attention~~ consideration.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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MEMORANDUM.

In your reply refer to the number and date of this letter.
Address your reply to
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Regina, N.W.T."

To .....

Office of the
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Regina, SEP. 14 1895 189

From Moose Jaw Times 13th Sept 95.

The Sioux Indians who camp in the vicinity of the town are becoming a species of the genius tramp. It is a pity the Government cannot see their way clear to place them where their children might be educated. It would be a difficult matter to remodel the characters of the old warriors and a labor that would not be expected, but the youngsters could be taught the ways of civilization and wield an influence over their seniors that might do good service. There ponies have been a bone of contention betwen them and the white settlers south and trouble has only been averted at times by their removal to the hills.

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Moosejaw N.W.T.
11th Sept/95

Dear Sir

I received your letter of last July which I found lying here on my arrival from the other Side.

I may say that there are very few Sioux here at present the most of them being on the prairie in the vicinity of Wood Mountain, Old Wives Creek & Pinto Horse Buttes.

I have mentioned the subject of a reserve to some of them specifying the Reserve you mentioned but they do not care to go so far north — they seem struck on some place near Wood Mountain.

The best way in my opinion to get them settled is to give them the option of going on a Reserve or back to the other Side.

I find it will be hard to get them altogether this fall as owing to the crops some of them will stop out until late.

I have no doubt but that I can most likely get some more to go across but I do not care to go along under the old arrangement as it is a good deal of trouble & risk and there is nothing in it. I am at this moment between 20 & 30 dollars out if two families who promised to go should turn back.

The first arrangement was good enough provided they had all gone but come to drag it out as it is doing now. I am just working for nothing.

If you think it any use I can go around and see all the heads of families at Wood Mtn & other places as well as here and report the result to you. I do not care to work however

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speculation any more as I can
make nothing & lose a good deal
of time

I cannot express how kindly I was treated by the officials on the other side but on coming & Estevan on my return I was held there & my wife was made to pay duty on what she had although she had taken everything from this side. The Officer was very exacting and it seemed strange to one as he was perfectly cognizant that my wife was merely returning from a trip.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your obed.t servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

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25th September, 5

Sir:-

Referring to my letter of even number of the 12th July last and to your reply of the 11th instant, I would say that if it can be arranged so that the Assistant Commissioner can meet the Indians at an early date this autumn, some understanding can doubtless be arrived at both as to the settling of these Indians and the matter of compensation for your own services on a different basis than the present.

If you wish to proceed this much further under the present arrangement I would ask you to advise this office as soon as possible, when a sufficient number of the Indians would have returned to Moose Jaw, to warrant Mr. Powell going there to meet them.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

J H L?

for Asst. Commissioner.

Mr. Thomas W. Aspdin,

Moose Jaw.

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Moosejaw. Nov'y.
26th Sept/95

Sir

I beg to submit for your information on my trip to the large Sioux agencies on the American side of the line for the purpose of bringing back my wife and family who went over with the Sioux who left here in the Spring of 1894.

Left here by rail on the evening of the 1st of July going to Gettysburgh S. D. a town about 20 miles east of the Missouri. Here the railroad ends or rather trains are only run to this point — for there is a line actually laid but not used to the Missouri — There is a stage running to Forest City on the Missouri River opposite the Cheyenne River Agency. At Gettysburgh I met Major Couchman the Agent of the Cheyenne River Reserve and introduced myself to him, he was going east on temporary absence from the Agency. He received me very kindly and informed me when I reached the Agency to go to the Clerk in charge who would help me in any way possible.

On arriving at the Agency I called upon Mr McChesney the clerk who was most kind giving me every assistance and also giving me a letter to all Gov't officials requesting them to furnish me anything I might require.

There was a very large gathering of Indians at the Agency. they had assembled from all the Sub-Agencies. to draw provisions, clothing &c; the former are usually issued every four weeks at the Sub Agencies. but this being a special time all were issued at the Head Agency. I stopped a day or two at the Agency and then went on to Cherry Creek where my family were, arriving there at noon on the third day the distance being about 120 miles from the Head Agency.

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I found my family all well and would have started back right away but for an attack of illness which kept me three or four weeks.
I may say that that section of country is intersected with a great many rivers & Creeks all flowing to the Missouri. In the Spring they carry a great deal of water off and overflow the bottom lands. In the Summer they shrink to very small streams and I think my illness was a malarial attack brought on by not being used to the country.
I left Cherry Creek sub Agency — which is situated near the junction of Cherry Creek & Cheyenne River) about the first of August. coming by waggon across North & South Dakota passing Fort Yates, Standing Rock Agency, Fort Abraham Lincoln, Mandan and thence northward crossing the Missouri on the Fort Berthold Agency. and so on to Estevan & W. Fy & thence to Moose Jaw.
I naturally saw considerable of the Indians on both the Sioux and other Agencies. and the impression left on my mind is that they are being well used by the Government on the whole. The issues of provisions, clothing, and other articles seem to me to be a great deal larger than is given on this side. Of course the issues vary on different Agencies; for instance the Mandans & Gros Ventres on the Berthold Agency only receive about one half of what the Sioux get. but the amount of waggons, Harness, Mowers &c given to the Indians seems enormous.
Although there is no doubt the Indians are progressing they are a very long way from approaching being self sustaining and will have to be supported more or less for many years to come. The nature of the country is such that stock raising seems to be the only industry opened for them, raising

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crops outside of a small garden patch is not practicable on account of uncertain moisture and small chance to irrigate; Cattle do well but I was informed it is hard to get the Indians to look after them properly also they are prone to kill them if their meat rations run out. There is practically no game left in the country.
A feature about all the Sioux Reserves is the number of white men living there, being married to the Indian women. Some of them are very well off. Their wives and children draw rations & annuities. There are also a great many half breeds some of these are very wealthy. One man residing on Cherry Creek owns 6000 head of Cattle & 800 head of horses.
A Striking feature is the neatness of the Indians, the Blanket has practically vanished, also the long hair and the old top hat with the top cut out which used to be so conspicuous in the old time. The Indians dress now the same as white men and cut their hair - They are encouraged although not forced to do the latter although the mode smacks somewhat of coercion, for instance say an Indian wants a waggon and Harness, He applies to the agent who if he has cut his hair off generally issues him the article he requires but if his hair is long he is told he cannot have a waggon &c until he cuts his hair. If he prefers his hair to the waggon all well & good the goes without one.
Most of the children attend some school or other and seem to make fair progress. although I found very few who could talk English. It seems until a year or two ago nothing but Sioux was taught. and a great many can read & write Sioux who cannot understand or talk English.
With the exception of the Brule & Pine Ridge Agencies

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the Sioux are practically disarmed. On those two Agencies I understand the Indians keep up more of the old time usages such as dancing &c. Dancing is not allowed on the Cheyenne River or Standing Rock Agencies.

There are a great many Indian Police employed about 50 or 60 on each Agency. There are jails at the Head Agency and Indians committing offences are arrested & incarcerated by the Police for periods of time according to the gravity of the offence.

I found the Indians who left here a year ago and also those who went previously already settled down and making fair progress.

I met a great many of the Sioux who used to reside over here and they would like to live here but as they observed "there is nothing for them to eat" a very sensible way of looking at it. I hardly need mention I gave no encouragement to return.

From what I observed and heard I should not be surprised at any time to hear of serious trouble on the Brule and Pine Ridge Agencies particularly if an attempt is made to disarm them. In case of trouble I do not think there is any fear of any of them coming over here. The distance alone and the altered conditions of the country since 1877 make a repetition of such a case highly improbable if not impossible.

I observed that the Indians were continually on the move, this is owing to the great distance some of them are from the issue stations they appear to just get back when it is time to go again. they are strung out so far along the Rivers.

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I understood that the Agents &c are all appointed politically for four years. In the event of a change of administration there is a clean sweep all along the line. There are a few exceptions to this rule but not many.

I saw a good deal of the articles issued to the Indians by the Government. The Clothing appeared to be very good and also the waggons, mowers and harness. The provisions were very good with the exception of the Flour which was dark and I was told would not rise if made with yeast. Baking powder was therefore only used. The Indians told me that they did not get enough but I saw no evidence of any of them suffering for lack of food. It appeared to me they were issued with plenty but have not yet got to the point of using it to the best advantage. Being by nature and usage such large meat eaters it is hard to satisfy them on this article. I saw the Beef issued, it was of good quality and the rations appeared to be more than would satisfy a white man. yet the Indians told me that they did not get enough.

No blankets are issued; in lieu thereof the Indians get comforters or quilts. This no doubt has got them out of the fashion of wearing the blanket.

In the foregoing I have endeavored to give a report of the manner of things on the Agencies I visited and cannot close without mentioning the kind manner in which I was received and made to feel at home.

I have the honour to be, Sir
Your obedient Servant.
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Comr
Regina
N. W. Ty

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Moosejaw Mwy
4th October 1895

Sir

Referring to your letter of the 26th ult relating to meeting the Sioux here with a view to get them settled.

I beg to inform you that there are only very few families here just at present.

As Mr Sikes the Govt Telegraph repairer was starting for Wood Mountain. I took the opportunity of sending word out to the Indians

Upon Mr Sikes return I hope to have word as to when the bulk of Indians will be coming in here. and will again write you on the matter

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedt Servant

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Asst Indian Comr

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Messagier Mont.
15th October 1895

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ANS'D OCT. 30 1895 FILE.

Sir

Referring to your intention to interview the Sioux at this place I beg to inform you that there are over twenty lodges or tents here at present.

A few more lodges are coming in from the South. and will be here shortly. I should suggest that some day about the middle of next month would catch the most of them if suitable to you.

I might say if you will give me a message to them and the day you will be here I will convey the same to all of them.

Whatever may be the result of your interview whether they will go on a reserve or not I strongly suggest that if possible Mr James Thompson now in the employ of the N.W.M. Police at Wood Mountain be got as interpreter. he is by far the best Sioux linguist in the country and can both read and write the language in all its dialects.

In the event of them going on a Reserve it will be as well for them not to have the shadow of a chance for an excuse that they did not understand &c

Your obedt servant,
Thomas W. Aspdin

Dept written OCT. 30 1895

The Asst Indian Comr
Regina
N. W. Ty

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30th October, 5

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 25th Instant; I would say that as the season is now so far advanced that nothing in the way of removal could be done, if it were agreed upon, and as nothing will be gained by conferring with the Indians now and arriving at conclusions which the interval of the Winter may entirely change, I have come to the conclusion to let the matter rest until next Spring when it will be dealt with finally.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Asst. Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
Assa.

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1564.

2nd November, 5.

Sir:-

I have the honour to refer to the Department's letter of the 3rd July last, No. 8,589-2 and to previous correspondence relative to the removal of the Moose Jaw Sioux to a Reserve, and to state that owing to the absence of the majority of these people at points along the international boundary, it was found impossible to arrange for a meeting with them until a date too late to permit of anything being done this Fall, and as there is nothing to be gained by conferring with them now and allowing the interval of Winter to pass, during which they would probably have changed their minds, I have decided to do nothing in the matter until next Spring.

Meantime I should be pleased to learn as definitely as possible to what extent the Department will be prepared to meet the request which I am certain they will make, for a small reserve near Wood Mountain. As regards the removal of this party, either wholly or in part, to a Northern Reserve or to the United States, I am confident that no success need be expected and that the sole desire is to secure a settlement in a locality with which they are familiar.

I am aware of the objection to placing Indians at points in proximity to the Boundary, but as these people are likely to become industrious farmers and cattle-raisers, if given an opportunity, I do not think any trouble would be given by them wherever they are placed.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Asst. Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa 13th November 1895

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1564 Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 2nd Instant, and in reply to inform you that the Department can not reconcile itself to the idea of giving the Sioux Indians a Reserve in the vicinity of the Boundary, and would only consent to it, if at all, after the hopelessness of inducing them to settle in some less objectionable locality might have been experimentally demonstrated.

In this connection the Department would refer you to letter of even No of 3rd July last, and with regard to what was there said about making an effort to persuade the few Indians, who it was thought might perhaps be open inducement to go to the Reserve, near Prince Albert, has to suggest that you should give to any who may remove, or as the case may be hold out the prospect of such assistance in starting their farms &c, as might have an effect in overcoming their scruples, and you can doubtless find means of giving assistance of the nature indicated.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A .E. Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.T.,

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Moosejaw N. W. Ty.
22nd Novbr 1895

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that when my wife arrived at Estevan N.W.Ty from Cheyenne River Agency U.S. she was charged duty on everything she had by Inspector Wilson of the N.W.M. Police the excuse being that she had been over the time viz twelve months. All the articles she was charged for she had previously taken from here. As you are aware she was delayed on the other side through no fault of hers and I think under the circumstances she should get a refund. I have applied for a refund for her through Mr Davin M.P. and I beg to ask you if I could get a letter from your office to the Comptroller of Customs explaining the reason my wife was delayed as you know she could not start till permission was obtained from Washington.

I am sure with such explanation the Comptroller of Customs will grant a refund of the duty paid.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Asst Indian Comr
Regina,
N.W.Ty,

Dept written & [illegible]

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28th November, 5

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 22nd Instant, and in reply would say that I have placed the facts of the case before the Department at Ottawa and have asked that they be communicated to the Customs Department with a request for a refund of the amount of duty paid by Mrs. Aspdin.

I trust this will be satisfactory to you.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

For Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
Assa.

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28th November, 5.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter received from Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin of Moose Jaw, under date 22nd Instant, and with reference thereto would say that Mrs. Aspdin, who is a daughter of Chief Black Moon who returned to United States territory Spring of 1894 with the party of refugee Sioux who returned to the Cheyenne Reservation at that time, accompanied the party for the purpose ostensibly of visiting her relatives but in reality to bring back a report as to the treatment accorded those who returned, in the hope of inducing the remainder of the Moose Jaw party to go. Upon her preparing for her return journey she found that the local Agent would not permit her leaving the Reserve. Mr. Aspdin wrote the Washington Authorities who forwarded his letter to this office for confirmation, upon receipt of which the Indian Agent for the Cheyenne River Agency was instructed to allow her to proceed. This was the cause of the delay which Mr. Aspdin complains of and which prevented Mrs. Aspdin's return inside the period in which she could pass the Customs duty free.

Under the circumstances I think she should not have been compelled to pay any duty upon second hand personal effects and I would be pleased if the Department would place the case - in this light - before the Customs Department.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Yours obediently,

For Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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present certificates is to make our position under them tenable in the law, as regards the progeny.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

For Commissioner.

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Ottawa, 4th Dec., 1895.

ANS'D DEC. 9 1895 FILE.

Sir,-

I have received a letter from your office, dated the 29th ultimo, respecting Customs duties paid by Mrs. Aspdin; and in reply I beg to say that as a copy of the letter from Thos. W. Aspdin was not enclosed, it is impossible for the Department to take any action in the matter. Kindly have it forwarded at once.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

A.E. Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
5th December 1895

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
DEC 16 1895
REGINA ASS

Sir

I have the honour to enclose for your approval the following accounts in the connection with the departure from this side of the following Sioux, "Aunty" (2) "Long Chicken" (4) "Nitaylah" (5)

Recd — J. W. Robinson 24.35
O.K. A. Brechin. 6.05
No 6053

Although I did not press them to go it was so late, they wished to go so I thought it as well to help them all I could.

I gave the tent or rather the duck to make it and the blankets as presents, as they were badly in need of these things.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Commissioner.
Regina
N.W.Ty.

P.S.
The two first mentioned were given relief in the shape of Clothing &c last winter when camped here.
T.W.A.

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Sir
INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

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Moosejaw Mr Ey
7th Decr 1895

Referring to the question of remuneration to myself in the matter of getting the Sioux back. This fall I wrote you on the subject and in reply you informed me that the matter would be taken into consideration at the same time you would be at Moosejaw to Sear the Sioux.

As you have informed me that you will not be here before spring I beg most respectfully to refer to the matter again.

I beg to say that under the old arrangement I made little or nothing and the Government reaped all the advantage. As stated in my previous letter the arrangement for me to receive a lump sum was fair enough had they all gone but there is nothing in it for me when they go by details. I neglect my business and spend a lot of time. and the returns are nothing. As it appears a case of these Indians either going on a reserve on this side or going across to the U.S. every family who leaves this country makes so many less to provide for.

There is a lot of wearisome work in talking them into going to the U.S. and keeping them in the collar when once in the humour. I have stiff opposition from both whites & Indians. and it is really not worth troubling about unless fairly well paid.

I have a family to provide for and in

126 Indians
$500.00 =
$3.96 per Cap.

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justice to both those & myself I cannot proceed on the present basis.
If you care to give me so much a month & authority to expend a given amount in presents or provisions I will undertake to do all I can to get as many across as possible.
As it might be urged that I would not be interested in getting the Indians across all I can answer that I have a reputation of doing my best always for my employers and I could not do more than my best.

I remain,
Yours obediently,
Thomas W. Aspden

To the Indian Comr
Regina
N. W. Ty.

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December 17th. 5

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, enclosing accounts in favor of A. Brechin and T. W. Robinson amounting to $6.05. and $34.35. respectively, and in reply to inform you that the former has been approved and forwarded to the Department at Ottawa for payment. The latter is returned herewith, in order that the quantities of the Rope, Sugar and Print purchased may be given thereon.

We would like if possible, to have all these accounts rendered in triplicate on the Merchants Bill heads.

Kindly also insert the words " Goods supplied in the certificate.

Your obedient Servant,

alt

Commissioner.

T. W. Aspdin Esqr,

Moose Jaw.

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1564.

21st December, 5.

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin on the subject of remuneration for future services in connection with the "refugee" Sioux at Moose Jaw, in which he again brings up the matter of payment therefor at a fixed rate per month. In this connection and in explanation of the opening remarks in Mr. Aspdin's letter, I would refer to Department's letter of the 28th July 1894, No. 8589-2, and would say that I cannot regard favourably a proposition to pay a monthly stipend for such service, for the reason that, notwithstanding Mr. Aspdin's concluding words, the incentive to protract the stay of the Indians would, I fear, prove rather too strong for average human nature and while Mr. Aspdin has a "reputation to maintain" he, as he himself states, has also a family to maintain.

I would strongly favour the offering of a liberal bonus- say $8.00 per head - for each Indian of the Band removed to U. S. Territory within the next 12 months, upon the understanding that Mr. Aspdin bear all expenses in connection therewith and that one half only of the bonus - $4.00 - be paid upon satisfactory proof that the Indian has crossed the line, the remainder to be paid at the expiration of one year provided the Indian has not returned.

The offer before made of $500.00 for the removal of the entire party of 126 under which $166.66 has been paid Mr. Aspdin for the removal of 42, was at the rate of $4.00, roundly, per head.

There are still at Moose Jaw and vicinity about 80 of these Indians and if they consented to go, under Mr. Aspdin's solicitations, the cost under the new proposal would be in the vicinity of $600.00.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

The Deputy of,
The Supt. General,
of Indian Affairs,
O t t a w a.

Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

DEC 26 1895

Ottawa, 21st Dec., 1895.

My dear Forget,-

Prior to leaving Regina, Mr. Davin spoke to me about the removal of the Sioux Indians at Moose Jaw. I promised him that I would get you to visit them ~~presently~~ (without fail) and see what can be done. This I wish you would do at an early date and report in the matter.

Do not forget the official correspondence which has taken place in connection with this.

Yours very truly,

Hayter Reed

A.E.Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

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Ottawa, December 27th, 1895.

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Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of copy of letter dated the 26th of September last, and transmitted by you on the 19th instant, in which Mr. Aspdin gives an account of his visit to the Sioux Agencies on the American side of the line ; and in reply to inform you that the same has been read with interest, and Mr. Aspdin's observations relative to the amount of assistance given by the American Government to the Indians and the comparative progress made by the latter seem to indicate the wisdom of the Department's policy in only helping Indians to the extent necessary to enable them to help themselves.

The Department sincerely hopes that no such trouble as Mr. Aspdin seems to think probable may arise on the other side, and that if it should his expectations that none of the Indians will come across the line may be realized.

In this connection it occurs to the Department that it would be well for you to enquire whether Mr. Aspdin advised the authorities of what he observed and heard of a nature calculated to cause apprehension of serious trouble on the Brule and Pine Ridge Agencies, and if he did not to communicate it either to the Commissioner at Washington or to the respective Agents

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A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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Agents concerned, stating that it is simply given for what it may be worth.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

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28th December, 1

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter received from one James Brass, a settler in the vicinity of Moose Jaw, complaining of the action of the vagrant Sioux in cutting ~~timber~~ timber on his property and also of the destruction of feed by their ponies during the summer months.

As regards the first mentioned complaint, your allowing the Indians to camp on your property has probably removed the cause of the trouble, but I would like to be assured as to this.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
Assa.

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Ottawa, December 30th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, enclosing copy of one from Mr. Aspdin of the 7th instant, relative to the subject of remuneration for his services in connection with the "refugee" Sioux at Moose Jaw ; and in reply to inform you that the Department coincides with your views on the subject, and approves of the rates proposed by you, but would add that he might be further offered a bonus of $3.00 per head for any he can induce to settle on any of the existing Sioux Reserves in the Birtle or Muscowpetung Agencies or in the Prince Albert District, say, half when they enter and half at the expiration of a year, if they remain so long.

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Is he to get the amount of attached voucher for the year's past services

Commd say yes-so I will put voucher through

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

MAY 5 1896

Mr Aspdin is to be in Regina 12th inst & has been advised that this proposal will be then placed before him.
H.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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1564.

3rd January, 6.

ANSWER REQUIRED.

Sir:-

With further reference to your report under date of 26th September last, which has been read with much interest by the Department - please inform me whether you communicated to the United States Indian Department Authorities the reasons which lead you to fear possible trouble with the Brule and Pine Ridge Agency Sioux.

If not, and if you are still of the opinion that there is good ground for such belief, would you kindly place me in possession of the information upon which you base your conclusion in order that it may be imparted to the United States Indian Department.

With reference to the question of compensation for your services on the basis of a fixed sum per month, I may say that the matter is now being considered by the Department. Meantime I have issued and forwarded for payment a voucher for ~~fifty~~ dollars for your general services during 1895 for which you will shortly receive a cheque.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

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JAN 8 1896
REGINA ASS

Moosejaw N. W. Ty
4th January 1896.

Sir

I have the honour to bring to your notice several of the Indians here who are rather in a bad way and to ask if it would be possible to give them a little assistance.

One woman wife of an Indian called the "Thigh" came in from Wood Mountain for medical attendence having something the matter with her throat. Her husband brought her in and left her with two children. He expected to get some work from a rancher at Wood Mtn and she intended to work around town. Not having anything ahead and the weather being so bad they have not been able to go to town for several days at a time. I saw her in town on Saturday and she really looked as if she should not be out at all. The husband is a good man and trys to get all the work he can but in their present way of living they never have anything ahead which makes it hard when sickness overtakes any of them.

It would be charity to give a little provisions once in a while particularly during the bad weather.

There are also some children and old women which it would be humane to give a blanket each to. One old woman being 96 years of age.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedt servant Thomas W. Aspdin

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To the Indian Com.
Regina
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REGINA ASS

Dept. No. 1
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FILE.

Moosejaw N.W.T.
4th January 1/96

Ref. Depts. letter No. 135.358
Date 20/12/95

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ult (No 1564) enclosing copy of complaint of of James Brass of this place against the Sioux, I have delayed answering so as I could see Mr Brass and make enquiries.

Mr Brass' letter being dated the 1st December relates to the action of the Sioux in going on to his place before I moved them away. They have now no reason to go on Mr Brass' place for wood and I am inclined to think he will not be troubled with them again. Moreover I have cautioned the Indians that they must not trespass on Settler's lands for wood without permission.

With regard to the ponies, as you are aware it has been the custom for the Indians to go away on the plains in Summer, (very few being left here.) and returning in the fall. It is the custom of the white people both in the town and farmers to turn stock loose as soon as the herd law expires. My experience would suggest that the fact of Mr Brass' land lying so near the town is the reason of its being eat down. The Indians ponies may contribute to it to some extent. but only in proportion to the great number of animals belonging to others who allow their stock to roam about.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Com.
Regina.
N.W.T.

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1564.

5th January, 6

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant, I beg to say that you may render assistance to the destitute Indians referred to, in the way of provisions and a little clothing, purchasing same as cheaply as possible

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

Thos. W. Aspdin Esq.

Moose Jaw.

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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
6th January 1896

Ref. Depts. letter
No. 8589--2
Date 27/12/95

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd inst. (No. 1564) relating to a passage in my report on my visit to the U.S. Sioux Agencies in South Dakota wherein I had expressed an opinion that trouble might possibly arise with the Indians at the Pine Ridge Agency.

I may say here that I formed the opinion by what I was continually hearing from both white people and the Indians. The trouble was anticipated in case the U.S. Government should determine to dis-arm the Pine Ridge Indians and put them on the same footing as the Cheyenne River & Standing Rock Agencies.

For your information I will as briefly as possible try to give you a history of the matter as I heard and understood it.

It would appear that in 1891 at the time of the late trouble with the Pine Ridge Indians, (Bruli & Ogallalah Sioux) one of the conditions insisted upon by General Miles was that as the Indians came in they should give up their arms. This the Indians stantly refused to do. They agreed to cease hostilities and come in but insisted upon retaining their arms.

General Miles had over 8000 regulars and was prepared to enforce the conditions; the Indians were equally resolute to stand out and fight before they would comply.

The "Wounded Knee" affair had raised considerable of a stir in the East and a feeling against further bloodshed, and after considerable attempts had been made to get the Indians to accede to the

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Do not see necessity of communicating with the U.S. on the matter

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general conditions without success. instructions were sent from Washington to waive the point about giving up their arms. and allow the Indians to retain them. The Government trusted that after the soldiers were withdrawn and the excitement had died away some peaceable means would occur to persuade the Indians to part with their arms. Such a consummation has not however yet taken place the Indians being reduced to their arms as strong as ever.

Several affairs between Settlers and the Indians in which lives have been lost on both sides keeps the agitation alive by the ranchers pressing the Govt to disarm the Indians.

I may say that the particulars of two or three of these affairs as told to me did not make it at all clear that the Indians were the aggressors. Nevertheless such incidents keep the agitation alive.

Should the Government decide to disarm the Indians by force they would resist and bloodshed would follow.

The question has been a good deal discussed and I heard a good deal of it while over there and it was by hearing it talked of by officials, Ranchers and the Indians which led me quoting in my report that trouble might be possible. which I believe. As to the matter not talked of openly it never struck me to communicate my own opinion specially about it. As a matter of fact quite a lot of my information was got in conversation with the officials and I feel sure they are posted on the State of affairs.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Lieutenant Governor
Regina
N.W.T.

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9th January, 6.

Sir:-

With reference to Department's letter of the 20th Ultimo, No. 135,358, enclosing a copy of a letter from one John Brass, a resident of Moose Jaw, I would say that the Sioux have removed for the winter to the farm of Mr. Thos. Aspdin in order to prevent a recurrence of such trespasses on the property of the settlers as is complained of by Mr. Brass.

With regard to the destruction of hay and feeding grounds by the Sioux herd of ponies, Mr. Aspdin reports that in his opinion the Indians' ponies are no more responsible for the eating off of the grass on lands in the vicinity of town than the horses and cattle of the citizens and neighbouring farmers. I may say however that last year the Sioux were induced to move away towards the south during the summer, taking the ponies with them, and this will be again done this year if the Band is not removed in the meantime.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Ottawa, January 14th, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of copy of letter from Mr. Aspdin, dated 6th and transmitted by you on the 9th instant, relative to the rumours of trouble between Indians at the Pine Ridge Agency and the American Government, which he heard on the occasion of his recent visit to South Dakota ; and in reply to inform you that the Department agrees with your opinion that under the circumstances there would not appear to be necessity to make any communica tion to the United States authorities on the subject.

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Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
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Sir,

With reference to the application of Mr. Thomas W. Aspdin received under cover of your letter of the 9th Ultimo for a refund of Custom duty paid by his wife on her arrival at Estevan N.W.T. from Cheyeene River Agency, North Dakota, I have to inform you that I am advised by the Customs Department that inasmuch as the effects on which the duty was collected were not returned to Canada within one year of the date of the exportation thereof, that Department has no power to authorize a refund of the duty.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
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Regina,
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3rd February, 6

Sir:-

Referring to prior correspondence relative to customs duties paid on personal effects of Mrs. Aspdin, upon her return from the Cheyenne River Agency; I regret to have to inform you that the Customs Department have advised this Department that in as much as the effects in question were not returned to Canada within the specified time of one year from their exportation, that Department has no power to authorize a refund of the duty.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
Assa.

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Moose Jaw, N.W.T., 17th Feby 1896

Copy for Major Walsh Brockville

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Sir,

Referring to the correspondence about my report on my trip to the Sioux Reserves on the other side last summer, I forgot to mention that whilst on the Cheyenne River Agency I was informed by some Indians from Pine Ridge that a letter had been received by the Indians there in the spring from a Mounted Police officer addressed to, "Spotted Eagle," Dull Knife, Stone dog & other chiefs advising them to keep quiet and get their people to adapt themselves to civilized ways and not fight any more.

Upon enquiry I found the officer alluded to was Major Walsh ex Supt N.W.M.P. What was the reason for sending this letter I do not know but merely give it as an item of news.

I remain,

Yours obediently

Thomas W. Ashdie

To The Indian Comr

Regina

N.W.T.

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Moose Jaw N.W.T., 17th July 1896

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Sir

With regard to the question of the Govt refunding me duly collected from my wife at Estevan last fall, I beg to inform you that the day following the receipt of the letter from you informing me of the failure of the Dept. to get a favourable answer from the Customs Dept. I received a letter from Mr Comptroller Woods to Mr Davin and by the latter gentleman forwarded to me, informing me that the duty would be refunded to me on the production of proof that the goods brought back by my wife were the same as taken out of Canada.

I sent the proof as requested and am expectedly daily to receive the refund.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Comr
Regina,
N.W.T.

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Sir:

I beg to forward you an account of Messrs E. A. Baker & Co for the sum of $3.95 for your approval. and beg to offer the following explanation in connection with it.

Last fall wishing to get as many of the Indians together here to meet you and also to know at what time they would be mostly in for the winter. I found out from Wood Mountain that the most of the Indians were hunting in the vicinity of Old Wives Creek & Pinto Horse Butte. A day or two after hearing this, two young Indians were starting from here to Wood Mountain and I asked them if they would go out of their way by Old Wives Creek & Pinto Horse Butte. They agreed to do so and begged me for some Ammo to hunt with. I had no authority to give them anything but gave them the articles in Messrs Baker & Co's bill, having them put down to my private account, in the meantime and I intended to speak to you when you would come here and ask you to allow it.

The Indians acted faithfully conveying my message to the Camp and forwarding me word when they arrived at Wood Mountain at about what time the Indians would

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mostly all he in here for the winter.
Letters was not time to write for authority
and as the amount is small, and as I
acted for the best I hope you will allow
this account.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.
Thomas H. Aspdin
Sub.
Indian Commissioner,
Regina
N.W.T.

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25th February. 6.

Personal.

My dear Major Walsh:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a communication recently received from our Agent among the remnant of the "Black Moon" party of Minnicoujoux Sioux, now residing at Moose Jaw and vicinity, in which, speaking of a trip made by him last year to the Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota, he mentions the receipt by the Sioux there of a letter from yourself.

I am inclined to think that the letter may perhaps have been one which you had written them about the time of the "Sitting Bull" trouble and which they have again resuscitated among themselves or that it may perhaps have been of more recent date and called forth by the rumours of trouble brewing during the Winter of 1894-95 between the Sioux and the United States Government.

I mention the matter for your information.

I am, dear Major Walsh,

Yours sincerely,

aLA

Commissioner.

Major Walsh,
Brockville,
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My dear Forget

FILE.

Please accept my sincere thanks for your letter of the 25th Ill — with a copy of Agent Affairs inclosed.

I have made no communication to the Swing Indians by letter since 1881 when I

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advised soon
"B[redacted]ll" and his
few remaining
followers roaming
about the Prairie
to return to the
U.S. and become
under of the
government —

When travelling
through the
western States
and meeting the
Sioux I strongly
advised them to
abandon from
their hearts any
feeling of hostility
they entertained
towards the whites.
For their future
existence they
must look to the
goodness of the
government
therefore to adhere
to its directions
and the better they
conduct themselves
the happier would
be their lives —

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Thorough your
kindness I am
informed my
efforts to educate
these poor people to
a proper course of conduct
has not be
intirely thrown
away —
With kind
remembrance to Fam
Mrs. Forget I am
yours faithfully
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Moose Jaw, N.W.T., 7th April 1896.

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Sir,

I beg to ask if you will kindly send me a letter from your office to be given to "At-i-ish-nee" alias "White Hat" who with his family wishes to leave this country for one of the Southern Agencies (Sioux) in the U.S.

May I ask that the letter may be addressed to the U.S. Agent at the Fort Peck Agency, Poplar River U.S. as he proposes to go that way and wishes to be well recommended.

White Hat is a good Indian and has always acted well whilst I have known him on this side for nearly twenty years.

I do not know just yet whether any other Indians outside of his own immediate family may go but I shall not lose the opportunity to urge upon them to do so. and shall report the results in due course.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Thomas. W. Aspdin

The Indian Commissioner
Regina
N.W.T.

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Moose Jaw, N.W.T., 28th March 1896

Copied 1/4/96

Sir,

I beg to enclose the account (in triplicate) of Dr Turnbull for attendance on sick Indians here.

I regret that most of the account in question was not rendered earlier and beg to make the following explanation.

Some time ago. I received from your office certain forms for medical accounts to be made out upon. I handed the same to the Doctor but he declined to attend the Indians on the terms specified therein. as he says it would not pay him. When he has to visit the camps his Livery account is sometimes 1.50 and never less than 1.00

I may mention in justice to Dr Turnbull that when the Indians go to his Surgery in town (which many of them do) he always prescribes without any charge.

Those in the bill were all severe cases and the only way for the Doctor to reach them was to visit the camps. The last mentioned Joe's Child was very sad. The little girl 12 yrs old was lost in a storm going from one camp to the other. was out all night & badly frozen

I am. Sir.

Yours very obediently

Thomas W. Asquith

To the Indian Commissioner
Regina
N.W.T.

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Moose Jaw, N.W.T., 17th March 1896

Sir,

I beg to forward for your approval an account of Mr. A. Brechin of this place for a small quantity of provisions purchased under authority of your letter of the 8th Jany (No 1564).

A. Brechin 6.60

The Indian "High" was very hard up, he told me he had not eaten anything for two days. owing to the illness of himself & wife they had not been able to get anything ahead.

He is a hard working Indian and generally works for the ranchers at Wood mountain. where he is well liked but owing to the sickness of his wife and latterly of himself they have made out badly this winter.

Old "Black Bull" has been in a bad way also from sickness in his family.

They are fairly well fixed now to tide them over till the fine weather comes & it is most likely they will not require any further assistance.

Yours obediently,

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Commissioner.

Regina, N.W.T.

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9th April, 6.

Sir:-

The bearer "At-i-ish-nee" or White Hat, a United States Sioux Indian who entered the Dominion of Canada nearly twenty years ago with the refugees under Chief Black Moon, is now returning to his original Reservation and has requested to be furnished with a letter to yourself.

I may say that this man has during his residence in Canada conducted himself in a highly satisfactory manner and merits the best treatment it is in your power to accord him.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The United States Indian Agent,
Fort Peck Agency,
Poplar River,
Montana,
U. S. A.

Enclosed to Mr. Wadsworth

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1564.

9th April, 6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th instant, and enclose herewith the letter to the U. S. Indian Agent at Fort Peck Agency, Montana, which you ask for the Sioux "At-i-ish-nee" or White Hat, who is about to return to the United States. I will be glad to learn that you have succeeded in getting some others to accompany him.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

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Moose Jaw, N.W.T. 28th April 1896.

Sir

I beg to make a claim for the sum of twenty-five dollars. for letting the Sioux camp on my place last winter.

As you will remember there was considerable of an outcry from some of the settlers about the Sioux going on their places and I saw no way out of the difficulty at that time but to put them on my place which stopped the complaints.

At the same time I do not wish to be understood as placing them there with a view to make any pecuniary benefit as I would have much rather not had them on. I do not mind having one or two families of the quietest, but the place is very small for nearly twenty-lodges to be put on. and to get their fuel off.

I think the charge is a very moderate one and as it was the only way to fix the matter I trust it will be allowed to me.

Regarding these Sioux I must say I do not think any very large number will go across to the U.S. this summer.

On the other hand as to taking a

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reserve near Prince Albert they show no inclination to do so. General have told me it is not a country they like also it is too far north etc.

I may mention that on passing through Estevan last fall. I was told by parties there that there was a place along Long Creek or the Souris where could suit these Indians. Good wood, water. I know the country generally but have not been up & down the Creek lately so could not say whether it is settled or not. I was informed however by parties that there would be little or no difficulty—in this way.

I merely make mention of this as I think it would be easier to get these Indians settled there than go further north.

One difficulty—in dealing with these Sioux as I have stated before is the fact that they are broken bands of different divisions of the Teton Sioux and no one to lead them.

It is a pity to see their children growing up the way they are, and it would be a great blessing for them if they could be got to settle down.

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I expect to be in Regina about the 12th of next month. and if there is any further information I can give you I shall be glad to do so

I am, Sir

Yours obediently

Thomas, W, Aspden

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Sothn Commissioner
Regina
N.W.T.

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In your reply refer to
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also to the date of this letter.

Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T."

Office of the

1564 **Commissioner of Indian Affairs,**

Manitoba and N. W. Territories,

Regina, APR 25 1896 189

Sir,

Wh reference to your letter of the 4th last on the subject of reimmunation on a fixed basis for the services being rendered by yourself in connection wh the Moose Jaw Sioux - I ~~beg~~ would say that the proposition that a fixed salary be allowed ~~after the Dept has~~ cannot be regarded wh favour - and after full consideration - it has been decided to make you the following offer -

(1.) For each and every Indian of the number now at Moose Jaw, removed to U.S. Territory within the next 12 mos the Dept will pay you $8.00 per capita, any ~~all~~ expenses in connection therewh to be borne by yourself and payment of bonus to be made - $4.00 upon satisfactory proof that Indian has crossed the Line - the balance at the expiration of one year provided the Indian has not returned in the interval.

Mr. Wolsdorphin Moose Jaw

(2) For each & every Indian of the no now

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at Horse face - removed to the Sioux Reserves in the Birtle, Mashkoopetung, Horse Woods or Carlton Agencies, the Dept will pay you $3.00 for Output - payment to be made on the same basis as in the foregoing Section.

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1564.

7th May, 6

Sir:-

I have your letter of the 28th Ultimo, which reached this office during my absence, asking to be allowed the sum of twenty five dollars for the use of your property as a camping ground for the Moose Jaw Sioux during the past Winter, and in reply regret to have to inform you that it is quite impossible to grant any remuneration for service of that nature.

You were about to be written when your letter referred to came to hand, with reference to a proposition which I am prepared to make you, relative to the removal of these Indians, but as you are shortly to be in Regina, I will await your visit to place the matter before you.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Thomas W. Aspdin, Esq.,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

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Moose Jaw, N.W.T., 1st June 1896

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Beg to report the following dispute between an Indian (Sioux) and a white man in regard to a horse and to ask your advice on the subject.

The Indian "Okotay" lost a Black horse some time ago and to-day he saw a white man riding the horse in town. He claimed it but the party would not give it up alleging it was his lawful property. The man was most emphatic that the horse was his and I felt the Indian must have made a mistake.

From what I have learned since from a gentleman living out north here, Mr Laurence King J. P. I have no doubt but that the Indian is right and the horse is his. The man (Hammel by name) claimed Mr King once owned the mare and circumstances attending his ownership made it impossible that it could be the Indians

Mr King has informed me that although the horse in many respects resembles the horse he once owned yet he is sure it is not the one.

There seems to be no way to get the horse

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[illegible] by replevin which would cost. Something, a civil suit is as good as the man Hammel is worth nothing. Now it seems hard that the Indian through the fact of his being poor should lose his horse.

They have always been impressed of the fact that they must obey the laws &c of the country. and to have a man riding about on a pony belonging to one of them without being able to get it seems hard.

The man Hammel does not appear to bear the best of reputations.

I have the [illegible]r. to be,

Sirs.

Your obedient Servant,

Thomas, W. Aspdin

To the Indian Commissioner

Regina

N.W.T.

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Moose Jaw, N.W.T., 16th May 1896

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Dear Sir

I have the [illegible] to inform you that I am constantly having complaints made by the Settlers about the Sioux having pony Stallions running loose.

I have told the Sioux time and time again and the nuisance would be abated for a while when it would commence again. With a number of the Sioux who have recently camped at Wood Mtn. have come in here which does not improve matters. I am afraid some of their ponies may be shot by some of the Settlers and a row commenced.

It is certainly annoying for a settler to have his mares spoilt by getting in foal to Cayuse stallions the product being at the present time commercially valueless besides losing the work of the mares.

The Indians do not let their Stallions go wilfully, but without corrals or timber to make them they seem unable to control them at this time of year.

I can not urge too strongly that some means may be taken to have these Indians settled on a reserve; They are increasing

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[redacted] are there were 8 births and 1 death last year. At present their children are simply growing up useless vagabonds and if left to their own devices will, it is feared the coming generation will have a hard time.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

Thomas McAspden

To the

Indian Commissioner

Regina,

N.W.T.

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Moose Jaw, N.W.T., 16th May 1896

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Sir,

I beg to enclose for your approval an account of Messrs E.A. Baker & Co of this place for 12.70 for Goods supplied to At-i-cish-koo a Sioux Indian going to his reservation in South Dakota.

This Indian came over in 1877 and is the party for whom I applied for a letter to your office a short time ago.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Commissioner
Regina
N.W.T.

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12th June, 6

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 16th Ultimo, relative to complaints by settlers regarding Stallions belonging to the Sioux running at large, please inform the Sioux that they must at once arrange for the removal of all their ponies to some point at a distance from the settlement and keep them herded there until Fall, otherwise the law will be enforced against them, in this particular.

Regarding the settlement of these Indians on a Reserve. You were requested to call at this office when in Regina last month, in order that certain propositions to this end might be discussed, but you did not do so - possibly through an oversight.

If you are not likely to be again in town shortly, the matter will be made the subject of a letter.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

For Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

ANSWER REQUIRED.

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1564.

3rd June, 6

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 1st Instant, relative to the case of the Sioux Indian "Okootay" who claims a horse now in the possession of a settler.

In reply I would say that while we are desirous of ~~seeing~~ seeing justice done the Indians equally with the Whites, under a common law, it would seem to be necessary in this instance, to know more fully upon what evidence the Indian hopes to prove his claim. That of Mr. Laurence King would not seem to be sufficiently conclusive to be satisfactory to a Court, especially if a defence was set up.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

F H P

For Commissioner.

Mr. T. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
Assa.

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Moose: N.W.T., 13th June 1896.

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Dear Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th inst.

With reference to the Stallion question with the Sioux I have already talked to them and with such result that they are all gone or nearly so to Wood Mountain so as to keep their stallions away from the Settlements. I expect in a few days there will hardly be a lodge here.

Regarding the latter part of your letter I may say that I was at Regina attending a meeting of the License Commissioners on the 13th of last month. and intended to come to the Indian Office on the day following.

On the evening of the 13th I was informed by a gentleman who seemed to be conversant with the routine that the Office would be closed on the 14th inst.

As the weather was very disagreeable and as I had not made preparations to be away from home longer I return here.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Thomas Wasgedin

P.S. Because the absence of these Indians is only temporary as they will gradually return to the Indian Cos. during the late Summer [illegible]

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15th June, 6

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 13th Instant, and to the concluding portion of my letter of even number of the 12th Instant; as the Sioux are now absent the proposal regarding the removal to a Reserve will be held over until I hear from you of their return in the Fall.

Meantime should you have occasion to visit Regina, will you please call here, when particulars will be communicated to you.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

For Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. W. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
4th Sept 1896

Sir

I beg to forward for your approval the following accounts (in triplicate) in connection with Sioux returning to the other side.

T. W. Robinson 9.85 and E. A. Baker & Co 6.07

The articles were given to an Indian named "At-i-ish-nee" and as he had been already supplied with provisions the account of which you approved and which was paid in due course I beg to give the following explanation of this further expenditure.

I supplied this Indian with what I considered ample provisions in April and gave him the letter from your office; he started with his party and I thought I had seen the last of him for some time but was surprised when about three weeks after he made his appearance at my house one very wet day. He presented a very woe begone spectacle being nearly naked & looking like a ghost although perfectly quiet he did not appear to be altogether right in his mind. I gave him something to eat and sent a small supply of provisions to the camp for him.

It appears he started and got to Wood Mountain where he stored his provisions and started back here, some sudden notion striking him to come again and see the graves of his relatives (buried here) before finally quitting the country. He was travelling light and struck one of those heavy snow storms we had last spring - his horse got away from him and he walked in here after 12 days hardship. I am told by the other Indians that his mind is easily affected.

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at times the result of being badly poisoned by eating some meat which had been put out for wolf bait about twenty-years ago. I got him fixed up - fine weather came and he started again and I am glad to say has arrived safe with his son, daughter & grandchildren at Cherry Creek - Cheyenne River Agency S.D.

I felt like doing all I could for him as he was one of the "old timers" who always counselled their people to keep the peace and try & get along under the altered condition of their lives -

I may say as a general rule I always offer parties going across all the provisions they want but only clothing when I think it is really needed.

I did not wish to send these accounts in till I was assured beyond a doubt that the party had arrived on the other side.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

Thomas Swaddon

To the

Indian Commissioner,

Regina

N.W.T.

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In your reply refer to
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also to the date of this letter.
Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T."

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Manitoba and N. W. Territories,

Regina, ... 189

Memo in re Aspdens Claim for $35.00 { Vide his Ld 10/9/96.

Was pd Comms at rate of $3.97 per Cap. for removals to U.S.
Earned $166.66 under this arrangement for removals of 42 persons up to Spring 1894

In Mch/95 he proposed allowing ~~his claim~~ "the amount "owed to me for getting Swine across Lake, (over & above "what I have been paid for)," to go as a Contra in settlement of certain lost heifers traded to Cox. The amount of "claim" he does not state but his proposal is accepted vide Commr Ld 26 Mch/95. (1564)

On 5th Decr 95. he reports three families as having gone = 11 persons
" 7th Apl 96. At-i-ish-nee or White Hat "& family" No. not stated

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REGINA ASSA

Moosejaw Mo Ty.
10th Sept/96

Sir

Up to the present time I find the Department indebted to me in the Sum of $35.00 payment pro rata on the arrangement made in 1894 for getting the Sioux across the line.

This includes the two years 1895-96. I have tried all I could but this is all I could get to go. Those left here are more or less related to each other through marriages or otherwise. and it is very hard to split them up.

In the interests of the children something decided should be done to get them to settle down. During the last two years the increase has been about 20 and the deaths nil. and it is too bad that the children will grow up the way they are in camp here.

I have talked to them till I am fairly tired out. but as long as they find they can hang out here they will.

Is this correct

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not make up their minds either to go across the line or go on a reserve on this side of the Boundary.

The time is nearly round again when the same old difficulty will crop up about them camping for the winter. I expect they will get on settlers lands and a series of Complaints will be the result.

Last year you may remember to settle the difficulty for that time I allowed most of them to camp on my land on the Creek.

There is considerable suffering among some of the women & children in winter as very few are properly clad. and how some of them get through winter after winter is wonderful. Whilst the grown people appear to be fond of their children after a manner yet they are totally careless as to their future. With regard to two letters received from your Office asking me to call if at Regina about a certain proposition regarding these Sioux. I may say that

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I have not had any occasion to be in Regina since the Spring when in the capacity of Licence Insp I attended a meeting of the Commissioners. It was my intention to stop over a day & call at the office. I was informed however that as it was a holiday the office was closed and as the firm I was employed by in this place requested me to be back as soon as possible. I could not stop longer.

Should you desire my presence and will pay my expenses I could possibly find time to go to Regina as I do not think I shall have any business of my own there at least as far as I can see at present.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the
Indian Commissioner.
Regina N.W.Ty

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1884.

19th September, 6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

Will you please look over the enclosed list of Moose Jaw Sioux who have not yet returned to United States Territory - which is a copy of one furnished by you in May 1884, just after one party had left for the South, and revise it where necessary, noting those who have since gone and date of departure, also giving English names of all - for there is some difficulty experienced at times in identifying names given by you with those on this list, as for instance "Aunty" and "Long Chicken" referred to in your letter of the 5th December, 1885.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

Aspdin, Esq.,
oose Jaw,
A s s a.

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Moosejaw Nwty.
29th Septr/96

FILE.

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. No. 1564 enclosing a list of the Sioux who remained here. I found out afterwards that whilst the list was fairly correct I had not got them all on it. There is a family at Fort M'Appelle also another at Regina and also At-i-ish-nee's children were omitted. You may perhaps remember the time I visited the Office in May 1894 that I told you that there might probably be a few scattered ones missing. "Aunty" and "Long Chicken" her son, one daughter and two grandchildren referred to are those mentioned on the list as at Willow Bunch. I am sanguine that they are on the other side for good now as they came back once.

With as much speed as I can I will make out a census and forward to you. In the matter of names it is difficult at times to get the correct English translation. — at least I have found it so — and I have been contented to give the

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name of Each as most commonly used. A few use their English name altogether and some have half a dozen names.

As it might be possible that I shall be leaving here shortly; — for your information I will try and have the census as exhaustive & correct as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

Thomas Wasp[illegible]

To the Indian Com^r —

Regina,

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Moosejaw N.W.T.
Canada
29th September 1896

To the Indian Comr
Regina N.W.T.

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OCT 1 1896
REGINA ASSA

Dear Sir—

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant (No 1564), and in reply to say that as I have been shooting; a subsequent letter of the 19th inst is before me. My claim was for the families of "Aunty" and At-i-ish-nee ten in number. As it is nothing but right that the Department should be assured beyond doubt before paying out any money and as there seems a difficulty in identifying the Indians by the present list in your office this matter may stand for a short time.

The latter part of your letter is not understood by me. I traded Mr Cox two yearlings, a heifer and a steer and as they could not be found I paid the Department for them. and I thought the transaction closed. I enclose a copy of your letter of the 26th March 1895 to me on the subject—

In the latter part of the summer or fall of 1894 I prevailed upon "Jim McCoy" alias "Hay-char-ah" (Anglice Wood on the head) alias My-ah-Schatch-ah

Mr
He appears to be right
Will wait for this list
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(Anglice Coyote) and his outfit to go across to the U.S. and they are on the list as follows.

Wintered at Ft Berthold next summer, went to Pine Ridge agency

Jim McCay his wife and 3 Children also mother and 1 Child	7
"Wah-nah-kick-zee" his wife & 1 Child	3
Total.	10

At the rate of 3.50 per head I would be entitled to $35.00 in money from the Department, but instead of drawing it I let it go to pay for these two yearlings.

Yes

I presume these are the yearlings mentioned as I have no recollection of any others.

The mention of "Contra accounts" reminds me that I have a claim against the Dept for direct loss incurred by an Indian employed by the Dept picking up some ponies of mine and taking them to the Tu'appelle valley. I had a young man looking for nearly a month for them before I learnt (by accident) of their having been taken away. His wages and board during this time were a dead loss to me. I never presented any account for this, but it may be worth considering whether I am not entitled to something.

not our fault

I have the honour to be Sir, Yr obedient Servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

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Office of the
Commissioner of Indian Affairs
North West Territories
Regina 26th March '95.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th Instant, relative to the two yearling cattle traded to Mr Cox which we haven't as yet received; and in reply to say that your proposition is accepted.

Yours truly—
(Sd) A. E. Forget
Asst Commissioner

Thos W. Ashdin Esq.,
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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
9th October 1896.
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According to the instructions left me by Major McGibbon - to report to you when the remainder of the Sioux came in - I beg to inform you that upon the arrival of "Black Bull" a few days ago. they are all here now but a few at Wood Mtn. who will winter there.

By referring to the List lately sent by me to you it will be seen there are a few marked as at Wood Mountain. with these exceptions all the others are around here.

They are all camped on the prairie and I really do not know how they will make out. The settlers are determined not to let them camp on their lands on the Creek. If the suffering could be confined to the robust Indians who are responsible for keeping the others here. a good tough time this winter would do them no harm and might make them think seriously of settling down on a reserve either on this side or the U.S. Unfortunately however there are a lot of Children and infirm adults who of course would suffer. in greater proportion.

I have the honour to be,
Sir.
Your obedt. servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Commr.
Regina
N.W.T.

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Moosejaw N.W.T.
17th October 1896.

Dear Sir.

Referring to your letter of the 18th ult No 1564 in answer to one of mine of the 10th Sept. respecting an account for getting, "Amly" "Long Chicken" and At-i-ish-nee Sioux to go across the line. I beg to say that since the receipt of your letter I have heard that the two former mentioned have arrived at Wood Mountain from the Ft Peck Agency so I cannot be entitled to anything for them. Independent of my own interest I am sorry they have come back as they are a very indigent outfit. and the old woman is dragging around two of the children who are nearly naked the whole time. She informed me she was going to stop for certain on the other side but I incurred no expense this time over her.

Regarding "At-i-ish-nee" his name only appears on the list of 1894 as his daughter was living with a white man on Milk River Montana and his son was over there too. The man was not married to the woman and

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they will now have to look to the Government for a living so I count them as Indians.

I notice on the list sent from the Office the names of the following :-

"Topah" his wife and three Children	5
"Topah's" father and one Child	2
Total	7

Ref. to Arpdin's letter 6th Nov. 1894

These went over in 1894 but I do not think I ever got anything for them. I have to trust mostly to my memory as my letter book and a lot of my papers got so wet in the Missouri last year as to be illegible. I remember getting these away & giving them some stuff but I shall have to ask your indulgence to try & find out if I ever got anything for them. I remember they wanted to go to Ft Peck and not by Estevan and that is the reason they did not go with the others in the Spring of 1894.

I am sorry to trouble you but I really cannot find out from the papers I have here.

Your obedient Servant,

Thomas W. Arpdin

To the Indian Comr.

Regina

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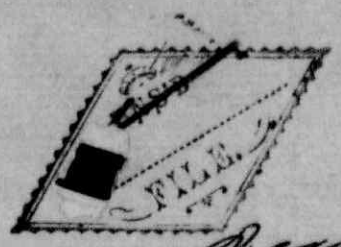

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Moosejaw
15th Oct /96

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OCT 18 1896
REGINA ASSA.

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Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 19th ult No 1564 — I beg to say I prepared a new list of the Sioux here with the Sioux names and as near the English equivalent as possible — I also put any remarks in which I thought might be useful at any time to indentify the Indians.

I had just finished the list when Major McGibbon visited here and I gave it to him.

M

I forgot to put opposite the following names as follows —

"Nitäylah" — went to Fort Peck Agency Poplar River Mont N.S. 1895 — but came back in the winter

"Pootay" — came back from Cheyenne River Agency fall of 1894.

"Okootay" — do

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient Servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

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23rd October. 6

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 17th instant I beg to say that "Topalis" family and father and child may be included in your account which should be rendered in triplicate and give full details as to numbers and names.

Yours truly.

Commissioner.

T.W. Aspdin Esq..
Moosejaw.

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List of the Teton Sioux at present at Moosejaw and vicinity — 28th October 1896.

Indian Name	English Name	Where located at present	No. in family	Remarks.
Chatah	The Hawk	Wood Mountain	4	
Chatcah	Left handed	Moosejaw	3	
Pootay	The Upper Lip	do	7	Known also as "Joe"
Okootay	The Shooting man	do	6	
No-genny wanitch	No Ears or Deaf man	Wood Mountain	2	
Ista-sappa	Black Eyes	do.	5	
Ja. Tonka, Sappa	Black Bull	Old Mines' Creek	2	Known also as "Bully"
Nilaylah	The Rump	Moosejaw	6	
Eh-you-kay-lah	The Antlers	do	3	
Wambelee	The Eagle	do	3	His wife is a Cree woman
Shungah-non-e-sappa	Wild Black Horse	do	3	
Mary and her mother.		do.	2	
Ochesley	Dung	do	6	Known also as "Dokas"
Jack Bruley's widow & family		do	3	
Seechah	The Thigh	do	4	
Must-in-pah	White Rabbit	do	4	Known also as "Pagan"
Conque-tam-aichah	Poor Crow	do	4	
Tah-Shungah-ope	Shooting at the Horse	do	4	
Say-zootah-wichah	Medicine Man	do	2	
Stapayrays	or Bloody Lands	widows & family.	7	
Shungah-hoska	Long dog	do	2	Known also as "Long Jack"
Must-in-scah	White Rabbit	do	2	Known also as "Big Jim"
Ja-shuna-wachtay	Good Robe	do	2	
Antelope's	widow & family	do	5	Known as "Andy" - her son as "Long Chief"
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NOV 10 1896
REGINA ASSA.

Moosejaw. Nov. 9
9th ~~October~~ 1896.
Nov 7

Dear Sir

Referring to the Sioux camped around here and which as far as can be seen will be around here all winter, I beg to recommend that it would be humane and save considerable suffering if some help were given by the Department both in food and Clothing. There are going to be more than usual here this winter as several families who have been accustomed to stop at Wood Mountain have come in here. owing to the country around there being all burnt

I beg to call your attention to the following:-

"Seechah" or "The Thigh" - This man has been used to work for the ranchers at Wood Mtn but came in to get medicine for his wife who is sickly - he is also sick himself and although he does not complain he looks as if he would not live long - He has always been one of the best Indians in the camp and there are some of the Indians who could be better spared -

"Napayway" or "Bloody hands" widows (2) and children. These make a fair living in summer but a little clothing and Blankets would make the Children sleep better in the cold weather. They are careful of their belongings.

"Ta Tonka Sappa" or "Black Bull" - One of the old stock and from wounds and increasing years suffers considerably at times and cannot get around; a little clothing and a pair of Blankets would help him considerably -.

There are a few more which might be

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helped a little if they should need it during the winter.
It is a fact that in the very cold weather the young children rarely get a sleep for more than an hour at a time. As soon as the effects of the fire die out they waken up and light another fire. and so on. When fuel is scarce they necessarily sleep less.
There are a few young men here who are very good to work. Some of them have been working for the Threshers and have been careful of their money. They to ask you if one of those old Military overcoats if there are in Store could be given to each. They are out a good deal and although they have laid out their money fairly well yet few of them have got Overcoats.
Whilst pleading the above facts before you for your consideration I must not disguise the fact that there is a certain Section of the Camp here. that it is useless to give anything to. It consists of "Long dog Poor Crow" etc. They take a pride in keeping up the worst Indian ways and anything given to them however badly they need it they will persist in giving away at dances and so get into hands it was never intended. The heads of families of this gang are simply a nest of murderers having either killed other Indians or white men in cold blood They abused the right of asylum here by taking part in the rebellion in 1885. for which some of them were given up by the other Indians to the troops here when they.

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came back to the Camp at Moosejaw.

I have ceased to try to do anything with this outfit directly and if once the other Indians agree to go across the line or settle down on a reserve in the N.W. and if this certain section stands out I would recommend that drastic measures be taken with them to compel them to do one or the other.

I have the honour to be,

Sir —

Your obedient Servant

Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Comr.,
Regina,
N.W.Ty.

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1564.

11th November, 6.

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I beg to enclose herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. Asrdin of Moose Jaw, dated 9th Instant, in which he applies for aid for the destitute among the Sioux Indians at that point.

With reference thereto I may say that there are funds available from the Sioux appropriation and it is proposed to give some little assistance, but while doing so I would like to obtain the views of the Department relative to taking advantage of the situation to remove the children of these Indians from demoralizing and vicious surroundings by placing them in the Industrial Schools.

It may now I think be taken for granted that no more of these Indians will go back to United States Territory or, if they were persuaded to do so, that they would shortly return, as some have already done. In view of the almost certainty of this and the fact that we are quite unable without special legislation, to either deport them or keep them out, it would seem useless to pursue efforts in this direction any further.

It is believed that the experience of another Winter's hardship's will have brought these Indians to the point at which they will be willing to accept land in the existing Sioux reserves and this will be gone into again with them before the Winter is over.

Meantime I think it would be well to take advantage of present assistance being given them to get their consent to the placing of their children who may be of School age, in the Industrial Schools without delay, or failing in obtaining their consent, I would, if proceedings can be taken under Section

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Section 9 of the Indian Education Act against non-treaty and practically alien Indians, compell attendance where necessary.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

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ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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OTTAWA, 17th November 1896

I564 Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the IIth inst: enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr Aspdin of Moose Jaw relative to destitution among the Sioux Indians at that point, and in reply I beg to say with regard to your suggestion that some of the Sioux children be placed in the Industrial or boarding schools, that the same is approved of; but the Department does not consider that it would be wise to put the Regulations in force until every effort to get them to send their children voluntarily has failed.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Supt:Genl:
of Indian Affairs:-

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

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24th November, 6

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 9th Instant, which has apparently been misdated "October"; I would say that in view of the representations made therein regarding the miserable condition of the children of the Sioux at Moose Jaw, it has been decided to adopt such measures as may be necessary to secure their being placed in the Industrial School here. As it is however desirable that compulsion be avoided till all means have been tried - I think it will be well first to ask them to give consent to the removal of as many of their healthy children of school age (seven to sixteen years) to Regina, as the Industrial School here can accommodate.

If this fails they might then be informed that if they do not comply with the Department's wishes in this matter they cannot expect any aid from it nor can they expect to be allowed to remain longer in the country if they choose to have their children grow up in ignorance and vice.

They might also then be given an intimation that there are provisions in the Indian Act for compelling attendance of Indian children at schools and that if they compel the Department to resort to this means, the responsibility will rest on themselves.

Please let me know the result and at the same time you might say exactly what is required in food and clothing for the adults needing help.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

T. W. Aspdin, Esq.,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

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FILE. DEC 22 1896 G.S.N.W.

Moosejaw N.W.Ty
14th Decbr /96

Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ult. No 1564 and have delayed writing because I wished to speak to some of the Indians about their children. I have been unsuccessful so far in inducing any of them to voluntarily allow their children to go to School. I feel however very much that something should be done in the matter both as regards the Indians and their children and as there are a few points I wish to assure myself on I will write again in a few days on the Subject:

Regarding the latter part of your letter whilst I do not believe in giving much to these Indians the way they are at present yet there are a few cases where a little help can save suffering.

It was offered on the suggestion of Mr Aspdin -

The following would be enough divided up 4 Blankets adults.
6 " Childrens
3 Military overcoats.
to be given to Seechah or Thigh Black Bull and Napoyway's widows.

No provisions are required at present as the Indians got nearly 200 Sheep smothered in one of the late storms belonging to Mr Bambridge here.

During the extreme cold weather before this I gave a small amount of provisions to one family but they are not in need now.

I have the honor to be, Sir
Your obedient Servant, Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Regina

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1564.

22nd December, 6

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 14th Instant; I would say that since the date of my request for information as to what aid would be needed for the destitute among the Moose Jaw Sioux, I have learned of their attitude of determined opposition to the efforts to do something for the improvement of the condition of their children, and it has therefore been decided that so long as they maintain that position, so long need they look for no aid from the Government.

You might inform them of this and that when they are prepared to accept the terms offered, we will be glad to learn of it.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

Thos. W- Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

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JAN 12 1897

Moosejaw Nw. Ty
7th January 1897

Dear Sir

Referring to the matter of the Refugee Sioux hanging around here and at Wood Mountain, and the question as to whether their children can be got to go to the Schools I beg to report as follows on that particular matter and also on the position of the Sioux here generally and I also make bold to offer a few suggestions which if acted upon will I feel sure settle the Refugee Sioux business.

I am sorry I could not write this before but I am just out of a sick bed having been laid up for several weeks.

I must say that it is impossible to do anything more with these Indians by persuasion or by "bluffing". They have taken a stand to hang around here and at Wood Mountain (the latter place in the Summer) and they do not seem to care for anything that is said to them.

They are all at present trespassing on settlers places in camping and although I have told them to move again & again they take no notice. I am fairly tired out with them as the settlers seem to think I am to blame, and I have had to refer them to Mounted Police.

They are no doubt encouraged to remain by people in town who want cheap labour. The fact is that if the Indians dressed and looked after their children the Sam

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as white people do they could not afford to work so cheap. Although these Indians have been here since 1883 it is not to the credit of the Churches of this town that no effort has ever been made by them to clothe or put them in a better way. If these Indians were Armenians, Chinese or some people thousands of miles away the case might be different-

Among the young people of these Savages there is quite a marked difference in their morals as to what they once were and if left here they will continue degenerate.

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Received JAN 18 1897

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the Indians

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your obedient Servant
Thomas McMurrich

To the Indian Commr
Regina,
N. W. T.

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13th January, 7

Dear Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Instant, relative to matters pertaining to the Moose Jaw Sioux, and have referred it to the Commissioner who is at present in Ottawa.

If you will send in the bill for the supplies given Na-pa-way's widow, I will forward it for payment.

The other matters touched on in your letter will be dealt with upon the Commissioner's return.

Yours truly,

J Hp

for Commissioner.

Thos. W. Aspdin, Esq.,
Moose Jaw,
A s s a.

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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
16th Jany 1897

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that there is at present an epidemic of sickness among the sioux camped here. It is an influenza and is no doubt of the same kind of sickness as what is known as "La Grippe".

Several Indians who had it spoke to me to day and they seem badly used up and very much afraid of it.

I have spoke to Doctor Turnbull, and he advises them to keep themselves warm in their tents. As the Indians live here it is very hard to treat them for this.

There is considerable fever connected with most of the cases.

Whilst I am aware of the reluctance of the Department to give these Indians anything as long as they continue obstinate. In one or two cases where the head of a family is sick I might ask if a little relief might not be given. There are certainly one or two going around working who would be better to keep at home for awhile. One death has already occurred but as she was very aged it did not take much to make her succumb to the disease.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

Thomas W. Aspdin

To Indian
The Commissioner
Regina.
N.W.Ty

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For the information of the Commissioner Ottawa.

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Moosejaw, N.W.T.

7th January 1897.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the matter of the Refugee Sioux hanging around here and at Wood Mountain, and the question as to whether their children can be got to go to the Schools, I beg to report as follows on that particular matter and also on the position of the Sioux here generally, and I also make bold to offer a few suggestions which if acted upon will, I feel sure, settle the Refugee Sioux business.

I am sorry I could not write this before but I am just out of a sick bed having been laid up for several weeks.

I must say that it is impossible to do anything more with these Indians by persuasion or by "bluffing". They have taken a stand to hang around here and at Wood Mountain (the latter place in the summer) and they do not seem to care for anything that is said to them.

They are all at present trespassing on settlers places in camping, and although I have told them to move again and again, they take no notice. I am fairly tired out with them as the settlers seem to think I am to blame, and I have had to refer them to Mounted Police.

The Indian Commissioner, Regina,

They are no doubt encouraged to remain

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by people in town who want cheap labour. The fact is that if the Indians dressed and looked after their children the same as white people do they could not afford to work so cheap. Although these Indians have been here since 1883 it is not to the credit of the churches of this town that no effort has ever been made by them to elevate or put them in a better way. If these Indians were Armenians, Chinese or some other people thousands of miles away the case might be different.

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Mr. Aspdin has been asked to send in this account.
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Mr. Aspdin appears to be entitled to this sum, as hitherto.
D.C.L.

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I hope the Department will take up the question about moving the Indians.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) Thomas W. Aspdin.

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Ottawa, 18th. January, 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of a letter, dated the 7th. inst., from Thomas W. Aspdin, forwarded to me from Regina, respecting the Refugee Sioux hanging around Moose Jaw and Wood Mountain.

In addition to the efforts made by Mr. Aspdin, under the authority of the Regina office, to induce, by moral suasion, the Sioux to send their children to indian schools, and which have proved unsuccessful, I may state that Rev. Father Lugoumard visited those Indians about a month ago, with the same end in view, in in company with Marie- Louise, daughter of Chief Sitting Buffalo, as interpreter, without any better result.

It would seem, therefore, that unless compulsory measures are taken, no children can be secured from those Indians for the schools.

I will draw special attention to that part of Mr. Aspdin letter having reference to the determination of these Indians to reside in the vicinity of Moose Jaw during the winter, and at Wood Mountain during the Summer, and to the suggestion which he makes in regard to the matter.

The experience of these last four or five years, in dealing with these Indians, haved convinced me me also that no measure short of actual compulsion will accomplish their removal from canadian territories; for but very few of those who were induced to return to the

Hayter Reed
Depy. of the Supt. Gen. of Ind. affairs
Ottawa

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States have remained there.

On the other hand, these Indians have so long been residents of our country, that it would seem almost cruel to seek authority from Parliament to remove them manus militari; and as all efforts heretofore made to induce them to join Sioux reserves in the Duke Lake or Carleton agencies, are not likely to bring any results, I fear the only alternative left will be to give them a small reservation of land in the Moose Jaw district.

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The assistance given by Mr. Aspdin to a family in distress is, I think, quite justified under the circumstances described, and I have authorized the accounts to be forwarded for payment.

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I would also request that a check for the sum of $ 50.00 be sent to Mr. Aspdin in payment of his services for the last year.

Yours truly,

Ind. Comm.

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Ottawa, I8th. January, I897.

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My dear Paget,

I return herewith Mr.Aspdin's letter with copy of my letter to the Department in connection therewith.

Yours truly,

Ind. Commr.

F.H.Paget, Esq.

Regina.

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1884.

10th January, 7

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 16th Instant, you may give such relief as is necessary in the cases mentioned and forward accounts for same.

Yours truly,

J H P

for Commissioner.

A. E. Aspdin, Esq.,
Moose Jaw,
A. T.

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DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAR 23 1897
REGINA ASSA.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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MAR 25 1897
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Ottawa, 19th March, 1897.

Sir:-

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 18th
1564. January last, and to inform you that the Minister has decided to let the question of setting apart a reserve for the refugee Sioux who have been hanging about Moose Jaw and Wood Mountain for years past, stand in abeyance for the present.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs.

Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N. W. T.

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Moosejaw N.W.Ty
2nd April. 1897

Dear Sir

I beg to forward you the following accounts for approval.

R Bogue	12.35
H Ferguson	2.10

In explanation I would say the above was given to Sick Indians amongst the Sioux here. and only in extreme and urgent cases under authority of your letter to me during the winter.

I would say that the late winter has been worse upon these Indians than any I have ever seen, An Epidemic of La Grippe ran through the Camp which while only fatal in one or two cases yet prostrated a great many. Dry wood is getting scarce and consequently hard for them to procure and in the cold weather at times they suffered without fires.

A great many of their ponies died probably fifty altogether.

If these calamities would only turn their thoughts towards settling down they might be looked upon as blessing in disguise.

Unfortunately the camp is totally under the influence of those whose only object is to be let alone and live and die Indians. Now that the warm weather is coming the lesson of the winter already seems lost on them. and I am sure

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it is only by a display of force on the part of the Government that they can be brought to reason. On account of the Indians themselves but mostly on account of the rising generation. I hope this will be done.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
Thomas W. Daphne

To the
Indian Commissioner
Regina
N.W.T.

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Commissioner
Ottawa
Copy for Commr.
INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

APR. 12

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Moosejaw Md. by
9th April 1897

INS'D APR 12 1897 FILE.

Referring to the matter of getting the Sioux Children from these Indians to go to School I have the honour to inform you that I was at the Camp yesterday and had a long talk with "Black Bull"

He told me to inform you that the only way to get the Children to School is to send 12 or 15 Mounted Police and take them. He said it would let the Indians see that the Government meant business. The way in which he explained it to me that the Indians were playing upon the Government and would continue to do so. They were well aware that if they went to the other side the U.S. Government would take the Children without asking the parents.

He informed me that he has little or no influence as the "Uncappapa" Sioux were a long way in the majority and take the others with them. He told me it was no use myself talking to them or any of the people from the Schools unless once the Indians are shown that it is all up with opposition I told him I would write to you about it.

"Black Bull" I may say has always been against going back to the U.S. but favours the Indians settling

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down.
Against him are the majority who do not want to settle anywhere. Of course the information he gave to me is only what I have thought myself for some time back and reported to you accordingly.
As he wished me to convey this to you I have done so.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Thos. W. Aspdin

Indian
To the Commissioner
Regina
N.W.Ty

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1904.

18th April, 7

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant, relative to the further action in the matter of placing the children of the Moose Jaw Sioux in Industrial Schools, and to say that the same will be dealt with by the Commissioner on his return from Ottawa.

Yours truly,

FHP

For Commissioner.

Mr. Thos. Aspdin,
Moose Jaw,
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Indian Agent's Office, _____

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Sir

playing of the Indians slaughtering the Antelope on their way out. As the Antelope is not hunted as a rule by white people, and as like the Buffalo it must eventually go before civilization. I think the Indians and Half Breeds might as well have the benefit of them whilst they last.

* As it has been usual for the Dept. to pay me at the rate of 50.00/100 for the year for looking after the Sioux I suppose no objection will be made to give me $25.00/- for the half year.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedt. Servant
Thomas W. Aspdin

To the Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Man.

* Memo. for the Department.
It has as stated been customary to pay Mr. Aspdin fifty dollars per annum for his services in connection with the Moose Jaw Sioux, and I am therefore forwarding herewith a voucher in his favour for the amount due for the half-year, viz. $25.00.
(sgd) A.E. Forget.
Indian Commissioner.

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Wolseley P.O. 12th July 1897.

Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Commissioner

Sir,

By moving down here my connection with the Sioux will of course terminate & therefore beg to report for the half year ended 30th June last.

The Sioux put in rather a hard winter owing to the scarcity of dry wood and the deep snow. They lost a good many of their ponies (between forty & fifty.) This was caused a good deal by too close herding them in the fall on account of the crops. and keeping their ponies on ground which had all been cropped down; when the deep snow & severe winter came on their ponies being poor began to drop off. An influenza which ran through their stock killed quite a few although if ponies had been fat they could have stood it.

This spring as soon as the grass be to grow I urged them to go South to out of the crops. They all left to hunt in the vicinity of Old Wives Creek Pinto Horse Buttes & Wood Mountain.

A few settlers in the Dirt Hills were co

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Lt Gov Morris

21 Mar
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Fort Garry
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BETWEEN

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AND

THE CHIPPEWA AND CREE INDIANS

OF

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ARTICLES OF A TREATY, made and concluded this third day of August, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and seventy one, between HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN *of Great Britain and Ireland, by Her Commissioner* WEMYSS M. SIMPSON, *Esquire, of the one part, and the* CHIPPEWA *and* SWAMPY CREE *Tribes of Indians, inhabitants of the Country within the limits hereinafter defined and described by their Chiefs, chosen and named as hereinafter mentioned, of the other part:*

WHEREAS, all the Indians inhabiting the said Country have pursuant to an appointment made by the said Commissioner, been convened at a Meeting at the Stone Fort, otherwise called Lower Fort Garry, to deliberate upon certain matters of interest to Her Most Gracious Majesty, of the one part, and to the said Indians of the other; And Whereas the said Indians have been notified and informed by Her Majesty's said Commissioner, that it is the desire of Her Majesty to open up to settlement and Immigration 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 arrangements with them, so that there may be peace and good will between them and Her Majesty, and that they may know and be assured of what allowance they are to count upon and receive, year by year, from Her Majesty's bounty and benevolence.

AND WHEREAS the Indians of the said tract, duly convened in Council as aforesaid, and being requested by Her Majesty's said Commissioner to name certain Chiefs and Head-men, who should 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 Indians, have thereupon named the following persons for that purpose, that is to say: Mis-Koo-Kenew, or Red Eagle, (Henry Prince); Ka-Ke-Ka-penais, or Bird for ever; Na-sha-Ke-penais, or Flying down Bird; Na-na-wa-nanan, or Centre of Bird's tail; Ke-we-tayash, or Flying round; Wa-Ko-wush, or Whip-poor-Will; Oo-za-we-Kwun, or Yellow Quill; and thereupon, in open Council, the different Bands have presented their respective Chiefs to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Manitoba, and of the North-West Territory, being present at such Council, and to the said Commissioner, as the Chiefs and Head-Men for the purposes aforesaid, of the respective Bands of Indians inhabiting the said District, hereinafter described; And Whereas the said Lieutenant Governor and the said Commissioner, then and there received and acknowledged the persons so presented as Chiefs and Head-Men, for the purpose aforesaid; And Whereas the said Commissioner has proceeded to negotiate a Treaty with the said Indians, and the same has finally been agreed upon and concluded as follows, that is to say:

The Chippewa and Swampy Cree Tribes of Indians, and all other the Indians inhabiting the District hereinafter described and defined, do hereby cede, release, sur-

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render, and yield up to Her Majesty the Queen, and Successors for ever, all the lands included within the following limits, that is to say: Beginning at the International boundary line near its junction with the Lake of the Woods, at a point due north from the centre of Roseau Lake, thence to run due north to the centre of Roseau Lake; thence northward, to the Centre of White Mouth Lake, otherwise called White Mud Lake; thence by the middle of the Lake and the middle of the river issuing therefrom, to the mouth thereof, in Winnipeg River; thence by the Winnipeg River to its mouth; thence westwardly, including all the Islands near the south end of the Lake, across the Lake to the mouth of the Drunken River; thence westwardly, to a point on Lake Manitoba, half way between Oak Point and the mouth of Swan Creek; thence across Lake Manitoba, on a line due west to its western shore; thence in a straight line to the crossing of the Rapids on the Assiniboine; thence due south to the International Boundary Line, and thence eastwardly by the said line to the place of beginning; to have and to hold the same to Her said Majesty the Queen, and Her Successors for ever; and Her Majesty the Queen, hereby agrees and undertakes to lay aside and reserve for the sole and exclusive use of the Indians, the following tracts of land, that is to say: For the use of the Indians belonging to the Band of which Henry Prince, otherwise called Mis-Koo-Kenew, is the Chief, so much of land on both sides of the Red River, beginning at the south line of St. Peter's Parish, as will furnish one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five, or in that proportion for larger or smaller families; and for the use of the Indians of whom Na-sha-ke-penais, Na-na-wa-nanan, Ke-we-tayash, and Wa-ko-wush, are the Chiefs, so much land on the Roseau River as will furnish one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five, or in that proportion for larger or smaller families, beginning from the mouth of the river; and for the use of the Indians, of which Ka-Ke-Ka-penais is the Chief, so much land on the Winnipeg River, above Fort Alexander, as will furnish one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five, or in that proportion for larger or smaller families; beginning at a distance of a mile or thereabout above the Fort; and for the use of the Indians, of whom Oo-za-we-Kwum is Chief, so much land on the south and east side of the Assiniboine, about twenty miles above the Portage, as will furnish one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five, or in that proportion for larger or smaller families, reserving also a further tract enclosing said reserve, to comprise an equivalent to twenty-five square miles of equal breadth, to be laid out round the reserve; it being understood, however, that if at the date of the execution of this Treaty, there are any settlers within the bounds of any lands reserved by any Band, Her Majesty reserves the right to deal with such settlers as She shall deem just, so as not to diminish the extent of land allotted to the Indians.

And with a view to shew the satisfaction of Her Majesty with the behavior and good conduct of Her Indians, parties to this Treaty, She hereby, through Her Commissioner, makes them a present of three dollars for each Indian man, woman and child belonging to the Bands here represented.

And further, Her Majesty agrees to maintain a school on each reserve hereby made, whenever the Indians of the reserve should desire it.

Within the boundary of Indian reserves, until otherwise enacted by the proper legislative authority, no intoxicating liquor shall be allowed to be introduced or sold, and all laws now in force or hereafter to be enacted to preserve Her Majesty's Indian subjects, inhabiting the reserves or living elsewhere, from the evil influence of the use of intoxicating liquors, shall be strictly enforced.

Her Majesty's Commissioner shall, as soon as possible after the execution of this Treaty, cause to be taken an accurate census of all the Indians inhabiting the District above described, distributing them in families, and shall in every year ensuing the date

hereof, at some period during the month of July, in each year to be duly notified to the Indians, and at or near the respective reserves, pay to each Indian family of five persons the sum of fifteen dollars Canadian currency, or in like proportion for a larger or smaller family, such payment to be made in such articles as the Indians shall require of Blankets, clothing, prints (assorted colors), twine or traps, at the current cost price in Montreal, or otherwise, if Her Majesty shall deem the same desirable in the interests of Her Indian people, in cash.

And the undersigned Chiefs do hereby bind and pledge themselves and their people strictly to observe this Treaty, and to maintain perpetual peace between themselves and Her Majesty's white subjects, and not to interfere with the property or in any way molest the persons of Her Majesty's white or other subjects.

In witness whereof Her Majesty's said Commissioner and the said Indian Chiefs have hereunto subscribed and set their hand and seal, at the Lower Fort Garry, this day and year herein first above mentioned.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence, of (the same having been first read and explained).

(Signed,)
ADAMS G. ARCHIBALD,
Lt. Governer of Manitoba and the North-West Territories.

JAMES McKAY, P. L. C.

A. G. IRVINE, Major.

ABRAHAM COOLEY,

DONALD GUNN, M. L. C.

THOMAS HOWARD,

HENRY COCHRANE.

JAMES McARRISTER.

HUGH McARRISTER,

E. ALICE ARCHIBALD,

HENRY BOUTHILLIER.

Signed,

WEMYSS M. SIMPSON, [*Seal*]
Indian Commissioner.

his
MIS-KOO-KE-NEW, or Red Eagle (Henry Prince), + mark.
his
KA-KE-KA-PENAIS, or Bird forever William (Pennefather), + mark.
his
NA-SHA-KE-PENAIS, or Flying down Bird, + mark.
his
NA-NA-WA-NANAN, or Centre of Bird's Tail, + mark.
his
KE-WE-TAY-ASH, or Flying Round, + mark.
his
WA-KO-WUSH, or Whipporwill, + mark.
his
OI-ZA-WE-KWUN, or Yellow Quill, + mark.

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ARTICLES OF A TREATY made and concluded this twenty-first day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, between HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN *of Great Britain and Ireland, by Her Commissioner* WEMYSS M. SIMPSON, *Esquire, of the one part, and the* CHIPPEWA *Tribe of Indians, inhabitants of the country within the limits hereinafter defined and described by their Chiefs chosen and named as hereinafter mentioned, of the other part.*

WHEREAS, all the Indians inhabiting the said country have, pursuant to an appointment made by the said Commissioner, been convened at a meeting at Manitoba Post, to deliberate upon certain matters of interest to Her Most Gracious Majesty of the one part, and to the said Indians of the other ; and whereas the said Indians have been notified and informed by Her Majesty's said Commissioner, that it is the desire of Her Majesty to open up to settlement and immigration a tract of country bounded as described as hereinafter mentioned, and to obtain the consent thereto of Her Indian subjects inhabiting the said tract, and to make a Treaty and arrangement with them, so that there may be peace and good-will between them and Her Majesty, and that they may know and be 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 as aforesaid, and being requested by Her Majesty's said Commissioner to name certain Chiefs and Head-men who should 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 shall be assumed by them, the said Indians have thereupon named the following persons for that purpose, that is to say :—

For the Swan Creek and Lake Manitoba Indians, Sou-sonse, or, Little Long Ears ; for the Indians of Fairford and the neighboring localities, Ma-sah-kee-yash, or, He who flies to the bottom, and Richard Woodhouse, whose Indian name is Ke-wee-tah-quun-na-yash, or, He who flies round the feathers ; for the Indians of Waterhen River and Crane River and the neighboring localities, François, or, Broken Fingers ; and for the Indians of Riding Mountains and Dauphin Lake and the remainder of the Territory hereby ceded, Mekis (the Eagle), or, Giroux. And thereupon, in open Council, the different Bands have presented their respective Chiefs to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba and of the North West Territory, being present at such Council, and to the said Commissioner, as the Chiefs and head men for the purposes aforesaid of the respective

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Bands of Indians inhabiting the said district hereinafter described; And whereas the said Lieutenant Governor and the said Commissioner then and there received and acknowledged the persons so presented as Chiefs and head men, for the purpose aforesaid, of the respective Bands of Indians inhabiting the said district hereinafter described; And whereas the said Commissioner has proceeded to negotiate a Treaty with the said Indians, and the same has finally been agreed upon and concluded as follows, that is to say :—

The Chippewa Tribe of Indians, and all other the Indians inhabiting the district hereinafter described and defined, do hereby cede, release, surrender and yield up to Her Majesty the Queen, and Her successors forever, all the lands included within the following limits, that is to say :—All that tract of country lying partly to the north and partly to the west of a tract of land ceded to Her Majesty the Queen by the Indians inhabiting the Province of Manitoba, and certain adjoining localities, under the terms of a Treaty made at Lower Fort Garry on the third day of August last past, the land now intended to be ceded and surrendered, being particularly described as follows, that is to say :—Beginning at the mouth of Winnipeg river, on the north line of the lands ceded by said Treaty, thence running along the eastern shore of Lake Winnipeg, northwardly as far as the mouth of Beren's River; thence across said lake to its western shore at the north bank of the mouth of the Little Saskatchewan or Dauphin River; thence up said stream and along the northern and western shores thereof, and of St. Martin's Lake, and along the north bank of the stream flowing into St. Martin's Lake from Lake Manitoba by the general course of such stream to such last mentioned lake; thence by the eastern and northern shores of Lake Manitoba to the mouth of the Waterhen River; thence by the eastern and northern shores of said river up stream to the northermost extremity of a small lake known as Waterhen Lake; thence in a line due west to and across Lake Winnepegosis; thence in a straight line to the most northerly waters forming the source of the Shell River; thence to a point west of the same, two miles distant from the river, measuring at right angles thereto; thence by a line parallel with the Shell River to its mouth and then crossing the Assiniboine River and running parallel thereto and two miles distant therefrom and to the westward thereof to a point opposite Fort Ellice; thence in a southwesterly course to the northwestern point of the Moose Mountains; thence by a line due south to the United Statee frontier; thence by the frontier eastwardly to the Westward line of said Tract ceded by Treaty as aforesaid; thence bounded thereby, by the west, north-west and north lines of said Tract to the place of beginning at the mouth of Winnipeg River; to have and to hold the same to Her Majesty the Queen and Her Successors for ever, and Her Majesty the Queen hereby agrees and undertakes to lay aside and reserve, for the sole and exclusive use of the Indians inhabiting the said tract, the following lots of land, that is to say :—

For the use of the Indians belonging to the Band of which Makis is Chief, so much land between Turtle River and Valley River on the south side of Lake Dauphin as will make one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five persons, or in the same proportion for a greater or smaller number of persons.

And for the use of the Indians belonging to the Band of which Francois, or Broken Fingers is Chief, so much land on Crane River running into Lake Manitoba as will make one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five persons, or in the same proportion for a greater or smaller number of persons. And for the use of the Band of Indians belonging to the Bands of which Ma sah-kee-yash and Richard Woodhouse are Chiefs, so much land on the river between Lake Manitoba and St. Martin's Lake,—known as "Fairford River," and including the present Indian Mission grounds,—as will make one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five persons, or in the same proportion for a greater or smaller number of persons. And for the use of the Indians of whom Son-

sonse is Chief, so much land on the east side of Lake Manitoba, to be laid off north of the creek near which a fallen elm tree now lies, and about half way between Oak Point and Manitoba Post, so much land as will make one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five persons, or in the same proportion for a greater or smaller number of persons. Saving, nevertheless, the rights of any white or other settler now in occupation of any lands within the lines of any such reserve.

And with a view to show the satisfaction of Her Majesty with the behaviour and good conduct of Her Indians, parties to this Treaty, She hereby, through Her Commissioner, makes them a present of Three Dollars for each Indian—man, woman and child—belonging to the Bands here represented.

And further, Her Majesty agrees to maintain a school in each Reserve hereby made whenever the Indians of the Reserve shall desire it.

Her Majesty further agrees with Her said Indians, that within the boundary of Indian Reserves, until otherwise enacted by the proper legislative authority, no intoxicating liquor shall be allowed to be introduced or sold; and all laws now in force or hereafter to be enacted to preserve her Indian subjects inhabiting the Reserves or living elsewhere within her North West Territories, from the evil influence of the use of intoxicating liquors, shall be strictly enforced.

And further, that Her Majesty's Commissioners shall, as soon as possible, after the execution of this Treaty, cause to be taken an accurate Census of all the Indians inhabiting the Tract above described, distributing them in families, and shall in every year ensuing the date hereof, at some period during the month of August in each year, to be duly notified to the Indians, and at or near their respective Reserves, pay to each Indian family of five persons, the sum of fifteen dollars, Canadian currrency, or in like proportion for a larger or smaller family; such payment to be made in such articles as the Indians shall require of blankets, clothing, prints (assorted colours), twine or traps, at the current cash price in Montreal, or otherwise, if Her Majesty shall deem the same desirable in the interest of Her Indian people, in cash.

And the undersigned Chiefs, 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 condnct 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 also between themselves and other Tribes of Indians, and between themselves and others of Her Majesty's subjects, whether Indians 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 inhabitants 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 aid and 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.

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In Witness whereof, Her Majesty's said Commissioner and the said Indian Chiefs have hereunto subscribed and set their hands at Manitoba Post, this day and year herein first above named.

Signed by the Chiefs within named in presence of the following witnesses (the same having been first read and explained.)

(Signed,)
Adams G. Archibald,
Lieut. Governor of Manitoba and the N. W. Territories.

James McKay, P. C. C.

Molyneux St. John.

E. A. Archibald.

Lily Archibald.

Henri Bouthillier.

Paul de Laronde.

Donald McDonald.

Eliza McDonald.

Alexander Muir, Sr.

Signed,

Wemyss M. Simpson,
Indian Commissioner.

his
Mekis, +
mark.

his
Son-sonse, +
mark.

his
Ma-sah-kee-yash, +
mark.

his
François, +
mark.

Richard Woodhouse,

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No 16 N.

Government House, Fort Garry
March 22nd 1873.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have arranged for M. Breland's immediate departure for Fort Ellice, and have obtained from the Deputy Receiver General here the sum of $200 towards the payment of his expenses.

I have authorized him to tell the Indians in the neighbourhood of Fort Ellice, that the Commissioner will visit them in the summer.

Mr. Breland, being an elderly man, will at his own request, be accompanied by an active and intelligent half breed.

I am much pleased with the spirit displayed by Mr. Breland. When he accepted this important and somewhat difficult mission, he was on the point of starting on a visit to his old home in the Province of Quebec after an absence of thirty years.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Alexr. Morris

The Honble,
The Secretary of State,
For the Provinces,
Ottawa.

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Winnipeg 17th Mar 43

To His Excellency
The Hon Morris
Lt Gov of Manitoba

&c &c &c

May it please your Excellency

In accordance with instructions directing me to proceed to Palestine to report on the cause of alarm that induced the people of that locality to petition the Govt for troops to be stationed there, I have the honor to report that I proceeded to Palestine immediately, and on Friday the 12th inst convened a meeting of the inhabitants and found that the alarm was caused by information that they had received from one Thos McKay in the employ of the Hudson Bay Company who passed in some time ago from Fort Ellice

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and who stated to them that there was a large number of Sioux Indians around Fort Ellice whose intention was to make a raid on the Province in the Spring -
He further, it is said stated that the manner of these Sioux has considerably changed, instead of their former quiet deportment they are now assuming an arrogant tone, and behaving in a manner calculated to provoke a quarrel.
On my way up I made enquiries regarding those Sioux who have passed the winter in the Country and found out that a considerable amount of uneasiness prevails among them, and that they are holding Councils very

very frequently, and some have been heard to say that in the spring they would do whatever they pleased, as they expected large numbers of themselves in from the plains -
I have the honor further to inform your Excellency that I saw two letters that were sent in by Traders to their friends at the Portage -
Extract from letter written to Mr Whiteway by Trader Ooosoop or Back Fat, states - "The "Sioux are going into "the settlement and I hear "it is for no good".
This letter was written from a place called Red Ochre Hills
Another letter to Mrs Spence from her son Abraham Spence at Qu Appelle Lake, states
"The Sioux are gathering "at Wood Mountain and

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"and are going down to
"the settlement but I dont
"know what is their intention"

From Mr Pocha
at High Bluff a man
well acquainted with the
Sioux. and one who is
highly esteemed by them -
I learnt also that he had
been informed by certain
Sioux that a large number
of Sioux was expected in
the Spring -
The people of Palestine
readily enrolled themselves -
no one refused, many
were absent - they elected
their Captain. Lieutenant
and Ensign, which fact
I have communicated
to Col Smith -

I have the honor &c

(Sgd) I Norquay

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To His Excellency Alexander Morris Governor of Manitoba -

May it please your Excellency

We the inhabitants of Palestine in public meeting assembled have resolved to present to your Excellency the following petition -

Whereas we have learned from reliable sources that a large body of Sioux Indians have congregated at the Missouri river, consisting of some thousands of warriors and led by some parties who considered themselves aggrieved by the state of matters in the province consequent on the transference of this country to Canada, do intend to make a raid on the outposts of our province with the design of plunder and murder at the early opening of spring

Whereas

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KODAK SAFE

Whereas the settlement of Palestine lying as it does on the pathway from the great North West, is exposed to the hostile and predatory incursion of those savages whose past history but too clearly shows their blood thirsty character -

Whereas the settlement is inadequate for self defence not only on account of the fewness of the people, but also on account of the want of arms and ammunition -

Whereas it would be to the interest and safety of the whole province that a considerable body of troops should without delay be placed at or near this settlement -

Whereas such steps as these promptly taken would not only be a safeguard to the Province against Indian hostilities, but would also materially encourage immigration

Wherefore we humbly pray that your Excellency will

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will be pleased to cause
mounted Scouts to be sent
out a considerable distance
towards the West, that the
inhabitants in the Western
limits of the Province may
be apprized of danger,
and may thus prepare to
resist the foe -

Your petitioners earnestly
pray that at least one
hundred Soldiers be located
at or near this Settlement
without delay -

Also that your Excellency
will be pleased to order
that arms and ammunition
for fifty men be sent to
the inhabitants of this
place, who will use them
not only for self defence
but also for the interests
of the Province if needs be
as loyal and dutiful subjects
of Her Majesty -

We hereby promise
your Excellency that we
shall render every assistance
in our power in preparing
suitable quarters for the
Soldiers

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Soldiers -

May it please Your Excellency to think graciously on the prayer of your petitioners and your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray -

Palestine Mar 4. 1873.

(Sgd)

Martin L West

Revd John Machabb and fifty two others

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Government House
Fort Garry -
21st March 1873

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you a copy of a Petition from the inhabitants of Palestine a settlement of immigrants from Ontario, being the furthest beyond Portage La Prairie towards the limits of the Province, in the direction of the North West Territories -

In consequence of the

The Honble
The Secretary of State
for the Provinces
Ottawa

14 Mar 1873
to Gov 1873

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the receipt thereof - I instructed The Honble Mr Norquay to visit the locality, and report to me - I enclose his Report -

In thus acting and suggesting the mission of the Honble Mr Breland I only do so from motives of precaution -

There is uneasiness about the American Sioux owing to threats indulged in by "Little Knife" when in the Province last fall and owing to rumours from the plains -

The settlement at Palestine is so situated that the settlers could be cut off one by one without the

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the knowledge of the others, if a hostile movement was threatened-

If Mr Breland is dispatched with assurance to the Crees and Assiniboines at Fort Ellice of a coming Treaty, it will quiet those Tribes, and he will send forward scouts in advance of the Sioux band, if on the move, should they design mischief, and in any event, so as to arouse the authorities & population and prevent a surprise-

If there be mischief designed, the steps indicated will prevent it, and a sufficient force can be raised to protect the settlements-

I have been urged to send

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a detachment of fifty
men to Fort Ellice, but
Colonel Osborne Smith
on view of the reduction
of his force by sixty men,
whose services expire on
May is unable to spare
them, and he, besides
is of opinion that so
small a force would not
be sufficient if there be
a hostile movement.

I have not information
to decide whether there
is ground for the fears
existing, but I am satisfied
that the steps I have
advised by telegraph, viz
the organization of the
offered volunteers Company
at Palestine, the sending
of Breland on a mission
of enquiry and of assurance
of cunning negotiations,

and

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and if necessary the eventual raising of a force of metis and others, will be precautionary measures that will in any event commend themselves to approval.

As the Indians travel slowly, there will be ample time to take further defensive steps if necessary, the more especially as navigation will soon open and reinforcements can be thrown in if required.

The events of a few years past in Minnesota justify precaution.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servt

Wm. Norris

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner

FOR MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

1886.

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Victoria
Agency
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Report of Mr
J. A. Powers re
visit to and
interview with
Heart & Beaver
Lake Indians

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November 8th 1888

File

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to the letter ~~addressed to you by~~ I addressed to you from Fort Pitt on the subject of the removal of the ~~so~~ Indians from Beaver Lake to Saddle Lake.

This is a matter which should, if it has not already done so, receive early attention, & I shall be glad to learn at your ~~early~~ convenience what success may have attended your efforts to carry out the desired policy.

You will remember however that the ~~only~~ change of made must be a voluntarily one, altho' the hunting Indians must understand that while no effort will be made to compel them to fall in with the Dept's views in the matter, they need

not

Agent
Saddle Lake
Pakan
via Ed.

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not expect to have rations
sent out to them, where they now
are.

I have

the honour

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~~46~~ 1569

SIR GEO. STEPHEN, Bart., President.
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HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

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From Saddle Lake 3

To Ind Corner

Regina

Re Your letter fifteen sixty nine
Eighth nov Band's (?) Blacks fishing furrows
total unprecedented failure
much Obfusiation destitution Dissolvent Cavern consequent
portion prognostication parlor band black
now ox at behead whitefish Lake
and Aspen receiving replace rations remainings band Black
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TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO
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All sent 19/12/88

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In your reply refer to
No. 1097
Al[illegible] the date of this letter.

OFFICE I.M.N. INDIAN COMMISSIONER
DEC 26 1888

Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake, Alta.

14th December 1888

Referred put on file 1260.

Ans'd 3/1/88.

Sir,

I beg to report that the fishery at Beaver Lake has proved a failure and that in consequence of this and the scarcity of game the band are in destitute circumstances.

A portion of the Band are now at White fish Lake but will shortly return to Beaver Lake.

I am at present rationing this party and am sending out provisions and as much clothing as I can spare to relieve the wants of the balance of the Band.

If possible, I would be glad to receive a further supply of large blankets (say forty) and for distribution among this Band and the Heart Lake Chipewyans, who are unable to procure leather for themselves owing to the absence of deer Sixty pairs of common moccasins.

Contract. 59 Children's Blankets no receipt in yet

70 Blankets shipped from the office & agent rec'd them 14. Nov. 88.

I am, Sir
Your obedt. Servant
Jno. A. Mitchell
Indn. Agent

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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December 19th 1888.

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Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that your telegram which rendered from cipher reads "Re your letter "fifteen sixty-nine eighth Nover. Band's "fishery total failure much destitution "consequent - portion of Band now "at Whitefish Lake and receiving rations "Band will require rations all "winter. Under circumstances shall "I proceed as directed"

~~a~~ reached this office when I was absent on an official ~~tour~~ of inspection.

In reply I beg to state that it is not desired to have the Beaver Lake Indians settle at White Fish Lake, ~~unless some strong reason to the contrary~~ but at Saddle Lake,

Agent
~~Pak~~ Saddle Lake
Pakan
via Edmonton -

~~It~~
at

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~~In view~~

at which point I understand a Roman Catholic mission is being established, which will enable them to amalgamate with co-religionists as I believe them to be claimed by the Roman Catholics

In view of the failure of the fisheries and the consequent ~~[illegible]~~ destitution I do not know that it would be advisable to bring in during the winter any families who are supporting themselves by hunting, where they are.

I have

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Comm:

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January 3rd 1889

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 14th ulto. and regret to learn of the destitution resulting from the failure of the fishery and hunt.

I observe the measures taken by you for the relief of those affected, and will send you another bale of large blankets, as requested.

I think however that ~~from out of~~ the ~~relief afforded~~ distribution of these blankets, will leave the Indians in a position to devote part of the money which otherwise they would have had to ~~devote~~ expend on the purchase of blankets, to buying moccassins, and every resistance should be made to letting hunting

Indians

Agent
Dep.
Saddle Lake
Pakan.

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Indians begin to look to the Dept
for the provision of such articles
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Indian Agent Mitchell
Saddle Lake

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Re your letter eleven twenty one. twenty fourth ult. If Indians destitute send provisions White Fish Lake for issue by Farmer Ingram

Sgd H. R.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1122
Also to the date of this letter.

Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake, Alta
24th January 1889

Sir,

With reference to the portion of your letter of 19th December – No. 1569 reading as follows "In reply I beg to state that it is not desired to have the Beaver Lake Band settle at Whitefish Lake but at Saddle Lake" – I beg to say that I perfectly understood that such was your wish, and merely stated in my telegram of the 3rd Decr. that "portion of Band are now at "Whitefish Lake and receiving rations" in order that the extent of the destitution prevailing at Beaver Lake might be more fully understood.

I am, Sir
Your obedt. Servant
S. A. McFarlane
– I.A.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
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Also to the date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake Alta.

24th January 1889.

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Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 19th ultimo and previous Correspondence regarding the removal of the Beaver Lake Band to Saddle Lake, I beg to state that I communicated your instructions to the Band and fully explained the matter to them and have to-day received their reply to the effect that it is not their intention to have their present location.

They inform me that it is their wish that a Reserve Extending from the Western end of Beaver Lake to the main trail to Lac la Biche (from Victoria) including the lands in the vicinity of Mr Patrick Prudens farm at Hay Creek, be set aside and Surveyed for them.

That they are now very anxious to farm as they can no longer support themselves by hunting.

They ask that the Government furnish them with Oxen, Cows and farming

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farming implements etc to enable them to farm and that they receive the same assistance in provisions, as other Bands.

They inform me that they cannot possibly support themselves this Winter and will starve if not fed by the Government and that, having nothing but dogtrains with which to freight out their rations and having no fish to feed these dogs, they will be unable to come to the Agency for provisions; they ask that the Department freight the supplies for the Band, to White-fish Lake, from whence they will convey it to Beaver Lake by dogtrains.

I have told them that until I have communicated their refusal to remove from Beaver Lake, to the Department, I cannot say whether any further supplies will be sent out to them or not, as in accordance with your instructions I told them that while no effort would be made to induce them to remove to Saddle Lake, they were to understand that if they chose to remain at Beaver Lake they need not expect that rations would be sent out.

Regarding the selection of the Reserve at Beaver Lake and Hay Creek and their request that cattle and implements be given them to farm thereon, I have

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have told them, in reply to their statement that they considered that the Government were bound by the Treaty to supply these things should the Band wish to farm, the Indians having ceded the lands in that vicinity, that, owing to the small area of good farming land near Beaver Lake and the great expense connected with the supplying of implements, cattle etc to a Band so far north, it was quite possible that the Government might decline to assist them in farming at a point so far north and so difficult of access.

At present the Band are very destitute and it will be impossible to avoid rationing them for at least the next two months.

The hunting has entirely failed and their efforts to catch fish, both by nets and hooks, have also proved unsuccessful.

I would therefore ask to be instructed on the following points—

1st What course I shall pursue in regard to rationing, during the balance of the winter and whether I shall deliver supplies for this Band at Whitefish Lake, as they ask

2nd If I may be permitted to engage Mr P. Pruden to issue these rations

Sft Ind. destitute send provns White Fish Lake to be issued by Farmer Ingram.

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rations under an arrangement similar to that made by yourself last Spring.

3rd. What reply I may make to them regarding their selection of the Reserve and request for Cattle tools and rations.

4th Whether the refusal of the Band to remove shall be met by a refusal to supply them the means of farming and provisions to farm on next Spring.

I should be glad to receive a reply to the first enquiry by wire.

I am, Sir
Your obedt. Servant
S. A. Mitchell
Indn Agent

P.S.
Provision for Oxen, heifers, bulls etc for this Band was made in the 1889-90 Estimates and accompanied by Explanatory notes.

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KODAK SAFETY FILM

Beaver Lake
Indians refuse to
go to Sucker Lake.

Returned by Conn
16/4/89

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February 15th 89

1121

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 24th ulto: and to confirm the following ~~reply~~ telegram addressed to you on 12th Inst: vo: "Re your letter eleven twenty one "twenty fourth ulto: if Indians destitute "send provisions White Fish Lake "for issue by Farmer Ingram."

This answers the first two of the questions categorically put by you, and it may be added in explanation, that no necessity for employing Mr. Pruden or any one else outside of the service, to issue rations when Mr. Farmer Ingram is at White Fish Lake, can be discovered. provided as you say the Mds. come to that point for their supplies. With regard to your further enquiries I beg to inform you, that it is

not

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Saddle Lake.
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not considered advisable to give these Indians a Reserve where they desire to settle themselves. ~~Those that~~ Without a farmer to look after them, which expense can not be incurred by the Dept: it would ~~[illegible]~~ be idle to ~~start~~ supply them with the means of starting to farm. Those who really desire to farm can as suggested come in to Saddle Lake, and those who do not choose to do this, can get on as best they are able in their own way.

~~Mr. Agent Mame at Onion Lake is rapidly getting his rebel Indians to come in and farm where wanted to do so, and all that it is required to effect this, is an exercise of discretion and determination~~

The policy pursued at Onion Lake, and which has worked admirably, has been to let such Indians understand that if they choose to come in & farm they will be assisted to do so, but in that case will have to stay on the Reserve, unless ~~allowed~~ when

~~off~~

passes

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~~off to hunt~~
when passes are issued to them to go & hunt at the proper season.

No endeavour is made to coerce those who wish to remain out, and they understand that so long as they do so they can look out for themselves.

This is the policy which you should use your most determined effort to successfully pursue, while on the other hand were dire emergency to arise among the Indians who had not come in, their common humanity would dictate an intermittence of the established policy, in order to afford relief.

I have &c

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In your reply refer to
No. 1169
Also to the date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake Alta

8th March 1889

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAR 20 1889

Ansd 21/3/89.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that a complaint has been made by two of the late Headmen of the Beaver Lake Band, No. 131, that "tea dances" are constantly being held by the young men of the Band and that although they have been repeatedly requested to desist they will not do so.

No complaint of the use of intoxicants is made but as at such dances a mixture of tea and tobacco, which if made sufficiently strong is undoubtedly an intoxicant, is used, it is likely that these dances end only when those participating have become partially intoxicated.

I am anxious to take steps to repress this evil and request that you will inform me on the two following points -

1st - If the use of an intoxicant manufactured by the Indians from tea and tobacco, can be proved, what course should I pursue.

2nd - If it is found that no intoxicant is used, can any action be taken to stop the dances complained of.

I am Sir
Your obed Servant
[illegible]
Ind.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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March 21st 1889

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 8th Inst: and in reply to your enquiries to inform you that it would appear from the definition of "intoxicants" given in sub-section "N." of section 2. of the Indian act, that to come within its meaning tobacco or tea must be mixed or compounded or impregnated with opium or with other intoxicating drugs, spirits, or substances, ~~and whether~~ If therefore the Indians mix tea and tobacco above and use it in the manner described, the only remedy which suggests itself is to stop supplying these articles to such as do so, and prevent their selling anything wherewith to purchase them.

Agent
Saddle Lake.

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With regards to stopping any other dance than that known as the "Tamanawas" there is no other available means than moral suasion, possibly ~~follo~~ strengthened if necessary, by the withdrawal of rations from the offenders.

The prevalence of such dances is much to be regretted, and you should strongly support the Chief-men, in the manner mentioned, in their efforts to put them down.

I have &c

Asst Comm'r.

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Hayter.

Please attention.

MEMORANDUM.

Ottawa, March 26th, 1889.

The undersigned would draw the attention of the Department to the following facts:--

Prior to the outbreak in the North West Territories the Indians known as the Beaver Lake Indians resided and hunted in the vicinity of this Lake, and cultivated small patches of ground on the shores and islands. These were disloyal during the Rebellion, and consequently forfeited all Treaty rights. Owing to the fact of a large number having withdrawn from Treaty as Half Breeds in 1885 and 1886, the band now only numbers some 143 souls.

The desire of the undersigned has always been to deal with them as was done with the Fort Pitt Indians, that is, let those Indians who were rebels and earned their livelihood mainly by hunting, remain out if they so desired it, giving them no assistance except a little ammunition; but any who felt they could not live by the hunt might come into the Agency at Saddle Lake and farm, where they would be treated as other Indians who had settled down, meaning by this that they themselves might select whether to become farmers or remain out hunting. The plan has worked admirably so far in the Pitt Agency, and has been the means of not only making for the Government a considerable saving, but

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but also has greated among the Indians a greater spirit of self-dependence.

Although no active steps have been taken to carry this idea, in connection with the Beaver Lake Indians, into execution, by telling them it will only be at Saddle Lake where such as cannot earn their own living by hunting will be fed and that the others must rely upon their own resources— the Agency being open to any who might be desirous of abandoning the hunt and settling down— the undersigned would recommend that the Department authorize such a course to be pursued.

The Indians are desirous of having a Reserve laid out for them at Beaver Lake, and that they be furnished with cattle and implements. In the event of its being impossible to prevail upon them to abandon this idea , it might be found advisable to have a Reserve set aside for them, but this fact need not militate against the carrying out of the suggestion made herein.

These Indians are claimed by the Roman Catholics, and, as has been already reported to the Department, Bishop Grandin has expressed a desire that they be treated in the manner indicated.

Respectfully submitted.

Hayter Reed
Commissioner.

To the Honourable
The Supt. General
Of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1196
Also [illegible] date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake, Alta

5th April 1889.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 17 1889
N.W.T.

Ans'd 24/4/89

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 1121 of 15th February last re removal of Beaver Lake Band to the Saddle Lake Reservation, I beg to state that the following Indians of that Band have asked permission to settle at Whitefish Lake - viz:

Kahquanum Ex-Headman
See-pee-kwas-ka-na-pew.

Their applications are accompanied by an expression of a desire on the part of Chief Pakan and Councillors that these two families be permitted to remain at Whitefish Lake.

The latter (Seepeekweskanapew) has resided at Whitefish Lake since 1886 and has a house on that Reserve.

I would recommend that their request be granted but that applications of a similar nature from other members of the Beaver Lake Band be not entertained.

I am, Sir,
Your obedt Servant
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Indian Agent

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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Saddle Lake band
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April 25th 1889

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 5th Inst. and in reply to inform you that in accordance with your recommendation the Kahquanum and See-pee-kwes-ka-ha-pew ~~mo~~ of the Beaver Lake Band may be allowed to ~~join~~ settle at White-fish Lake. The ~~accompanying~~ consent of the Band to their admission must however be obtained in the form, a copy of which is enclosed, and forwarded to this office.

It will be well for you to keep a copy of this form, since you will have to follow ~~the same~~ it with regard to the admission of Mother Beaver Lake Indians to Saddle Lake Bands

I have

HR

Commr.

Agent
Saddle Lake.
~~Victoria~~
Pakan

RC.

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granting authority to
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certain Indians of the
Beaver Lake into Saddle
Lake Band.

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In your reply refer to
No. 173.
All [illegible] date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake Agency

20th February 1890.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE MAR 5 1890 N.W.T.

Sir

I have the honour to report that, in response to an appeal for aid, I have supplied to the Beaver Lake Band, a small quantity of flour and bacon for relief of existing destitution.

I have at the same time informed them that this must not be accepted by them as a sign that the Government has withdrawn from the position taken regarding their removal to the Saddle Lake Reserve.

In rendering this assistance I considered that I was acting in accordance with the views expressed in your letter No. 1121 of 15th February 1889 (final clause)

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J. A. Mitchell
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No. 600
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

31st March 1891.

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APR
1891
N.W.T.

Sir,

Referring to Voucher no: 90. amounting to 19.00, for freighting supplies to the Beaver Lake band of indians, I have the honor to inform you that I was compelled to hire Prudent to freight these supplies as these indians have no oxen, horses or dogs of their own and I found them, on my arrival there, in a very destitute condition. The charge of one cent and a quarter ₱lb. is not unreasonable when the almost impassable state of the roads is considered.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obt. Servant,
John Ross
Actg Agent.

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Regina.

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Memo. of Enclosures

Agents Diary for Month of April

Employees Return

✓ Death "

✓ Work "

Farmer Lawfords Diary

Instructress Lawfords report for March.

✓ Individual Earnings. April.

Moose Intr.

May 2/91 W.G.

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In your reply refer to
No. 691.a.
Also date of this letter.

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JUL 21 1891
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

10th July 1891.

The Comr.

Dept. 22/7/91

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Garson, of Victoria, wired me on the 4th instant that Chief Bears Ears was dying. I started the next morning - Sunday - taking such articles of food with me, as I had in store, and purchasing at Victoria Tea and mustard. I stayed with him all Monday. He died that night. Disease, congeshon of the lungs. I had a long conversation with Mr. Garson on the subject of the transfer of Bears Ears band to Saddle Lake. Mr. Garson promises me to induce them to go down by haying time, but states it would be better for me, until then, not to broach the matter to the band.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obdt. Servant,
John Ross
Actg: agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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23rd. July,

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Acting Indian Agent at Saddle Lake, reports the death, on 6th. inst: from congestion of the lungs, of Chief Bears Feet.

The Acting Agent, as soon as heard of his serious illness, started to visit him, and staid with him the whole day, on the night of which he died.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. G. McL

Asst. Commissioner.

The Deputy of the

Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 81,239.
ALSO QUOTE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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N.W.T.

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Ottawa, 8th August, 1891

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, stating that the Acting Agent at Saddle Lake reports the death, from congestion of the lungs, of Chief Bears Ears; and in reply, I beg to inform you that the Department has learned with regret, of the death of this Chief.

Your obedient Servant,

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

The Indn. Commissioner
for Man. & N. W. Territories
Regina, N. W. T.

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14th. March,

373.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 22nd. ulto: enclosing one addressed to you by Rev. Father Grandin on 2nd. ulto: relative to Leave Lake Indians.

With regard to giving further assistance to these Indians I can not see any reason to alter the policy already determined upon, which as you are aware is to remove them to a place where they can be looked after and have a prospect of farming successfully or if they refuse to do this, let them understand that they need not expect assistance from the Government.

Under the circumstances to furnish them with more implements would be to encourage them in what is not in their own interests or in those of the Department and in any case Returns show that they have two plows, in their possession.

I notice your remark that it will be difficult to replace Praden at the small remuneration he receives, but fail to see that there is any ground for contemplating having to dismiss him, as there is nothing to show that he has failed to do his duty in any particular, and the Department's employees depend upon satisfying their superior officers within the Department, not those to whom they are in no way responsible.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Indian Agent,

Saddle Lake,

Pakan.

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Hay Creek
March 6th 1892

Dear Sir

I send you a five lines to let you know what you ask me about Revd Father Grandin - I have nothing against him he did no harm to me I am very sorry that I displeased him but I never said any Bad word against him, I suppose becaus I am a protestan

I Remain Your obd
Servent
Pat Pruden

The Indian Agent
Saddlehake

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In your reply refer to
No. 921
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

10th March 1892.

Sir,

Reverting to my letter No: 873 of 22nd ult., with enclosure from Revd. Father Grandin, I have the honor to enclose herewith a reply from Pat. Pruden to my letter to him in regard thereto.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obdt. Servant,
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1569.
to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

MANITOBA AND NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

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Regina, 27th January 1892.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 864 of 17th instant, relative to the destitute condition of the Beaver Lake Indians; — Your action in the case is approved ~~but you are reminded to~~ Issues should however be made very sparingly to this Band. ~~however~~

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

JR

Comm.

Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake.

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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

17th January 1892.

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Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the Beaver Lake indians came in to Agency for assistance, as they are in a destitute condition, and that I instructed Mr. Farmer Ingram to ship from Whitefish Lake to Pat Meden, for issue to them, 500 lb barley flour and 1200 lb chopped barley for porridge. I also sent them twine to snare rabbits and fish-hooks.

Approved 27/1/92
Issues to this Bd. Ind. be made sparingly

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obdt. Servant.
G. H. Harper.
for Indian agent.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No. 872.
Also to date of this letter.

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MAR 7
1892
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

22nd February 1892.

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Ans'd 14/3/92.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your consideration letter I received from the Revd. Father Grandin regarding the Beaver Lake band of Indians. I have written to Pat. Pruden for explanation as to the cause of Mr. Grandins reference to his bearing towards him. It is regrettable that any difference has arisen as it will be difficult to replace Pruden at the small remuneration he receives. I would recommend that the favor asked for be granted. To avoid further correspondence from Father Grandin on the subject of assistance, I have, pending your reply, shipped to him some ammunition and twine for distribution among these indians. The twine is for snaring rabbits, as the small supply of wire sent to me is already expended.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obdt. Servant.
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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Lac La Biche
February 2nd 1892

Dear Sir

We have been requested by the Beaver Lake Indians, to ask you for some assistance. They are in need of ammunition, wire for catching rabbits and dress goods for old women. I forward their request with the hope that you will be able to supply them with what they require.

You know, Dear Sir, that I would like as much as you would yourself, to see them on your reserve at Father Gueret's mission. Unhappily they are not to be persuaded to go there. I spoke to them more than once and Rev. Father Cunningham did the same but to no purpose. They wish to remain near Beaver Lake and wont hear of being removed elsewhere. When at Lac Ste Anne I had to deal with Indians in a similar situation. Part of the Indians had a reserve on Lac Ste Anne and some wanted to have their reserve near White Whale Lake. The Agent Mr Anderson refused their demand and would not help them. Mr Dewdney then Indian Commissioner came on a visit to St Albert, & here I had the honour of meeting with him. I explained to him the position of my Indians and he answered me that they had the right on their side and in fact, the reserve was surveyed at White Whale Lake where they are to this day. Both reserves contain about the same number of Indians as those of Beaver Lake. Now since there

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KODAK SAFETY

White Whale Lake 69
Inclusive of Stones 29 pins (Ugt sugs will be 45.)
from Wolf Creek
Lac Ste Anne's 140
Bear Lake 118

Indians stick to their old place, would it not be better to give them the help they need to better their position. They want me to buy them a plough to break ground next spring and plant some potatoes and barley. I think they have a right to at least one plough from the Indian Department and therefore I beg of you to be so kind as to obtain and send them that said plough before spring. If your answer should be unfavorable, please let me know as soon as you conveniently can, that I may see what I can do myself.

I received the sack of flour, bacon and tea for our old crazy woman. Allow me to state my wish, not to have any thing to do with Mr Patrick Pruden. I would not like to say any thing against him, but I would not stand to be abused by him and therefore prefer not to have to deal with him

Believe me Dear Sir

Yours Truly

H Grandin

O.M.I.

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Lac La Biche.

18th April 1895.

Private -

My Dear Sir.

I cannot refuse to write what I have been requested to by an Indian, but I take the liberty to say that if you grant his request you must be ready to grant the same to 6 or 7 families who only wait for your answer to make their application. Amongst them several are undoubtedly unable to support themselves. It is to be regretted that the agent cannot do anything for these Indians of Beaver Lake and everybody finds it strange that they be left so entirely abandoned by the Indian department. I have called to see some sick persons this week at the place occupied by this band and it is difficult to find a greater penury. I have been literally obliged to not to eat to help some sick people who had absolutely nothing. Is there no means to give aid to these Indians who have no other wrong than that of keeping to their idea which the agent would like them to change? I would be very thankful if you suggested to me some means to bring the Department to treat them like the other Indians. Before my leaving for Europe, two years ago, I had written to Mr Daly in this respect, Minister of the Interior, on this respect and on my way I received an answer which made me think that this gentleman had not the nearest idea of the situation in

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which these Indians were and that he had be informed in a very fanciful manner. I could not, on account of my journey, discuss his assertions, but if you think I could obtain something for these Indians, I should readily reopen the subject.

Kindly excuse this importunity & believe me

your very obedient servant

H. Grandin.

O.M.S.

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Rd. 9/5/95 File May 4th 1895

Mon cher Père Grandin.

J'accuse réception de votre lettre du 18 d'Avril que Mgr. Grandin m'a fait parvenir au sujet des sauvages du Lac Castor. A ce sujet je dois vous dire que la conduite du Département a l'égard de ces sauvages a été décidée il y a déjà quelque temps et que dernièrement encore j'écrivais à Mr. Ross lui demandant quelle mesure il avait prises dans le but de poursuivre le plan du département, c.a.d. en cherchant à induire ces sauvages qui demandent des secours à se rendre et s'établir sur la partie est de la Rivière de Pakan. Nous connaissons les sauvages du Lac Castor sont dans un état de dénuement plus ou moins grand mais nous croyons aussi savoir que les trafiquants des environs les persuadent de demeurer à cet endroit pour profiter de leurs chasses. Si le Lac Castor était un endroit où l'on put faire de la culture d'une manière satisfaisante, il n'y aurait pas d'inconvénient à encourager une réserve de ce côté ; il en est autrement, et si la chasse n'est pas suffisante pour entretenir les sauvages il est infiniment préférable dans leur propre intérêt qu'ils allent s'établir ailleurs. Dans ce dernier cas ils jouiront de mêmes

R.P. Grandin.
Lac La Biche

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avantages que ceux de Bokan. Rien ne les empêcherait d'ailleurs à passer la saison de chasse à leur endroit favori. Seulement les gens valides chassent et pour eux, là la distance, qui après tout n'est pas très considérable ne saurait être un obstacle sérieux. Pendant l'été ils pourraient cultiver et s'assurer des récoltes moins précaires que celles dont ils jouissent ~~dans~~ en ce moment, En tous cas le député surintendant ~~ne conditionnait pas~~ n'est pas d'opinion de les supporter au même degré que les autres sauvages s'ils ne veulent pas ~~adopter notre ligne~~ se plier à nos conditions qui sont vous le savez, ~~toutes~~ tout à leur avantage. ~~Actuellement~~ Ce n'est qu'en cas ~~d'urgente~~ d'urgente nécessité que nous pouvons leur donner des provisions.

Je n'ose pas vous encourager à recommencer une correspondance sur ce sujet avec le ministère de l'intérieur, car j'ai bien peur que ce soit sans résultat, cependant si vous croyez pouvoir y gagner, je ne voudrais vous désapprouver de faire certaines démarches.

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Lac La Biche 18 avril 1895

Rivière

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 29 1895
REGINA ASSA.

Mon cher Monsieur,

Je ne puis refuser d'écrire ce que ce sauvage me demande, mais je prends la liberté de vous dire que si vous accordez sa demande il faut être prêt à accorder la même chose à 6 ou 7 familles qui m'attendent que votre réponse pour faire leur application. Dans le nombre certainement beaucoup sont incapables de se faire vivre. Il est regrettable que l'agent ne puisse rien faire pour ces sauvages du lac Castor, et tout le monde trouve étrange qu'ils soient si complètement abandonnés par le Département Indien. Je suis allé voir des malades cette semaine sur la place occupée par cette bande et il est difficile de trouver misère plus grande. J'ai littéralement été obligé de me priver de manger pour aider quelques malades qui m'avaient absolument rien. Est-ce qu'il n'y aurait pas quelque moyen de donner un peu d'aide à ces sauvages qui n'ont d'autre tort que de tenir à leur place que l'agent voudrait leur faire abandonner.

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Je vous serais bien reconnaissant si vous m'indiquiez quelque moyen pour ~~forcer~~ amener le Département à les traiter comme les autres sauvages. Avant mon départ pour l'Europe il y a 2 ans j'avais écrit à ce sujet à Mr. Daly ministre de l'Intérieur, et en chemin je reçus une réponse qui m'a persuadé que ce Monsieur n'avait pas la plus petite idée de la situation de ces sauvages et qu'on l'avait renseigné d'une manière plus que fantaisiste. Mon départ m'empêcha alors de relever ses assertions, mais si vous pensiez que je pourrais obtenir quelque chose pour ces sauvages, je reprendrais volontiers cette correspondance.

Veuillez cher Monsieur excuser mon importunité et me croire

Votre bien dévoué serviteur

H. Grandin
o.m.i.p.

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St Albert. 29th April 1875

To W. J. Forget

Personal.

My Dear W. Forget

Father Lacombe sends me (open) the official letter which he addresses to you, asking me and to forward it if I found it too plainly spoken. If the letter were addressed to you personally, I certainly would keep it here, but as it is otherwise, I think it my duty to send it.

As I had occasion to prove it to the Department, the institution at Lake La Biche has been almost entirely renovated, upon the assurance given to me repeatedly by word of mouth and letters by Wm J. A. Macdonald and Dewdney, that we could therein receive the Indian Treaty children and those that had left it and even the children of recognized halfbreeds. The only recommendation that was then made to me was that the children must not have "too white a skin". It is well to note that such authorization was not only given for Lake La Biche but also for St Albert. W. H. Reed ~~in~~ is not unaware nor could be ~~ignorant~~ be of this authorisation. I consequently am not surprised to find that a missionary gets incensed when a matter long ago settled comes again for consideration. It must also be known that the Lake La Biche Mission is within the limits of Alberta and that it is attended by Indians who do not belong to the Treaty. We have had

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some such Indian children, even at St Albert, and no ~~trouble has~~ difficulties have ever been made as to that. As regards halfbreed children who have come out of the Treaty or have never belonged to it, it will be necessary for the Ottawa government to find means to help these poor people. They may, as much as desired, be accused of having ~~been expendthrift~~ thrown away what they had, but they cannot be placidly allowed to die, especially the poor children who are not responsible for the faults of the parents. Let the Indian Department claim from the Government the extra expenditure on behalf of these children, this would perhaps be the means to decide it to adopt some scheme in their favor.

Yours

+ Vital J. Bishop of St Albert

(O.M.S.)

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St. Albert 29 Avril 1895.

M. A. Forget

Personnelle.

Mon cher Monsieur Forget,

Le P. Grandin m'envoie ouverte la lettre officielle qu'il vous adresse, me priant de la retenir si je la trouve inconvenante. Si la dite lettre vous était adressée personnellement, je la retiendrais certainement, mais comme il en est autrement je crois devoir vous l'envoyer.

Comme je l'ai prouvé au Departement, l'établissement du lac Labiche a été presque entièrement renouvelé, sur l'assurance que m'avaient donnée à différentes reprises et de vive voix et par écrit + M. J. A. McDonald et Dewney, que vous pourriez y prendre les + enfants sauvages du traité et ceux qui en sont sortis et même des enfants de Métis reconnus. La seule recommandation qu'on me faisait alors, c'est que ces enfants n'eussent pas la peau trop blanche.

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Il est bon de noter que cette autorisation n'était pour seulement donné pour le Lac Labiche mais aussi pour St. Albert. Mr. H. Reed signera certainement et cependant signera cette autorisation. Je ne trouve pas surprenant que cela gêne un missionnaire si empêtrant que d'ordinaire avant une question vitale depuis si longtemps.

On doit savoir aussi que la mission du Lac Labiche se trouve sur les limites de l'Alberta et qu'elle est fréquentée par des sauvages qui ne sont pas encore traités, donc on doit en de ces enfants sauvages, même à St. Albert et jamais on n'a fait de difficultés pour cela. Pour ce qui est des enfants Métis sortis de traité qui n'y ayant jamais été; Il faudra certainement que le Gouvernement d'Ottawa trouve le moyen de les civiliser ces malheureux. Je doute bien avec d'avoir pu répondre à votre question vous dira, ou regrette pour les laisser [illegible] de Canada, surtout de

grands enfants qui ne peuvent être responsable de l'inconduite de parents. Je le pense tellement Indien vis à vis au Gouvernement pour les frais occasionnés pour ces quelques enfants, ce serait peut-être une exagération de la diriger à quelques quelques pour un bien passager. Croyez-moi, Cher Monsieur, Votre dévoué et affectionné

✠ Vital J. Ev. de St. Albert

O.M.I.

P.S.

Mes respects à Mme Forget. S'il vous plaît Notre Cher P. Lacombe m'a occasionné de sérieux inquiétudes pour sa maladie, il est maintenant en bonne voie de guérison

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May 9th 1895.

Monseigneur

J'accuse réception de votre lettre du 29 d'Avril et de celle du R. P. Grandin que vous y avez jointe. Je réponds directement au R. P. Grandin au sujet des sauvages du Lac Castor. Quand à ce qui se rapporte ~~au sujet du~~ au Lac Labiche, ~~de~~ ~~de~~ aux enfants de sauvages ~~ou métis~~ sortis du traité ou ceux ~~d'enfants~~ de métis reconnus ~~y~~ dont on a permis l'admission aux écoles de St Albert et du Lac Labiche et enfin du plan ~~que vous~~ suggéré par votre Grandeur, que le Dépt ~~soit~~ des sauvages soit remboursé de ses frais ~~par~~ ~~de~~ à ces fins par le gouvernement, je dois vous dire que le Dépt des sauvages a la plus grande objection à payer pour les enfants métis et qu'il serait irrégulier de charger le Département ~~des sauvages avec~~ de frais ~~qu'ils qui~~ ~~ne sont~~ pour ~~de~~ fins qui ne relèvent pas de lui. Je prends la liberté de suggérer à votre Grandeur de s'addresser au gouvernement du nord-ouest qui est chargé de la population blanche ~~dans les limites d'Alberta~~. Pour les fins d'éducation, les métis devraient s'ériger en districts scolaires comme partout ailleurs. ~~Ce~~ S'ils sont trop pauvres, ils doivent alors s'addresser au gouvt du N.O. qui, il est possible, pourvoira à leurs besoins, car c'est de son ressort.

Mgr. Grandin
St Albert.

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Memo.

No. 1590

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner

FOR MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

1886.

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Regina
Sept 24th 86

Sir

I beg to request that you will be kind enough to afford us the benefit of your views with regard to the direction in which legislation should be carried on in connection with the subjects of illegitimate children begotten between Indians themselves - Indians & whites - and of polygamy

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J & R

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Battleford

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Reference 1590

No 7

Indian Office
Battleford
Oct. 20th 1886

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 1504 of the 24th Ult. with reference to legislation in connection with the subject of illegitimate children and polygamy and in reply I beg to say that the subject seems to me a most difficult one to deal with by legislation. In the present state of the Indians generally, the extreme laxity of their ideas and practices in the matter renders it difficult to draw the line between legitimate and illegitimate children.

With reference to the offspring of whites and Indians, this difficulty would not generally exist and might be more easily dealt with by legislation.

With regard to polygamy, prohibitory enactments might do some good, but until the Indians are raised by Christian civilization above their present low state of morals, it appears to me that legal restraints will fail to reach the root of the matter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
J. A. Mackay
Indian Agent

The Hon.
The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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No 1590

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

For Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Regina, October 30th 1886.
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Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith the draft of an ordinance, which subject to your approval, it is proposed to pass through the N.W. Council during the present session.

I beg to explain that as the Bill was originally presented for the consideration of the Civil Justice Committee, it contained the clauses numbered from 1 to 5 inclusively - but that one (No. 5) which provides a penalty was objected to by the committee, and they formally approved of the Bill composed of the first 4 clauses alone.

Upon further consideration it seemed to be advisable to add No. 6 clause to the 4 approved of, and this addition has been informally sanctioned by the Committee who re-of-

To the Right Honorable.
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa

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recognise its value.
The Bill ~~then~~ now proposed to be introduced contains all of the clauses with the exception of No. 5, of a penal nature, and I will be glad to learn from you, at your earliest convenience, since it is uncertain how much longer the council may sit, whether the proposed course meets with your approval, or whether you would prefer that this necessary legislation should originate from Ottawa.
The idea with which it is proposed to pass the bill into an ordinance here, is to save time, since it is supposed that there may be no legislation at Ottawa, for some months to come, and it is of importance that the proposed provisions should become law, before notice of the intention reach those men who will immediately discard the women with whom they are co-habiting, and the issue of such intercourse to their fate.
I would ask to have a reply by wire.
I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant,
[signature]
~~Asst.~~ Commr.

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No. 445. Indian Office Victoria. N.W.T.
17th January 1887.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE MAR 2 1887

Acd 8/3/87
Rewritten to 25/3/87

Sir

I have the honour to request that you will inform as to the course which should be pursued in regard to the following cases, which are but a few out of many among the Indians of this District.

John Mahkookis, No. 3 of Band No. 125 was married some years ago to No. 83 of Band No. 128 by the late Revd. H.B. Steinhauer, and had by her a family of four children. About four years ago he deserted his wife, apparently without cause, and took another woman under the Indian Ceremony, with whom he is now paid at Saddle Lake. His lawful wife has for years past, worked hard endeavoring to support herself and children, but at times, with so little success, that three years ago one of her children died from what was almost starvation.

Macrae
Kindly [illegible]

Chief Seenum has on several occasions expressed his desire that Mahkookis should be compelled to support his wife and family, but as the wife will not proceed against him and as I cannot see that provision is made for such a case as this in the "Indian Act" or other Statutes, I am unable to act on her behalf.

The following case differs from the above, only in the fact that the husband was not lawfully married, but took his wife in accordance with the custom formerly prevailing among the Indians.

John, No. 13 of Band 127 married under the Indian Custom, had two children by the woman and deserted her since the Annuity Payment was

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was made. He is now living with another woman on the Saddle Lake Reserve, while his first wife supports their Child, and is in very destitute circumstances.

I have cited these cases for two reasons, first, that I may be informed what action can possibly be taken in the matter and Secondly, with a view towards proving the necessity of action on the Suggestions herein respectfully offered & That legislation for the abolition and prohibition of the Indians Customs of marriage, be enacted.

On Several occasions, I have discussed this subject with Chief James Dreaver, his Councillors and the Headmen of the Bands of the District, and have found that they would gladly welcome any Action of the Government in that direction, as they see plainly that they have injured themselves as a people, by their Continued adherence to a Custom which they now know to be wrong.

I do not wish to be understood as saying that as a whole the Indians Still adhere to their former Customs, for many have within the past few years been married by the missionaries among them, but it is undoubtedly true that the rising generation are falling back into the old habit, despite the efforts of the missionaries to the Contrary.

I trust that in placing before you the above fact and in endeavoring to point out a remedy therefor, I have not transcended the limits of my duty as your Agent, if so I can only offer as my reason, the vital importance of the Subject

I am, Sir
your obed't Servant
[illegible]
Ind'n Agent.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 37782.
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa. 14th March 1887.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE MAR 22 1887 MAN.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant, reporting the cases of two Indians in the Victoria Agency who are guilty of deserting their wives and children; and in reply I beg to inform you that the provisions of the law with regard to the stoppage of Annuities may be given effect to in these cases and the money applied towards the support

of

Hon. E. Dewdney.
Ind. Com. for Man. & N.W.T.
Regina. N.W.T.

Apt advised 25/3/87

Campbell advise Comp

JMB

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of the deserted women and children.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obdt. Servant.

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl.

of Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

Ottawa 24th Oct 188

My dear Mr Dewdney—

Referring to a letter of yours, of date the 24th october of last year, forwarding for the consideration of the Superintendent General the draft of an ordinance, which it was proposed should be passed through the North West Council, providing for the support of illegitimate children, I have to say that in the opinion of the

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Minister of Justice, with whom I have conversed on the subject, this question is one which must be dealt with by the Parliament of Canada, and that he has the question as to the best manner of dealing with it under his consideration.

I am etc.,

Thos White

His Honour
Lt. Governor Dewdney
Regina
N.W.T.

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OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

1873

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See lett to Hon Dr Carroll
" " Dr Powell
24/May "
29/July/25 see lett from "

Dr. J. W. Powell
Ind. Comr.
27 Mar. Victoria
15 Apl. B.C.

For Flags & Medals for the various B.C. Ind. Chiefs - Asks for a further Credit. -

See memo of Apl 13
Ans lett

Answd Apl 16.

V 13/18 Apl. lett from Dr. Wolcomb

Answd Apl 17 to Mr. Wolcomb

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British Columbia

Department of Indian Affairs

Victoria Mar 27th 1873

Sir

I have the honor to suggest for your consideration the desirability (in making arrangements for the government of British Columbia Indians) of procuring a number of Medals and Dominion Flags for presentation to the various Chiefs, who may merit the same for good conduct and loyalty. Our Indian Chiefs are exceedingly fond of any symbols of authority or distinction and invariably evince their gratitude for them by fidelity and attachment

The late Governor Seymour had a number of bronze tips for flag staffs sent out

The Honorable
Joseph Howe
Secretary of State for the Provinces
&c &c &c

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Sent out from England the presentation of
which with the accompanying Flag, was
highly prized by the recipient of such an honor
The Medals might be made of bronze or silver
with some appropriate Canadian device
and would tend much to attach them to the
Country and Government affording them
justice and protection and of which their
knowledge is at present very limited

I had the honor of addressing
you on the 26th of February respecting
the Balance remaining to the credit of the
Department here on that date. The vouchers,
for this sum now about exhausted owing to
the calls made upon me by sick and destitute
Indians, will be transmitted in due course.

I shall be glad to be advised
of a further credit which may anticipate
future requirements of the Department in this Province.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
I. W. Powell
Supt of Indian Affairs

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL 25 1873
OTTAWA.

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British Columbia

Indian Office
July 9th 1873

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt to-day of twenty five British Ensigns pr Express Overland

I regret that the Dominion Flags could not have been obtained as they would perhaps tend to inculcate more especially a feeling of Canadian loyalty You refer to the cost of those sent as exceeding $10.00 each irrespective of transport. I can procure the same sized Ensign perhaps a little superior to those sent, in this City for $7.87½ each or the largest

Wm Spragge Esquire
D O G I A
&c &c &c

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larger flag - ie four yards in length for $10.40 each

I am therefore the Dominion Flag cannot be obtained at Ottawa, the ordinary Ensigns can be purchased here for much less than the prices you name, besides saving extraordinary Express Charges —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
J. A. Powell
Indian Commissioner

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File with

July 9/25 - Letter from
Comr Powell
asking receipt of
flags & stating Dance
could have been purchased
at Victoria at $7 87½/100
each

Let me have
this again

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British Columbia

Department of Indian Affairs

Victoria May 6th 1873

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th ult respecting the number of flags and medals required for presentation to Indian Chiefs and I beg to recommend that one hundred flags and one hundred and fifty medals be ordered for the Province. I consider the best size for a flag would be 12 ft x 10 ft as this would be available for hoisting over a Camp or carrying by hand - a few of (say) nine feet in length might be sent, but any smaller than this would be unappreciated

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
I W Powell
Supt of Indian Branch

The Honorable
Joseph Howe
Secty of State for the Provinces
Indian Branch

25 Flags 9 ft x 4½ ft 16 Below 11 [illegible]
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No. 1626

INDIAN BRANCH.

OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

1873

J. A. T. Provencher
Ottawa
Apl. 13/16

Ack: his apptmt as Ind. Commr. for Manitoba & North West Territories in place of Mr. Simpson resigned & Names Sureties to enter into Bonds

Bonds in dupl. sent to Mr. Provencher Apl 16

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INDIAN DEPARTMENT.

No. ..... day of 186

Know all Men by these Presents, that We Joseph Alfred Norbert Bourneuf, now in the city of Ottawa, Province of Ontario, Joseph Royal of the Parish of St Boniface in the Province of Manitoba, Joseph Alfred Laurason, Lawyer and Queen's Counsel of the city of Montreal, in this Province of Quebec

are held and firmly bound unto Our Sovereign Lady the QUEEN, Her Heirs and Successors, in the penal sum of eight thousand Dollars of good and lawful money of the Province of Canada, that is to say:

The said Joseph Alfred Norbert Bourneuf
in the sum of four thousand dollars
the said Joseph Royal
in the sum of two thousand dollars
and the said Joseph Alfred Laurason
in the sum of two thousand dollars

of like good and lawful money, to be paid to Our Sovereign Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors: for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us, severally, and not each for the other, our and each of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, firmly by these Presents.

Sealed with Our Seals and dated this day of
in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty

Whereas the above bounden

hath been appointed to the Office of Indian Commissioner and hath also been appointed to conduct certain Land Sales and transact other business on behalf of the said Department.

Now the condition of this obligation is such, that if the said Joseph Alfred Norbert Bourneuf shall in all things well and truly fulfil and discharge his duty in all and any of the above capacities, and shall well and truly account for and pay, or cause to be paid to such person or persons as shall or may, from time to time, be entitled to receive the same, all moneys which he shall receive or which may come into his hand by virtue of any office or trust confided to him by the said department, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Signed and Sealed in the presence of

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Ottawa, April 15th 1873

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 3d of March, informing me that I have been appointed to the office of Indian Commissioner for the Province of Manitoba and the North West Territories in the room of Asst. Simpson, resigned

I have the honor to submit to you the names of the Honorable Joseph Royal, of the parish of Beauport, in the Province of Manitoba, and J. A. Mousseau, Esq. of the city of Montreal, as sureties with

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with me in the sum
of two thousand dollars
each, myself in four
thousands. Both these
gentlemen are persons in
good circumstances —
have the honor to
be,
Sir,
Your most obedient
servant
J. A. Provencher

Hon. Joseph Howe
Sec. of State
Ottawa

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to give them
Land in Bobtails
Reserve.

Suggestion of Agent
to amalgamate
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Battle River
February 9th 1887

T.M.N. INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE FEB 16 1887

a/17/2/87

I have the honor to request that you will inform me, if I may allow any of Sampsons bond, to occupy and cultivate the fields on Bobtails reserve formerly cultivated by those of Bobtails bond who took Half Breed Scrip and withdrew from Treaty.

There are four good fields and three houses lying idle on Bobtails reserve,

Each spring there are new farms started and it would be an inducement to men to give their houses built and old land most of it fenced.

There are but two families of Bobtails bond

Taylor
Think your suggestions good one + if thought best act on them

The Honorable
the Ind. Commissr
Regina

who

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who farm on the reserves, the others, stay about Calgary and the Blackfoot Crossing, coming on to the reserve once in the year to draw their Annuity monies

If it is practicable I beg to suggest that Bobtails bond be incorporated in Samsons bond - it would save considerable work in the returns, and I dont think any objections would be raised by the Indians

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt Servant
Saml. B. Lucas
Ind. Agent

The Honorable
the Ind. Commissr
Regina

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Feb. 17th 87

Sir

Ack letter 9th Inst 656. Suggesting that the remnant of Bottail's band be incorporated into Sampsons band & that they be allowed to reside upon ~~[illegible]~~ and cultivate land on the Reserve of the Latter

I beg to state that your suggestions are approved of & Consider it advisable that they be acted upon

Dawson
H.B.

Govt
Peace Hills

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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Ottawa 15th Sept. 1887

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I am advised by the Department of the Interior that as the boundaries of the Bobtail Indian Reserve, - which covers a portion of Township 43. Range 25, west of the 4th Meridian, - include Section 26, the title to the west half and the south east 1/4 of which has passed to the Hudsons Bay Company, it will be necessary to obtain from the company a surrender to the Crown

S. Advise Mr Nelson 21/Sept/87 CP

Hon E. Dewdney
Indian Comr Man & N.W.T
Regina N.W.T.

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Crown of the said land owned by them before it can be set apart for Indian purposes, and that the said Commissioner of the Company has been written to on the subject.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt Genl

of Indian Affairs

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Regina
Sept 21st 84

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Dept has been advised by the Dept of the Interior that as the boundaries of the Bobtail, Indian Res. which Covers a portion of Township 43. Range 25 West of the 4th Meridian include Section 26, the title to the West half and the South East 1/4 of which has passed to the H Bco, it will be necessary to Obtain from the Co a surrender to the Crown of the said land owned by them, before it can be set apart for Indian purposes and that the Land Commission of the Co has been written to on the Subject

I am Sir
Hayter Reed

J C Nelson D.L.S.
Regina

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No 40468
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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Ottawa 24th Dec. 1887

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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Sir,

I have the honor in connection with my letter of the 15th September last, to inform you that I am advised by the Department of the Interior that the Hudson's Bay Co. has through the necessary Deed of Surrender relinquished to the crown its right to the west half and South East quarter of Section 26, Tp 43, Range 25, west of the 4th meridian, the land being required for

The Indian Comr
for Man & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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for the purpose of Chief Bobtail's Reserve.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
L. Van Koughnet
Deputy of the Supt Genl
of Indn Affairs

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September 14th 1889

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Dear Lucas

It has been represented to me on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church, that hindrances are put by you, in the way of allowing Bob Tail & others who have been taken back into Treaty — to settle down at Ermineskin's, and so obtain among other advantages, that those for their children offered by the R. C. School.

Of course you may have had good reasons for any course you may have adopted — but it seems to me that it will be well to encourage these people to settle with Ermineskin.

You will however be kind enough to obtain the formal consent of that chief and the headmen of the Band to the desired addition to ~~their Re~~ occupants of their Reserve.

I trust you will endeavour to meet the

views

agent
Rev. A. Hills
Hollbrooke

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views of the Roman Catholics in so far as you reasonably can in matters generally, and so prevent that friction which it is most desirable to avoid, whenever possible.

I am, Sir,
your obdt servt

BR

~~Commr.~~

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November 12th 1889

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Dear Lucas,

I wrote to you on 14th of last September with reference to encouraging Bob Tail and others to settle down on Eminerskin's Reserve, and requested you to obtain the formal consent of the Bank to their doing so. I have not yet heard from you on the subject, and will be glad to learn what you have done in the matter,

Yours truly

SAR

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Mr Agent Lucas
Bear's Hill
Scollbrooke.

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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office,

Peace Hills

December 26th 1889

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JAN
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N.W.T.

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Sir

With reference to your letter re renewal of Bobtail to Ermineskin Reserve I have the honor to inform you that Bobtail came here in June or July, and asked where he owned camp, I placed him near where he used to live, without taking into consideration his religion, but solely for the reason that I owned obtain the services of his young men. He never intimated that he wished to go to Ermineskins, or did I know that the Rev Father Gabillon wished him to do so, until informed by letter from the father during the summer.

I then spoke to "Coyote" Bobtails son and the leader of the party - he told me he owned not go to Ermineskins, that he was now amongst his relatives.

Ermineskin I knew owned be glad to have him join his Band; but as these men

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina.

Here

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were allowed to come to the Reserve again on condition that they would work whenever required, I would prefer handling them myself - Farmer Ross certainly cannot do it, he lacks the necessary tact and patience - should Bobtail go there - there will be constant trouble and disputes for me to settle.

They have worked well and willingly for me, the son "Coyote" has built a house and stable, and unless removed will put in a crop next spring.

If you wish to remove him it will be necessary to stop his supplies, he will then either go to Erminskins or leave the Agency, and be found hanging about Calgary; I imagine that he will adopt the latter course; I have not said anything to them yet, as they have just come in from hunting, and will not until I receive further instructions from you.

I have placed no hindrances in the way of Bobtail or anyone else joining Erminskins, had I known it was your wish, I would have placed him there when he first came, or refused to assist him.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obdt Servant
Saml. B. Lucas
Indian Agent.

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19th March, 7

Sir:-

Referring to the Commissioner's letter of the 19th November last, of even number: I have to inform you that the White Whale Lake Band in the Edmonton Agency, having signified its consent to the transfer of William Bain, Thomas Kayatahin and Wm. Simon to Samson's Band, the transfer is hereby confirmed.

This authority should be noted in your annuity payshects.

Yours truly,

For Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Hobbema Agency.

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Bears Hills
Nov. 18th 90

Memo for Indian Agent.

Owing to the expense attending the keeping open of the Farming Agency at Wolfe Creek & the small results therefrom I consider that some means be adopted by which it be broken up, the Indians being prevailed upon if possible to join Louis Bull's or Samson's Bands - They might be told that those who wish to farm might do so on one of these Reserves and the hunters might remain out. The Farmer, unless he is willing to take two months leave & then quit the service, be brought to Ermine Skin's where it is hoped he will do better than heretofore - This is only to be done in the event of expense not being incurred -

Bobtail & his followers who are Roman Catholics, should be moved to Ermine Skins in order that they might be with their co-religionists near their own Church & School - This should be done without unnecessary delay -

You are hereby authorized to purchase for Louis Bull 500 feet Lumber for a flooring, also sufficient nails for the same -

$50.00 for sch. repairs given some time again

Mr. Somerset is desirous of purchasing, other than from Indians, the lumber necessary to perform the labor authorized under the $50.00 grant, & along with Indians do the work. This may be done -

(sgd) Hayter Reed
Comm.

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30th. Dec. 1890.

Sir:-

Referring to the question of removing the Stonies from Wolf Creek, it occurs as possibly the best solution of the question of their disposal, that those of their number who originally belonged to the country North of the Saskatchewan, might join the White Whale Lake Band, and those who come from South of the Saskatchewan go to Morley, at which places respectively they have relations.

I have therefore to request you to be kind enough to lay this suggestion before them, and inform me as to how they regard it.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

AR

Commissioner.

Indian Agent,

Peace Hills,

Hollbrooke.

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JAN 28 1891
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Peace Hills

23rd January 1891.

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Comm.

Ans'd 2/2/91

Sir,

I have the honor to draw your attention to the situation of Sampsons Band, and to submit for your consideration the following changes:—

1st The Band is scattered over a distance of about 6 or 7 miles by about 5½ or 6½—

2nd Three fourths of the Farms are such light soil, that the Indians can never become self supporting on them; you will easily understand that nothing tends more to discourage and demoralize Indians than failure in crops

3rd The distances these Indians are located from each other is so great, that one man cannot go over their farms more than twice or three times a week, thus the Indians will idle away a great deal of their time, whereas if properly arranged, a man could easily go over each mans work once a day—

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina
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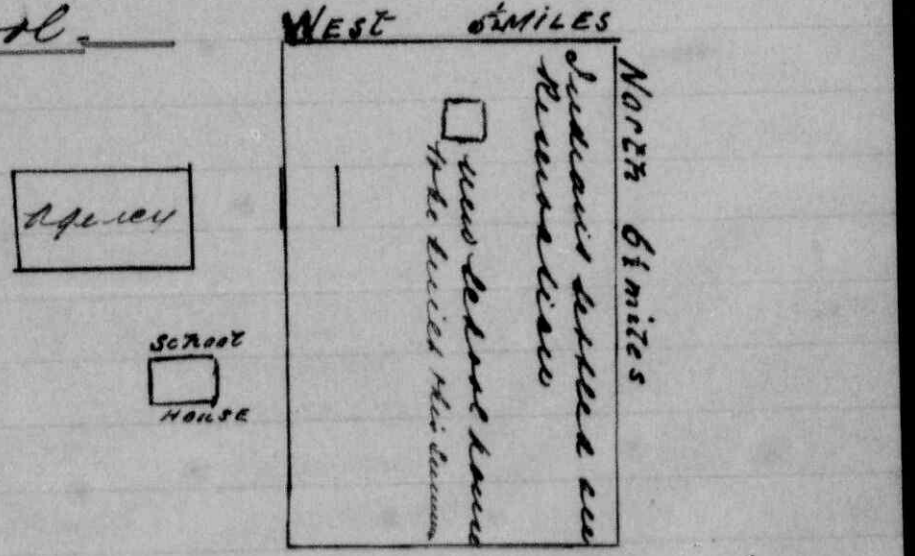
4th The appearance is bad, everything looks as if the Indians located where, and as they saw fit

5th As the cattle go in bands, it is impossible for each family to get their cows for milking purposes during the summer

6th Whilst threshing is in progress Indians have to go four or five miles to work.

7th Many of the Indians have to come 5 and 6 miles for their rations twice a week, loosing nearly a day each time, under new arrangements women and children could come for them.

8th The School.



You will see by the above diagram (it may not be exactly correct, but it will give you a fair idea of the way Indian Schools and Agency buildings are located) that the School is outside of the Indian Settlement, and only two or three families can take advantage of it during the winter; and in the summer if Indians wish to send their children to school, they are obliged to leave their farms, and go and camp near the school, this means to entirely neglect their work.

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Nor will the new school remedy this deplorable state of affairs, for in any case a large number of children will be out of reach of both schools, the old school will have to give up some of its scholars to the new one, then neither will have a sufficient number of pupils to make it worth while keeping them open. It would appear that the officials of the Indian Department, and those responsible for the locating of the School, tried to get as far from the Indians as possible.

What I would recommend would be that you send up a surveyor as soon as convenient in the spring, and have some good land surveyed in 80 acre lots, this would locate 8 families on each square mile; less than 2½ square miles would give a farm of 80 acres to each family, or say 2 miles by 3; then I would move the School house and the Agency buildings to the centre of this plot, and have only one school there, with a little care in locating those families who have no children to send to school can be placed at the out-skirts of this plot; no child need be more than 1¼ miles from School, while the greater part will not be half that distance, and the expense of building the new school would be avoided, and the perpetual outlay of paying a second teachers salary, and keeping up the second school would be done away with, and what is of much greater importance all the children

would.

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would have the advantages of education. I am satisfied, that with these changes we would have a model Reserve, and success and prosperity would follow:- under existing arrangements nothing but poverty and degradation awaits these Indians.

As to the expense of moving the Agency buildings I am satisfied it would not exceed $500.00 over and above Indian labour, and for this small expenditure a yearly saving of a quater sum will be effected.

The roof of the storehouse, and that intended for Mr. Sanders would have to be cut in sections; the roofs of Interpreter house, blacksmith shop and ration house could be divided at the peaks, transported whole, and replaced without much trouble; or perhaps these buildings might be drawn on skids without being taken to pieces - The agents house I think we could put on skids, and hitch oxen enough to it, to draw it: frame buildings are not as heavy as log ones, and it costs more to take them to pieces.

Thus the advantage of having Agent, Clerk and Interpreter located among the Indians, instead of being 5 or 6 miles away can hardly be overestimated, we would then be within 15 minutes drive of the furthest farm.

I do not think it would be wise

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to move any of these buildings before next fall, in the meantime each Indian would get some breaking done on his new farm

This coming Summer we would crop the old farms as usual, and perhaps the land broken last Summer we would crop in 1892.

I should be glad to receive your views on the foregoing, at the earliest possible date.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obdt Servant
W L Clink
Actg. Indian Agent.

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No.

3rd. February. 1

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 2 nd. inst: and to inform you that I have come to the conclusion that the moving of the Agency and school buildings will require a good deal of consideration before any decision can be arrived at, nor indeed do I see how I could well judge of all that is involved, without having gone over the ground, with the suggested changes present to my mind.

However I do not see that this need interfere with laying out the lots as suggested by you, and putting the Indians to break up fields on them, for even if they do not move their dwellings on them at once they can make use of them.

I will endeavour to send up a Surveyor in the Spring and think I will be able to do so.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

JR

Commissioner.

Acting Indian Agent,

Prince Albert,

Saskatchewan

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Indian Agent's Office, Edmonton
26th May 1881.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform You that some of the Indians of Sharpheads Band are at White Whale Lake and others are expected I would be much obliged if You would inform when I can take them on as members of Paul's Band and at what time this income is likely to be Surveyed I think it would be prudent not to take charge of them until after the Survey Also wish to know if Simon the Indian No 2 Sharpheads Band Head Man will become this day as Councillor Paul and his Band object to his holding that position and I do not think he would make a good Councillor for that Band

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

C. de Cazes
Indian Agent

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA
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Ottawa, March 5th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to what was said in my letter of even number of 6th March 1894, about getting the original occupants of the Wolf Creek Reserve formally admitted into the various Bands to which they have attached themselves, with a view to extinguishing their claim to the Reserve at Wolf Creek.

A letter has been received from the Rev. C. E. Somerset, asking whether the members of Sharphead's Band are entitled to any revenue obtained from the Wolf Creek Reserve, and stating that the Indians say they have never relinquished their claim to the Reserve. He has been told that Indians who have been received into any other Band, share in the Reserve of such Band, are not entitled to land within the Wolf Creek Reserve, nor to any revenue which might be derived therefrom.

You will see, however, the importance of having the instructions conveyed by Department's letter herein before referred to carried out without evitable delay.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

Enniskillin's Indian Reserve,

Hobbema Agency.

May 16th 1894

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as "Enniskillins (No 137) Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the Sixteenth day of May 1894, granted leave to William (formerly No 3 of Shaunhead's Band) to join our said band, and as a member thereof to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also give full consent,

Enniskillin his × mark Chief

Stoney Paul his × mark Headman

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CERTIFIED. D. H. Christie

Indian Agent.

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CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

of John Sharphead to ..... Band.

Touhead ..... Indian Reserve,

Edmonton ..... Agency.

April 11 1895

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6 ....., and known as "Touheads ..... Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the 11 ..... day of April ..... 1895 ..., granted leave to John Sharphead ..... to join our said band, and as a member thereof to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also give full consent,

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CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

of Joseph to Touheads Band.

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Touhead Indian Reserve,

Edmonton Agency.

April 11th 1895

Original sent Dept

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as "Touheads Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the 11th day of April 1895, granted leave to Joseph of Sharpheads to join our said band, and as a member thereof to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also give full consent,

Paul H. M.
his mark +

Witness C. E. Somerset

Francois his x mark Witness

Thomas his x mark W. J. O'Donnell

CERTIFIED, C. de Cazes
Indian Agent.

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Ottawa, Sep. 23rd, 1895.

Sir/-

Referring to Agent Clink's Tabular statement for the year ended the 30th, June last I beg to state that in the Sharphead band 84 are said to be absent from the Reserve and 2 present thereon. Be good enough to inform the Department whether the entire Band (86) is not now merged with other bands. In the other three bands of this Agency 24 absentees are shown. It would be well to give the number of men, women and children composing these absentees as well as their religious belief.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A.E.Forget Esq.,
Asst. Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

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8th October, 5

Sir:-

In reply to your letter No 125800 of the 23rd ult., in reference to the absentees shown in Agent Clink's Tabular Statement, I beg to state that Sharphead's Band, since removing from Wolf Creek, Hobbema Agency, and settling at White Whale Lake, Edmonton Agency, has been under the care of Agent DeCases, and with few exceptions, receive their Annuity money from ~~them~~ him; and through members of the band intermarrying with members of other Bands, and transfers from and to the band, they are now to a great extent merged with other Bands in the Edmonton Agency, but as a few members of the band still pass some of the summer season upon the Wolf Creek Reserve and do not apparently care to abandon that Reserve altogether, they have not been officially transferred from the Hobbema Agency books, although that is the present intention. With regard to the absentees from the other three Bands in the Agency, I beg to enclose

The Deputy
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of Indian Affairs,
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enclose a list showing the men, women, and children composing the same, also their religious belief.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Asst. Commissioner.

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FILE.

Ottawa, October 14th, 1895.

Sir/-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th, inst: relative to the absentees shown in Agent Clink's Tabular Statement, and stating that Sharphead's Band is now to a great extent merged with other Bands in the Edmonton Agency and in reply I beg to request if not already done, that you will be good enough to see that regular transfer papers are made out as soon as possible to include all names of those who have been admitted into the bands which they have joined. Let the whole number be accounted for in this way. The list of absentees from the other three Bands in this Agency numbering 24 has been checked and found satisfactory.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A.E.Forget Esq.,
Asst. Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

S.S.

This has been receiving attention for some time past

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3rd December, 5

Sir:-

I beg to draw attention to the fact that on 14th March 1894 I wrote you with reference to the dispersion of the Sharphead Band of Stoneys, formerly residing on the Wolf Creek Reserve, and asking for information regarding the whereabouts of certain of those Indians.

To this letter you only replied partially, and I now again submit a list of names of Indians regarding whose whereabouts and disposition of I would ask early information- viz:-

No 3. Widow of George Musquasis.

No 31. Noah's Widow.

No 54. Stoney Paul's mother. (This woman's number is 54 not 59 as shown in 1895 Paysheet.)

These three women should immediately be transferred to other Bands in your Agency upon whose Reserves they may at present be residing, as it is desired to close out entirely the membership of the late Sharphead Band in your Agency.

I send you herewith blank forms for the purpose.

The

Indian Agent.

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The following were members of the Band in 1890. but have not been heard of since and cannot now be traced:-

No 7 - Enoch House' child (girl)

No 11. Granddaughter of Old Whip - 1892 said to have been married and removed to Calgary. Name not known.

No 22. Widow and boy of Michel David. Cannot be traced, widow's name not known.

No 25. Wife and daughter of Enoch Sharphead. Paid last in 1888, cannot trace since.

No 59. Marie - former wife of "William" who was transferred in 1894 to No 84 Ermineskin's Band.

The remainder of the Original Band are all now accounted for except these, and I would ask you to kindly make immediate enquiry as to the whereabouts of these last named and furnish the information at the earliest possible moment, as the matter has already been pending too long and it is desired to close it as quickly as possible.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

J LP

for Commissioner.

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3rd December, 5

Encl.

Sir:-

Referring to the Department's letter of the 5th March last, I enclose herewith a list showing:

(1) The original membership of the Sharphead Band of Wolf Creek, Hobbema Agency in 1890.

(2) The names of those who have been formally transferred to other Bands, for whose transfer "consent" of the receiving Band are forwarded herewith.

(3) The names of those still on the paysheet of the Sharphead Band Hobbema Agency, but who are being now transferred to other Bands in that Agency.

(4) The names of those who cannot be traced but regarding whom further enquiry has been made.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

F H P

For Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Dispersion of Sharpheads Band (Old Stock) 1890.

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No.	James as per Robbins Paysheet 1890.	No. of years paid	Present whereabouts.
1	~~Sharpheads Chief~~	2	Now No. 96 Jas. B. Morley. Formally transferred
2	~~Simeon Sat.~~	3	" No. 75 White Whale Lake, Formally transferred
3	~~Jo. Musqueas Wife~~	2	Man died 1893 at Old Stock. Widow Still paid under this No. in Robbins. Transfer of another Band is being arranged. Widow died 1895
4	~~Dan Sharphead Wife~~	2	Now No. 26 White Whale Lake. Formally transferred.
5	~~Isaac Keepers~~	4	" No. 43 " " "
7	~~Crack Home Child~~	1	Cannot trace. Further Enquiry being made
8	~~Omee-is-e-mus~~	4	Now now living No. 34 (Applewife) White Whale Lake Woman (Annie) now No. 24 White Whale Lake. Both formally transferred.
9	~~Michels widow~~	2	{Self & Son} Son (Joseph) now No. 19. White Whale Lake (formally transferred) Cannot trace Widow & daughter. Enquiry being made.
10	~~Jo. Bells widow~~	2	Now No. 38 White Whale Lake. (formally transferred) By died 1891.
11	~~The Old Chief~~	4	Now No. 30 White Whale Lake. 1 granddaughter Grandchild dead (formally transferred) Said as "other person" was married in 1892 to some person unknown & thought to be Calgary Not since heard of but being further Enquired for. Dead
16	~~Paul Whips widow~~	2	Now wife of Omeenees No. 8 - (No. 34. White Whale Lake) Girl died.
20	~~Jo. Muskegoo post~~	3	Or "Potuck": Man died 1894. Widow now No. 36 White Whale Lake formally transferred.
22	~~Hotel Lacots widow~~	2	{Self & Boy} Married to No. 29 Cannot trace. Further Enquiry being made.
23	~~Dan Yellowhead~~ (Simon)	4	Now No. 28 White Whale Lake, formally transferred
25	~~Paul Sharpheads widow~~	2 (1889)	{Self & girl} Died 1889-90. Cannot trace. Further Enquiry being made
27	~~Paul Wm. Jnr.~~	4	Now No. 32 White Whale Lake. formally transferred.
29	~~Wm. Keiss~~	5	Absent from 1895 Payment. Will be formally transferred on Returns. Now No. 46
30	~~John Keiss~~	3	Do. Do. Do.

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No.	James as per Robbens Pay Sheet 1890.	No. paid	Treaty to date.
31	~~Hooks~~	3	Mem died 1891. Boy transferred to family of No 3. Widow still paid under this No in Robbens Agency but will be transferred to next to Buck.
36	~~Abaist Kaiyi~~	4	Now No 42 Chief Whale Lake. formally transferred. Transferred, 1896 to No 109 Whitefish Lake
39	~~Logan or Williams~~	3	" No 84. Enniskillen Dy. 5
40	~~John Sharphead~~	1	" No 18. White Whale Lake. 5
41	~~Jack Paul~~	1	" No 39. 5 5
45	~~John Paul~~	2	" No 35. 5
48	~~John Chief~~ Transferred to Feby 1896	1	Now No 35 Transferred from No 146 Wood Mt. 5 formally transferred from No 146 Wood Mt. 5 formally transferred from No 109 Whitefish Lake.
50	~~Isaacs~~	3	Absent from Agency. Name not yet formally transferred. Papers will be got through immediately on his return. Transferred to Feby 1896
51	~~Isaac Sharphead~~	4	Now No 3. White Whale Lake.
54	~~Young Jacks Water~~	1	Still paid in Robbens Agency as No 54 of Wolf Creek Bd. Will be transferred to another Reserve by Nos transfer to No 60 Lake
55	~~John Whip~~	1	Now No 35. White Whale Lake. formally transferred.
56	~~Wm Burntcalf~~	3	" " 29. 5. formally transferred.
57	~~Wm Senior Canse~~	2	" " 33. 5 5
58	~~Enoch Kaiyo~~	2	Died 1894. Widow married No 61 Jonas Bd. Morley.
59	~~Mary~~ alias Isaac, Thurston as the Murdered Sister now widow of Enoch.	2	Formerly gone (90) of Williams class road Bd. Ennisfail Dy. Cannot trace her. Father enquiring Berry read. Now Pr. as No 58 of Alta Band Edmonton. No formal transfer required. as marriage sufficient.

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1634.

5th December, 5.

Sir:-

With reference to the subject of my letter of the 7th Ultimo, No. 1004; I find that there are yet some of the original members of the Sharphead Band of 1890 unaccounted for, viz:-

No. 9 - Michel's widow: Son Joseph is now No. 19 of White Whale Lake Band, but his mother and sister do not appear to have ever gone on your paysheets - unless under some other name.

No. 22 - Michel David's widow: Paid 1890 for self and boy at Wolf Creek - no trace since. Her name not known.

No. 25 - Enoch Sharphead's widow: Paid 1888 last time for self and girl. Name not known. No trace since.

No. 59 - Marie: A cast wife of one William or "Louis" formerly a member of the Wolf Creek Band, but transferred to Ermineskin's Band in 1894 with another women. Marie has not been heard of since 1890.

Kindly make close enquiry regarding these persons as to their present whereabouts, names, &c. from the Stonies of White Whale Lake and let me have the information as quickly as possible, as it is desired to close the papers connected with the dispersion of the old Wolf Creek Band as speedily as possible.

For the same reason I should be glad to have the formal transfer of No. 29 Wm. Rain, No. 30 Jno. Rain, No. 48 Jessie and No. 50 Thomas, who were absent from the last payments, as soon as the papers can be put through.

The absence of these parties need not affect the matter provided it is not known that they were unwilling to be formally transferred.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

F HP

For Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Edmonton Agency,
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Ottawa 18th December 1895

Sir,

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I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 3rd Instant enclosing a list showing what has become of the original membership of the Sharphead Band as it existed in 1890 ;and in reply to point out that no unnecessary delay should be allowed to occur with regard to completion of transfers now in course of arrangement, nor should efforts be relaxed to trace the Indians who have been lost sight of.

Being sent

Your obedient servant,

Acting Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A.E. Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.T.,

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I will see what can be done in the matter.

Will you please send me some transfer forms as we have none on hand.-

Mr Clint, no doubt could give you more particulars

Sent JAN 27 1900

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
Ch. de Cazes
Indian agent

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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office, Edmonton

January 17th 1896

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Sir,

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In answer to your letter of the 5th ult. I have the honour to state that I am unable to give you any information regarding the Wolf Creek Indians you mention, neither have they ever been at white whale Lake. We might be able to trace up some particulars regarding Michel's widow from her son Joseph who is now No. 19 white whale Lake Band, but he is at present off the reserve.

Regarding the transfer of Wm. Rain, Jno. Rain, Jessie and Thomas I have to say that these Indians are absent. The last time they were at white whale Lake they said they did not want to stay there.

However if they return

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1634.

27th January, 6

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 17th Instant, No. 106; please be good enough to make immediate inquiry into the case of Michel's widow, and also to ascertain, if possible, from others of the Band, the whereabouts of Wm. and John Bain, Jessie and Thomas and what their intentions are.

The final transfer of all ex-Wolf Creek Indians has been pending too long and it is desired to complete it with as little further delay as possible.

A supply of forms for transfer are sent under separate cover.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Edmonton,
Alta.

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In your reply refer to
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Sir,

1634

Relative to your letters dated 5th December and 27th January I have the honour to enclose herewith the transfer papers of Wm and John Rain, Thomas and Jessie from Sharpheads Band to White Whale Lake Band.

With regard to the other Indians you mention, the following are the only particulars which I can ascertain from the Indians of White Whale Lake.

No 9 Michels Widow

This woman is said to be at present living at Pigeon Lake, her daughter Jessie was married last Summer to a son of Mistickomin, the latter is a member of Enochs Band, but his son is a member of Sampson's Band and is paid at the Hobbema agency.

No 22 Michel Davids Widow

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This woman is said to be married to a Stony Indian at Morley

No. 25 Enochs Sharpheads widow

Is reported as having died at Wolf Creek either in 1889-90, nothing is known about the girl.

No. 59 Marie

This woman is said to have been a Cree Indian, and died at the Hobbema agency either in 1889 or 1890. after being cast off by "Louis" she married again and was admitted into Ermineskins Band in 1894.

These are all the particulars I can gather, and I cannot vouch for the correctness of them, as we have no record in this office of these people of any kind, as they have never been at this agency.

as stated before Mr. Clink ought to be in a position to give you definite and certain information regarding these Indians as they all belong to his agency, and even if they have been absent for some time it would be strange if none of the other Indians of his agency knew nothing about the whereabouts of these Indians

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obdt servant
C. P. de Cazes
Ind agent

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1634.

24th February, 6

Sir:-

I beg to remind you that my letter of even number of the 3rd December last is as yet unanswered by you, though the information was desired at the earliest possible moment.

Please forward the transfers of the persons mentioned therein and obtain and furnish the information asked for in certain other cases - without further delay.

Information regarding the whereabouts of the following additional cases is also desired from you as nothing is definitely known of their whereabouts by the Stonies of White Whale Lake.

No. 9 Michel's widow - Said to be at present living at Pigeon Lake. You can perhaps identify her by the fact that a daughter named Jessie is said to have married last summer an Indian of Sampson's band, whi is a son of an Edmonton Indian named Mistickoowin. If the widow is at Pigeon Lake she should be seen and her transfer to some other Band in your Agency - possibly Sampson's - effected promptly.

Re No. 22 - Widow of Michel David. I have since heard that she married a Morley Indian, but I think this is not so. Please enquire.

Re No. 25 - Wife and daughter of Enoch Sharphead.

I learn since writing you last that this woman is said to have died at Wolf Creek in 1889 or 1890 or thereabouts. Please verify and also ascertain where the daughter is.

Re No. 50. - Marie. Since writing last, I am informed that Marie was a Cree woman and that she died in your Agency about 1890. Can you verify this?

I must ask you to give these matters your immediate attention

The Indian Agent,
Hobbema Agency,
Holbrooke P. O.,
A l t a.

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attention as it is of the utmost importance that all claimants to ownership of the old Reserve be traced up and the title of those living extinguished without delay. It is now just two years since you were first asked to look into this matter.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

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1634.

24th February, 6.

Enclosure.

Sir:-

Referring to my letter of the 3rd December last of even number and to Department's acknowledgment thereof under number 111,777 - 18th of same month; I beg to enclose herewith the written consent of the White Whale Lake Bands to the admission of the following members of the late Sharphead Band who were not transferred at the same time as the others on account of their absence from the Annuity Payments:

Old Annuity No.		No. in family.
29	William Bain	5
30	John Bain	8
48	Jessie (John)	1
50	Thomas	3

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

Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Office of the Hobbema Indian Agency,

To Indian Commissioner N.W.T.

Regina April 7th 1896

FILE

Sir,

With reference to your letter of Feby 24th and previous correspondence relative to the whereabouts of some of Sharpheads Band, I would say that I am and have been doing my best to ascertain the particulars you require, but as they are all out hunting and fishing, it is very difficult to learn anything definite however as soon as I can get the information I will immediately communicate again with you

Yours obediently

D H Clink
Agent

Agent Immediate
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Indian Agent's Office,
Hobbema Indian Agency.

In your reply refer to
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also to date of this letter.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

April 18th 1896

Ref.: Letter March 20th 1896 No. 366

Ref 366.

Ref. Depts. letter
No. 75.492
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Sir,

Since writing you on the ninth inst. Samson has been down re the boundary lines and posts and mounds.

It is not his own Reserve which he has reference to but that of "Bobtail": he Samson, claims that when he was in Ottawa some years ago. Bobtail's Reserve was given to him; and also says that while in Calgary, signing right of way for the Railroad, Mr Reed, D.S.G.I.A. and Judge Rouleau gave him a mountain to the West of his Reserve, that white people are cutting Timber on it and he wishes them stopped.

Will you kindly inform me if Samson is correct

Yours obediently

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

D H Clink
Agent

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24th April, 6.

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 18th Instant, No. 31; kindly ascertain more definitely what "mountain" Chief Sampson refers to as having been promised him by the Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs and the Hon. Mr. Justice Roulseau, in order that enquiry may be made of the Department in the matter.

I will await your report of Mr. Johnson's examination of the boundary lines of the old Bobtail Reserve, which is promised to be made as soon as the ground is clear.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

FHP

For Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Bobbema Agency,
Holbrooke P. O.,
Alta.

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REGINA, ... Office of the Hobbema Indian Agency,

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N.W.T.

To Indian Commissioner
Regina

June 17th 1896

Refce Letter 24th April 1896

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Ref Depts letter
No. 25492
Date 5th Aug

Ref 366

The Mountain referred to has no particular name: it is in reality only a hill, not differing in size or appearance from many other hills in the same neighbourhood.

I do not, for a moment, think that the hill was promised to "Samson" but that he, in all probability, asked for it.

Mr Johnson has been over the greater portion of the boundary lines on "Bobtails" Reserve and says that the lines and mounds are extremely difficult to distinguish on account of the growth of the bush. We have iron "Reserve" stakes here. Yours obediently

W. L. Clink
Interpreter

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Ottawa 11th July 1896

Sir,

With reference to Mr Agent Clink's letters of 18th April and 17th Ultimo, and the claims made by Chief Samson, I have to say that no promise was ever made to "Samson" of a Mountain to the West of his Reserve. I don't think even that Bobtail's Reserve was promised to him provided Bobtail's Indians became members of his Band.

With reference to renewing the posts and mounds on the boundaries, I have to ask you to kindly make a note of this and if you think the work is necessary to have it done at such time as you may think convenient.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Take note of this for Porter

Booked JUL 14 1896

A.E. Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.T.,

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1634.

14th July, 6

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 17th Ultimo, No. 81, relative to the claim of Chief Sampson that a "Mountain" lying west of his reserve, had been promised him by the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs and the Hon. mr. Justice Rouleau, I would ask you to inform the Chief that he must have been mistaken - for mr. Reed is positive that no such promise was ever made, and in view of the fact that the present area of his reserve is more than sufficient to cover his claim to lands under the Treaty stipulations, it would seem quite improbable that any additional lands should be promised him.

The boundaries of his and Bobtail's reserves will, if possible, be gone over by a Surveyor this season.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Hobbema Agency,
Holbrooke P. O.,
Alta.

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1634.

15th July, 6

Sir:-

I beg to refer to your letter of the 7th April last, No. 39, and to request to be informed whether you are not now in possession of the information required regarding the remnant of the Sharphead band of Wolf Creek.

As has been before said, it is imperative that the complete transfer of all the members of that Band be immediately made, and if you have not yet obtained the information asked, I would request that you take steps to do so.

Yours truly,

for Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Lobbeam Agency,
Holbrooke P. O.,
Alta.

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Ottawa.

July 25th, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of the 24th, February last, and with regard to the Indians of Sharphead's Band, Wolf Creek, to rmind you that there are still some transfers, which in your letter of 3rd, December last were said to be in process of arrangement, of the completion of which the Department has not been advised, and also some members whose whereabouts you were to endeavour to trace up, of whom nothing more has been heard by the Department.

Your obedient servant,

AUG 4 1896

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A.E.Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

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5th August,

Sir:-

In reply to the Department's letter of the 25th Ultimo, No. 111,777, I would say that the Agent at Hobbema has been written to several times for information regarding the remnant of the Wolf Creek band in order that, if their whereabouts can now be ascertained, their transfer to other Reserves may be completed. I have as yet been unable to obtain the information but have again written the Agent informing him that the matter requires immediate attention.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

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Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Indian Agent's Office,
Kootenay Indian Agency.

In your reply refer to
No. 29
also to date of this letter.

Aug 26th 1896

INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

Ref.: Letter Aug 5th 1896 No. 1634

Sir,—

Ref. Depts letter No. 111.777 Date 28th July 96

Relative to the remnant of "Sharpshead's" Band, I beg to refer you to my letter of even number dated 7th April last, and to say that none of the members of that Band have since been here: I understand, from some of our Indians, that a number of Sharpshead's Band are camped in the vicinity of Pigeon Lake, fishing and hunting, and to get any reliable information, will necessitate someone going out to make personal enquiries.

Mr Hyl Clark is being informed that as the matter is pressing he should take the first opportunity after haying and harvest work is over of visiting these Indians at Pigeon Lakes and completing their transfer to other Bands. Also that they should be induced to come in and settle on their Reserves.

Yours obediently

D H Clark
Agent

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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2nd September. 6

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 26th ultimo No 29, in view of the pressing necessity for closing the Wolf Creek transfers with the least possible delay it will be well, if the persons affected do not shortly come in, to look them up as soon as the haying and harvest work is over and put the necessary papers through.

Please keep this in mind.

Yours truly,

J. A. P.

for Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,

Hobbema.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Kobbema Indian Agency.

In your reply refer to
No. 1/29
also to date of this letter.

Dept to be advised when informed, &c.

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Sept 22nd 1896

Ref.: Letter Sept 2nd 1896 No. 1634

FILE

Ref. Depts. letter
No. 111.777
Date 25 July '96.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that I have acquired the following information relative to the members of "Sharpheads" Band whose whereabouts you were desirous of knowing

Dept advd

No 3 Widow of Geo Musquasis - Died Winter 1895

Do

" 7 Enoch House's Child (Girl) Dead

Paysheet 1889 (Morley) Short - be married a daughter of (No 16) No 6 Jacob Bd "Hector Kinnard" - ~~[illegible]~~

(No 16)

" 9 Michel's Widow - married to David Poucette of ~~Jacob's~~ Jonas Band Morley

Dept advd

No 11 Grand daughter of "Old Whips" - Dead

Do

" 22 This woman married an Indian named William Hunter or Swine of Chimquay's Band Morley

Morley paysheet 1891 Woman transfd from No 27 Sharphead. Dd 6 No 22

(No 20)

Dept advd

No 25 Wife and daughter of Enoch Sharphead; both of these women died in 1889-90

Extract for Agt. Edmonton

No 54 Stony Paul's Mother; this woman is at White Whale Lake, and should be transferred to "Sharpheads" Pay Sheet by Mr Agent DeCazes as I hear that she drew her Treaty

Agt. DeCazes

Dept advised

She
Indian Commissioner
Regina

Extract when marked in blue made 3/10/96

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Treaty there this Fall (1896). She has not been at this Agency since 1890 and for 1894/95 her Treaty money was sent to Agent De Cazes as also her arrears for '92/'93.

No 59 - Marie - This woman is also called "Susan" and is known to the Indians as "the Murderer's Sister"; She was paid at White Whale Lake this Fall and has doubtless been paid there all the time under the name of "Susan"

Agt de Cazes.

No 31 Noah's Widow - I hear that this woman is at White Whale Lake and received her annuity money there this Fall.

Agt de Cazes.

As far as our Annuity Pay Sheet is concerned, the whole of Sharpshead's Band is now cleared off.

Will you kindly ascertain and inform me if Nos 54-59-31 were paid this Fall at White Whale Lake, as I hear.

Yours obediently

D F Clink
Agent

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Indian Agent's Office,

Hobbema Indian Agency.

In your reply refer to
No. 1
also to date of this letter.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE OCT 2 1896 REGINA ASSA.

Sept 28th 1896

Ref.: Letter 189 **No.**

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Sir,

I beg to inform you that the undermentioned Indians have applied, through Rev Jno McDougall, for permission to join Samson's Band, and to be paid here.

William Rain, Thos Keyatah hin, also his Son and Son in law; all of late Sharpshead's Band: and Pichenan neeow (8 in family) a Cree Straggler, who has never drawn Treaty.

Will you kindly advise me in the matter

Yours obediently

D H Clink
I. Agent

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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File 1634 shows that
Wm Raine - formerly No 29 } Sharphends
Thomas. - " No 50 } Bd Wolf Creek
were formally accepted as members of
W. W. Lake Band, Edmonton, on
10th Feby '96.

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3rd October, .6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

Referring to prior correspondence relative to the identification of certain members of the original Sharphead Band of Wolf Creek, Hobbema Agency, I enclose an extract from a letter received from Mr. Agent Glink which refers to Nos. 31, 54 and 59 of that Band, and would ask you to ascertain whether they are with the W. W. Lake band, and if so, if they have been formally admitted either by consent or marriage, and if paid there this year and under what numbers.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Edmonton Agency,
Alta.

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October 3rd 6

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 25th Sept. No 1, asking permission for several Indians mentioned to join Samson's Band, I beg to inform you that Wm Rain formerly No 28, and Thomas Rain formerly No 30, Sharphead's Band, Wolf Creek, were formally accepted as members of White Whale Lake Band, Edmonton Agency, on 10th Feby 1886

These Indians should be told that they must go back to their Reserve and settle down, as it is not advisable for them to change from one Band to another in this manner.

Did Rev John McDougall state where the Indians were, when he made the application. He should be careful, in forwarding such applications, otherwise much confusion might arise. Full information should be required by you, and given to this office as to the whereabouts of the Indians, and reasons for changing.

When you ascertain where these Indians are, you had better report to the Indian Agent at Edmonton, so that he can endeavour to have them return to their reserve. More information is wanted relative to the Cree Straggler you mention, before his case can be decided.

I am. Sir.
Your obedient[illegible]
Commissioner.

The Indian Agent.

Hobbema

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1634.

3rd October, 6.

Sir:-

In reply to an enquiry addressed to Mr. Agent Glink in regard to the present whereabouts of a women known as "Michel's widow", who was a member of the original Sharphead Band of Wolf Creek, Hobbema Agency, up to 1889 or 1890 when that Band disbanded; I am informed that she subsequently married David Poucette of "Jacob's" band, Morley, but an examination of your payshects does not bear this out, for David Poucette is shown in 1889 as having married a daughter of No. 6 Hector Nimrod - and no subsequent death or marriage appears.

Possibly "Michel's widow" was a daughter of Hector Nimrod or perhaps she married some other Poucette.

Please make enquiry and advise me, as it is necessary that her whereabouts be known.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

Mr. P. L. Grasse.
Morley,
Alta.

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Edmonton

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Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 3rd inst. I have the honour to state that Mr. Clink was advised by myself that I had paid (1) *Stony Paul's mother this year at White Whale Lake on the 22nd ult. Mr. Clink is incorrect in saying that he sent this woman's annuity-money for 1894-95 to me, as such was not the case. In 1894 I paid her, and Mr. Clink refunded me the money, in 1895 I paid her, and was not refunded from the Hobbema agency. Her arrears for 1893 were not paid until this year.

I have always been under the impression that this woman belonged to Erminskin's Band, the band to which her grandchildren belong. At least this is what I was told, the old woman having lost her original ticket.

I have several times

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* Consent form dept. No. 54 Wolf Creek now paid as No. W. W. Lake

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made arrangements several times to have this old helpless woman sent back by different Indians but they failed to do so.

(2) The murderer's sister who was paid at white whale Lake this year is a member of alexanders Band and is known as Pennah's widow No. 58.

No. 59 Wolf Creek now No. 58 of Alexanders Bd. No transfer needed Her marriage is suffer

(3) Noah's widow (whose number according to the ticket she produced is 97 not 31) was paid at white whale Lake this year under No. 45 white whale Lake Band.

(4) I also paid Jessie No. 48 and John Rain No. 30 both of admitted Febry 96 Sharpheads Band under Nos. 46 and 47 white whale Lake Band.

Was admitted Febry 1896

Consent was given in these cases in Febry 1896

The Sanction of white whale Band for the admittance of members of Sharpheads Band was gained a year ago in the presence of the Rev. John McDougall.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your obedient servant
Ch. des Cazes
Ind. agent

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20th October, 6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 9th Instant - No. 94 - I enclose herewith blank forms for the formal consent of the White Whale Lake Band to the admission of Stoney Paul's mother (under her proper name) and Noah's widow.

Marie or Susan Pennah's widow, now No. 58 of Alexander's Band, was transferred thereto by her marriage and consent of Band to admission will not be required.

The consent of the White Whale Lake Band in the case of Jessie and John Rain has already been received from you.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Edmonton Agency.

ANSWER REQUIRED.

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21st October, 6

Sir:-

Referring to Department's letter of the 25th July - No. 111,777 - relative to transfer of the remnant of Sharphead's (Wolf Creek) band; I beg to advise that I have since obtained the following information regarding the few who could not previously be traced.

No. in Wolf Creek
Band Paysheet.

✓ 3. Widow of Geo. Musquasis - Died, winter 1895.

✓ 7. Enoch House girl - Dead.

✓ 11. Grand-daughter of Old Whip - Dead.

✓ 22. Michel David's widow - Now married to No. 30 of Chiniquay's Band, Morley. Her marriage constitutes formal transfer.

✓ 25. Enoch Sharphead's wife and daughter - One died 1900. the other " 1901.

Consent forwarded Dept. DEC 30 1896 } 34. Stoney Paul's Mother - Now transferred to White Whale Lake band. Formal consent not yet received.

✓ 50. Marie or Susan - This woman married Pannah (now deceased) of Alexander's Band, and is paid as No. 58 of that Band. Her marriage constitutes formal transfer.

Consent forwarded Dept. DEC 30 1896 } 31. Noah's widow - Now No. 45 of White Whale Lake Band. Consent of band is being obtained.

There only remains now the case of No. 9 - Michel's widow - to trace and I am informed that she has married into the Stoney Band at Morley and am endeavouring to identify her.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Indian Agent's Office,

In your reply refer to
No. 625
also to date of this letter.

Stony Reserve
28th October 1896

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Ref.: Letter 3rd October 1896 No. 1634

Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter and have made all possible enquiries but as the Indians are out I cannot say positively who married Michels widow but she is not the wife of David Pouchette. The paysheets in this office only date back three years but if you would find from your copies who William Hunter 20 C married. I think probably it was this woman. She comes from out that way somewhere.

This is a different case—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
C. L. Graves
Farmer

To
The Commissioner
Regina

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1634.

31st October, 6

Sir:-

With reference to your letter No. 625, of the 28th Instant - Wm. Hunter married another Wolf Creek woman, not the one enquired about.

Yours truly,

for Commissioner.

Mr. P. L. Grasse,
Morley,
Alta.

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Oct 26th 6

Sir,

"William Rain", "Thomas Keyat ah hin" and his son in law "William Simon" all of "Sharpsheads" Band, also "Mistikomin" of "Onochs" Band, have requested me to ask you to send their Treaty money here for them; I have done my best to try to send them back to your Agency, but they refuse to go.

If there is anything to be kept from their Treaty money for your Gist Mill &c, could you not deduct and send the balance, and I would forward you their Receipts.

Yours obedient'ly

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Agent

The
Indian Agent
Edmonton

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Indian Agent's Office,
Hobbema Indian Agency.

Refer No. 1634
Oct 3rd 96

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Nov 11th 1896

Ref 1015

Sir,

I beg to inform you that three families of Sharpheads Band of Stonies have been in the Agency for some time; I have done my best to send them back to White Whale Lake, but they positively refuse to go.

When I found that I could not send them back I wrote Mr Agent de Cazes under date Oct 26th, as per Copy enclosed; his reply is as follows, viz-

"The members of Sharpheads Band, you mention, should have presented themselves at White Whale Lake for payment; and I will not send their money, as it

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"it is against my
"principle to pay in such
"cases".

These Indians are destitute of Clothing, several members of them old and infirm; I have told them that they cannot remain here hence they are starting off to try to make their living: I allowed them to remain here longer on account of sickness being among them; one woman died, also one child, during the Treaty payments - They are camped just outside the Reserve, some of them came in today and I gave them some more Rations.

It would be an act of mercy, and I think justice as well, if you could allow me to pay them their Treaty money.

They cost the Government very little: some of them ~~they~~ tell me they have drawn no Rations, at White Whale Lake, for the last two years.

The case of these Indians is an exceptionable one

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one; they did not leave the Wolf Creek Reserve of their own accord, but they were compelled to leave.

Now! supposing that they did draw Treaty once at White Whale Lake, and that they feel that they cannot live there and that they have sore grievances, whether those grievances are real or imaginary, should the Department not be generous enough to allow them to change their location, if they wish to or, at least, to pay them their Treaty money: the poor creatures are dying off and it won't be much longer that the Department will be bothered with any of them.

I do not think that their request, to leave up there and join Samson's Band, is an unreasonable one: it would be quite a different thing if they had always been members of the White Whale

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Whale Lake Band
Your's obediently

D Blink
Agent

I think we will have enough money left out of Samson's Bull's & Emmaskin ~~money~~ to pay the three families of Sharpheads Band

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19th November, 6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th Instant - No. 1 - and would say that under the circumstances if Sampson's band are willing to receive the three Stoney families mentioned viz:- William Rain, Thomas Keyatahim and William Simon, they may be admitted and paid their annuities.

I enclose forms for consent of Sampson's band.

Misticoomin of Enoch's band cannot be accorded similar treatment, as the reasons advanced in the case of the Stonies do not apply to him, and he will have to return to his Reserve.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Hobbema Agency.

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Formerly No 57 Sharphead's Band

CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

of William Simon to Samson's Band.

Samson's Indian Reserve,

Hobbema Indian Agency.

Dec 2nd 1896

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6 and known as "Samson's Bd 138 Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the second day of Decbr 1896, granted leave to William Simon to join our said band, and as a member thereof to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also give full consent,

Chief Samson his + mark

H. M. Buffalo Chips his + mark

H. M. Kakitohat his + mark

H. M. Goosan his + mark

CERTIFIED. D L Clink

Indian Agent.

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Formerly No. 50 Sharphead Band

CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

Thomas Kenatahin to Samson's Band.

Samson's Indian Reserve,

Hobbema Indian Agency Agency.

December 2nd 1896

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as "Samson's Bd 138 Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the second day of December 1896, granted leave to Thomas Kenatahin to join our said band, and as a member thereof to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also give full consent,

Chief Samson his + mark
H. m. Buffalo Chips his + mark
H. m. Kakitohat his + mark
H. m. Goosang his + mark

CERTIFIED. D L Clink

Indian Agent.

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F. Treaty No 29 Sharpshead's Band

JAN 25 1897 FILE.

CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

of William Rain to Samson's Band.

Samson's Indian Reserve,

Hobbema Indian Agency Agency.

Dec 2nd 1896

We, the undersigned Chiefs and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as "Samson's Bd 138 Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the Second day of Decbr 1896, granted leave to William Rain to join our said band, and as a member thereof to share in all land and other privileges of the Band, to which admission we the undersigned also give full consent,

Chief Samson his + mark

H. M. Buffalo Chips his + mark

H. M. Kakitohat his + mark

H. M. Goosang his + mark

CERTIFIED.

D L Clink
Indian Agent.

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31 Dec 1886

Sir,

I beg to refer to the Commissioner's letter of the 31st October last, of even number, and to forward herewith the consent of the White Whale Lake band to the admission thereinto of

Mary, Sydney Paul's mother, formerly No.54 of Shamphead Band at Wolf Creek.

and Noah's widow, formerly No.31 of the same Band.

This completes the transfer of the entire membership of the original Wolf Creek Band, except No.9 Michel's widow, regarding whom all efforts to trace have failed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

7 HP

For Commissioner.

The Deputy of

The Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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26th January, 7

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I have to inform you that William Bain, Thomas Ayatahin and William Simon, formerly of Sharphead's Band, Wolf Creek, and lately of the White Whale Lake Band, have applied for admission to Sampson's Band in the Hobbema Agency and that Band has consented to receive them.

As there does not appear to be any reason why they should be compelled to maintain a connection with the White-whale Lake Band which appears to be only nominal, the Commissioner has signified to Mr. Agent Glink his approval of these Indians being allowed to settle on Sampson's Reserve and Mr. Glink, under authority of this Office, paid their annuities for 1906.

Please obtain when you are next at Whitewhale Lake, the consent of that Band to these Indians being transferred to Sampson's.

Forms enclosed.

Yours truly,

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for Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Edmonton Agency.

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CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

of Wm Rain ..... No. .....

White Whale Lake Indian Reserve,

Feby 10 ..... 1897.

We, the undersigned Chief and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 5 ..... and known as "White Whale Lake Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the 10 day of Feby 1897, granted leave to William Rain, a member of our Band, TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM our said Band, to the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 5 ... and known as Sampson's Reserve, to which transfer, we, the undersigned also give full consent,

Paul H.M. x
Simon H.M. x
François x
Luke x

CERTIFIED. C. de Cazes
Indian Agent.

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CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

of William Simon No. 33

White Whale Lake Indian Reserve,

Feby 7th 1897

We, the undersigned Chief and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as "White Whale Lake Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the 7th day of Feby 1897, granted leave to William Simon, a member of our Band, TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM our said Band, to the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6 and known as Sampson Reserve, to which transfer, we, the undersigned also give full consent.

Paul his x mark
Simon his x mark
Luke x
Francis x

CERTIFIED. C. de Cosmos
Indian Agent.

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CONSENT OF BAND TO TRANSFER.

of Thos Kyatahin No. +

White Whale Lake Indian Reserve,

Feby 20 1897

We, the undersigned Chief and Councillors of the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6, and known as "White Whale Lake Reserve", do, by these presents, certify that the said Band has by vote of the majority of its voting members present at a meeting summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held in the presence of the Indian Agent for the locality on the 20 day of Feby 1897, granted leave to Thomas Kyatahin, a member of our Band, TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM our said Band, to the Band of Indians owning the Reserve situated in Treaty No. 6 and known as Sampsons Reserve, to which transfer, we, the undersigned also give full consent,

Paul x Ol. M x
Simon x H M
Luke x
Francois x

CERTIFIED. Chs. de Cazes
Indian Agent.

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Edmonton

March 12 1897

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Indian Agent Sobhanna advised.

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Sir

Relative to your letter of 26 January last I enclose you herewith the transfer forms of Wm. Rain, Thos. Kyatahiri and William Simon.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obed servant
Chs. de Cazes
Ind Agt

The
Ind Comm
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Indian Commissioner

FOR MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

1887.

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"Indian Act."

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In your reply refer to
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Also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, February 17th 1887

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Sir,

I have the honor to invite your attention to the fact that the wording of the 94th Section of the Indian act, frequently gives rise to doubt in the minds of magistrates as to whether there exists any power to punish an Indian for drunkenness, unless arrested without process of law, by a constable, and to suggest that it should be clearly laid down in an amendment that an Indian can receive certain punishment for being intoxicated.

With regard to the ~~punishment~~ penalty provided in Sec: 90 of the Indian act, for furnishing intoxicants

To the
Right Hon:
The Supt. Genl.
of Indian affairs
Ottawa.

&c

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to Indians, I beg to point out that in almost every instance magistrates content themselves with inflicting a fine — and that, in ~~most~~ many cases, the minimum one allowed.* This I am convinced will not have the effect of putting a stop to the pernicious traffic, and I am strongly of opinion that no option of a fine should be within the magistrate's power, but that imprisonment for not less than 3 months, ~~with~~ should be compulsory on the magistrate to inflict — having the discretionary power to add a fine there-to.

~~There it not that there is the danger as has already been suggested in prior correspondence of exciting sympathy by over severity, I would be inclined to make this offence a penitentiary matter, and even with this view of the matter before me, I incline to think that a 2nd or at most a 3rd conviction should be treated in that way.~~

Should these views approve themselves to the Department, I trust that at an early date it may be found possible to take the necessary steps to give effect to them.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant,
[signature]
Asst. Commr.

*although they would often doubtless willingly visit the offence much more severely but for the odium attaching to them as local Justices — for doing so.

on the subject

severely than the law now allows — even to impart in the penitentiary

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Ottawa, 22nd March 1887.

Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 17th Ultimo, suggesting certain amendments to Sections 90 and 94 of the Indian Act; and in reply I beg to inform you that your suggestions will receive consideration.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hon. E. Dewdney. for Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Ind. Com. for Man. & N.W.T.

Regina. N.W.T.

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WM. WHITE,
Barrister, &c.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
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Moosomin and Whitewood, N.W.T.
25th November 1889

Hayter Reed Esq.
Com. Indian Affairs,
Regina

Regina v. Nau-E-Quis-A-Ka

Dear Sir

I have the honor to inform you that on Monday the 11th inst. a Cree Indian named Nau.E.Quist.Ka was tried before the Honble Mr Justice Wetmore on charge of Assaulting one Orisseau Maletene occasioning actual bodily harm and was convicted. When the Prisoner opened his Defence he tendered the evidence of his two wives, the evidence of only one of whom was admitted namely that of the one he called his second wife. In answer to questions by Judge his first wife stated there was no ceremony performed at their marriage, which she said consisted in the Prisoner promising her to keep her as long as he lived and she in her turn promising to live with him as long as she lived. This she stated to be the way Indian marriages were performed. I thereupon objected to her evidence as not being admissible as being the wife of the Prisoner and it was rejected by the Judge. - His Lordship stated that the point raised as to the validity of this marriage by our Laws was of such importance that he would reserve the point

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for consideration of the full Court which sits on the first week of december as he has respited the carrying out the sentence passed until after decision of the full Court.— I have been retained to argue the case on behalf of the Crown and I shall endeavor to establish the validity of the Indian Marriage as above described. I have taken the liberty of notifying you of the above in order that you may if you see fit retain Counsel on behalf of the Indian who is now confined in guardroom Regina

I have the honor to be Sir
Yours obediently
W. White

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Regina ~~#~~ 20 Dec. 89.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a memorandum covering certain suggested amendments to "The Indian Act.

Following each clause, you will find notes in red ink containing my reasons for urging these amendments to your attention.

Supt. Supt. Gen.
Ottawa

Comm^rs

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CHAP. 29.

An Act further to amend "The Indian Act," chapter forty-three of the Revised Statutes.

[*Assented to* 16*th May*, 1890.]

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

R.S.C., c. 43, s. 11 amended.

1. Section eleven of "*The Indian Act*," is hereby amended by adding the following sub-section thereto:—

"2. Where a band has become enfranchised, or has otherwise ceased to exist, such commutation may take place upon the approval of the Superintendent General."

S. 16 amended. Proviso for certificates of occupancy in Manitoba, Keewatin and Western Territories

2. Section sixteen of the said Act is hereby amended, by adding the following words at the end thereof: "Provided always, that prior to the location of an Indian under this section, the Indian Commissioner for Manitoba, Keewatin and The Western Territories may issue a certificate of occupancy to any Indian belonging to a band residing upon a reserve in the aforesaid Province, District or Territories, of so much land, (in no case however to exceed one hundred and sixty acres,) as the Indian, with the approval of the Commissioner, selects; and such certificate may be cancelled at any time by the Indian Commissioner, but shall, while it remains in force, vest in the holder thereof, as against all others, lawful possession of the lands described therein.

Subs. 1, of s. 26, repealed and new provision. Punishment for cutting timber, &c., on or taking stone, minerals, &c., from Reserves.

3. Sub-section one of section twenty-six of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—

"**26.** Every person, or Indian other than an Indian of the band to which the reserve belongs, who, without the license in writing of the Superintendent General, or of some officer or person deputed by him for that purpose, cuts, carries away or removes from any of the said land, roads or allowances for roads, in the said reserve, any of the trees saplings, shrubs, underwood, timber, cordwood or part of a tree, or hay thereon, or removes any of the stone, soil, minerals, metals or other

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valuables from the said land, roads or allowances for roads, shall, on conviction thereof before any stipendiary magistrate, police magistrate or any two justices of the peace or Indian agent, incur—

Trees. "(*a.*) For every tree he cuts, carries away or removes, a penalty of twenty dollars ;

Saplings, &c. "(*b.*) For cutting, carrying away or removing any of the saplings, shrubs, underwood, timber, cordwood or part of a tree or hay, if under the value of one dollar, a penalty of four dollars ; but, if over the value of one dollar, a penalty of twenty dollars ;

Stone, minerals, &c. "(*c.*) For removing any of the stone, soil, minerals, metals, or other valuables aforesaid, a penalty of twenty dollars :—

And costs. " And the costs of prosecution in each case :"

Subs. 2, s. 43, repealed, and new provision. Registration of assignments.

4. Sub-section two of section forty-three of the said Acs is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor :—

" 2. Upon any such assignment being produced to the Superintendent General, and, except in cases where such assignment is made under a corporate seal, with an affidavit of due execution thereof, and of the place of such execution, and the names, residences and occupations of the witnesses,—or, as regards lands in the Province of Quebec, upon the production of such assignment, executed in notarial form, or of a notarial copy thereof,—the Superintendent General shall cause the material parts of every such assignment to be registered in such book of registry, and shall cause to be indorsed on every such assignment a certificate of such registration, signed by himself, or by the Deputy Superintendent General, or any other officer of the department by him authorized to sign such certificates :

Subs. 1, s. 53, amended.

5. Sub-section one of section fifty-three of the said Act is hereby amended by substituting for the words " office of the Registrar General of Canada," in the ninth line thereof, the words " Department of Indian Affairs."

Subs. 3, s. 81, amended.

6. Sub-section three of section eighty-one of the said Act is hereby amended by adding the following words at the end thereof : " and the burden of proof, concerning such written consent of the Superintendent General or his agent, shall lie on the accused."

S. 81 further amended. Certain animals and tools, &c., held to be presents.

7. The said section eighty-one is hereby further amended by adding the following sub-section thereto :—

" 5. Animals given to Indians under treaty stipulations, and the progeny thereof, and farming implements, tools and any other articles given to Indians under treaty stipulations, shall be held to be presents within the meaning of this section."

S. 98 amended.

8. Section ninety-eight of the said Act is hereby amended by adding the following words at the end thereof : " And the

burden of proof that the intoxicant has been so made use of shall be on the accused."

S. 117 repealed ; new provision.

9. Section one hundred and seventeen of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor :—

Indian Agent to be *ex officio* a Justice of the Peace. Powers.

" **117.** Every Indian agent shall be *ex officio* a justice of the peace for the purposes of this Act, and shall have the power and authority of two justices of the peace, with jurisdiction wheresoever any violation of the provisions of this Act occurs, and in all cases of infraction, by Indians, of any of the provisions of chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes, intituled " *An Act respecting Offences against Public Morals and Public Convenience*," or wheresoever it is considered by him most conducive to the ends of justice that any violation aforesaid shall be tried."

New sections added.

10. The said Act is hereby amended by adding the following sections thereto :—

Game laws in Manitoba and N.-W. Territories.

" **133.** The Superintendent General may, from time to time, by public notice, declare that on and after a day therein named the laws respecting game in force in the Province of Manitoba or The Western Territories, or respecting such game as is specified in such notice, shall apply to Indians within the said Province or Territories, as the case may be, or to Indians in such parts thereof as to him seems expedient."

Officials of Indian Dept. missionaries and teachers prohibited from trading with Indians.

" **134.** No official or employee connected with the inside or outside service of the Department of Indian Affairs, and no missionary in the employ of any religious denomination, or otherwise employed in mission work among Indians, and no school teacher on an Indian reserve, shall trade with any Indian, or sell to him, directly or indirectly, any goods or supplies, cattle or other animals :

In Manitoba and N.-W. T. Indian trader must be licensed.

" 2. In Manitoba and the North-West Territories no person or persons shall be allowed, on an Indian reserve, to barter, directly or indirectly, with any Indian, or sell to him any goods or supplies, cattle or other animals, without the special license in writing of the Superintendent General,—which license he may at any time revoke :

Penalty. Costs.

" 3. Every offender against the provisions of this section shall be liable to a fine equal in amount to double the sum received for the goods, supplies, cattle or other animals sold, and in addition to the costs of prosecution before a police magistrate, a stipendiary magistrate, a justice of the peace or the Indian agent for the locality where the offence occurs ; and the evidence of the Indian to whom the sale was made, and the production to, or view by, the magistrate or Indian agent of the article or animal sold, shall be sufficient evidence on which to convict."

Evidence.

Imprisonment in default of payment of penalties incurred under this Act.

" **135.** Any offender sentenced by a magistrate or Indian agent, under any provision of this Act or of any amendment thereof, to the payment of a penalty or of costs, or of both, shall, in default of payment, be liable to imprisonment, not-

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withstanding that such provision does not expressly authorize such imprisonment to be imposed in the event of non-payment of the penalty ; but the term of such imprisonment shall not exceed that to which the offender may be sentenced for the offence."

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Ottawa, 27th June, 1890.

Sir:-

I have the honor to enclose herein, for your careful perusal 12 copies of the amendments made last Session to the Indian Act, and the same number of copies of the amendments made at the same Session of Parliament to the Indian Advancement Act.

I have forwarded to each of the Agents under your superintendence 4 copies of each of these amendments with a request that they will carefully peruse the same and note the amendment or repeal thereby of any of the Sections in the old Acts in the margin of the latter, in order that they may be able at a glance to know the existing law in respect to the various Indian matters upon which legislation has been had.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt. General of

Indian Affairs.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,

Indian Commissioner,

Regina, N.W.T.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
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N.W.T.

Ottawa, Jany 3. 1891.

Ref on 237

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 7th of August last, which, through an oversight was filed away without its being as was intended, brought under my notice on my return to Ottawa, the same having reference to the question of the limitations in purchasing from Indians, to be applied to missionaries, schoolteachers and employees of the Department when desirous of buying such necessaries of life

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Hayter Reed Esq.
Indian Commr.
Regina.
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life as berries, fish, game, foot-gear etc, Etc, from the Indians, I beg to inform you that after consulting with the Superintendent General, he is of the same opinion as myself in this matter, that the provisions of the Act were not intended to prohibit the employees of the Department and School teachers & Missionaries from purchasing such necessaries as the above, but that the prohibition was intended merely to prevent the above parties from carrying on a business of trading with Indians among whom they were Employed, or

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or with other Indians.-

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Obed.t Servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt. General

of Indian affairs.-

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Circular

Regina, 14th January 1891

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to the amendment of the Indian Act contained in the recent addition to it of Sec. 134, and its subsections, and to inform you that the Department does not consider that the provisions therein contained, are intended to prohibit employees of the Department and School Teachers and Missionaries on Reserves from purchasing from the Indians, such necessaries of life, as berries, fish, game, foot gear and so forth, but are intended to prevent such parties from carrying on a business of trading with Indians among whom they are employed, or with other Indians.

You will therefore be kind enough to notify those concerned to that effect.

I am.

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

A. Forget.

Asst Commissioner.

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Memorandum

Suggested amendments to
"The Indian Act"

1. Section 22 of the said Act is hereby amended by inserting, in the twelfth line thereof, between the words "authorizes" and "shall", the following words:- "or the Indian Agent for such Reserve,".

The original clause of the Act gives to the Superintendent General sole jurisdiction in all matters of trespass, as defined therein, and establishes a very cumbersome mode of procedure. While this may be quite in order in matters of serious importance, it practically gives no redress in minor cases, such as daily trespasses by cattle of settlers or undesirable men [illegible] Reserve. The Supt. General may, it is true, delegate his authority, but as a special delegation appears to be necessary in each case, before it could be obtained, the time for action would have passed. The amendment proposed is intended to give concurrent jurisdiction to Indian agents for trespasses within their respective agencies, ~~within~~ with the view of giving a redress within reach in all matters of minor importance; as regards other cases, the agents might be instructed to first report the facts ~~to the Department~~ and await its orders.

This amendment is suggested, as will be noticed, on the assumption that a special delegation is required in each instance, but if it were held that a general delegation of authority ~~by the Supt~~ could be made by the Superintendent General to Indians agents, I would recommend that this course be adopted instead of amending the Act as proposed.

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2. Section 23 of the said act is hereby amended by inserting between the word "aforesaid" and the word "upon" in the thirteenth and fourteenth lines thereof respectively, the following words: "or the Indian Agent for such agency,".

(This amendment is a sequence of the preceding one.)

3. Section 25 of the said act is hereby amended by inserting, between the words "aforesaid" and "shall" in the second line thereof the following words, "or Indian Agent, as the case may be,".

(A sequence of the two preceding proposed amendments.)

4. Sub-section 3 of section 81 of the said act is hereby amended, by adding the following words thereto- "and in all such cases it shall be incumbent on the person charged, as aforesaid, to prove his authority for the transaction complained of."

(A similar provision as is here suggested is to be found in section 61 of the act. In that section the cutting of trees on a Reserve is declared to be an infraction liable to penalty, and it is provided that in all cases of such infractions, it shall be incumbent

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on the person charged to prove his authority to cut. The infractions referred to in sub-section 3 of section 81 being of a similar nature, it is held that without a similar specific legislation placing the onus of the proof on the defendant, a complaint under that section is not proved, unless the complainant has produced satisfactory evidence that the person charged had no authority to buy or acquire the Indian property found in his possession. The amendment proposed will obviate ~~it~~ this difficulty and place the onus of such proof where it rightly belongs to.

5 — Section 114 of the said act is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Tamanawas", in the third line, the following words:- "or the Indian dance Omasko Simnoo wok or "Grass dance" commonly known as "giving away dance,"

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(The dance referred to in this amendment is very objectionable. It is made the occasion for an interchange of presents and the giving away of property even to outsiders. In many instances, some indians are known to have dispossessed themselves of everything they owned. It is not regarded as a religious dance and there should be no difficulty in abolishing its practice if made punishable as proposed.)

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6— Section 117 of the said act is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: "and in all cases of infractions by Indians of any of the provisions of chapter 157 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, intituled "An act respecting Offences against Public Morals and Public Convenience."

(In extending the magisterial jurisdiction of Indian agents to infractions by Indians of the provisions of the Vagrancy Act as suggested in the above amendment, it will enable them to more effectively prevent the bad cases to be found on all reserves from loafing about towns, as is so frequently complained.

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The following section shall be deemed to form part of "The Indian Act":

The Superintendent General may, from time to time, by public notice, declare that upon and after a day therein named, the laws respecting the protection of Game, in force in the Province of Manitoba or the North-West Territories, shall apply to Indians within the said Province or Territories, as the case may be, or in such parts thereof respectively, as may be deemed expedient.

A clause in the Treaties provides that Indians shall have the right to pursue their avocation of hunting subject to such regulations as may, from time to time, be made by the Government of Canada. Were such regulations passed differing materially from the local laws on the subject, they would lead to confusion and be very unsatisfactory to the people at large. But to declare the Game law of Manitoba and the Territories in force against the Indians ~~within their~~ everywhere within their respective boundaries would not be judicious in my opinion. Their circumstances are not all the same, and while there ~~may be some~~ is necessity for the application of the law, especially the provisions relating to the preservation of eggs & young birds, in some parts of Manitoba and the Territories, it would result in considerable hardship in other parts

~~In order to obviate to the difficulty, I propose, by the amendment suggested,~~

The ~~amendment~~ section proposed, by vesting with the Superintendent General, the authority heretofore possessed by the Dominion Government, with ample discretionary powers, will, I believe obviate all difficulties.

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16th. March,

Sir,

I have the honour by direction of the Commr. to direct your attention to the fact that there appear to him to exist grave objections to having the right of an Indian woman who may marry any person other than an Indian or non Treaty Indian, or may marry an Indian of any other Band, or a non-Treaty Indian, to commute her annuity, depend upon the consent of the Band, and he would consequently suggest for the Department's consideration, the propriety of having the wording of Sections 11 and 12 altered to make the right depend upon the consent of the Superintendent General, even should the Band not be enfranchised. The Commr. is of opinion that there may be many cases in which a decided advance in the direction of independence may be thwarted by the prejudice or obstinacy of some of the Band, and that to do this should apparently be put beyond their power.

Another change in the Act which it seems to the Commr. would tend to ~~in the direction of~~ advance the Indians in the direction of independence and self maintenance, would be the repeal of the Subsection of Section 75, which enacts that any Band composed of 30 Indians may have one Chief, since even should "may" ~~be~~

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The Deputy of the

Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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regarded as permissive, at the option of the Government, the existence of the clause serves to encourage the belief among the Indians that it is a right.

The Department is so fully aware of the Commissioner's views regarding the strong desirability of destroying h tribal system and of the abolition of Chieftainships and Head Men, whose existence greatly tends to support such system, that it would be superfluous to enlarge upon the subject here.

The Commissioner would recommend further that provision be made for the following:-

1. To make attendance at Industrial, Boarding and Day Schools compulsory, in such locations as the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs may see fit to apply such measure.

2. To empower the Department to retain pupils at schools, more especially Industrial and Boarding Schools, for such time as may be considered advisable in the interests of the pupils.

3. To empower the Department's officials, and others acting under their authority to take and send children to Schools, and to send back deserters from them.

With regard to the last mentioned powers if given, it is perhaps hardly necessary to point out that they need not be exercised in all cases, and would be used with discretion.

The Commissioner desires to have added that however the Department may view the foregoing suggestions in the direction of general compulsion there seems to him to be no doubt that orphans should be taken to Industrial Schools.

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

For Commissioner.

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Address reply to the
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of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 4 1892
N.W.T.

7/c.

Ottawa, 30th March, 1892.

Sir:-

With reference to the letter from your Office of the 21st instant submitting certain amendments which it seems to you desirable should be made to the clauses of the Indian Act referred to in your letter, I beg to inform you that it is now too late to give proper consideration to the proposed amendments to the Indian Act, with a view to legislation during the present session of Parliament; but the suggestions made by you will be noted, and, should legislation be introduced next session in respect to Indian matters, and should the amendments proposed by you be approved of, the required legislation in regard to the same can then be had.

Your obedient servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt. General of
Indian Affairs.

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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Secretary & Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

Ottawa, 19th April, 1892.

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Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, stating that it seems very desirable, if at all possible, to have such immediate legislation enacted as will enable children to be retained in Industrial Schools pending the Department's pleasure, and of deserters being sent back to them, and that the same should be made retroactive in so far as past desertions are concerned.

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In reply I am directed by the Superintendent General to inform you that it is considered that the Indians of the N.W.T. are not as yet sufficiently advanced in civilization for such drastic measures to be adopted as proposed by you, in your letters of the 8th instant and 21st ultimo, for compelling the children to attend school and for retaining them when there and recovering deserters from the schools, to be adopted; but it is hoped that the gradual preparation of the Indians for this step, which will be brought about by inducing

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the Chiefs and Headmen of the different Bands to co-operate with the Indian Agent by the passage of rules and regulations, under the Indian Act, rendering attendance of children at the schools compulsory on the part of Indian parents, will admit of the more stringent measures proposed by you being adopted with safety in a few years hence.

Your obedient servant

Duncan Campbell Scott

Deputy Supt. General of
Indian Affairs.

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Regina, 16th January, 1893.

Memorandum for the Indian Commissioner.

The jurisdiction of Indian Agents as ex-officio Justices of the Peace, as defined by Section 9, 53 Victoria, Chapter 29, is limited to violation of the Indian Act and to cases of infractions, by Indians, of Chapter 157 R. S. C. entitled "An Act respecting Offences against "Public Morals and Public convenience."

Certain provisions of the Indian Act, namely those contained in Sections 106, 107, 111 and in Section 11 of 50, 51 Victoria, Chapter 33, being an amendment to Section 106 of the Indian Act, and the whole of Chapter 157 above mentioned are now embodied in the Criminal Code, the Sections and Act herein referred to being repealed (see schedule Two of the Criminal Code).

Re this vide Supts letter (circulars) 16th May 1893 1880 over file

While this was done no provision appears to have been made to preserve the jurisdiction of our Agents as above defined; and it is thought that on the coming into force of the Criminal Code, Indian Agents shall no longer have jurisdiction for violations of the provisions above referred to.

It seems further an omission was made in not including Section 107 of the Indian Act among the Sections repealed; and it is doubtful also whether sub-section 1 of Section 106 has been repealed, although it was clearly the intention of doing so.

The provisions of the Indian Act transferred to

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the Crimonal Code are to be found in Sections 98 and 190 of the said Code.

Section 112 of the Indian Act should also it seems have been reponled and its provisions incorporated in the Criminal Code.

Asst. Commissioner.

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Memorandum

The undersigned begs to suggest that sec 22 the Indian Act be amended in such manner as to empower an Agent in Man & N.W.T. to order the removal of any person or Indian other than an Indian who has the same upon ~~such~~ Reserve -

The reason why such authority is sought is that frequently Indians through pique or other minor reason during a critical time in seeding or harvest leave their own Reserves & go to others where they upset their friends in their work & probably begin gambling and bad

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Ottawa, 9th June 1893

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Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, asking whether the alterations to the Indian Act recommended by you last winter were legislated upon last Session; and in reply I beg to inform you that the proposed legislation although a bill containing the same was prepared was deferred by the Government.

Your obedient servant.

The Indian Commissioner
Man & N.W.T.
Regina N.W.T.

L. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt General
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Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your letter of 30th ult: and in reply to inform you that it seems very desirable, if at all possible, to have ~~legislation~~ such immediate legislation ~~such~~ enacted as will ~~empower~~ enable children to be retained in the Industrial Schools, pending Departments pleasure, and ~~to have~~ deserters sent back to them, and that the same should be made retroactive ~~so as to embrace~~ in so far as ~~past~~ desertions ~~to application~~ are concerned ~~children pupils already entered~~

A case has just occurred in which an Indian from Carlton Agency has insisted upon taking his daughter away from the Industrial School Battleford ~~despite~~ after the united efforts of the Principal and Mr Agent Williams to dissuade him from so doing had been exhausted.

The Indian had no complaint to make against the school or the girl's treatment, but he and more especially his wife were

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were determined not to forego the help which the girls could give her mother in working at home.

It would be sufficiently vexatious to have the benefits we partook during a year's residence in the Institution, and the expense connected therewith thrown away in the case of Thomas, but unfortunately if the girl can not be taken back, and apparently nothing but force would enable this to be done, other Indians seeing the Father's success in this instance, will insist upon the withdrawal of their children, and so all the pupils who were obtained with so much trouble from the Prince Albert District will be lost, and this is all the more probable because as Dept is aware, there evidently is a determination, if possible to have an Indian School established under the auspices of the Episcopalian Church in the District named.

Should these fears be realized, as seems only too likely, the movement would rapidly spread, throughout the country, and it is impossible to foresee the extent of the disasters the Indian schools would make.

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June 2nd, 93

Sir,

Referring to the alterations to the Indian Act which were recommended by me during my visit at Ottawa last Summer, may I request to be informed whether they took the form of legislation or not last session?

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Commissioner.

To the Deputy of the

Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs,

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MAY 18 1894
N.W.T.

Ottawa, 12th May, 1894.

Sir,-

The Bill to amend the Indian Act, which is before Parliament, contains a provision to empower the Governor in Council to pass regulations,

(1) To secure the compulsory attendance of children at school, and -

(2) For the committal to and detention in Industrial Schools of Indian children.

I enclose you a printed draft of the clauses containing the proposed provision; and I shall be obliged if you will let me have your views as to the regulations which should be passed thereunder. You might put your suggestions in the form of draft regulations.

Your obedient servant,

for Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

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May 18th 1884

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My dear Reed,

I beg to enclose copy of the first four lines of the new clause 137 of the Indian Act, with a slight amendment which I think necessary if its provisions are intended to be applied to the Indians having their reserves in the North West Territories, for the word "Province" used in the clause can hardly be held to include the Territories.

I will write as soon as possible re the regulations.

It is a pity, I think, that opportunity is not now taken to consolidate the Act, which at present , as you are aware is difficult to refer to on account of the numerous amendments.

Yours faithfully

Hayter Reed Esq

D. S. G. I. A.

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Ottawa, 21st May 1894.

Re Compulsory education.

My dear Forget,-

Replying to your note of the 18th, I would remind you that by Sub-section 13 of Sec.7 of the Interpretation Act the expression " Province " is made to include the North West Territories, and Sec.137, which ~~has been~~ is to be added to the Indian Act, will, therefore, apply to the West. I thought of having the Indian Act consolidated this Session and had the work begun, but it was found that the time was altogether too limited to do it efficiently this Session, and I had to put it off for a year.

I send you a copy of the Bill to amend the Act as it has passed the Senate.

Yours very truly,

Hayter Reed

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Asst.Indian Commr.,
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11. The said Act is hereby amended by adding the following sections thereto :—

"**137.** The Governor in Council may make regulations, either general or affecting the Indians of any province or of any named band, to secure the compulsory attendance of children at school.

" 2. Such regulations, in addition to any other provisions deemed expedient, may provide for the arrest and conveyance to school, and detention there, of truant children and of children who are prevented by their parents or guardians from attending: and such regulations may provide for the punishment, upon summary conviction, by fine or imprisonment, or both, of parents and guardians, or persons having the charge of children, who fail, refuse or neglect to cause such children to attend school."

"**138.** The Governor in Council may establish an industrial school or a boarding school for Indians, or may declare any existing Indian school to be such industrial school or boarding school for the purposes of this section.

" 2. The Governor in Council may make regulations, which shall have the force of law, for the committal by justices or Indian agents of children of Indian blood under the age of sixteen years, to such industrial school or boarding school, there to be kept, cared for and educated for a period not extending beyond the time at which such children shall reach the age of eighteen years.

" 3. Such regulations may provide, in such manner as to the Governor in Council seems best, for the application of the annuities and interest moneys of children committed to such industrial school or boarding school, to the maintenance of such schools respectively, or to the maintenance of the children themselves."

" **139.** The Governor in Council may, with the consent of a band, authorize and direct the expenditure of any capital moneys standing at the credit of such band, in the purchase of land as a reserve for the band or as an addition to its reserve, or in the purchase of cattle for the band, or in the construction of permanent improvements upon the reserve of the band, or such works thereon or in connection therewith as, in his opinion will be of permanent value to the band, or will, when completed, properly represent capital."

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OTTAWA 31st July 1894

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the Rev. Father Naessens' Report for the month of June last on the St Joseph's Industrial School; and in reply I beg to say that the Department approves of your remarks to the Principal in reference to the removal of the "Callihoo" children by their father and to their being returned to the Institution.

In this connection I have to inform you that by an amendment to the Indian Act passed at the late Session the Governor in Council may

" make regulations either general or affecting the Indians of any province or of any named Band, to secure the " compulsory attendance of children at school. Such " regulations in addition to any other provisions deemed " expedient may provide for the arrest and conveyance " to school, and detention there of truant children and " of children who are prevented by their parents or " guardians from attending; and such regulations may pro- " vide for the punishment upon summary conviction by fine " or imprisonment, or both, of parents or guardians, or " persons having the charge of children who fail, refuse " or neglect to cause such children to attend school.

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" Regulations under this amendment are "in course of preparation and when passed you will be further advised.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

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Ottawa 14th Sept 1894

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SEP 18 1894
N.W.T.

Received
SEP. 18 1894

Sir,

I beg to forward you herewith twenty five copies of an amendment to the Indian Act passed by Parliament at its last Session and to request that you will be good enough to furnish a copy to each Agent and to any others who in your opinion may require it

If after having given it careful perusal the Agents are still in doubt as to the proper meaning or intent of

Wrote yesterday for 40 copies

Received.
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of any of its provisions
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from the Department

I am,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

D. C. Macdonald

Acting Deputy Supt. Genl.
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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office, Crooked Lake.

25 Septr 1894

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SEP 29 1894
N.W.T.

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Sir,

With reference to the addition of the Indian Act just received from you - 57-58 Victoria, Chap 32, and more particularly Sub Sec 2, and the Amendn of Section 117. I would like to know whether you consider it would be my duty to sit on the Magisterial Bench either Broadview or Grenfell to act with the J.P.'s there, should a case arise involving Indians, and in such case does my Official position give me precedence of such J.Ps, as by the 4th Section referred to it says - "& have the power & authority of two Justices of the Peace"

I would be glad to be advised on this point in case action should be necessary.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
J. McDonald
Indian Agent.

Ans 8th Oct 94

The,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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8th October, 4

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 25th Ultimo, No. 154, I would say that your jurisdiction as a Justice of the Peace extends only to cases defined in Section 117 of the Indian Act, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 32, 57-58 Victoria, unless you hold a commission from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, in which case you may of course sit on all cases within a jurisdiction of a Justice of the Peace; but your power of two Justices of the Peace can only be exercised in cases of the Indian Act.

As to the advisability of sitting with Magistrate at Broadview and Grenfell, it all depends upon circumstances, of which, you being on the spot, must be the best judge.

Precedence between Justices of the Peace is regulated by the date of appointment.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

AVF

Asst. Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,

Crooked Lake Agency,

Broadview,

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29th Oct 94

Dear Forget -

I find on enquiry that in draftwig Sec 117 as enacted by Sec 8 of the Act of last session to amend the Indian Act the intention was to give agents the power to deal with offences by Indians against that part of the Criminal Code which took the place of the Act respecting Offences against Public Morals & Public Convenience, mentioned in Sec 117 as enacted by Sec 9, Chap 29, 53 Vic. Part XIII covers most of the ground covered by the aforementioned act, but a mistake was made in not mentioning Part XV of the Code, to which you referred when speaking to me

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on the subject. Note has been made with a view to having the recently enacted Sec 117 amended to read "Parts XIII and XV" instead of Part XIII. This I think will meet your point. (Yours very truly)

Hayter Reed

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Ottawa. 27th Dec., 1894

re School Regulations

Dear Forget,-

Replying to your note of the 20th instant, I would say that I think that if Sec.8 is taken in conjunction with Sec.12, no difficulty exists. The intention certainly was that the Act and Regulations should apply to all.

Yours very truly,

Haytt Reed

re School regulations

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ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

Ottawa 28th August 1895

Sir,

I beg to forward you by mail under separate cover 40 Copies of an Amendment to the Indian Act passed by Parliament at its last session and to request that you will be good enough to furnish a copy to each Agent and to any others who in your opinion may require it.

If after having given it careful pursual the Agentshould still be in doubt as to the proper meaning or intent of any of its provisions advise should be sought from the Department.

Your obedient servant,

D. C. Scott

Acting Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

A.E. Forget Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W.T.,

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OTTAWA.



Ottawa. 3rd March 1896



I beg to advise that the Department has this day forwarded to your address by mail in six parcels twenty one ~~hund~~ copies of the Indian Act and Indian Advancement Act together with sixty (60) copies each of the different amendments thereto. You will observe that in one copy all the amendments have been arranged and you will be good enough to have the others done in the same way before sending them out to the Agents so that they may have no difficulty in seeing at



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at a glance all the changes which have been made in the Act.

Your obedient servant

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

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12th March 1896.

Sir,

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I have the honor to ack. the receipt of your letter of the 3rd Inst., and of the 21 bound copies of the Indian Act and 60 copies each of the different amendments thereto, as advised.

In looking over the copy with amendments arranged to serve as guide for the others, I notice that no reference is made to the fact that sections 106 and 111 and section 11. 50-51 vict. ch33 were repealed by and their respective provisions embodied in the criminal code of 1892. Vide Crim. Code secs. 98 and 190.

In this connection I may add that although the provisions of Sec. 107 of the Indian Act are also included in the Crim. Code (vide sec. 190 sub sec. 2) itwas left standing in the Indian Act, and to this day it is not yet repealed.

Section 112 which reads;

"Every one who incites any Indian to commit any indic-
"table offence is guilty of felony and liable to imprison-
"ment for any timenot exceeding five years, "

has also been left standing in the Indian Act-- It should be repealed and its provisions embodied in the Crim. code.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Articles exchanged for intoxicants may be seized and forfeited.

102. Every article, chattel, commodity or thing in the purchase, acquisition, exchange, trade or barter of which, in violation of this Act, the consideration, either wholly or in part, is an intoxicant, is forfeited to Her Majesty and may be seized, as is hereinbefore provided in respect to any receptacle of any intoxicant, and may be sold, and the proceeds thereof paid to Her Majesty, for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned 43 V., c. 28, s. 93.

No intoxicant to be introduced at any council or meeting of Indians respecting surrender of reserve.

103. No one shall introduce any intoxicant at any council or meeting of Indians held for the purpose of discussing or of assenting to a release or surrender of a reserve or portion thereof, or for the purpose of assenting to the issuing of a timber or other license ; and every person who introduces, at such meeting, and every agent or officer employed by the Superintendent General, or by the Governor in Council, who introduces, allows or countenances by his presence, the use of such intoxicant among such Indians, a week before, or at, or a week after, any such council or meeting, shall incur a penalty of two hundred dollars, recoverable by action in any court of competent jurisdiction,—a moiety of which penalty shall belong to the informer. 43 V., c. 28, s. 38.

Indians found intoxicated.

Penalties.

"**104.** Every Indian who is found in a state of intoxication shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one month or to a penalty not exceeding thirty dollars and not less than five dollars, or to both penalty and imprisonment, in the discretion of the convicting judge, magistrate, justice of the peace or Indian agent."

May be arrested without warrant and confined till sober.

To be tried when sober.

"2. Any constable or other peace officer may, without warrant, arrest any Indian or non-treaty Indian found in a state of intoxication, and convey him to any common gaol, house of correction, lock-up or other place of confinement, there to be kept until he is sober; and such Indian or non-treaty Indian shall, when sober, be brought for trial before any judge, police magistrate, stipendiary magistrate, or justice of the peace or Indian agent. *part* ;—45 V., c. 30, ss. 3 *and* 5, *part*

Further penalty if Indian refuses to state where he obtained the intoxicant.

105. If any Indian or non-treaty Indian who has been so convicted, refuses, upon examination, to state or give information of the person, place and time from whom, where and when, he procured such intoxicant, and if from any other Indian or non-treaty Indian, then, if within his knowledge, from whom, where and when such intoxicant was originally procured or received, he shall be liable to imprisonment as aforesaid for a further period not exceeding fourteen days, or to an additional penalty not exceeding fifteen dollars and not less than three dollars, or to both penalty and imprisonment, in the discretion of the convicting judge, magistrate, justice of the peace or Indian agent. 43 V., c. 28, s. 94, *part* ;—45 V., c. 30, ss. 3 *and* 5, *part*.

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Of commanders of vessels, on board of which the same are furnished

95. The commander or person in charge of any steamer or other vessel, or boat, from or on board of which any intoxicant has been sold, bartered, exchanged, supplied or given to any Indian or non-treaty Indian, shall, on summary conviction before any judge, police magistrate, stipendiary magistrate or two justices of the peace, or Indian agent, upon the evidence of one credible witness, other than the informer or prosecutor,—or in the Province of Manitoba, the Province of British Columbia, the North-West Territories or the District of Keewatin, upon the evidence of the informer alone, if he is a credible person,—be liable to a penalty not exceeding three hundred dollars and not less than fifty dollars for each such offence, with costs of prosecution,—which penalty shall be applied as provided in the next preceding section; and in default of immediate payment of such penalty and costs, any person so convicted shall be committed to any common gaol, house of correction, lock-up or other place of confinement by the judge, magistrate or two justices of the peace, or Indian agent, before whom the conviction has taken place, for a term not exceeding six months and not less than one month, with or without hard labor, or until such penalty and costs are paid. 43 V., c. 28, s. 90, *part.*

Penalties and their application.

Imprisonment in default of payment.

Punishment of Indians making or having intoxicants, or selling the same to other Indians.

96. Every Indian or non-treaty Indian who makes or manufactures any intoxicant, or who has in his possession, or concealed, or who sells, exchanges with, barters, supplies or gives to any other Indian or non-treaty Indian, any intoxicant, shall, on summary conviction before any judge, police magistrate, stipendiary magistrate or two justices of the peace, or Indian agent, upon the evidence of one credible witness, other than the informer or prosecutor,—or in the Province of Manitoba, the Province of British Columbia, the North-West Territories or the District of Keewatin, upon the evidence of the informer alone, if he is a credible person,—be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months and not less than one month, with or without hard labor, or to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less than twenty-five dollars, or to both penalty and imprisonment, in the discretion of the convicting judge, magistrate, or justices of the peace or Indian agent. 43 V., c. 28, s. 90, *part.*

Penalty or imprisonment, or both.

Evidence of Indians.

97. In all cases arising under the three sections next preceding, Indians or non-treaty Indians shall be competent witnesses. 43 V., c. 28, s. 90, *part.*

No penalty in

98. No penalty shall be incurred when the intoxicant is made use of in case of sickness under the sanction of a medical man or under the directions of a minister of religion. [redacted] the burden of proof that the intoxicant has been so made use of [redacted] shall be on the accused."

Further penalty if Indian refuses to state where he obtained the intoxicant.

"**99.** Any constable or peace officer may arrest without warrant any person or Indian found gambling, or drunk, or with intoxicants in his possession, on any part of a reserve, and may detain him until he can be brought before a justice of the peace, and such person or Indian shall be liable upon summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars and not less than ten dollars, with costs of prosecution, half of which penalty shall belong to the informer."

Penalties.

Intoxicated Indians, how to be dealt with.

100. The keg, barrel, case, box, package or receptacle from which any intoxicant has been sold, exchanged, bartered, supplied or given, as well that in which the original supply was contained as the vessel wherein any portion of such original supply was supplied as aforesaid, and the remainder of the contents thereof, if such barrel, keg, case, box, package, receptacle or vessel aforesaid, respectively, can be identified,—and any intoxicant imported, manufactured or brought into and upon any reserve or special reserve, or into the house, tent, wigwam or place of abode, or on the person of any Indian or non-treaty Indian, or suspected to be upon any reserve or special reserve, may, upon a search warrant in that behalf being granted by any judge, police magistrate, stipendiary magistrate or justice of the peace be searched for, and if found, seized by any Indian superintendent, agent or bailiff, or other officer connected with the Indian Department, or by any constable, wheresoever found on such land or in such place or on the person of such Indian or non-treaty Indian; and on complaint before any judge, police magistrate, stipendiary magistrate, justice of the peace or Indian agent, he may, on the evidence of any credible witness that this Act has been violated in respect thereof, declare the same forfeited, and cause the same to be forthwith destroyed; and may condemn the Indian or person in whose possession the same is found to pay a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less than fifty dollars, and the costs of prosecution:

2. A moiety of such penalty shall belong to the prosecutor and the other moiety to Her Majesty, for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned; and in default of immediate payment, the offender may be committed to any common gaol, house of correction, lock-up or other place of confinement, with or without hard labor, for any term not exceeding six months, and not less than two months, unless such penalty and costs are sooner paid. 43 V., c. 28, s. 91;—44 V., c. 17, s. 11;—45 V., c. 30, s. 3.

101. If it is proved before any judge, police magistrate, stipendiary magistrate or two justices of the peace, or Indian agent, that any vessel, boat, canoe or conveyance of any description, upon the sea or sea coast, or upon any river, lake or stream, is employed in carrying any intoxicant, to be supplied to Indians or non-treaty Indians, such vessel, boat, canoe or conveyance so employed may be seized and declared forfeited, as in the next preceding section mentioned, and sold, and the proceeds thereof paid to Her Majesty for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned. 43 V., c. 28, s. 92;—

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also to the date of this letter.

Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T."

Office of the Sec. 2.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs

"Indian."

(*h.*) The expression "Indian" means—
First. Any male person of Indian blood reputed to belong to a particular band;
Secondly. Any child of such person;
Thirdly. Any woman who is or was lawfully married to

"Non-treaty Indian."

(*i.*) The expression "non-treaty Indian" means any person of Indian blood who is reputed to belong to an irregular band, or who follows the Indian mode of life, even if such person is only a temporary resident in Canada;

Excerpts from [illegible] to 11th March 1896 - for [illegible] guidance of the Constables in dealing w[illegible] liquor [illegible]

"Intoxicants" — [illegible]

(*n.*) The expression "intoxicants" means and includes all spirits, strong waters, spirituous liquors, wines, or fermented or compounded liquors or intoxicating drink of any kind whatsoever, and any intoxicating liquor or fluid, and opium and any preparation thereof, whether liquid or solid, and any other intoxicating drug or substance, and tobacco or tea mixed or compounded or impregnated with opium or with other intoxicating drugs, spirits or substances, and whether the same or any of them are liquid or solid. 43 V., c. 28, s. 2;—45 V., c. 30, s. 1.

Things pawned by Indians for intoxicants not to be retained.

Sec. **80.** No pawn taken from any Indian or non-treaty Indian for any intoxicant, shall be retained by the person to whom such pawn is delivered; but the thing so pawned may be sued for and shall be recoverable, with costs of suit, in any court of competent jurisdiction by the Indian or non-treaty Indian who pawned the same. 43 V., c. 28, s. 79.

Punishment for furnishing intoxicants to Indians.

"**94.** Every one, who by himself, his clerk, servant or agent, and every one who in the employment or on the premises of another directly or indirectly on any pretence or by any device sells, barters, supplies or gives to any Indian or non-treaty Indian any intoxicant, or causes or procures the same to be done or attempts the same or connives thereat, or opens or keeps, or causes to be opened or kept on any reserve or special reserve, a tavern, house or building in which any intoxicant is sold, bartered, supplied or given, or who is found in possession of any intoxicant in the house, tent, wigwam or place of abode of any Indian or non-treaty Indian or of any person, or upon any other part of the reserve or special reserve, or who sells, barters, supplies or gives to any person on any reserve or special reserve any intoxicant, shall, on summary conviction before any judge, police magistrate, stipendiary magistrate or two justices of the peace or Indian agent, upon the evidence of one credible witness other than the informer or prosecutor —or in the Province of Manitoba, the Province of British Columbia, the North-West Territories or the District of Keewatin, upon the evidence of the informer alone if he is a credible person—be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months and not less than one month, with or without hard labor, or to a penalty not exceeding three hundred dollars and not less than fifty dollars with costs of prosecution, or he shall be liable to both penalty and imprisonment in the discretion of the convicting judge, magistrate, stipendiary magistrate, justices of the peace or Indian agent; and a moiety of every such penalty shall belong to the informer or prosecutor, and the other moiety thereof shall belong to Her Majesty to form part of the fund for the benefit of that body of Indians or non-treaty Indians with respect to one or more members of which the offence was committed."

Penalties.

Application of fines.

Meaning of "Indian."

"**2.** In this section the expression 'Indian,' in addition to its ordinary signification as defined in section two of this Act, shall extend to and include any person, male or female, who is reputed to belong to a particular band, or who follows the Indian mode of life, or any child of such person."

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

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Ottawa, 20th March, 1896.

Sir,-

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Replying to yours of the 12th - No.1635 - I would say that it was through a clerical error that no reference was made in the bound copies of the Indian Act sent you to the repeal by the Criminal Code of Sections 106 and 111 of the Act, and Sec.11, Chap.33, 50-51 Vic.

As you know, the repealing of statutes or parts of statutes included in the Criminal was made by the framers of that Code, and no reference was made to this Department. It must have been through an oversight, I presume, that Sec.107 was not included in the schedule in the Criminal Code of statutes and parts of statutes repealed; but that oversight, of course, in no way affects the law.

I do not know why the compilers of the Criminal Code did not include Sec.112 as well as Sec.111. This could scarcely be an oversight. When I was having the Indian Act amended, shortly after taking office here, I endeavored to find the principle followed in embodying parts of our Act in the Criminal Code; but I was unable to obtain any very satisfactory information. I shall, however, have the attention of the officers of the Department of Justice officially directed to the omission of Sec.112 from the Code, as I really think it should be included.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

A.E.Forget Esq.,
Indian Commr.,
Regina, N.W.T.

Deputy Supt.General
of Indian Affairs.

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20th March, 6.

Enclosure.

Sir:-

Referring to the Department's letter of the 3rd Instant, No. 88,205; I beg to submit herewith a draft of a consolidation of those portions of the Indian Act as revised to date, which deal with the traffic with Indians in intoxicants. With reference thereto I would say that the publication of such in pamphlet form would be of material assistance to our Agents and farmers, [redacted] to the Provincial Constables in Manitoba and North-West Mounted Police outposts in the Territories and Justices of the Peace generally, and I would be glad to receive a supply of say 500 copies for such distribution.

Applications for information on this subject which have recently been received from Constables in the Birtle Agency show the need for such a consolidation and revision of the Act in convenient form.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Sir,

Wh. reference to the point raised in yr. k. of the 20th inst. - No. 399 relative to the provision of Section 99 of the Indian Act, dealing wh. Gambling by Indians - I would say that your view of the operation of the section being limited to Summary Convictions only is the correct one.

The matter is being represented to the Department

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Indian Agent's Office,
Birtle Manitoba
20th March 1896

In your reply refer to
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also to date of this letter.

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MAR 23 1896
REGINA, ASSA.

FILE

Ref.: Letter 189 No.

Sir,

Section 99 of the Indian act provides for the arrest without warrant of any person found gambling on any part of a reserve, but I do not think that this section can be construed to mean that any person is liable on summary conviction to like penalties as if caught and arrested when so engaged.

When at the Turtle Mountain Sioux Reserve an Indian complained to me that some of "Chief Odamanis" family were frequently seen gambling, and I was asked to take action to stop this demoralizing practice, but as no constable or other peace officer had made an arrest when they were in the act of gambling I did not think that the act empowered me to convict if proof was furnished that it had been practiced a few days previous, and useless to go to the expense of taking an information, summon witnesses &c

I warned the "Chief" however that a continuance of this practice would lead to trouble.

I will be glad if the section herein referred to is so amended that there can be no doubt as to its meaning.

Obediently yours
J A Markle
I.A.

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Indian Agent's Office,

Birtle Manitoba

In your reply refer to
No. 428
also to date of this letter.

4th April 1896

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Ref.: Letter 189 No.

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Sir,

Kindly inform me if in your opinion an Information is defective if it is worded ....."did sell, barter, supply "or give to.....an Indian of the ".....band of Indians in the Province "of Manitoba an intoxicant or connived thereat,

You will observe that it is worded about the same as it is in Sec 94 of the Indian act, and it appears to me that it was the intention of the act to make it plain that the "intentional delivery of intoxicants" to an Indian is punishable, whether it be sold, bartered, given or conniving at the delivery, yet there are some who contend that an Information worded as above is defective as several charges are included and these are in the alternative.

If there are any grounds for the contention advanced I would be glad if amended in such a way that there would be no room for doubt

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J. A. Markle
Ia

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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14th April, 6.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 4th Instant, No. 425, I would say that enquiry among legal authorities here discloses considerable difference of opinion upon the point raised by you.

It is held that in the wording "did sell (or) barter "(or) supply or give to," there are alternative charges and while this may or may not be the case, I think it would be well for you, in future cases, to endeavour to ascertain the exact facts and make the charge in the information specific.

The form of information which you submit is however clearly definite in so far as that including the words "or connived thereat," it prefers distinctly alternative charges which should in no case be done.

The information should specify in as exact terms as possible the nature of charge and should, where connivance is suspected or charged and where the manner in which the intoxicant was supplied can only be conjectured, read - ".....did connive at selling, bartering, supplying or "giving, &c. &c."

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Birtle,
Man.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Birtle Manitoba

18th April 1896

In your reply refer to No. 480 also to date of this letter.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE APR 21 1896 REGINA ASSA.

FILE.

Ref.: Letter 14th Inst 1896 No. 1635

Sir, I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and to inform you that several years ago when there was a case under investigation and I had Council employed to look after the prosecution I made enquiries on the same question and I was advised to word the Information as near as possible to conform with Section 94 of the Indian act. The opinion then expressed was as .. did sell, supply or give &c were all included in one Section that the mode of delivery would not be construed to mean alternatives, and as your letter of the 28th of January 1893 advanced a similar opinion I concluded that it could not be gainsayed.

I have noted the concluding portion of your letter 1635 of the 14th Inst. but am yet of the opinion that Section 94 of the Indian act would save annoyance if amended so that all would understand it as expressed in your letter of the 28th January 1893. with the exception of the philanthropic delivery, which I fear would in too many instances be construed to cover all ways of delivery.

Yours obediently
J. A. Markle
Ia

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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6th August, 6

Sir:-

It has been pointed out to me that the giving of intoxicants to Indian women is not a contravention of "The "Indian Act," unless it can be shown that the woman who received the intoxicant was lawfully married to an Indian, or is the child of a male person of Indian blood reputed to belong to a particular Band - either of which facts, especially the latter, in cases where the woman is not married or not lawfully married, may be difficult of proof.

It seems that the expression "Indian" in Section 3, Sub-section H of "The Indian Act" should include any female person as well as male person of Indian blood. The definition might read "Any person of Indian blood reputed to be- "long to a particular Band."

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Ottawa, August 11th, 1896.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter of the 6th instant(1635) I would refer you to Section 6, Chap. 32, 57,58 Vic. X It seems to me that this meets the difficulty.

X amending Sec 4. 51 Vict Cap 22. Section 94 Indian Act

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

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Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, 23rd April, 1897.

Sir,-

I have to request that you will look carefully through " The Indian Act " and its amendments, with a view to making any changes therein which you may consider necessary.

It will be well that you should give briefly the reasons for any change you may suggest.

This should be in the hands of the Department by the 1st of July next.

Your obedient servant,

A. D. McLean

Acting Secretary.

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Ottawa, 23rd April, 1897.

Sir,-

I enclose herewith a copy of a circular letter of even date which is being issued to all Superintendents and Agents in the Dominion, requesting suggestions as to any changes in the Indian Act which may appear necessary.

Kindly give this your attention, and also have copies sent to all Agents in your Superintendency.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLean

Acting Secretary.

A.E.Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T.

P.S. Some spare copies are enclosed herewith, as they will be of use to you, as far as they go.

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E. Dewdney

Winnipeg

5th May

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Copy No 15

Fort Calgary
March 20th 1877

Sir

I have the honor to report on matters in this district since my last letter.

I have visited the Stony Reserve at Morleyville, and left everything going on well there, I have sent Mr. Bigg rations for three months, he was two months behind.

The Stonies are working well, and have a good many hours up, they are very anxious to put in a Crop this Spring I shall be able to give them plenty of Barley, which I think is the only suitable Crop in that Section. I may be able to get them potatoes but am not certain yet.

I have written to Mr. Anderson to try and buy Potatoes at Edmonton, and ship them here, but can't say yet if he will be able to get them or not, it is a pity that Potatoes were not purchased from the Piegans, who I understand raised a good many last summer, and sold a good many also at Fort MacLeod; The Stonies are taking good care of their Cattle, and I advised them strongly not to kill any of them. There are about 40 Northern Stonies who came to me for rations, which I refused telling them to go back to their reserves, which they have since done. There were also some Crees

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hanging round here, wanting rations. I gave them none, and sent them back. Bigg spoke to me about an increase of pay. I promised him I would mention it to you, he is doing very well indeed with the Stonies.

Axes are much needed among these Indians, and indeed among them all. I purchased four from Mr Macdougall to send to the Crossing, as they are very badly off for them there.

I have known enough flour on the Stony Reserve to last till the end of April. Walker is supplying beef to that Reserve and also to the Sarcees, having taken a sub Contract from I. G. Baker & Co. I hope he will get the Contract this year, as it is much more satisfactory to deal with him than the present contractors. There are a few Cattle still due the Stonies, and it would be well to give them as soon as possible.

I shall have to get a team for the use of that Reserve, this Spring and they can then do all the Ploughing that is required themselves. Harness (pony) is needed on all the Reserves.

The Sarcees are getting on well at the farm, having built nearly twenty houses since I first visited them, they need axes.

Stewart is doing well on that Reserve

Things

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Things are getting on well at the farm, and I hope to make a good show in the way of crops next Summer. We have seed enough to put in about 300 acres, in barley, Oats & Potatoes. Doyle who is now in charge is I think a good farmer.

I have sent to breaking ploughs down to the Crossing from the farm, as they do not need them there, and it will save buying new ones for the Crossing. I hired a man named Ellis at Morleyville, who used to be in the Police, and who is a first rate and a reliable man to go down to the Crossing and take charge of the Northern Blackfeet under "Old Sun".

These Indians want to settle about twelve miles from the Crossing and were promised they should be allowed to do so by Spring. They have built no houses as they were waiting for some one to be sent to start them up there. It will take about of the Blackfeet away from the Crossing and I think it will be a very good thing, as they will be much easier to handle, and to pay, when they are divided, and the expense will not be much greater. I bought a team, Waggon and harness for Ellis, which I got cheap $210.-, I also bought him a stove which I had not to pay much for. I have

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instructed him to go up to the place "Old Sun" intends to settle on and at once build a house and store house taking one man with him to help. I also instructed Norish, to get "Old Sun" and Camp to move up there and go to work, building & fencing, Ellis will draw his rations from Norish for the time, and be there on his returns, until the Indians are settled, when it would be well if a separate Reserve were started, the supplies for those Reserves could be sent separate, in the meantime Ellis will draw the Indian Rations from ~~Norrishes~~ Norish's store, for a week at a time, getting up Cattle in the same proportion. The country up the river is good and it would be a pity to have it wasted, by the Indians all crowding together at the Crossing, there are now about ~~two~~ two villages about ten miles up the river belonging to "Old Sun's" Camp, they are doing well.

I shall go down next week and see how they are getting on, I had word from there a day or two ago, and all is quiet and going on well, since the police left, and I think will continue to do so, I hope we shall get tools this Spring, I also trust that Baker & Co will have flour in next

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month, a team started to Benton from Macleod a couple of weeks ago, and I wrote and asked Conrad to load him with flour. I have put a stop to the loading at the Crossing, and have taken over the heads &c, as I have already reported.

The Blackfeet are behaving very well, and make no complaints about food. I dont think they got quite all that was intended for them.

I have, as yet had no instructions as to my head quarters, and am now settled at this place, which I find most convenient, as being within easy reach of the three Reserves, and close to these Edge ranches, so that I can hear if any Cattle killing is going on, so far there has been none.

I had opened an office in my own house, and Pocklington is with me, and has opened the books, as I have to be much away.

I shall build a store house here and store farm supplies etc. Mr. Davis informs me that they have no more farm supplies to furnish, I should like to know on this point, as I shall have to purchase some things to carry the Reserves through till the first of July.

I wish also to apply for the $200- office expenses, allowed at the Agencies,

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as I have already been to a good deal of escpense fiseing up my house etc, all of which I have paid myself, and what with other escpenses incurred duuing travelling and visiting Indians, I find myself much behind.

I have hired a good man for Clerk, named Gilmore he does very well, and is I think a trustworthy man in everyway.

I have had some trouble to find good men, and have the honour to state, that I do not think it will be possible to get good men to work on the reserves nesct Spring at $30- per month, which if $35. were paid good men could be got, and in the end it would be a great Saving in every way.

Nonish is doing well and if I find he does not continue to do so I have a good man to put in his place.

I should like very much if some Stationery, Vouchers, forms, etc. were sent to me as soon as possible as I am nearly out, and can get none at Macleod.

This place is I think going to be an important point, the land is all being taken up, and the Cochrane Ranch Co is going to put up a steam Saw mill here

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this Summer. Steamers are expected to come up here next Spring.

Surveyors are now at work here and there seems little doubt but that the road will cross the river about a mile below my place. There will be a great many people in here during the summer, and it will need, that the Indians should be well look after.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obed.t Serv.t
(S) C. E. Denny
Ind: Agt:

The Hon.ble E. Dewdney
Ind: Comr.
Winnipeg.

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. MAY 6 1882

Winnipeg 1st May 1882.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose for your information a Copy of a letter lately received by me from Mr. Agent Denny at Fort Calgarry, who as you will see from the letter reports favorably on Indian matters in his district.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obed.t Serv.t
E. Dewdney
Ind: Comm.r

The Right Hon.ble
The Sup.t General
Ottawa

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INDIAN BRANCH.

OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

1873 1702

J.C. Provencher
16 apl
16 apl Ottawa
2 May

Encloses Bond in
duplicate duly executed
in fulfilment of the
Office as Post Fr Manitoba
North West Indians

Bond sent to Secty of
State for registration
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Duplicate

INDIAN DEPARTMENT.

No. ..... Ottawa, 16th day of April 1873.

Know all Men by these Presents, that We Joseph Alfred Norbert Provencher, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec Esquire, Joseph Royal of the Parish of St Boniface, in the Province of Manitoba Esquire and Joseph Alfred Mousseau of the City of Montreal aforesaid, Advocate and Queen's Counsel

are held and firmly bound unto Our Sovereign Lady the QUEEN, Her Heirs and Successors, in the penal sum of Eight thousand Dollars of good and lawful money of ~~the Province of Canada, that is to say:~~ Canada, that is to say:

The said Joseph Alfred Norbert Provencher

in the sum of Fourthousand Dollars

the said Joseph Royal

in the sum of Twothousand

and the said Joseph Alfred Mousseau

in the sum of Twothousand Dollars

of like good and lawful momey, to be paid to Our Sovereign Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors: for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us, severally, and not each for the other, our and each of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, firmly by these Presents.

Sealed with Our Seals and dated this day of in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ~~sixty~~ Seventy three

Whereas the above bounden Joseph Alfred Norbert Provencher

hath been appointed to the Office of Indian Commissioner and hath also been appointed to conduct certain Land Sales and transact other business on behalf of the said Department, for the Province of Manitoba and the North West territories

Now the condition of this obligation is such, that if the said Joseph Alfred Norbert Provencher shall in all things well and truly fulfil and discharge his duty in all and any of the above capacities, and shall well and truly account for and pay, or cause to be paid to such person or persons as shall or may, from time to time, be entitled to receive the same, all moneys which he shall receive or which may come into his hand by virtue of any office or trust confided to him by the said department, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

J. A. Provencher

Signed and Sealed in the presence of us

~~[illegible]~~ Celles

J. Royal

Thos Howard

J. A. Mousseau

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Ottawa, 16th April 1873

Sir,

In answer to your letter of today, I have the honor to send you, in duplicate, a bond executed by myself in $4000 and by two sureties, the Honorable Joseph Royal and Joseph Alfred Mousseau, Esq, in $2,000 each —

I have the honor to be
your most obedient
servant

J A Provencher

Hon. Joseph Howe
Sec. of State
Ottawa

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882

Jas. L. Graham
Winnipeg
Manp

Telegram Comm^r Dewdney
asks me to request you
to advance Spring
Instructions three months
Salary immediately"
"Paul Kane"

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La Prairie than it (could be purchased here). I have also instructed Mr Ogletree to expend one third of the $125.00 which was imposed by him as Police Magistrate on two persons for selling liquor to the Indians of the Long Plain Reserve, which was approved of in your letter of the 9th February last No 31,560, for the Swan Lake Reserve, and the other two thirds for the Long Plain Reserve, in repairing their Agricultural Implements, which he informs me require repairing, and in breaking new land, but that he was not to exceed the amount stated.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Jas. F. Graham
Indian Superintendent

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No. 4129

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Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 29th May 1882

6/5/82

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you by request of Mr Commissioner Dewdney, I telegraphed your Department for an advance of three Months Salary for Mr Farming Instructor Kane (Copy enclosed.

I beg to state for your information that I have given Mr Kane his instructions with regard to his duties as Farming Instructor to the Long Plain and Swan Lake Bands of Indians, also Mr Agent Ogletree has been instructed to purchase and forward the Seed Grain required for the several Bands of Indians under his charge, at the lowest possible price, he states the Seed can be purchased at a much lower rate at Portage La Prairie

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Rec'd N. Coll. & Request No. Graham to send to this Office a copy of the instructions given Mr Kane relative to his duties

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Mr Mitchell
Sec R Senator Allan's
letter & say the matter
will receive the best
consideration of the Dept
(3) Sir Jos Copy
of letter to Mr Supt
Stat. for
Graham for
report

Moss Park
Toronto June 30th 1882

Dear Sir

The Government at my instance, appointed a Mr Paul Kane, Indian Instructor at Swan Lake, some time in May or April last. It seems that after his appointment, he had to wait in Minnepeg for a considerable time awaiting the arrival of a Mr Graham, to receive his instructions, and he asks to be allowed his expenses.

I take a special interest in the young man, as a son of my old friend Paul Kane the artist - who was the first to make known the North West by his pen & pencil, not only in Canada, but his book the

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wanderings of an artist among the Indian tribes of the North West, had a large sale at the time in England —

Young Kane is a very worthy steady young fellow, but besides a farm which he has at Scarr Lake, he has little else to depend upon but his salary, which is only $500 per annum. If anything could be done for him consistently with the rules of the Department, I should be exceedingly glad —

I have ventured to write to you, and would ask you to present the matter in the proper quarter, as I hardly know really to whom I should address myself.

Trusting you will excuse my troubling you.

I remain dear Sir
faithfully yours
G. M. Allan

Lawrence Vankoughnet Esq
&c &c &c
Ottawa

P.S. I enclose the memo what young Kane sent me
GMA

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Indian Office
Winnipeg 2nd Oct 1882

DEPARTMENT INDIAN AFFAIRS. OCT 4 1882

Sir

I have to inform you that you have been appointed Farming Instructor to the Indians at Long Plain and Swan Lake. You will report to Mr. Agent Ogletree at Portage La Prairie who will inform you in what position the Indians are, what seed, Tools, &c they have, and what arrangements have been made for the Spring work. After you have visited both Reserves, you should report to Mr. Graham through Mr. Ogletree the position of the Reserves and what progress the Indians have made up to the time you take charge.

Your salary will be at the rate of $500.00 per Annum which will commence from the date you report yourself to Mr. Ogletree.

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Servant.
(sigd) E. Dewdney.
Indian Commissioner.

Mr. Paul Kane
Farming Instructor.

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Copy

Indian Office
Winnipeg 13th May 1882

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 1882

No 4096.

Sir

Referring to Mr. Commissioner Dewdney's letter of the 3rd instant relative to your appointment as Farming Instructor to the Indians at Long Plain and Swan Lake.

I have to instruct you to proceed at once to the above named Reserves and ascertain what Agricultural Implements &c the Indians have that are fit for use, also if any require repairing; you will endeavor to do the best you can with what Cattle and Implements the Indians have. Mr. Agent Ogletree will be instructed to procure and forward the seed grain required for those Indians, he will also instruct you in due time as to what your duties will be. You will report to me through Mr. Ogletree, from time to time what progress the Indians are making in agricultural pursuits.

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Jas. F. Graham
Indian Superintendent

Mr. Paul Kane.
Farming Instructor.
Portage La Prairie.
Man.

(Sgd)

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Portage La Prairie May 4th 1882.

Sir

Wm Paul Kane has just handed me your letter of the 2nd Instant and numbered 4078 informing me of his appointment as Farming Instructor to superintend the operations of the Indians of Swan Lake, and Long Plain, and instructing me to inform him of the arrangements made for Spring work and where the seeds are. and in reply would say that I have made no arrangements in regard to farming as I am not supposed to create any expenses in connection with farming on the Reserves as I never received any special instructions to that effect in Seeds and Implements I gave a memorandum to Wm Lovegrove last Autumn when I was in the office returning my paysheets of which I did not happen to keep a copy, but the seeds were to be the same as the previous years viz: Swan Lake and

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and Long Plain, Potatoes 36 Bushels, Turnips 3 lbs, Onions 1 lb, carrots 1 lb each, and the Sandy Bay Band 42 Bushels of Potatoes, 3 lbs. Turnips. 1 lb onions and 1 lb carrot seed, if we are allowed to hire the ploughing of the land we will require more potatoes, say 50 bushels each for the Swan Lake and Long Plain. if the Government expect the Indians of these Bands to make any progress in Agricultural pursuits it will be necessary to authorize Mr. Kane. or myself to go to considerable expense in preparing the ground for seed, as the Indians themselves have no horses fit for work, and no oxen upon which we could rely for working this Spring, especially the Swan Lake, and Long Plain Indians, their implements will also require repairing before they will be fit for use. Mr. Kane will be able to give you further information when he hands you this letter.

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
(sgd) Francis Ogletree.
Indian Agent

E. Dewdney Esqr
Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg.

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No. 4429.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUG 2 1882

Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 27th July 1882

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, No. 1702. enclosing copy of a letter from the Honorable G. W. Allan, enclosing an account from Farming Instructor Kane, for expenses alleged to have been incurred, while awaiting instructions here after his appointment.

I beg to state for your information, that in a letter dated the 22nd May last, (copy enclosed) Mr. Commissioner Dewdney, informed Mr. Kane of his appointment as Farming Instructor to the Indians at the Long Plain and Swan Lake Bands, and instructing him to visit the Reserves and report to

The Right Noble.
The Supt. General.
of Indian Affairs.

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to one through Mr. Agent Ogletree the position of the Reserves and what progress the Indians are making: and that his salary would be at the rate of $500.00 per Annum, which would commence from the date he reported himself to Wm. Ogletree.

Mr. Kane on receipt of this letter, at once proceeded to Portage la Prairie and reported himself to Wm. Ogletree, who states that as Mr. Kane informed him that he was coming back to this place, and going to his home at Swan Lake by way of Emerson. he gave a letter to Wm. Kane for Wm. Dewdney copy of which is also enclosed.

As regards Mr. Kane's waiting here a considerable time, awaiting my arrival

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arrival to receive his instructions. I am informed that he did wait a few days at the request of Mr. Dewdney but Mr. Dewdney informed Mr. Kane in my presence that he would not be allowed any travelling expenses, as there would be no necessity for such expenditure, as he was residing and farming in the Vicinity of said Reserve.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your Obedient Servant
Jas. F. Graham
Indian Superintendent

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Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 21st August 1882

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUG 26 1882

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant No. 1703. requesting me to specify what items in Mr. Farming Instructor Kane's account for Expenses alleged to have been incurred by him while awaiting instructions here, should, in my opinion be allowed.

I beg to state for your information that in a conversation I had with Mr. Kane a few days ago. he informed me that he did not expect to get paid for this account. In my opinion I consider that if any of the items in Mr. Kane's account are paid, it should all be paid and if he is not entitled to

The Right Honble.
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

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to it all. nothing to allowed him.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Jas. Graham
Indian Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 26 1883

Indian Office
Winnipeg Oct 27th 1883

Sir,

In consequence of the unsatisfactory manner in which you are discharging the duties incumbent upon you, as Farming Instructor to the Indians Bands, at Swan Lake and Long Plain Reserves, and especially owing to your negligence in not properly securing the Oats and potatoes crop raised at the former place at considerable expense, but leaving a portion of the one lying in shaves & scattered upon the ground under the rain and snow, and about one half of the other plowed up and left exposed to the frost for several days, until the greater portion of it is either injured or destroyed, as witnessed by Messrs, Inspector McColl, and Indian Agent Ogletree on their recent visit to that locality, I have to inform you that your services are no longer required by the Department.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Sgd) L. Vankoughnet
Deputy Supt Gen of Ind Affairs

Paul Kane Esq
Swan Lake
Man.

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Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 20th Nov. 1883

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NOV 26 1883

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1[illegible] Sept last. No 7472, relative, to what Mr Paul Kane's duties are as Farming Instructor, for the Long Plain and Swan Lake Reserves.

I enclose herewith Copy of a letter, from L Vankoughnet, Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affairs, dismissing Mr Kane from the position of Farming Instructor, for those Reserves.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
E. McColl
Inspt of Ind. Agencies

The Right Honble
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

To Mr Scott to note the fact of Mr Paul Kane's dismissal and the date on which it occurred
RS
24 Nov 83

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OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

1873

J. A. N. Provencher

2/2 May Ottawa

Ack. lett of instructions & oath &c & a travelling expenses &c

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by D.S. of May 2

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Ottawa, May 2d 1873

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of yesterday, containing my instructions as Indian Commissioner — According to your desire I will leave as soon as possible for Fort Garry, and immediately attend to my duties

I presume that my travelling expenses to Manitoba, together with my expenses here while preparing for the journey, will reach hundred and fifty dollars — after the receipt of which sum I will be ready to leave —

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

A. Provencher
Indian Commissioner

Mr Provencher explains that the Railway fare from Ottawa to Fort Garry will be about $75 with additional expenses [illegible] which he adds form days at [illegible] in the [illegible] $110 to $120 — [illegible] $132 may be made to cover this same [illegible] $12 —

Mr 2d 1872

W. Spragge
& S.

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Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the **PRIVY COUNCIL**, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 26th April 1873.

The Committee have had before them a Memo:, dated 24 April 1873, from the Hon. the Secy. of State, acty. for the Secy. of State for the Provinces submitting that in addition to the sum of $1500 placed in the Estimates for the next financial year, a further sum of $8,500 be placed in the Supplementary Estimates to carry out the agreements stated to have been made by Lt. Gov. Archibald &. & Commr. Simpson with the Indians who were parties to the two Treaties concluded in August 1871 - for supplying them with Farming Stock & Agricultural Implements.

Also submitting, with respect to Treaties to be made with the Crees and Assiniboines - as referred to in Lt. Gov. Morris' letter of the 21st March - that the sum

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for the Provinces

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sum of $25,000 be set apart for the purpose of paying the customary gratuities and the first years annuities with the incidental expenses such as provisions and a limited quantity of presents.

The Committee advise that the sum of $8,500 be placed in the Estimates in addition to the $1500 already there to meet the object first above mentioned.

With reference to the second recommendation with respect to the proposed Treaties with the Crees and Assiniboines, the Committee are of opinion that there is no present necessity for an appropriation

Certified

Wm Smith

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— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT P.C. AUTHORIZING ISSUES TO MANITOBA AND NORTH WEST INDIANS

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Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the **PRIVY COUNCIL**, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 26th April 1873.

On a Memo: dated 5. April 1873, from the Dy. Supt. of Indian Affairs, stating that in compliance with instructions forwarded to the acting Agent for Indian Affairs in Manitoba & the N.W. Territories requiring information as to supplies, - the immediate issue of which, additional to those delivered already to the Chiefs and Councillors, is of importance - Mr. St. John has reported by telegram as follows: —

500 Spades costing at Fort Garry		$1.50.	$750.
500 Large Hoes	" "	$0. 60/100 each	$300.
500 Large Axes	" "	$1. 50/100 each	$750
			$1800

That in order to avoid loss of time it

Proposed

To the Honorable
The Secretary of State
(Provinces)
&c., &c., &c

Sir Solicitor 2nd May 1872 to obtain the present half the number of Spades & Hoes spent by him & Arts
Dy Hon & Arts with the supplies when needed
Sir Solicitor Ans 20 May 1873

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proposed that authority be given to transmit funds for the purchase of them at Fort Garry – and that as there will also be required 200 Scythes which, with Handles ready for use, will cost $ 2. 00/100 each, he recommends that the Sum of $ 400. 00/100 be granted for that purpose.

On the recommendation of the Hon. Mr. Aikins of the Hon. Secy. of State for the Provinces acting in the absence the Committee advise that a Warrant issue for the Sum of $ 2,200 as recommended.

Certified
Wadsworth
cm.

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INDIAN BRANCH.

OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

1873

Order in Council

26 Apl. Ottawa
5 May

Authorizing the issue of a Warrant for $1,200 to Oliver Gaumont Esqr. for Manitoba & North West Indns.

See telegm to Mr McJohn 2 May

See Memo written See letter to Mr J.S. A. Provencher 4 May 5

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— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT REPORT OF INDIAN MATTERS

AGENT DENNY

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882

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C. Dewdney
Winnipeg
15 May

Copy of letter from Hon Agent Dewdney reporting on Indian matters connected with his Agency.

19 May Ltr K Dom E L Dewdney

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 28 1882

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Fort Macleod.
April 11th/82.

Sir.

I have the honor to report that I am leaving today for the Blackfoot Crossing to get things in shape out there for the Spring's work, as yet I have no one ploughing out there, but hope to have two or three teams started soon. I have potatoes & barley on the way there from the Fish Creek Farm, and have sent out what ploughs, harness &c. we had here to spare. Ploughing has been started on all the other Reserves.

The Bloods are well satisfied with the change of Instructors. Mr McCord is doing very well and I have his brother also employed in charge of the lower Camps.

Potatoes have been sent from the Piegan Reserve for use

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use as feed for the Bloods, and three teams are at work ploughing.

I have also transported one team from Bruce's farm to the Blood Reserve, as it was badly needed.

In your instructions to me to take over that agency, you recommended that Mr Geddes should be employed as clerk in this office.

Mr Geddes has been in charge of the issuing of rations on the Blood Reserve for some months past, and on taking over the Reserve I found a surplus of flour to the amount of fifty sacks.

I have already reported on this subject and what conclusion I came to with regard to the surplus of flour on the Reservation

a surplus of fifty sks flour cannot be got if the Indians have been getting their full rations, for my part I would rather see the flour short than over

No explanations have been given regarding this surplus and.

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and as Mr Geddes is in partnership with Dr Brunstill in cattle, and is anxious to leave the Indian Department. I have allowed him to do so. I would rather not have him in my office.

I have a first rate trustworthy clerk (Woods) and I would recommend that his position be confirmed.

The Bloods are all well satisfied with the change on their Reserve and I think it is full time that that change was made. Mr McDougall has been in the habit of making the Indians pay him for Carpenter work done by him on the Reserve such as helping them put in doors and windows &c. this I think was too much of a good thing. I think Mr McCord will make a great change out there for the better.

Mr Wadsworth has not yet arrived, and I hope to see him soon as men are hard to get here.

Pocklington

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Poorlington is doing well in the south, getting those Reserves started at work.

I shall go up to Calgary when I return from the Crossing.

I have the honor to be.
Sir.
Your Obedient Servant.
(Sgd.) C. E. Denny.
Ind Agent.

The Honorable,
Edgar Dewdney.
Indian Commissioner.
Winnipeg.

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No. 6764.

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. MAY 13 1882

Winnipeg May 8th 1882.

Sir.

I beg to forward to the Department a Copy of a report received by me from Mr Agent Denny, reporting on Indian matters connected with his agency.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your Obedient Servant.
E. Dewdney
Ind Commr.

The Right Honorable.
Supt General of
Indian affairs.
Ottawa.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT REPORT BY AGENT DENNY OF VARIOUS MATTERS IN HIS DISTRICT

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1882

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E. Dewdney
Winnipeg
17 May

Copy of letter from Mr. Lieut Dewdney reporting on various matters in his District.

~~19th May Ltr from Dy Supt Gen Indian Affairs~~
7 June " to do
7 " " to E. Dewdney
With encls.

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Fort Macleod
April 16th/82.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 17 1882

Sir

I have the honor to report matters in this Agency generally, I returned yesterday from the B. Crossing, and left everything quiet and going on well. The Indians are building as well as they can with the few tools they have.

The Camps up the river under the charge of Ellis is starting well but are short of axes.

The Blackfeet have for some time ~~since~~ back, been uneasy, on account of the Railroad passing near their reserve.

They have been told a good many stories about the harm it is going to do them etc.

I spoke to the whole camp on this and other subjects, and explained the benefit they would derive from the road passing near them; some of the young men are also unsettled, and wish to go across the line, I told them that they would find no buffalo, and also that the Americans would not allow them to go over like they did before. I think it would be well, as surveyors, and working parties on the line of Railroad get near the Crossing, that a police post were built, somewhere near the

Hon: E. Dewdney
Ind: Commr
Winnipeg

Crossing

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Crossing, say at the mouth of High River, this would be a check on the Indians, and I think will be necessary. I have as yet no ploughing started at the Crossing, and I have been unable to get teams to go out there, and the man I am depending on to plough out there, has not come in from Benton. I hope however to get teams out there before long. Work is started on all the other reserves.

At Calgary they are hard at work ploughing on the farm and the reserves. I have instructed Mr. Pocklington to keep visiting them, and see that they are all at work, what tools I have found here I have distributed among the reserves as far as they would go, and I have sent spare ploughs from Bruces farm to the Blood reserve, and from Fish Creek Farm to the Blackfeet and Sarcees. I heard from Mr. Agent Anderson at Edmonton, that he had purchased 17.000 lbs of potatoes, and shipped them to Calgary, they will cost delivered there about 5½ cents ℔ lbs, which is cheaper than they can be purchased here, as the few that can be procured cost here 6 cents. I have instructed Pocklington to ship 10.000 lbs to the Crossing and any he has over, he can easily dispose of them there for what they cost, he is also instructed to send potatoes from the farm to the Sarcee reserve, and I have a few purchased for the Stonies. I shall not have any extra breaking done at Morleyville this summer, as I do not think it worth while going to the expense, as I do not think much of that place

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as a farming Country, Mr Doyle now in Charge of the Fish Creek Farm, spoke to me about an increase of pay, should he be kept in charge of that Farm? I would recommend that his pay be increased, as he is a good man, and I should not like to lose him.

I am still paying Norish $65. per month, he is doing well at the Crossing, and it is only one man in a hundred who can get on with the Blackfeet just now, and he has since he has been there kept them quiet and they all like him.

I have some trouble to get on with the work, as I am short of men, and do not like to hire, as I respect Mr Wadsworth up soon with farm hands, Mr McCord and his brother are at the Blood Reserve, and I am glad to say, are doing very well indeed, it is a first rate change, his going there, and the Indians like him well. We have about two weeks flour on hand at the Crossing + Blood Reservations, and no word of any more coming in. I have however, arranged that before the flour runs out, that esctra ration of beef shall be issued.

I have instructed Mr McCord to issue 1 3/4 lbs of beef each alternate day and no flour, and the other days the same rations of both that they have been getting, I shall then be able to make the flour run on longer. I have made the same arrangement at the Crossing, and I hope that inside of a month more flour will come in. I start in the morning for the

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Piegan Reserve, there are a few small matters among the Indians that have to be settled and I shall see how they are getting on in the ploughing. They have seven or eight ploughs now at work, and I have seed enough on the reserve, I shall then visit Bruces Farm, he is also at work, but is a great grumbler, I have to already recommend the removal of him from that place, I shall visit the Bloods on my way back, and then intend to go up to Calgary and see how things are going on up there

I find it takes all my time to visit these places, and get everything into good running order, but I hope in about six week's ~~time~~ to take time to report more fully on the Agency.

Col: McLeod is at Pincher Creek, and has settled up all his accounts up to the end of March, I have opened my books fresh from the first of this month, shewing exactly what I took over from him, I should like to be instructed as soon as possible on the Contracts for this year, particularly the beef contracts.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obed^{t} Servt
(Sd) C. E. Denny
Ind. Agt.

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 17 1882

Winnipeg 9 May 1882

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter lately received from W. Agent Denny reporting on various matters in his district.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. Dewdney

Ind Commr.

The Right Hon
The Supt. Gen of Ind Affrs.
Ottawa.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 1804

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May 17

Lt Col Irvine
Fort Walsh
via Fort Assiniboine
Montana U.S.

Yours thirtieth april received. Minister instructs you inform Indians that if Canadian Pacific Railway passes through their reserves they will be compensated for right of way and proximity of Railway will increase value of their land and will give them profitable employment

(Sd) Fred White
Comptroller

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 24 1882

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N. W. Mounted Police
Head Quarters
Fort Walsh 30th April/82

Ref. to 327 of 1882

Sir

Referring to my telegram of the 26th instant, in which I recommend that seventy (75) five men be sent to this Post, via Missouri River,

I have already informed you by telegraph and letter of probable change in location of Canada Pacific Railway line, which will necessitate our retaining a force in this section of the Country. You are also aware of the large number of Indians in the Cypress Hills

I consider it necessary that the present force in

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Comptroller
Ottawa

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in Fort Macleod district, should be increased, and unfortunately it is impracticable to send the force now here to Fort Macleod.

The following is an extract from an official letter, I am in receipt of from Supt. Cozier, it reads; "The Blackfeet Indians are not yet in a most satisfied mood, the stories circulated among the Blackfeet as to the Railroad crossing through the country, is causing some excitement and speculation among them". My object in recommending that the Seventy (75) five men, I have telegraphed for, be sent to Fort Macleod, via this Post, is that I think, such a measure will have a most beneficial effect on the Indians of this

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this section, as it will clearly shew at once, that the strength of the Force, has been materially increased.

I have the honor
to be, Sir,
Your Obdt Servant
(sd) A.J. Irvine
Commissioner

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882.

E. Dewdney

16 May Winnipeg

Copy of letter from Mr. Agent Mac, Carlton, in regard to removal of Cattle on the Reserves; and recommending that Farm at Duck Lake be given up.

29 May Ltr to E. Dewdney.
3/9 Encl let from E.J. Galt.
22 " " to do
3 July let from. Galt.
5 Aug let from E. Dewdney
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 10 1882

No 475. Indian Office
Carlton.
April 13/1882.

Sir.

It is your intention to furnish any more work oxen for the use of the Indians in my district? if not there is no use of having any more new land broken on the Reserves, as they have barely enough oxen to cultivate that already broken. if the Indians are to be kept breaking this summer at least to yoke more cattle are needed some of the oxen on the Reserves are old and should be killed at Treaty time younger cattle being given in their stead.

Fair cattle can be obtained here at $160 per yoke and really good ones for $175 per yoke, but neither farmers nor French half-breeds will take Govt Vouchers in payment for their stock. So that either cash would be required or a credit placed for the purchase of

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of the cattle at an average of say $170 per yoke. I think that most of these cattle could be sold to the Indians this fall for grain, paying say 1/2 this fall & balance in a year, the cattle in the meantime to be the property of the Govt till fully paid for, I am sure that this plan would greatly encourage the Indians to work, with the very few cattle now on the Reserves half of the men cannot work because they have nothing to work with. late in fall freighters often can often be bought at a very low figure for cash, they are perhaps a little thin or footsore but a months rest brings them into good shape, as cattle will be needed for years to come. I would recommend that all the Cows and Calves be sent to Market Plain and placed under Chaffers charge, this is by far the best place for stock, the water, pasturage & shelter being unequalled.

and

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and hay can be cut at his very door, he has already stable room Enough to keep the present number of Cows and Calves. So that the extra outlay would be small thus in three years at the outside the Govt would have enough stock without purchase, and old oxen could be taken from the Reserves for Treaty payments and replaced by young oxen from Chalfers who is perhaps the best man to look after cattle in the North West at Duck Lake Cattle and horses die off like sheep and keeping them there is a decided loss to the Govt, this I think is owing to the very bad water in the vicinity, add to this that hay has to be hauled from across Duck Lake some twelve miles, and that wood has to be hauled from the Pines some fifteen or sixteen miles they are under every disadvantage, in fact I would strongly recommend that this farm be given up next.

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next year, as it costs some three or four thousand dollars, and no direct benefit arises therefrom. I do not mean that the Instructor be done away with, but if the farm itself were given up it would allow the Instructor to pay not only more, but his full attention to his proper work, as there is a boarding house at Duck Lake it would be far better to pay for his board and lodgings for both self and horse than to keep up an Establishment, his sons would, I suppose farm on their own a/c, thus expenses would be Cut down in every way, and the farm itself, Could easily be rented at a fair rental

The families on the farms are always grumbling about their food, &c. I think they ought to get the very best of all that is going because they pay a small sum as board, the fact is that they

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they should never have been allowed on the farms, for they are not only an intolerable nuisance about the place but are a very unnecessary expense to the Govt. what with their free houses and with next to nothing to pay for their families' board they are really far better paid than I am.

I have the honor to be,
Sir.
Your Obedient Servant.
(Sgd) J.M. Rae.

The Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg.
Man.

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

1752

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 16 1882

Winnipeg May 10th 1882

Sir

I beg to forward to the Department a copy of a letter received from Mr Agent Rae Carlton, reporting on Indian matters in connection with his District.

I might say that I agree with Mr Rae in regard to the requirement of Cattle on the Reserves, also in his recommendation that all the Cows & Calves be sent to Mr Mariet Plain and placed under Chaffers charge, and that the farm at Duck Lake be given up next year.

I have the honor to be.
Sir.
Your Obedient Servt.
E Dewdney
Ind Commr

The Right Hon.
Supt General of
Ind affairs.

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Hon. E. Dewdney
Ind. Comr. for Man. Sh. H.S.
Winnipeg,
Man.

27/5/52

May 29th 1852

Sir,

Hey back the rect. of your lett. of the 10 inst. enclosing one from Mr. Agent Rae, of Carlton, reporting on Indian matters in connection with his District.

P ~~&~~ With reference to the requirements of the Indians in the matter of cattle for their Reserves, I presume that such number of cattle as are actually necessary for the proper cultivation of the land on the Reserves will have to be furnished; but it appears to me that it would be well to encourage the Indians to purchase as far as practicable cattle for themselves with a portion of their annuity ~~& other~~ any means that they may obtain from ~~various~~ other ~~fr~~ sources.

They

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They will no doubt value more highly Cattle for which they have to pay than if they are merely loaned or given to them by the Government without any cost to themselves. In cases however where the purchase of Cattle by the Indians may be quite impracticable it seems to me that the Contractor for the supply of Cattle for the R.H.T should be called upon to furnish the number required & that they should be merely loaned to the Indians & should be returned to the Agent or instructor when the seasons work is over. It may be advisable for some reasons to Winter all the Cows & their Calves on Mr Chaffee's location; but at the same time it appears to me that where Indians are given Cattle under treaty or purchase them for their own use the sooner they learn to take care of them & to winter them properly the better it will be for them. The Instructor should of course see that the Cattle are properly cared for by the Indians; but I think it would be well to throw the responsibility of looking after

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after their own cattle as much as possible upon the Indians themselves

With regard to the abandonment of the Farming Instructor's location at Duck Lake, I think there can be no question as to the advisability of this step being taken I shall however write you on the whole question of these Indians' Home Farms & the agricultural instruction to be given Indians in another letter, the matter having been submitted to the Supt. Genl. & his decision obtained thereon.

Have &c

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Ottawa
Dec. 5th 1888

Dear Mr. Reed /

Mr Dewdney has asked me to drop you a line and to say that the Government has decided to make a treaty with the Green Lake Indians and Col. Irvine and Roger Goulet have been appointed Commissioners to treat with them and the Half-breeds - They estimate that the Indian population in the Section of country they want surrendered is about 450 and about 100 Half-breeds,

Col. Irvine leaves here tonight and will remain a couple of days in Winnipeg to see Mr. Wrigley and Goulet and then he goes on to Regina where he will get Police transport

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transport to Prince albert - He will tell you all about the business and show you on a map the district that is wanted from the Indians.

The Minister has directed that McNeill of Duck Lake accompany Irvine as clerk - He also leaves tonight for the West. If McKenzie should want a clerk possibly you can engage one up there for a month or so.

The Minister further directs that you instruct McKenzie to deliver to Col Irvine about 75 sacks of flour and 3500 lbs bacon to be replaced by contractors, Irvine will also require about 230# Tea and 150# Tobacco - This Mr Wright has been asked to supply at Pr albt

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albert at Duck Lake Contract rake on our requisition - Will you kindly give Col. Irvine orders for all these. The flour, bacon, tea and Tobacco are to be given during negotiations and as a present. - Flags and medals are going up with the Commissioners. also the money for the payments.

Mr. Dewdney was anxious that the business should be kept quiet in order that outside Indians might not be attracted to the District,

The object is getting the surrender just now is in order that the Govt. may legally dispose of the timber on that section permits to cut which, have in some cases already been issued and to enable the Half-breeds to obtain scrip.

Trusting

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Copy

Notes taken by Mr. McNeil, of the Indian Department, at the Treaty made at the north end of Montreal Lake, on the 11th February, 1889.

On the assembling of the Indians, at 2 P.M., Lt. Col. Irvine explained to them the object of his visit; that he and Mr. Goulet had been sent by the Dominion Government to get their adhesion to Treaty No. 6.

The first thing he wished them to do was to select one Chief for each Band, with whom he could confer in the negotiations; when they had selected their Chiefs the terms of the Treaty would be read and explained to them.

Wm. Charles was brought forward and introduced by the Rev. Mr. Mackay, as Chief of the Montreal Lake Band; and James Roberts was brought forward as Chief of the Lac La Rouge Band.

The Councillors for the Montreal Lake Band were then brought forward and introduced. They were Benjamin Bird, Isaac Bird, Patrick Bird, Moses Bird.

Those from Lac La Rouge were then introduced. Their names are as follows,--Amos Charles, Joseph Charles, Elias Roberts, John Cook.

Lt.Col.Irvine said he was very much surprised and pleased to meet such a fine and intelligent lot of Indians. If they were ready the Treaty would now be read and interpreted by the Rev. Mr. Mackay.

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Mackay, and fully explained to them; but before going further he wanted to know if all the Indians were satisfied with the selection of the Chiefs and Headmen. To which they all expressed their satisfaction. Treaty No. 6, made at Fort Carlton and Pitt, was then read and fully explained to them in the Cree language by the Rev. Mr. Mackay. They were then asked if they had anything to say.

Chief James Roberts asked to be allowed to have a day to think over it.

Colonel Irvine said he did not wish to hurry them, nor did he want them to sign anything that they did not thoroughly understand; but he could not help thinking that they must understand the terms of the Treaty by this time, as Mr. Mackay had spent all Saturday afternoon and evening and this morning with them, explaining it to them; any questions they wished to ask could be answered and explained at once; and it would give him great pleasure to explain fully anything they did not understand.

Chief James Roberts said they had heard of the Queen for a long time, and have always prayed for her in their Church Service, and they are loyal; and as they heard other Treaties had been made they felt desirous of joining, and they had represented their case, but it was not attended to, and now they wish that they may be paid arrears.

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Colonel Irvine said he had come to get their adhesion to Treaty No. 6, and was prepared to pay each man, woman, and child $12.00; this was all he was authorized to pay them. He would, however, make a note of what they said, and refer it to Ottawa. A Reserve would be given them, and a surveyor sent to lay it out.

Chief Charles expressed his pleasure at being present, and hearing the terms of the Treaty.

Councillor Benjamin Bird will accept the terms of ~~saa~~ Treaty, but expects his arrears. He went to Carlton in 1881, and saw the Marquis of Lorne there; but as he did not k ow what steps to take, did nothing.

Chief James Roberts says so far as he is concerned, sees nothing objectionable in the Treaty, but would like to retire and have a talk with his men about various matters. There are some things offered to them by the Government, such as cattle, which would be no use to them, and they would like to get something instead.

William Charles would not like to receive any cattle just now, as they have no means of looking after them at present.

Councillor Benjamin Bird, of Montreal Lake, would like to have an Instructor to look after them and teach them the mode of farming.

Chief James Roberts, Councillors, and all the

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the Indians, retired to their tents to have a consultation.

On their return, in about twenty minutes, Chief Roberts said,--regarding the cattle, they would like to receive one bull, three cows, one ox,--and will take pigs;--three ploughs for the whole Band, (small light ones that can be carried in canoes), instead of one plough for three families; instead of two scythes for each family, one for each; the value for the articles that they won't receive under Treaty stipulations, in ammunition and twine for nets.

In regard to a horse, harness, and waggon, which would be of no use to him, he would like to get something as an equivalent; does not know at present what he would like.

In regard to farming. Being far away from an Agency, would like to know when they will get assistance in accordance with the Treaty. Will anyone be sent to look after them to assist them in farming, and look after them generally ?

Colonel Irvine said some one would be sent up to look after them as soon as possible.

Next Spring they will plant their potatoes where they have been accustomed to.

They want, next Spring, seed potatoes to plant; about twenty bushels would be sufficient to supply those who have none.

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The Chiefs also want some one to supply them with medicine.

Colonel Irvine said that he would recommend to the Government that they should be supplied with the things that they have asked for.

The terms of surrender were they read and explained by the Rev. Mr. Mackay.

Councillor Bird asked that the old and helpless people may get some clothing.

The Chiefs and Headman then came forward and signed the Treaty; Chief James Roberts signing his own name, and the others making their mark.

After the signing of the Treaty Colonel Irvine presented each Chief with a medal and a flag,(Union Jack),placing the ribbon with which the medal was attached over the Chief's neck, the medal hanging on the breast. Colonel Irvine then gave the Chiefs some good advice, telling them he hoped as Chiefs they would show a good example, not only by their conduct, byt by working hard; and to try to be independent of assistance from the Government.

Three cheers were given by the Indians for the Queen and the Commissioners.

In regard to their Reserves, the Indians have not decided yet where they want them.

They also want schools, when the Reserves are laid out.

Chief James Roberts wants, in lieu of waggon,

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horse, and harness, 1 tent, 1 stove, and 4 sets of dog harness.

Both Bands want the Annuity Payments made about the middle of September, so as it will not interfere with their hunting.

James Roberts' Band want to be paid at Little Hills, which is south of Lac La Rouge; and William Charles Band at Red Deer Lake, south end, at end of cart road.

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OFFICE OF THE
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OF THE
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SASKATCHEWAN.

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, April 9th 1889

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 17 1889
N.W.T.

Sir,

I beg you will kindly excuse my asking information on a subject with which I have no direct concern, but I should be greatly obliged if you could inform me when the next Treaty payments will be made to the Montreal Lake & Lac la Ronge Indians. My reason for asking is, that I expect to leave here about the beginning of June to visit our Missions in that part of the country, and the Indians will be anxious to get information in the matter.

I may mention also that I take a special interest in those Indians, as I was stationed among them for ten years, and have subsequently had the oversight of

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

C - Say Dept. that take it to be granted with pd with rest next fall on repl. rec'd - & doing we [illegible] that it will be [illegible] time [illegible]

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the Mission from time to time.

I would also beg respectfully to point out that the most suitable time for paying those Indians together for treaty payments is from the beginning of September to the beginning of October.

I am

Your obedient servant

J. A. Macaulay

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ALSO TO THE [illegible] OF THIS LETTER

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 24 1889
N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

1754

Ottawa, 20th April 1889

Sir, Rec Rushdrawn McKay 13/5/89

With reference to the recent adhesion to Treaty No 6 of the Montreal Lake, and Lac la Rouge Bands of Indians, I have the honor to inform you that a copy of the Treaty executed by them, will be sent to you as soon as it can be prepared; but, in anticipation, there are some points in connection therewith which it is considered advisable to impart to you at once.

W. Make any mem- necessary as to this & return -

The Bands in question, numbering altogether two Chiefs, eight headmen and 367 Indians desire that their first annuity payment

Hayter Reed Esqr
Indian Commissioner
Regina, N.W.T

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payment may take place about the middle of September next

2 They stipulate for six small light ploughs ~~three~~ (31) for each band, ploughs which can be carried in canoes, and for 5 Scythes and snaiths with requisite scythe stones for the Lac la Ronge, and 20 for the Montreal Lake Band (76 in all)

3 They also stipulate for seed potatoes: the Department has not been advised of the quantity required but it is estimated that 75 bushels would perhaps be sufficient, and it would be well for you, as the season is now well advanced, to take immediate steps to have that quantity - if you think it enough - sent to the Indians for this Spring's planting.

4 The Montreal Lake Band does not want any cattle, as they have no means

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means of caring for them, but they would like some other useful articles in lieu thereof, and their wishes in this respect should be ascertained, and reported to the Department:- The Lac la Ronge Band however would like to receive 1 Bull, 3 Cows, 1 Ox, and some pigs, and these should be procured for them and delivered - if possible - at the Treaty payment.

5- The necessary quantity of ammunition and twine for 76 families should also be obtained at Prince Albert contract rates, and forwarded there for distribution at the Annuity payment.

6 The clothing for the two Chiefs and Eight Headmen has been ordered, and will be delivered at Regina not later than the first of August next.

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next.

7. A tent a stove and four sets of dog harness may also be procured for Chief James Roberts of the Lac La Rouge Band in lieu of a horse, harness, and wagon, which he states he does not require, and requests that the above named articles be furnished instead: The purchases of potatoes, cattle, and implements should of course be paid from the Parliamentary appropri-ations for 1889-90.

I am

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

H. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs.

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From Duck Lake N.W.T.

To Hayter Reed R 1754

Regina

Potatoes can be procured here at a reasonable figure advise as to quantity and at what points required

A J McNeill

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April 24th 9

Laurence Clarke

H.B.Co Prince Albert

Can some fifty to seventy five bushels seed Potatoes be had at immediately for new Treaty Indians and where and probable cost

Sgt. Hayter Reed

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From Prince Albert NWB

To Day Weed Regina

Patatoes can be had here but could not be forwarded without enormous expense and too late to be planted this season -- Price about fifty cents

5 Clark

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April 26th 9

a j McNeil

Indian Agent

Slobart

Can potatoes be had or sent in at prices within reason for Indians lately taken into Treaty - if you dont know send to Finlayson

Sgt Napier Reid

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April 29th/89

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Reb Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 9th Inst. and in reply to inform you that in accordance with the desire of the Montreal & Lac la Rouge Bands of Indians their first annuity payment will take place (as nearly as can be arranged) about the middle of September.

I have, ~~trusting~~ on the strength of the interest you take in these Indians, wired to Mr. Agent McKenzie, to let Mr. McNeill the Agency Clerk, who was out at the making of the new Treaty, consult with you about getting out to them some 60 or 70 bushels of seed potatoes, which they desire to be furnished with.

I have

AR

Venerable
Arch Deacon I. McKay
Prince Albert

Comm:

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April 29th 9

Indian Agent McKenzie
Stobart

Let McNeil try arrange with Revd John McKay Prince Albert that new Treaty Indians get sixty or seventy bushels seed potatoes at figure not exceding two fifty per bushel.

Sgd Hayter Reed

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Time 1306 Apl 7 9 th 1889.

From Duck Lake N W T

To Indian Commrs

Regina

Can get Potatoes delivered at Deer Lake for two dollars bushel, too much ice at present to ship them further north Mitchell informs they can be had at Stanley reasonable

A J McNeill
Collect

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 6 1889

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Ottawa. 29th Apl. 1889

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Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th Instant, enquiring whether the Indians who have lately been admitted to Treaty At Montreal Lake and Lac la Rouge will be paid Annuity Money next Fall at the same time as the other Indians in the Prince Albert District; and in reply I beg to refer you to my letter of the 20th Instant, and to inform you

The Indn Comr
for Man & N.W.T.
Regina. N.W.T.

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you that in accordance
with the wishes of those
Indians their annuities
should be paid about the
middle of September next.

I am

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

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Deputy of the Supt Genl

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May 2d 9

a. J. McNeill

Prince Albert N.W.T.

Arrange to supply chise nine families with say fifteen or twenty bushels potatoes if considered sufficient also few grub hoes.

Sgd Hayter Reed

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Time 1025 May 2 1889

From Prince Albert NW 3

To Indian Commissioner
Regina

Am unable to arrange with Rev Jno McKay for supplying indians with potatoes.
Nine families at Deer Lake can be supplied through Stobart & Co within your figures indians require hoes

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A J McNeill
Coll

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1754
May 13/89

Fin

~~Rev & Dear Sir,~~ Dear Mr McKay

With reference to my letter of 29th ulto: stating that the Montreal & Lac la Rouge Indians will in accordance with their expressed desire be paid about the middle of Septr: may I ask you to be kind enough to state where in your opinion the best point or points for making such payment wd be, the quantity of provisions which shd be sent for such payments and since I intend to make an effort to be present to mention the time which wd be consumed in journeying between Prince Albert & the point ~~of~~ for payment you may recommend, The following articles have to be sent in, and I will be glad of your advice as to best way of doing so — and whether you think it wd be advisable to send in ~~the quantities~~ at our time the ~~For Montreal Band~~ quantities mentioned of the two first named articles

Six small light ploughs (3 for each band) which can be carried in canoes

56 Scythes & snaths for Lac la Rouge and 20 for Montreal Lake Band.

1 Bull 3. cows - 10 x 4 some pigs for

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for the Lac la Rouge Band.

One tent & stove 4 sets Dog harness for Chief James Roberts of Lac La Rouge Band in lieu of a horse harness & wagon.

You will observe that there are no cattle for the Montreal Lake Band, the reason being that they say they can not care for them, and wd prefer other useful articles in their stead.

Would you when visiting them kindly endeavour to find out what particular articles wd. be most acceptable and useful, in lieu of the cattle

Yours faithfully

S+R

Ven. Archdeacon John McKay
Prince Albert.

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, May 18th 1889

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFF
MAY 22
1889
N.W.T.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ult. No 1754 informing me of the time contemplated for the next payment of the Montreal and Lac la Ronge Indians and beg to thank you for the same.

With reference to supplying those Indians with potatoes for seed I was not able to give Dr McGill much assistance in the matter beyond a little information and a few suggestions but I shall be happy always to do anything in my power to assist the work of the Department for the benefit of those Indians.

I am
Your obedient Servant
J. A. Mackay

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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SASKATCHEWAN.

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, May 20th 1889

My dear Sir Reed

In reply to your letter of the 13th Inst. I would say that, so far as the Indians are concerned, the best points for making payments would be "Little Hills" for the Lac La Ronge Indians and the South end of Montreal Lake for the Montreal Lake Band. Little Hills is on the Big Stone River near Lac La Ronge, on the line of communication by way of Montreal Lake,

Hoping Reed Esq
Ind. Comr

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and is the place where some of the Indians are settled—where we have the School, and where also the Hd. B. Company have a trading post. But it would not inconvenience the Indians a great deal, particularly at the time of the year mentioned, the middle of September, if the payments were made for the Lac la Ronge Indians at one of both hands at the north end of Moosehead Lake. In the event of your being present yourself, I would advise this last arrangement, at least for the Lac la Ronge Indians as it to go down to Little Hills would make a difference of about

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five days from Montreal Lake.

If you meet to the north end of Montreal Lake, the time occupied by actual travelling would be about five days from Pine Island each way, allowing for no detention by wind or weather, and also assuming that the water in the Red Deer River, between Red Deer & Montreal Lake is not unusually low. The state of the water will depend on the rainfall in the course of the summer, and from present appearances it is likely to be low.

With reference to the amount of provisions which should be sent for such payments, there should not be at that time of year any

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actual want among the Indians, but of course if the Lac la Ronge Indians have to come up to Montreal Lake for their payments, it would be desirable to give them more than if they were paid at their own place.

I think ~~the~~ two ploughs and ten scythes & snaths would be quite sufficient for the Lac la Ronge Band, and one plough and four or five scythes & snaths for the Montreal Lake band.

The articles for the Lac la Ronge Band including the stone &c for the Chief had better be sent I think if arrangements can be made by way of Grand Rapids and

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Cumberland.

I think also that a bull and two cows would be enough for the Lac la Ronge Band to begin with.

With reference to the articles that would be most acceptable to the Montreal Lake Band in lieu of Cattle, I will make enquiries in accordance with your wishes but to my mind the matter had better be kept open for a time as the south end of Montreal Lake is an excellent place for cattle, and those Indians are better situated for keeping cattle than the ~~Montreal~~ Lac la Ronge Band.

Yours faithfully

J. G. Deschamps

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C. L. Supplies to Montreal Lake at present can only be sent across land to Red Deer Lake and thence down the Red Deer river which towards fall is very low. It would be an immense advantage if the cart road were opened to Montreal Lake. This would do away with all difficulties in the way of transport. The road has been commenced and I believe about $200 judiciously spent would complete it. Stobart & Co. are sending all their trading supplies this summer by the Red Deer & Montreal Lake route and I would refer you to them for further information if required. They would also be in a position to handle the transport of supplies.

J. A. Mackay

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2nd May 1889

My dear Tom—

Referring to your letter about some few Indians in the Neighborhood of Green Lake who Claimed arrears of Treaty Money I would say that I made particular enquiries of both Irvine and McNeill whether any demand had been made upon them for arrears & they tell me no & that they know nothing whatever in the matter I am trying to go North during the payments and if I do I shall see you as to this & see what can be done

Yours &c.

AR

Thos McKay Esq
Prince Albert
Sask.

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June 5th 1889

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Dear Mr McKay,

I am much obliged to you for the useful information conveyed in your letter of 28th ulto: and have opened negotiations with Stobart & Co: as suggested by you.

I note what you say about S. of Montreal Lake being well adapted for cattle and will be glad to hear from you again on the subject, after you have made the enquiries promised.

Probably I will arrange the payments of both Bands at North end of Montreal Lake, but can not yet speak definitely.

Yours faithfully

SAR

Ven Archdeacon
I. A. MacKay.
Prince Albert.
Sask.

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June 5th 1889

File

Sir,

I beg to inform you that in consequence of the recently made Treaty, it becomes necessary to send in to arrive by the ~~middle of~~ 15th September at latest, at which time it is proposed to make the annuity payments - the ~~follo~~ under mentioned articles.

For Montreal Lake Indians

1 plow - 5 scythes, snaiths, & suitable quantity of stones.

1 Horse - harness - and waggon for the Chief.

For Lac la Rouge Indians

2 plows

12 - scythes, snaiths & stones in proportion.

1 bull - 3 cows - 1 ox.

1 tent, 1 stone, 4 sets dog harness for the Chief.

For distribution between both Bands at annuity payments

90 lbs powder @ 22 2/5

270 " shot 8 1/3

40 " Boxes caps 55 cl

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H. Mitchell Esq
c/o Messrs Stobart, Sons & Co.
Winnipeg

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65 lbs No 25 Twine @ 60 cts 9/2
16 " No 5 " " 23
6 " No 9 " 21
30 sacks flour 4 14
92 lbs Tea
46 do Tobacco.

I will be glad to learn whether and upon what terms you will undertake to freight these articles to the North end of Montreal Lake, ~~when~~ at what date they should be dispatched ~~to reach that point say by 10th Sept~~ & whether any store room can be found for them should they arrive before required for distribution

I would also be glad to leave the furnishing of the articles to you, but with regard to the purchase of a ammunition and twine am limited to the contract price for the P. A. District, marked opposite each article.

~~Should you ca pp~~ The plows will have to be strong but light and small so as to be capable of transport by canoe.

My idea in sending these articles to

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the North end of Montreal Lake, is that there will be the most convenient spot for the assembly of the two bands, ~~and~~ but I will be very glad to have the benefit of any suggestion you may be kind enough to offer relative to this matter — or the best way of freighting. ✗

I will be glad to hear from you at your early convenience as I am anxious to have all the necessary arrangements made in good time: — Giving me the Names of ~~[illegible]~~ & ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ be of the best.

✗ In this connection you might inform me what difference it would make relative to freighting — shd it be found necessary to change the proposed plan — & pay our Band at Little Hills — S. end of L. la Rouge — & the others at S. end of Montreal Lake.

S&R

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Duck Lake
24. June. 1889.

Hayter Reed Esquire
Indian Commissioner
Regina.

Sir.

In reply to your letter of 5th ultimo re supplies for Montreal Lake and Lac La Ronge:

The route by which we send in our goods to Stanley via Montreal Lake is this year impracticable owing to a low stage of water in the Deer River. and under these circumstances I should not care to undertake the delivery of any freight to the North End of Montreal Lake or Little Hills. — I have just returned from Deer Lake where I had great difficulty in getting a small outfit down the Deer river into Montreal Lake.

The N. W. Government last year expended $150. on a road forking from Deer Lake towards the South End of Montreal Lake about 15 miles was cut (being about half the distance) the balance could be cut for about the same amount. thereby opening a cart road direct from P/ Albert. to. Montreal Lake.

From there it is 5 or 6 hours sail or one days paddling to the

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the North End. where the payments were made last winter.

Until this road is cut I may say there is no practicable route to. Montreal Lake during summer (excepting heavy rains raise the water in Deer River) except viâ Cumberland and Stanley.

This is a long distance round and it would pay your Dept. to at once open the road mentioned Freight over this road from P/A. would be from $2.50 to $3.00 per 100 lb. from there to the other end with canoes would cut about 50¢ per 100 lb.

I don't say the route viâ Deer River is impossible even at the present stage of water but it would be both risky and expensive. and I would not care to undertake it except at your risk and expense.

He can give you good ex flour at Deer Lake in seamless sax. at $6.00 per sack.

As regards the place for payments. — The north end of Montreal Lake. "say Benjamin Birds" is the most convenient point, it being the most central for. Trout Lake. Bittern Lake. Montreal Lake. Deer Lake. Little Hills, and Stanley.

If the road in question were

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were opened the distance light from P/A would be. 2½ or 3 days. loaded. 6 to 8 days.

From the end of Montreal hall to Little Hills is a difficult and expensive route. there being many rapids and three portages. (for boats & goods) 3½ miles. 1 mile & 200 yds. respectively. Time 5 to 10 days. depending on stage of water.

There are houses at the South end of Montreal hall where the new road would strike and more Indians propose building there.

Horse and wagon would be of no use to the chief until road is made.

As regards ploughs.— In my opinion they would be utterly useless. grub hoes are what would be required.— "A plough might possibly be used at little hills for a few. acres." There would be no difficulty in getting these ploughs. through in winter, or canoe and the strongest would be required.

Cattle would do well in small numbers in almost any part of that country where the Indians would settle. there being hay and feed in abundance.

There could be got into Montreal hall either by the new road or over the ice in winter.

As regards the style of cattle.

best.

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best adapted for the country and Indians. — For a general purpose animal I should recommend the short-horn or native cattle. For fine quality of beef, richness of milk, hardiness and animals requiring less care. I should recommend the Aberdeen Angus, galloway or Kyelves. These latter give a small quantity of milk but rich in quality are very hardy especially the [illegible] last mentioned and which require little or no care.

In conclusion should you not think it advisable to open the road mentioned. I should recommend you sending round by Cumberland or Stanley, or paying the Indians at Deer Lake this year.

This is one day paddling from the North End of Montreal Lake to Deer River. and two days up the river provided the river is not dry (and from all accounts it is always practicable with light canoes) It is one day on foot through the muskegs from Deer River. where it enters the Montreal Lake to Deer Lake.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Hilly A. Whitehall

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July 2d 9

Dillyard Mitchell
Stobart

How long would it take to finish road to Montreal Lake. Would you take work in hand & when could work be begun.

Sgt Hayter Reed

1454

July 2d 9

Thos McKay
Prince Albert

Intend paying fifteenth September find out if all Indians could meet. if not when water low get supplies on - Give little bacon or flour

Sgt Hayter Reed.

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Time 1507 July 3 1889

From Prince Albert 1754

To Hayter Reed Regina

William Charles band are satisfied to meet at Reed Deer Lake I think Stanley indians would all come if notified in time

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

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From Duck Lake Nwd

To Hayter Reed Regina

About ten days

Yes. immediately

answer

Hillyard Mitchell

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From Prince Albert

To Hayter Reed

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Montreal Sake Indians here wish to know when annuity will be paid them they would like to get some provisions for journey home

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July 2th 1859

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that it is proposed to send one of our surveyors to define Reserves for the Indians of Montreal Lake & Lac la Ronge numbering altogether, two Chiefs, eight Headmen and three hundred & sixty seven Indians, ~~recently~~ admitted into Treaty at the Northend of Montreal Lake, on the 11th. February last.

It is not yet known ~~where~~ definitely where these Indians will take their lands, but there is little doubt the Lac la Ronge Band will select theirs at the South end of the Lake of that name, & the Montreal Lake Band choose theirs at the northern or southern extremity of that Lake.

A decision will doubtless be arrived at when Treaty payment is made as

Hon. Minister of the Interior

Ottawa.

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in September next, and unless there is any objection to our Doing so, our surveyor will then proceed to lay off the Reserves selected.

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July 4th 1889

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Sir,

I have the honor to refer to the your letter of 20th April last, and to inform you that in the course of enquiries made in order to discover the best method of sending in the articles to be supplied to the Indians of Montreal Lake & Lac la Rouge Bands, recently admitted into Treaty, I have come to the conclusion to recommend the following.

The N.W. Government last year expended a sum of $150.00 ~~forking from Deer Lake towards~~ on cutting a road between Prince Albert and Montreal Lake — but in order to make this cart road of use, there remains a distance of some 15 miles to be opened, which will cost about $150.00 or at the outside $200.00.

Dep'y
Supt Gen:
Ottawa.

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The state of the water in the Deer River is such that unless goods can be transported from Prince Albert to Montreal Lake, by the road just referred to, they will have to be carried round by Cumberland and Stanley. The increased cost of freight will I am advised be more than ~~wh~~ that of completing the road between Prince Albert and Montreal Lake, and when the saving on freight which may have to be carried through in the future, and the advantage of being able to have ~~open~~ comparatively speedy communication with these Indians, if required ~~is~~ remembered, I have no hesitation in recommending the opening of the road.

Mr. Hillyard Mitchell M.L.A. of Messrs. Stobart & Co: who trades in that District and has just returned from it, strongly advises the opening of the road, and the Rev. Arch Deacon McKay, who spent years among these Indians & knows the District & its approaches thoroughly, is equally

strongly

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strongly in favour of the proposed course.

Not only will the road, ~~the~~ if opened this year, enable our freight to go in safely & at a reduced cost, but Mr. Surveyor Ponton & party, will be greatly facilitated in getting through to do their proposed work, in laying off Reserves. ~~Mr. Ponton could doubtless give some supervision to the work of making the road, & I think the procurement of labour & other matters in connection would be undertaken by Mr. Mitchell already mentioned.~~ I have ascertained from Mr. H. Mitchell that he will be ready to get this work done

I have ascertained from Mr. H. Mitchell already mentioned that he will undertake to get the work on the road done for us — & that it can be finished in less than 2 weeks. Mr. Ponton, could, if necessary, give some supervision to the work.

It is very necessary that whatever is to be done should be decided upon without delay — since if the freight has to go by the ~~ro~~ circuitous route, & he no hands ~~time~~ for Treaty payments, no time is to be lost.

I have

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Comm.

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July 8th 1889

Sir,

I beg to inform you that we want 3 plows to send away to some Indians recently admitted into Treaty in the Montreal Lake district.

break with 2 share points for each, and a wrench.

The require them to be small & light so that they can be carried in canoes — an 8 inch. plow would be big enough — but as they go to a distance where it will be difficult or impossible to get them repaired & will be in the hands of unskilful workers they should be as strong as possible — & if necessary should be well braced, with that end in view. wh. shd. be done if necessary before shipment

There I want you to send off with the least possible Delay, addressed pre-paid by C.P.R. as far as Qu'Appelle addressed to myself, Col Mess. Stobart & Co. Prince Albert, & if you should have any difficulty relative to the execution

Wm. D. Taylor Esq.
Winnipeg.

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of this order, I will be glad
if you will communicate with
me, without any unnecessary
delay - since time is of importance.

I am Sir,

SR

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File

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 24th ult. and to thank you for the valuable information so kindly imparted.

If I can get the money - we will complete the road from Prince Albert, but I have not yet heard whether the funds are available.

Meanwhile I am collecting the articles required, & have ordered ploughs ~~to be sent thro~~ & one or two other things to be sent to me at Prince Albert c/o Mgr. Stobart & Co.

I felt sure I might take your acquiescence for granted, & I will be glad if you will be kind enough to give your people the necessary instructions

As you did not say whether you would supply the articles enumerated at the contract prices to which we are bound

H. McKhall Esq.
~~Duck Lake~~
Stobart P.O.

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So I have instructed Mr. Agent McKenzie to give you the refusal before going to the contractor for them.

As to flour we may want 30 sacks, but if my information be correct there were 15 sacks left behind by Col. Irwine, which if good will reduce our requirements to 15 sacks.

In any case we will take your offer at $6.00 per sack, for what we find we require.

As to the stock, 1 bull, 8 cows, 1 ox.

I will ask you to use your discretion, & purchase them for us.

Until the road question be decided I can not definitely determine the point for payments.

I am, Sir;
Your obedient;
SAR

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July 9th 1889

Sir,

I have to request you to be kind enough to send, ~~p~~ with the least possible delay, addressed to me c/o Messrs Stobart & Co. Prince Albert 2 caddies of the tobacco being supplied by you to this Dept. under the current fiscal year's contract.

This is over & above what has already been ordered, & I presume will be delivered at ~~the Duck Lake contract price~~ a price not exceeding that for contract deliveries at Duck Lake — but if there will be any difference the tobacco can be sent to our agent at Duck Lake instead of to Prince Albert.

I am, Sir,
Yrs obediently

AK

Commr:

J.M. Garland.

Ottawa

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July 9th 1889

Sirs,

I beg to request you to be kind enough to send with the least possible delay addressed to me c/o Messrs Stobart & Co: Prince Albert, 2 two half chests of tea, of an aggregate weight of 100lbs as nearly as possible, of the kind being supplied by you to this Dept under the current ~~year's~~ fiscal year's contract.

This is over & above what has been already ordered, & I presume will be delivered at a price not exceeding that for contract deliveries at Duck Lake, but if there will be any difference the tea can be sent to our Iam, Sirs,

agent at Duck Lake, instead of to Prince Albert.

Yrs obediently

Messrs G. F. & J. Galt.

GR

Wpg.

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July 9th 1889

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the following will among other things, be required to send through to the Indians in the neighbourhood of Montreal Lake, when Treaty payments are made on 15th September.

17 scythes	78 cts. ~~H.B. Co~~	H.B.Co contractors.
17 maths	71 "	~~H.B.Co.~~
34 scythe stones (no contract		"
90 lbs powder	23½ per lb.	"
270 " shot	8 3/10 " ½ do.	"
40 boxes caps	58 cts per ~~M~~	"
65 lbs No 25 Twine	61 cts per lb.	"
16 " " 5 "	23 7/10 "	"
6 " " 9 "	21 "	"

~~92~~ 3 cows. 1 Bull. 1 ox.

1 kitchen stove. No 8. with say 12 lengths pipe & 2 elbows.

4 sets dog harness.

These articles I wish to have collected at Prince Albert in the care of Messrs Stobart & Co: without unnecessary delay, &

I

Agent
Duck Lake.

authority sent.

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I am writing to explain to Mr. H. Mitchell that we are ~~collecting~~ consigning the necessary articles ~~at~~ to his ware-house.

I would like to give Mr. Mitchell, who has afforded us valuable information — any benefit derivable from the supply of these articles, but where there are contractors & contract prices — the latter can not be exceeded. ~~Say the contractors for scythe stones are J. G. Baker & Co & 9 cts, but they can be bought with the scythes.~~

You should therefore ascertain from him at once whether he cares to supply the quantities of ~~twine~~ ammunition & twine scythes, maths, at the contract rates which I have set opposite the several articles, and if not you will then order them from the Contractors, the H.B.Co. & have them stored as directed above.

The cooking stove, etc, you should purchase in the cheapest market, and the dog harness you can get probably from Mr. Mitchell, & failing him, in the manner you think best.

~~I have been advised by Mr. Thos. McKay of Prince Albert, that~~

I have

AR

Council

The Contractors for scythe stones are Mrs. J. G. Baker & the price 9cts, but you can buy them on the best terms obtainable with the scythes.

Concerning The 3 cows 1 Bull. 10x. you should come to an understanding with Mr. Mitchell so as to get them at any time required and you understand the kind sort of stock we purchase.

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Lac la Ronge 9th July 1889.

Hayter Reid Esqr.
Indian Commissioner

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
AUG
1889
N.W.T.

Sir.

We the undersigned take the liberty of addressing this letter to you, in consequence of a verbal message which the Ven. Archdeacon J. A Mackay gave us. which was that we were were to assemble with the whole of the Lac la Ronge Band, on the 16th September. to meet you and receive our Treaty money.

There must be some mistake about this, as we received a distinct promise from Col. Irvine last winter that an Agent would come to Big Stone River for that purpose and that we would not be asked again to go out there.

Last winter most of this Band who go far in the woods to make a hunt lost just half of the winter by going. Again many who are very old. and Widows could not go at all. The same thing will happen. if we are asked to go to Montreal Lake, in September. The ones who wish to make a Meat hunt will be unable to do so. and many of the old new widows and others will be unable to go.

We are convinced that the Government does not wish us to receive, unjust Treatment, why then, if true are we asked to leave our own country and go on another Bands reserve to be paid. after our settling with Col. Irvine last winter to the contrary.

Our earnest wish is to hold fast by all our promises and we expect the Government to do the same.

Our messenger will bring us an answer which we feel assured will be favorable. and let us know. what date we are to meet a commissoner or Agent at Big stone River.

Signed at Lac la Ronge 9th day July 1889 by us for and on behalf of all the Lac la Ronge Indians

James Roberts Chief
Amos his X mark Charles Councillor
Joseph his X mark Charles Councillor

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 1754
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1754

Ottawa. July 11th, 1879.

Hayter

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, No. 1,754, informing the Department that it is proposed to send a surveyor to define Reserves for the Indians of Montreal Lake and Lac la Rouge: and I beg to inform you that the Superintendent General approves of your proposed action in this matter.

C

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. Sinclair

Acting Deputy Minister.

Hayter Reed. Esq.

Indian Commissioner.

Regina. N.W.T.

R

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July 12th 1889

File

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 11th Inst. and in reply to inform you that in consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the Indians for whom the plows are required, & the difficulties of transport, it is considered advisable to make a strong effort to procure the kind of ~~plows~~ light strong plows already described to you. I will be glad therefore if you will send for what we want, but wd ask you to be kind enough to make every ~~possible~~ exertion to get them through to Prince Albert, with the least possible delay

Yrs obediently

A R

Comm

W. D. Taylor Esq.
W pg.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 56,622
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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S JUL 13 1889 DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, July 13th, 1889

H. McKell wired to 17/7/89

Wired Commissioner at Battleford, asking to fix date of payment and see that Indians are notified 18/7/89

File

C

Wire Mitchell

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant, No. ~~56,622~~ 1,754, in regard to the road over which supplies for the Indians of Montreal Lake and Lac la Rauge should be sent, in which you state that the North West Government last year spent $150. in cutting a road between Prince Albert and Montreal Lake, and that in order to make this road of use a distance of fifteen miles still requires to be opened up, which will cost about $150. or at the outside $200.

In reply I beg to inform you that the Department will consent to expend from $150. to $200. in the construction of the fifteen miles of road remaining unfinished between Prince Albert and Montreal Lake.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R Sinclair

Acting Dy. Supt. Gen'l.

The Indian Commissioner.

Regina. N. W. T.

M

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July 17th 89-

Hillyard Mitchell
Stobart

Complete Montreal Lake Road
Closest possible adherence to your estimates
Twenty fourth letto necessary.

Chg I.D.

(Sgd) A.E.I.

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Lac La Rouge 19th July 89

Sing Wm Reid Esq
Ind: Commissioner

Sir

I beg to forward the letter sent to you by Montreal Lake the Young men who took it. turned back. so I now give it into the hands of the Rev Mr McLennan for delivery

I have asked Mr McLennan to explain fully to you the reasons for the Indians not being able to go to meet you at Montreal Lake. and I am authorised by them to say that they will not go there as the loss will be too much for them. besides being directly against the promises made to us last winter by Lt Col Irvine. on behalf of the Canadian Government. Hoping you will arrange this matter in a fair way I now remain

Your obt servant

Amos X Charles. Councillor

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7 -
Better reply to this
in direction of telegrams
+ advise Mitchell what
2hd-80 ford Campbell knows -
all supplies going in -
HLL

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Prince Albert
July 27th 1889

To the Chief and Indians of Montreal Lake Band

In accordance with your wishes you and your Indians are to be paid their Treaty money for the present year and I have appointed the fifteenth September next for the purpose at Benjamin Birds near the north end of Montreal Lake—

I have directed provisions, twine and ammunition and implements to meet you there for [illegible]—

If you do not receive the horse, harness and waggon promised you. you will know that it was considered doubtful whether at this date they could be received over by you but they will be ready at any time required—

I regret being unable to meet you myself but am sending another good man

Hayter Reed,
Commissioner
Mon. Affairs

P.S. I am sending out at the same time a surveyor to consult you as to the locality of your Proposed Reserve and have the same set apart in a proper manner

H.R.

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1754 998

[illegible] 27th 1779

To the Chief and Indians of Lac la Ronge
Band

As you have no doubt already learnt it has been decided to pay you again this year and in accordance with your request I have appointed the fifteenth September for the purpose, at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at the northerly end of Montreal Lake

Reg? + File

Provisions, twine and ammunition are being ordered in to meet you together with the stone, tent ~~and~~ dog harness and implements - and trust they will be found correct. As it was considered impossible for you to take the bull, cows and ox to their destination before the ice takes and as you no doubt have not prepared hay for them I have not sent them in - but they will go to you next summer - unless you particularly desire them at an earlier date and you have provided for them both food and shelter.

I am sending out at the same time a surveyor to consult with you as to the locality for your Reserve which will be set apart immediately - take good advice in this matter and look ahead

Hayter Reed
Commissioner
Ind. Affairs

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Poor - Copy.

KODAK

Rev. J. McKay.

[redacted] La Rouge Indians wish payment Big Stone Rivers. Will do this after Montreal Indians but can not guarantee arrival of provisions. Kindly see Revd Mr McLennan as to this and see if can be warned.

Rev Mr. McLennan

Will pay T. La. Rouge Indians at Big Stone after those of Montreal on 16th but can not guarantee supplies reaching there. Can Indians be warned in time. Kindly see Revd Jno McKay.

Copies of Telegrams sent by the Commr on 24th August 1879.

J. J. O.

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James Roberts Bauld 278. Louis. Lac Pu Rouge
Wm. Charles 99 do. Montel.

Benjamin Birds near North end of Montb. lake. was appd. by Commr. in letter from P.A. 27th July.

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22nd Aug. 89

Hayter Reed Esq.
Wpg —
Three hundred Seventy Seven New
Treaty Indians

A. E. I.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
AUG 26 1889
N.W.T.

Winnipeg.
24. Aug. 1889

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commissioner
Regina

Dear Sir

In reply to your wire which I just received, "viz". "Can the supplies for Lac la Ronge be taken to Big Stone river"

This is a bad route at all times more especially at the present low stage of water, and would take from 10 to 15 days from the North End of Montreal Lake, where you now propose paying. But as the Indians request to be paid at Big Stone. I presume there would be no difficulty in getting them to freight with canoes. if no boats could be procured.

If you wish me to supervise the delivery to Big Stone from present proposed place kindly let me know as soon as possible

I leave here for Saskatchewan "via M'Appelle" Thursday. as I find I cannot get away before

I shall be glad to take up anything you may want to send

I remain
Sir
Your obedt
Hillyard Mitchell

29th

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1754

August 27th 1889

File

Dear Sir,

On receipt of your letter of 24th Inst. I telegraphed to inform you that I purpose starting to make the Montreal & Lac la Rouge payments by stage leaving Qu'appelle on 4th prox: and ~~ask~~ to enquire as to the date of your departure from the same point.

This morning I have received your telegram to the effect that you propose setting out with your own transport on 30th.

Since I will not probably see you until I reach ~~Duck~~ Hobart, I write to tell you that since the Indians of Lac la Rouge strongly desire to be paid at Big Stone River & claim that they were promised this when Treaty was made, ~~Re~~ the Ven: Archdeacon McKay & Rev Mr. McLennan have been advised

L.A.

C. Mitchell Esq.
Qu'appelle Station

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by wire that payment will be made at the desired point, if Indians can be induced to time.
Since I regard it as certain that the Lac la Ronge Indians will not come to Montreal Lake so long as there exists a hope of their wishes being acceded to, I think we can safely determine that their payment will be at Big Stone River, as soon as possible after that at Montreal Lake.
Under these altered circumstances it becomes doubtful whether anything would be gained by taking the Montreal Lake Indians to the North end of that Lake. I am not quite clear as to what point of Montreal Lake the newly cut cart road opens on it, but think that payment might be made there or at South end of Lake. It will therefore probably be best to leave the freight for the Montreal Lake Band at the ~~etc~~ point where the cart road ends, such as I

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I will be a few days in advance of time I can be guided by circumstances as to whether to get it sent North, South, across the Lake, or distributed it where needed.

Supplies for Lac la Ronge should doubtless be sent forward to Big Stone River without delay, and attached you will find a memo showing the proportion to be sent to the respective points

~~These goods are I understand~~

Yours truly

Asst. Comm'r

Article	Lac la Ronge Band	Montreal Lake Band
Plows	2	1
Scythes & Snaths	12	5
Whet Stones	24	10
Tents	1	
Stove with 9 pipes & 2 elbows	1	
Harness (Dog)	4	
Powder	69 lbs.	21 lbs.
Shot	199 .	71 "
Caps (gun)	30 Bxs.	10 Bxs.
Twine No. 25	48 lbs.	17 lbs.
" No. 5	12 .	4 "
" No. 9	4 1/2 .	1 1/2 "
Flour	22 Sacks	8 Sacks
Tea	68 lbs	24 lbs.
Tobacco	34 "	12 "

The above have been divided proportionately between the 2 Bands which number 278 and 99 souls respectively. Should there have been any other articles ordered by the Commissioner orally when at Prince Albert, without the knowledge of this office - unless otherwise specified by him - they should be divided in the same proportion

A.G.
Asst. Commissioner

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No. 1,754. ~~MEMORANDUM~~

Office of the
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Regina, 27th August, 1889.

To H. Mitchell Esq.re
Qu'Appelle Station
Assa.

Dear Sir,

On receipt of your letter of 24th instant, I telegraphed to inform you that I purpose starting to make the Montreal and Lac-la-Rouge payments by stage, leaving Qu'Appelle on 4th proximo; and to enquire as to the date of your departure from the same point.

This morning I have received your telegram, to the effect that you propose setting out with your own transport on 30th.

Since I will not probably see you until I reach Stobart, I write to tell you that since the Indians of Lac-la-Rouge strongly desire to be paid at Big-Stone River, and claim that they were promised this, when treaty was made, the Ven. Archdeacon McKay and Rev. Mr. McLennan have been advised by wire, that payment will be made at the desired point, if the Indians can be notified in time.

Since I regard it ascertain that the Lac-la-Rouge

Indians

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Yours truly,
Dewdney.
Asst. Commissioner.

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Annuities $3462.00
Provisions $643.65
Ammunition & twine $127.46

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Copy

Medicine Hat 30th Aug. 89

A. E. Forget.

Find on looking into matter of Green Lake Indians that although conditions of Treaty 4 were accepted a new treaty was made and surrender of land outside Treaty limits obtained consequently Indians are not entitled to arrears. Question was considered and decided at Ottawa.

1889, L. Dewdney.

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Aug 24 89.

Hilly and Mitchell
Clarendon Hotel
- Wpg -

Can the Supplies for Lac La Rouge Indians be taken to Big Stone River they want it done

Chg I.D.

H.R.

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Aug 21st 89

Revd John McKay
Prince Albert

Lac La Ronge Indians wish Payment at Big Stone ~~River~~ will do this after Montreal Indians but cannot guarantee arrival of provisions - Kindly see Rev^d Mr McDonnan as to this and see if Can be warned

H.R.

Chief D.

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1 Augst 24th 89

Revd Mr McDonnan
Prince Albert

Will pay Lac La Rouge Indians at Big Stone after those of Montreal on Sixteenth but cannot guarantee supplies reaching there can Indians be warned in time. Kindly see Revd John McKay

A.M.R.

Chy I.D.

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Time 1609 August 7th 1889

From Winnipeg Man

To Hayter Reed Regina

1754

It Can be done at Great expense and would make payments later will write you

Lieutenant Mitchell

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Time 1030 22 1889

From Wpeg Man 1754

To Asst Com Forget

How many need treaty Indians are there agt telephone for reply

Hayter Reed

in James Roberts hand 278
Wm Charles' 99
377

Ans 2/2

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26 August 89

Hillyard Mitchell
C/o Stobart & Sons
Wpg —

Propose starting for New Treaty payment by Stage fourth proximo. Wire date of your departure from Qu'Appelle

A G I.

ch 9 Std.

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Time 1545 Aug 26 188

From Winnipeg

To A E Forget

Regina

Propose starting from Duaspelle thirtieth inst with our horses

Hilgard Mitchell

Written to 27/8/89

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27th Aug: 1889

Sir

I have the honor to request that you will kindly have Twenty one hundred ($2100.00) dollars annuity money, packed and ~~[illegible]~~ placed in a box in the usual manner, and forwarded the same by Express. addressed A. E. Forget, Asst. Commr Qu'Appelle Station Assa.

This should be expressed from Winnipeg, so that I can get it, without fail, at Qu'Appelle station on Wednesday morning 4th Septr next, before taking the stage for the North

I have &c.

AE 4

E. McColl Esqr
Indian office
Winnipeg
Man

N4
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~~Allowed 7 sacks~~ 22 required Lac la Ronge.

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accompanying letter to
Mr. H. Mitchell

1754
27th/8/89

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Asst Commr.

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Time 12 D. Aug 29 1889

From Prince Albert

To Ind Com

1754

Rg

Will be back to Big Stone about tenth = Will notify if indians re payments

Robt McLennan

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Time 307 Aug 30 1889

From Med Hat

To A. E. Forget - Regina

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E. Dewdney

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1754
30th August 89

L Vankoughnet
Indian Dept
Ottawa

Find require Copy Montreal Lake Indians adhesion to Treaty and Map Ceded Territory Must Mail tonight to Catch the Prince Albert

A.E.I.

chq I.D.

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KODAK SAFETY FILM

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1754

Hon E Dewdney

30th Augst 89

Shall last February's payment Montreal Lake Indians Count for first Year and Arrears Authorized this Year Count for 77

Chg ID

A.E.I.

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Time 1450 31 Aug 1889

From Ottawa Ont

To Hayter Reed

Reg 1754

Telegram signed A E Forget received this morning copy treaty forwarded today to Princ Albert

W A Austin

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
56622.
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa. 31st August 1889.

Sir,

In compliance with the request contained in your telegram of the 30th Instant, which reads as follows. "Find require copy Montreal Lake Indians adhesion to Treaty and Map ceded territory must mail tonight to catch me Prince Albert." I enclose herewith the documents asked for

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I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
W L Austin
Acting Deputy of the Supt Genl
of Indian Affairs

A E Forget, Esqr
Asst Indn Commissioner
Prince Albert. N.W.T.

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2nd Sept 89

Telegraph Operator
Qu'Appelle Station

Does Stage for Prince Albert leave Tuesday or Wednesday - answer -

A.R.H.

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Sept 5 - 89

Hillyard Mitchell
Duck Lake

Montreal Lake flour purchased and stored Prince Albert. Twenty two sacks required for Lac. La. Rouge -

chq I.D.

F.H.P.

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Time 11 55 Sep 3 1889

From Duck Lake 1754

To Ind Commr
Regina

Shall we supply Flour Montreal Lake what quantity about required
Hilliard Mitchell

ans. 5/9/89

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5th September 89

Aw Ponton
Prince Albert
NB - Assistant Commissioner left on third
to make the payments

F.H.P.

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From Prince Albert NWT

To Indian Commr Regina

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Has fifteenth September been changed as date of payment at Montreal Lake.

A. W. Ponton
Comr

Ans 5th Sept.

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September 10th 89

D H Macdougall
Fort Qu'appelle

Permission granted Subject Indian's Consent will be at Fort tomorrow

HR.

Chg ID.

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Big Stone. River 25th Sept.

A. [redacted] Norquet Esqr.

Dear Sir.

I hear by report that the Montreal river is very low & that you may have a great deal of trouble in Lining through. your Town. so I take the liberty of writing to you. to say that the Indians are all here & have been here for sometime and as a good many of them have come from a long distance from their homes. they are naturally rather hard up for Grub. so if it will be any assistance to you I shall be glad to furnish you with most of what you will want here. so that you could come on ahead and settle with this Band as soon as possible. You can depend upon. 50 Bags flour. 100 lbs 400 lbs Bacon. 200 lbs Tea. 200 lbs Tobacco 100 lbs ammunition (Powder, Ball & shot). & if necessary any thing else that we have.

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here on hand. I will if you wish take off your hands, the same articles when your scow arrives, later on.

I now remain

Yours Truly

H. I. Moberly. C.F. N.B.C.

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Chief Wm Charles

Requests also for matches + figs
copy of treaty

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Requested also for
cooking stoves & trowels

Isaac Bird

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Benjamin Bird

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Little Hills on Lake Larouge
28th September 1889.

Received from Henry J. Moberly, Chief Trader, Hudson's Bay Co. the sum of Six hundred & fifty-nine dollars ($659), amount required to complete the annuity payment to the Indians of Lake Larouge, James Robert's Band.

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Asst. Ind. Comner

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From Montreal Lake. Sauth

To End 18 Via Prince Albert

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Regina

Paynter here yesterday leave tomorrow for Lavonge so far all satisfactory

A. E. Forge

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From Prince Albert 9

To Ind Comr

Regina

Just arrd here left Pontoon Montreal Lake deeply affected at sad news am feeling much for you & will attend arrears pelican indians

A E Forget

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I too wish to thank the Queen and also I wish to thank her servant who was not afraid to undertake the journey into this rough country, bringing to us the help that we have received. We are thankful that we have received our payments here in our own country. Therefore it is with the greatest humility that we make request for - a Carpenter, a farming Instructor, a pit saw, a grind stone, files, grubbing hoes, garden hoes, an assortment of garden seeds, medicines, clothing, light ploughs, nails and windowglass.

(Benjamin Bird)

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I am glad and I thank the Queen and her servant whom I have met here but I hope she will give a gracious hearing to our words in which our Queen-our supplications, we ask for Treaty payment from the time that the first Treaty was made at Carlton. This is our request

(Chief Wm Charles.

We are pleased with what we have heard of the kind intentions towards us of the Queen and those who have spoken to us. I also request what we expected to receive arrears of Treaty payments.

This refers to verbal requests.

I also now make further requests.

(Isaac Bird)

No 1.

I now also wish to say I am thankful for the Queen's assistance now that I see it. We ask - A School Teacher, an Instructor, Arrears of Treaty Payments, Cattle thoroughly accustomed to being handled, a carpenter and a blacksmith supported by the Department, a Gibsaw, axes, spades, grubbing hoes, Net twine, cod lines, ammunition and provisions. When shall we receive provisions again?

(Benjamin Bird)

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
SASKATCHEWAN.

Private

Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, Oct. 14th 1899

My dear Mr. Forget

I have much pleasure in enclosing herewith the translations with the originals of the letters in Cree Syllabics that you left with me.

I also thank you very much for your kind suggestions with regard to the schools for the Indians at Lac la Ronge and Montreal Lake and shall write officially in connection with the same very shortly.

Hoping you will have a pleasant journey home

I remain

Yours faithfully

J.A. Mackay

A. E. Forget Esq
Regina

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SASKATCHEWAN.

1754

Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, Oct. 1st 1889

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T.
OCT 3 1889

My dear Mr Forget

I have just received your letter enclosing a long communication in Cree syllabics. The Cree letter is from William Henderson of Montreal Lake. He is a long winded individual and this production is a characteristic one. There is nothing very important in it. He says that he had no opportunity of talking matters over with you, and therefore he wrote the letter and wishes me to communicate its contents to you. He begins by speaking of a Mr O'Keefe, a Govt. Surveyor who was out north some years ago. Mr O'Keefe gave him some good advice about settling and cultivating the ground, which advice he has tried to follow. Then he goes on to account the circumstances connected with Col. Irvine's visit last winter and his own and Chief William

A. R. Forget Esq
Regina

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Charles's movements and arrangements in the course of the spring, winding up with a complaint that the Chief has built too near him. The fact is Wm. Henderson hoped to be elected Chief and was disappointed and his idea seems to be that he has a claim to the land where he has lived for so many years, and that his rights are not sufficiently respected. This appears to be the gist of the whole thing.

I am glad to hear that Mr. Finlayson is out of danger. You will have heard of Mr. Hardisty's sad death.

With kind regards

Yours faithfully

J. A. Mackay

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From Prince Albert Mus

To The Indian Commissioner Regina

a/26/10/89

Must wait for snow before going to Lac la Ronge am returning to Regina unless you instruct otherwise

A W Ponton

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— Lake Laronge Band —
— Articles to be delivered next Spring —

				$	¢
X	✓	1 Ox		100	00
	✓	1 Double set of harness including			
	✓	neck straps		16	25
	✓	1 set double whiffle trees		4	75
		1 log Chain		2	65
		1 Pit saw		9	50
		12 " " files	@ 13	1	56
		24 Grubbing hoes	" 1.25	30	00
		24 Planters "	" 75	18	00
		24 Spades	" 1.52	36	48
		6 Hay forks	" 65	3	90
		6 " Rakes	" 30	1	80
		1 Grindstone 40 lbs		4	80
		24 Axes	" 1.30	31	20
		Assortment garden seeds		5	00
		Medicines		50	00
		1 Chest tools containing the same tools as for Montreal Lake Band.		50	00
				$365	89

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Montreal Lake Band

Articles to be delivered next Spring

X	✓	1 Mare		$ 150	00
	✓	1 Waggon		110	00
	✓	1 Single harness		20	50
		3 Boxes axle grease	@ 20		60
X	✓	1 Bull		70	00
X	✓	2 Cows	" 50.00	100	00
X	✓	1 Yoke oxen		200	00
X		2 Saws	15.00	30	00
X		1 Boar		15	00
		1 Double set harness including 4 trace chains 2 neck straps & 2 backbands		15	50
	✓	1 Set double whiffle-tree irons complete		4	50
		1 log chain		2	05
		1 Pit saw		8	75
12	"	" Files	@ 12	1	44
6		Grubbing hoes	1.10	6	60
6		Planters "	65	3	90
6		Spades	1.30	7	80
6		Hay-forks	55	3	30
6		" Rakes	30	1	80
1		Grindstone (40 lbs)		3	40
6		Axes	1.25	7	50
		Assortment of Garden seeds		5	00
5		bush seed Barley	2.70	13	50
		Medicines		50	00
1		Chest of tools, see next Page			

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Chest of tools containing

1	Jack Plane	
1	~~Trying~~ Fore do	
1	~~Hand~~ Smooth do	
1	~~Set~~ Matching ~~Grooving~~ planes, 1 inch	
1	window sash-plane	
1	~~head~~ Bead Plane 3/8	
1	one inch auger	
1	1/2 " do	
12	Boy's Wood head gimlets.	
1	mortice chisel 1 inch	(Socket Framing chisels)
1	" " 1 1/4 "	"
1	" " 1 1/2 "	"
1	Framers chisels 2 "	(Socket Framer chisels)
1	" " 1 1/2	"
1	" " 1	"
1	" " 3/4	"
1	Oil stone	
1	Carpenters pincers	
1	" foot rule (2 ft)	
1	square (12 inch)	(steel square)
1	Grooving Pick	
2	drawing Knives	
1	Claw Nail hammer	
1	Set Bracing Bitts	1 Brace & set of Auger bits from 1/4 to 1 in
1	Carpenters compass	1 Pr steel Compasses
1	Hand saw	1 Spear & Jackson Hand saw
1	Grafting saw	1 " " " Rip "
1	cannon saw	1 Shirley & Dietrich Panel "
2	Adzes	2 Carpenters Adzes handled
3	Squaring axes	3 Bench axes do
6	Rat tail files (8 inch)	6 Stubbs Taper Files 4 1/2 in
1	saw set	1 Morrel's Saw Sets
2	Round File 6 in & 8 in	
1	" " 10 " & 12 "	

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Chest of Tools Containing

1 Jack Plane.
1 Trying do
1 Hand - do.
1 Set Grooving Planes 1 inch
1 Minor Sash Plane
1 Head Plane 3/8.
1 One Inch Augers
1 1/2 " do.
12 Box head Gimlets
1 Mortice Chisel 1 inch
1 " " 1/4 "
1 " " 1/2 "
1 Firmers Chisel 2 "
1 " " 1/2 "
1 " " 1 "
1 " " 3/4 "
1 Oil Stone.
1 Carpenters Pincers
1 " Foot rule (2ft)
1 Square (12 inch)
1 Grooving Pick
2 Drawing Knives
1 Claw Hammer
1 Set Bracing Bitts
1 Carpenters Compass
1 Hand Saw.
1 Grafting Saw
1 Cannon Saw.
2 adzes
3 squaring adzes
6 Rat Tail files (8 inch)
1 Saw Set.

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No 1754

Regina Dec 23rd 89

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose herewith a statement of the articles asked for by the Indians & which the Asst Commr who lately visited these Indians recommends be supplied the Montreal Lake & Lac La Rouge Bands ~~of Indians~~ next Spring, which amounts to $1246.00 and are over and above the articles ~~were~~ authorized in your letter of the 20th April last No 56622; There are yet 1 Bull, 3 Cows, 1 ox, 2 sows & 1 Boar, to be supplied the Lac La Rouge Band which were authorized in your said letter. these will cost about $365.00 therefore the total cost of the articles to be supplied these Bands next Spring will be $1611.00 ✱ I would therefore beg to be informed if there is a ~~and should there be~~ sufficient amount in the appropriation for 1889-90. to pay for them, if not I would ask that a sum be included in the supplementary Estimates for the current year to meet it. ~~as I have not Estimated for any of them in my Estimates for next year.~~

✱ With the exception of ox harness, log chains, & the Indn are entitled to these articles by virtue of Treaty Stipulation

SAR

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
56622
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1754

Ottawa, Jan. 20th 1890

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA
INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JAN 24 1890
N.W.T.

1754

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, enclosing a Statement of the articles asked for by the Indians of Montreal Lake and Lac la Rouge, for next Spring, over and above the articles authorized by the Department, and giving an estimate of the probable cost of the same; and in reply, I beg to inform you that it is not considered necessary to supply any further funds for

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Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Indian Comr.,
For Man. & N.W.T.
Regina.

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for the articles due these Indians as the present funds should be sufficient for the purchase of the articles in question.

It is observed that a horse and set of harness are included in the list and treated as if they were allowed by Treaty; but there does not appear to be any stipulation for a horse in Treaty 6.

Horses, harness & waggon are provided in treaty 6. Besides a reference is made to this obligation in letter of Instruction from Dept. No 56622 of 20th of Sept 84

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
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For the Deputy of the Sup. Gen.
of Indian Affairs.

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In your reply refer to
No. 4444
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Duck Lake.

21st January 1890.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JAN 29 1890
N.W.T.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 8th instant, No. 1754, returning voucher No. 1679, in favor of Messrs. F. C. Fairchild & Co., for the reasons stated; and to apologize for having forwarded such voucher without having required it.

With reference to Messrs. Stobart & Co's. receipt, I beg to offer the following explanation: The receipt in question was given in accordance with their bill of lading, which should have read, "2 Plow Bottoms, 1 Bdle. Beams, 1 Bdle. Handles, and 1 Box Fixtures." I have had

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina,
Assa.

Yours

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Messrs. Stobart & Co. alter the receipt accordingly.

So far as I can see, without opening the box, everything is complete, but, should you deem it advisable, on my first trip to Prince Albert I will open the box and examine all the parts.

Any supplies intended for the Montreal and Lac la Rouge Bands of Indians should be at Duck Lake not later than the 20th proximo, as it will be impossible to forward them after the Spring begins to open. I would suggest that all such supplies be sent in care of Messrs. Stobart & Co. here, as the freight rate will be same from Duck Lake as from Prince Albert; and as I could receive and examine them here, and then turn them over to Messrs. Stobart & Co. for transmission, I think it would expedite matters.

I may add that, so far as I can ascertain, the freight rate will be $3.50 per 100 lbs.

Kindly

Tell Mr Fagan
shown last Comm
29/1/90

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Kindly furnish me with full particulars as to whom these articles are to be consigned, and how distributed.

The voucher is returned herewith enclosed, duly signed.

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

R. S. McKenzie
Indian Agent.

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January 25th 1890.

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Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your letter of 11th July last (not numbered) and to inform you that Mr Ronton, D.L.S. has to return to survey a Reserve for the Indians of Lac la Rouge, recently admitted to ~~pth~~ into Treaty No 6. which work must be done with the frost renders the ground sufficiently hard to bear up those engaged in the work.

I am informed that these Indians are desirous of having secured to them, in lieu of a Reserve in common, the holdings now occupied by them along the Lake, on which they have their houses and buildings, and I would like to be authorized to ~~meet their wishes in this respect,~~

~~If this permission be granted, care will~~ have so much of such holdings, as each would be entitled to, if on a Reserve, ~~so~~ marked of for them, care being taken to conform as much as possible to the Dominion plan of survey.

If these Indians be placed on a Reserve set apart

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apart for their use in common, they will probably have a strong inclination to return to their holdings, where they have been accustomed to fish and hunt.

~~A piece~~ The Missionaries may probably view the idea of a Reserve in common with more favour, as ~~better suited to their~~ more convenient for their work, &c. but I would suggest that it will answer the purpose, to reserve a centrally situated piece of land, for mission purchases.

I have

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Comm.

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Regina, 27th Jan 90

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 56622 of the 20th Instant regarding certain articles required for the Indians of Montreal Lake and Lac La Ronge.

As stated by the Department the present funds may be sufficient for the purchase of the articles in question, and every effort will be made to keep within the limits of such funds.

Regarding the remark contained in the last paragraph of your letter that there does not appear to be any stipulation for a horse in Treaty Six, I would refer you to clause 11 of the printed copy of said Treaty (page 354 of the Treaties of Canada by Hon. A. Morris) which inter alia provides that each chief shall receive one horse, harness & waggon - ~~The estimate transmitted, made this head for~~ provision under this head, in my estimate transmitted to the Department is made only on behalf of Chief Wm Charles. This treaty obligation has already been fulfilled as regards Chief James Roberts by the issuing of a tent, a stove and four sets of dog harness.

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in accordance with your instructions as contained in your letter of the 20th ult. last! But there yet remains Chief Wm Charles of the Mouthese Lake Band and for whom only provision is made in the estimate I transmitted to the department.

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In your reply refer to
No. 500/1
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Carlton Agcy
7th January 1890

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
FEB 26 1890
N.W.T.

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Sir,

I have the honor to copy an Extract from a letter of Isaac Cowie Esqre Hudsons Bay Compy Officer in charge of Isle à la Crosse English River District. Vizt

"The Chipweyans are now very
" anxious to make a Treaty owing
" to the scarcity of furs and great
" mortality among the adult
" males. The case of many widows
" and orphans cripples invalids
" is very pitiful.
"There are about one
" thousand Indians, Crees and
" Chipweyans in this District.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Ot Servant
Jr
J Finlayson
Ist Agent

Indian Commr
Regina

Send copy to Dept: through the Commr

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3rd Febry 1890

Sir

I have to request that you will Purchase for the Chief of the Montreal Lake a good sound well broken Roney Mare of 4 or 5 years of age the price not to Exceed $190.00.

The following amounts are also required for these Indians, to be delivered in the Spring at the South End of Montreal Lake Band,

1 Yoke of Oxen price not to Exceed $130.00
1 Bull 1 year old $40.00
2 Cows. Each
1 Boar
2 Sows
Lake La Ronge Band
1 yoke Oxen, 1 Bull (1 year old)
3 cows. 2 Sows. 1 Boar. the prices not to Exceed those already mentioned for the Montreal Lake Band and in both cases . . . .

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The Bulls should be granted of the Polled Angus breed, if it be possible to purchase them, for the price stated or for a price not exceeding the average which might be made in the purchase of the other animals, however if this cannot be done you may purchase as good a grade of Bulls as can be obtained

The Cows may be of the kind generally in use in the Country and with Calf

The Pigs of the best kind to be Purchased with the amount of money provided

Agreement may be made to have these animals delivered when the Supplies are forwarded in the spring the best time would be when the Snow leaves but before the frost is out of the ground

I have &c

Ind Agent
Ducke Lake

A E P

P S The animals intended for Las la Rouge will be looked after by the Montreal Lake chief until the winter sets in

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J. A. Leveque 3/2/1890

Dear Sir,

I enclose a list of supplies which I would ask you to purchase as cheaply as possible direct from some wholesale dealer in Wpg. They should be in accordance with schedule description or equal to standard samples. As these articles should be at Duck Lake by the 20th inst it is most important that they should be shipped at once from Wpg. They are required for new Treaty Indians at Montreal Lake & Lac La Ronge.

Yours obdtly.
A. E. F.
Asst Comnr.

P.S.

Kindly inform me when shipment has been made and send me invoice with shipping bill attached.

A E F.

List of supplies required to be shipped at once to Qu'Appelle Station addressed to the Indian Agent Duck Lake N.W.T.

1 set Double whiffletrees
2 log chains
2 pit saws with goose necks complete
24 pit saw files
30 grubbing hoes
30 planters do
30 spades
12 hay forks
12 hay rakes (wood)

24 Lac La Ronge - 6 Montreal Lake

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2 grindstones 40 lbs
30 axes without handles
3 boxes axle grease
1 set double whiffletree Irons (complete)

To be in accordance with schedule or equal to standard samples, freight charges to be prepaid to Qu'appelle and receipt attached to invoice

A.E.F
Asst Commr.

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3rd Febry 1890

Dear Sir

I Enclose a list of Supplies which I would ask you to purchase as cheaply as possible direct from some Wholesale Dealer in Wpg. They should be in accordance with Schedule description or Equal to standard Sample as these articles should be at Duck Lake by the 20th Inst it is ~~not~~ most important that they should be shipped at once from Wpg. They are required for the new Treaty Indians at Montreal Lake and Lac La Rouge

I have &c

J H Leveque Esqr
Winnipeg

P.S. Kindly inform me when shipped Make & send me Invoice with shipping Bill attacked

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List of Supplies required to be shipped at once to Qu'Appelle Station addressed to the Ind. Agent Duck Lake N.W.T.

6 / Set Double Whiffletrees
2 Log Chains
2 Pit Saws with Goose Neck complete
24 Pit Saw Files
30 Grubbing Hoes
30 Planters do
30 Spades
12 Hay Forks
12 " Rakes (wood)
2 Grind Stones 40 lbs
30 Axes without handles
3 Boxes Axle Grease
1 Set double Whiffletree Irons (complete)

To be in accordance with Schedule description or Equal to Standard Sample charges to be prepaid to Qu'Appelle & receipt attached to invoice

A. G. M.

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Mr. Paget.

Write agent Duck Lake to purchase good, sound well broken pony mare, 4 or 5 years old. for the Chief of Montreal Lake. price not exceeding, if possible, $100.

We will also want for these Indians for delivering in the spring at South end of Montreal Lake.

For the Montreal Lake Band: 200.00 ~~100~~

1 yoke oxen			
1 bull 2 years old	price not exceeding		~~$[illegible].00~~ 70.00
2 cows	" ea	" "	50.00
1 boar	" "	" "	15
2 sows.	" "	"	15

For Lake Laronge Band:

1 yoke oxen
1 bull 2 years old
3 cows
2 sows
1 boar.
} same price as above

Let the Bulls be graded of the polled Angus breed, if obtainable for the price above stated. or for a price not exceeding any savings that might be made on the purchase of the ~~cows and pigs~~ other animals. If this cannot be done, then let him purchase as good a grade ~~breed~~ of bulls as can be had.

The cows may be of the kind generally found in the country and in calves.

The pigs of the best breed he can find for the money. arrangements may be made to have these animals delivered to him when

when ready to send the supplies in spring. The last time might be immediately the snow is off the ground but before the frost is out of the ground. ~~The Hudson Bay Company~~ The ~~Company~~ Company may also send loaded [illegible] to the Company's [illegible] if [illegible] satisfaction

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In Appelle Station
Feby 7th 1890

1754. ~~1077~~

Paget Esqr.
Dear Sir

Your of the 5th inst to hand. 1077 In reply I would say I have writen to Jos Stephens of Fort In Appell re teams to take your Freights to Duck Lake
The waggon would have to go as Freight now & I dont know that Freighters would care to take it now. as it would be an awkard load. Would it not be better to hold it over till Spring as then it could be sent up on its wheels & would not cost very much. If they get it now they cannot use it.
I will send copy of the Bill Ladings to Indian agents when shipped

Yours Truly
William Henley

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~~Tuesday~~ T.

Reply the waggon must be sent, for unless it is at Sturk Lake when the other articles are sent to Montreal Lake there will not be any other chance to send it -

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
FEB 8
1890
N. W. T.

Hudson's Bay Company's Office.
R.R.D.

Winnipeg. 7th Feby 1890.

To the Superintendent of Indian Affairs,
Regina.

Sir,

W. M. Barlow the Officer in charge of Cumberland District writes me regarding a request of Mr. Sagers for certain supplies at Rapid River. Our Officer states that he does not think he could furnish much goods at the place in question but it might be possible to forward them from Winnipeg in time and I shall be glad if you will kindly indicate the Departments wishes in the matter.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.

R. H. Adams

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✓ 1 gal cough mixt
✓ 1 lb carbol acid
✓ 3 doz Emul Cod Liver oil (1/2 pt)
✓ 2 gals Castor oil
✓ 3 lbs Healing ointment
✓ 1 lb Cathartic pills
✓ 5 " Senna
✓ 2 pks Chip boxes (for ointment)
6 doz bottles (med size)
✓ 1 gross corks
✓ 15 lbs Salts
✓ 5 " Sulphur
✓ 10 " Linseed meal
✓ 2 " Chlorodyne
✓ 1 Graduate
✓ 2 doz porous plasters
✓ 2 lbs Turpentine
✓ 1 " Tr Opium
✓ 1 " " Ginger
✓ 1 " Balsam Copaiba
✓ 1/2 " Sulph Zinc
✓ 1 " Sugar Lead

every article to be labelled & ~~[illegible]~~ direction attached.
~~[illegible]~~ Duplicate the order. 1 box addressed Chief Mountain Lake & the other chief of Lake [illegible]

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✓ 1/2 dz Glass Syringes
✓ 4 lbs Liniment
✓ 1 yd adhesive plaster
✓ 1/2 lb Tr Iodine
✓ 1/2 " " Iron
✓ 1 " " Arnica
✓ 2 " Ground Ginger
✓ 2 lbs Mixt for blood

✓ also
✓ 10 lbs Turnip Seed
✓ 3 " Carrot Seed

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Memo

This list is made up of simple remedies, usually sent to the Indians with quantities arranged so that it will amount to about fifty dollars, Consisting of Cathartics, Cough mixts, Cod Liver oil, Liniments for Spasms & Hurts, Ointment for Frost-bites and sores, medicine for sore eyes, Blood Diseases & Diarrhoea, besides, Senna, Salts, Sulphur Turpentine, plasters &c

W.L.S.

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FETY ▲ FILM +

Obtain from Mr. Wright a list of articles wanted at Lake Laronge for next Treaty - & transmit same to H.B.Co - asking them to submit prices - State for their information Ord

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that Mr Moberly off
to do our freighting
from Cumberland
to Big Stone River
where payment is to be
made for 4cts per lbs

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Regina
10/7/90

Sir/

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant. I beg to say that it is important that the wagon reach Duck Lake with the other supplies which are being sent to Montreal Lake, as if it does not, there will not be another opportunity to send it for some time to come.

These supplies will all leave Duck Lake together for Montreal Lake about the end of present month and we would like to have them reach there as soon as possible – The wagon should be taken ~~apart~~ apart and by so doing it will be easier to ship by sleighs.

What prospects are there for shipping these supplies within a short time?

W. Henley Esq
Indian Agent
Battleford

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Manitoba Superintendency,

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg Feby 10th 1890

In your Reply refer to
No. 25.954
also to the date of this letter.

FEB 12 1890 N.W.T.

SIR.

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File

With further reference to your letter, to Mr. Levegue of this office, of the 3rd instant, asking him to purchase certain supplies and have them shipped to Qu'Appelle, I herewith enclose you an account in duplicate, with shipping bill attached from Mr. James H. Ashdown, amounting to $108.32 for these supplies.

I certified to the correctness of this account, as I purchased them with the assistance of Mr. Inspector McGillivan whom I asked to accompany me, in purchasing them.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obt Servt
E. Ure Coll
I.I.A.

Hayter Reed Esq.
2nd Commr.
Regina
N.W.T.

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Regina
13th Feb. 1890 11/2/90

Sir

Referring to my letter of the 29th ult. I beg to inform you that the supplies mentioned in the attached lists are being forwarded to your address for Lake La Ronge & Montreal Lake Band of Indians.

I enclose a list of the tools contained in each chest also the key for each.

The drugs are contained in four boxes. Two for each band and addressed accordingly. The seeds for each Band are also contained in these boxes to which the attention of the Chiefs of the respective Bands should be drawn.

The three setts of harness have been shipped in one box. After arrival at Duck Lake it would be well to have the harness for each Band put up in separate boxes and properly addressed.

The wagon has been shipped in 18 pieces. 1000 lbs.

The Implements tools etc have been

A/t Duck Lake
Hobart. P.O

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been shipped in the following manner - viz:-

1 bdl Chains	45 lbs.	
2 boxes Hoes }		
2 " Axes }	215 "	
5 bdls Spades	150 "	
1 " Hay Forks	50 "	
1 " " Rakes	30 "	
2 Grind Stones	75 "	
1 Box Casting	40 "	
1 " Saws.	50 "	655 lbs. Total

On arrival at Duck Lake these should also be put up in separate boxes or bundles for each band.

Every effort has been made to have these supplies reach Duck Lake on the 20th instant, as requested by you, but owing to the state of the roads I am afraid it cannot be accomplished but it is to be hoped that they will not arrive too late to be forwarded as it is most important that they should be received this Spring. The drugs and wagon have already left Qu'Appelle and we expect the balance to go at once.

I enclose invoices of Drugs, Seeds, Harness & Wagon and would ask you when received to forward vouchers for same.

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Kindly forward ~~separate~~ a receipt for the Tool Chests in favor of I.A. Ster. also one in favor of Jas. A. Ashdown for the ~~Tools~~ Implements Tools etc.

When these supplies and Live Stock are handed over to Messrs Stobart & Co. you should take their receipts for them.—

For the Montreal Lake Band they should be addressed to Chief Wm Charles and for the Lake La Ronge Band to Chief James Roberts, who should each give receipts for same which should be sent this office.

Mr. Sinclair on behalf of Messrs Stobart & Co. has agreed to take charge of all freights for these two bands also to take along some supplies for Lac La Ronge Band left in charge of the Montreal Lake Chief last fall, a list of which is herewith enclosed—

Make the most economical arrangement you can as regards rate of freight—For your guidance

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may say that from my personal knowledge of the country I think, if the road is not found obstructed by fallen trees that 3^{cts} per lb. ought to be the maximum rate to Montreal Lake and 3½ per lb. if otherwise and 2½^{cts} per lb. from Montreal Lake to Lake La Ronge.

JHL

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Hudson's Bay House

Winnipeg 13th January 1890

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Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith a receipt signed by the Assistant Indian Commissioner and dated Little Hills on Lake Larouge 28th September last, for $659.00, being cash advanced him by The Hudsons Bay Co to complete annuity payments to Indians of Lake Larouge, and beg to request that you will forward cheque to cover same at earliest opportunity.

I also enclose an account for supplies furnished at the same time, and certified by the Assistant Indian Commissioner, amounting to $82.75. In reference to this account I beg to point out that, for some unexplained reason, 150 Skeins of #2 Twine are charged $15.25, while under the keenest competition we could not have tendered for this article at the point supplied below 21 Cents pr Skein, making a total of $30.50. I would therefore request that you will allow this a/c to be charged allowing the Company the difference of $10.25, seeing that the price charged is not more than one half the actual cost to the Company of the Twine supplied.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
[signature]

The Indian Commissioner
[illegible]

P Ans. & cheque sent 20/1/90.

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
SASKATCHEWAN.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
FEB 28 1890
N.W.T.

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, Feb. 17th 1890

Ans 27/2/90

Sir

I beg to inform you that Chief James Roberts of Lac la Ronge and two of his Counsellors visited Prince Albert recently and as there was no representative of the Indian Department here to whom they could apply they asked me to represent the following requests.

1. They would like to get a supply of garden seeds to put down this coming spring. The common seeds such as Turnips, Canots and Onions would be most useful.

2. They ask also for a few hoes both grubbing and garden. A supply of two of each would be a great help or even one

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

Comm. unofficially re provisions 26/2/90

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of each in time for use this Spring.

3. They further request some provisions for use at planting time.

They stated that the Asst. Indian Commissioner gave them thirteen (13) sacks of flour last fall. The flour was at the north end of Montreal Lake, and when they received it they found that only about three sacks were fit for use. The flour had been wet and had become sour.

I would beg earnestly to submit these requests to your favorable consideration as soon as possible. The request for provisions might be a difficult one to meet, but if the Indians could get the garden seeds and hoes in time, it would be a real help to them. If it is found impossible to supply any provisions even a little tea would be extremely acceptable to them.

I am
Your obedient Servant
J. A. Mackay

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CANADA POST CARD

THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE

The Indian Agent
Regina

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Dear Sir, Winnipeg, 19 12 1890.
Your favor of 17th to hand
enclosing cheque 74.40
Thanks

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Indian Agent
Regina



Yours truly,
F. A. FAIRCHILD & CO

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Regina 27th Feby 1890

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith for the information of the Department Copy of a letter received from Mr Agent Finlayson of Carlton containing extract from a letter of Mr Isaac Cowie of the Hudsons Bay Company relative to the desire of the Chipeweyans of Isle a la crope to join Treaty

I have &c

A. E. F.

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In your reply refer to

No. 1754

OFFICE OF THE

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

Regina, February 27th 1890

Dear Mr Reed.

I have a letter from Archdeacon Mackay Prince Albert, saying that Chief Roberts & 2 of his Councillors have been in from Lac la Ronge, and make some requests to you through him. They are pretty well covered by the articles which the Agent will be shipping for them about this date. However beyond what they are getting, they ask for some few provisions for consumption when at work in the spring. Archdeacon Mackay says that if nothing better can be done, even a little tea would be most acceptable. We have no funds & no authority, but if you see your way to sending anything, it will be necessary, in order to catch the outfit now leaving, for you, to telegraph to Agent McKenzie, to supply out of his stores.

Yours faithfully,

A. Vankoughnet

Wired McKenzie
3/3/90
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Hayter Reed Esq.
Indian Commr.
Ottawa.

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February 28th 1890.

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Rev Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 17th Inst: and to thank you for your kindness in transmitting the request made by Chief James Roberts of Lac la Rouge, and his councillors

Some articles are being sent out, ~~this~~ which in order to ~~reach~~ arrive in time this spring, it was arranged should ~~leave Duck~~ be sent off by the Duck Lake Agent about the 20th Inst: and they include 24 grub hoes for the Lac la Rouge, and 6 for the Montreal Lake Band, as well as turnip & carrot seed for each band to the value of $5.00.

This I trust will meet their requirements since it is too late to make any changes.

As to provisions I am afraid that it will, in the absence of funds ~~be impossible to~~ for the purpose as well as for the reason already given be impossible to accede to their requests in this direction, however I have communicated what you say to the Commr, who is at Ottawa, ~~so that~~ to see whether any thing can be done: X

I am, Rev Sir;

Yours obediently

A. E. F.

Asst Comr

Venerable Arch Deacon J. Mackay.

Prince Albert.

With regard to the flour, so much of which you say was found unfit for use, it may be well to explain, that it was some which had been left behind by Lt. Col: Irvine, and was given to the Indians as an "extra" after they had been fully warned of the condition in which they might expect to find it.

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Ottawa March 1st 1890

Dear Mr McKay.

Having given the matter further consideration and greatly requiring the services of an Surveyor in other Quarters where no delay could take place it has been decided to defer Mr Pontin's visit to Lac la Ronge - When he goes up there it is proposed instead of having one large Reserve to allow the Indians whether desiring it to take their allotments where they now have them around the lake and locating a small reservation (where it was decided to place the large one) for Mission purposes and such Indians as really desire to be at that part - By surveying when the snow is off the ground better selections can be made for the Indians -

I think it better to advise you

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as to this so that you might confer with Mr Stanton when he goes through-

Yours very truly
Hayter Reed

Revd Archdeacon McKay
Prince Albert

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Copy.

Memorandum.

I think we should lay out the lots in conformity with the Dominion Lands plan of Surveys. The lines N. E. & W. & will be just as well for the Indians as were the lines to run at right angles to the Lake. I fear the Reserve at Montreal has been surveyed en bloc.

My application had more particular reference to Lac La Rouge where no lines had as yet been run.

(Sgd) Dayton Reed.

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Ottawa.
March 7th 1890.

Dear Mr. Reed.

Please read Mr. Burgess's letter to Col. of the 4th Instant and let me know if you are aware of any objection to the lots proposed to be reserved for the Indians at Montreal Lake. It was surveyed as suggested by the Deputy Minister of Interior viz. on due North, South East and West lines.

Believe me to remain
My dear Mr. Reed
Yours Sincerely
L. Vankoughnet

Hayter Reed Esqr.
Indian Commissioner for
Manitoba & N.W.T.
Ottawa

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Ottawa.
4th March. 1890.

Dear Mr. Vankoughnet.

I return enclosed your file No. 56.662. The Memorandum upon which you will observe. was held over by the Minister for discussion with me as to the form in which the Survey of Montreal Lake. might be made. I had since had some conversation with Mr. Hayter Reed. the Indian Commissioner, on the subject. It would, of course. be impossible to expect that your Department would go to the expense of connecting this Survey with any of the Standard outlines of the Dominion Lands system. but I would suggest. for your favorable consideration whether it would.

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L. Vankoughnet. Esqr.
Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian affairs. Ottawa.

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would not be convenient for you to have the lots surveyed on due North, South. East and West lines. This would be of great assistance to us when our survey system reaches the point where the lots are to be laid out.

Yours very Truly.

(Sgd) A. M. Burgess.
D. M. G.

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In your reply refer to
No. 5.20
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Duck Lake
7th March 1890.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAR 10 1890
N.W.T.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters, Nos. 1754 of the 3rd, 13th and 14th ultimo, respectively, having reference to the purchase and forwarding of supplies for the Montreal Lake and Lac La Rouge Bands of Indians.

In reply, I beg to say that, as regards the live stock which you have instructed me to purchase, Mr. Thos. McKay offers to supply the whole for $840. in Prince Albert or $875.00 at the south end of Montreal Lake, Mr. J. McCampbell will deliver them for $900.00 at The Indian Commissioner, Regina, Assa.

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at Montreal Lake, on at Prince Albert for $648.00, and Mr. A. Mitchell (partner of W. Hillyard Mitchell, M.L.A.) asks $843.00 for the whole, delivered at Montreal Lake. I expect to have prices from one or two others in a short time, and think there could be no difficulty in getting the required number of animals.

I should not however deem it wise to have them delivered at Montreal Lake until after the grass commences growing in the spring, as I am informed there is no hay in the district and if sent out too early they might starve.

From reliable information I have received, I find it will be impossible to forward any freight much before the 15th of May next, the only means of communication at present being dog-trains, which if employed for the purpose of transporting the

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the supplies for these Indians, would make their cost very much more than if their shipment was delayed until after the boats has gone.

Cannot see any chance of getting freighters, even then, for less than $3.50 to Montreal Lake. Mr. Sinclair will no doubt look after this part of the work, as you inform me, and, in this connection, - beg to enquire if it is intended that he should distribute all the articles and supplies now to be sent in for these Indians?

2. Your instructions regarding the assortment and address of the articles for the different Bands have been duly noted, and will be carried out.

The barley, I may add, I can secure for $3.00 in Prince Albert or $13.00 (about) delivered at Montreal Lake.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. Sinclair
Indian Agent

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In your reply refer to
No. 523
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Duck Lake
8th March 1890.

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 7th instant, which reads as follows:—

"Provisions given to encourage spring work. Authorize Stobart agent make fair division between the two bands and let chief councillors make distribution.", — being in answer to mine of even date, which read:— "Do not understand yours or Commissioner's telegrams re. Northern Indians. When and where is distribution to be made and by whom?"; and, in reply, to say that your instructions will be followed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obdt. servt.
R. S. McKenzie
Indn. Agent.

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina,
Assn.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA
INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAR 17 1890
N.W.T.

Ottawa, 11th March, 1890.

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Sir:-

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With reference to the letter from your Office of the 27th ultimo and the copy of a letter enclosed there in, dated the 7th January last, from Mr. Indian Agent Finlayson, containing an extract from a letter from Mr. Isaac Cowie, Hudsons Bay Co's Officer in charge of Isle a la Crosse, relative to the desire of the Chipewayan Indians of that region to negotiate a Treaty with the Government, I am directed by the Supt. General to request that you will cause the Chipewayans in question to be informed that he regrets that he finds himself unable to recommend that a Treaty be made with them at present.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt. General of

Indian Affairs.

The Indian Commissioner,

Regina, N.W.T.

J.J.

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March 18th/90

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Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 7th January last, containing an extract from one addressed to you by Mr Isaac Cowie, H. B. Co's officer in charge of Isle à la Crosse, relative to the desire of the Chipewayan Indians of that region to negotiate a Treaty with the Government, and in reply to request you to convey to the Chipewayans concerned, an expression of regret on the part of the Supt. General, that he finds himself unable to recommend that a Treaty be made with them at present.

I am, Sir,
Yr obd servt
A. S. T.
Asst Commr.

Agent
Carlton Agency

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In your reply refer to
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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
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Indian Agent's Office, Duck Lake
26th March 1890.

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your letter No 1754 of 3rd February last re the purchase of live stock for the Montreal and Lac La Rouge Bands.

And to state that I have made the following purchases for delivery so soon as the weather and roads will permit.

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Thos. McKay of Prince Albert

1	Poney Mare 3 to 5 years old	$100.00
2	Yoke Oxen 4 to 5 years old	260.00
5	Cows in calf or with Calves at Side from thorough bred Bull	200.00
2	Boars and 4 Sows Birkshire	90.00
5	Bush Seed Barley	5.00
		$655.00

Delivery of Same at South End of Montreal Lake all but Barley. 30.00
$685.00

H Mitchell of Duck Lake

2	Polled Angus Bulls	140.00
		$825.00

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The Bulls. I will have to take here and. Make arraingments with Mr McKay or Mr Sinclair for there safe delivery from Prince Albert- I do not think it will cost more than $5.00 cts to deliver them at Prince Albert and $5.00 each from Prince albert to Montreal. Lake.

The wagon and four (4) Boxes & Drugs have arrived here on the 19th instant and I am forwarding them to Messrs Wm Stobart- & Co at Prince albert- tomorrow and will have all sent in so soon as possible

And trust that my action in this matter will be approved as I have done the very best I could in this case

I have the honor &c

Sir

Your obedient Servant

R. S. McKenzie

Indian Agent.

Approved

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

Ottawa. 8th April 1890.

No 229293

Dear Mr Vankoughnet.

Referring further to my letter to you. of the 4th ultimo and to your reply of the 11th respecting the survey of lands. proposed to be allotted to the Indians at Montreal Lake. I now write to say that my letter should relate also to the survey.

L. Vankoughnet. Esqr.
Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Referred to the Indian Commissioner for Report.
9 Apl. 90.

I would refer you to my memo. upon Mr Vankoughnet's letter to me Mch 7th Dec which my views as to this are expressed.
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Survey of Indian Lands at Lac La Bouge. and it was an oversight on my part not to have mentioned the Survey at Lac La Bouge. in my Communication. I shall be glad to know whether there is any objection to the Survey at that point being made. in the same way as has been agreed upon in the case of the Lands at Moutreal Lake.

Yours very Truly.

A. M. Burgess. D. M.

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
SASKATCHEWAN.

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, April 28th 1890

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Ans 16/5/90

My dear Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March 1st re Mr Ponton's proposed survey of the Indian Re[serve] at Lac la Ronge, and in reply beg to say that I shall be very glad to see him on his way as you suggest. If Mr Ponton however does not come before 1st June, I am likely to be absent as I have arranged to leave on a visit to England about that date.

James Roberts, the Lac la Ronge chief, has asked me to communicate with you regarding the desire of himself and his people to have a part of their reserve allotted to them, if it could be so arranged, somewhere towards the Sa[skatchewan] where they could farm in the

Hayter Reed Esq
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idea is that although at present they can make a living at Lac la Ronge ~~at present~~ the time is not very far distant when the fishing and hunting resources of the country will not afford them a sufficient means of subsistence, and then they will have nothing else to fall back upon, as there is very little land around Lac la Ronge fit for cultivation. The part of the country where they would like such a reservation made, is somewhere North of Pelican Lake.

There is a good deal in the idea, as the fishing and hunting resources of the country are failing fast, and, while the proposal may be attended with difficulties, yet the suggestion or some modification of it, if carried out, might be of great benefit in the future.

I remain

Yours faithfully

J. [illegible]

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— Extract from Assistant Commissioner's —
Report - of his trip to Montreal Lake and
— Lac Laronge —

Reserve

Some difficulties had to be over-come in settling the location of the Lac Laronge Reserve. The area the Indians desired to be set apart for the purpose comprised the Hudson's Bay Co's post, covering about 10 acres of land, and a squatters right to homestead, a portion of which is also claimed by his Lordship Bishop Grandin. Remembering the caution given by the Department of the Interior in connection with a proposed reservation for the Pelly Indians (see Dept's letter No 5-2936, dated 19th July, 89) "to exercise care in protecting the interests of squatters" I thought the best way of securing this would be to obtain the assent of the Indians to a reservation where no such claim existed. After several interviews and considerable discussion, the matter was finally decided as I suggested, with the

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understanding that two small Islands in Lake Laronge, where they had gardens, would form part of the Reserve. The Sketch attached to this report will give a clearer idea of the various interests involved, and enable you to determine whether the agreement should be carried out. The parts colored red have been agreed to be set apart for the proposed reserve. The Islands are first to be surveyed and the balance of the land they may be entitled to according to their number is to be taken south of the Lake and east of big Stone River and Big Stone Lake as shown on the sketch. The Yellow-collored portion covers the land they desired in lieu of the lower portion opposite and which, for the reasons above stated, was agreed to be left out. But as this section of land, in addition to the claims above referred to, embraces some fifteen houses most of which are within proximity of the Hudson's Bay Co's Post, several patches of ground under cultivation, and

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a combined school house and church erected for the benefit of these Indians by the Church Missionary Society, it seems hard that they should be asked to remove elsewhere on account of these two claims. They are willing that the Hudson's Bay Co- should retain possession of the point of land, measuring about 10 acres where their buildings are erected, and the Company as I was informed by Mr. Moberly does not claim any more. The Indians also have no objection to the other claim being allowed, provided it remains in the hands of the present occupant, one Sanderson a halfbreed whose wife is a member of the Band, and himself practically one of their people. As regards his Lordship Bishop Grandin's claim to the same plot of land

I think its relinquishment could easily be obtained from his Lordship.

For these reasons I am therefore inclined to think it would be

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better to authorize the survey of a reserve in accordance with the wishes of the Indians. The satisfaction that the adoption of this course would produce on the band will highly compensate for any trouble that might arise from the adjustment of the above claims. But if it is thought advisable to take advantage of the location as shown on the sketch, with the consent of the Indians, I feel confident that the latter will raise no further objection.

As bearing on this subject, I was informed that whichever area was set apart for the reserve, there will remain a number of cases of Indians, members of the band, owning a house or occupying a plot of land for gardening purposes, which owing to their being widely separated from one another cannot be included in the proposed reserve. I explained the law regarding such cases,

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as laid down in clause 126 of "The Indian Act" impressing upon them, at the same time, the importance of giving up such places and setting on the Reserve after it shall have been surveyed. But the question arises whether it would not be better specially in cases where the improvements are not to far remote from the Reserve, to grant individual holdings of land and to decrease the area of the Reserve in proportion of the extent of such grants. The adoption of such a course, if not incompatible with any policy of the Department would be highly satisfactory to the parties concerned

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PINE HILL LAKE

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CANNIBAL LAKE

POTATOE RIVER

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Office of the Indian Commission
Regina N.W.T.
1st October 1891.
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Sir:-

I have the honour to inform you that in pursuance of your instructions, I left Regina on the 15th August last for the purpose of making annuity payments to the Bands at Montreal Lake and Lac la Ronge.

Engaging Patrice Fleury to furnish transport between Duck Lake and Montreal Lake, and to accompany me as Interpreter to Lac la Ronge, I left Duck Lake on Monday the 17th August and reached Prince Albert on the evening of the same day. Next morning I started across the river, and Mr Ponton [illegible] some 7 or 8 miles on the road, in order that we might together look at a place called the [illegible] which he thought might be a good location for the Sioux [illegible] opposite Prince Albert, in the event of it becoming necessary to remove them from where they now are. The place seems somewhat too far distant, to allow [illegible] the [illegible]

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The Commissioner,
of Indian Affairs,
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Indians, who make their living by working among the Settlers, going daily between it and the Settlement, but in all other respects appears very suitable.

Leaving Mr Fenton to return, I pressed on and reached Montreal Lake on the afternoon of Friday the 21st, in time to take over from the Hudson's Bay Coy. who had freighted them, the supplies for distribution at the payments, which had been appointed for the following day.

On the 22nd the payment was made, and passed off very harmoniously.

I found Mr E. Stanley, whom you sent out in the Spring to act as Instructor, at his post and from what I saw, and the manner in which the Chief spoke of him, it was evident that he had faithfully devoted his time to the instruction of the Indians. I spent the balance of the day after completion of payment in looking about with Mr Stanley, and in conversation with him and the Chief.

The Reserve is so completely covered with wood and brush, that clearings can only be made on a small scale, very gradually and by an expenditure of considerable labour.

The most promising spots have been selected for gardening, and are at considerable distances apart; however by walking and canoeing for the greater part of a day, all that are on

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the Reserve proper, were visited.

They are nine in number, and the staple crop in every case is of potatoes, with some turnips, carrots and onions.

The largest garden is that of the widow Henderson, and it is in the clearing at the landing, where the Chief's house, the school and some other buildings are situated. This garden was being cultivated by the Instructor for the benefit of the Band generally, and as an example for their ~~instruction~~ imitation. It was beautifully clean, and thoroughly cultivated, and some flowers served to add to its appearance and teach the combination of the ornamental with the more strictly useful.

Four members of the Band family, including two Councillors, had again cultivated their old gardens, which are outside of the Reserve.

In every case the gardens were thoroughly clean, and promised abundant yield of potatoes.

A school house has been erected since the Instructor went out.

It is a nice log building 18 by 22 feet in dimensions, well floored and lighted, and considering the circumstances of the Band, very creditable. The school had been opened early in the month under the care of Mrs Stanley, the wife of the Instructor. The result was most gratifying. The daily average of attendance

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attendance was 28, and on the day of my visit, over 30 were counted. Considering the short time the school had been in operation, the readiness with which small children gave the English names for various objects, and the writing on slates by the elder pupils, excited surprise. Mrs Stanley seemed to have the pupils under excellent control. I asked that a half holiday might be given to the children, and got them some biscuits and candies, because Treaty payments is the great day of the year for them.

The cattle were in first rate order, but from their two cows they have only one heifer born last year, and one calf this year, (steer)

The Chief, who was discontented with his mare last year, seems quite reconciled to her now, and insisted on taking me out to see a foal, of which he is very proud, born on the Sunday when I was there.

Hay is cut with much difficulty on partially submerged hummocky swamp land, and has to be carried out on poles. There was enough cut to supply the requirements of their own stock and of any freighters who may visit the Reserve

The Indians were advised to discontinue giving away hay to visitors, and to charge for any surplus they might find a market for in the direction indicated.

The pigs had been killed, the reason being

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given that scarcity of fish, prevented keeping them penned, and when allowed to run they managed to burrow their way under the fencing into the gardens and destroy them.

Representatives of the Hudson's Bay Coy. and of Stobart & Coy. were trading at the payments, having licenses, as you are aware.

They appeared to be selling useful articles at very moderate prices.

The Chief and Councillors had a number of requests to make. There is no doubt that their comparative proximity to the Sturgeon Lake Band and intercourse, more especially with its Chief, William Twatt, tends to excite them to make all sorts of demands, and they learn so many stories, from Freighters and other visitors, about what other Bands in the territories receive from the Government, that it is most difficult to persuade them that they are as liberally treated as other Bands similarly circumstanced.

The claim to arrears of Annuity money, made in the first instance to Lieut. Col Irvine, when he received their adhesion to Treaty, renewed to the Asst. Commissioner when he made the payments three years ago, and repeated to myself last year, was brought up again, and in view of the little expectation they seemed to cherish in the matter, when last years discussion

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discussion of the subject ended, I would have been surprised to find their hopes so strongly revived, had it not been that the communication transmitted to you under cover of Department's letter No. 79,196 of 11th June last, for report, affords proof that agitation in the matter had been renewed in the interval. Since I was unaware of any later communication from the Department on the subject than that just referred to, I could only remind them of the decision already conveyed to them, and inform them that it remained unchanged.

The only new feature in their statement of the claim was the bold assertion that Lieut. Col. Irvine had promised that they would get the arrears. I informed them that the words spoken had been written down at the time, and that what Lieut. Col. Irvine did say, was that all he had authority to pay was a sum of $12.00 to each who might join the Treaty, but that he would inform the Government of what they said about arrears. They then said that they had understood that there was a promise, but I pointed out that if such were the case it was strange that they made no such assertion last year although they quoted promises of other things, alleged to have been made by Lieut. Col. Irvine.

The next matter brought forward was that of

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of the Farming Instructor, but after questioning them as to what further use an Instructor could be to them in a country such as theirs, or what more he was to teach them, the Chief said that if it were an open country they would not let the Farmer go, but under their circumstances they would have to be content to do so.

As you are aware, acting upon telegraphed instructions from yourself, before leaving Duck Lake, I wrote informing Mr Stanley that you wished him to return.

The Ven. Archdeacon J. A. Mackay was advised of this, in order that he might make arrangements to supply another Teacher for the school, as Mrs Stanley was about to leave.

The old demand that they should be rationed like other Indians, and have some clothing for the destitute, was renewed, and the difference between their circumstances and those of the bands rationed was patiently explained again, as also the fact that if they had managed to get along in the past, they must be much better off with the assistance now given them by the Government, and the increased opportunities of earning money on the flat boats, now that the advent of the Railway to Prince Albert was bringing the Hudson's Bay and other Traders freight for more Northern points, by way of Montreal Lake.

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They next asked that the balance of the cattle due them under Treaty might be sent to them next year. I told them that it was not clear as to whether they had not received other things in lieu of the balance of the cattle, and reminded them that in the first instance they had refused cattle, and asked for articles likely to be of more use to them instead.

Reference to Department's letter no. 60, 622 of the 2nd April 1869 shows such to have been the case, and that it was to be ascertained what articles were desired by these Indians.

It will be remembered that when the Asst. Commissioner made enquiry, the Indians had changed their minds and asked for 1 bull, 2 oxen, 2 cows, 2 sows and 1 boar. If they have received nothing in lieu, they would appear to be entitled to yet receive 2 oxen and 4 cows, and the success which has attended their care of cattle so far, would seem to justify the expectation that they would make good use of the remainder if given.

The next enquiry was as to what had been done about getting some of their land reserved near Sturgeon Lake.

They expressed a desire to be allowed to throw up half of their present Reserve and have the balance set apart for them about 8 miles

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miles North of Sturgeon Lake, on the West side of Little Red River.

They are getting very dissatisfied with their present Reserve, because they find it so difficult to clear land for cultivation, and because the fishing seems to be getting poorer. In fact last Summer there seems to have been considerable difficulty in getting enough to supply their actual necessities, and some families go off and pass the Summer at Red Deer Lake, because they can get fish in greater plenty.

On questioning them they said that the fishing never had been as good in Montreal Lake as in other lakes in the District, but it was getting worse.

I asked them why, if their statement was correct, they had selected the Reserve where it is, and told them that it was very questionable whether the Department, after having incurred the expense of the survey, would make any change now. In this connection it might be noticed that there is another lake upon which their Reserve gives them a frontage, where the fishing is a good deal better. However in view of the correspondence which has taken place with the Department, while telling them that you might not be able to get any of their land reserved elsewhere, I said I had no doubt you would

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would endeavour to do so.

I heard that the Fishery Inspector from Prince Albert had been visiting them and they seemed a good deal disturbed about the matter.

I endeavoured to show them that anything done for the protection of Fisheries is in their own interests, and that fishing in the spawning season and throwing the offal into the water were driving the fish away, and not the landing of the boats.

They replied that if their fishing were to be interfered with the Government would have to feed them regularly, or they would die, I told them that it was not the taking of enough for daily use during spawning time that was objected to, but the storing up for the Winters supply and for sale, which would have to be done later.

A good many minor requests were made, such as for some more medicine and biscuits for the school's use. These, as you are aware, have been sent in.

In connection with a lot of foolsih requests preferred, I remonstrated with the Chief and Councillors for making them, and was told by the Chief that he understood his medal was given to him as a sign that he might make all of the wants of the Band known to the Government. I replied that the Department would

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always grant a hearing to reasonable requests, but that one of the principal duties of a Chief and Councillors, is to restrain their people from coming begging unnecessarily; and urge them by precept and example to provide for themselves. The idea seemed a new one to him, but he did not enlighten me as to how he viewed it.

He is however a very good man if left alone by outsiders, and the Instructor speaks highly of the manner in which he endeavours to exert his influence in the right direction.

I have given you a separate Memorandum of some other minor articles wanted, in order that if you think proper, provision may be made for them in your estimates.

It only remains to state that the children had suffered from and epidemic of whooping cough, which had not entirely disappeared when I passed through.

Leaving Montreal Lake on the morning of the 25th, with Fleury the Interpreter, and Moses Bird Councillor, and his brother Samuel, as Canoe men, on the afternoon of the 29th we reached Little Hills, where the payments were made the last two years.

The balance of the day was occupied in taking over from the Hudson's Bay Coy. supplies freighted by it, - in conversation with Mr A. Macleod about the Indians and their circumstances

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circumstances, and with Mr A. Thompson, the Hudson's Bay Coy. Officer from Stanley about matters concerning our Indians in that neighbourhood.

Next morning a start was made for Potato River, which is a few miles up on the East side of Lac la Ronge, and where the Indians were found to have collected. The distance from Little Hills is not greater than can be traversed by canoe in a full half day, provided no interruption, (which however on the lake is extremely likely to occur,) be caused by high winds.

At Potato River, where the Chief lives, there is an acre or so of clearing and 2 houses, and on the other side of the river a garden and two small houses.

On monday the 31st, the day appointed, the Lac la Ronge Band was paid, and everything went off very satisfactorily.

Two families of McKenzies, and two widows of the same name, who for various reasons had delayed giving their adhesion, came in, this adding ten souls to the number of the Band.

There are three cases to which I beg to direct your attention. The first is that of Janie Bat who now appears on the paysheet for the first time as No. 83. This old woman is the discarded wife of old Issac Bat, the only avowed pagan, in the Band, and it appears that

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payment was never asked on her account, because of a belief that the Department would not pay for more than one wife of any one man.

Since however no blame can be attached to the old woman for the husband's having taken unto himself a second and a younger wife, she has been taken on, but the payment for two wives was grounded on the fact that the second had been taken by old Rat, before these Indians came into treaty, and consequently the case could afford no precedent upon which, at any time, to endeavour to get pay for polygamous marriages, which might be contracted subsequently to the date of the treaty.

Pay was asked on behalf of an illegitimate child of the daughter of David Marastay, born subsequently to the date of treaty. The circumstances of the case were such as to excite sympathy, but as it was evident that to pay for this child would be followed by a demand for payment of some 4 or 5 others, on the part of those whose cases did not appear to deserve any specially lenient consideration, payment was refused, until reference could be made to yourself, nor was any hope held out that the result would be favourable to the petitioner.

The third case is that of Samuel Halkett No. 11. It seems that two of the daughters for whom he has been paid until this year, have at, and since the date of making treaty, been paid for

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for as married women, under other tickets.

This represents an over payment to Halkett of $24.00 when treaty was made, and $10.00 at each of the two subsequent payments, or of $44.00 in all. This case is certainly a hard one. The old man bears a character for being strictly honest, but is one of those simple old folk who would take what is given to them without question.

When asked on the occasion of joining treaty what girls he had, he included the married daughters in the number. It was only recently that he discovered that the married daughters of other men were paid for with their husbands, and he at once drew attention himself to the overpayment.

He was much surprised and disappointed when I told him that my powers would not allow of any other course than to require a refund, but I ventured to promise that it would be taken gradually, and retained $14.00 of his money on the understanding that the balance should be spread over annual instalments of $10.00 for 3 years.

The old man has a large family, is poorly off, and under the circumstances, if it could be done, I think the effect of rewarding his honesty by foregoing the refunds, would be beneficial upon the whole Band.

The health of this Band appears to have been

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been good, and no complaint was made as to any scarcity of fish. They enquired when the Surveyor would be sent to mark off their Reserve, but seemed satisfied when I told them that work of a more pressing nature in connection with Reserves in proximity to Settlers had to be attended to first. The Little Hills division of the Band, comprising from 25 to 30 families, desired to know the result of their application, reported last year, to have a separate Chief and separate Reserve. They were told that a separate Chief could not be allowed, but that when the Surveyor is sent out, he will be instructed by you to endeavour to meet their views regarding the Reserve.

It certainly seems difficult to assign any good reason for requiring these Indians to leave their present station to go to what appears to be a less favourable one.

They were assured that in any case the Department had promised to secure their several holdings to them.

On behalf of the whole Band enquiries were made as to the prospect of a proportion of the lands being reserved in the Saskatchewan country, About this they seem very anxious, but I could only tell them that nothing had been decided up to the time of my departure from Head Quarters.

These Indians, unlike the Montreal Lake Band

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Bands, had no requests to make beyond that they might have less cod line sent to them, and more twine in lieu, and that, if possible, the aggregate quantity might be somewhat increased.

This moderation may be attributed to the fact that they have little, if any, communication with Freighters or other Indians, and to the excellent advice given them by Mr A. Macleod, who is in charge of the Hudson's Bay Coy. post at Little Hills.

A fair proportion of the supplies was reserved for the relief of destitution during the Winter, for rationing the haymakers, and for those putting in gardens in the Spring.

To overcome difficulties which occurred in consequence of the Reserve supplies having all been left last year at Little Hills, I thought it best this year, after consultation with the Chief and Councillors, to make a division leaving some in charge of Mr Macleod at Little Hills, some with the Chief at Potato River, and some in charge of Councillor Amos Charles to be taken to the Stanley District.

I did not feel at liberty to take the time that would have been required to visit gardens, Hay-fields, stock and so forth, as the distances apart were considerable.

I learned however from reliable sources that the cattle are doing well, with the exception of one cow which did not stand the Winter drive

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drive from Montreal Lake well, arrived in poor condition, and continued to fail until it died.

The Indians say they are going to purchase more cows for themselves with part of their annuities.

I visited the school at Little Hills, but was not very favourably impressed.

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

REGINA, N. W. T.,

From February 189 7

AGENCY.

Montreal Lake
and Lac La Ronge.

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Treaty Cash and Annuity Payments
General Supplies for.

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for as married women, under other tickets.

This represents an over payment to Halkett of $24.00 when treaty was made, and $10.00 at each of the two subsequent payments, or of $44.00 in all. This case is certainly a hard one. The old man bears a character for being strictly honest, but is one of those simple old folk who would take what is given to them without question.

When asked on the occasion of joining treaty what girls he had, he included the married daughters in the number. It was only recently that he discovered that the married daughters of other men were paid for with their husbands, and he at once drew attention himself to the overpayment.

He was much surprised and disappointed when I told him that my powers would not allow of any other course than to require a refund, but I ventured to promise that it would be taken gradually, and retained $14.00 of his money on the understanding that the balance should be spread over annual instalments of $10.00 for 3 years.

The old man has a large family, is poorly off, and under the circumstances, if it could be done, I think the effect of rewarding his honesty by foregoing the refunds, would be beneficial upon the whole Band.

The health of this Band appears to have been

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been good, and no complaint was made as to any scarcity of fish. They enquired when the Surveyor would be sent to mark off their Reserve, but seemed satisfied when I told them that work of a more pressing nature in connection with Reserves in proximity to Settlers had to be attended to first. The Little Hills division of the Band, comprising from 25 to 30 families, desired to know the result of their application, reported last year, to have a separate Chief and separate Reserve. They were told that a separate Chief could not be allowed, but that when the Surveyor is sent out, he will be instructed by you to endeavour to meet their views regarding the Reserve.

It certainly seems difficult to assign any good reason for requiring these Indians to leave their present station to go to what appears to be a less favourable one.

They were assured that in any case the Department had promised to secure their several holdings to them.

On behalf of the whole Band enquiries were made as to the prospect of a proportion of the lands being reserved in the Saskatchewan country. About this they seem very anxious, but I could only tell them that nothing had been decided up to the time of my departure from Head Quarters.

These Indians, unlike the Montreal Lake Band

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Bands, had no requests to make beyond that they might have less cod line sent to them, and more twine in lieu, and that, if possible, the aggregate quantity might be somewhat increased.

This moderation may be attributed to the fact that they have little, if any, communication with Freighters or other Indians, and to the excellent advice given them by Mr A. Macleod, who is in charge of the Hudson's Bay Coy. post at Little Hills.

A fair proportion of the supplies was reserved for the relief of destitution during the Winter, for rationing the haymakers, and for those putting in gardens in the Spring.

To overcome difficulties which occurred in consequence of the Reserve supplies having all been left last year at Little Hills, I thought it best this year, after consultation with the Chief and Councillors, to make a division leaving some in charge of Mr Macleod at Little Hills, some with the Chief at Potato River, and some in charge of Councillor Amos Charles to be taken to the Stanley District.

I did not feel at liberty to take the time that would have been required to visit gardens, Hay-fields, stock and so forth, as the distances apart were considerable.

I learned however from reliable sources that the cattle are doing well, with the exception of one cow which did not stand the Winter drive

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

REGINA, N. W. T.,

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Land for

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
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N.W.T.

Ottawa. 18th Novr 1890

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Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th Instant, and with respect to the proposed Reserve near the Saskatchewan for the Lac la Rouge Band, I have to inform you that you may as proposed recommend that a portion of the land due that Band be located on the Saskatchewan near the Sturgeon Lake Reserve; and this Department will then communicate with the Department

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The Indian Comr
for M & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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Department of the Interior
with a view to ascertain
whether the land selected is
available. No promise,
however, should be made to
the Indians that the land
selected will be given to
them until it has been
ascertained whether it will
be available or not.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.
L. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt Genl
of Indian Affairs.

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4th. June, 1

Sir,

72433. I have the honour to refer to your letter of 13th. November last, and prior correspondence relative to the reservation, on account of the Lac la Ronge Band of Indians, of some farming lands near the Saskatchewan, and to inform you that after having received a report from Mr. A. W. Ponton, whom I sent to search for a suitable locality, and after enquiries made by myself, I have determined to recommend the following, viz: A Reserve extending from the Northern boundary of Wm. Twatt's (Sturgeon Lake) Reserve, to the N. E. corner of Section 24, Township 52, Range 1, and having a width of four (4) miles, which would extend one (1) mile West of, and three (3) East of the 3rd. Initial Meridian.

This would contain an approximate area of Twenty (20) sq. miles, and I am informed would include land of fine quality, water, abundant hay, and an ample supply of both spruce and poplar for building timber.

Mr.

The Deputy of the

Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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Mr. Ponton says of this land.

"The country is undulating and generally covered "with a scattered growth of small poplar. Fire has passed "over the country in the past, and left large quantities "of dry wood, and open areas ready for the plough. A creek or small river flowing South would cross the East- "ern portion, and it is said to be well stocked with jack fish and suckers. Small game such as rabbits, ducks, and prairie chicken are still numerous, and the Band "would be located on the direct roads to such fishing lakes as Red Deer Lake, Bittern Lake and others, which they could easily visit at the proper seasons to lay in a supply of fish."

Proximity to the Sturgeon Lake Reserve would enable instruction and oversight to be given comparatively easily.

I will be glad therefore if the Department can get the land described reserved, and when the locations at Lac la Ronge are surveyed, a corresponding deduction from the quantity to which the Band would be otherwise entitled, will be made.

I would recommend further that some land be reserved in the same locality for the Indians of Montreal Lake.

I find, upon enquiry, that part of their Reserve as at present surveyed, will be of little if any use to them, and just as with the Lac la Ronge Band the day may come when some of them will want to farm for a subsistence.

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Failing this, it is suggested that the 20 or 30 sq. miles required could be advantageously located in Township 60, Range 2, W. 3rd. I. M.

If it be ascertained that the land suggested will be available, then definite steps can be taken to survey the Lac la Ronge Reserve, and to define what should, if Department approve, be abandoned on Montreal Lake.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa. 21st July 1891

Sir.

I have to inform you, in connection with previous correspondence relative to the Reservation on account of the Lac la Rouge Band of Indians of farming lands near the Saskatchewan, I am advised by the Department of the Interior that the whole of the lands which you recommended should be acquired for the purposes of an Indian Reserve are timber berths and are under License to Messrs Moore and Macdowall of Prince Albert; and

C. advise Porter possibly lot not timber

The Indian Commissioner
for Man. & the N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

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and consequently they are not
available for this purpose.

your obedient servant,

A Sinclair

for the Deputy of the Sup. Gen.
of Indian Affairs.

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27th. July,

Sir,

I beg to inform you that I have just been advised by the Department, that the land recommended by you for reservations as farming lands, for the Bands [illegible] Lake and Lac la Hache, viz: "Lands extending from the "Northern boundary of William Trutt's Reserve, to the "N. E. corner of Section [illegible], Township [illegible], Range 1, and "having a width of four miles, which would extend one "mile East of and three West of 3rd. Initial Meridian", are timber berths, under license to Messrs. [illegible] Macdowall, of Prince Albert, and consequently not available.

It occurs to me as possible that the land wanted may not be timber lots, or have so little timber on them that Messrs. [illegible] Macdowall would be willing to exchange for other lands.

As to the Sioux at Prince Albert, you will remember that it is unnecessary to reopen any questions with them, already settled by myself, as to their wishes, intentions,

A. M. [illegible], Esq.,

Prince Albert,

Sask..

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tions, &c. &c.

In case of accidents, you should see how the lands adjoining those on which they are settled, and said to be Government lands, would answer for them.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

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Commissioner.

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Snake Plain Agency
19th Sept. 1891

Sir /

With reference to the selection of a reserve for the Montreal Lake and Cas la Bouge Indians, I have the honor to inform you that I have lately examined the country East of and adjoining the Snake Plain Reserve No. 103 –

I find Townships No. 49 Ranges 4 and 5 and perhaps the North halves of Townships 48 Ranges 4 & 5 all West of the 3rd Meridian, to be excellent land generally, with plenty of hay, wood, and water. and such portions of Townships No. 50 Ranges 4 and 5 lying South of the Shell River, although containing land of light soil, would be valuable for grazing ~~purposes~~ and would go towards making up the area required.

By taking in the whole of Townships 48 Ranges 4 and 5, the Saw Mill and valuable Spruce at present occupied by the Department would be included

Township No. 49 Range 3, which was recommended by me last winter as suitable for a reserve, contains excellent land, but I now observe it is covered by a timber limit.

If this land meets with your approval and is available, no time should be lost in securing it, as I hear Prince Albert people are making a strong effort to have it subdivided.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A Watson

The Indian Commr
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Ottawa Oct 17. 91

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Memo for Dept. { appended to an annuity payment report.

Under date Ottawa 17th Oct 1891 a memo is endorsed by the present Supt Genl (then Commr) upon a report by Mr A W Ponton D.L.S. upon certain lands near Sturgeon Lake which were examined by him with a view to having them set apart for the Mtre Lake & Lac la Ronge Indians. The memo reads as follows "Memo — upon a reference being had "to the Supt Genl in connection wh this matter, "he has directed that no Reserves be surveyed "for these Northern Indians save in those "parts of the country where they live viz "— at Mtre Lake and Lac la Ronge. This "is much as was originally decided "upon. The Indians may have separate "holdings"

"A.R."

Nothing appears on our files subsequent to

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to this until 4th Aug^st 1893 - when in a memo from this office to the Paying Agent the following is found "If Mtr^l Lake Indians "ask about surrender of half their "Reserve in lieu of farming lands near "Sturgeon Lake, say we are trying to get "farming lands from Govt, but not "yet settled."

"Same thing re La Rouge Indians "and until decided, no use surveying "their lands" ..

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...e in re farming lands for Lac la Ronge and Montreal Lake Indians.

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I have the honour

13th October 1890. Letter from Commissioner to Department giving purport of Mr Campbell's report on his trip to Montreal Lake and Lac la Ronge to make annuity payments, in which it is stated that the Lac la Ronge Indians "all "agree that they would, looking to the future, "like some of their land reserved near the "Saskatchewan."

23th October 1890 Letter from Department to Commissioner: 72,313 "should ascertain and report exactly where "on the Saskatchewan, the Indians of Montreal "river desire some of their reserve land "to be located."

5th November 1890 Letter from Commissioner to Department; acknowledging letter of 23th October replying that "Indians of Lac la Ronge Band desire to "have the portion of their reserve, asked for "on the Saskatchewan near the Sturgeon Lake "Reserve, and subject to Department's approval "I propose to select and define some land "on the South side of some good lake in that "locality."

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h November 1891 ,438	Letter from Department to Commissioner acknowledging letter of 5th November and replies "you "may as proposed recommend that a portion of "the land due that band be located on the "Saskatchewan near the Sturgeon Lake Reserve, "and this department will then communicate "with the Department of the Interior with "a view to ascertain whether the land selected "is available."
20th November 1890	Commissioner instructs Mr Ponton in accordance therewith and that the Indians "would like "about twenty (20) square miles reserved as "indicated, but considering the nature of "the country, at Lac la Ronge and the numbers "being added to Treaty, it might be well, "if available, to reserve a township."
5th January 1891	Mr Ponton reports upon land suitable and "thought to be available in the desired "locality.
4th June 1891.	Letter from Commissioner to Department acknowledging letter of 18th November 1890. Advises receipt of Mr Ponton's report adding: "I would recommend further that some land "be reserved in the same locality for the "Indians of Montreal Lake."

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"boundaries of the land above recommended
"to be reserved for the Lac la Ronge Band".

"Failing this it is suggested that the
"25 or 30 square miles required could be
"advantageously located in Tp. 49, R.3,
"W. 3rd M."

25th June 1891

Letter from department to Commissioner, ack-

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knowledging letter of 4th June 1891 and
"replies: "have written to the department
"of Interior enquiring whether the lands
"described therein are available for Indian
"reserve purposes for the Lac la Ronge and
"Montreal Lake bands."

21st July 1891.

Letter from Department to Commissioner stating
that

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that: "I am advised by the department of the
"Interior that the whole of the lands which you
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"purpose of an Indian reserve are timber
"berths and are under license to Messrs
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27th July 1891 Commissioner advises Mr Ponton of this fact but
"it seems to me possible that the land wanted
"may not be timber lots, or have so little
"timber on them that Messrs Moore & MacDowall will
"be willing to exchange for other lands."

19th September 1891. Report from Mr Ponton on country East of and adjoining Snake Plain Reserve.

Memo dated Ottawa October 17th 1891 written on back of this report and signed by Commissioner:

"Upon reference being had to the Super-
"intendent General in connection with this
"matter, he has directed that no reserve be
"surveyed for these northern Indians save in
"those parts of the country where they live,
"viz at ~~Prince Albert~~ Montreal Lake and
"Lac la Ronge. This is much as was originally
"decided upon: the Indians may have separate
"holdings."

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22 October 1891. Letter from Commissioner to Mr Ponton who was then at Carlton, acknowledging letter of 19th September and informing him that:

"The Superintendent General has ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~
"now expressed his opinion to be that it is
"not advisable that any reservation should
"be made, in the Saskatchewan country for the
"Montreal Lake or Lac la Ronge Indians, and
"consequently there is nothing further to be
"done in the matter."

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
SASKATCHEWAN.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEC 26 1894
N.W.T.

Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T. Canada, Dec. 19th 1894

Sir,

Referring to previous correspondence on the subject I beg to inform you that I had a visit a few days ago from Chief James Roberts of Lac la Ronge and he desired me to represent again the request that he has made to the Department for a Reserve in a part of the country adapted for farming to which members of his band might remove from time to time as necessity compelled them in view of the gradual failure of the fishing and hunting resources of the part of the country in which they live at present.

I trust the matter will receive favorable consideration as I believe the Chief and his people are in this matter actuated by a thoughtful consideration of the needs of their present position and the wants of the future.

I am, Sir
Yours obediently
J.C. Mackay

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Pantons report Covers

1 Townships 49 - Range 4
49 - Range 5.

+ 11½ " 48 - R 4
" " 48 - R 5.

Whole of 48 - Rs 4+5 will take in Sawmill

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAR 21 1895
REGINA ASSA.

Ottawa 16th March 1895

Sir,

With reference to the lands proposed to be reserved for the Lac La Rouge Band, I have to inform you that the tract of Land requested in the Commissioner's letter of 4th June 1891, is now available for the purpose of an Indian Reserve; which tract is described as "A "Reserve extending from the Northern boundary of Wm Twatts "(Sturgeon Lake) Reserve to the North East corner of "section 24, Township 52, Range 1, West of the 3rd Initial "Meridian and having a width of four miles which would "extend one mile West of and three East of the 3rd Initial "Meridian. With regard to the additional tract required for a portion of the Montreal Lake Band, the following lands are now available, viz- a tract extending two miles further North and one mile further West and all the land to the East of the block above described. Also Township 49, Range 3, West of 3rd Meridian is now clear, but an application which is now under consideration has been made for this Township for Timber purposes by the Shell River settlers.

You are aware that Mr Ponton visited the locality. I have to ask you to be good enough to decide with

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with his assistance what lands are required, and to inform me of their limits in order that application for these lands may be made to the Department of the Interior.

Your obedient servant,

for Deputy Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs.

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File 123,861

Ottawa, March 29th, 1895.

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Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of copy of letter from Mr. Agent McKenzie, dated 13th and transmitted by you on the 22nd instant, referring to cattle belonging to the Montreal Lake Band of Indians ; and in reply to inform you that no more cattle than you think will be of service to the Band, and they can provide for properly, should be sent back to the Reserve.

The balance should be disposed of) and the manner of doing so suggested by you seems a good one), but the proceeds should be funded for the benefit of the Band, and will be available should we succeed in get ing the farming lands for these Indians about which you were recently written to.

In this connection it occurs to the Department that if the lands can be secured it might be made a condition of granting them that the Indians consent to the arrears of annuities still unpaid being applied to the purchase of cattle and other necessaries, and the building of suitable houses for the purpose of starting them at farming. The money as it is now being paid is virtually being

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being thrown away, and you will kindly bear in mind what has just been said when the land question is settled.

As to the request to be supplied with two sacks of flour, &c., &c., to provision Indians going for the cattle, the Department does not see why this should not be as properly regarded as chargeable against arrears of annuities as the wintering of stock, and it is under the impression that so far the effect upon the Indians of coming into Treaty has been such as to make it inadvisable to do anything which can possibly be avoided in the direction of encouraging them to rely upon the Department, rather than upon their own resources and exertions.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

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14th November, 5

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Sir:-

With reference to the Department's letter of 16th March, No. 70/438, in re lands for the Montreal Lake and Lac la ~~Ron-~~ Ronge Indians; I have the honour, after consultation with Mr. Surveyor Ponton, to report as follows:-

The land north of the Sturgeon Lake Reserve, which the Department states is now available, would prove a good situation for a Reserve. The area of good land at this point, however, is limited, and care will have to be exercised in making selection of 25 or 30 square miles. If this area together with whatever land may be reserved in the country they now occupy is considered sufficient, a tract of land described as follows could be withheld from settlement until a Surveyor be sent to select the most desirable portion, define the boundaries, &c.

Sections (31), 32, (33), 34, (35) and 36, Township 51, Range 27.

Section 36, Township 51, Range 28.

W. 1/2 Township 52, Range 26.

Township 52, Range 27, and fractional Township 52, Range 28, all West of the 2nd Meridian.

Also sections 34, 35 and 36, Township 51, and the East 1/2 Township 52, Range 1 West 3rd Meridian.

The land above described will cover the area suitable for agriculture or stock raising. Stock raising however, can be carried on to the greatest advantage owing to the numerous small ponds and meadows abounding, and is I think the most profitable industry for Indians.

The Reserve should extend Eastward to the Little Red River if possible, as it would afford a supply of fish in ~~the~~ the proper season, but the location of the Reserve would in any case place the Bands within easy reach of the Northern fishing

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
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fishing and hunting grounds.

Mr. Ponton is of opinion that the land described is more suitable for Indians than the alternative locations examined by him on the Shell River and adjacent to the Mistawasis' Reserve. Settlement has gone on steadily of late years in the Shell River Country and it is very doubtful if a sufficiently large area of suitable land could now be obtained in that direction.

I have the Honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

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Ottawa.

May 6th, 1896.

FILE.

Sir,

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I have the honour to refer to your letter of 14th, November last, and to inform you that of the lands therein recommended to be withheld from entry pending selection of Reserves for the Indians of the Montreal and La Ronge Lakes Bands, the Department of the Interior states that all are clear in its records with the exception of West 1/2 of Sec.34, Tp.51, R.1, West of 3rd, Meridian, which is included in timber berth licenses to Mr.Geo.Burn,

Sections 10, 15 and 22, Tp.52, R.1, included in timber berth under license to Mr.Jas.Sanderson and parts of Sections 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 and 36, Tp.52, R.1, West of 3rd, Meridian applied for by Mr.J.Shannon as a timber berth.

We will relinquish all sect. west of 3rd M.

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The Department endeavoured to ascertain more exactly what part of the sections named had been applied for by Mr.Shannon, and the information received was to the effect that the berth is on the shore of a lake and in his application he stated that he considered it would cover portions of the sections mentioned, and he has been asked for a more definite description.

The Department thinks it well to advise you how the matter

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matter stands as the information may be useful to you in planning the season's survey work, but if not sent to you before, you should apply for more definite information about Mr. Shannon's limit, before proceeding to select the Reserves.

It may turn out advisable to include all or part of the lands in the timber berths mentioned in the Reserves, and in that event they can be taken over permanently when the licenses expire.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
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REGINA ASSA.

Ottawa.

May 15th, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Department's letter of even No. of 6th, instant, and to inform you that the Department of the Interior has just communicated to this Department relative to the lands from which it is proposed to select Reserves for the Indians of Montreal and La Ronge Lakes respecting the following additional information.

Sections 33 and 35, and that portion of Section 31 outside of the Indian Reserve in Township 51, Range 27, West of the 2nd, Meridian, are scheduled to the Qu'Appelle Long Lake and Saskatchewan Railway Company by Order in Council dated the 10th, of June 1892; also a portion of Section 35, Township 51, Range 1, West of the 3rd, Meridian. A note, however, is to be made in the records of the Department that in the event of the Railway Company not requiring these lands they are reserved for this Department.

Sections 11 and 29 in the tract which you requested should be reserved are School lands.

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

A.E. Forget Esq.,
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Regina, N.W.T.

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M E M O R A N D U M.

No. 1754 1/2.

Office of the Indian Commissioner,
For Man. & the N. W. T.,
Regina, 10th March, 1897.

Memo: for the Indian Commissioner,
O t t a w a.

I enclose an extract from letter of Rev: E. Clarke, relative to Saskatchewan lands for the Montreal Lake Band, and would refer to Departmental fyle No. 72,468: letters of 6th and 15th May 1896.

Mr. Ponton informs me that we need only ask for the temporary reservation from settlement of the lands designated as lying East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, relinquishing all west of that Meridian, in which certain timber berths have been granted or applied for by settlers.

The presence of school sections in the tract which may be covered by the proposed Reserve, can be dealt with as has been done in other cases, by exchange for lands elsewhere.

It would be well that the temporary withdrawal from settlement of the lands designated, be accomplished with as little delay as possible, in order that speculative squatting may be prevented.

For Commissioner.

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ANSWER REQUIRED.

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Extract from letter of T. Clarke, dated 22nd February, 1897. on file 1754.

Since it has become known that a Southern reserve, in the vicinity of the Little Red River, is to be surveyed for the Montreal Lake Band of Indians, I am informed on reliable authority that some half-breeds and others propose to take up claims in that neighborhood, as soon as the spring opens (No doubt with a desire to obtain a high price from the Department to surrender their "rights")

In view of the fact that game and fur bearing animals of all kinds, are greatly diminishing in numbers, in this district, and the Indians experience insurmountable difficulties in procuring a living by hunting, I strongly recommend, that a crop of Potatoes, and vegetables, at least, be put in on the proposed reserve this spring. By taking down a few of the best workers I think this could be done, and the best locations selected prior to the survey. The Indians would also be on hand to break new land, and to put up hay. If it is not done I fear the Department will be called upon to ration the Indians without

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without deriving any benefit from the outlay.

I would also suggest the advisability of requesting the Land Agent at Prince Albert not to issue any hay permits on the land in question, for the coming summer. Every effort will be made by outsiders to secure the hay lands by permit or lease. In fact I was told a short time since, by a settler from Prince Albert, who is fishing at Little Trout Lake, that he was applying for a lease for the hay swamp on the Little Red River. The most effectual means appears to be to take immediate possession.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, 16th March, 1897.

For Mr Pontou's information when will the money be required?

Sir,-

I beg to inform you, with reference to your letter of the 8th ultimo, that the Superintendent General has directed that an amount of $700 may be anticipated to carry on the surveys of the Montreal Lake and Lac Laronge reserves and the matter of the road allowance through the Oak River Sioux Reserve. The surveys may, as you suggest, be undertaken by the 1st of April instead of waiting until July. The above sum is being placed in the Supplementary Estimates for the current year.

Your obedient servant,

J D Scott

Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

Green may be sent to do this work. He will be at Regina on or about 1st abl. [illegible]

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A.E. Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
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Date 16 Mch '97

FILE.

With reference to the survey of a Reserve for the Montreal Lake Indians, I have the honor to draw your attention to the following matter:

The land to be reserved lies in Townships 51 & 52 Ranges 26. 27 & 28 West of the 2nd Initial Meridian - These townships have not yet been surveyed, and as it is very important that our surveys should conform, as nearly as possible, with the Dominion Lands system, it will be necessary for our Surveyor, to before proceeding with the survey of the Reserve, to establish a starting point by projecting certain Township outlines.

In the present instance, the Reserve adjoins the 3d Initial Meridian, and as all errors due to the Convergence of the Meridians and faulty chaining

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accumulate in the last range of townships, it would not be advisable to commence the work without previously obtaining from the Dept. of the Interior all ~~necessary~~ available information relative thereto.

I would therefore suggest that Mr Green should be instructed to interview the Surveyor General before leaving Ottawa for the West —

I have the &c

A.W.P.

The Commr

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March 26th., 1897.

Ref 419

Copied 30.3.97.

Sir,

I have no objection to Ponton going to make the survey of the Montreal Lake Indians ,the more so, as the work can be done cheaper than by Green. My reason for suggesting the name of Green in the first place was that I thought Ponton might have some other more important work to do .Tell him that I propose leaving these details with him in the future,so he had better arrange immediately a programme of the work which can be done next summer for submission to me on my return to Regina .I will arrange at once to have the $700.00 placed to my credit in the Bank of Regina on account of surveys .

Yours truly,

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File

F.H.Paget ,Esqr.
Regina.
Assa.

copy sent Mr. Ponton for his information & action
30/3/97

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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FILE.

Ottawa, 14th April, 1897.

Sir:-

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 20th ultimo transmitting extract from one, from the Rev. T. Clarke relative to Saskatchewan lands for the Montreal Lake Band and stating that it is only necessary to ask for the temporary reservation from settlement of such of the lands originally applied for as are situated to the east of the third principal meridian and in reply to inform you that the Department of Interior has been advised that it is no longer desired to hold the lands west of the third meridian for our purposes and that Department assures us that the following lands are held available for the proposed Indian Reserve viz:-

Sections 32,	Township	51,	Range	27	West	2nd Mer.
" 34,	"	51,	"	27	"	" "
" 36,	"	51,	"	27	"	" "
Whole	"	52,	"	27	"	" "
West 1/2	"	52,	"	26	"	" "
Section 36,	"	51,	"	28	"	" "
Frac.	"	52,	"	28	"	" "

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLean

Acting Secretary.

28/4/97

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Regina, N. W. T.

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20th April, 7

Sir:-

Referring to the survey which you are about to make of a Reserve in the vicinity of the Sturgeon Lake Reserve, Carlton Agency, for the Montreal Lake and Lac la Ronge Indians; I would ask you to note the following for your guidance.

The file of correspondence which is appended hereto shows that certain lands have been temporarily withdrawn from settlement by the Department of the Interior, pending our selection from them of the proposed Reserve, and we should not go outside of this temporary reservation in making the selection. Two or perhaps three sections of School lands will, I understand, be found to lie within this tract, but these may be included in the Reserve if necessary, as an exchange will be effected for them later on.

The area of the Reserve is to be not less than 50 nor more than 60 square miles and the selection of the lands to be embraced should be carefully made, with an eye, chiefly, to the value of the same for stock-raising, with sufficient timber for building purposes and permanent water supply, and secondarily, for agricultural pursuits.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

A. W. Ponton, Esq. D. L. S.,
In charge of
Indian Reserve Surveys N. W. T.,
Regina,
Assa.

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30th April, 7

Sir:-

Referring to my letter No. 1754 of the 22nd Instant; I have to inform you that Mr. Surveyor Ponton will leave here about the 8th Proximo for the purpose of surveying, near the Sturgeon Lake Reserve, the Reserve for those of the Montreal Lake and Lac la Ronge Indians who may come South to engage in farming and the selection of the necessary lands will be made by him.

If Chief William Charles or any of the Headmen of this Band or that of Lac la Ronge are among the party who came down with Mr. Clarke to put in some crop on the new Reserve, they will probably evince a desire to have some voice in the selection of the lands and it will therefore be as well that you at once inform them that the Reserve will not be the sole property of either Band but will be held for the joint use of such members of both bands as may decide to leave their present homes and take up stock-raising and farming on the new location and that therefore the Department reserves to itself the right to select the site.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Carlton Agency.

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REGINA. MAY 1st. '97.

Acting Secretary.

Indian Department.

Ottawa.

REFERENCE YOUR TELEGRAM TWENTY NINTH MUST PROCEED WITH SURVEY IMMEDIATELY AS INDIANS NOW ON LOCATION PUTTING IN CROP. FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS WOULD COVER COST. AND COULD OBTAIN FROM BANK IF AUTHORIZED ON ACCOUNT SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES OR NEXT YEARS.

A. E. FORGET.

COLLECT.

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Dr. EDWARDS. REGINA. MAY 1st. 7.
127 METCALFE STREET.
OTTAWA.

SEE SECRETARY INDIAN DEPARTMENT AND DO NOT SEND SON UNLESS INFORMED MONEY FOR SURVEY AVAILABLE.

A. E. FORGET.
M.

CHARGE I. D.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Duck Lake

9th May 1897

In your reply refer to No. 829 also to date of this letter.

Mr Clarks Cr. sent Mr Leith & Mr Sp. to Mr McL.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S REGINA ASSA. JUN 11 1897

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Ref.: Letter 15 December 1896 No. 1754

Sir,

Referring to letter above quoted. I would beg leave to draw your attention to the second last paragraph of said letter in which you request me to inform the Chief that should there be a sufficent some could be obtained the survey of the reserve at Sturgon lake would be maid in May or June 1897. and that the chief would be given due notice. So the he could meet the surveyors on the ground. I wrote Mr Clark on the 29th December 1896 requesting him to inform the chief, which I understand he did. I have just received the enclosed letter from the Revd T Clark which speaks for its self. and would ask if I am to take any action in this matter or not—

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
R. S. McKenzie
Indian Agent—

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Regina

Richardson reports settlers locating on new reserve montreal Band requires immediate attention leaving this evening

J Clarke

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II June 1897

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the Ist.instant relative to breaking of new land on the new Reserve in the Carlton Agency for the Montreal Lake and Lac la Ronge Indians, and in reply would say that you should correspond with Mr. Agent Keith, who will arrange to have some work done provided the necessary work oxen and equipment therefor can be spared for the time being from the Sturgeon Lake Reserve. It is not desired to do much in this direction this season, as funds are not avilable as yet.

Communications relative to affairs connected with the new Reserve should be sent through or to Mr. Keith.

Yours truly,

A.E.J.

Commissioner.

Rev. Thos. Clarke.
Montreal Lake.
via Prince Albert.
c/o Hudson's Bay Company.

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II June 1897.

Enclosure.

Sir,

I enclose a letter received through Mr. Agent McKenzie from the Rev. Thomas Clarke relative to the Montreal Lake Indians having a voice in the selection of the new Reserve.

If you have not already done so, will you kindly communicate to them the contents of my letter of even No. of the 30th. April last and explain to them very clearly that as they now have all the land they are entitled to at Montreal Lake, the new Reserve is being set apart for their use and that of the Indians from Lac la Ronge entirely as a voluntary action of the Department and that it therefore reserves the right to select such lands as it considers to be most suited for the purposes which it has in view for the Indians and that in doing this no rights which they are entitled to claim under the Treaty are being disregarded.

I have requested Mr. Clarke to address communications relating to the new Reserve to you.

Yours truly,

A. E. J.

Commissioner.

The

Indian Agent,

Carlton Indian Agency.

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Extract from letter-

x x x x x x x Mr. Ponton, the Surveyor arrived here last week and is up surveying the Indian Reserve North of Sturgeon Lake and extending to the Little Red River where I have my cattle. It is reported that this Reserve is for the Indians at Montreal Lake and North of there, in the name of all that is holy, why bring the wood Indians from their hunting grounds where they are making a living to try and make farmers of them and starvation. If they, the Indians require assistance, give it to them where they have been accustomed to live and have lived for generations. You know, no one better, that these wood hunters will never make a living not even an attempt to farm. If they are broughtSSouth it means Government starvation and perhaps worse and help to swell the catalogue of Almighty Voices. I am told that this idea of moving these Indians comes from the Missionary branch. The clergymen want them where they will be more centralized. Well I think they will make better Christians in the woods than in the neighbourhood of whiskey and give less trouble to the Government. If you can possibly influence the Department to make full enquiries before doing anything more I am sure you will be doing a good act.

Experience has invariably shown they make the Poorest farmers.

I saw Mrs. Davis yesterday, your family are all well and flourishing.

With kind regards-

Yours faithfully-

J.Lestock Reid-

T. O. Davis, Esq., M.P.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

FILE

Ottawa 11th June 1897-

Sir-

I beg to enclose you copy of a portion of a letter received from Mr. J.Lestock Reid in relation to the survey of the Reserve North of Sturgeon Lake by Mr. Surveyor Ponton and I am directed to ask you to look fully into this matter and to favour the Department with a report thereon for consideration,before confirmation of the Reserve.

Your obedient servant

J.D.McLean

Acting Secretary-

The Indian Commissioner,

Regina-

N.W.T.-

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Prince Albert, Sask
14th July 1897

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 5th inst, — No. 1754½ — advising me that $687.00 had been placed at my disposal —

Copy for Dept.

FILE

With reference to cost of Survey for the Montreal Lake and Lac la Rouge Indians, on which I am at present engaged, I would draw your attention to the fact that the area which it was proposed to reserve in the Saskatchewan country was always mentioned in correspondence as about 30 square miles, and when giving an estimate I was guided by these figures — My instructions, however, direct me to reserve 50 or 60 square miles, and as my estimate was at close figures for 30 square miles, the additional area of necessity increased the cost of Survey; and I would therefore advise you that no balance will remain over out of the $687.00 —

I may also mention that although 30 square miles of good land can be obtained East of the 3d meridian it has not been found possible to select 60 square miles — I have therefore included within the boundaries of the reserve, the following Sections in Tp 52, R. 1. West of the 3d Meridian Viz: — 1. 2. 11. 12. 13. 14. 23 and 24 which Department states

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in letter 6th May 1896 (No file) are clear in the records of the Interior Department, and sections 25. 26. 35 and 36, which in the letter above quoted, the Department advises have been applied for by Mr J. Shannon as a timber berth — I have run the line between the clear Sections and those applied for by Mr Shannon in case the Department should not succeed in obtaining the latter, although I am of the opinion that as there is no timber on these Sections Mr Shannon has been in error in applying for them and his application will in all probability be withdrawn when the fact is known to him — All of the lands referred to are admirably adapted for a reserve, Sections 25. 35 and 36 being especially valuable as open grazing country, and Sections 13. 14. 23 and 24 containing magnificent and very accessible hay lands, and also timber, which, although covering no large area, is of the finest Spruce, and is also very accessible — I would therefore urge that the Department be asked to have reserved the whole row of Sections in Tp. 52. R. 1 West of 3d meridian viz:—

(a) 1. 2. 11. 12. 13. 14. 23. 24, (B) 25. 26. 35 and 36

Two consecutive tiers of Sections.

(a) These are clear on Dept. Intro. Books

(B) were applied for by Shannon.

Before leaving head-quarters I was furnished with a synopsis of correspondence between yourself and Mr Agent Keith relative to securing certain hay lands for the Sturgeon Lake Indians,

together

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together with instructions to look into the matter while in the vicinity – I found that these lands were situated on Sections 13. 14. 23 and 24 Tp. 52 R. 1. West of 3d meridian, which I have already mentioned as included within the boundaries of the reserve for the Montreal Lake and Lac la Rouge Indians – Under the circumstances I did not consider it advisable to cut off these sections for the sole benefit of the Sturgeon Lake Indians If the Department wishes to reserve hay lands for the Sturgeon Lake Indians, I would recommend any of the following Sections in Tp. 51 Ra 27 West of 3d meridian – Viz:– 20. 21. 26. 27. 28. 29 and 35 – Hay can be obtained in abundance on all the sections mentioned and is very accessible –

I propose returning to Regina about the 26th inst, unless instructions to the contrary reach me –

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A W Poulton
In charge of Indian
Reserve Surveys –

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OFFICE OF THE
INDIAN COMMISSIONER,
REGINA, N. W. T.

1754½

Sturgeon Lake
17th July 1897

Dear Mitchell

I have had a terrible time with this reserve and will be glad to be done with it – The chopping has been heavy and continuous and the lines very inaccessible – We have had rain off and on since may, and have lost at least two weeks by it, if not more – It is raining again today which is the second time this week – I have had to run a number of township outlines which do not form boundaries, and they take both time and money – I will finish out next week if rain permits as only seven miles remain to be done – I do not know yet if I will stop at the Sioux Reserve, as there is little or no use putting in subdivision posts unless the Indians are really in earnest

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ed will settle at once on their individual farms — If Mr Keith could spare the time to accompany me and familiarize himself with the lines, and settle at once conflicting claims, I would take upon myself the responsibility of re-posting the subdivision, but as he will have treaty payments to attend to, there is no use in doing anything I will see Biddo (White-cap's son) who is the really influential man on the reserve and see if they will abide by my decisions The trouble is to get an interpreter, as "Billy" McKay the only one has gone to Macleod Biddo I believe understands English to some extent and I can try him — Miss Baker who has the school claims 40 acres I am told - and has tried to prevent Indians plowing near the school — The open suitable farm land is very limited and the school is located on the best of it — It is moreover

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claiming 40 acres. If it is true —

I have had the hardest time with this job I ever had and am heartily sick of it, luck seems dead against me —

Having no assistant the men have to be left to their own pleasure while I stand at the transit all day — Young Edwards makes a careful chainer, but of course cannot take notes, so I have to chain as well as run the transit — No suitable asst could be had in P. A. — I could teach Edwards to run the transit, but he is not strong enough to carry it, and his peculiar walk treats him to at least ten bad falls a day —

Well I am sending these few lines so that you will be able to explain to Mr Forget what has been pecking me —

Yours sincerely

A W Poulton

J A Mitchell Esq
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~~DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,~~

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES,

~~SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.~~

November 1894

Carleton

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Sir:-

To the Deputy of the
Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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For Lac La Rouge Band,

2 Oxen,

1 Bull,

3 Cows,

2 Sows,

1 Boar.

~~For Montreal Lake Band,~~

For Montreal Lake Band

1 Mare (Pony),

2 Oxen,

1 Bull,

2 Cows,

2Sows,

1 Boar.

The actual cost to the Department of the above is considerably under what was estimated and reported.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

SAR

Commissioner.

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Prince Albert, Oct. 15th 1889

Indian Department

Montreal Lake Agency

In Acct. with William Stobart & Co.,

General Merchants and Indian Traders

Terms Cash.

To Goods supplied at P/A.		112	45
1/2 Sack flour at Deer Lake	6.50	3	25
9 lbs Tea	.75	6	75
1 box matches			75
1 bot. Castor Oil			50
1 " P Killer			50
paid Isaac Bird 2 1/2 days as Guide		3	25
" John Nelson 2 1/2 " work		3	25
" Che Cheestin 10 "	1.00	10	00
" Sam Bird 4 "	1.00	4	00
" Nitchee Catch 5 "	1.00	5	00
" Peter Ballendine 11 "	1.00	11	00
" Adam Anderson 2 "	"	2	00
" Louis Lavallee 20 "		20	00
" Che Cheestin 10 "		10	00
" John Nelson 16 1/2 "	1.25	20	62
" Archy Daylight 7 "	1.00	7	00
" Nitchie Catch 15 "	"	15	00
" Peter Ballendine 4 "	"	4	00
" John Saunders Steam 28 "	3.00	84	00
" Jno. E Sinclair 1 month		60	00
Extra Provisions from P/A			
2 Sacks Flour	3.50	7	00
paid H.S. Gouldhawke 4 days.	1.25	5	00
" Ferriage		1	75
" Use of Canoe on Deer River		4	00
		$ 401	07

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE NOV 1889 N.W.

Regina
4. Nov. 1889

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commissioner
Regina.

Sir.

In reference to an account sent in by Wm Stewart & Co amounting to $401.7 for making trail to Montreal Lake.

I regret that the amount expended exceeds the sum authorized by you. I was mis-informed as to the distance which had been already cut added to which the road had to be cleared a second time after being completed owing to a bush fire and wind fall which occured immediately after completion.

Mr Forget who has passed over the road I think will bear me out in stating that the money has been well expended and that the future benefit to be derived from the road by your dept will more than repay the amt expended.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your obedient Servant
Hilly and Mitchell

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To the Indian Commissioner
Regina

Sir,

In accordance with your instructions I left Regina on the 3d Sept. last for the purpose of making the second annuity payments to the Indians of Montreal and Laronge Lakes. At Duck Lake I was joined by Asst. Surveyor Pouton who, having received your instructions to set apart reserves for these Indians had arrived there a few days previous and was awaiting my arrival to proceed on his journey with me. With the exception of 22 sacks flour and 3 ploughs, the supplies ordered for distribution at time of payments, had been sent ahead as directed. The three ploughs ordered from W. D. Taylor on 12th July last had not yet been received and as the kind of ploughs required, for the Indians could not be procured either at Duck Lake or Prince Albert, some time

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were shipped, as to the flour I was fortunate enough, through Mr. S. Mitchell, to secure the services of J. McLeod, a good trusty half-breed freighter who engaged, if at all possible, to deliver it at Montreal Lake in time for the payment. With regard to the freighting generally, as the road was new and its difficulties unknown, and no one could be found to undertake it, except at a very high figure, it was arranged that the fixing of the rate would be left to myself. This I did, on my return trip, and 3½/ was allowed and accepted.

On arriving at Prince Albert, Mr. Ponton's party was ordered to proceed to Sturgeon Lake, for the purpose of examining the boundaries of the Reserve, a work which it was expected would be completed in time for the party to meet us at Montreal Lake on our return from Lake Laronge.

There being no information on record in this Office regarding the road to the new ceded Territory, the

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following particulars may be of some interest.

The distance from Prince Albert to Montreal Lake is about 100 miles. The first 20 miles brings us to Sturgeon Lake and so far the road is very good, with the exception of 4 or 5 miles of sand hills. From Sturgeon Lake to Deer Lake, a distance of about 50 miles, the road is cut through low bush and big woods, the latter predominating, and crosses several small streams, swamps and muskegs, some of which are very bad. Portions of this road in wet years must be impassable. Going to Montreal Lake, the trail forks off about 1/2 mile south of Red Deer Lake. From this point to the South end of Montreal Lake, a distance of about 30 miles, the road runs through a dense forest, composed in most part of heavy and fine timber of various kinds of fir trees and poplars. With the exception of a few muskegs and two or three

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small creeks, it generally runs through high and dry land. It was on this portion of the road that the $200. allowed last July by the Indian Department were expended, and I was pleased to remark that good work had been done for the money, in fact much in excess of the amount allowed. But since the work was completed a belt of timber of some 20 miles in width across this road has been totally destroyed, the ~~ground~~ itself being burnt to a considerable depth. The road was in consequence completely blocked by fallen trees and had to be reopened, but the work was not yet finished when we reached the place and found Mr Sinclair, Stobarts' Agent, and our freighters hard at work cutting their way through.

Annuity payment

The annuity payment to Chief William Charles Band was made on Tuesday the 17th September. There were paid $565. to 101 Indians.

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having an increase of two over last payment. In so far as the Chief and his Councillors knew all Indians were entitled to join the Band none done so. I was informed, however, that there were a few families of Chippewayans living at Sandy Lake, some 12 or 15 miles north-east of Montreal Lake, within the new ceded territory. They are said to have sprung up from one single family who came down from the North a great many years ago. They wanted join the Treaty if an opportunity was given them but they have been lead to believe that the Treaty made last Summer was confined to Wood Crees. They are, undoubtedly, as much entitled as the Crees to be taken into Treaty and I would suggest that the opportunity be given them next year. They could be enrolled as members of Chief Wm Charles Band with the privilege of continuing to reside at Sandy Lake.

+ Not to be admitted.

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Interviews

Between the moment of my arrival at Montreal Lake on 16th Sept and that of my departure on the 19th, I had several interviews with the Chief and his Councillors, during which many matters were discussed and mis-conceptions of certain clauses of the Treaty removed. At our first meeting the Chief and Councillors Benjamin Bird and Isaac Bird read their speeches and handed me the written documents, which are attached to with translations to this Report. Another document of the same kind was handed me by Councillor Benjamin Bird on my return from Lake Lacronge, which is also attached and translated. After the written speeches verbal ones were made and subjects touched may be summarized as follows:

Reserve

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— Reserve.

For sometime back there had existed considerable differences of opinions among the Members of the Band as to the location of the Reserve. Some wanted it at Deer Lake, others at the North End of Montreal Lake and others again at the South End. Previous to my arrival a final determination had been arrived at and they with unanimous consent asked that it be set apart at the South End of Montreal Lake.

Judging by comparison & from a necessary limited personal inspection, I think the location, considering their present mode of living, will prove to be as good as could have been in this part of the Country.

The tract chosen, in common with the rest of that Territory, at least of the parts I have seen, is thickly wooded, but it fortunately includes some low Land at the mouths of two small rivers flowing into the Lake that

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where hay, although not of the best quality, is growing in sufficient quantity for the requirements of the Reserve. It embraces also a fair proportion of very good soil, especially well adapted for the raising of vegetables. In proof of this I may here mention that one Wm Henderson, a member of this Band, has had under cultivation for the last seven years a small piece of ground, about 3 years near where the payment was made. He was then digging up his potatoes and I was pleased to notice that they were as large and fine as any seen at our last year's exhibition at Regina and the yield estimated at 200 bushels. During the three preceding years, he has had the same success and never noticed that his crop was ever affected by frost, a fact, which at this high latitude may be explained by the vicinity of the Lake and surrounding forest.

In view of the probability of the road to Montreal Lake becoming

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becoming, on completion of rail communication to Prince Albert, the highway for all traffic to English River, I thought it prudent, with the consent of the Indians, of reserving the right in the Government, to set apart, without compensation, a block of a square mile on the shore of the Lake, as a landing place for the use of the public. The point agreed upon is between two small creeks, forming a natural boundary North and South, about 1 mile above the site chosen by themselves for their own residences, where they have already two houses built and two in course of erection. This proposed location for a landing place without passing through the Indian village, by opening a trail forking ¼ mile back from the present road. This would have the two fold advantage of diminishing the chances of contact between freighters and Indians and guarding against freighters animals trespassing upon the hay ground of the Indians cultivated

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situated about a 1/2 mile below their Village.

Arrears of payments.

It will be remembered that when these Indians gave their adhesion to Treaty 6 last winter, they put in a claim for arrears of annuity payments from the date of said treaty. The Commissioner, Lt Col Irvine, informed them that having no authority to deal with this question he could only promise to refer it to the Government.

On the 30th August last the Superintendent General, to whom I ~~addressed myself~~ in your absence from head quarters, I addressed myself for instructions in the matter, wired me from Medicine Hat, as follows:

"Find on looking into matter of Green
" Lake Indians that although conditions of
" Treaty six were accepted a new treaty
" was made and surrender of land

outside

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"outside treaty limits obtained, consequently
"Indians are not entitled to arrears. Ques-
"tion was considered and decided at
"Ottawa"

In accordance with the ~~implied~~ implied
instructions ~~implied~~ contained in the above
message, when asked about these
arrears, I informed ~~them~~ Indians of the nature
of the decision arrived at, fully
explaining to them the grounds upon
which the same was based, and endeavoured
to impress upon them the desirability
of discarding from their minds any
hope in the matter. Although they
received this intelligence with an
apparent submission, I fear they
have not given all hopes of securing
some day a recognition of their claim,
for I learned on my way back from
Lake Laronge ~~that~~ that they had written
to Rev. John MacKay and Mr H. Mitchell
Member of the Legislative Assembly for
the Territories, requesting these two
Gentlemen to interest themselves on
their behalf -

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It may not be out of place to condense here the grounds upon which this claim for arrears is made.

1st The Indians claim that a great portion of the territory ceded under Treaty six was as much their country as the additional tract surrendered last winter.

2d That as a matter of fact the greatest number of Indians composing the Montreal Lake Band were long before the date of Treaty six, and never since ceased to be, actual residents of either Candle Lake, Bittern Lake, Red deer Lake, Grant Lake or South End of Montreal Lake, all places situated within the original limits of Treaty six.

3d That their only reserve is within the limits of the said Treaty.

4th That assuming they had no claim to any portion, as stated above, to any portion of the territory surrendered by Treaty six, the setting apart of the Provisional district of Saskatchewan, by Order in Council of the 8th May 1882, including the new

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ceded tract, constituted an act of possession by the Government, which should entitle them to arrears at least from the date of the said Order in Council.

5th That such claim to arrears arising from the act of possession above referred to was enhanced by the fact that the said act received the sanction of Parliament inasmuch as the new ceded Territory was included in the Electoral Division of Saskatchewan for representation to the House of Commons and in the Electoral District of Prince Albert for representation to the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories.

6th In addition to the above grounds substantially put forth by the Indians themselves, when discussing the matter with them, I may mention that by the terms of their adhesion to Treaty Six, their claim to such arrears seem, to my mind, to be

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be fully recognized. A careful perusal of the document will show that in so far as this point is concerned, ~~it~~ the wording is the same as that of the ~~[illegible]~~ several acts of adhesion made from time to time by different bands of Indians to the said Treaty, to whom, by virtue of the terms of such adhesions, arrears were duly paid.

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But whether legally entitled or not, the equity aspect of their claim is not without force, and the question suggests itself whether, in the event of its not being recognized, it would not be advisable to secure ~~it~~ a formal relinquishment of the same, before it takes the form of a grievance. This, I believe, judging from the amenable nature of these Indians, could be obtained now in consideration of a slight yearly increased expenditure for twine shot & powder &c of which they are much in need.

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Chief's Horse & Waggon

The horse and waggon to which the chief is entitled under Treaty, owing to our not being able to procure a suitable waggon, at Prince Albert, were not, as you are aware, delivered to him this Fall. The circumstances were explained to the satisfaction of the Chief. Our failure in this regard was fortunate in that it permitted Mr Pouton to purchase for his own horses all the hay put up by the Chief for as his supply for the coming winter. The feed was so poor that without this hay, it would have been a matter of some difficulty to keep horses there at all.

Considering the nature of the road to Montreal Lake a good strong light buckboard would perhaps be more serviceable to the Chief than a waggon. The Chief understands it and expressed himself as anxious to be given the ~~vehicle~~ kind of vehicle that would best suit him.

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him. But whether it is a buck-board or a waggon, I promised him that both horse and vehicle would be sent to him next spring. As regards the animal, he particularly requested to be given a good sound mare, ~~under~~ of 4 or 5 years old and well broken to harness.

Cattle.

Referring to Department's letter No. 56622, of the 2nd April 89, I beg to report that the Montreal Lake Band now wish to be given cattle, which they at first declined, and made the request for one bull, two cows, one yoke oxen, two sows and one boar, and I would recommend that the same be taken to them next spring. With proper care, I see no reason why they should not be successful with these cattle - hay is plentiful, and fish which now go to waste could be turned into

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into good use as feed for a limited number of pigs. In summer, an occasional meal to the latter to keep them around, would be sufficient, as there is plenty of feed in the bush.

Implements.

The implements so far given to the Montreal Lake Band are the following:

3 Cant hooks.
6 garden hoes.
5 scythes.
5 Scythe handles
10 stones.
1 plough (not yet delivered, it having been shipped to Prince Albert too late to be delivered this Fall).

They asked for more and I would recommend the following:

1. single harness (for horse & bucksaw)
6 boxes axle grease (for bucksaw)
1 horse bell (this is indispensable to prevent losing horse in bush)
2 Cow bells (for cattle).

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1 / double sett ox harness, including 4 traced chains, 2 neck straps & 2 back bands.
1 sett double whiffle trees, irons complete.
1 log chain
1 pit saw
1 doz pit saw files
½ " grubbing hoes
½ " planter hoes
½ " spades
½ " hay forks
½ " hay rakes
1 grind stone, weighing about 40 lbs.
½ doz shovels
½ " axes
2 mick pails
1 doz milk pans
1 butter churn
1 keg 3 inch. nails
1 hose glass.

Tools.

Under the Treaty, the Chief is entitled to a chest of tools - much disappointment was expressed at his not getting one this Fall. From a

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a minute inquiry of their requirements in the line of tools. I would recommend that the chest sent the chief be composed of the following:

/ Jack plane.
/ Trying plane
/ hand "
/ Rebt grooving planes, 1 inch
/ window sash plane
/ head plane 3/8
/ one inch auger
/ 1/2 " "
/ doz box heads gimlets
/ Mortice chisel 1 inch
/ " " 1/4 "
/ " " 1/2 "
/ Framer's chisel 2 inch
/ Framer's " " 1/2 "
/ " " 1/4 "
/ " " 3/4 "
/ oil stone
/ Carpenter's pincers
/ " foot rule
/ Square
/ Grooving pick.

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2 Drawing Knives
1 Claw hammer
1 Belt ~~Saving~~ belts with brace
1 Carpenter's Compasses
1 Hand Saw.
1 Grafting Saw
2 Axes
3 Squaring axes
1/2 Doz rat tail files 8 inch
1 Saw set.

Seeds.

Twenty bushels of seed potatoes were sent to these Indians last Spring - 12 bushels were distributed to such of them as were living around Red deer Lake and the balance to the South end of Montreal Lake and vicinity. The result on the whole, according to their own statement, was very fair; but as they complained that the quantity sent them had been much too small, I took upon myself the responsibility of

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of purchasing 10 bushels at 1^{00} per bushel from ~~old~~ Wm Henderson, whose name has already been ~~of whom~~ mentioned ~~has already been~~ in this report. These potatoes are to be kept by this Indian along with his own, in a good cellar until spring, when he will deliver them to the Chief and Councillors who shall distribute them between such members of the band as will clear land on the Reserve. This purchase pleased the old Indian from whom it was made very much, and gave me an opportunity of complimenting him in the presence of the whole band for his industry and setting him forth to the others as an example ~~of~~ to be followed.

I would recommend further that a small assortment of ~~garden~~ common garden seeds & 5 bushels of seed barley be sent to the Chief.

Medicines

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Medicines

A request was made for a supply of medicines to which they are entitled under Treaty; but as there is no person residing there sufficiently competent to administer them, it was agreed that none but ordinary drugs should be sent to the Chief.

School.

Their request for a school is deserving of an earnest consideration. From what I have seen of these Indians I believe, the parents will not only be willing but anxious to send their children to school.

Most of the grown up people can write in Syllabic characters, and while proud in being able to do so and desirous that the teaching be continued, they are fully alive to the importance of securing to their children a higher standard of Education.

Despite their desire for a school and

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and expressed anxiety for the education of their children. I fear the establishment of an ~~ord~~ ordinary day school would not be successful. These Indians are all hunters and fishermen and until such time as they can find a living on their reserve, they will be compelled, as in the past, to live far and wide apart, thereby precluding the possibility of securing any reasonable attendance of children to a day school. But a boarding school might be established with a fair prospect of success, and I would recommend that the necessary steps be taken towards the establishment of one. Nearly all the Indians of that Band are members of the Church of England; in the event therefore of a school being started as recommended, ~~there should be no hesitation in~~ it would be I ~~think~~ but just to placing it under the ~~patronage~~ auspices of that Church.

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Agent & Farming Instructor.

At nearly all each of my interviews with these Indians. they repeatedly expressed a wish for a resident Agent or of at least a farming Instructor.

Owing to their peculiar circumstances, the good that a resident Agent might do would not be proportionate to the expenditure involved, and for this reason, I do not feel at liberty to recommend that one be appointed and told the Indians so. But their request for a farming Instructor I consider very reasonable and deem it my duty to press it for a favorable consideration.

I am aware that there cannot be much farming done on that reserve for many years yet to come nor do I think it would be a wise policy to endeavour forcing upon them a change in their present mode of living. Hunting and fishing must of necessity, for many years, remain their

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principal means of living; but the cultivation of vegetables may profitably be encouraged. Gradually, by this means, the rich soil of the reserve may be opened up, adding resources of no mean importance towards their support. And as the Chief and his Councillors and ~~as~~ also a few others are anxious to settle permanently with their families on the reserve ~~and to give an example to the other less disposed members of the band~~, I think every encouragement should be given them. In any case, since it is proposed to give them cattle and farming implements, it becomes a matter of necessity that some competent person should be sent to them, at least for a time, to teach them the use of these implements and the care to be taken of domestic animals. Most of them probably never saw a horse nor a cow and none certainly

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know how to handle them.

If my recommendation is approved, the most practical and economical arrangement that suggests itself to my mind to carry it out, would be to send the person chosen for the position next spring along with the cattle intended for both the Indians of Montreal Lake and of Lake Lacronge, with instructions to remain at Montreal Lake all summer and Fall. During that time, the Indians there could be taught the clearing and proper cultivation of land, the use of the plough and other implements and tools, how to harness and drive oxen, milking and churning, hay making, house building, putting up fences, erecting corrals for calves and pens for pigs, manner of feeding them and care of domestic animals generally &c.

When the winter sets in, the only season during which cattle may be driven to Lake Lacronge, he could then proceed to this place

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place with the animals promised by Treaty to Chief Robert's Band. For this purpose, Chief Robert has promised to put up hay, neat summer wherever obtainable, on the trail between Montreal Lake and his place. During the winter, the Indians of Lake Laronge could be taught the care of animals and the use of tools, and with their help timber might be hauled out and lumber sawed for the erection of a school on that reserve. ~~From the opening of spring until the 1st July, he should have ample opportunity~~ The spring and summer could be devoted towards the teaching of the other branches of agricultural pursuits. The officer making the neat annual payment ~~could~~ would then no doubt be in a position to report whether the services of a farming Instructor should be continued; but I think ~~could be dispensed with or not.~~ if a proper man is sent in the first place the Indians will have learned by that time all that is necessary, and his services should be no longer required.

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Supplies.

The following supplies were distributed to the Moosehead Lake Band.

12 sacks flour
200 lbs. bacon
32 " tea
12 " tobacco
81 " shot
27 " powder
12 box caps
21 lbs. No 25 Twine
6 " No 5 "
2 3/4 " No 9 "

Clothing to the Chief & Councillors.

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Considering that these Indians solely depend on hunting and fishing for their living, such a request is not unreasonable.

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very satisfactory, except in the case of Councillor Isaac Reid whose coat was found to be somewhat short in the sleeve. He took it quite good naturedly however and was the first to express merriment at the funny appearance of his accoutrement.

Ammunition & Twine

Great complaints were made at the small quantity of ammunition and twine given them. Some expressing the belief that it must be short of that promised by Treaty. While I left fully satisfied that they had received all they were entitled to under treaty, they still thought that more should be given them.

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and I would recommend that the quantities be increased so as to give each family one fishing net and ½ lb. powder & 1½ shot to every head. But as I already mentioned in a former part of this report, if thought necessary, some such increase might be used for securing a final settlement of their claim to arrears of annuities, ~~in which case~~

Rations.

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Rations

The clause of the Treaty relating to relief in case of General famine, coupled with the fact known to them of rations being issued in other reserves, had, not unnaturally, led these Indians to believe that a similar regular issue of rations could be established among them.

I thoroughly explained to them the strict obligations of the Government in that regard and the reasons which in some Indian reserves had necessitated a treatment over above any treaty obligations, but which no more than the Indians of Manitoba similarly circumstanced as themselves, they had, they any right to expect. So long as their lakes and rivers abounded in fish and their forests teemed with fur bearing animals. That it was only in the event of both these resources failing them that they would be justified in addressing themselves for relief to the Government, in which case, the Government would not allow them to starve any more than had been done in the case of the plain Indians when reduced to straightened circumstances occasioned by failure of crops or other causes.

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after hearing my remarks they did not insist in this fanciful claim but expressed a wish that a depot of a limited amount of provision would be made to meet cases of individual starvation. This request I would recommend to a favorable consideration.

Indian Work on New Road.

In addition to the account sent in by Messrs. Stobart & Co. in connection with the opening of the road to Montreal Lake a number of Indians including the chief, I was informed, had done considerable work on that road, in re-opening it after the fire had passed, to whom no payments had been made. Their claim for such work calculated at the rate of one dollar per day amounts in the aggregate to fifty dollars. This claim was not, I thought, only a fair one, but the Indians deserve a great deal of credit in having volunteered to do the work, resting their chance of payment on the good will of the department, for it would not have been possible

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to reach them this year with some ten miles of road intervening literally blocked by fallen trees.

The settlement I made of this claim will, I am sure, meet with your approval inasmuch as it permitted me to dispose, for a good consideration, of a certain quantity of flour, bacon and tobacco, which otherwise would have had to be given for nothing or allowed to spoil. I mean 15 sacks flour, parts of 5 sacks bacon and a small quantity of ~~bacon~~ tobacco cached, (as I was informed by Commissioner Graine later) in a vacant ~~house~~ dilapidated shanty, the property of Councillor Benj Bird, at the north end of Manitou Lake. The flour when I examined it a few days later on my way to Lake Laronge, was found to be in a very bad condition, some of it, in fact, almost unfit for any use. The bacon, although rancid, was yet pretty good, but could not have remained there much longer without spoiling completely.

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It is a remarkable fact that these Indians never touched any portion of these stores during the six months that they were thus left there unprotected, especially when they knew that they were fast spoiling for want of sufficient covering against the rain. That alone proves more in favor of their honesty than anything I could say.

When settling the above ~~above~~ account for eight sacks of that flour, two of bacon and some of the tobacco, I was informed by them that the flour and bacon were damaged, but I had no idea of the extent of such damage and it was as well I did not for I would have hesitated to pay a well earned claim with such stuff. The matter was however settled to their satisfaction. I am pleased to report, and I ~~[illegible]~~ attach hereto the receipt in full given me by the Chief on behalf of the Band.

The balance of this flour, bacon and tobacco, as mentioned later in this report went to the Indians of Lake Lavonge

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Chief's trip to Prince Albert.

Finding that the flour and bacon cached by Commissioner Irvine, as mentioned above, was spoiling, the Chief, after consulting with his councillors, resolved to come to Prince Albert to inform you of the fact and to request instructions as to their disposal. For the purpose of this trip, he bought from Stobart & Co's post at Red deer lake a certain amount of provisions, which he hopes will be paid by the department. The Chief, from what I know of him, is an upright and thoroughly honest man, and no doubt acted in the matter from a sense of duty. I have, therefore, no hesitation in recommending the payment of this account. The amount was mentioned to me at the time, but as the account was to be forwarded home, I did not take any note of it, and cannot remember now the exact figure. It will no doubt be soon received.

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Date of next year's payment.

As most of these Indians live widely separated from one another, making it very difficult as well as expensive to notify them of the date of payment I thought it advisable to avail myself of their being all present to have a date fixed for next year's annual payment. Consulting their own wishes in the matter and being assured by them that the date would also suit the Lake Lacronge Indians, the Second day of next September was chosen for the purpose and every one notified accordingly. This will permit of the payment at Lake Lacronge on or about the 10th of the same month, a date which was afterwards accepted for their payment by the Indians at that place with ~~considerable~~ a great deal of satisfaction.

Copy of Treaty

X The Chief ~~desires~~ desires that ~~to have a copy of the treaty~~ a copy of the treaty be sent to him.

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Trip to Lake Laronge.

We left the South end of Montreal Lake at 10. a.m, on the 19th Sept., and arrived at Little Bells a place on Big Stone River near the South extremity of Lake Laronge at 4. p.m on the 24th of the same month.

The party, beside myself, was composed of Mr Asst Surveyor Ponton, Interpreter Simpson, who proved to be an excellent canoeman, and three Indians named respectively Councillor Isaac Bird, Edward Charles, a son of the chief, and Isaac , all very good Indians and most obliging.

Both canoes being the only means of conveyance, during the open season, between these two points, and none of the Indians having any to spare, I am pleased to bring under your notice the very creditable forethought of Chief Wm Charles in having made one himself to be presented to the Officer who might be charged with this annuity payment. Although I gave in return twenty dollars in cash to the chief, which as I was informed

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was a fair value for a canoe of that description, I nevertheless did not fail to thank him very cordially on behalf of the Department for his forethought in the matter. After some difficulty I succeeded in purchasing, for the same price, another equally good canoe absolutely needed for our trip. For the information of whoever may be entrusted with the duty of making the payments next year, I may mention here that one of the canoes is marked with my name and the second with that of Mr Pouton. Both the Chief and Councillor Bird from whom the second was procured have authority to use them, which they engaged to do with caution and promised to have them in readiness and in proper shape for next year's payments.

The distance between the two points south of Manitou Lake and Little Bells I does not, I believe, exceed 175 miles, but the difficulties met on the way, owing to the very low stage of water in the River connecting the two lakes, made

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it appear much greater. This stream
known as Montreal River, is of some 50
yards in width, very winding and
for some 50 miles an almost con-
tinuous rapids with rocky bottom.
Within this portion of the River, there
are, in ordinary seasons, three portages
to be made, measuring respectively
¼ mile, 3 miles and 1 mile, but
this year the water being so low, one
were compelled to walk frequently.
Its general course, as far as could be
judged, is nearly due North instead
of North of East, as shown on the
map. Excepting at a few places,
the banks are low and wooded,
the trees getting smaller and smaller
as one go north. A prolonged strong
South wind will raise the water
perceptibly in the River and the
North wind will lower it proportionately. We had an experience of
the latter on the 24th Sept. The whole
day, the wind blew from the
North, and in getting up the next morning
the water was found about one

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foot lower than the day before. In a great many places the bed of the river was quite bare and numbers of white fish left stranded here and there in shallow pools of water where we easily caught them with the hand - On our return trip a South gale produced a rise which fortunately permitted us to go, while it lasted, over the worst part of the river in nearly half the time used in going down, although coasting against the current.

Indian Supplies

The supplies intended for distribution at Lake Saronge were put on board a flat boat, the property of Messrs. Stobart & Co, and under the charge of Mr. John Sinclair their agent, and manned by a steersman and four oarsmen. This boat, however, owing to the necessity of leaving sufficient play room for working the oars, proved much too small for the

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amount of supplies & I was in consequence compelled to leave a portion in charge of the Chief at Montreal Lake, viz: the Cooking Stove, stove pipes and cooking utensils, Scythes, snaths and Scythe stones. Mr Sinclair on behalf of Messrs. Robertson & Co., contracted to deliver these stores at Lake Lacorge early in the Spring after the opening of navigation.

The balance of the supplies, aggregating 1944 lbs in weight still found to be to much of a load for the boat, owing to the low stage of water in that stretch of 50 miles of rapid above mentioned. In order to proceed on our journey, the load had to be left in three different caches on the bank of the River, the balance, composed of some flour, bacon, tea tobacco and chief & Councillors clothing reaching their destination one day after me.

Six Indians with three canoes were despatched for the supplies

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left on the river, with six days provisions purchased from the Hudson's Bay post at a cost of $32.50.

Annuity payment.

This Band was paid on Saturday the 28th Sept. Mr Poulton acting as Clerk. There were paid $2354 to 334 Indians, an increase of 56 souls over the number paid at date of adhesion to Treaty, being four by natural increase and fifty-two newly admitted members. This large number of new admissions, which had not been foreseen in ordering annuity money, were paid by means of a loan of $65 from the Hudson's Bay Company.

This Band, with the exception of three families, is now complete. The three families above referred to are: David McKenzie and wife, Walter McKenzie & wife, Edward McKenzie, wife & four children. The latter two would have come in this year, but for

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the opposition of their brother David McKenzie, whose refusal to join the treaty, it is said, arises from a feeling of enmity against Chief John Robert.

Arrears of payments.

A request for arrears of annuity was also made by the Lake Lavonge Indians and when informed of the decision arrived at great disappointment was expressed. I went over the same ground with them as I had done with the Indians at Montreal Lake. Chief Roberts appeared to be quite well posted on the question and discussed it with considerable force. It was he who, as a last resort, after consultation with leading men of the Band, proposed that they should at least be paid from the date of the setting apart of the Provisional district of Saskatchewan. Contending that by so doing the

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Government took actual possession of their territory. Also alleging, as confirmatory acts of possession, the inclusion of their territory into electoral districts, the keeping of a poll in their midst and their being permitted to vote at the last general election for a Member to the House of Commons.

Having fully explained to them the purpose for which the setting apart of the Provisional districts had been done, viz. to facilitate the transmission of postal matters, a division which had been rendered advisable by the vast extent of the country and the number of instances where rivers, Lakes and places ~~were known~~ widely separated from one another were known by similar names, and the consequent advantages to themselves. Also the circumstances which led to the North-West Territories Representation Act, and its great importance to the Territories

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by the voice it gives us in the great Council of the nation: the esteem ~~in~~ in which the exercise of the franchise is held by the white people. I forced them to conclude with me that as none of these acts had had the effect of curtailing any of their rights or restraining their freedom of action, but had, on the contrary benefited them, in various ways, they should look upon them as good grounds for feelings of gratitude, instead as a basis for a claim

However, they expressed a wish that their proposition be laid before the Department. This I promised to do, but knowing by experience that the promise of referring a matter to the Department is often apt to be looked upon, by the Indians as a kind of assurance that such matter will be determined in a ~~matter~~ manner favorable to themselves;

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I thought it advisable to discourage them in entertaining any hope in the matter.

Reserve.

Some difficulties had to be overcome in settling the location of ~~their~~ the Lac Lorenge reserve. The area ~~they~~ the Indians desired to be set apart for the purpose comprised the Hudson's Bay Co's post, covering about 10 acres of land, and a squatter's right to homestead, a portion of which is also claimed by His Lordship Bishop Grandin. Remembering the caution given by the Department of the Interior in connection with a proposed reservation for the Tilly Indians (see Dept's letter No 52936, dated 19th July, 89) "to exercise care in protecting the interests of squatters", I thought the best way of securing this would be to obtain the assent of the Indians to a reservation where no such claim existed. After several interviews and considerable discussion, the matter was finally decided as I suggested, with the un-

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derstanding that two small Islands in Lake Laronge, where they had gardens, would form part of the reserve. The sketch attached to this report will give a clearer idea of the various interests involved, and enable you to determine whether the agreement should be carried out. The parts colored red have been agreed to be set apart for the proposed reserve. The Islands are first to be surveyed and the balance of the land they may be entitled to according to their number is to be taken South of the Lake and East of Big Stone River and Big Stone Lake, as shown on the sketch. The yellow-colored portion covers the land they desired in lieu of the lower portion opposite and which, for the reasons above stated, was agreed to be left out. But as this section of land, in addition to the claims above referred to, embraces some fifteen houses, most of which are within proximity of the Hudsons Bay Co's Post, and severe pa

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combined school house and church erected for the benefit of these Indians by the Church Missionary Society, it seems hard that they should be asked to remove elsewhere on account of these two claims. They are willing that the Hudson's Bay Co. should retain possession of the point of land, measuring about 10 acres, where their buildings are erected, and the Company, as I was informed by Mr Mowbray, does not claim any more. The Indians also have no objection to the other claim being allowed, provided it remains in the hands of the present occupant, one Henderson a halfbreed, whose wife is a member of the Band, and himself practically one of their people. As regards His Lordship Bishop Grandin's claim to the same plot of land I think its relinquishment could easily be ~~obtained~~ obtained from His Lordship

For these reasons I am therefore inclined to think it would be

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better to authorize the survey of a reserve in accordance with the wishes of the Indians. The satisfaction that the adoption of this course would produce on the band will highly compensate for any trouble that might arise from the adjustment of the above claims. But if it is thought advisable to take advantage of the location, as shown on the sketch, with the consent of the Indians, I feel confident that the latter will raise no further objection.

As bearing on this subject, I was informed that ~~a number of Indians~~ whichever area was set apart for the reserve, there will remain a number of cases of Indians, members of the band, owning a house or occupying a plot of land for gardening purposes, which owing to their being widely separated from one another, cannot be included in the proposed reserve. I explained the law regarding such cases, as

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as laid down in clause 126 of "The Indian Act", impressing upon them, at the same time, the importance of giving up such places and settling on the Reserve after it shall have been surveyed. But the question arises whether it would not be better, especially in cases where the improvements are not too far remote from the Reserve, to grant individual holdings of land and to decrease the area of the Reserve in proportion to the extent of such grants. The adoption of such a course, if not incompatible with any policy of the Department, would be highly satisfactory to the parties concerned.

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School.

A day school has, for some years past, been carried on, for the benefit of these Indians under the auspices of the Church Missionary Society. The building which is also used for religious services on Sundays, is of a convenient size and stands near the Hudson's Bay Co's post within the area coloured yellow on the sketch already referred to. The present teacher, Joe Hunt, is a member of the Band, and although not very well qualified has done pretty fair work. Now that the Indians have been treated with and a reserve is about to be set apart for them, the church authorities are hoping, ~~that such help as~~ the Department will give them such help as will permit the enlargement if necessary, and the maintenance of a good school.

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received from the Rev. Archdeacon McKay, I notice that he earnestly submits to the consideration of the Department the advisability of starting an Industrial School for those Northern Indians, saying that "no where would "such an institution be more highly appre- "ciated or be productive of more lasting "good than among the Indians of "Lac Larong and Montreal Lolle." The Rev. Gentleman is one of the first Missionaries sent by the Church of England in those parts, where he devoted some of the best years of his life. He can therefore speak authoritatively on the subject and for any one who has the privilege of knowing him personally, his state- ment ~~must~~ does not need any confirmation. I shall content myself to state that I found these Indians thrifty, industrious and remarkably anxious to learn, and to have their children given a proper education. In religious they belong, ~~at least~~ to the English Church, without a single exception I believe, and appear to be very earnest in their belief. Instead of revelry and dancing as is the usual custom among the plain Indians on annuity payments, I was pleasingly astonished to notice that the Indians at both Montreal Lolle and Lac

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Laronge preserved good order at all times and before retiring at night offered the unusual spectacle of saying their prayers in common and singing hymns. If religious teachings have produced such good results it may easily be surmised that they would equally profit by every educational advantage offered them

If an industrial school cannot be given them, for the present, I would at any rate recommend, as I ~~think~~ do for the Montreal Lake Indians, that provision be made in their yearly estimates for the maintenance of a few boarding pupils and the payment of teacher's salary.

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H. Reed Esqr.
Indian Commissioner

Big stone River 20th June 1890

Sir.

I take the liberty of writing to you. to ask you a few questions. in regard to some of the promises made to us by Col Irvine and E. Stonget Esq. which have not been fulfilled.

When we signed the Treaty with Col Irvine among many other things he promised that a case containing medicines for the use of the Band should be sent in the following autumn: i.e. last fall. when the commissioner St Onget came last fall. he told us that by some mischance it did not arrive. at the same time he said that in future we would be looked after. in case of Starvation or any serious sickness or trouble. now sir. you will know that a very bad sickness was coming on through the country. we heard of it a long time before it came. and we always expected that the words of persons like Col Irvine and the Commissioner. whom we were told spoke for our Mother the Queen. whose promises were certain, could be depended upon.

He also promised Hoes &c. in time for Gardening this spring. Scythes in time to cut hay for the cattle for the ensuing winter and cattle to eat the hay. None of these promises have been fulfilled, please tell us why this is and if only our side is to keep the promises made at the time of the Treaty. Every thing promised has been shipped in ample time this spring, and was supposed to have reached them until I heard to the Contrary from Mr. Mackenly James Roberts Chief of the Sac du Rouge Band of Crees. a ca[illegible] wrote &c. It would appear was shipped at South end of Montreal I caused Mr Mackenzie to see Stobart & Co to hurry on at once with the delivery of the articles as they had engaged to do which was received but no time should be lost.

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Montreal Lake
June 21st 1890

Hayter Reed Esq.
Indian Commissioner
Prince Albert

Sir:

When Mr Forget passed here last fall he promised to send us, at the same time the cattle were sent, flour bacon & tea. these provisions we were to use when working at our fields, planting potatoes, cutting hay etc. We would be very glad if these provisions would be sent to us. All the other things promised us came safely & in good order. Please send word at once whether it will be sent to us. In regard to the horse I am informed that the right horse

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to me. I was not allowed to choose from those sent & the worst of the three was left

I have the honour to be
Yr obdnt servant
William Charles
Chief

Re Provisions

I make no pretence of the kind, but as a matter of fact 200 lbs flour
150 " bacon
8/12 " tea left by Mr Poulton at Montreal Lake last fall were given them this Spring —

Re horse —
I cannot tell whether the right horse was given the Chief - but I got in charge one which I [illegible] to purchase one equal to requirements

I think some provision should be made this Spring work [illegible] I would suggest that most of the provisions intended for annuity payment be kept over until next Spring. There really is no reason why such provisions should be distributed at payment time. There is then plenty of fish and beside can purchase what they want with their treaty money —

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pressure about new buildings.

A difficulty was raised about the tools and implements sent in. The Big Stone River Indians declaring that the Chief attempts to confine the use of everything to Indians in his immediate neighborhood.

It was arranged that the articles for general use should be distributed among the Councillors, who should be responsible, and lend them out to families who would make good use of them.

The matter principally dwelt upon was the desire expressed by the Indians at the Big Stone River end, to separate from the others and have a Reserve of their own, running from Big Stone Lake, including the island in it, to the Hudson Bay Co's Post at Little Hills. They assert that in the whole of the lands now proposed to be reserved, there is not enough to be found of a nature to enable each to cultivate a patch of potatoes.

In this case they desire a Chief for themselves, but this appointment I cannot recommend to the favourable consideration of the Department.

In fact as far as could be discovered, one of the main motives actuating them in asking for a separate Reserve, is to get rid of James Roberts, as their Chief. Their dislike to him is shared by many of the Band at his own end. They assert that he is lazy, selfish, vacillating, and autocratic.

Whether a separate Reserve be given or not, all agree that they would, looking to the future, like some of their land reserved near the Waskatenawin.

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This appears to be a most prudent request for indeed it seems difficult to see that beyond the little plots cultivated, and a Fishing Reserve, the country where they now are will ever be of any use to them, beyond for hunting furs, while they last.

Assurance was given that their desire would be duly represented.

Arrangements were made for the conveyance of their cattle from Montreal Lake.

This can only be done in the Fall, and then as the rapids do not freeze up, they must be driven across country. As it was impossible to examine the proposed route, the assurance of the Indians, which enquiries made from the Hudson Bay Co's officer, tended to confirm, that by carrying some hay the cattle would be safely driven through, had to be accepted. Since the Band claimed that these animals were to be delivered on their Reserve, the Hudson Bay Co's officer was authorized to issue rations for three men for nine days each, while engaged in driving the animals.

In view of the great difficulty in notifying these Bands of anything, it was agreed that the payment next year should be for Lac la Ronge, at Potatoe River, on or about the last day of August, for Montreal Lake, on or about 22nd. of that month.

In this way there is more prospect of escaping the stormy weather, and so getting over the ground more quickly.

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

Commissioner.

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Office of the Indian Commissioner,
North West Territories,
Regina, 13th. October, 1880.

The Honourable
The Superintendent General
Of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Sir:-

I have the honour to inform you that, acting under my instructions, Mr. James. J. Campbell, of this office, left Regina on the 26th. of August, for the purpose of making Annuity Payments to the Bands at Montreal and La Ronge Lakes respectively.

The following is the gist of his report, made to me.

Duck Lake was reached on the afternoon of the 27th. and the same evening arrangements made with Baptiste Arcand, (who preformed a similar service for the Asst. Commissioner last year, when on like duty), to furnish transport to and from Montreal Lake.

Arcand engaged to proceed to Lac la Ronge, and act as Interpreter if, as turned out to be the case, he should be required to do so. The provisions, twine, and ammunition for distribution at Montreal Lake, were taken along, and that place was reached on the afternoon of Monday

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Monday 1st. of September, in good time to allow of payments being made on the 2nd. of the month, the day which had been agreed upon between the Asst. Commissioner and the Indians.

The payment passed off to the satisfaction of all concerned. The balance of the day was fully occupied in conversation with Chief William Charles and his Councillors. It was ascertained that the catch of fish had been plentiful, and the Band consequently fairly comfortable during the winter. Of the 11 head of stock, 4 sows and 2 boars, received by these Indians in the Spring, and tended through the summer on account of themselves and the Lac la Ronge Band, not one was found to be in bad order. This is most creditable to the Indians, since none of them had any previous acquaintance with the care of stock, while the long drive to Montreal Lake and the swarms of flies during the summer greatly increased their difficulties. The animals sent in were found to be, without exception, quiet and well adapted for their purpose. The wooded nature of the country, and the want of familiarity with the use of scythes render it difficult to make hay, however what promised to be a sufficient supply for the coming winter, was being secured.

The Indians had done the best they know how, with the seed sent to them. Potatoes, as usual, were a splendid sample, and enough had been done with other seed to show that vegetables can be made a grand success. The few bushels of barley had been sown too thickly, and

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seemed slow to ripen, however it is remarkable fact that when the Reserve was re-passed on the return journey on the 19th. of September, there was no appearance of injury from frost. The first sign of frost was noticed somewhat earlier on the potato vines at Little Hills, on the morning of the 10th..

That a latitude so much further North, should have escaped frost so much longer than the Prince Albert and Duck Lake Districts, caused surprise, however that the country consists almost entirely of woods and lakes, probably accounts for the immunity from frost of the little patches cultivated.

Some new houses are in course of erection on the little clearing that forms the site of the village, and the Indians say that during the coming winter logs will be cut to build houses for others intending to remove to the Reserve.

These Indians pressed, with some skill and much presistency, their claims to receive arrears of Treaty money, if not from 1876, at any rate from 1332, the date of the setting apart by Order-in-Council of the Provisional District of Saskatchewan.

Whether or not convinced by arguments adduced, that the making of Treaty thus early with them is an evidence of generous treatment, without prospect for same time, of any return to the Government, they seemed to see that they need not cherish hopes in the matter. Indeed what was said to them on the subject last year, by the Asst. Commissioner, prepared them to expect nothing else, and the

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the impression was that they were chiefly actuated in bringing up this claim again, by the idea that to advance, and then abandon it, would strengthen their chances of getting other requests granted by the Department.

They then explained that one of their main objects in joining Treaty was to be clothed and rationed like other Bands. A statement of the difference in their circumstances seemed to satisfy them that at any rate so long as fish might continue to afford a means of subsistence, to teach them to depend upon charity, would be the ruinof themselves and children, but none the less they begged that in order to enable them to take the time from hunting, required to make new houses and clear fresh patches for cultivation, on the Reserve, they should get some assistance.

Their next request was for a Farming Instructor, and no amount of argument would induce them to see that they are not entitled to, nor require the help of one, at any rate for a short time. They say that without instruction in the use of implements and tools, in the cultivation of the soil and the care of stock, the gifts given will be comparatively useless, while each and all clinch every argument by quoting the promise in the matter alleged to have been made by Lt. Col. Irvine, when the adhesion to Treaty was taken. In fact they consider that to be satisfied with the services of an Instructor for a short time is, under the circumstances, an exercise of great moderation on their part. With regard to this

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this I may say that I should recommend that a man be sent for about a month, or at most six weeks in the Spring, and possibly a month in the Autumn. The next request was for more twine. As they depend almost entirely upon fishing for their own maintenance, and now for that of their pigs also, they attach an importance to getting some extra fishing tackle, out of all proportion to its market value. This demand is a moderate one and I have estimated for an increase the coming year.

The last matter referred to is worthy of mention here is the desire expressed for a school. They were told that as soon as their families got together on the Reserve, and they put up a building, the Department is prepared to give the customary grant towards its completion and to a Teacher. These Indians are all members of the Church of England, and the authorities of that Church have been advised that the Teacher's salary will be paid, and an allowance made towards the erection of a building.

The services of two Indians were secured and a start made at 8 P.M. in the canoe, purchased last year,

In consequence of continued stormy weather, although there was an ample depth of water in the Montreal River, and the long stretch of rapids was passed without mishap, it was with great difficulty that "Little Hills" was reached by 8.P.M. on the 8th..

On the way up it seemed evident that although the Indians were gathering in, through the failure of the Chief to notify them, no certainty existed as to when

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the payments were to be made. On arriving at Little Hills a message was received from the Chief, to the effet that he and his Band would be there on the 10th. according to agreement made last year with the Asst. Commissioner.

On the afternoon of the following day two of his Councillors arrived to state that the Chief had changed his mind and the payment would be at Potatoe River. The Chief was informed in reply that having kept the Government's Agent a whd, day waiting for him, and nothing beyond caprice being advanced in justification of the change, it would not be made. On representation by the Councillors that many Indians were storm bound close at hand, it was agreed to defer payments for one day, and they were made on the 11th.. Everything passed of very pleasantly. One new family only gave adhesion to Treaty but next year some ten additional families may be expected. This Band like that at Montreal Lake had been fairly prosperous during the year. They said nothing about arrars nor do they express much anxiety for a Farming Instructor. Probably this is attributable to the following causes,- 1st. the presence in their neighborhood of the Hudson Bay Co., officials and employes, who can tell them what they want to know, 2nd., the fact that one or two of them have at some time or another been at Church of England Training Institutes, and learned something of garden and the care of stock, 3rd., that as the Government has engaged to survey their present locations as part of their Reserve, there is no immediate

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28th. Oct. 1880.

Rev. Sir:-

On the occasion of making Annuity Payments this year to the Indians of Montreal Lake they expressed anxiety to have a school. They were told that as soon as they should have enough of families settled on the Reserve, the Government would give the usual grant towards the Teacher's salary, and the completion of a building, which as you are aware is three hundred ($300) dollars per annum, for the one, and a sum of one hundred ($100) dollars for the other.

They said they were going to communicate with you on the subject, and that during the winter a number would prepare timber for the erection of houses on the Reserve.

School Returns were left with the Teacher at Little Hills and the Rev. Mr. McLellan from Stanley kindly promised to help him make them out, but said that it would be well to ascertain from you, to whom the quarterly grant should be paid when due.

I am sure that you are anxious to do your best for these Indians in every possible direction, so I would suggest for your consideration the propriety of endeavouring, with the aid of the grant, to find some one better qualified to give instruction, than the Teacher now in charge of the School.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Ven. Archdeacon

John. A. MacKay,

Prince Albert.

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I am recommending to the Dept. either an extra grant to Emmanuel College or a sum for a boarding School for these Indians.

H.R.

Indian Agent,
Duck Lake,
Stobart.

P.S. to Arch D. MacKay's letter.

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in accordance with the provisions of "Treaty No. 6" extended to us under the agreement made and concluded the eleventh day of February 1889, between the Commissioners of Her Majesty The Queen and the Montreal Lake and Lac La Ronge Bands of Indians,- the following supplies, viz:-

Montreal Lake Bands.

No.	Description		Weight
1	Light Waggon (18 pieces)		827
2	Boxes Drugs and Seeds		281
1	do. - No. 1 - containing:-		
	Chains, log	1	
	Goose Necks	2	
	Pit Saw Handles	1	
	do. do. Files	12	
	Hoes, grub	6	
	do. planters'	6	
	Axle grease	3 boxes	
	Axes, chopping (not handled)	6	
	Doubletree irons	1 set	

(1 Box No. 2)

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No.	Description	Weight
1	Box - No. 2 - containing :-	
	Harness, single, 1 set	
	do , double-ox, 1 "	
1	Saws, pit	
6	Spades	
6	Hay Rakes	
6	" Forks	
1	Grindstone	
1	Tool chest, with tools and key, complete	
1	Breaking Plow, complete	

Dated at Montreal Lake
this Nineteenth day of September 1890.

Chief of Montreal Lake (Wm. Charles)
Band of Indians.

Witnesses :
James Campbell.

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under the agreement between the Commissioners of Her Majesty The Queen and the Montreal Lake and Lac La Rouge Bands of Indians, made and concluded the 11th day of February 1889, whereby the latter were admitted into "Treaty No. 6", - the following live stock, viz:-

Montreal Lake Band.

1 Pony Mare
1 Yoke Oxen
1 Bull, Polled Angus grade, one yr. old.
2 Cows
1 Boar
2 Sows :
also, 5 Bushels Seed Barley
and, 7 " do Potatoes.

Dated at Montreal Lake

this Nineteenth day of September 1890.

Witnesses:
James Hampbell.

Chief of Montreal Lake Band of Indians

(Wm Charles.)

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in accordance with the provisions of "Treaty No. 6", extended to us under the agreement made and concluded the eleventh day of February 1889, between the Commissioners of Her Majesty the Queen and the Montreal Lake and Lac La Rouge Bands of Indians,- the following supplies, viz:-

Lac La Rouge Band

No.	Description.		Weight.
2	Bags Drugs and Seeds		266
1	do. - No. 1 - containing:-		
	Hoes, planters'	24	
	Files, pit saw	12	
	Chains, log	1	
	Goose Necks	2	
	Ox-harness, double	1 set	
24	Hoes, grub (2 boxes)		
1	Saws, pit		
24	Spades		
6	Forks, hay		
6	Rakes, "		
			(Grindstones)

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No.	Description	Weight
1	Grindstone	
24	Axes, chopping (not handled)	
1	Tool Chest, with tools and key, complete	
1	Set Doubletrees, complete	
2	Breaking Plows, do.	

Dated at Little Hills.

this Eleventh day of September 1890

James x Roberts
his mark.
Chief of Lac La Rouge
Band of Indians.

Witnesses:
Witness A W Lord

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under the agreement between the Commissioners of Her Majesty The Queen and the Montreal Lake and Lac La Rouge Bands of Indians, made and concluded the 11th day of February 1889, by which the latter were admitted into "Treaty No. 6", - the following live stock, viz:-

Lac La Rouge Band.

1 Yoke Oxen
1 Bull, Polled Angus grade, one yr. old.
3 Cows
1 Boar
2 Sows

Received above on account of Lac la Rouge Band
Dated at Montreal Lake

this 19th day of September 1890.

Witnesses:
James Campbell.

Chief of ~~Lac La Rouge~~ Montreal Lake Bands of Indians.
Wm Charles

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
SASKATCHEWAN.

1754

Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, Nov. 15th 1890

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 1754 of the 28th Ult. and with reference to the Indians of Montreal Lake to say that they will be visited very shortly and every every effort will be made to start a school there as soon as possible.

With reference to Little Hills we will endeavor to secure a more competent teacher as soon as possible, and if the Department will kindly recognize the school, and returns are sent in, I would ask you to pay the quarterly grant through me, as we are paying the salary of the Teacher.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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I beg to express my thanks for the plans that you have recommended to the Department in connection with Schools for Metis Indians, and shall be very glad to know the result.

Your obedient Servant

J. A. Mackay

Asst. C. M. S.

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30th. November, 0

Sir:-

I have the honour to inform you that you are desired to proceed to Prince Albert without unnecessary delay, for the purpose of selecting Reserves for the Indians of Lac la Ronge, and those Indians of the White Cap Band of Sioux Refugees who have not settled at Moose Woods, but have about the neighborhood of Prince Albert.

With regard to the Lac la Ronge Indians, as you are aware they agreed to take the principal part of their Reserve in the neighborhood of the Lake named, but they have with a view to the possible exigencies of the future, requested to have some good farming land reserved for them in some part of the Saskatchewan District. The Commissioner's idea is that land should be selected on the South side of some good lake in the vicinity of the Sturgeon Lake Reserve, or perhaps that, if feasible, it might be better to enlarge Ahtahkakoop's Reserve, so as to embrace such as may desire to farm, which in this they could be taught to do at very little increase of [illegible] to the Department. About this however the Commissioner [illegible]

A. W. Ponton Esq.,
Asst. Surveyor,
[illegible]

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thinks you should consult with the Ven. Archdeacon John A. MacKay, of Emmanuel College, Prince Albert. It may be stated for your guidance that when the last annual payments were made the Indians concerned declared that they would like about twenty (20) square miles reserved as indicated, but considering the nature of the country at Lac la Ronge, and the numbers being added to Treaty, it might be well, if available, to reserve a Township.

With regard to the Sioux Refugees, the Commissioner thinks you should consult with D. K. Macdowall M. P. and since they will not go to Moose Woods, select for them some land within such distance of Prince Albert as to enable them to readily reach the settlement for the purpose of obtaining work.

There are said to be about one hundred and fifty (150) of these Indians, and probably, as in the case of the Sioux settled at Moose Woods, they should have about eighty (80) acres reserved for every five souls.

You should of course be careful to avoid letting it be known that you are selecting Reserves.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Commissioner.

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Regina Assa
6th January 1891

Sir

I have the honor to rehort, that agreeable to your instructions dated 20th November 1890 No. 1754, I ~~proceeded to~~ left Regina on the 22nd and proceeded to the Duck Lake Agency - I here obtained the services of halfbreed Batiste Arcand and team, and proceeded to Prince Albert -

I called on the Ven. Archdeacon John A MacKay of Emmanuel College. Prince Albert, to consult him with reference, to the selection of a reserve for the Cac la Conge Indians. He ~~thought it would be advisable to allot~~ which in accordance with their request to have some good farming land reserved for them in the Saskatchewan District -

He thought it would be advisable to allot them a reserve immediatly north of and adjoining Wm Iwatts Reserve at Sturgeon Lake, which would meet their own wishes, the reserve would be more accessible, and Schools and farming instruction could be given in connection with Wm Iwatts band with very little increased cost to the Department -

I also consulted with D. H. McDowall Esq M.P. with ~~regard to~~ the selection of a reserve for the Sioux Refugees, and He promised to give it his attention and desired to would consult others who were interested in their Indians - behalf

I found the Saskatchewan still open at Prince Albert, I had therefore to

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drive to Carlton where the ice was found ~~quite~~ safe, I proceeded to the Snake Plain Agency and consulted with Mr Finlayson with regard ~~to land adjoining Ahtahkakoop's Reserve~~ to the selection of the Reserve for the Lac la Ronge Indians. on the South side of some good lake in the vicinity of the Sturgeon Lake Reserve; or if feasible to enlarge Ahtahkakoop's Reserve -

and with a view of carrying out your ~~the~~ ideas as suggested in my letter of instructions, of selecting a reserve

Mr Finlayson knew of no location ~~which~~ could be obtained near a lake ~~which would meet your views~~, and such as you desire ~~and~~ which and would furnish good land and fishing - and it would appear that no site for a reserve, such as you suggest, remains unoccupied - The land adjoining Ahtahkakoops, I found light and sandy and not adapted to farming - ~~South of Mistan~~ A very fine area of land lies between Pettyquawkys and the Saskatchewan at Carlton, but on account of the scarcity of water, it would be found objectionable -

Mr Finlayson suggested that a suitable selection might be made in Township 49 Range 3 West of the 3rd ~~Principal~~ Initial Meridian. ~~This township~~ I made an inspection of this township and found it very ~~well adapted to~~ suitable for the purpose.

The ~~township~~ Shell River crosses the north end of this township and affords good water and considerable hay and is easy of approach. The river however, would only

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furnish a few jack fish. The land is of good quality and in my estimation superior to the Snake Plain Reserves - The whole of this Township is available with the exception of Section 34 on which a settler named Powers has located -

I proceeded to Sturgeon Lake and inspected the land north of, and adjoining this reserve - I traced the 3rd Initial meridian from its intersection with the north boundary of Wm Twatts reserve, ~~to the N. E. Corner of Section 24 Township 52 Range 1 West, at this point the land changes and becomes sand and gravel, I found the North boundary of Wm Twatts Reserve~~ which was found to be Eight chains South of the post at the N. W. Corner of Section 25, Township 51 Range 1, ~~,~~ northward to the N. E. Corner of Sec 24 Tp. 52 R. 1 or in other words 5 miles and 13 chains, At this distance the soil changes to sand and gravel. I would consider, from the inspection made of the land in this vicinity, that a reserve extending from Wm Twatts north boundary to the N. E. corner of Sec. 24 Tp. 52 Ra 1, and having a width of four miles, which would extend one mile west of, ~~the 3rd Initial meridian~~ and three miles East of ~~meridian~~ the 3rd Initial Meridian, containing an approximate area of 20 Square miles, would contain land of fine quality good water, abundant hay, and more than sufficient building timber of both Spruce and Poplar -

The country is undulating and generally covered with a scattered growth of small poplar. Fire has past over the country in the past and left large quantities of dry

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pinewood and open areas ready for the plough, A creek or small river flowing South would cross the Eastern portion, and is said to be well stocked with Jack fish and Suckers — The area mentioned of 20 square miles can no doubt be extended to some extent without including any inferior land and the Surveyor in making the survey would have to use his own judgement so as to obtain the best — Small game such as Rabbits, Ducks and Prairie Chickens are still numerous and the Band would be located on the direct roads to such fishing lakes as the Red Deer Lake, Bittern Lake and others which they could easily visit at the proper seasons to lay in a supply —

From Knowledge I had gained of this district at other times I knew it would be useless to go farther afield in search of a better location I therefore returned to Prince Albert

I again called on D H Macdowall Esq to hear his views with reference to the location of a Sioux Reserve, He is opposed to this being placed north of the Saskatchewan as he thinks that they would be the cause of timber fires, He suggested my talking the matter over with Mr Richard Pritchard who is on friendly terms with these Indians and knew their wishes —

Mr Pritchard informed me that the younger men of this band are really desirous of settling down on a reserve and would trade their ponies for oxen

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commence breaking if a reserve was allotted to them. The older men state that they have not long to live and are satisfied to pick up a living around the town -

They desire a reserve adjoining and South of the Watts at the junction of the Shell and Sturgeon Rivers. the junction of the rivers

The land at this point is rough and hilly and the soil light, but well adapted for garden purposes. Three square miles however would include sufficient farming land and building timber -

Not being authorized to consult with the band I cannot say definitely what their wishes are in the matter - however, I know their desire to live on the north side of the Saskatchewan and the location above mentioned is only land of fair quality "within such distance of Prince Albert as to enable them to readily reach the settlement for the purpose of obtaining work".

This land not having been subdivided as yet, I am unable to give the sections definitely, approximately, however, it would consist of sections 24, 25 & 26 of Fractional Township 50 Range 28 West of the 2nd Initial Meridian -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A W Ponton
D. L. S.

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Big Stone River
Jany 20th 1891

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Hayter Reid Esq.
Indian Commissioner
Regina

Sir:

We the undersigned residents of Big Stone River, Lac la Ronge Band humbly ask whether our request to the Agent who came last fall has been favourably received. We asked. "that Big Stone River be made a seperate Reserve from Lac la Ronge with Chief etc.. Would you kindly let us know before Treaty time, so that we may be able to look around for good leaders.

We are your obedient servants

James Ross Sr	James Halket
James Ross Jr	Samuel "
John Ross	Joseph Charles
Peter Ross	Adam Cuenew
Daniel Hat	Andrew Halket
Moses Hat	William Hat
Joseph Hunt	James Venn
John Peter Hunt	Edward Charles
Joseph Halket	James Halket

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Lac la Ronge Reserve
Jany 31st 1891

To Hayter Reid Esqr
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Ans 6/5/91 1754

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Sir:

I write to ask you certain things,

First - We were all glad and thankful for the provisions sent, but the twine was too little, two skeins were given to each family even then some could get none. What we desire is that to each head of family and each widow four (4) skeins No 1 Twine, 3 cuts No 5, 3 cuts No 9 - be given. We depend on fish for a living, by giving a net to each the Government would in this way save a great deal; for at the time of our going into Treaty, knowing we would have no use for plows, harrows etc. in this rocky country we asked instead of these implements for more twine -

2. During the winter months there are several old and helpless men with their families, also widows with their children who have a very hard time - Would the Government do something for these, at any rate during the cold winter months.

There was no provision left for haymaking next summer - Could some be sent before haytime. During the summer the Hudson's Bay Company have no provisions. It might be sent via Montreal Lake.

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There is another matter - a young man of this reserve had a child with a young woman - We cannot persuade him to take the young woman, he will not listen to the Chief - We would like the Agent when he comes to settle this.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient servant

Amos his × mark Charles

Councillor

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Floser	39	41	
Lin	130.	136.	
Tobacco.	65	65	
Caps	3000	3000.	
Hooks	1300	1300	
Lines Cod	7	7	
Powder	75	75	
shot	225	225	
Twine no 2	60	90	30
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These Indians
3 small ploughs for Rand instead of 1 for 3 families
instead of 2 scythes for each family 1.
Value of articles not received
wanted in ammunition & twine for Nets.

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SASKATCHEWAN.

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Grant to Emm. C. increased by 1000 now
being 20 pupils at $100. = 2000.
Supplies – M.L. 15 pupils at 50 = 3750
Lac la R. 15 50 750
aid to Chd fs $1000.00

Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, March 16th 1891

Sir,

With further reference to your letter No 1754 of the 28th Oct. last regarding your recommendation to the Department of either an extra grant to Immanuel College or a sum for a boarding school for the Lac la Rouge and Montreal Lake Indians, I beg you will kindly inform me what steps have been taken and what we may expect in connection with these objects for the coming fiscal year. If I may make the suggestion, I would say that an increased grant to Immanuel College for at least twenty or even thirty more pupils would do more good than starting small boarding schools further north, and I think there would be

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no difficulty in getting the children to come here.

While therefore I desire to express my grateful acknowledgments for the support already accorded to us by the Department, I would respectfully urge the need for increased assistance for the benefits of those Northern Indians, whose necessities as roving hunters, must deprive their children of the advantages of instruction in ordinary day Schools.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant

J. G. Mackay

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, April 1st 1891

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Sir

With further reference to your letter of the 18th ult. No. 1754, and my reply of the 25th I beg now to inform you that Mr. J. Clanley has resigned the appointment which he had accepted on the census commission and has decided to accept the post of Instructor on the Montreal Lake Reserve on the terms specified in your letter of above date.

May I suggest that the Shingwauk Lake Indians also greatly need instruction in farming and an Instructor there even for a short time at the proper season might give them a good start.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant
J. G. Mackay

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, April 24th 1891

Sir

With further reference to your letters No 1754 of the 10th & 16th Ult. I beg to inform you that I wrote to the Montreal Lake chief and about the 15th Inst. I received a reply stating that he would not be able to send for the provisions. As Mr Stanley had his team here ready to start at any time, he made up his mind to take part of the provisions on his team, and started on Monday 20th, taking advantage of the opportunity to accompany a party of freighters who were starting then with H. B. C.'s supplies.

Referring to your letter of the 28th Ult. authorizing me if necessary to promise as much

The Indian Commissioner
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to $45.00 per mensem to an Instructor for Montreal Lake, I beg to inform you that Mr Stanley accepted the offer as conveyed in your previous letter of the 18th, and he has received no intimation that there might have been a higher rate than the $40.00 that he accepted. As however he so willingly undertook to convey as much of the provisions as he could to Montreal Lake with his own team, and has in every way shown himself anxious to do his best, I would respectfully suggest that he receive the $45.00 per mensem.

Mr Stanley has asked permission to come in about the end of May, when the Indians will have their seeding about done. His object is a matrimonial one, and he will be away from the Reserve only for a short time.

He would also like to be informed when and how his salary will be paid.

I am
Your obedient servant
J. A. Mackay

can send a voucher to Dept from here & should pro. Mr Mitchell certify to it & How long is he to be employed

Send for check when Albert - does not need Mr Mitchell certificate - wide my letter re time of employment

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7th. May. 1

Dear Amos Charles,

Your letter dated 31st. January last only reached here a few days ago.

I was sorry to hear that the twine was not enough to give each family a share, and although I cannot promise as much as you ask for, I intend to send a little more than last time, so that it will at any rate go round.

It is not thought that provision should be required for hay making, and it would cost a great deal to send so far.

As to the old and helpless men with families, you should tell the Agent who makes the next Treaty Payments about them so that he can enquire into their circumstances and report to me.

You should also speak to him about the young man whose bad conduct you tell me of, because I can not decide what to do until I know all the particulars of the case.

Your Commissioner, J.K.

Councillor Amos Charles,
Lac la Ronge Band,
c/c. Hudson's Bay Co.,
Big Stone River,
via. Prince Albert.

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7th. May, 1

Dear James Ross,

The letter signed by you and seventeen other residents at Big Stone River, although dated January 20th. only reached me a short time ago.

In reply to your question about a separate Reserve and Chief, I have to tell you that the Government cannot consent to making you into another Band with a Chief and Councillors, but when we can manage to send a Surveyor to mark off your Reserve, he will try to meet the wishes of those at Big Stone River, as well as of the rest of the Band.

Your Commissioner.

AR

Mr. James Ross and others,

La la Ronge Band of Indians,

cr. Hudson's Bay Co's Officer,

Big Stone River,

via. Prince Albert.

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Prince Albert.
May 26th 1891.

D. A. Macdowall, M.P.
Ottawa.

Dear Sir.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April 15th from the Asst. of Indian Affairs, relative to the claim for arrears of Treaty money by the Red Deer Lake and Moutlac Lake Indians and requesting that the names, ages and locality in which they lived at the time Treaty 6 was made, be given. I herewith beg to submit the following statement made to me by the Indians.

That they lived then and have lived ever since within the Territory ceded to the Dominion Government in 1876 and that they presented themselves at Carlton during the time Treaty was being made with those Indians and asked to be paid but they were told that their part of the country was not fit for agricultural purposes and therefore could not get anything. They again presented themselves the following

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following year at Sturgeon Lake, during the time the Annual payment was being made, and were again refused. After that they did not make any further attempt to get paid as they believed they were not included in the Treaty made at Carlton, until Timber Limits were being surveyed in the part of the country they claimed, and on their complaining to the Surveyor, they were told that they were and had been living inside ceded Territory since 1876. They therefore claim that they are entitled to arrears up to the time of the Irvine Treaty.

The following Indians with their families are the parties who claim arrears of Treaty Money

		Ages
1,	Samuel Bird, Senr.	70
2.	William Henderson	73
3,	Thomas Bell, about	60
4,	Benjamin Bird, Senr.	63
5.	Isaac Bird	48
6,	Moses Bird	41
7.	Geoge Bird	40
8.	Patrick Bird	38
9.	Samuel Bird Junr	34
10.	Frederick Bird	20
11.	James Bird	68
12.	Benjamin Bird	36

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The average would be about $8 to each family.

Yours truly

signed John E. Sinclair.

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20th. July,

Sir,

70196. I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 11th. ulto: enclosing copy of one from Mr. D. R. Macdowall, M. P., and of another therein referred to, relative to the alleged claims of the Red Deer Lake and Montreal Lake Indians to arrears of Treaty money, and in reply to your request for my report on said claims, to inform you as follows:-

These claims, it may be remembered, were made to the Commissioner Lt. Col. Irving, at the time of negotiating the adhesion, to Treaty 8, of the Montreal and Lac la Ronge Bands, and the Indians appear to have been informed by the Commissioner that as he had no authority to deal with this question, he must confine himself to promising to refer it to the Government.

On August 30th. 1889, during my absence, the Asst. Commissioner, in anticipation of going to make payment to those Bands, addressed himself by wire to the Superintendent General at Medicine Hat, who happened to be passing through this District at the time, and received

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Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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a reply to the effect that although conditions of Treaty 6 were accepted, a new Treaty was made and surrender of land outside Treaty limits obtained, consequently Indians were not entitled to arrears. The Superintendent General added that the question had been considered and decided at Ottawa.

When the Asst. Commissioner made the Treaty Payments in 1930, claims for arrears were strongly urged by both the Montreal Lake and the Lac la Ronge Bands.

They based their claims upon the assertion that the great portion of the Territory ceded under Treaty 6 was as much their country, as the additional tract surrendered at the time of their adhesion.

With regard to the Montreal Lake Band the Indians claimed that the greater number of them have been since and were long prior to the date of Treaty 6 actual residents of the following places, viz: Candle Lake, Bittern Lake, Red Deer Lake, Timber Lake or South end of Montreal Lake, all situated, as they assert, within the original limits of Treaty 6, that indeed their present Reserve at the South end of Montreal Lake is within the limits of the said Treaty.

It would seem, from reading the terms of the adhesion, that the wording used is the same as the several acts of adhesion made from time to time by different Bands of Indians to the same Treaty, to whom arrears were duly paid.

The validity of the claim would therefore seem to hinge upon the question of residence within the limits

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of Treaty 6 as originally defined.

Upon this point Mr. Surveyor Ponton reports as follows:-

"No claim of Montreal Lake Indians to arrears of "Treaty money &c. &c."

"The position of the North boundary of Treaty No. "6, in the vicinity of Montreal Lake, can only be defin-"ed approximately, owing to our want of further knowledge "of those Northern lakes."

"This boundary is a straight line drawn from the "source of Swamp River to the head of Green Lake."

"The position of Montreal Lake as shown on Govern-"ment maps, is correct with regard to latitude, and, if "we assume that the positions of Swamp River and Green "Lake are also correct, then it would appear that the "South half of Montreal Lake lies within the Territory "ceded in 1876."

"If the positions of Swamp River and Green Lake "are incorrectly shown, and allowing for the possibility "of Montreal Lake being within the Territory ceded, it "would not alter the fact that Red Deer Lake, Bitern Lake, "Trout Lake and Candle Lake in all probability do lie "within the Territory ceded in 1876, and those lakes are "more properly the homes of the band, than Montreal Lake "and the only families I know of as residing for any length "of time at Montreal Lake are Wm. Henderson's, Thomas "Bell's and two families of the Bird connection."

I may add that the result of such enquiries as have made to substantiate the statement that the

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ians referred to in Mr. J. F. Sinclair's letter, transmitted by Mr. D. H. Macdowall, M. P., did present themselves for payment and were refused.

It may not be amiss to state that both Bands urge that whatever may be decided relative to the claim as hereinbefore reported on, the setting apart of the Provisional District of Saskatchewan by Order-in-Council of 8th. May 1882, including the newly ceded tract, constituted an act of possession on the part of the Government, which should, in their opinion, entitle them to arrears at any rate from date of Order-in-Council.

This alleged act of possession received as they stated the sanction of Parliament, inasmuch as the newly ceded Territory was included in the electoral division of Saskatchewan, for representation to the House of Commons, and in the electoral district of Prince Albert for representation to the Assembly of the North West Territories.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Commissioner.

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Also to date of this letter.

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OCT 9 1891
N.W.T.

~~Indian~~ ~~Agent's~~ ~~Office~~, Prince Albert.

October 7th 1891.

Sir, I have the honor to state, you being pleased to recall my services as Farm Instructor to the Montreal Lake band of Indians, that I vacated the position as such, on the 30th Ult.

Owing to sickness of my wife, and bad weather, I was unable to leave the Reserve before the 4th inst. reaching Prince Albert to day.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
Edward Stanley.

Hayter Reid Esqr.
Indian Commr.
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23rd. October, 1

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 19th. inst: and to inform you, with reference to its contents, and prior correspondence on the same subject, that the Superintendent General has now expressed his opinion to be that it is not advisable that any reservation should be made, in the Saskatchewan country, for the Montreal Lake or Lac la Ronge Indians, and consequently there is nothing further to be done in the matter.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

A. E. Y.

Asst. Commissioner.

A. W. Ponton, Esq.,

D. L. S.,

Carlton,

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Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

REGINA, N. W. T.,

From February 189 7

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Montreal Lake Reserve
c/o Hudsons Bay Comp'y
Prince Albert
22nd Feby 1897.

Dear Sir,

I beg to submit the following matters, in connection with this reserve, for your information and consideration.

1st Nearly all the members of this "Band" under eighteen and some over, have not as yet been vaccinated. The most convenient time to meet the Indians assembled here would be Easter, or at the Annuity payments.

2nd None of the Cattle, tools, and implements in the hands of the Indians, and under the control of the Department, have been branded, and there are no branding irons on hand.

3rd Owing to the demise of rabbits last spring, through disease, which as you are aware, takes place every seventh year, Lynx, and

A. E. Forget Esqr.
Indian Commissioner
Regina

Will if necessary receive attention at the Annuity payments.

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I am informed, that the Hudson's Bay Company purchased over a Thousand Lynx Skins last season each, last winter, this season the Company has not obtained two hundred at $1.75 each. This will only give you an inadequate idea of the scarcity of furs, and the low price paid for them.

4. Since it has become known that a Southern Reserve, in the vicinity of the Little Red River, is to be surveyed for the Montreal Lake Band of Indians, I am informed on reliable authority, that some half-breeds and others propose to take up Claims in that neighbourhood, as soon as the Spring opens. (No doubt with a desire to obtain a high price from the Department to surrender their "rights")

5. In view of the fact that game and fur bearing animals of all kinds, are greatly diminishing in numbers, in this district, and the Indians experience insurmountable difficulties

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6th If it were deemed Expedient to purchase Cows, and young Stock, with the money due the Band for arrears, it would ultimately tend to make the Indians self supporting, and give them an excellent start in Stock-raising, for which that section of Country is admirably adapted.

Extr. for Commr. Ottawa.

7th I would also suggest the advisability of requesting the Land Agent at Prince Albert, not to issue any hay permits on the land in question, for the coming summer. Every effort will be made by outsiders

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outsiders, to secure the hay lands by permit or lease. In fact I was told, a short time since, by a settler from Prince Albert, who is fishing at Little Trout Lake, that he was applying for a lease for the hay swamps on the Little Red River. The most effectual means appears to be, to take immediate possession.

Lac la Rouge.

8th As Chief James Roberts is most desirous to go into Farming and Cattle Raising, I would suggest that he should be present, when the surveyors are on the grounds.

9th As soon as the snow disappears, the Indians will have to absent themselves from the Reserve, and there will not be any Children to attend the Day School.

Trusting you will pardon me for making the forejoing suggestions

Yours truly
T. Clarke

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Montreal Lake Reserve
23rd Feby 1897.

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Dear Sir,

As there are between forty and fifty men engaged in the fishing industry in this Northern district, and teamsters are constantly on the road from Prince Albert, to Trout-Lake, I think it most desirable that a Justice of the Peace, should be appointed in this vicinity, Amongst other reasons for making this suggestion, is the belief that liquor has been made use of amongst the Indians, although I have failed to obtain positive proof.

Should any infringment of the Indian Act occur, or the violation of any law — it would be necessary to send a hundred miles, at great expense, to have a warrant issued, to bring the offending party or parties to Justice

Yours truly
T. Clarke

A. E. Forget Esqr
Regina

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Montreal Lake Reserve
18th March 1897.

Sir

I beg to make application to withdraw from the Post Office savings Bank the sum of Thirty one dollars being the amount deposited in my favor. Apr. 14.

Isabella Bird
st pupil No 02 Emmanuel College
of No 14 Wm Charles Band

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Montreal Lake Reserve
15th Feby 1897.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that I have just returned from a trip, to Red Deer, Trout, and Little Trout Lakes, to obtain information relative to the use of Stay chains, and to state that John McKay of Prince Albert, was the only person who produced a license, one person, "ninety miles north of Prince Alberts" signed by Joseph Courtney J.P.

I was told that other parties were using Stay chains, but they did not appear to have any license to do so. There are all fishing at Little Trout Lake. There are three or four families of Indians, members of this Band, in the immediate vicinity of the Lake, who rely upon hunting & fishing to obtain a living, and as they have to eat the meat of the animals they kill, they are very

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Indian Agent
Duck Lake

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very much opposed to the use of poison.

No doubt but that the Fishery overseer, could easily put a stop to this practice, if it were deemed expedient to do so.

Yours truly
T. Clarke

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30th March, 7

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I beg to enclose for your information, copies of correspondence which has passed recently, relative to complaints as to the unlawful use of strychnine by White and Half-breed trappers, in the district bordering on Montreal Lake.

The Commissioner would be pleased to have something done to check the practice.

Yours truly,

J HP.

for Commissioner.

The Commissioner,
North-West Mounted Police,
R e g i n a.

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22nd April, 7

Sir:-

As you are doubtless aware, it is proposed to set apart a Reserve for the Montreal Lake Indians at a point adjoining the Sturgeon Lake Reserve, in your Agency. The survey of this reserve will be entered upon as soon as one of our surveyors can be sent out, - probably within a month, but meantime, it has been stated by the Rev: Mr. Clarke, who has been acting for the Department during the past winter on the Montreal Lake Reserve, that some of the Indians are desirous of putting in a little crop on the new location at once.

Mr. Clarke was informed that the matter had been noted for attention, but no action has as yet been possible owing to the absence of information as to how many intended coming down to put in crop and what assistance they would require in the way of working equipment, &c. I am to-day in receipt of a telegram from Mr. Clarke, at West Prince Albert, informing me of his arrival and asking for instructions as to the putting in of this crop, and in reply have informed him that I am communicating with you on the subject.

You might therefore go in to Prince Albert and ascertain definitely from him what the wishes of the Indians are with regard to the crop proposed to be put in now, how many working men have come down for this purpose, what assistance in working equipment, seed and provisions it will be necessary to give them and advise this office by first mail thereafter, or, if necessary, by wire, when you will be further instructed in the matter.

It is thought that the work might be supervised by the Farmer at Sturgeon Lake Reserve, and that possibly a yoke of oxen, plow and harness could be borrowed there for the short time they would be needed, as it would not seem advisable to do

The Indian Agent,

Carlton Agency.

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do more this Spring than put in some garden stuff and potatoes.

The undermentioned lands have, I may say, been withdrawn temporarily from settlement, pending the definite location of the Reserve, viz:-

Sections 32, 34 and 36	-	Tp. 51	- Rge. 27
Whole of Township	-	52	- " 27
West half of Township	-	52	- " 26
Fractional portion of Township	-	52	- " 28
Section 36 - Township	-	51	- " 28

Yours truly,

J HP

For Commissioner.

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In your reply refer
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also to date of this letter.

Indian Agent's Office,
Carlton Agency.
Mistawasis May 7th 1897.

Ref.: Letter 13th April 1897 No. 1754.

Sir,

I have the honr. to make the following report upon the matter of the proposed location of the Montreal Lake Indians.

According to your instructions I arrived in Prince Albert on the Evening of the 1st Instant and met Rev. Mr. Clarke who informed me that none of the Indians had come down to settle but that some 25 Souls would start immediately they were sent for. I met a half breed who was to start for Montreal Lake on the 4th Inst: but before sending word to the Indians I thought it better to telegraph you as follows

" Montreal Lake Indians not down
" arrangements made to notify them
" soon as I have authority purchase
" 10 Sacks flour, 200 Bacon Sixteen Dollars
" ammunition 50 Bushls Potatoes, 10 Barley
" 5 Wheat, Garden Seeds, 4 Oxen, 1 Plough,
" Wagon Will visit locations and leave
" Clarke in charge of work Will report
" fully answer

The.

Indian Commissioner

Which

Regina

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which telegram I now beg to confirm,
At 10. p.m. on Evening of the 3rd Inst: I received the following message from you.
"Believed Indians were on ground
"as not prefer deferring farming
"operations to next season as funds
"short writing next mail advise
"Clarke
which I beg to acknowledge receipt of.
I do not of course know what has passed between you and Rev'd Mr. Clarke on the matter nor do I know what promises were made to the Indians, but as my own supplies were about exhausted and being very short of provisions and ploughs at the Sturgeon Lake Reserves, I thought it wiser to ask your aid in making arrangements to feed these Indians on their new Reserve while they were putting in their crop for say 6 weeks, I am told that there is some money to credit of these Indians which the Department in Ottawa, proceeds of Cattle killed for beef for the Duck Lake Agency sufficient to pay for the Cattle asked for, the few bushels of Wheat and Barley would I thought give us sufficient seed for next year as it would not be advisable to put much grain in on new breaking.
From the Lands selected by you mentioned in your letter No. 1754 of 23rd April, a good Reserve can be chosen, I should

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should suggest taking in as much of the Little Red River as possible, being close handy the Farmer in charge of Stingeons Lake could supervise them and it was in his hands that I intended placing the Supplies had you authorized their purchase.

I do not know what position Rev. Mr. Clarke held in our Department but as he led me to believe he was "farming instructor under Gov I suggested in my telegram placing him in charge of the work.

Great care will have to be taken with these people when settling them not to let them expect too much from the Department and I am a little afraid that the Rev Mr. Clarke's ideas are somewhat too extravagant for the funds at our disposal and also for the ultimate good of the Indians, who must be taught to understand that their future depends upon their own exertions, in my opinion, making Indians understand that they will receive regular rations of flour and meat is entirely wrong.

As soon as I shall of course furnish you with any further information you may require, but to give them at start a few Axes, Spades, Saws, Chains, Tools and Nails, should be given, I could give them lumber for their houses, which they will require,

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require, from the Agency.

Your letter No. 1754 1/2 of 30th. Ultimo has just reached me and I note its contents and should certainly have acted in its direction had I settled these Indians.

I have the Honor to be
Sir,
Your Obed: Servt
H. Keith.
Jr.

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Memo.

No. 1757.

Onion Lake
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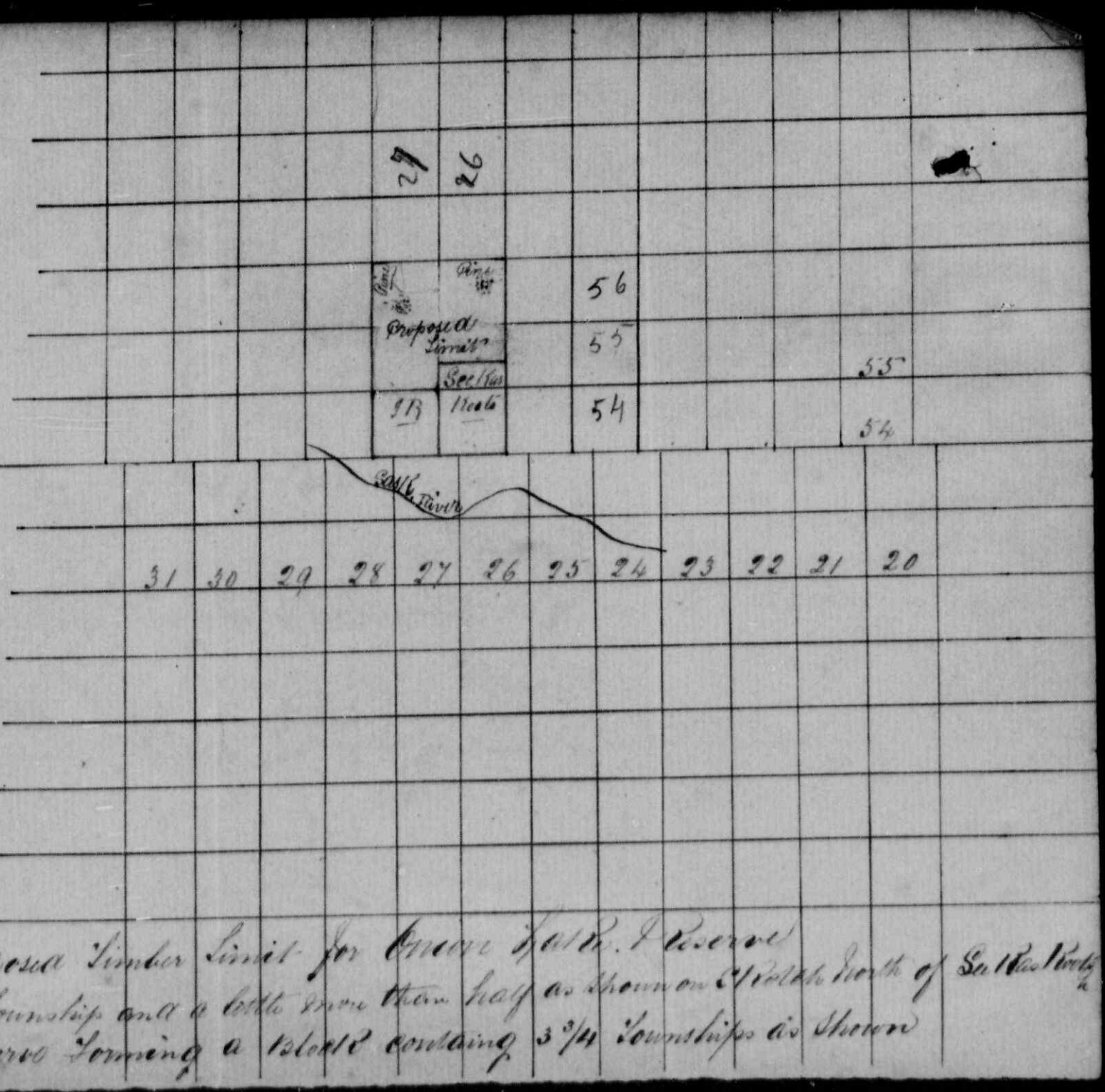

Proposed Timber Limit for Oneida Salt R. Reserve
a Township and a little more than half as shown on Plan South West of Sec Res Road
Reserve forming a block containing 3 3/4 Townships as shown

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In your reply refer to
No. 155
Also to [illegible] date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Onion Lake

April 16th 1889

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 30 1889
N.W.T.

Ans'd 1/5/89

Sir

I have the honor to enclose small Sketch of Proposed Timber Limit for use of Onion Lake Agency the Sketch shows about 3 3/4 Townships which I think will be necessary

There are two clumps of Pine (dotted red) on the Proposed limit which timber is very essential and also useful for Sawing Boards Building Logs etc There is also a little poplar which I trust will also be reserved for use of Indians

I have examined all the places convenient to this reserve. and the place shown & described is the most suitable and easiest of access

Therefore trusting that it may meet with your Approval.

Ans'd 1/5/89.

Pontine - Can you report here on

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Geo. G. Mann
Indian Agent

The Indian Commisioner
Regina
Ass

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File 1st May /89- 1751

With regard to your letter of the 16th inst. No. 155 I have the honor to inform you, that I do not consider it advisable to reserve a timber limit, including such a large district, as you recommend - We must endeavour to locate the position of the clumps of Pine which you mention, so as to reserve the best timbered areas only.

I am informed by Mr Surveyor Ponton, that the Western boundary of townships 55 and 56 Range 27, and known as the 4th Initial Meridian, has been already surveyed, and could be easily found - This line should be followed, and the markings of the posts noted - By this means, the portion dotted red as a clump of pine in Township 56, Range 27, could be described, as being included within certain sections - or at most North, South - East or West part of a township

I am aware that these townships have not been subdivided, but by walking around the best timbered areas, adjacent to the meridian mentioned, ~~there should be no~~ possibly little difficulty ~~in~~ would be experienced in describing a reserve with sufficient accuracy -

With regard to the clump of Pine, in Township 56 Range 26, marked on your sketch, it would be difficult to locate its position with sufficient accuracy by this means - It is therefore to be

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be hoped that sufficient timber may be found in Township 56 Range 27 or by examining the country adjacent to and East of the Meridian

As it is not probable a Surveyor will be engaged in your locality this season I would request you, to give the matter your personal attention, and by the means suggested, save the expense of sending ~~a~~ one to your agency

I have &c

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3rd October 1

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of
126. the 19th Ultimo reporting the hiring of a bull for extra service required for the herd and the patment for the same with lumber, and in reply to point out that although no doubt is entertained as to your action having been done with the best intention, none the less the transaction is an objectionable one, in as much as it involves the arrogation of yourself of the power vested by law in the Superintendent General alone, to authorise the disposing of timber from off an Indian Reserve, and opens the way for further irregularities.

In this connection you are referred to Vic. 53, Chap. 29, Sect. 3, by which sec. 36 of the Indian Act is amended.

The action or any one of a similar character, must not, on any account, be repeated, without authority.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Asst. Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,

Onion Lake,

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JAMES KENT, Supt., Montreal.

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Via Qu'Appelle

Time 330 P Oct 19 189

From Onion Lake NW 19

To Hayter Reed

Indian Commr

Regina

Pine scattered hard to locate only about five thousand logs in proposed limit no more in reasonable distance

Geo Mann

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Time 8.10 p Oct 8. 1891.

From Regina N.W.T. 8.

To Hayter Reed

Ottawa Ont

Mann asked for townships fifty five and fifty six ranges twenty six and twenty seven immediately North of Seekaskootch.

A. E. Forget.

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Time 1930 Oct 7 1891

From Ottawa Ont

To Asst Ind Comm

Regina

What lands did Mann ask for as timber limits

Wayter Reed

Replied 8th Oct 91

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Indian Agency
Onion Lake
10th November 1891

Sir, File

Vide letter to Agent 24/11/91

I am in receipt of a letter from the Assistant Commissioner - Relative the Timber limits, - in which I am informed that the limits asked for, will not be Reserved by the Government,

C

Under the Circumstances I would ask you to kindly inform me if I will continue getting the Logs, as heretofore, or will I have the dues paid on any I may get,

I would like to get out about Two Thousand Logs, during the Winter,

Hoping to hear from you at your earliest Convenience,

I am, Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Geo G. Mann
Indian agent -

Haytr Reed Esqr.
Indian Commissioner
Regina, N.W.T.

P.S.

The dues could be paid by the proceeds of Sale of part the lumber

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[illegible]th. November, 1

Sir,

106. I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 18th. inst: and in reply to inform you that I am unable to see what more I can add to what was said in my letter of 6th. inst: regarding permission to sell lumber.

The Department can not be expected to sanction the sale of lumber made from timber illegally obtained.

It may be suggested, however, with regard to lumber already thus obtained, that the parties wishing to purchase [illegible] permits to cover the amount of timber used in making the lumber they need, and then a reasonable charge might be made for the hauling and sawing,- to go to the Indians if they did the work.

Indians can not get permits to cut timber, and until you can recommend some reasonable limit, nothing can be done, nor do I see any near prospect of our Surveyor being in your neighborhood.

As already said, if necessary, you will have to go to a distance.

When timber shall have been secured for the Indians, no sales of lumber produced therefrom can be allowed without reference to me.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Indian Agent,
Onion Lake,
Fort Pitt.

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In your reply refer to
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Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Union Lake

November 13th 1891.

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Ansd 24/11/91.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter No 338 of 6th instant, re Lumber.

I beg to refer you to my letter of 10th Inst on this subject, I would also most respectfully suggest, that in my opinion, Should the Department's Surveyor, be in this Vicinity within a reasonable time it would be a good idea to have him define the Area of the largest patches of Pine, Correctly in this way we might possibly be able to obtain the Greater part of the pine, on a much decreased Area, Should we not obtain this Pine, there is no more nearer than at Moose Mountain a distance of Thirty miles from here,

I note your remarks re Settlers having their logs Sawn at our Mill —

The Commissioner.
— Regina
N.W.T.

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N.W.T.

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Indian Agent's Office, ...

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Sir,

would be glad to have a reply from you to my letter of 19th September last, re the Sale of Lumber to the Roman Catholic Mission at Cold Lake,

May I sell the lumber?

I would also be glad if you will be good enough to give me your authority for the Sales of Small quantities referred to in my letter as quoted above, or, am I to apply to You in each case where a Small quantity is to be Sold.

Hoping you will let me hear from you at your earliest convenience,

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Geo G Mann
Indian Agent

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Bruce Albert.
Jan. 27th 1890.

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D. L. MacDonald. M. P.

Sir.

Some of the leading men among the Sioux have been to see me lately. They want to know if the Governor will do anything for them. They would like to get a Reserve somewhere North of Bruce Albert and would like to get a few Cattle and implements to make a start farming. and what they want most is a School. They find out that they must have their children educated and get down to the ways of the white man. They are hard working Indians and know how to work. and they want a start. and I am satisfied they will make good farmers. much better I am sure than the Crees.

I promised them I would bring the matter before you. and assured them that you would

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would do all you could for them.

I enclose you a list of what the Chief and Three of the Leading men wished me to tell you.

It is taken down just as they gave it to me.

Yours very truly.

(Lgd) R. J. Pritchard.

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We did not go with White Cap.
on the reserve the Government
gave him, because we did not
like him and would never
acknowledge him as our Chief.
If we had gone with him he
would have led us into the
rebellion as he did the Indians
who went with him. It is
now thirteen years since we
have come to the N.W.T. and
have since that time been
loyal subjects of our great
Mother. We now want to
know if the Government can
do something for us. We
would like to get a Reserve
somewhere North of Prince
Albert and would like to get
some Agricultural implements
and animals to work them.
But the main thing we
want is a School where we
can have our Children taught.
We find out now that we
cannot live rulers. We like like
our White brother. We all know
how to work, and if our White
Mother helps we will do our
best

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best to get along and will always be good loyal Children to her as we have always been.

There is now in our band. forty one men. fifty four women. twenty five boys. & twenty eight girls. These Children have all been born in Prince Albert.

We have a chief of our own who is a real chief, a decendent of the great chief Flying Thunder who saved the life of a Government officer. when he was shot and wounded. by a Yankee officer. for which he was rewarded by the Govt. with a medal which our present chief now has.

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Acke 11.3.90. 10. 65.933.

Ottawa, March 7th/90

Copy

Dear Mr. Dewdney.

I enclose a letter from Mr. R. J. Pritchard, of Prince Albert, respecting the wishes of the Lower Fire. By perusal of the letter you will see what it is that the Indians want, and I strongly recommend their request being granted in regard to their removal to a Reserve. I also enclose a memo. from one of the Chiefs, and three of the leading men among the Indians. I think they should be encouraged in their attempts to learn farming, and especially in their work about the education of their children. Kindly let me have a reply at your earliest convenience, so that I may transmit the result of my enquiry to Mr. Pritchard.

Yours very truly
(Sgd.) D. L. MacDonald.

Hon. E. Dewdney.
Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs.

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L. Vankoughnet Esqr.

re. R. I. Pritchard

Letter of D. H. MacDowall referred to the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

(Sgd) A. Chisholm.
P. Lecy

12th March /90.

To Technical Bx — What is the Area of White Caps Reserve and what was the basis of Calculation in fixing the same?
(2) Were not these lands provided for thereby?

March 12th /90.

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Memorandum.

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To Deputy Minister

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE 1890 N.W.T.

Ottawa 18th Mch/90.

With reference to your memo. under No. 65-933 I beg to state.

Whitecaps Reserve was surveyed by Mr. G.A. Simpson in 1881. In his report Mr. Simpson states "The number of souls in the "band is between 70 and 80 and "my instructions are to allow "80 acc to every five souls I "therefore gave them 1280 acres "equal to two sections of land."

Certain changes and a re-survey of the Reserve was made by Mr. Nelson in 1888 the area of the Reserve now being 2.3. Sq. Miles (a small increase of 3/10 over the original survey)

According to the Annual Report of 1889. 105 people reside on the Reserve.

According to the statement accompanying Mr. Pitchard's letter of 27th Jan 1890 the Sioux who request that a Reserve

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may be granted them somewhere north of Prince Albert number 148 Souls, and have resided at Prince Albert for thirteen years: it therefore would appear that these Indians have never been provided with a Reserve.

(Sgd) L. Bray.

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Bruce Alberta.
March 31st 1890.

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Dear Mr. MacDonald.

I have received your letter of March 11th enclosing Hon Mr. Dewdney's to you relative. I saw the Chief and told him what you and Mr. Dewdney said - he told me to thank you for the trouble you are taking to help them. He says they don't want to go on Whitecaps Reserve. That Whitecaps Indians are not good Indians. They steal, and kill Cattle that do not belong to them, and that they are a separate band. This band always been fighting and stealing - They have always kept away from Whitecaps band and would like to have their Reserve away from them altogether - He says he is getting old and would like to see his band settled on a reserve and living like white men, before he dies. He told me today That

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That his Grandfather had four
Medals from the Queen. and
that the Sauteux took them
and burnt them - he is still
very anxious about getting
the children of his band ed-
ucated -

Yours very Truly

(Sgd) R. J. Pritchard.

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House of Commons,
Ottawa, April 12th, 1890.

Copy

Dear Mr. Dewdney,

I enclose a letter in further reference to the request of the Sioux at Prince Albert, to be placed on a reserve; and hope you will not let the matter drop.

Yrs &c

(Sgd.) D. H. Macdowall

Hon. E. Dewdney, M. P.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 65933
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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Ottawa. 19th April 1890

Agent Fulapos 26/4/90

Sir,

I have to inform you that the Department has received an application through Mr D. H. Macdowall M.P. from Mr T. J. Pritchard of Prince Albert, on behalf of the Sioux Indians of that District, who desire to have a Reserve set apart for them north of Prince Albert.

The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs is of opinion that it would be well to give these Indians a Reserve

The Indian Comd
for Man & N.W.T.
Regina N.W.T.

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Reserve; and you will therefore be good enough to communicate with the Indian Agent for that locality, respecting the lands on which it would be advisable to locate the Sioux Indians.

Writ agt Finlayson

You will find enclosed herewith copies of the correspondence in this matter viz:-

Letter to Mr Macdowall M.P. of date the 27th Jany from P. J. Pritchard with enclosure.

Letter to Mr Macdowall of date the 31st ultimo also from Mr Pritchard.

Letters addressed to the Superintendent

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Superintendent General of Indian
Affairs by Dr Macdonald on
the 9th instant and 12th instant.

I am,
Sir,
your obedient servant.
A Sinclair
For the Deputy of the Supt Genl
of Indian Affairs.

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April 23th. 0

Sir:-

I have the honor to inform you that application has been made through Mr. D. H. MacDowall. M. P. by the Sioux Indians who have been for years past in the neighborhood of Prince Albert, to have a Reserve set apart for them North of that settlement.

Since this request is favorably regarded by the Department you are requested to report at your early convenience upon what would be the best locality for such Reserve, the extent of which would probably be calculated at (30) eighty acres for every five souls, as was done with regard to White Cap's band.

The number of Indians in the Band now concerned is said to be one hundred and forty-nine.

It might be well for you to consult with Mr. R. J. F Pritchard of Prince Albert, who has actively interested himself on behalf of these Indians, in this matter.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Asst. Commissioner.

Indian Agent,

Carlton Agency,

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From Prince Albert

To Ind Comm

Re

Re your letter Cant get the sioux Collected off hunting rats have spent the 5 days with R J Pritchard in trying to Collect them will attend to your instructions later on re these Indians & other matters Connected with them write me at once

J Finlayson

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In your reply refer to
No. 1
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Carlton Agency
12th May 1890 18 .

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 26th April 1890. No 1774. I have the honor to inform you that according to your instructions re the Sioux indians I proceeded to Prince Albert and on arriving there went four miles back of Town to where Mr R. J. Pritchard resides and he accompanied me in visiting the Sioux who where around Prince Albert. After a whole days search we found very few of them at home most of the principal Sioux being at sent hunting. As it would cost too much to get them collected we decided to get them together when the hunting season was over which will be about the latter end of this month.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Ot Servant
J Finlayson
Sr Agent

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1st. May, 1

Sirs,

I beg to inform you, in the absence of the Commissioner, that an impression exists in this office that he had some conversation with you last January, about some endeavors to enable the Sioux across the River from Prince Albert to have some land reserved for them there, and that you were to advise him further in the matter.

If this be correct, may I ask you to be kind enough to send him, as soon as possible, any further communication you may have to make in the matter.

I am, Sirs,

Yours obediently.

[illegible]

For Commissioner.

Messrs.

Moore & MacDowall,

Prince Albert.

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6th. May, 1

My dear Macdowall,

While in Ottawa I wish you would kindly go to the Department and inform them exactely what land you are willing to take in lieu of what you offer to give for a Sioux Reserve opposite Prince Albert.

Yours very truly,

JR

D. H. Macdowall Esq.,
M. P.
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS
CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 18 1891
N.W.





Dear Reed,

I have made a proposal to the Dept in re Sioux Land. It takes the form of a sale – a small part down & balance credited to M & M for timber dues –

Yrs very truly,
D.H. Macdowall

Hayter Reed Esqr

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
SASKATCHEWAN.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 29 1891

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, May 27th 1891

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Ans'd 30/5/91

Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th Inst. and to express my regret that I do not appear to have expressed myself clearly with regard to the Sioux who asked me to represent their wishes. There are really two bands of Sioux in Prince Albert and those who came to me do not belong to the band that wishes to remain in the vicinity and among whom the Presbyterians have commenced a School. Those whose ~~wishes~~ request I communicated to you, wish to get a Reserve somewhere up the Shell River.

I am
Your obedient servant
J. A. Mackay

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
SASKATCHEWAN.

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, May 13th 1891

a/19/5/91

Sir

I beg to inform you that some of the Sioux Indians now living in or in the neighborhood of Prince Albert are anxious to move on to a Reserve if one could be allotted to them somewhere on the North of the Saskatchewan on or near the Shell River

As these Indians have asked me to represent their case to you I would ask you kindly to inform me if the Department would entertain the idea of giving them a Reserve and any assistance to commence farming.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servt
J. A. Mackay

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Office of the Indian Commissioner,
North West Territories,
Regina, 26th. May, 1881.

Rev. Sir,

I have your letter of 13th. inst: relative to placing the Prince Albert Sioux upon a Reserve, and would say that the matter has already received my attention, and, although it was thought desirable to remove those Indians to a more distant point, and if possible place them on a Reserve of their own, it was found that so many objections were raised by them, many of which appeared particularly reasonable, I decided to recommend to the Department that they be allowed to remain in the vicinity of Prince Albert.

We have made an offer to Messrs. Moore & McDowall for the land which we desire to select.

The

Rev. J. A. McKay,
Prince Albert,
Sask..

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The Presbyterian Church authorities have for some time interested themselves in school matters in connection with these Indians, and have been authorized by Department, Payment for a Teacher.

Until the location is finally settled upon, I fear it would be Premature to aid them in the direction of building.

Yours truly,

JMR

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30th. May, 1

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 27th. inst: and in reply regret to state that I am yet in the dark with regard to the Sioux at Prince Albert, who are you state a distinct Band from that among which the Presbyterians are working, and who want a Reserve up the Shell River.

May I request you to be kind enough to give me as full information about them as possible, where they came from, how long they have been in the country, where they now are, and how many men, women and children there are, also what character they bear for industry and conduct.

I am, Rev. Sir,

Yours obediently,

AMR

Commissioner.

Ven. Archdeacon

J. A. McKay,

Prince Albert.

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Sir,

I beg to confirm the following telegram this Day addressed to you at Prince Albert "Wait letter tomorrow's mail." As I have reason to believe that this may catch you at Prince Albert, I address you there in order to save your having to go back from Duck Lake, but in case of missing you I send a duplicate copy to ~~Duck Lake~~ the ~~latter~~ last mentioned place.

The Dept. has under consideration the settlement upon a Reserve of the Sioux who hang about the neighbourhood of Prince Albert. ~~It seems however that there are two lots of these Sioux — and Arch Deacon McKay writes that one lot, distinct from those among whom the Presbyterian M~~ There are said to be two distinct lots of these Sioux.

One party among whom the Presbyterian mission has been working, ~~are supp~~ want to remain near the settlement.

The other party according to Rev Arch Deacon McKay want a Reserve

Yule

13/6/91

J. P. Wadsworth
Insp. of Ind. Agencies
Prince Albert

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Reserve some-where up the Shell River.

What you are requested to be kind enough to ascertain ~~is~~ as nearly as you can is 1st as to how many ~~men women and children~~ souls there are in each of the 2 Bands or parties referred to.

Secondly to report on the price asked in the accompanying copy of letter from ~~H~~ D. H. MacDowall Esq. M.P. for 500 acres of land, the purchase of which, as a Reserve for the Sioux who want to remain near ~~in~~ Prince Albert, is under consideration by the Dept.

I have

J. A. P.

for Comm.

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To Hayter Reed, Esq..

Indian Commissioner,

Ottawa, Ont.

In re land for a Sioux Reserve at Prince Albert.

Sir,

In reply to your request that I should state the terms on which an exchange could be effected between the Indian Department and my Company, I should suggest that each party should appoint a valuator to estimate the value of the lands desired by the Indian Department, and that these lands should be exchanged for others of equal value elsewhere belonging to the Department of Interior. Should the arbitrators disagree they should have the power to select a third whose decision shall be final.

I am,

Yours truly,

(Sgd) D. H. Macdowall,

Pres. Moore & Macdowall, (Ltd).

P.S. My Company holds 1327 acres in all from which we desire to reserve 127 acres on the Creek as a mill site and ~~piping~~ piling grounds for lumber.

D. H. M.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

Ottawa, June 18th, 1891.

Memorandum.

The attached is forwarded for the information of the Department, and the undersigned begs to state that if the Department decides upon taking the land from Messrs. Moore & Macdowall it would be well to have the locality carefully looked over, when a proper selection could be made and the quantity desired decided upon. This quantity should, it is thought, not exceed five hundred acres.

(Sgd) Hayter Reed,
Commissioner.

To the
Deputy Minister
Indian Affairs.

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OFFICE OF THE
Secretary of the Finance Committee
OF THE
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SASKATCHEWAN.

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JUN 26 1891

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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,
N.W.T., Canada, June 24th 1891

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Sir

In reply to your letter No 1774 of the 30th Ult. I beg to inform you that the Sioux who wish to settle in the Shell River section of country number fourteen tents. I have not been able to ascertain the exact number of men, women, and children. The first comers reached here thirteen years ago, I think, from the neighborhood of Illice. The chief came twelve years ago. His name is "Ayanki". They call themselves "Wapayto" but so far as I can find out they are Dacotah's like most of the others in Prince Albert. They are certainly not Tetons. They bear a good character for industry and general conduct

I am
Yours obediently
J. A. Mackay

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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For file in Regina

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Ottawa, June 21st, 1891.

In re Sioux Reserve at Prince Albert.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 19th instant, asking the figures for the 500 acres of land at Prince Albert, I beg to say that it seems to me that $40. per acre would be a fair price, but as stated before my Company would accept whatever valuation the arbitrators might place on it.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) D. H. Macdowall.

W. McGirr, Esq.,

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Ottawa, June 19th, 1891.

Dear Mr. Macdowall,

Before Mr. Reed left last night for the West he asked me to drop you a line in connection with your letter of the 17th instant, re land for a Sioux Reserve at Prince Albert, and to request you to name the figure which you place upon your lands at Prince Albert for the Reserve in question, say up to 500 acres.

Yours sincerely,

D. H. Macdowall, Esq., M.P.,
House of Commons, Ottawa.

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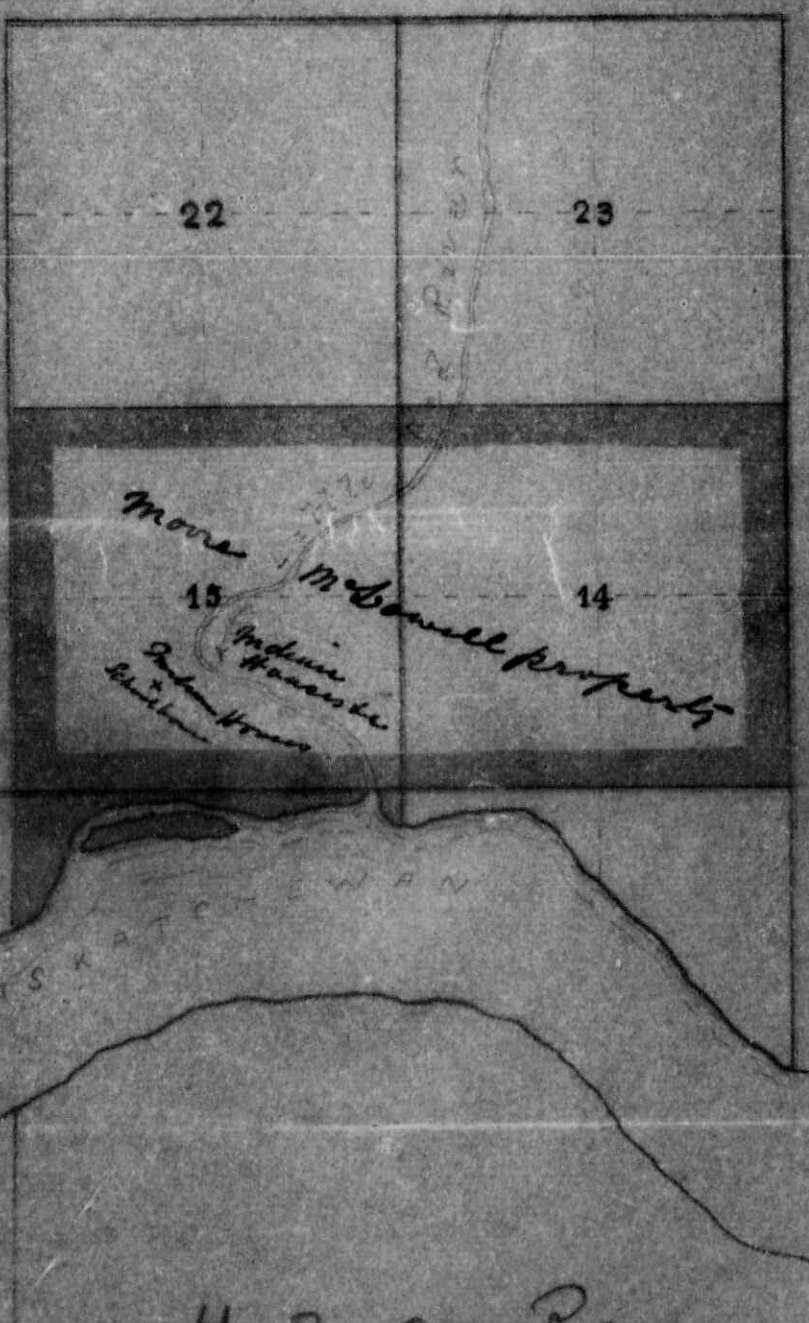
Prince Albert
25th June 1891



per Halle Creation of Mr McDowells twenty two acres

S. P. Wadsworth
Insp. In Agencies

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 30 1891
N.W.

Prince Albert June 25th 1891

Sir

I have the honor to report upon your letter to me, No 1774 dated 15th instant in re Sioux Indians of Prince Albert:

"1st As to how many souls there are"
"in each of the two Bands or parties"
"referred to"

As the above question refers to how many, according to Archdeacon McKay, want a Reserve up the Shell river, and how many there are, among whom the Presbyterian Mission has been working, want to remain near the settlement:

I had an interview with Archdeacon John McKay also with Mr Rochester the resident Presbyterian Minister; the former confirms your statement that there are two distinct parties of Sioux but claims neither as being adherents of his church; but one party of about fifteen tents, say seventy souls, live a nomadic life and generally camp - when in town - in the West end, in the vicinity of the

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Report to Dept.
re Sandacross
Reserve forwarded on
this 6/7/91.

Indian Commissioner
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the English Church Mission: they are related to the White Cap Sioux of Moose Woods, one of the leading men being a son of the late Chief White Cap, but he (Archdeacon) stated, they have never lived there, having been about Prince Albert for the past twelve years: I suggested, may they not have been counted in with the immediate followers of the late Chief when a reserve was set apart for him at Moose Woods; and he remarked that probably they were;

As these Indians can not be said to be squatting or trespassing anywhere, for they usually spend the summer near some farmers house for whom they work, and in Winter they return to the Western end of the town, above alluded to, they may for the present be dropped for they do not require immediate attention,

Regarding those now trespassing upon the Moore McDowell property, I visited them; I attach a tracing which shews their exact position: they have chosen and

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and occupy a table of land or plateau containing about one hundred acres formed by an elbow of the Little Red River near its confluence with the Saskatchewan: the situation is high and dry the soil light sandy, a fringe of trees - following the high banks of the river as it forms a horse shoe, within this they have built their houses: from the Little Red River they obtain water, and they are surrounded with plenty of dry wood: as a residence, camping ground, and winter quarters for Indians, it cannot be surpassed: but it is of no use whatever for agriculture, the soil being too light, and the Indians have not, in the slightest degree, attempted it:

They have twenty nine houses and a number of stables, and as nearly as I can understand them they claim to number thirty three men, forty three women and forty two children or all told one hundred and eighteen (118) souls:

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I feel certain that a few of this number have belonged to both White Cap of Moose woods and Standing Buffalo of Fort Qu'Appelle Bands:

A Miss Baker, an adherent of the Presbyterian Church, with the assistance of a few friends resident here, did last year build a school house convenient to this Sioux village: since then Miss Baker has been personally conducting a school with more or less success, I visited it she has twenty nine children enrolled, seven of them being Cree's - strugglers from Mr. Swatt and Stanley Lake Bands the other eighteen being Sioux children: there were twelve pupils present the morning that I called in:

Mr. Rochester, who is a new comer, unfarmed one that as yet, his church has not taken formal charge of them but it was his intention to follow on in Miss Baker's footsteps, and shortly to commence active Missionary work among them:

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Question 2 – "To report on the "price asked in the accompanying "Copy of letter from L H Macdowell "Esqr. M. P. for 500 acres of land "the purchase of which as a "Reserve for the Sioux who "want to remain near Prince "Albert is under consideration "by Department"

With regard to fixing a price for five hundred acres of Mr McDowells land in the face of his letter, which you attach, and to which you invite my attention; this is somewhat of a difficult task, as my opinion very widely diverges from his, as therein expressed, namely fifty dollars an acre or twenty five thousand dollars

It is unfair in Mr Macdowell to invite comparison between the Indians location and his own purchase of twenty two acres of city property: the latter is – probably – "within a rifle" "shot" if the rifle has a very long range, but the Saskatchewan River lies between, and one is within the city, while the other is in a wilderness =

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Also – I assume – as a reason for demanding a high price Mr MacDowell says in his letter to the Minister "You are" "aware that these Indians have" "already cut $3000 worth" "of timber off the Land" I am credibly informed that as a matter of fact these Indians have never been wood or timber merchants, that this land was robbed of its timber by White people, among others the Hudsons Bay Coy alone having taken thousands of cords; and – excepting logs for building their own houses and stables which are still on the land – they have cut no timber or cardwood, and as squaws collect the wood for their own domestic purposes, it is well known they use dry tops of trees, and seldom or never logs and trunks;

The South half of Section 15 (vide tracing attached) 320 acres includes all the land now squatted upon by the Indians and contains quite sufficient for them

This

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This land at present has no merchantable Value, and it would be impossible for anyone to fix a price upon that basis;

Before closing I may add that these Indians hold a very high place in the estimation of the people of Prince Albert, as a peaceful, law abiding, hard working people, and they are looked upon as a very necessary part of their Community; on all sides good words are heard regarding them;

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J. P. Wadsworth
Insp. Indian Agencies

P.S. I don't think that I am mistaken, when I say that these Indians occupied this land previous to Mare McDowell purchasing it:
J.P.W

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To Hayter Reed. Esq
Indian Commr.
Ottawa.

June 17th 1891.

In re land for a Sioux Reserve at Prince Albert

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Yrs. truly
(sgd) D. H Macdowall

W. McGirr. Esq

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Ottawa June 18th 1891.

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(sigd) - Hayter Reed
Commr

To the
Deputy Minr
Indn. affairs.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 65,933
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUL 10 1891
N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA

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Ottawa, 4th July, 1891.

Sir:-

Referring to the question of the purchase by this Department from Messrs. Moore & Macdowall, of Prince Albert, of a piece of land for the Sioux, who have been long living on land belonging to that firm, in exchange for public lands to be given Messrs. Moore & Macdowall by the Department of the Interior, I enclose herein copies of the following documents:-

1. A memo. to myself written when you were here and dated the 18th ultimo, ~~enclosing a~~ and the note from Mr. Macdowall enclosed therein. I send this as you may not have retained a copy of the same.

2. Letter from Mr. Macdowall to Mr. Wm. McGirr of this Department, dated the 21st ultimo, inwhich he states that he considers that $40 an acre would be a fair price for the 500 acres of land at Prince Albert, but that his Company would accept whatever valuation the arbitrators might place upon it.

Referring to your memo. of the 18th instant, above mentioned, in which you state that, if the Department decides to take the land from Messrs. Moore & Macdowall, it would be well to have the locality carefully looked over

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when a proper selection could be made and the quantity desired decided upon,which,you state,should not exceed 500 acres,I have to request that you will take an early opportunity of having this suggestion carried out,either by yourself or some other competent person,and of conferring with Messrs.Moore & Macdowall as to the lands to be given them in exchange by the Department of the Interior.

Your obedient servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt.General of

Indian Affairs.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,

Indian Commissioner,

Regina,N.W.T.

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Sir,

60933. By direction of the Commissioner I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of and reply to Department's letter of 2nd. ulto: referring to the proposed purchase of land from Messrs. Moore & Macdowall, on the North side of the Saskatchewan River, at Prince Albert, to form a Reserve for the Sioux Indians in that locality.

These Indians, as nearly as can be ascertained, number some thirty-three men, forty-three women and forty-two children.

The Commissioner is of the opinion that living as they do, 300 acres would be a sufficient area of land to reserve for them, although 30 acres were reserved for every 5 souls of White Cap's Band at Moose Woods.

These Prince Albert Sioux founded their desire to remain near that place on their preference for maintaining themselves by working among the settlers, and all they want to do in the way of agriculture is to cultivate small

The Deputy of the

Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,

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small gardens. Indeed were it intended to make farmers of them the lands under consideration could not be recommended at all.

The lands upon which they are now trespassing being part of what it is proposed to purchase for them, is a plateau containing about 100 acres formed by an elbow of the Little Red River near its confluence with the Saskatchewan.

The situation is high and dry, the soil light and sandy and a fringe of trees follows the high banks of the river as it forms a horse shoe within which they have built their houses. The Little Red River supplies them with water and they are surrounded by plenty of dry wood.

As a residence, camping ground and winter quarters for Indians, the site cannot be surpassed.

The Indians have put up 20 houses and a number of stables.

With regard to the price asked by Mr. Macdowall, . . ., it may be observed that probably the fairest way would be to leave the settlement of this to arbitration, as it is understood has been proposed by Mr. Macdowall.

It may be quite true that the land is within no great distance of valuable property, but the latter is within the town limits of Prince Albert, while the other is across the River.

As to alleged depredations upon the timber by these same Indians, as affecting the price, Department has already stated in its letter of 7th. March last, that it is not responsible for this.

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In any case the result of enquiries goes to show that the land referred to was robbed of timber by white people rather than by Indians. The Hudson's Bay Co., are said to have taken thousands of cords from it, and it would probably be very difficult for Mr. Macdonall to show that over and above the little dry wood collected by the squaws for domestic purposes, these Indians have taken more wood than logs for the houses and stables already referred to, and still on the land.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient servant,

For Commissioner.

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Dear McGirr,

I have your letter of 23rd. inst: reminding me of what I promised to do, relative to locating the Sioux at Prince Albert.

I have sent Ponton out to examine and report to me, and to lay off land, so you see the matter has not been forgotten.

Yours very truly,

J.A.R

W. McGirr, Esq.,
Indian Department,
Ottawa.

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Ottawa, July 23rd, 1891.

Dear Mr. Reed,

With reference to your letter of the 6th instant, No. 1774, it is observed that you make no mention of any action having been taken in accordance with your Memorandum of the 18th ultimo re land for "Sioux" at Prince Albert. In that Memorandum you say:--"It would be well "to have the locality carefully looked over, when a "proper selection could be made, and the quantity de- "sired decided upon."

I don't think the Department can take any action until you report that this has been done.

Yours sincerely,

L. McGirt.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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Fyle 1774

Extract from Commissioners Report to the Department - dated 22nd Jan/91

"See Fyle 907"

About 10 Jan

At Prince Albert I interviewed the Sioux, who live across the River.

That there Sioux strongly object to leaving the neighborhood of the Town and they advance such excellent Arguments in favour of being allowed to remain close to the Settlement here they get constant work in the Houses and fields of the Settlers, and when the aged and infirm receive assistance that I really felt unable to justify myself in any attempt to insist upon their removal to a distance,

I could not learn that their removal is desired by any but Messrs Moore and Macdowall who object to their presence on their Land,

but

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but they are willing to give it up to them, provided they receive an equivalent elsewhere, the land although not good for much, is well enough adapted for the cultivation of such little gardens as will produce all that these Indians aspire to, or probably can be induced to raise. I will however after further communication with Mr. Moore and Macdowell, bring this subject again to the Dept's notice,

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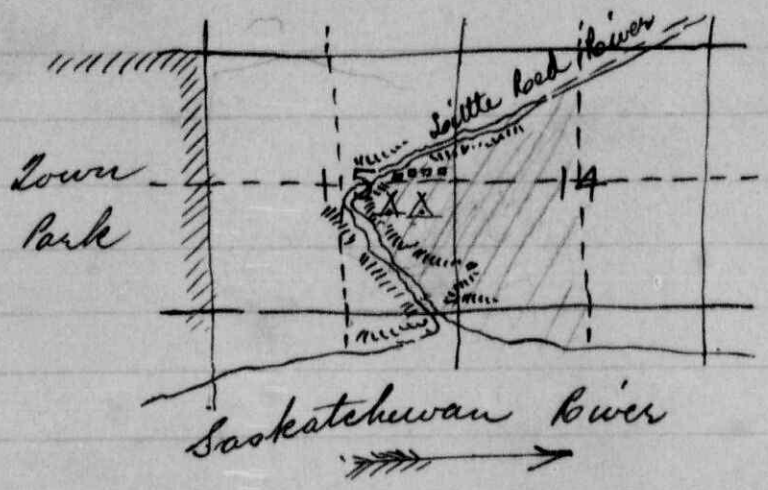
Prince Albert Sask.
19th August 1891

Sir

I have the honor to report that I have examined Sec. 15; Tp. 49; Ra. 26 West 2nd Meridian. I find that the Sioux refugees have their houses located as per sketch.



Their houses are located on the N.E. 1/4 Sec. 15, but their lodges are at present on the S.E. 1/4 Sec.

I also found that the Sioux are all located east of little Red Deer River; and that other lodges and houses on the West 1/2 Sec. 15 belong to Straggling Crees.

The land on which the Sioux Indians have their houses is an elevated plateau. which forms a natural opening in the woods, and by no means a clearing in the timber.

The soil is almost clear sand, on which nothing but stunted grass can exist.

The south East quarter has no value either as land, for timber or pasture.

The N.E. 1/4 has a considerable quantity of Jack Pine, the soil sand

The W 1/2, formerly covered with Jack Pine, has been stripped of its timber, the soil is worthless.

Ack 21st Aug 91 & awaiting further communication from Toulon before writing Supt.

Ass't Com

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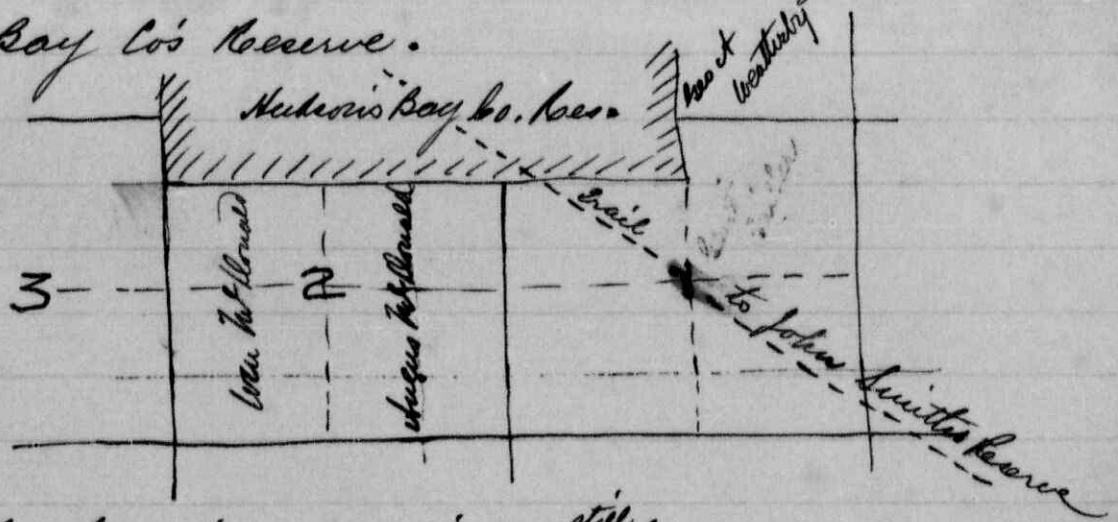
I consider Sections 14 and 15, utterly worthless as a reserve. Nothing can be grown on them, and they are not conveniently situated for Indians obtaining work in the town.

I have examined Sec. 1; Tp. 48; Rge. 26, situated at the S.E. Corner of the Hudson's Bay Co's Reserve.



This fractional section is still open, and consists of excellent farming and grazing land, dotted with ponds and small meadows and clumps of small poplar, which would give fencing rails, but no timber of sufficient size for building timber.

This section is situated on the main trail to John Smiths Reserve and the South Branch, and about three miles from the town.

As a reserve I consider this section the best location for these Indians if it can be secured, but I hear that they do not desire to leave the river.

In that event I would suggest that a location on the North bank of the river should be selected for them, which would afford fire-wood and building timber. This would give them a good

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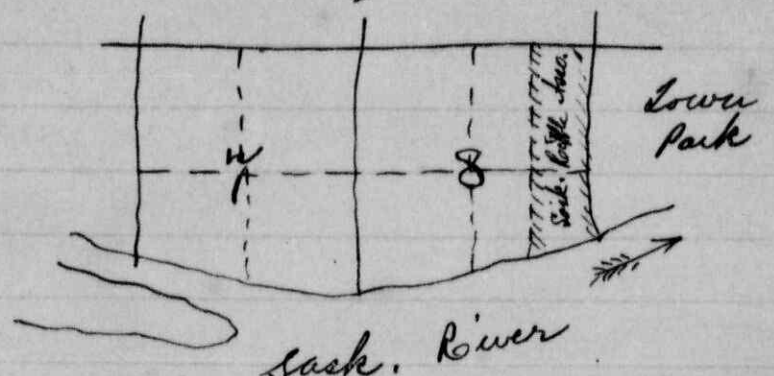
Winter quarters, and a place of residence for those who desired to obtain their living about the town. In fact they could all live there, moving their lodges to their farms on Sec 1. during seeding, and harvest time.

With this idea I visited the Land Office where I found that Sections 7 and 8 ~~26~~ 49 R a 26 West 2nd Meridian were still open, with the exception of a portion of Sec. 8 which has been reserved for the Sask. Cattle Association



Much good land is found along the river, and the soil is well adapted for gardening. Covered with ~~scrub poplar~~ a scattered growth of small poplar

The North half of these sections is covered with Jack Pine, of value for fire-wood and building timber, the soil sand and worthless.

A good reserve could be selected here or such a portion as I have suggested in connection with Sec. 1.

I may mention that Sec. 8 lies across the river from Stobarts old post, now occupied by Mr J A Sinclair.

I may also mention that Mr E J Weatherby offers his farm ~~with all~~ on Sec 12 (See Sketch H.B. 60 Res.) with all improvements at $5.00 per acre, which will show the value

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of good land near the town in comparison with the figure put on land quite as distant and across the river by Mr McDowall.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A.L. Ponton
D. C. Surveyor

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commr
Regina Assa.

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Regina, 21st Aug. 1891

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Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your Report of 19th Inst. re Reservation of the Sioux; and by direction of the Commissioner who is at this moment leaving for Piapots, I would request you to ascertain whether the Indians concerned would consent to their removal to sections 7 & 8 opposite Stobart's old Post - From your description of these lands, the Commissioner believes that it would be a good place for them & will recommend its being set apart for the purpose if the Indians will go there.

JR

Benton
Core Ind. Agt
Carlton.

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My dear MacDonell,

Referring to your P. S., about the Sioux Indians, I would say that our Surveyor has been over the lands, and reports strongly against them, and one of the Inspectors, who is at that place, states that they are of little value.

The matter is in abeyance, until I receive further reports from our Surveyor, relative to the Government lands in the vicinity.

Yours very truly,

J.R.

D. L. Macdonell, Esq.,

L. P.

Prince Albert.

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Prince Albert, Sask
Septr 7th 1891

Dear Reed,

Your letter of the 4th received
If your surveyor reports against
the lands in question for the Sioux
Indians I must request you to
move them off without any further
delay as every day they remain
they are committing greater damage
& destroying the timber -

Yr. truly,
D. H. Macdowall

Hayter Reed Esqr.

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Prince Albert, Sask
Sept 7th 1891

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Hayter Reed Esqr

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Stobart Sask.
11th Sept. 1891

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Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 21st Aug. No. 1774 requesting me to ascertain whether the Indians concerned would consent to their removal to Sec 7 and 8, opposite Stobarts' old Post -

I would state that I go direct from here to Prince Albert, and will interview these Indians at once. I have been unable, until the present, to leave my party at Nistawasis Reserve, without the work remaining at a stand still until my return

I may mention that the past fine weather has greatly assisted me in getting ahead with work, and should this matter be definitely settled, the survey can probably be undertaken before very cold weather sets in.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A Bouton
D.L.S. Surveyor

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commissioner
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From Gluck Lake

To Ind Comm Regina 1774

Intend seeing Grant at once / Mailed letter and report on Thursday June

W W Porter

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J. J. Campbell
Prince Albert

If Ponton has not seen whether Sioux will go on land north side of River & commended by him better attend to it but try return Monday

H R

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A.W. Ponton
Duck Lake

If you haven't attended
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Carlton letter do so immediately
answer

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Prince Albert
15th Sept. 1891

Sir /

I have the honor to report that I paid a visit to the Sioux Camp yesterday, but finding only a few present. I arranged to meet them again today -

Accompanied by Joseph McKay, N. W. P. Interpreter, I had a meeting with them today, but was unable to to arrive at any definite result -

The chief reason of my want of better success, is the impossibility of obtaining an interpreter ~~possessing~~ a sufficient knowledge of their language; and McKay does not pretend to this -

Another objection they made to answering me at once, was the absence of some of the band, but this was merely a pretence for delay, as fourteen representative men were present.

Their chief trouble, I believe, is the fear of being called upon to abandon their present houses, and to rebuild upon the proposed reserve before the winter, and they asked me if such would be the case. I replied that I would refer the matter to you, but that they must remember that they were on another mans land and cutting his timber - I am quite satisfied that if some arrangement can be made

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for them to occupy their present houses for the Winter, that they will readily accept the proposed reserve -

The only arrangement I could make with them, was their promise, that if I returned in the course of two or three weeks, they would in the meantime talk the matter over between themselves, and have an answer ready -

They named a frenchman who lives on the river bank, near their camp, who understood their language well, and through whom they could express what they wished to say - This man was not to be found today, but I will make a point of obtaining his services when I visit them again -

I would suggest that if an earlier answer is required from this band, that Mr Inspector McGibbon be authorized to see them before returning to Regina - Otherwise situated as I am, with a party on my hands, and having no assistant capable of carrying on the survey work in my absence, I have no means of checking the men employed -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A W Ponton
I. R. Surveyor

Hayter Reed Esq
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21st September 1

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Instant and in reply to inform you that it would seem hardly worth while for you to go so far to interview the Sioux at Prince Albert again, until you are in a position, in case of the question of their being left unmolested where they are, being brough up, and the probability of the discussion regarding the same affecting their acceptance of the proposed land, to speak definitely on that point. You will therefore be kind enough to await further instructions before visiting them again.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Asst. Commissioner.

A. W. Ponton, Esq.

D. L. S.

Carlton,

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Office of the Indian Commissioner,
North West Territories,
Regina, 21st September 1891

Memorandum.

To the,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Accompanying report from Mr Ponton re acceptance, by Sioux, of proposed land at Prince Albert, together with copy of our reply to Mr Ponton transmitted for your information.

The latter is intended to serve also as copy to go on the file, if you will kindly place it there, always supposing my information, that you have taken the file with you, to be correct.

It is not probable that any serious attempt to disturb the Sioux during the coming Winter will be made, or be successful if attempted, but since Mr MacDowall is in Ottawa, you can doubtless settle the question, and instruct us what to say to Mr Ponton in the matter.

Asst. Commissioner.

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Mem - Mr Macdowall and myself having seen Mr Dewdney to day the latter stated that he would recommend to Council that $10 per acre be paid for such land as is required for the Sioux settled opposite Prince Albert upon land owned by Moore & Macdowall

Hayter Reed

Ottawa Oct 13th - 1891

Mr Ponton 23/10/91

Mem - Ponton if time will admit before coming South had better make a selection of some 500 or 600 acres for these Indians - A regard for the future should be had in the way of building timber & firewood & the approach to water should not be overlooked - This to be in the locality where they now are

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Letter No. 276221
Reference No. 229293

Department of the Interior, 1774

☞ Address your reply as follows:
To the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

☞ Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.

☞ Write legibly your full name and address.

Ottawa, 17th October, 1891. 18

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 8th instant, asking whether authority may be granted to survey such quantity of township 48, in ranges 4 and 5, or township 49 in ranges 4 and 5, West of the 3rd Meridian, as may be necessary to form a reserve for certain Indians which you wish to remove from the Carlton Lake country, I am directed to inform you that the Minister of the Interior does not think it advisable that any reservation should be made for those Indians in the locality mentioned, or that they should be removed at all from their present place of abode.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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22nd. October,

Sir,

With further reference to your letter of 10th. inst: I beg to inform you that the Commissioner desires that if, before your return, you can find time to do so, you will be kind enough to proceed to Prince Albert, and select some five hundred or six hundred acres of land, for the Sioux, where they are now located on the Moore & Macdonell Lands, across the river, since it seems probable that a purchase will be arranged.

In making this selection regard should be had to the future requirements, in the direction of timber and firewood, and an approach to water should not be overlooked.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

A. G. McL.

Asst. Commissioner.

A. W. Ponton, Esq.,

D. L. S.,

Carlton,

Sask..

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Regina, 18th. December, 1891.

My dear Macdowall,

What can I do for you in the Sioux land matter ? I thought you understood the amount was to be placed in the coming Estimates, and voted by Parliament, until which time nothing more can be done than already has. We have no money at our command to pay the amount. I wish I could in all sincerity meet your wishes and send up a cheque, but I fear it is impossible.

Trusting that it will all come right in the end, believe me to be,

Yours very truly,

JAR

D. H. Macdowall, Esq.,
M. P.,
Prince Albert.

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Regina, 23rd. December, 1891.

My dear Macdowall,

Replying to yours of 20th. inst: while in Ottawa I did not understand that an Order-in-Council would be passed relative to the payment of moneys for the Sioux lands, but as you think it would have the effect of stopping interest, I am writing Mr. Dewdney asking him to have it passed.

Yours very truly,

JAR

D. H. Macdowall, Esq.,
M. P.,
Prince Albert.

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Regina, 23rd. December, 1901.

Dear Mr. Dewdney,

Macdowall is under the impression that it was understood that an Order-in-Council would be passed, authorizing the money in payment of lands to be had from his Company, for the Sioux Indians at Prince Albert, to be placed in the Estimates. ~~Is such the case ?~~ Is such the case ?

If the Order-in-Council be passed it would stop interest running on timber dues due by them.

Yours very truly,

AR

Hon. E. Dewdney,

Minister of the Interior,

Ottawa.

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Ottawa, 28th December, 1891.

Mr Reed
13/1/92

Dear Reed,

I have your note of the 23rd instant in reference to Macdowall's impression that an Order in Council would be passed authorizing the money in payment of lands to be had from his Company, for the Sioux Indians at Prince Albert, to be placed in the Estimates. No Order in Council has yet been passed, but I will bring the matter before Council at the earliest opportunity, and see what can be done.

Yours sincerely,

F. Dewdney

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina,
N. W. T.

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14th Jany 1892

Dear Mr Dowell

I learn from Mr Dewdney that no order in Council has yet been passed to authorize the insertion in Estimates of money to purchase lands for the Sioux Indians near Prince Albert; but he intends to bring the matter before Council at earliest opportunity

I have &c

AR

D. H. McDowall Esq. M.P.
Prince Albert

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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Address reply to
Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs, Ottawa

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
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N.W.T.

Ottawa, 16th April, 1892.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 6th July last, relative to the land belonging to Messrs. Moore & Macdowall on the North side of the Saskatchewan River, near Prince Albert, which has been squatted on by certain Sioux Indians, I have to inform you that the Department of the Interior is contemplating giving Messrs. Moore & Macdowall public lands in exchange for the 500 acres, which, you state in your said letter, would be about sufficient for the Department to acquire for the Indians in question; and now the question has arisen as to the value of the said 500 acres. In your letter you make the following statement in regard to the price asked by Mr. Macdowall, M.P.:-

"It may be observed that probably the fairest way would be to leave the settlement of this to arbitration, as it is understood has been proposed by Mr. Macdowall. It may be quite true that the land is within no great distance of valuable property, but the latter is within the town limits of Prince Albert, while the other is across the River." &c.,&c.

The Indian Commissioner,

Regina, N.W.T.

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In a letter received recently from the Department of the Interior this Department is informed that, upon receipt from it of a valuation of the 500 acres, that Department would facilitate an exchange being made with Messrs. Moore & Macdowall for vacant Dominion lands.

Will you be good enough, if you are still of the opinion that the best way to settle as to the value of the land would be by arbitration, to inform me as soon as possible whom you would recommend as arbitrator on behalf of the Department.

Your obedient servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt. General of
Indian Affairs.

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200 April

Sir:-

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your

CC.903. letter of the 1st Instant and in reply to state that in my opinion Mr. [illegible] McKenzie, of Duck Lake, would be as suitable as any one to act as arbitrator on behalf of the Department, in determining the value of the land belonging to Messrs. Moore and Macdonell, on the North side of the Saskatchewan River, at Prince Albert, which has been squatted on by the Sioux Indians.

Mr. McKenzie is a practical man, who should be specially well qualified to estimate the value of ~~the~~ timber lands, and he is well acquainted with all the circumstances of the district, which affect the value of the property.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JR

Commissioner.

To the,

Deputy of the,

Sup. General,

of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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Ind. Agt. McKenzie
Duck Lake

Advise Ponton do nothing about Prince Albert Sioux Land. Writing him to Duck Lake

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Through Message Blank. T. D. Form 2 A.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S TELEGRAPH.

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To Asst Indian Regina 1774

Dont. Let ponton
Touch prince Albert sioux
Land no money voted

Stayter Reed

Wired Agt D. Lake to allow Ponton

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21st July, 72

Sir:-

I beg to inform you that I telegraph yesterday to Mr. Agent McKenzie to instruct you to do nothing about the Reserve for the Sioux at Prince Albert. My reason for this was that I had just received a telegram from the Commissioner at Ottawa, saying that you should not touch that work, because no money had been voted, and as I did not know where to address you, I thought it best to wire the Agent.

We have not yet received the surrender for which we wrote to the Department, but expect it daily, and you probably better remain where you are until again communicated with.

I forget to request Mr. Agent McKenzie to furnish you with a horse should you require one, but this will serve as your authority for asking him to do so in case of necessity.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

a[illegible]

Asst. Commissioner.

A.W. Ponton, Esq.,

D. L. S.

Fuck Lake,

Stobart.

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Ottawa, August 5th, 1892.

MEMORANDUM.

The Superintendent General and the Indian Commissioner have discussed the Sioux land question, and it has been decided that upon Mr. Reed's return to Regina he will communicate with Messrs. Moore and Macdowall relative to the land upon which the Sioux are now settled.

It will be a question whether the Department will consider paying Moore and Macdowall for the damages done by the Indians to their property, although not legally bound to do so, and remove them from the land or allow them to remain there and pay Moore and Macdowall for the land upon certificates from reliable men as to its value per acre. It is thought that the latter course would be the best to pursue, as it might be found very expensive and inexpedient to remove the Indians. The Commr will report full particulars when an arrangement has been come to.

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Ottawa, August 2nd, 1892.

My Dear Macdowell,

C

The interminable Sioux matter is still to the fore, and I regret, for your sake, that it has not before this been settled. Mr. Dewdney desires me to get a certificate from some qualified person to the effect that the land in question, and for which remuneration is being asked from the Department, is fully worth the price of $10. per acre.

I saw Moore the other day in Montreal, and I thought him looking very well. I told him how the matter stood, and he said he would not forget to get you to act.

Yours very truly,

A. M.

D. H. Macdowell, Esq., M.P.,
Prince Albert.

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Feby., 14th, 3

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that some Sioux Indians in the neighborhood of Prince Albert have applied to have a Reserve given them, or failing that to be allowed to homestead.

These Indians are distinct from the Sioux at Moose Woods, and from those Sioux in the neighborhood of Prince Albert, to provide land for whom negotiations were carried on with Mcfire, Moore & Macdowall.

They belong to the Santee division of the Sisseton Tribe, and have always refused as they still do, to have any connection with the other Sioux just referred to.

They claim to have been in this country for the last thirty years and have been in the vicinity of Prince Albert for some twelve years. During their sojourn at Prince Albert they have maintained themselves by working for the settlers and have earned a character for fili-gence, orderly conduct and morality. They number some eleven heads of families and between 50 and 60 souls all told.

Despite

To the Deputy of the
Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs,
O T T A W A .

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Despite their good character, as settlement is closing in the lands about Prince Albert, the presence of these Indians is becoming a source of annoyance to the settlers, who desire to have them removed.

As already said these Indians have expressed a desire if not given a Reserve to be allowed to homestead and from the experience gained by them in working for the settlers, and their industrious habits, one is tempted to regret that the law does not allow of their becoming homesteaders; however, as the matter stands I beg to recommend that they be granted a Reserve of an area calculated at the rate of 30 acres to 5 souls, or say 300 acres altogether.

It has not been possible to ascertain exactly from their description where the land they desire to acquire is situated; however it seems to be some 25 miles North of the North branch of Saskatchewan, and in the direction of Carlton, where doubtless there is plenty of land available, and they offer to accompany and point it out to anyone the Department may send for the purpose.

From what is known of these Indians it is felt that were the land given them together with perhaps a couple of yoke of oxen, a plow or two, and so forth, there is every prospect of their maintaining themselves without in any way interfering with the settlers or being a burden on the Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Commissioner.

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File 65,933

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
NOV 2 1893
N W T

Ottawa, November 18th, 1893.

Sir,

Referring to prior correspondence I may request you to be kind enough to transmit for my information copy of anything you may have on file which would shew what lands areavailable for settlement of the Sioux Indians who reside in the neighbouhhood of Prince Albert.

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I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Supt General of

Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,

Assistant Indian Commissioner,

Regina.

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November 25th 1893

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of
68933 your letter of the 18th instant and in accordance with the request therein made, to enclose you herewith copy of a report of Mr Assistant Surveyor Ponton, showing what lands are available for settlement of the Sioux Indians who resides in the neighborhood of Prince Albert.

All other documents bearing on the subject will be found on the file of the Department.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

a.e.f.

Asst Commissioner

The Deputy of the

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Ottawa.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
. 1. 65,933
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAR 14 1894
N.W.T.

Ottawa 10th March 1894

Sir,

Referring to prevdous correspondence, I have to inform you that I have been informed by the Department of Interior that the Qu'Appelle, Long Lake and Saskatchewan Railway Company have relinquished their claim to Section 35 Township 49 R. 27 West of 2nd Meridian and that a recommendation to Council has been drafted reserving Sections 35 and 36 and an equal area of the unsurveyed land immediately North thereof as a Reserve for a small Band of the Sioux Indians.

Your obedient servant

Acting Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

The Assistant Indian Commissioner
Regina
N.W.T.

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March 14th 1894

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt
60,855 of your letter of the 10th instant respecting certain lands therein described proposed to be reserved for a small band of the Sioux Indians, and to request that I be informed, as soon as convenient, of the action of Council on the recommendation made in that behalf by the Department, in order that the Indians interested may be advised in time for such Spring work as may be found necessary.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

Asst Commissioner

The Deputy of the

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Ottawa

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File 65,933

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 1894
POST OFFICE
N.W.T.

Ottawa, March 19th, 1894.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 14th instant, I beg to state that you will be advised as to the fate of the Order-in-Council relative to the land for the Sioux, at the earliest possible moment, but meanwhile there would appear to be nothing to prevent preparation for their spring work, as it is highly improbable that any hitch can now occur about getting the land.

1774

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hayterlead

Deputy of the Sup't General

of Indian Affairs.

Department written
24-3-94
H.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,

Assistant Indian Commissioner,

Regina.

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March 24th 1894

Sir,

Referring to Department's letter of the 19th
65,933 instant and previous correspondence relative to land about to be reserved for a small band of Sioux Indians residing in the vicinity of Prince Albert.

In this connection I beg to draw your attention to letter from this office of even number of the 14th February 1893, from which it would appear that there are two bands of Sioux concerning whom negotiations have taken place with reference to obtaining reserves.

Will the Department kindly inform this office whether the land referred to in its letters of the 10th and 19th instant (No 65,933) is intended for the small band concerning which negotiations have already been carried on with messrs Moore & MacDowall or the other small band said to belong to the Santee division of the Sisseton Tribe?

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

The Deputy of the

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Ottawa

Asst Commissioner

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Indian Agent's Office,

2nd Febriary, 1894.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th December last, No 65,933, and with regard to my success with the smaller Band of Sioux Indians living in the neighbourhood of Prince Albert, to reply as follows.

Having other Departmental business in Prince Albert, such as visiting ~~Prince Albert~~ sick Indians, and other minor matters, besides the main object of my visit, and wishing to visit John Smith's and La Corne, I left for Prince Albert by train on the evening of the 16th ultimo, having arranged for my team to follow on the 18th, thereby saving the expense of stabling during my detention there.

On the 17th I proceeded with an Interpreter to the place occupied by these Sioux Indians, and found that the Chief "Ah hee yakes" was absent, owing to the death of his wife two or three days previous, and that the rest of the Band were unwilling to decide anything about choosing another location during his absence. However, I spent the greater part of the day with them, and ascertained that they were all anxious to have a piece of land each that they could look upon as their own. I therefore made an appointment to meet them again on the 24th, when the Chief would have returned.

On the 18th I visited the land office, to find out if the land mentioned in your letter could be secured, but discovered that it is held by the Railway Company ; in any case the Indians would not accept it, as the land is poor and has not wood on it. I therefore decided to let the matter stand until the Chief returned, and proceeded on my way to John Smith's and La Corne.

On my return I met the Chief and Indians on the 24th, as arranged, having, at the request of the Indians, engaged Mr. Joe McKay as Interpreter. After talking with them a short time I learned that there were nine heads of families in the Band, and told them that if they would point out the land the wished for, if it was available I would get them 40 acre lots each. This they thought would be insufficient, so I got them to select two or three different places, so that if one was not available they might get one of the other, and promised them that they would have 40 acres each, and that a further 40 acres each would be reserved for them, provided they worked well, and the Department considered they required it. With this they were satisfied, and said that they would expect a surveyor to be sent to survey the land, and allot each man his own farm, with which they would expect to receive a document showing that the land was their own, so that they might improve it and put up good buildings.

I told them I thought this would be done, but that they would not have power to sell the land. This they perfectly understood, and assured me they would abandon the place they now occupy when their other location was

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was decided, and they seem overjoyed at the prospect of having a place of their own.

I returned to the land office to see if the land they had chosen was available, and found that it ~~was~~ is, and so far as we could locate the spot it is part of sections 35 and 36, Tp 49, R. 27, west 2nd M, and a portion running north into unsurveyed land. I enclose a diagram received from the land office, on which is marked in blue pencil the location chosen, and which I have asked the land agent to withdraw from entry until I hear from you.

This piece of land lies directly north of the Island above Prince Albert, about six or seven miles from the town, and I am informed by Mr. Joe McKay that the quality of the land is good, and that hay and wood is plentiful.

I may inform you that the reason of their acceding so quickly to my offer was because I told them ~~that~~ I was not at present going to say anything to the other Indians on the Moore Macdowall property, who, I found, on visiting the Sioux school and some sick Indians, were anxious to have an interview with me, but as I had no authority to speak with them I kept out of their way.

I would ask for a reply at your earliest convenience, and trust you will approve the action I have taken.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. S. McKenzie,
Indian Agent.

The Deputy of the
Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE [illegible] OF THIS LETTER

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DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 2 1894
N.W.T.

1774

Ottawa, March 29th, 1894.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 24th instant, I beg to inform you that the land referred to is for the small Band of Sioux of the Sisseton Tribe, and not for that relative to which negotiations have been carried on with Messrs. Moore and MacDowall, of Prince Albert.

written Agent 3 Apl. 94

The land, for the reservation of which the Order-in-Council has now been passed, was selected by these Indians at a conference held with them under Department's instructions, by Mr. Agent McKenzie, and a copy of his report is transmitted for your information.

You should communicate the result to him, in order that he may explain the matter to the Indians, and they must be made to clearly understand, as Mr. McKenzie seems to have led them to expect, that they will have no absolute possession enabling them to dispose of the land, but will hold under the system of location tickets.

As soon as it can conveniently be done the Reserve should be divided into 40 acre lots, then

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Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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then distributed so as to give each head of a family two of these lots, if there be sufficient to allow of so doing, but if not, men of small families should get less, say one 40 acre lot, or whatever arrangement may seem to be best.

They should be supplied out of the Sioux vote with some cattle, implements, seed, and trace chains for the harness, which they should make for themselves, but if the Sioux vote will not permit of all of these being purch sed, then your stores may be drawn upon for what they can contr ibute of what is required.

Withdrawn some funds in Sioux vote

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy of the Sup't General

of Indian Affairs.

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April 3rd 1894

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 2d ultimo to the Deputy Duperintendent General, respecting the setting apart of land for the small band of Sioux of the Sisseton tribe at Prince Albert. I beg to inform you, by direction of the Department, that the Qu'Appelle Long Lake & Saskatchewan Railway Co have relinquished their claim to section 35, Tp. 49, Rg 27, West of 2 Meridian, and that an Order-in-Council has been passed reserving sections 35 and 36 and an equal area of the unsurveyed land immediately North thereof for the purpose aforesaid.

As soon as it can conveniently be done, the reserve will be divided into 40 acre lots, then distributed so as to give each head of a family two of these lots, if there be sufficient to allow of so doing, but if not, men of small families should get less, say one 40 acre lot each, or whatever arrangement may seem best.

For the present, and until it can be ascertained

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Indian Agent

Duck Lake

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tained whether the area set apart will permit of two lots being given to each, dont promise more than 40 acres for each family.

They must be made to clearly understand that they will have no absolute possession, enabling them to dispose of the land, but will hold the same under the system of location tickets.

Pending the survey, nothing prevents their locating on the land and you will urge them to do so and perform such Spring work as may be found necessary.

B

In order to enable them to cultivate the land the Department is also disposed to give them cattle under the loan system and to supply implements, seeds and trace chains, for such harness as they may make for themselves. You will please therefore report at once upon their requirements in these lines giving an estimate of what the cost of the cattle will be.

Yours obediently

AR7

Asst Commissioner

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From

To Ind Commissioner

River impassable better hold ponton until you receive my report Kindly advise Keith this district

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO R J McKenzie

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From Attawa Ont

To A E Forget

Advance Fonton one hundred dollars, charge sioux vote amount not to be exceeded for whole work.

Hayter Reed

This means my fares as well

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

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12/4/94

Ind. Agt.
Duck Lake

Ponton leaves Saturday for Prince Albert survey Sioux reserve-

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In your reply refer to
No. 4136
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Duck Lake
13th April 1884.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 17 1884
N.W.T.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of 12th last which reads as follows.

"Pinter leaves Saturday for Prince Albert
"Survey Sioux Reserve"

and to confirm the following message wired you in reply.

"River impassable, better hold Pinter
"until you receive my report, Kindly
"advise Keith, his district.

I have now to inform you that my reason for wireing you the foregoing was that at present the river is not in a very safe condition, a man on foot could cross but it is hardly likely that by Monday next a horse could, further the snow has not sufficiently disappeared to allow a survey to be handily or satisfactorily taken. This is my opinion but of course Mr Pinter will be better able to judge for himself on such matters. I however think

Indian Commissioner
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that if Mr. Foster could come up on Saturday 21st Inst. he would have a much easier time to perform his work and further you will have my report of my interview on 11th Inst. with the Sioux Indians, which I would like you to see before he leaves.

Trusting my action will meet with your approval.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
R. S. McKenzie
Indian Agent

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Memo of local quotations for some of the articles required for the Sioux Indians and of the Potatoes

2	12in John Deere Breaking plow & extra share	18.50	$27.00
	14in " " " "	19.50	30.00
	12in Bell city " " "		20.00
	14 " " " "		22.00
1	60 Diamond steel tooth channel bar steel Harrow	13.50	15.00
1	McCormick Mower	$83.00	67.00
1	Maxwell Horse rake		30.00
1	73 Waggon complete 3½ skein	$65.00	80.00
2	Double trees complete	3.50	4.00

Potatoes will not be less than 50cts per bushel as they are very scarce and rising in price.

Should a mower be supplied I would strongly recommend the McCormick as being far better than any other as I have tested it and there is no difference in price

should buy a Brantford Canadian make wont buy American machines — although better

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In your reply refer to
No. 1137
Also the date of this letter.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
APR 17 1894
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Duck Lake
13th April 1894

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1774 of 3rd Inst. and to inform you in reply that as it was impossible to supply the information required until I had another interview with the Sioux Indians, for that purpose I went into Prince Albert by train on Tuesday night last, and on Wednesday morning having engaged a rig from Mr. Donaldson and the services of an interpreter we proceeded to the Sioux Camp and interviewed the Indians.

I am pleased to report that they will gladly move to the location set aside for them by the Government and would do so at once were it not that they will first require a little assistance in the form of provisions, as after they leave they will not be able to earn anything as they now do in various ways in Prince Albert.

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Indian Commissioner
Regina
Assa.

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After expressing their thanks to the Government for what is being done for them and a hope that they would not prove ungrateful. they requested, that as they did not understand farming, or atleast only a little about it, that the Department would give them a man to teach them for a few years, and mentioned Mr. Dick Pritchard or Mr. Joe McKay either of which they considder could not be bettered as instructors but they stated that, as they themselves are workers, they would not burden the Dept with the expence of keeping a man that would not be of service to them.

McCallum will look after them

They were asked to be supplied with a little Flour, Bacon, tea, Tobacco, also powder, shot, caps, Twine No. 5. 9825, Cod lines, a few fish hooks & line & a little snaring wire, and a supply of medicine or an order to get such as are required from the Doctor.

On talking the matter over with them I found that the following seeds would be required for them for the present season

Carrot, short horn 2 lbs. @ 1.00 = 2.00
Onion, Red Wethersfield 1 lb @ 2.50 = 2.50
Turnip 5 lbs @ .50 = 2.50
15.00 Potatoes from 25 to 30 Bus. @ .50 = 15.00
22.00

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The following coming under the head of Implements Tools &c are what will actually be required to give them a fair start.

Plows breaking	2	Harrows iron sets	1
Hoes grub in store	6	Hoes planter in store	6
Mower	1	Rake	1
Waggon	1	Axes chopping handled	9
Doubletrees complete 2 sets			
Grindstone	1	Chains Trace	12
Neck straps	2	Back bands	6
Leather for tugs. sets 6			
Irons to hitch trace chains to tugs, sets 6			

250.00

The following cattle will also be required by them, and I explained to them fully the loan system upon which any such cattle would be supplied them – For your guidance I have placed the prices at which purchases can be made in the district opposite each item –

Oxen	3 yoke	@ $95.00 to $100.00 per yoke	
Cows	9 ea	@ 25.00 to 30.00 per head	
Bulls	1 "	@ 75.00 to 80.00 "	

300.00
270.00
80
650.00

With regard to the Agent under whose control these Indians will come they asked whether it had been decided that I would be the person to look after them. I replied that I could not tell them, as the location they have selected is inside the limits of Mr Keith's Agency

and

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not mine but that it would just be as the Department wished to order, In this connection I would say that I would not like anything to happen to mar the good friendship that exists between Mr Keith and myself, and I feel that having anything to do within the limits of his jurisdiction I am trespassing upon his ground and I am of opinion that it would be better if these Indians were placed under his care, - of course any assistance I can give until the Indians are finally settle will be gladly given. - I may inform you that on my return from Prince Albert I met Mr Keith and in speaking the matter over with him he is of the same opinion with regard to the proper Agent to have the control of these Indians.

agree in the two

Trusting the foregoing will be found Satisfactory.

I have the honor to be.

Sir

Your obedient Servant

Indian Agent

P.S. I attach a memo. of quotations of some of the Implements & of the Potatoes.

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Regina
19/4/94

Sir/

~~In reply to your letter~~

I beg to ack receipt of your letter of the 13th relative to the Sioux Indians near Prince Albert. and in reply to inform you that as there are not funds available for the purchase of the supplies, Stock & Implements mentioned by you as being actually required, the matter has been referred to the Dept.

1137

With reference to the prices quoted for implements I beg to say that we can purchase to better advantage here after paying freight. Breaking Plows, as per schedule, can be bought here for $18.50 Brantford Mower & Sharpis Rake for about $80.00 — wagon $65.00 —

Agent Duck Lake

Only Canadian make of Implements will be bought if authorised —

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As to your remarks relative to the Agent who should have supervision over these Indians I beg to say that I agree with you in this — Mr. Farmer Coburn will be detailed to look after these Indians as well as those at Sturgeon Lake.

Adv

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April 19th 1894

Sir,

With reference to the last paragraph of your
65,933 letter of the 29th ultimo relative to supplying, out of the Sioux vote, the small band of Sioux Indians of the Sisseton tribe near Prince Albert with cattle, implements, seed, tools and harness; I have the honour to inform you that the Indian Agent at Duck Lake reports that the following will be actually required to give them a fair start and as there are no funds available in the Sioux vote for the purchase of any will you kindly inform me what action should be taken in the matter:

✓ 2 plows breaking.

✓ 1 set harrows.

1 Mower.

1 Rake

✓ 1 Waggon

~~[illegible]~~

9 ~~8~~ Hoes planters'

✓ 9 Axes chopping, handled

✓ 12 Sets doubletrees complete.

The Deputy of the 1

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Ottawa

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1 Grindstone

8 12 Chains, trace

2 Neck straps

6 Back bands

Leather for 6 sets tugs.

Irons to hitch trace chains to tugs 6 sets.

2 3 Yoke oxen

9 Cows

1 Bull

2lbs carrot seed

1 lb Onion seed

5 lbs Turnip seed

30 bus. Potatoes.

A little flour, bacon, tea, tobacco, powder, shot, caps, twine, fishhooks and snaring wire.

We can only supply from stores here the hoes, axes, leather, tea, tobacco and twine.

The other supplies with the cattle, will it is estimated cost between $900 and $1000.

As it is getting late in the season, will the Department kindly wire instructions.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

Asst Commissioner

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Time 1605 Apr 25 1894

From Ottawa

To A E Forget

Regina

Reference yours nineteenth give sioux only Implements actually necessary for Immediate use no mower or rake and in cattle two yoke oxen try pay

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Time 189

From .....

To from Current general destitute vote and replace next fiscal year

Hayter Reed

W. Neil
Keith G McKenzie
24/4/94

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24/4/94

A. Keith

C/o R. S. McKenzie

Duck Lake

Purchase for Lisseton Sioux two ploughs one harrow, one waggon one doubletree two set plough harness, 4 oxen, carrot onion turnip seed, thirty bushels potatoes, little flour, bacon, tea & ammunition

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File 65,933

Ottawa, April 26th, 1894.

APR 30 1894 N.W.T.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, stating what the Duck Lake Agent reported to be necessary to give the Sisseton Sioux at Prince Albert a fair start, also what you could supply, and requesting that instructions as to furnishing the balance be wired to you, and in reply to confirm the telegram addressed to you ~~yesterday~~ on 23rd Inst., which should read :

"Reference yours nineteenth, give Sioux only "implements absolutely necessary for immediate "use, no mower or rake, and in cattle two yoke "oxen. Try pay from current general Destitute "vote, and replace next fiscal year."

It would certainly appear that with two yoke of oxen, two plows, and a set of harrows the Indians should be more than able to put in all they can cultivate on the sod, and do what breaking is necessary this season. Question of supplying cows and a bull can be considered later on, when it is seen what funds we may have to come and go upon next year.

The Department is somewhat surprised that the Agent, well acquainted as he is by this time with the Department's policy relative to such matters, should

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

note agent bartton a/4/5/94

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should suggest starting out Indians like these to work with a mower and horse rake, instead of giving them scythes to cut hay with.

The greatest care must be taken from the outset to guard against these Indians learning to depend upon the Government to supply anything which they can by any honest means obtain for themselves.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

for Deputy of the Sup't General
of Indian Affairs.

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Time 1600 May 1 1894

From Duck Lake

To A E Forget

Will proceed to meet scout immediately instructo me prince albert where to Locate them write me fully By saturdays mail

H Keith

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

Sam 4/5/94

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1774.

Regina
4/5/94

Sir/

I beg to ack receipt ~~of your letter~~ of the following telegram from you dated 1st instant viz

"Will proceed to meet
"Sioux immediately"
"instruct me Prince Albert"
"where to locate them"
"Write me fully by saturday's"
"mail.

I now enclose extract from a letter addressed to ~~the~~ Ind. agent at Duck Lake on the 7th ulto, which will give you the necessary information as to where they are to be located.

You have already been authorised to purchase 2 plows one harrow, one wagon, one set doubletrees, 2 sets ox plow Harness, 4 oxen some carrot onion & turnip seed, 30 bus potatoes, a little flour bacon tea & ammunition

agent Carlton

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It would certainly appear that with two yoke of oxen, 2 plows and a set of harrows these Inds. should be more than able to put in all they can cultivate on the sod and do what breaking is necessary this season. The question of supplying cows and a bull can be considered later on when it is seen what funds we may have to come and go upon next year.

We can send you from store here hoes axes grindstone ~~and~~ namely leather tea twine & tobacco if required.

If provisions can be given from your stores they should be as we are very short of funds.

The greatest care must be taken from the outset, the Dept. states, to guard against these Indians learning to depend upon the Govt. to supply anything which they can by any honest means obtain for them selves

These Indians should be placed under Mr Farmer Coburn.

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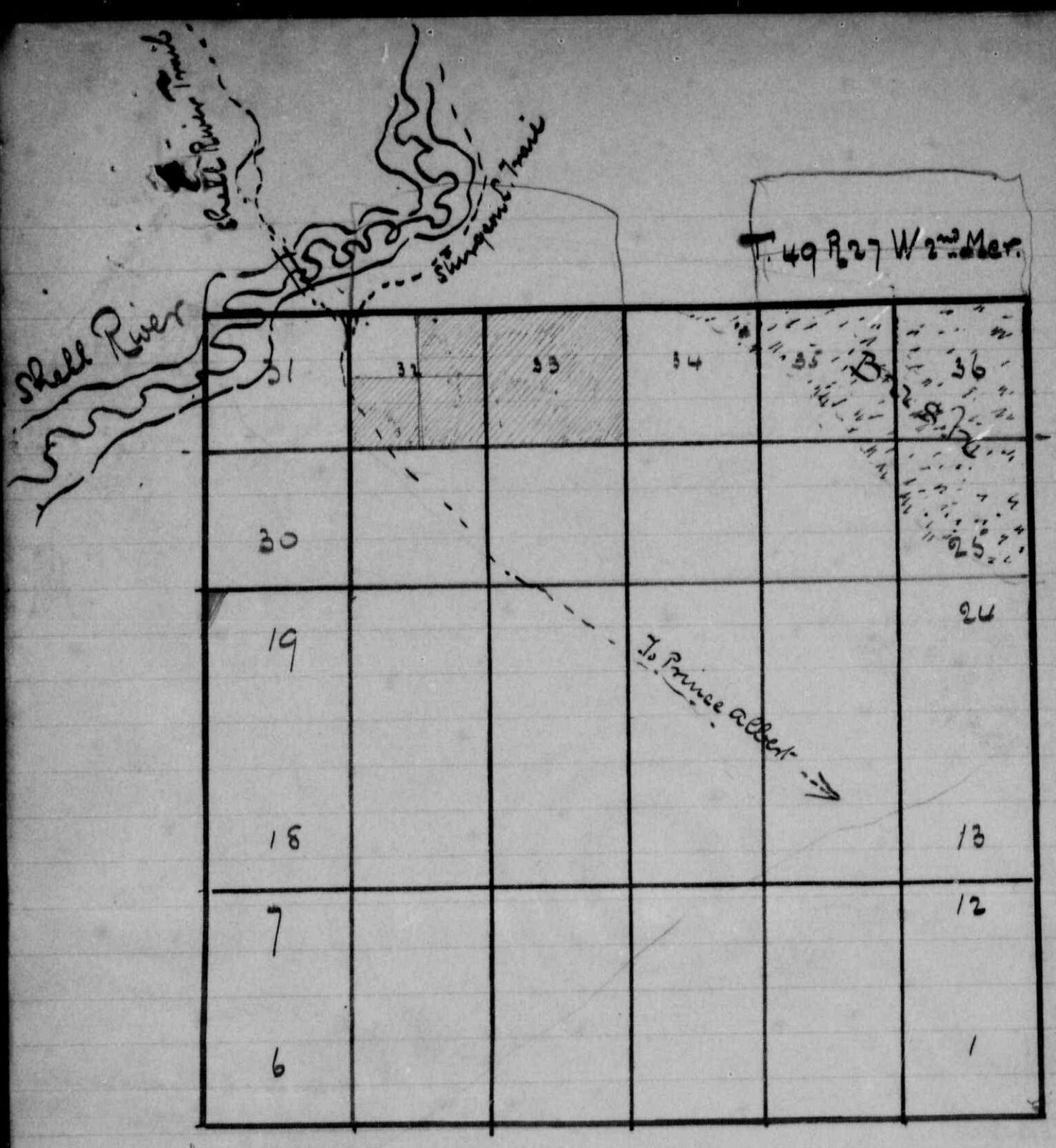

Scout residing on seven quarter sections shaded red —

N.W Quarter of Sec 32 is Homesteaded —

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In your reply refer to
No. 134
Also to date of this letter.

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FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
REGINA, May 19th 1894
Assistant
ASST. INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

1774

Indian Agent's Office, Aldina P.O.
Carlton 12th May 1894.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 18 1894
N.W.T.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 1774 of 4th Inst: I have the honor to inform you that I met the Sioux mentioned and made the following arrangements for them in accordance with your instructions.

I purchased 2. Joke Oxen, one Set Harness 2. Breaking Ploughs, 1. Set Harrows, 1. Wagon, 1 Set double & Whiffletrees, 600 lbs Flour 125 lbs Bacon, some ammunition, a little Tea & Tobacco, Turnip, Carrot, Onion Seed

They are very anxious to settle & to farm, and have made all sorts of promises to work well.

I took Mr. Farmer Coburn with me and he arranged for them to put in their root Crop, it was no good putting in any grain, as we had no land ready.

I found the Sioux all Scattered about Prince Albert, I made them understand one & all were to join in.

They should be given a few 9 Axes, 4 Augers a Grindstone, 6 Scythes 6 Snaiths, 1 box Glass & Putty

The
Asst. Commissioner
Regina to

Copy for Dept.

Reference Dept. letter 26th April 1894 No 65-933

~~We can possibly send these from stone~~

These are being sent from here
Asst Com

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to assist them with their buildings and putting up hay for their Oxen, I would suggest they be given 3 Cows as I am sure they will attend them well.

Cows next year

They were made to understand that the articles given them were only on loan & were not to be made away with.

right

I will try & let them have some lumber from our Mill.

When I arrived near the location indicated by you Viz Sec 35. 36 Township 49. Range 27, I found the land to be altogether unfit for farming purposes being bush and swamp land. I did not of course promise them any other land, they were very much against going on these Sections saying "they would not be able to farm there"; as there were some deserted fields on Sections 32 & 33, same township & Range, I thought it better to let them put their Potatoes & Gardens in these fields, and if you can manage to secure this land for them as well as some additional, as per rough plan attached it will give them a River frontage (Shell River). they will go to work with a Will, and break up new fields, erect buildings &c, in the mean time they are living under Canvas

In view of the conflicting reports respecting sections 35 & 36 would suggest that the land recommended by Mr Agent Keith be also set apart if available pending a final location by Mr Ponton. The latter may be sent out there as soon as his work in the West is over.

A.E.J.

Asst Comm

Mr. Farmer Coburn has instructions to visit them as often as he can during the month.

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I may say I have been very careful when talking with these Indians (which was in presence of their Farmer Mr. Coburn) not to let them expect much help from the Department, but by hard work themselves, they would be happy together and better their condition

The ones I actually met with their families, numbered 35 Souls, but they tell me, there are two families (9. in all) to come yet.

I fully explained about the 40. acre lots, being under the System of location tickets

I will send in all the accounts in this connection forward as soon as possible

Awaiting your further instructions regarding the Band & these people and trusting you will approve of my actions in the matter

I have the honr to be
Sir.
Your Obed: Servt
A. Keith
J.

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Regina
18/5/94

Sir/

I beg to ack receipt of
134 your letter of the 12th instant
respecting the arrange-
-ments made by you for
the Sioux near Prince Albert,
and in reply to say that
the same are satisfactory

The matter of land
for them will be referred
to the Dept.

The following supplies
will be forwarded to Prince
Albert addressed to Mr Osbourn
for the use of these Indians viz.

9 axes, handled
4 - 1 inch augers
6 Scythes
6 Snathes
1 - Box 8x10 Glass.
1 - Bladder Putty
6 Scythe Stones
9 - Hoes.

Agent
Carlton

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File 65,933

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, May 26th, 1894.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE MAY 30 1894 "N.W.T."

Sir,

1774

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Agent Keith's letter of the 12th instant, transmitted by you on the 19th instant, reporting what he had done to give effect to instructions received from you regarding the Sioux Indians who are settling down in the immediate neighbourhood of Prince Albert.

The first point I would notice is the Agent's statement that he found all scattered about Prince Albert, and made them understand one and all were to join in. It is not clear whether he refers to others bedide the Sissetons, for whom the land has been reserved, but care must be taken to avoid confusion and to remember that the understanding with the Sissetons was that they should be kept separate from the others. If the others will agree to settle down, then some arrangements will be made about land for them.

Agent Keith written 31-5-94 H.

It is exceedingly vexatious to hear, after the land recommended by Mr. Agent McKenzie has been secured by Order-in-Council, that it is altogether unfit for farming purposes, and the Department would like to have something more definite to go upon, before making any further application in the matter. The sooner

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

J.P.

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sooner Mr. Ponton can locate what really is wanted the better, and what you say about his going as soon as his work in the west is finished is noted.

You will, of course, see that anything in the shape of cattle or implements given to these Indians is properly branded.

The policy to be pursued must be the same as that followed in respect to the Sioux of the Birtle Agency and of Standing Buffalo's Band.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for Deputy of the Sup't General
of Indian Affairs.

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May 31st 1884

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant reporting what you had done to give effect to the instructions sent you regarding the Sioux Indians who are settling down in the vicinity of Prince Albert.:

Relative to your statement that you found the Indians all scattered about Prince Albert and that you made them to understand that one and all were to join in, it is not clear whether you refer to others besides the Sissetons for whom the land has been reserved. Care must be taken to avoid confusion, for the understanding with the Sissetons was that they should be kept separate from the others. If the others will agree to settle down then some arrangement will be made about land for them.

You will of course see that anything in the shape of implements or cattle given to these Indians is properly branded.

Yours obediently

Indian Agent

Carlton.

Asst Commissioner

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 6 1894
N.W.T.

Ottawa 2nd June, I894.

17I0.

Answer required.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 25th ultimo, enclosing for payment Vouchers Nos 4294 E to 4296 E in favour of different persons ,I beg to inform you that a cheque has been sent to the Massey Harris Company ,for $284.90 in payment of Vouchers Nos 4294 E and 4295 E for machinery supplied the Carlton Agency . Voucher No 4296 E has not been paid . In connection with this last mentioned Voucher I may state that the usual information as to the age,weight etc, of the cattle charged for therein is not given . The price quoted for the oxen and harness is considered high . Kindly give some explanations in regard to this Voucher.

a/6/6/94

a/15/6/94 File

Your obedient servant.

for Deputy of the Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

The Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina,
N.W.T.

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Buck Lake
3rd June 1894

Sir

In accordance with your instructions I visited the Sioux that have lately settled a short distance to the North-West of Prince Albert:

I found one Jamulie's Company there, as near as I could judge, on section 33 of the annexed sketch -

They had about one acre in crop, of potatoes and roots, the piece of land being well fenced:

They had broken 5 acres more land, and the six men were working with their two yokes oxen breaking more:

The land is light where they are, and there is sufficient Prairie for their crops for many years, they appear to be satisfied with the location, and although a location where the soil is more loamy and stronger would be preferable, I saw none within reasonable distance of that selected, I

Ass't Indian Comm'r
Regina

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FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
REGINA, 6th June 1894.
A. Forget
ASST. INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

There was no sketch annexed, as stated; but would refer Department to the one attached to Mr Agent Keith's letter of 12th May last, File No 65933.

asst. Com'r

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(A)

Mr. Surveyor Ponton will be sent as soon as he has completed his work out west.

Asst. Comr.

I would therefore recommend that as soon as possible the Surveyor be sent and the land located:

As far as I can learn there is a misapprehension regarding this particular lot of (9 families) Indians being separate and distinct from those trespassing upon the Moore & McDowell property

Not long ago the old Chief Wi-ga-ta-ca or Bear lived on the Moore property too, and was the one among them most favourable to the building of the School house, and establishing a school, and he left there because the other Indians objected to him encouraging the school and other things tending to civilization: but it is thought that of those now settling most with success many of those now on the Moore property will also join this settlement; in which case it will be as well that several sections of land should be set apart while it is still vacant

In

If the Sissetons Sioux, for whom this small reserve is set apart, do not object to other Sioux coming in, I suppose the Dept. will not oppose their doing so, even if more lands will be required to be reserved, for it will be easier to look after them, if they all settle in close vicinity to one another. Will however await your instructions in re -

Asst. Comr.

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In my opinion the large lake to the East of section 33 (Probably it is on S 34) should be set apart, and sections to the North too, even crossing the Sturgeon River, for when the present children grow up, they may not be adverse to taking up a location a little further to the North, where the land is better:

A section with wood on it should also be reserved so that they may not resort to stealing their fuel and building timber, also another section with hay;

I explained to them (the food first issued, 600 lbs flour, 125 lbs bacon, being consumed) that the Department did not intend to feed them right along, but only in seeding, harvest, and while building their houses, until they got started, that it was intended they should still continue to work for rations;

They understood me, and agreed to it, but asked, as their Chief was too old to labor, that he

The request made on behalf of this old chief, seems very reasonable, & likely to be productive of good in the direction indicated, if granted/

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granted, & would re-commend it to the favourable consideration of the Dept.

Asst Comr

he should receive part regularly:

I considered this request to be reasonable, and would tend to promote the object the Department has in view; I left with the Chief the attached memo to be handed to Turner Cobarn for the Agent; if it meets with your approval I would request that you Confirm it to the Agent;

I would recommend that the issue to the Chief should be monthly, one pound of flour one pound of tea and one pound of tobacco - to be for his own use entirely; this will entail a cost of about $2.50 per month, the Chief could exchange some of his flour with his other Indians for meat fish &c, and he would also get a little meat when it was issued to the others:

I believe, if this plan is adopted that it will anchor the old Chief on this new location, and thereby keep the others united

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until they become attached to the soil; also, as soon as the survey is completed that the Farmer be ordered to personally assist the old Chief to build a house this will be another means of holding them; the others will, I think, build their own:

You have recommended Glass and putty for them, I would further recommend that Eighteen 6 pane 8×10 sash be made for them at the Battleford Industrial School, and sent down, so as to be ready as soon as their houses are fit to receive them:

If the Stoney outside see that those who propose to settle are making progress, they too will be willing to join them, and it will be at much less cost to settle them here, on Government lands, than to pay $25,000 to Moore & Co for their Land upon which the outsiders have squatted; but first of all the survey must be made;

I

Would also be pleased to learn that this suggestion is favourably entertained by the Dept.

Asst. Com.

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I deprecate the Indians action of breaking up so much land before this is done; after the Survey each Indian can have his location, and break a patch on his own lot: it will be years before they are anything but Gardeners, Therefore, I do not see the use of continuing, to any great extent, breaking land now: but as there is no fund being created (nor need there be excepting to the Chief until house building commences) I think they will soon discontinue it and go to work for Settlers

I examined the oxen they are good and suitable animals, but a very full price was paid for them:

One of the plows is a 14 inch breaker, this should not have been purchased as that size has been proven by the Department to be unsuitable, the Schedule description of 12 inch should have been adhered to:

A school house should be built as soon as

The Supt. has also noticed the high price charged for these oxen & asked for an explanation, which will be forwarded as soon as obtained.

asst. Comr

The Agent will be asked why he made the purchase of a 14 inch plough, instead of a 12 inch.

asst. Comr

When the proper time has

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has come, this matter will be brought to the Dept's notice

Asst. Comr.

As the Indians have located as these Indians are very favourable to their children receiving education -

"Memo to Mr Keith"

Wi-za-ta-ca or Bear, "the old Chief has no one to work "for him, the others say that "they can look after themselves "pretty well; the old Chief "holds these people together, "I especially recommend "that the old Chief should "get food with reasonable "regularity T P Wadsworth"

The old Chief informed me that he has lived 32 years under the British flag, that he was 32 years old when he came here - he is an erect good looking intelligent man -

I remain
Your obedient servant
T P Wadsworth
Chief Inspr. In Agencies
&c -

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Regina
6/6/94

Sir/

I beg to inform you that the Dept. has refused payment of voucher No 1186 in the absence of the usual information as to age weight &c of the cattle charged for therein —

The Dept. also considers the price quoted for the oxen and harness high and asks for explanations which you are hereby asked to furnish

Agent
Carlton

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 15 1894
OTTAWA

Memorandum

ref Voucher No 1186 favor Louis St Louis.
receipt to be shown in June Return

2 Set of Harness were thrown in with open:
1 set is in good order and is taken on books;
the other set being nearly worthless I purchased
a set from Harness-maker - authority given per.
mitted of purchase of 2 Set -

Indian Agents Office, Carlton
6th June 1894

H. Reiche -
Indian Agent

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In your reply refer to
No. 136
Also to date of this letter.

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REGINA 15/6/94 18
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ASST. INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

1774

Indian Agent's Office, Carlton

11th June 1894.

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Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant I have the honor to state that the price charged for the oxen referred to is the current price here for good work cattle of which the local supply is small, owing to the fact that a large number of steers have been purchased for store cattle and shipped out of the district during the last three years. Cattle might possibly have been obtained at a less price but these would not have been up to the requirements of the Department, nor suitable to the use of Indians commencing to farm -

The ages of the oxen purchased run from four to six years, two of them being five years old. The weights are 1100, 1200, 1200 and 1300 respectively -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
H. Reich
Indian Agent

1774

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Reference Dept. letter 2nd June 1894 No 111775/2

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The Indian Commissioner
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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 19 1894
N.W.T.

Ottawa, June 14th, 1894.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of copy of Mr. Inspector Wadsworth's report of his visit to the Sioux recently settled in the vicinity of Prince Albert, transmitted by you on the 6th instant, and in reply to inform you as follows.

The statement made about these Indians not being distinct from the trespassers on Moore and Macdowall's property suggests the question as to whether the little Band who interviewed Mr. Campbell on the occasion referred to in my letter of 9th December last have yet been provided for at all, for not only did they assure him that they neither had nor would have any connection with the others, but you will find from correspondence on file in your office that a considerable time before that the Venerable Archdeacon J. A. Mackay made representations on their behalf as a separate Band. Whether the lot referred to comprises those who have been allotted land can readily be ascertained from Archdeacon Mackay, or from Mr. William Dreker of Prince Albert.

Mr. McKay written to 26/6/94

There certainly will be no objection to others joining those already settled down if no breach of faith be involved, and in fact the Department will

agent advised to this effect 26/6/94

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Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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will be glad to have effort made to bring this about. More land can no doubt be secured after it has been properly located, and meantime it may be possible to ascertain how much is likely to be required. Considering the nature of their agricultural pursuits, lightness of soil is not regarded as any objection, provided there is enough of hay land. ?

Under the circumstances, although perhaps a questionable step, and one not to be regarded as a precedent, the old Chief may receive the rations recommended and Mr. Farmer Coburn may be instructed to assist him in building his house when the proper time arrives. The window sashes may be obtained from the Battleford Industrial School, as suggested, and in this connection I beg to remind you that these Indians must build their houses each on the owner's individual lot, and they should be located upon some regular plan.

Agent advised to this effect 26/6/94

ordered by letter 26/6/94

Dept^mt written on this subject 26/6/94

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
[signature]
for Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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State cannot make sashes as no shop

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In your reply refer to
No. 3K.
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Aldina P.O.

Carlton, 18th June 1894.

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Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that I visited the Sioux now at Round Plain, Shell River, & find they have been working very well having fenced in their fields of 9 acres, Turnips, Carrots &c, and have broken nearly 20 acres of new land.

As the matter of their location, is not as yet settled, I advised them, not to do any more breaking just now.

I made them understand, that they were expected to earn their living in the old way, but that they should leave the Chief, and one family always at home, to look after the place, that when they earned money, by working for farmers, they could to their advantage, expend it, by improving their Reserve that no doubt in time, they would be able to raise sufficient, to keep them at home continually, our aim by locating them, was rather, that they might feel, they had a piece of land, on which they had a right to live, and that as long as they kept the Queens Laws, they would never be turned off.

The Chief, told me, "the other The.

Ass't. Commissioner
Regina

Sioux

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"Sioux will not believe, we are going to get land from
"the Government, that until they see the British
"flag flying, they would never think, we had any
"claim to the location". I would recommend
these Sioux be given a flag.

I think that, in order, when the Sioux are
working our, they may be kept together, the Chief
who has no one to work for him, he is too old
to do much himself, should be made an
allowance per month, of a sack flour, a
little tea Tobacco, and with the help of the
fish, from the Shell River, and the Potatoes &
Garden Stuff, he would be able to live altogether
on the Reserve and the others, would come back
after their work, more readily.

I must say, I do not think it would be
wise just yet, to make Each man build on his
160. acre lot, as they would be so far apart, and
as they are expected to go about their work
same as before, they had better for a time
farm together, then there is the expense of
Sub. division". I should think it would be
better, to lay out the Reserve, and put in more
fists in corners just now, in this way, the
Sioux would assist our Surveyor, which
would save the expense of transporting an
outfit.

The great advantage in giving them a river
frontage, is that they can help themselves a
good deal with fish, without going on others peoples
lands.

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lands.

As already reported Just as Soon as the location is decided on, and a Surveyor Sent out, the Indians will go ahead with their buildings

If it could be done, these Indians should be given a mowing machine & Rake, as they could then put up large quantities of hay for Sale in town would be able to support themselves during winter time, they can of course put up a good deal of hay with Scythes, but not nearly Sufficient for the demand.

Have written agent they must be content with Scythes this year.

I think when the Reserve is laid out, a Section for hay, and one for timber, should be set apart, so as they will not have to Steal.

They were making arrangements to hold a Sun dance but upon my telling them this was distinctly not allowed by the Government, that if they persisted, they would, no doubt lose the help the Government were inclined to give them, they pulled down the tent, and promised to abandon the idea.

I proceeded on to another camp of 14. Lodges of Sioux, who were located on the Moore & Mc. Donald Estate, I had no instructions to order these Indians from this land moreover they told me, they had been promised by Mr. Reed, that they could reside thereon, during the pleasure of Messrs. Moore & Mc. Donald, but that they would have no claim to the land, they refused to go & join the others at Round Plain

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Plain, I explained what the Government wished to do, viz. to get apart a piece of land for them from which no one could turn them off, whereas were they now were, they might be hustled off here & there, at the will of the owners - I told them, that if a family or so wished to join the party at Round Plain, or settle Elsewhere on lands selected by the Department, that they would be treated the same as the others, I did not think it wise, to urge them to move at once en masse to Round Plain, as we would have too many on our hands at one time, when perhaps, neither the lands, nor the funds for giving them a start, would be available - I told them to carefully consider the matter when they had any proposition to make to the Department, to come see me, in meantime they are making a fair honest living and there are no complaints from the Public.

A few miles further down the River I came across a few Lodges of visiting Indians from Standing Buffalo & White Cap's Reserves, these men I ordered home, after satisfying myself they had extended their visit sufficiently long.

While at Round Plain with our Sioux, I found they had some sewing to do, but they could not remain at home to attend to it, having to go away to work to earn something to

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to live on, I had to purchase for them 3. Sks Flour, 15. lbs Bacon, 5. lbs Tea, 3. lbs Tobacco, at a total cost of Eight 60/100 Dollars, before making this purchase I spoke to Mr. Wadsworth, whom I met in Prince Albert, & as he had visited these people & understood how they were situated, he agreed with me, that the Expenditure was necessary.

I think, if I might be allowed to suggest, that an agreement be drawn up, Embodying the Departments wish as to these Indians, and that they sign it in my presence, so as in future, there can be no mistake, nor that these Indians will ever cause us much expense, as they mean business & will get on I am sure.

With reference to your letter No. 1774 of 31st May, I beg to state that I fancy the Department are mistaken in calling these Indians, of the Sissetow tribe, for they are not, I have not quite been able to get at what they really are, but they tell me they are neither "Teeton", nor "Sissetow", Sioux.

I should like to hear from you, if you think my actions, for I had little or no instructions to guide me, are in the desired direction.

I have the honor to be

Sir.

Your Obed: Servt

J. T. Keith

Jr.

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June 26th 1894

Rev Sir,

You are probably aware that some Sioux are now being assisted to settle on some Government lands a few miles North of the ferry crossing of the Saskatchewan. There are some nine families under an old Chief called Wi-sa-ta-ca or Bear.

Will you be good enough to inform me if these are the same in whom you took an interest and were the subject of former correspondence with you. Your last letters on fyle on the subject are dated May 13th and 27th 1891. An early reply will oblige.

I remain

Sir

Your obedient Servant

~~Asst~~ J.P.W

for Asst Commissioner

Ven. Archdeacon J. A. McKay

Prince Albert

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1774

June 26th 1894

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your lettr

65,933 letter dated 14th instant in reply I beg to say:

I have written to the Venerable Archdeacon McKay asking him for definite information regarding the small band of Sioux which were the subject of his letters to this office dated May 1891 and have also taken steps to carry out the other instructions contained therein.

With regard to the clause, "I beg to remind "you that these Indians must build their houses each on "the owners individual lot, and they should be located "upon some regular plan" It appears to me that it will be next to impossible to get Indians who have so lately been leading a nomadic life, living in clusters of tepees or houses to do this immediately, even if the holdings are made as small as 20 acres each it will appear to some of them--- while the place is yet new and strange-- that they are being forced out into the wilderness

The Deputy of the

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Ottawa

W.

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wilderness. When a country becomes familiar, distances shorten upon the mind. If I might be allowed to make a suggestion, in this matter I would recommend that say 160 or even 80 acres in a central position and the best of land be set apart as a school section. It might be laid out something after the following diagram and Indians requiring to build would have room for a house and garden attached. As they become more ambitious for agriculture, each one could be given his allotment and he could remove his house thereon. If some such plan as this is considered advisable and prictical it would only be necessary for the surveyor to mark out the boundaries of sections with iron posts at this time and lay out the school section after the manner of the diagram.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

~~A.S.~~ J. P. W

Asst Commissioner

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June 26th 1894

Sir,

Your letter of the 18th instant reporting your visit to the Sioux is before me.

If there is a Union Jack in store, I will send it to you, but you must keep it until the survey is completed and the final action taken by the department regarding the lands.

I will represent to the Department your recommendation not to force the Indians to each build on his own lot.

The Department will not grant them a mower this year therefore they must be content to use the scythes furnished them.

It is not intended at this stage, to use any influence to induce those now living on the Moore & McDowall property to remove. For your future guidance upon this subject I will quote what the department says; "there certainly will be no objection to others joining

Indian Agent

Carlton.

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"joining those already settled down if no breach of faith "is involved, and in fact the Department will be glad "to have effort made to bring this about", but for the present I would rather that you did nothing further in this direction.

Your action in purchasing a small quantity of provisions to assist the Indians while hoeing their potatoes is approved of.

With the understanding that the old Chief and one family always remain at home to look after the place the Department has approved of Chief Inspector Wadsworth's memo to you on the matter of rations in the following words: "Under the circumstances, although "perhaps a questionable step, and one not to be regarded "as a precedent the old Chief may receive the rations "recommended and former Couture may be instructed to "assist him in building his house when the proper "time arrives.". You will therefore continue to issue to him until further notice monthly, one hundred pounds of flour, one pound of tea and one pound of tobacco, Until arrangements can be made, these can be issued from your ordinary supplies and you will be recouped the same later on.

Yours obediently

~~[illegible]~~ J.P.W

for Asst Commissioner

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Battleford
Industrial School
July 2nd 1894

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JUL 13 1894
N.W.T.

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Sir

In reply to your letter No. 1774 of the 26th ulto. requesting me to "have made Sashes for the "use of the Sioux at the Carlton" "Agency": I beg to say that your order cannot be executed until at such time as the Carpenters have a building to work in for such work, as the Recreation room is not available. The Carpenters Shop should be rebuilt as soon as possible, if the pupils are to derive any benefit from the great amount of money expended upon their education.

Mr. Paget
to vide Dept's telegram 19th May saying to use Gymnasium room

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
T. [illegible]
Principal

The Asst Ind Commissioner
Regina

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE JUL 1894 N.W.T.



Ottawa, July 4th, 1894.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th ~~instant~~ ultimo, and in reply to inform you that the suggested method for overcoming the difficulty anticipated relative to getting the Sioux Indians at Prince Albert who have recently settled down to build their dwellings apart from each other on their several lots is no doubt as good a one as could be devised, and as a last resort may be adopted. Every effort, however, should be made to get them to fall in with the Department's view, and to build at the outset as already suggested, because it is very questionable whether it would not prove yet more difficult to get them to move on to their proper locations if once allowed and accustomed to locate in the manner proposed by you, and it is thought these Indians should by this time be quite sufficiently familiar with the neighbourhood to have every confidence in remaining at such little distance from each other as would be required to enable the Department's idea to be carried into effect.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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July 16th 1894

Sir,

I have to request that you will at once proceed to the Prince Albert District for the purpose of locating and subdividing certain lands which are to be set apart for a reserve for the Sisseton Sioux Indians residing near Prince Albert, in the Shell River District.

You will first ascertain definitely the sections, township and range upon which these Indians are now located and upon which they have made certain improvements and if the lands occupied by them prove to be sections 35 and 36 of township 49 range 27 West of 2nd I. M. ,you may then define boundaries of same together with sections 1 and 2 of Township 50 of same range by placing the corner posts in position on the outer lines of the four sections. You will then subdivide into 20 acre lots upon the usual rectangular system of survey, such portions of these sections as may

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Regina

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may be considered necessary upon ascertaining the number of families to be located allowing two twenty acre lots for each family.

Should it prove, however, that the lands at present occupied by these Indians are on other than sections 35 and 36 township 49 range 27, you will ascertain the exact location of the lands so occupied and at the same time make a careful examination of these sections and also of sections 35 and 36, extending such examination in both cases, to the two sections lying immediately to the North of those, reporting fully thereon to me without delay, as to the relative suitability of the locations and await instructions.

Yours obediently

Asst Commissioner

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16/7/94

Hayter Reed
Ind. Dept. Ottawa

Can Pouton proceed at once with subdivision of sections thirty-two and thirty-three, Township forty-nine, range twenty-seven, if he finds Prince Albert Sioux located on and the land suitable -

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Regina July 23 94

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D.p. Supt Gen.

Indian affairs Ottawa

Ponton wires Sioux located on thirty two and thirty three and recommends setting same apart with thirty four except north west quarter thirty two all in township forty nine range twenty seven west second & may he proceed with work sub division?

a. E. F.

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From Prince albert

To A E Forget

1774

Sioux on thirty three and thirty two Better reserve thirty two except North west quarter thirty three and thirty four township forty nine range twenty seven west second. A W Ponton

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FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
REGINA, 31 July 1894
Asst. Indian Commissioner

1774

Prince Albert 28th July 1894

Sir

I have the honor to report in connection with the reservation of land for the Stoney Indians in this locality as follows.

My telegram of the 23d inst. stated that the Indians were settled on Section 33 and that Sections 33. 34 and 32 with the exception of the N. W. ¼ in Township 49 Range 27 West of 2nd Meridian should be reserved. I had not obtained sufficient information to report fully when wiring this message, for the reason that the country has been burnt over since the original survey and it was found necessary to re-establish the lines before facts could be arrived at. After a thorough examination I am of opinion that the Sections specified in my telegram are the only ones fit for cultivation in this vicinity — Sections 35 and 36 are worthless except as hay lands.

The land recommended I find as follows the N. E. ¼ 32, the West ½ and S. E. ¼ 33 are generally open prairie, ready for the plough, of light sandy loam soil. The S. ½ 32 is generally timbered with pine, and the N. E. ¼ 33 is covered with scrub and dotted with hay ponds. Section 34 is covered with scrub poplar and interspersed with

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with ponds and hay meadows.

The land described would give the Indians 2 3/4 sections, but as the intention of the Department would seem to be that about four sections should be reserved, I would recommend that Section 35 be still retained. This would also be in accordance with the Indians wishes, as without it, they fear their supply of hay would be insufficient. I am of opinion that this would be preferable to extending the reserve into the unsurveyed country immediately North of township 49 where the land is worthless.

I quite agree with Mr. Agent Keith that a water front should be obtained on Shell River by securing the S. W. 1/4 of Section 32 as it will give them a good supply of fish.

The berry picking is also an industry that these Indians look to as a means of support, and if the land recommended is reserved it will ensure their having a good annual supply to sell, while Sections 35 and 36 would yield nothing in this direction.

The lines have all been traced out and only a few days will be required to establish the boundaries on receipt of final instructions.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A W Burton
Asst. Surveyor

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July 31st 1894

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith copy of a report of Mr Asst Surveyor Ponton, respecting the setting apart of a small reserve for Sioux Indians, North of Prince Albert and in connection therewith to confirm the following telegrams sent the Department on the 16th and 23rd instant respectively, Viz:

16th July 1894

"Can Ponton proceed at once with sundivision "of sections 32 and 33 Tp. 49, Rg. 27 if he finds "Prince Albert Sioux located on and the land "suitable."

23rd July 1894

"Ponton wires Sioux located on 32 and 33 and "recommends setting same apart with 34, except "N. W. ¼ of 32, all in Township 49, Rg 27 West "second. May he proceed with work sundivision."

It will be noticed that in addition to the land recommended by wire to be reserved, Mr Ponton in his report urges the retention of Section 35 which had already been set apart with section 36 as a reserve for these Sioux. Vide Department's letter 10th March 1894, No 65,933.

Mr

The Deputy of the

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Ottawa

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Mr Ponton is now awaiting as Prince Albert

[redacted] decision of the department as to what lands should be reserved before he can proceed to complete the work for which he has been sent there.

As soon as a determination is arrived at, I shall therefore be glad if the same is conveyed to this office by wire.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

AWV

Asst Commissioner

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Prince Albert 1st Aug/94

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Dear Mr Forget

copy for Dept 7/10/94

AUG 3 1894 N.W.T.

I have your note of the 30th. I came in from the Reserve last night expecting to get [illegible] instructions, but was disappointed, I am glad to know, however, that the chain has been sent — I have found it necessary to run several lines through very difficult country to get definite knowledge of the situation and quantity of hay in the vicinity of the proposed reserve — It appears that sections 35 and 36 have formed a portion of the hay lands regularly cut by Prince Albert people, and settlers South of the Saskatchewan, for years past, and care must be taken not to deprive many people almost as poor as the Indians themselves, of a large portion of their means of

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support, if trouble would be avoided. I think that the [illegible]/2 35 together with 34 will furnish all the hay they are likely to need and give a little over for sale. I am afraid that the East 1/2 35 and 36 could not be touched without creating much trouble, and it is not necessary, as the land I have mentioned will yield at least 150 tons. If the Dept. would be of the opinion that this quantity was excessive I would recommend that the N.W. 1/4 35 be reserved as more convenient for the Indians than the S.W. 1/2 — Crops all over this district are very fair, and new potatoes on the table, times appear easy and everyone cheerful — I have been kept to my room since yesterday with a dreadfully swollen face from an insect bite or rather a species of grub, an old friend of, and called after surveyors. Entomologists won't hear of this, but it is a fact all the same — I have looked into the Senaga Root trade, and will bring a sample home with me

Very sincerely Yours A M Poulton

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2/8/94

A. W. Ponton

~~A. W. Ponton~~

Prince Albert

May reserve section thirty-two excepting north West quarter and thirty-three and thirty-four

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From Ottawa

To A E Forget 1774.

may have section thirty two excepting north west quarter and thirty three and thirty four x all in township forty nine range twenty seven for prince Albert Sioux.

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Hayter Reed

Mailed Ponton 2/8/94

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August 3rd 1894

Sir,

I beg to confirm the following telegram sent you yesterday:

"May reserve sections 32, excepting N. W. ¼, 33 "and 34."

and in connection therewith to refer you to my letter of instructions relative to defining the boundaries of same and the subdividing of such portions thereof into legal subdivisions of 20 acre lots as may be found necessary.

I shall forward to the Department a copy of your report received this morning suggesting that portion only of section 35 be preserved as hay land for these Indians.

Yours obediently

Asst Commissioner.

A. W. Ponton Esq D. L. S.
Prince Albert

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1774

Regina Aug. 4th 1894

Dear Poulton,

Include section thirty
five in reserve

Yours

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
AUG 7 1894
N.W.T.

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File 75,935

Ottawa, August 3rd, 1894.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt from you of the following telegrams, namely :

On 16th ultimo ; "Can Ponton proceed at once "with subdivision of sections thirty-two and "thirty-three, township forty-nine, range twenty-"seven, if he finds Prince Albert Sioux located on "and the land suitable ?"

Also, 23rd ultimo ; "Ponton wires Sioux located "on thirty-two and thirty-three, and recommends "setting same apart, with thirty-four, except north "west quarter thirty-two, all in township forty-"nine, range twenty-seven, west second . May he "proceed with work subdivision ?"

And to confirm my reply, sent yester-te-day, which should read ; "May have section thirty-two excepting "north west quarter, and thirty-three and thirty-"four, all in township forty nine, range twenty-"seven, for Prince Albert Sioux."

I may inform you that on receipt of the first of your telegrams just quoted correspondence was entered into with the Department of the Interior, but it was only yester-te-day that the permission wired to you was obtained, and the lands authorized are to be instead

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instead of those set aside by Order-in-Council on the former recommendation. As it will not do to make another mistake in the matter you will kindly inform me whether the land recommended by Mr. Fenton and now authorized is to be regarded as a final recommendation. In this connection I may remind you of Mr. Inspector Wadsworth's report dated 3rd June last.

Yours obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

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Ottawa, August 6th, 1894.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, transmitting copy of a report by Mr. Assistant Surveyor Ponton relative to the lands required for the Sioux at Prince Albert, and in reply to inform you that upon discovering that Section 35 would be wanted in addition to those mentioned in your telegram of 23rd ultimo, I this day wired you that that section also might be taken.

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It may probably be now assumed that the report just acknowledged furnishes the information asked for in my letter of even number of 3rd instant, and that the selection may be regarded as final, and on this assumption application will now be made to have sections 33, 34, and 35, and all of 32 excepting the N. W. 1/4, all in Township 49, R. 27, W 2nd I. M., definitely reserved.

The selection seems to include farming, hay, and wood lands, with access to Shell River, and to comprise enough to meet the requirements of all the Sioux who may be expected to settle on the spot.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

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To A. E. Forget 1774

Reference Your seventeen seventy four thirty first ulto may add section thirty five to land already ~~allowed~~ authorized.

Hayter Reed

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Prince Albert, Sask., 8th Aug 1894

Dear Mc Forget

I have your telegram of the 6th inst re Sec 35 - I came into today with my outfit. but will return at once and make the necessary survey - I propose returning by Mondays train if nothing remains for me to do in this district - Kindly wire me at once if any other arrangement is proposed - I have a letter from Macrae state the Irrigation wheel is a big success and delivers 114 gals per minute right at the top of the wheel - He claims to have altered the position of the buckets so as to cause them to deliver the water at one shot. but to do so he must sacrifice quantity, as Mechanical principles are cast iron and cannot be altered to suit individuals at pleasure and I can prove it in

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this core easily enough - I am more than pleased to hear such good news of the wheel as I am confidant that it will eventually make both the Blackfoot and Bloods self supporting - Wilson tells me that a bank has given away at the Blackfoot Reserve, but it is a matter of no surprise to me, and if the Indians can't be induced to take a hold and do a little work as required in connection with their ditch without pay or bribery the best thing to do is to let it fill up again - I have already reported that it will require constant attention if it is ever to be a success - The Sioux are very pleased to have a reserve at last and I am glad that they are to have all as I have picked up a lot of the history of these people which I will embrace in my report - I now hear that the settlers here expect from 3/4 to 1¼ crop Yours faithfully J W Burton

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

AUG 22 1894

Ottawa, August 18th, 1894.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of copy of Mr. Assistant Surveyor Ponton's report, dated 1st, and transmitted by you on the 3rd instant, and to inform you that in view of what he says about there being plenty of hay for the use of the Sioux at Prince Albert without including the east half of Section 35 in the Reserve, and the inconvenience which its appropriation would entail upon the settlers, the Department has amended its application to the Department of the Interior accordingly.

Your obedient servant,

for Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

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AUG 28 1894

Regina 27th August 1894

FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT
REGINA 28th AUG 1894
ASST. INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

I beg to submit the following report in connection with the survey of a Reserve for certain Sioux Indians in the vicinity of Prince Albert.

I found these Indians located on Section 33 Township 49 Range 27 West of the 3rd (2nd) Meridian a spot known as "Round Plain" and the same location pointed out by me to Mr Campbell — when I accompanied him this far on his road to Montreal Lake in 1891 — as suitable for these same Sioux Indians.

The accompanying sketch will shew that the West ½ Section 33 is generally open and ready for the plough, Section 32 is partly wooded and where open is more suited for grazing than for agricultural purposes. This Section gives a water front on the Shell River. Sections 34 and 35 are generally wooded but have been burnt over and are now grown up with small poplar and willow. These sections are dotted more or less with ponds surrounded with hay — Hay in considerable quantities, however, can only be obtained on the North West and South East quarters of Section 35.

My letter of 1st Inst. reported that the West ½ Section 35 would probably furnish

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furnish all the hay required by the Band but as I subsequently found that the South West ¼ contained much less than at first estimated, I was glad to receive your telegram of 4th inst, instructing me to reserve the whole section 35. I proceeded at once to enclose the whole section and the Indians expressed themselves very proud of having been given such a good Reserve.

Prior to the receipt of the above mentioned telegram I had run a line through the centre of Section 35, from North to South, It will therefore be unnecessary to send a Surveyor to make any alterations, if the Department decide to allow the Band only the West half.

I may state that I am of opinion that it would not be wise to take from them the land which they believe has now been finally given – the Reserve will probably not be found too large if the information received by me be correct. Viz: that the balance of the Indians located on Moore and Macdowalls property have already made a move to join the others, since a Reserve has actually been surveyed and given them.

I have also learned that this season the usual arrangement with regard to taking out hay permits has been suspended, and that Section 35 which has been cut over for the past few years by Old Joe McKay has been appropriated or "jumped" by "Billy Hudson" who puts up hay for speculative

purposes

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purposes - This Hudson has always heretofore cut hay North of the Surveyed Government lands and nothing exists to prevent his returning to his usual hay grounds. Old Joe McKay the only settler to be considered is not adverse to the Indians receiving the whole of Section 35 as in such case it is assumed that they will abandon the hay grounds they have usually cut nearer Prince Albert.

Hope the Dept will see its way to again alter its application to the Dept of the Interior so as to embrace the whole of section 35 instead of the west half only.

A.E.N.
asst Commr

The East ½ Section 33 and Sections 34 and 35 although covered with scrub and interspersed with hay ponds contain much land superior in quality to the West ½ Section 33 where the country is open. The burnt poplar will furnish employment for all ready to work, drawing as fire wood to Prince Albert, and as it has not as yet all reached the rotten stage is still superior to Jack Pine. The Country as cleared of dry wood can easily be prepared for the plough, and in places is even now sufficiently open for gardens. Berries abound in all directions and their sale forms an important item to the women in obtaining a a livilihood, and is prosecuted most industriously.

The West half Section 33 the only land sufficiently open for grain was subdivided into legal subdivisions, and as the balance of the Reserve was covered with scrub, the subdivision could not be carried further without considerable expense, and without taking the new from getting in their hay, of which they were endeavouring to secure

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secure all they could — however, as the dry wood is gradually cleared away room will be made for new additions to the Band.

As my residence among these Indians gave an opportunity to obtain something of their history, I may here repeat what the Chief and others told me.

The following chiefs came to Manitoba at the time of the Minnesota massacre

1	The Crow	Santee
2	Little Six	-do-
3	A Quick Walker	Wah sha ton
4	The Big Eagle	-do-
5	Red Iron	Ce-ci-twon
6	The Standing Buffalo	-do-

The Crow went back to the States to get money hidden in the mud the year after the massacre and was shot by a deer hunter who spied his camp fire

Little Six was sent back to the States by the Canadian Government and it is thought was hung at St. Paul.

These two chiefs had the biggest following and were the leaders in the massacre.

by Red Lake Southern

The followers of the other chiefs were either killed near Winnipeg, took reserves in Manitoba and the Territories, or are now at Prince Albert. Only two Tēton Sioux remain in the North West — Wabadĕ duta (Red Eagle) and Oh tēma chē gama (Small Gentlemen) — the former owns his own house, stable and lots in Prince Albert and the latter lives on the new Reserve. The Indians located on

Moore

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Moore and Macdowall's property are generally the Sautee or Ogelala Sioux. The Indians now taking a Reserve on Shell River are generally the Wah sha tow (belonging to the lead lodge) and appear to recognize A he Yankee or Running-on--something as their chief, The leading Spirit however is Biddo (The Potatoe) a son of White-cap.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obedient Servant
A W Boutou
Asst, Surveyor

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Sketch Showing Reserve surveyed for Sioux Indians
Prince Albert District

Regina 27 Aug. 1894
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
SEP 18 1894
N.W.T.





Ottawa, September 14th, 1894.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of copy of report from Mr. Assistant Surveyor Ponton, dated 27th and transmitted by you on 28th ultimo, making a further report regarding the survey of a Reserve for certain Sioux in the vicinity of Prince Albert.

When it is said that these Indians were found located on Section 33, Tp 49, R. 27, west of the 3rd meridian, it may doubtless be assumed that "3rd" is a typographical error for 2nd (meridian.)

With regard to what is said by Mr. Ponton about the whole of Section 35 instead of the W 1/2 only being after all required, and your expression of hope that the Department will see its way to again changing its application to the Department of the Interior, I beg to inform you that as the Department observes that Mr. Ponton has left the vicinity of Prince Albert, and understands that there are no more of its officers in the neighbourhood who will be likely to have anything more to recommend relative to what should or should not be reserved, and a whole week has elapsed since receipt of the last report herein

Mr. Ponton's report was in error.

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Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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herein above acknowledged without any further communication suggestive of further change having reached the Department, it has decided---although with great reluctance---to again approach the Department of Interior with a view to getting the W ½/2 of Section 35 included in the Reserve, and in the hope that it is doing so for the last time in so far as the Reserve in question is concerned.

Your obedient servant,

Acting Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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File 65,933

Ottawa, November 5th, 1894.

Sir,

Referring to land for the Sioux Indians at Prince Albert, I beg to inform you that I am now advised by the Department of Interior that Section 33, Tp. 49, R. 27, W. 2nd Meridian, is included in the tract reserved for the purposes of the QU'Appelle, Long Lake, and Saskatchewan Railway, but that that Company is being asked to relinquish their claim to the section, in order that it may, together with the balance of the land wanted for the Sioux, be set apart for their use by Order-in-Council.

Your obedient servant,

for Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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KODAK SAFETY

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Regina
16/10/94

Sir

In reply to your letter
134 of the 13th instant I beg to
say that the supplies
enumerated therein
may be purchased
for the Stoney Indians
at the prices mentioned

Agent
Carlton

T P W

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In your reply refer to
No. 134
Also to date of this letter.

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OCT 16 1894
N. W. T.

Indian Agent's Office, Carlton

13th October 1894

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the Sioux of the Round Plain will require to build houses there and will therefore require assistance for a time.

I would therefore ask your authority for the purchase for their use of

15.00	Ten Sack Flour @	$1.50	per Sack
2.50	Ten Pounds Tea	25¢	Pound
2.00	Five " Tobacco	40	"
1	One Hundred " Bacon	11	"
30.00			

I propose, if authorized, to purchase these supplies in Prince Albert as I believe that in this way a saving may be effected.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
A Keith
Indian Agent

auth 16/10/94 file

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Privy Council

-: :-

Canada

At the Government House at Ottawa,

Friday, the 7th day of December, 1894.

Present

His Excellency

The Governor General in Council.

Whereas by the Order in Council of the 17th March, 1894, Sections 35 and 36 in Township 49, Range 27, west of the Second Meridian, and an equal area of unsurveyed land adjoining and immediately to the north thereof, were set apart as a reserve for a band of Sioux Indians:

And whereas it now appears that some of those lands are unsuitable for farming and therefore useless for the purposes of the Indians:

His Excellency, by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, is pleased to order that the Order in Council of the 17th March, 1894, above mentioned, shall be, and is hereby, cancelled, and that the following lands shall be, and the same are hereby, reserved and set apart for this band of Sioux Indians, viz:- Sections 35, 34, 33 and 32, excepting the north-west quarter of the last mentioned Section, all in Township 49, Range 27, west of the 2nd Meridian.

(sgd) John J. McGee

Clerk of the Privy Council.

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OTTAWA.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEC 26 1894
N.W.T.

Ottawa, 22nd Dec., 1894.

Sir,-

I enclose herein a copy of an Order in Council of the 7th instant cancelling the Order of the 17th March, 1894, which set aside certain lands as a reserve for the Sioux Indians and setting apart, in lieu thereof, the sections described in the said Order.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

Mr Pontoni
Could you say if O.K.

Quite right
MWP.

A.E. Forget Esq.,
Asst. Indian Commr.,
Regina, N.W.T.

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REGINA N.W.T.
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Ottawa 3rd April 1895

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd Ultimo, and of the blue-print showing Reserve No 94 a, for Sioux Refugees; and have to request you to be good enough to forward the usual plan on drawing paper or a tracing of the same as the Chief Surveyor of the Department states that it is too slow and expensive a process to make the tracings required from time to time from a blue print.

When information of a temporary nature is required a blue-print will answer the purpose, but a blue-print will hardly suffice when the plan is required for record. In the present case copies are required for record in this Department and in the Department of the Interior, both of which must be either on drawing paper or tracing linen.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs.

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Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina N.W.T.,

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

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Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 23rd Nov. 1895

Sir,—

I have to call your attention to official letter of

date 12th October *fyle No.* 65933

relating to the sub-division into farm lots of part of the Sioux Reserve 94 A, Prince Albert, and asking for a Report re location of Indians on the lands so divided, number of acres given Deach, Number of children of school age &c &c

to which an answer has not been received.

You are requested to reply thereto immediately, and explain the cause of delay.

For the Deputy of the
Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq
Indian Commissioner,
Regina,
N.W.T.

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Indian Agent's Office,
Carlton Agency
Aldina, 6th Nov. 1895.

In your reply refer to
No. 133a
also to date of this letter.

Ref.: Letter 17th October 1895 No. 1774.

Copy for Dept. JAN 11 1896

Sir,

~~In reply to a letter from the Deputy to you forwarded for Enquiries~~, regarding the Sioux Reserve No. 94a, I have the honor to inform you that the Reserve consists of three and three-quarter, Sections, Nos 3/4 of 32, 33, 34, and 35, the West half of Section 33 has been Sub. divided into 40 acre lots, where the Chief, "Seton", "Iron Buffalo", School house & Mission house, are located. Although I have seen these houses I can hardly mark same, with any certainty of correctness, on a map, I will be making a visit there during the course of the month when I will go over the lines, and give you the information asked for

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obed: Servt
H. Keith
Jr.

The
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Regina
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Ottawa 12th October 1895

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Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the sub-division into farm lots of part of the Sioux Reserve 94 A at Prince Albert, I have to request that you will be good enough to furnish the Department with a report respecting the location of the Indians on the lands so sub-divided. The report should shew the names of the Indians located, the number of acres given to each, the number of souls and the number of children of School age in each family, the houses and other buildings erected and their style.

A sketch shewing the locations numbered to correspond with numbers opposite the names in the report might also be sent, or all the information may be given on the sketch.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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Regina N.W.T.,

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Indian Agent's Office,

Carlton Agency.

Aldina. 3rd Jan'y 1896.

In your reply refer to No. 1339

also to date of this letter.

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JAN 14 1896
INDIAN COMMISSIONER, REGINA, ASS.

Ref.: Letter 189 No.

Sir,

Ref. Depts. letter
No. 65.933.
Date 12th Oct 1895.

With reference to Departments letter returned herewith, asking for information regarding Sub. division into farm lots of part of the Sioux Reserve near Prince Albert, I have the honor to state that I regret being unable to supply the information required just now the snow being on the ground.

As I wrote you on the 6th. Inst: last only the West half of Section 33 has been Sub.-divided into 40 acre lots and some Indians have located thereon.

I was away paying annuities when the above mentioned letter arrived and on my next visit to the Sioux Reserve on the 5th. Dec'r, the snow was too deep to see the posts.

I have kept a Copy of the letter and will in the Spring give the matter my Early attention.

Received MAR 17 1896

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obed: Servt
H. Smith
Jr.

The.
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Ref. Depts. letter No. 65.933. Date 12 Oct/95.

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A E Forget
INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

Sir

With reference to the Department's letter in connection with the subdivision and location of Indians on the Sioux Reserve No. 94 A at Prince Albert, I would report as follows:—

The Reserve comprising Section 32 with the exception of the N. W. 1/4, Sections 33, 34 and 35 Tp R West of 2nd Meridian was surveyed by myself in 1894 — but at this time the West half of Section 33 was the only open ground suitable for cultivation, the balance being burnt and second growth poplar, or meadow land — The half section mentioned was therefore alone subdivided, upon the usual rectangular system of survey — The land is I am afraid too light and sandy to last long, and until the Indians have cleared off farms in the burnt woods on Sections 34 and 35, where the soil is good, their efforts except in the way of potatoes and other roots, will not meet with great results —

I have already reported that cutting the burnt and dry poplar and hauling the

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the wood to Prince Albert would furnish the Indians with remunerative employment for some years to come, and the land cleared off will provide good farms -

At the time of the subdivision survey the country was in such a condition, from fires, that the work could only be carried on at great expense. I believe, however, that since that time some parts of the woods have been clear-ed by the Indians and possibly the subdivision could be now extended with much less expenditure -

I will prepare a tracing of the back of this reserve for transmission to the Agent to enable him to give the in-formation requested by the Department

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A W Ponton
In charge of Indian
Reserve Surveys -

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA

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COMMISSIONER'S
JAN 25 1896
REGINA ASSA.

Ottawa 21st January 1896-

FILE.

Sir-

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of copy of letter from Mr. Surveyor Ponton dated 11th Instant also of two from Mr. Agent Keith dated 17th October last and 3rd Instant respectively, all transmitted by you on 14th Instant and relating to certain information which you were asked to furnish relative to the settlement of Sioux Indians on the Reserve set apart for them in the Neighbourhood of Prince Albert.

The Department notes the Agent's statement that he was unable, on account of the depth of snow to correctly indicate the various houses on a plan showing the sub-division of part of the Reserve, and will await the fulfilment of his promise to do so early in the Spring.

In the meantime the Department fails to see why the Agent should not have furnished the names of Indians to whom land has been allotted, the number of souls on the Reserve and of them the number of children of school age, also the number and description of dwelling houses and other buildings as requested by the Department.

Will give all information since time

Noted

was

Your obedient servant

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs-

A.E. Forget, Esq-
Indian Commissioner-
Regina
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SPECIAL NOTICE.

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 13th March 1896

In your reply please quote "Special Notice" of this date

Sir,

I have to call your attention to official letter of date 21st January file No. 65933 relating to Agent Keith's Report relative to the subdivision of part of Sioux Reserve near Prince Albert, into farm lots, and informing you that information should have been furnished re names of Indians to whom land has been allotted, number of souls on Reserve, number of children of school age &c to which an answer has not been received.

You are requested to reply thereto immediately, and explain the cause of delay.

We are awaiting Keith's promised report. Again written for MAR 17 1896

D. C. Scott

For the Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Indian Commissioner
Regina,
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Indian Agent's Office,
Carlton

In your reply refer to
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also to date of this letter

26th March 1896

Ref.: Letter 17th March 1896 No. 1774

FILE.

Sir,

Ref. Depts. Indian Affairs
No. 65,933
Date March 96.

I have the honor to inform you that I made a visit to the Sioux Reserve last week with the object, among others, of locating the Sioux on sub-divisions of their Reserve. This I was prevented from doing by the snow which still lies there in heavy drifts, burying out of sight the short posts used by the Surveyor.

I am therefore unable at present to furnish the report you require, but I will attend to the matter at the earliest possible date.

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
J.P. Reid
Indian Agent

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From West Prince Albert B

To Indian Com

Just returned from sioux will you authorize forty five dollars in supplies assistance haying harvest answer early

Hilton Keith

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

30 oz allowed last year

Ans 14/8/96

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Hillon Keith
Prince Albert

Purchase from J. O. Davis food-supplies for Sioux up to thirty dollars.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Carleton

17th August 1896

In your reply refer to
No. 134
also to date of this letter.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
AUG 21 1896
REGINA ASSA.

Ref.: ~~Letter~~ Telegram 14th August 1896 No. .

Sir,—

I have the honor to confirm my Telegram of the 13th instant, reading:

"Just returned from Sioux. Will you "authorize forty-five Dollars in supplies— "assistance haying and harvest. answer im- "mediately".

In explanation I have to say that when visiting their reserve with Inspector Major McLibbon it was found that there people had their hay and grain to harvest and very insufficient provision in the way of food supplies for the work. A case of typhoid fever also had occurred on the reserve.

In there matters I considered immediate action necessary and more especially as Miss Baker, the presbyterian missionary on the reserve, strongly represented to me that something should be done.

I arranged for the isolation of the typhoid patient by the police and for his treatment by the doctor who has charge of the reserve.

I took an Indian in to Prince Albert

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Albert with a waggon to take out supp-
-plies. As some delay occurred in
getting a reply to my telegram and I was
in haste to leave town myself and to get
the Indians started, I ventured to anti-
-cipate your authority and to purchase goods
to the value of $38.55 from Mr. J.T. Betts.
Had I received your telegram in time
I should of course have purchased from
T.O. Davis as directed. However on that
point I am sure my action will meet your
approval as reference to vouchers issued
by me since I took charge of this Agency
will show that (in the absence of any
instructions from your office on the point)
I have purchased for the Dept from Sup-
-porters of both political parties indif-
-ferently and without discrimination.
T.O. Davis, J.R. McPhail, Russell and other sup-
-porters of the present government have re-
-ceived their share, in their respective
lines, of such expenditure as I have been
authorized to make. Your circular
letter of the 13th instant No 1540 H.O. is
the first intimation I have received
that the political leanings of the people
with whom I did business for the Dept.
were to be taken into account. In the
present case my reason for preferring to
deal with Mr. Betts was that, in incurring
an expenditure not yet authorized, it seemed
to me the more prudent course to
purchase

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purchase from a merchant with whom I have no private account or personal dealings. I shall in future strictly conform to the instructions contained in your circular letter above-quoted.

I trust that you will authorize the expenditure $8.55 in=curred in excess of the amount au=thorized in your telegram as the pur=chase was made after careful enquiry by Major McGibbon and myself into the needs of these Indians during their harvest.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
H. Keith
P. H. W. Halpin Indian Agent

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M E M O R A N D U M.

No. 1774.

Office of the Indian Commissioner,
For Man. & the N. W. T.,
Regina, 4th February, 1897.

Memo. in re Inspector's Report 1896.
Sioux Reserve.

"The crop is in two fields.....each family has a "share." This would indicate work being carried on under the "community" system, which you are no doubt aware is directly contrary to the policy of the Department and should not be allowed to continue. The farmer should be instructed to see that during the coming season each family makes a beginning by opening ground for a garden at each house.

Reference is made to the condition of the houses which are described as a "poor lot with low mud roofs and unhealthy "to live in." The atmosphere of the house in which the Chief's son had been lying ill with typhoid fever was found to be very bad notwithstanding that there was ventilation by means of an open fire-place. The place must therefore have been exceedingly filthy.

"The school house is an old settler's house and in its "present shape would make a good woodshed. The school was "held in the Mission building last Winter as there was no "time to make the school habitable and nothing has since been "done to it."

"An upper floor is needed but the cross-beams are too "low for this to be done. There are only two ways by which "it can be fixed, either by raising the building two feet or "so, - this might be ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ expensive." The Inspector suggests as an alternative that the beams be raised to the height of the walls and a floor placed on them, which would give sufficient height for ventilation. The gables to be shingled and the walls outside willowed and plastered.

A porch, W. C. and that the place be fenced is also suggested.

The Indian Agent,
Carlton Agency.

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suggested, I find that in October 1895 you reported that the building had been re-built and raised (vide your letter No, 134 15th September 1896) and the Inspector's complaint as to present state is not comprehended. Please report hereon and state what work, if any, has been done on the building since the Inspector saw it.

"With regard to the whole of this Reserve it may just "as well be stated that it has had little or no attention "whatever. The Agent of course can only visit it when he "comes to Prince Albert. The farmer is supposed to visit "it once a fortnight. It is 15 miles from the farm house, "so by leaving there in the morning and returning same day "gives him very little time to spend on the Reserve or to "show them how to do things."

It is not apparent however that the farmer is required to return to his house "the same day" nor is there any reason why if the work of the Sioux Reserve requires it, and it certainly seems to, he should not camp there for a day or longer if necessary on each visit. By starting earlier going and returning later even single day visits should be made of more service as he could surely arrive on the Reserve by 9.00 or 9.30 A.M. and spend six hours there. I would therefore ask you to instruct the farmer to this effect and to see that he complies with your instructions.

He should be specially instructed to give his attention to the improvement of the buildings, both dwellings and stables and to have gardens begun at each house, no matter how small the beginning may be. Attention should also be given to the cleanliness of houses and premises and the purity of the water supply. Extra stabling should also be arranged for as, if the present estimates for 1897-98 pass, it is intended to supply you a few heifers for this band.

J Hp

For Commissioner.

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Indian Agent's Office,

In your reply refer to
No. 126
also to date of this letter.

Carleton

10th February 1897

Ref.: Letter 4th February 1897 **No.** 1774

Sir,—

with reference to your remarks on Inspector's Report 1896, on Sioux Reserve, I have the honor to state as follows:

The crop was in no sense held in common. Advantage was taken of some 20 acres of abandoned breaking until new breaking became fit for use. Some of the latter was this year cropped: in the large field each family has its own separate crop each year. There were last summer four separate pieces of land under plough exclusive of the large field.

In October 1895 the School Building — the recently abandoned house of Wm Malcolm McTaggart now postmaster at Shellbrook was removed to suit the convenience of the Mission people, and improved as stated in my letter which you quote. Further improvements have been made since the inspection vide your letter of 4th December last No 1702

The Farmer has been fully instructed as directed in your letter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J. Hourie
Indian agent.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Indian Agent's Office,

Carleton

12th April 1897

In your reply refer to
No. 134
also to date of this letter. APR 17 1897

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE REGINA ASSA.

Ref.: Letter 189 No.

Sir,

In my report for last month I submitted for your information the conclusions at which I have arrived after experience of the small results obtained from assistance hitherto given to the Wahspaton Sioux.

I do not however wish to take on myself the responsibility of recommending that they should receive no assistance while seeding, in view of the fact that they would allege the want of food as a reason for neglecting to put in any crop, in which event they would probably be supported by the Mission.

I have therefore the honor to report that that the sum of Thirty-five Dollars would be sufficient for the purchase of supplies to assist these people while seeding, that those who receive assistance will be required to plough a fence a garden for the schools, and that this money can be more economically expended locally (with the merchants named by you) than if the supplies were shipped from Regina.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J. Reid
Indian Agent

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Sir:-

131 In reply to yours of the 12th instant, I beg to say that you may expend up to $30.00 in the purchase of supplies to assist the "Sah-spa-ton" Sioux while seeding.

Yours truly,

F HP

For Commissioner.

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Indian Agent,

Carlton Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

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Longhees Reserve

Marine Hospital

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Provincial Secretary's Office
Victoria 5th February

Sir I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 4th inst referring to the moneys which have accrued from the Songhees Indian Reserve. In reply I have to inform you that no money has been paid into the Prov Treasury since Confederation on account of the said Reserve — and that you have been rightly informed as to the disposition of the balance of $1984.82 paid on the 3d of September 1869 by the Commissioners of Reserve to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works This sum was paid into the Colonial Treasury: formed part of the assets of the Colony at the date of Confederation and was taken over by the Dominion Government

I have the honor to be Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) John Ash
Provincial Secretary

I. W. Powell Esqr
Supt Indian Affairs
&c &c

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Copy of letter from the Prov Secretary in re Songhees Indian Reserve Fund

Report
Ord No 1873
No P 124

See letter of 18th March 1873 to Min: Finance

The Superintendent of Indian Affairs in British Columbia forwards copy of a letter of 5 Feby 1873 from the Prov Secretary of that Province stating that a sum of $1984 82/100 realized in connection with the Songhees Indian Reserve has been turned over to the Dominion Government from the Colonial Treasury. Copies of these letters should be forwarded to the Minister of Finance and the request made by him that the amount in question may be placed to the credit of the Reserve &c on acct of British Columbia Indian funds, and that the Supt &c may be notified of the credit in order to the proper ledger entry made in this Office — Report also that

sum of $527 24/100 subsequently paid on the
same account may ~~[illegible]~~ be credited to
British Columbia Indian funds and between
a further sum of $37 50/100 paid by Supt. I. W.
Powell into the Bank of British Columbia on
the 27 Jany last to the Credit of the R.V. may be
credited to the same Indian fund, March 15 1878

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Department of Indian Affairs
Victoria Feby 28/73

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a letter from the Provincial Secretary, in respect to the sum of #1984.82 — a fund which has accrued from rentals of portions of the Songhees Indian Reservation. This sum was held in trust for the Indians for which, upon dissolving in 1869, paid the balance which they had in hand, to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works — who deposited it for safe keeping, in the

The Honorable
Joseph Howe
Secretary of State for the Provinces
&c &c &c

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in the Provincial Treasury. It further appears that this amount was taken over by the Dominion Government as Provincial Assets without any special mention. I am of opinion therefore, that this sum ought to be credited to the Indian Department of this Province, along with the other sums thus paid in since amounting to $527.24. I have the honor also to enclose duplicate Receipt for a balance of $37.50 paid to me on account of the same fund.

I am Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
J. A. Powell
Supt. Indian Affairs

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The Honble the Minister of Finance

&c, &c, &c,

Sept 24 1873

Sir,

I have the honor to call attention to the letter addressed to you from this Office on the 18th March last, requesting that certain amounts detailed therein might be carried to the Credit of the Rec. General on account of British Columbia Indian Funds - and that further that this Office might be notified of the Credit asked for having been given therein

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with a view to
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asked ~~for~~ ~~to~~ be
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~~Sir~~
~~Y. O. S~~

I shall be obliged
if you will inform
me what action
has been taken in
this matter by your Department

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Y. O. S
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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OTTAWA

Finance Dept.
Ottawa 29th Sept. 1873

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 25th Inst I have the honor to inform you that the following sums were placed to the credit of the Receiver General in the books of the Finance Department on account of British Columbia Indian funds during the fiscal year

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt. Servt.
Fred Tolten

P. A. Meredith Esq
Deputy Minister
Dept. of Interior

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By Telegraph from Victoria B. C. 8/15

To Hon Jos Howe

Secy of State

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Indian Branch

Engineer ready to build
Quarantine Hospital on
Songhees reserve if built
there I should first
arrange with Indians
as any report on
Songhees reserve our
Surgeon can further
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J.W. Powell

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Order in Council
July 8/8

Resident Engineer of
the Public Works
Dept to build a
Marine Hospital
On Indian Reserve
Opposite Victoria
B.C

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Mr Lewis Pamell July 28

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file with papers & advise agent in B.C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the **PRIVY COUNCIL**, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 8th July 1873.

On a Memorandum dated 21st June 1873, from the Hon: the Min: of Public Works reporting that a site has been selected by the Resident Engineer for a proposed Marine Hospital on the Indian Reserve opposite Victoria B.C. which site has been approved by the resident Medical authorities & recommending that he be authorized to build the said Hospital thereon.

The Committee submit the above recommendation for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified.

Wm Ginsworth

C.M.

To the Honorable

The Min: of the Interior

&c., &c., &c.

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Dept of the Int.
Ind Br:
Ott 28 July 1873

Dr J.W. Powell
Indian Comr.
Victoria
B.C.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that an order has been passed by the Hon'ble the Privy Council, directing that the Resident Engineer of the Department of Public Works at Victoria B.C., ~~shall~~ be authorized to build a Marine Hospital upon the site on the Indian Reserve opposite that city selected by him, and approved by the local Medical Authorities

I have the h to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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OTTAWA

British Columbia

Department of Indian Affairs
Victoria Aug 27th 1873

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Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo acquainting me, that an Order has been pursued by the Honorable the Privy Council directing the Erection of a Marine Hospital on the Songhees Indian Reserve, in pursuance of which, I met the Chief and several members of his Tribe by appointment yesterday and they are greatly dissatisfied with the treatment which they have for some years experienced at the hands of the Colonial Government.

They complain that moneys have been from time to time collected from rental of portions of their Reserve and nothing has ever been

The Honorable
A Campbell
Minister of Interior
Indian Branch
Ottawa

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been paid to, or expended for, them — and they are unwilling that further encroachments should be made on their land without some practical acknowledge-ment in this respect. I have assured them of justice in any event — in con-nection with which, I beg to invite your attention to my letter of the 28th of February on the subject of moneys belonging to them and which so far has not been acknowledged.

I have already had the honor of reporting on the manifest evil of permitting these Indians to remain on land quite useless for any agricultural purposes, on account of its barren and rocky character and which from its proximity to the City is only a Depot for drunkenness and vice. If the Reserve were sold or leased in small lots

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other and better arrangements could, in my opinion, be made for this Tribe by acquiring another Reserve and assisting in the development of their farming and other interests.

I have now to enclose a duplicate Deposit Receipt for the sum of one hundred and ninety eight Dollars and ten Cents $198.10 which I have placed to the credit of the Hon Receiver General on account of "Saugheen Indian Reserve" and I shall be glad to have your Instructions respecting your disposition and disposable action in the matters above referred to.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

I. W. Powell

Indian Commissioner

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J. W. Powell Esq
Indian Commissioner
Victoria
B.C.

29th Sept 1873

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 27th ultimo, calling attention to your former letter of the 25th July last, on the subject of certain moneys belonging to the Songhees Indian Reserve, I have the honour to enclose a copy of a communication received to day from the Department of the Minister of Finance, shewing that, in accordance with your request, the amount ~~moneys~~ remitted in your letters above referred to have been placed to the Credit of N. Columbia Indian funds.

The Superintendent

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General direct me to add that he entirely coincides with you in thinking that it would be desirable in the interest of the Indians and of the public generally that the Sanghee Reserve in the neighbourhood of Victoria should be leased or otherwise disposed of for the benefit of the Sanghees and another Reserve secured for these ~~Sanghees~~ more suitable for agricultural purposes.

The Superintendent General does not think ~~so that this~~ ~~[illegible]~~ that the new Reserve should be, as you seem to your public Report to suggest, in the neighbourhood of Victoria.# Gen. The Superintendent ~~that~~ would be glad that you should consult the Indian

but would prefer it being at some distance from the City, with a view to avoid the very serious evils to which the proximity to the City of present Reserve has given rise.

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wishes of the Lieutenant
and the Local Govt on
this whole question and
he will be prepared to
consider carefully any
scheme which you may
submit after such
consultation.

You will of course
report us to the superficial
Extent, the position &
character of the Sort
of the Reserve to which
you could propose to
transfer the "Sougeen"

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Department of Ind Affairs
Victoria 27th Oct. 1873

No 1
I. W. Powell to His Hon the Lieut Governor

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a letter received from the Honorable the Minister of the Interior respecting the Songhees Indian Reserve.

May I beg that your Honor will have the goodness to take such steps in the matter as may enable me to carry out the request contained therein.

I have the honor to be
Your Honor's Obedient Servant
(Sd) I. W. Powell.
Indian Commr

His Honor
The Lieut Governor
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Executive Council, Chambers
Nov.r 5th 1873.

No 2

The Attorney General to J. W. Powell

Sir,

His Honor the Lieut. Governor has referred your letter of the 27th ult, with its enclosure, to the Executive Council for consideration.

Will you favor me with information upon the following points as soon as convenient.

What is the strength of the Songhees Tribe? distinguishing the sexes, and adults and children.

What is the area of the Reserve?

Where do you propose to locate the tribe, if the reserve at Victoria should be sold or leased?

Would it be advisable if their Reserve be sold, to purchase land partially cultivated, or wild land?

Where would the Indians visiting Victoria with furs &c from the North encamp, should the present Reserve be sold?

Do you propose to provide for such visiting Tribes?

I have the honor to be
(Sd.) &c Geo. A. Walkem.

J. W. Powell Esq.r Mtld.
Ind. Comr.

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No 3

I. W. Powell to The Attorney General

Department of Indian Affairs

Victoria Nov.r 6th 1873.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant respecting the Songhees Indians and requesting on behalf of the Honorable the Executive Council, information upon the following points.

1st "What is the strength of the Songhees Tribe distinguishing sexes Adults and Children"

2nd What is the area of the Reserve"?

3d Where do you propose to locate the Tribe if the Reserve at Victoria should be sold or leased?

4th Would it be advisable if their Reserve be sold to purchase land partially cultivated or wild land?

5th Where would the Indians visiting Victoria with furs &c. from the North encamp should the Reserve be sold?

Do you propose to provide for such visiting Tribes.

In reply

The Honorable
George A. Walkem
Atty Genl &c.

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In reply to the above I have the honor to state.

1st The strength of the Songhees Tribe is about 120 — 45 men 45 women and 30 Children.

2nd The Reserve contains about 112 Acres (much of which of course is unfit for cultivation).

3dly I think the purchase of partially cultivated land preferable, or what is still better — one of the outlying Islands where buildings might be erected for them. The sale or lease of their present Reserve would justify in my opinion, the expenditure of any sum deemed necessary for their permanent improvement and comfort.

4th Very few of the Northern Indians comparatively now bring down furs to Victoria, especially those from Queen Charlotte's Islands of whom we have the greatest number making regular sojourns here — Invariably (as I learned by personal inspection of their Camps during the past summer) they bring down their young women only, many of them girls from 10 to 14 years of age for the

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for the purposes of prostitution. the men remaining here for some three or four months simply as procurers or Pimps. I do not hesitate to add that two thirds if not more of the Indian retail trade in Victoria depends for support upon the open prostitution carried on within the confines of the City.

All the Indian liquor manufactured and sold in Victoria is purchased with means derived from the same source. Next to the City itself where there is no Municipal regulation preventing or controlling the vice alluded to, the present Songhees Reserve is the greatest Depot for its encouragement and continuance.

5th In case of the sale or lease of the present Reserve I should recommend that a small portion somewhere near the entrance to the Harbor should be for the present retained. This would be kept in the care and under the control of the Indian Department and besides being available for the legitimate camping visits of all Tribes would be serviceable for an Indian Hospital or House of Refuge so desirable here.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your Obedient Servant
J. W. Powell.
Indian Commr

(5d)

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Victoria 16th Feby 1874

No 4

J. W. Powell to His Honor the Lieut. Governor

Sir

I have the honor to solicit the attention of your Honor to my letter of 27th October 1873 respecting the Songhees Reserve - further referred to in my letter (reply) of 26th November to the Honorable the Attorney General.

I should be glad if your Honor would have the goodness to inform me if it is proposed to take any action towards meeting the wishes of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior as conveyed in the letter above referred to

I have the honor to be
Your Honor's obedient Servt.
(Sd) J. W. Powell
Indian Commr.

His Honor
The Lieut Governor
&c &c &c

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Provincial Secretary's Office,
23rd February 1874.

No 5

The Provincial Secretary to I. N. Powell

Sir

I am instructed by His Excellency the Lieut Governor to inform you in reply to your letter of the 24th October last, on the subject of a proposal to remove the Indians from the Songhish Reserve. and to deal with the said Reserve by selling or leasing the same, that it is deemed by the Provincial Government inadvisable to interfere in any manner with the duties assumed by the Dominion Government under the Terms of Union.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
John Ash.

(Sd)

Lieut Col Powell
Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

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Department of Indian Affairs
June 21st 1873

I. W. Powell to His Honor the Lieut-Governor

Sir

I have to address your Honor in respect to the urgent necessity of adjusting existing Indian Reserves - extending them where required and of setting apart Indian lands for Tribes not now provided for - and should the arrangements proposed by the Dominion Government be satisfactory to the Government of the Province - that I am now ready to proceed with the necessary surveys.

I am informed at different places just visited by me that in some instances great injustice has been done the Indians in not reserving sufficient land for their use and in some cases such as Comox, Chemainus &c. land actually occupied by Indians as potatoe patches &c has been preempted by white settlers and certificates granted.

From these causes abundant discontent prevails among Indians, both on the Island and mainland and I regard it as a matter of urgent and paramount importance not only to the future peaceful settlement of the Province by whites

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whites but as a matter of justice to the Indians themselves. that their Complaints should be adjusted, and Reserves also made for them in those parts of the Province where they do not at present exist.

I have also the honor to enclose a copy of an order in Council relating to these Indian lands, empowering me to confer with the Local Government and I shall be glad if your Honor will take such steps in regard to the same as may be deemed expedient.

I beg further to enclose a letter received by me from W. L. Lowenberg who has been acting as Agent and Collector for the Songhees Reserve and shall feel obliged if your Honor will cause the same to be transmitted to the Hon the Prov Secretary with a view to my obtaining the papers in question or any others in possession of the Government relating to the Indian Affairs of this Province.

I am &c
Your Honor's.
Most Obedient Servant.
I. W. Powell.
Indian Commr.

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Indian Office
Victoria 24th February 1874

Sir

No 59

Referring to your letter of the 29th September 1873 I now have the honor to enclose copies of correspondence with the local Government, in respect to the removal from the City, of the Songhees Indians.

You will perceive that the Government declines to give any advice in the matter alluded to — and as I am to have the honor of conferring with you personally, upon this and kindred subjects I will defer any further suggestions until that time.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
I W Powell
Indian Commissioner

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c &c
Indian Branch

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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OTTAWA.

Ottawa 27th March 1874

Sir

I have the honor to refer to my last letter with Enclosures respecting the Songhees Reserve at Victoria and beg to suggest that authority be given me to select some other suitable location for the Indians of this tribe and afterwards to remove them thereto. I may inform you however that there will be great opposition to this proposal on the part of the traders and others at Victoria and all possible difficulties will be thrown in the way of carrying it out, but I am of opinion that the sooner the matter is decided and acted upon, the better it will be for all concerned

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
J. W. Powell Lieut-Col
Indian Commissioner

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c &c
Indian Branch

In W Powell letter of 6 Nov 1874 attached for B.C. ante. [illegible]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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British Columbia

Indian Office
Victoria 24th Aug 1874

Sir

Referring to my letter of February 24th re Songhees Reserve (Victoria) and to my subsequent letter on the same subject written at Ottawa. I have the honor to inform you that a most valuable location could be purchased just now for them — an Island situate in the Straits de Haro and about 20 miles distant from this City. This Island contains altogether some 2000 acres of land, abundance of wood and quite sufficient of good arable soil. It is highly favorable for fish and convenient to Victoria for market purposes. I think it could be purchased for six or eight thousand Dollars.

I have

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c
Indian Branch

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should you agree with me as to advisability of moving these Indians it would be well to secure this property as soon as possible. The sale or lease of this present Reserve would afford ample means not only to effect the above propositions but to erect houses, furnish them annually with agricultural tools and to promote their well being in many ways where it is impossible in their present unfortunate widness. These Indians are daily making inquiries as to the moneys which have accrued from rental of various portions of this Reserve &c &c and as the hope of receiving your instructions relative to their future disposition I have delayed giving them any answer. I think it would be well however should the Chief meet with your views to secure a place which in every respect would be so desirable and then open negotiations with them relative to their removal, without further delay

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
I. W. Powell
Indian Commissioner

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Mr McNeil will please ask Dr Powell if
the Supt Genl of Ind. Affs is still absent in the
N.W. but that upon his return Dr Powell's
letter submitting the
proposition to put an Island in the Straits de
Haro as a Reserve for the Songhees Indians of
B.C. in place of the Reserve opp. Victoria
City at present occupied by those Indns
will be brought under his notice -

LAM
Sept 10/74

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Lieut: Col: J. W. Powell. Sept. 11. 1874
Indian Commissioner
Victoria
B.C.

L.M.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 24th ultimo submitting a proposition to purchase an Island in the Straits de Haro as a Reserve for the Songhees Indians of British Columbia in place of the Reserve at present Victoria City at-present occupied by them; and to inform you that the S. G of I.A is still absent in the North West, but that upon his return the matter will be brought under his notice.

I am &c.,

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Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 5th. January 1875

Memo:-

The undersigned submits for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, the accompanying papers in relation to the Songhees Reserve near Victoria, British Columbia.

This Reserve consisting of 112 acres occupied by about 120 Indians is situated in the immediate environs of Victoria. The Indian Commissioner, Dr Powell describes the land as being utterly useless for agricultural purposes on account of its barren and rocky character. It is however from its close proximity to the City, very valuable and a large sum could be realized for the benefit of the Indians were it leased or sold.

The Commissioner describes the Reserve as being at present a depot of drunkenness and vice where the prostitution of Indian women is carried on without any hinderance whatever.

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The Indian Commissioner in August last
upon represented these facts to the then
Superintendent General and urged very
strongly the propriety of removing the
Songhees Indians from the vicinity of Victoria
and placing them on another Reserve
at some distance from the City where
they might be assisted in the development
of their farming and other industries, and
saved from the vice and crime consequent
upon their residence in the immediate vicinity
to the City. The then Superintendent General
concurred in the opinion of the Commissioner, and
the Indian Commissioner was accordingly
requested to look out for some suitable
place to which the Songhees Indians might
be removed. In his letter of the 24th August
last the Commissioner reports that a most
desirable location could now be secured for
these Indians, viz: an Island in the Straits
de Haro, about 20 miles distant from the City

Containing

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containing about 2000 acres of land with abundance of wood and a sufficient quantity of good arable soil. He states that the Island is favorable for fishing and convenient to Victoria for market purposes, He thinks it could be secured for six or eight thousand dollars and adds "that the sale or lease of the "present Reserve would afford ample means "not only to purchase the said Island, but "to erect houses, furnish them annually "with agricultural tools and to promote "their well being in many ways where it is "impossible in their present unfortunate resi-"dence".

The undersigned thinks it most desirable that the Songhees Indians should be removed as speedily as possible from their present Reserve, and located as proposed by the Indian Commissioner on the Island above referred to. By the Act of last session however for extending Indian laws to British Columbia

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(the Act 37 Vic: Cap. 21:) the provisions of the Act 31 Vic: Cap 62, relating to the surrender of Indian lands are not applicable to that Province, under the 8th. section of the last cited Act no lease or surrender of land reserved for the use of Indians is valid or binding unless made in conformity with the provisions of that Act at a meeting of the Indians specially called for the purpose of considering the subject.

While the undersigned thinks it would be on many grounds unwise to take any steps to obtain the surrender of the Songhees Indians' of their Reserve until some suitable location had been provisionally secured for them he feels that it would be premature to make any final arrangements until the Indians have consented to surrender their present Reserve.

The undersigned would therefore respectfully recommend that the Indian Commissioner be authorized to take

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measures to secure if possible for 4 or 6
months the refusal of the Island referred
to in his letter at the lowest price at
which it can be purchased not exceed-
ing at the utmost $8000.00 and should
he succeed in doing this that he
then take steps to obtain a formal
surrender by the Indians of their present
Reserve near Victoria, in the manner pre-
scribed in the Act already referred to
And the undersigned would further recom-
mend that Mr Commissioner Powell
be duly authorized to attend the Council
of Indians to be summoned for the pur-
pose of making such surrender

(Sgd) David Laird
Minister of the Interior.

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Lt. Col Powell
Indian Supert. British Columbia

Sir

Hearing that it is the intention of the Dominion Government as soon as possible to complete the removal of the Indians from the Songish Reserve by transferring them to lands more suitable I beg to make application to purchase this Songish Reserve consisting of 112 (one hundred and twelve) acres more or less, and to pay a liberal price for the same.

About half of the reservation is of a rough rocky and broken character, the remainder can be made available for practical purposes.

I hereby offer for it the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars - Terms half cash, and the balance in two equal annual instalments without interest.

Awaiting your action on this proposal

I have the honour to be
Your obed't Servant
Wm Wilson

Not knowing whether this offer is based on correct information as to the intentions of the Minister of the Interior in relation to the Songish tribe, I have marked this communication "Private"

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Ottawa Jan'y 13 1875

Lt. Col. I. W. Powell.
Indn. Comr.
Victoria,
B.C.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 24th. August last, and previous correspondence on the subject of the Songhees Indian Reserve near Victoria I have the honor to enclose for your information and guidance a Copy of an Order of H. E. the Gov.-Genl. in Council authorizing you to take the necessary measures with a view to the removal of the Indians from the said Reserve to the Island in the Straits de Haro referred to in your letter of the 24th. August last. in taking the necessary preliminary steps to carry into Effect the Order herewith Enclosed, and will be glad to have an early report from you on the subject.

I am Sir,

The Minister trusts that you will lose no time in

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Copy *of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the* **Privy Council,** *approved by His Excellency the* **Governor General** *in Council, on the* 8. January 1875.

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On a Memo: dated 5. Janʸ. 1875, from the Hon. the Minister of the Interior, stating that he thinks it most desirable that the Songhees Indians should be removed as speedily as practicable from their present Reserve, near Victoria, British Columbia, and located as proposed by the Indian Commʳ. Dr. Powell, on an island in the Straits de Haro about twenty miles distant from the City.

The Minister therefore recommends that the Indian Commʳ be authorized to take measures to secure if possible for four or six months

To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c., &c., &c.

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months the refusal of the Island referred to in his letter, at the lowest price at which it can be purchased, not exceeding at the utmost $8000.00 and should he succeed in doing this that he then take steps to obtain a formal surrender by the Indians of their present Reserve near Victoria, in the manner prescribed by the Act referred to in said Memorandum, and the Minister further recommends that Wm. Commr. Powell be duly authorized to attend the Council of the Indians to be Summoned for the purpose of making such Surrender

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The Committee submit the above recommendations for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified

Wm Kimmerwith

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British Columbia

Indian Office
Victoria 10th Feby 1875

Sir

I have the honor to enclose an offer (marked private from Mr. Wm Wilson to purchase the Songhees Indian Reserve near this place for the sum of Twenty thousand dollars ($20.000).

I have informed Mr Wilson that no instructions ~~such as~~ respecting any proposed disposal of this Reserve, have as yet been given me, but pending any change as referred to in his letter, I would submit his offer to your consideration. I might add, that should real estate rise in value here, as many anticipate, more than the sum named might perhaps be realized for it by selling it off in small lots. At present rates I should consider it a liberal proposition for the whole price

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
J W Powell
Indian Commissioner

The Honorable
The Minister of Interior
&c &c &c

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Dep Minister of Interior

Indian Branch

Order acknowledge twenty fourth negotiations now pending cannot anticipate results indians require own time for consideration will telegraph when Indians consent is obtained

J W Powell

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(Copy)

Victoria B. C.
20 Febv 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with your instructions directing me to proceed to Kallas Island with a view to ascertain its suitability for the purposes of an Indian Reserve that I have visited and thoroughly explored the Island and have to report that it contains about 2,000 acres, which may be divided as follows

. About 800 acres of broken trap rock, on which however a little feed will be found in the spring;—

. About 700 acres of rather poor soil, covered with red fir and arbutus, but still when cleared fit for cultivation;—

. About 450 acres of land of good quality, black loam on a clay subsoil, of this some 200 acres require very little and very easy clearing, the bush consisting almost entirely of isolated willow bushes, it should however be

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mentioned that there would be a considerable amount of work in clearing this portion of and piling the loose stones which are very numerous; —

Next lastly the Sandspit which is a Government Reserve and contains about 30 acres.

The improvements on this Island consist of a well built weatherboarded house with brick chimneys, with well adjoining a stable, fowlhouse, &c; and about 30 acres ~~of land~~ fenced which have been laid down in grass; these improvements are estimated at $2000, though this is probably beneath the amount actually expended.

There is plenty of wood principally red fir both for fencing and firing.

Water is found in various places on the Island and though rather hard is good.

There is a good situation for an Indian Village at the point marked A on the enclosed sketch, where there is a small flat large enough to haul the canoes up out of the reach of the sea.

There is a clam bed in the immediate vicinity of the house, and there are good fishing grounds around the Island.

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The Saanich Indians (of Tsartlip) I believe claim by custom some right to these fishing grounds. This is a point which might be worthy of your consideration in any arrangements you may make.

There are neither deer bear wolves or panthers on the Island, indeed the only game appears to be a few blue grouse

In estimating the value of this Island it must be borne in mind that owing to its proximity to Victoria, the cost must necessarily be governed to some extent by the prices of real estate now ruling in the neighbourhood of the city. It is however believed that the following will be found a fair estimate, viz:—

2,000 acres @ $3,00	$6,000.00
Improvements.	2,000.00
	$8,000.00

In conclusion I have to report that I know of no other place in this neighbourhood equally suitable for an Indian Reserve, without incurring possibly a much larger expenditure in buying up existing rights.

I enclose a sketch of the Island and

I have &c &c

(Sig?) Edward Mohun L.S.

Lieut-Col Powell
Indian Commissioner

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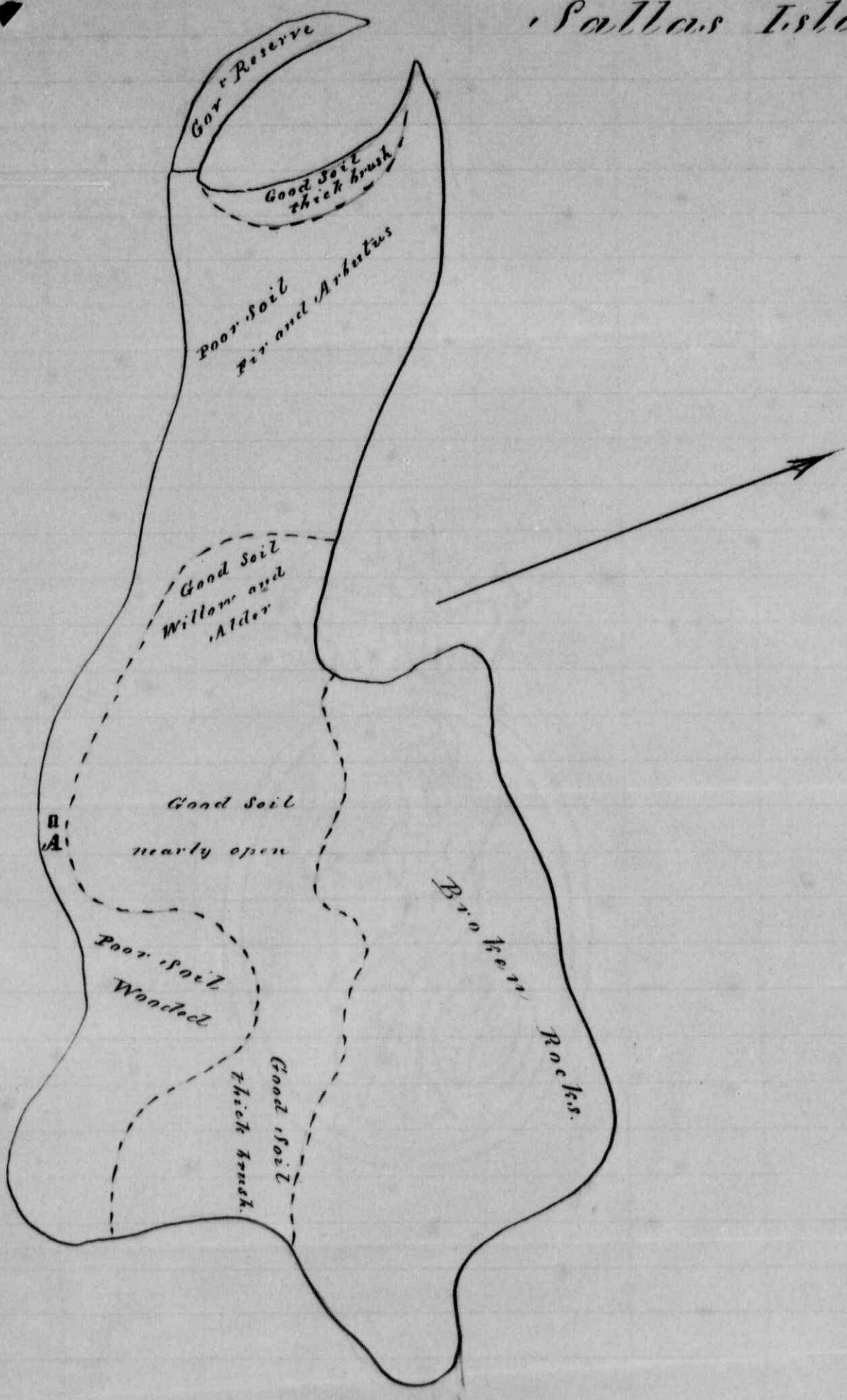
Sallas Island.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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OTTAWA

British Columbia

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Indian Office
Victoria Feby 24th 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1780 I. B covering an Order in Council of the 8th ultimo respecting the purchase of an Island, and the removal of the Songhees Indians thereto. Etc. Etc.

In reply, I have to enclose a Report by Wm Mohun C. E. upon the suitability of Sallas Island for the purpose required, and to state, that I will open negotiations at once for its purchase, and with the Songhees Indians

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c &c

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Indians for their removal to the same, agreeably to the instructions conveyed in your letter.

I trust that I may soon be enabled to acquaint you with my accomplishment of the object alluded to, though I need scarcely add, that on account of the opposition of Indian Traders and others, some little delay may take place, ere I may have the pleasure of doing so.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

I. W. Powell,

Indian Commissioner

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS OTTAWA
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British Columbia.

Indian Commissioner's Office,
Victoria, 27 August 1875

Sir:

No 1780 Js

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No ~~5119~~ 1780 JB in reply to my letter of the 26th May last, on the subject of the Removal of the Songhees Indians from their Reserve at this place.

I can quite understand, owing to the unsatisfactory position of the Indian Land question in this Province, your Caput Lucan for not definitely recommending the scheme I had the honor to propose, to the Government though inclined on many grounds to

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The Minister of the Interior

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to view the same favorably yourself.
In respect to the 3d paragraph of your letter
I may state, that all lands in the Vicinity
of Victoria are held at what would be con-
sidered in any other Province exceedingly
high rates; I will however not lose
sight of the Subject, but should any other
farm come into the market equally acceptable
to the Indians, at a more reasonable price,
I will at once inform you.

I shall also embrace the
first opportunity of acquainting the
Indians with your views as to the
amounts which have accrued and are
slowly accumulating from rentals of
portions of their Reserves and which views
I have every reason at present to believe
will be satisfactory I have the honor to be

Sir
Your obedient Servant
I. W. Powell
Indian Commissioner

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 8 1875
OTTAWA.

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532. B.

British Columbia
Indian Office
Victoria May 26th 1875

Sir,

Referring to your letter No. 1780 I.B. and the Order in Council enclosed therein respecting the removal of the Songhees Indians to Sallas Island in the Straits de Fuca.

I have the honor to report, that I have had several interviews with the Chief of the Songhees and his people upon the subject.

The objections made by these Indians to my proposition were. That Sallas Island was too far from Victoria. Many of the Songhees get a good living by selling fish.

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c. &c. &c.

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fish, oysters, &c &c. in the town which they would be unable to continue if they were to remove to Sallas Island.

Many of the young men work as day servants and laborers, and acquire a comfortable competency in so doing. A proportionate number of the women are fair laundresses, and can earn a dollar per diem, at this vocation. Both of these classes state that they would no longer be able to obtain a living if they were prevented from having any place upon which they might reside, at or near Victoria. (to go so far away, especially if they were) They state that Victoria has always been their home, and were they to remove to Sallas Island away from the protection now enjoyed, they fear that the Tribe would be constantly subject to the raids of hostile bands of Indians passing to and fro in the Straits. Finally, they

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they stated that portions of their present Reserve had from time to time been leased to white people by authority of the Government, and no amount whatever of the sums thus realized had ever been paid them, or expended for their benefit. They had been so often deceived by promises that this sum should be paid them, that all confidence was lost, and prior to a further consideration of my proposals, they should be gld if I would undertake to have this old grievance set right.

My proposition was, that I would build houses for the accomodation of every family. That all sums now due them, should at once be divided among them, and the interest which would accrue from the sum to be realized from the sale of their present reserve.

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reserve, should be paid them annually.

This arrangement would enable them to purchase Stock, and agricultural implements, etc., by which their present condition would be greatly improved etc. etc.

With a view of removing Cadboro their great objection urged on account of distance from town, I acquired the right to purchase a place situated at Cadboro bay some three miles from Victoria, and as 3
it was the very spot where the forefathers of these Indians resided, I had at one time great hopes of obtaining their consent to take this piece of land in lieu of Sallas Island. Indian traders and others however in the town who are interested in having them remain, have used all the influence possible to persuade them not to remove,

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or at least to defer the acceptance of my present proposition.

I have no doubt their consent will be obtained in time, though unless some place be bought by the Government, or the right to purchase for some months or even a year be obtained, it is difficult if not impossible to continue negotiations with them. The farm I had in view at Cadboro Bay consists of about six hundred and forty acres. Or probably three hundred and fifty of this is rock, but it is all suitable for grazing purposes.

There is abundance of wood and water upon it, and as it is a point projecting into the sea, good fishing grounds would also be afforded them. The price at present asked for it is Eight thousand, two hundred, and fifty dollars ($8250.00)

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$(8250^{00}_{/100}$) a sum which I should consider a fair valuation for the property.

If this were purchased by the Government I could easily offer inducements to a few Indians to go there, and I do not think there would be any lengthened interval ere all of the Band would be glad to follow.

This place is sufficiently far from town to isolate them from the vice and temptation to which they are subjects on their present reserve, and yet near enough to annul the objections they had to a removal more distant.

The Order in Council referring to this subject restricts the choice to Sallas Island, and as the Indians are so much opposed to this place, I should be glad if you consider it desirable, to authorize me to purchase either the land alluded

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alluded to at Cadboro Bay, or any other place most convenient for all purposes to be selected.

In the latter case I would use my discretion, and not purchase at all without some guarantee on the part of the Indians to remove to the place chosen.

May I beg of you also, to instruct me relative to the disposition of the money which has accrued from rental of portions of their Reserve, and which now amounts to some $3000.00 dollars.

The Indians though told by former Governments that this money belonged to them, justly complain that no part of it has ever been given them, or expended for their benefit, and pending the settlement of this old grievance they have little faith in the sincerity of any promise

or

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or agreements, which may be proposed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servt.

J. W. Powell

Indian Commissioner

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Department [illegible] Interior
Otta[illegible] Augt 12th/75

Lieut. Col. I. W. Powel[illegible]
Indian Comm^r
Victoria
B.C.

Songhees file

[illegible] Minute

EAC

[illegible]

[illegible] honor to inform you that the Sup^t General has had under consideration your letter No 534, of the 26th May last on the subject of the Order in Council of the 8th January last, authorising the removal of the Songhees Indians to Salla[illegible] Island in the straits of de Fuca on certain conditions and reporting the objections made by the Indians to that scheme, mainly [illegible] view of its great distance from Victoria.

2. As regards your proposal that the Indians should [illegible] removed to the farm [illegible] Cadbow bay some [illegible] miles from Victoria [illegible] Sup^t General desires [illegible] to say that he is not [illegible] prepare[illegible]

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prepared at pr[illegible]
in view of the [illegible]
unsatisfactory [illegible]
position of the [illegible]ian
Land [illegible] British
[illegible]initely
[illegible]scheme
[illegible]t, although
[illegible] many
[illegible] it
favourably himself.
3. He thinks however,
that the quantity of good
land on the farm is hardly
sufficient for the number
of Indians and that the
price asked for the land
considering its character
and distance from Victoria
somewhat high.
In reference to the
moneys which have
accrued to the Songhees
Indians from the rental
in past years of part
of their Reserves, amounting
now to about ~~[illegible]~~
Three thousand dollars
the Supt General wishes
You to assure the Indians
that the money is secure
for them and that, in
the event of their ~~being~~ removal
from their present Reserve
it

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it will be available either for the purpose of building houses for them or for such other purpose as may be deemed advisable.

5 I am at the same time to authorise you to ~~expend~~ that the rental coming from the Reserve for the current year ~~for the benefit of the Indians in such way as they seem to~~ may think you a most ~~advisable~~ will be expended for their benefit upon you submitting a Report to the Supt. G. as to the manner in which it can be most advantageously laid out for them - and meeting his sanction of your views

inform the Indians

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OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE,

FOR THE PROVINCES.

1873

St John Ont.
24 Apl. 2nd Agent
15 May 2nd Office
Recognized
Indn Affrs

Just returned from Portage Lachaine where he went to ascertain alleged trouble by Sioux Indians & gives account of said occurrances
Dated May 15th

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Indian Office Winnipeg

28th April 1873

Sir

I have recently returned from Portage La Prairie where I went with the object of ascertaining how far the alleged ~~annoyance~~ of the Sioux Indians were correct. The principal cause of complaint is the burning of wood by the Sioux Camps and of occasional petty thefts by the Indian boys, but the prevailing feeling seemed to

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letter having been received
from Fort Ellice speaking of
the rumoured poisoning by
American Traders of "Little
Knife" and "Sitting Bull"
— two principal Chiefs of the
Sioux — and of the consequent
murder of the Americans by the
Indians. Probably you will
have heard through other channels
whether this is correct or not before
receiving this letter.

When at the Portage I
learnt that "White Eagle"
the leading Sioux Chief in
the Province had sent some
of his young men out into
the Plains, with instructions

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to watch the movements of "Little Knifes" band and to return at once on ascertaining his movements. "White Eagle" contemplated going out then to meet them, with friendly intentions. He told this to the Hon W. McKay who was my companion at the Portage. I mention this as being the most trustworthy sign of their expected visit.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Molyneux St John
Indian Agent

H. Spragge Esq
&c &c &c
Ottawa

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Dept of Ind Affairs
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INDIAN BRANCH.
1873

Jan

Mr St John Esqre
Inspr Office
Winnipeg
Manitoba

28 apl
15 May

Just returned from
Portage La Prairie
where he went to ascertain
alleged trouble by Sioux
Indns & gave his account
of said annoyances

see further letter from
Mr St John 30 May
recd 12 June

Answd & Acct sent
July 8. 46 - 73

Cheque in favor of
Jas E St John

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Indian Office Manitoba
30th May 1873.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant and to forward the receipts asked for therein.

In reply to your instruction that "no accounts not connected with "supplies necessarily furnished "to Indians at the period of "payments of annuity money "should be paid without reference "to this office"; I would respectfully submit that Administration of the In

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Office under such conditions
would in the present stage of this
country be a sheer impossibility.
Since the departure of Mr Simpson
I have kept the expenses down
to the lowest possible point -
perhaps too low - but even to
carry on the work in that season
when there was least to do I
was obliged occasionally to incur
expense either on account, or
to pay what was necessary. Your
experience of Indian matters will
enable me to elucidate at once
the necessity of which I speak.
A party of Sioux came in
time of the alarm here
called upon me. I

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spoke with them and eventually
sent them back with a little provision
to carry them home and some
ammunition to serve them till
they could kill and sell some
game. They went away pleased
and shortly afterwards the chief
sent young men off to learn
what the Missouri Sioux under
"Little Knife" were doing, purposing
to inform us if evil were intended.
Had I dismissed this party
without a present they would have
been added to the number of
the discontented Sioux and if
no worse result came of
the fact of irritating a

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wandering Savages moving
about our Western settlements
would have materially increased
the complaints of damage done
by the Indians.

Again a party of the Portage
Indians came in from the
Plains a short time ago in a
very destitute condition. They
were the family and relations
of the principal Spokesman
of Oozahwaguans Band
and after one or two conversations
about their coming payment,
their Reserves &c &c I gave
[illegible] a small present of
[illegible]ions and sent them
home

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home to the Band to tell the
chief I would meet them in July
They wanted a small advance
in cash of their annuity to buy
shirts and this I had to advance
myself as by your instructions,
I had depositied all the cash with
Mr. Micken. If I had refused their
request the whole of the Portage
Band who yet require to be properly
managed would have been disgusted
with me and in no good state
of temper towards the government
were I to tell a party of Indians
that I had <u>no authority</u> to give
them anything, they would
me that, I could have

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authority to talk to them
and would refuse either to obey
my instructions or to listen
to me at all

As you are aware the whole
of the Sioux alarm which being
exaggerated by irresponsible
people caused much alarm
in Canada and England, which
was spread about the United
States and made to do infinite
work in checking immigration
to the British side of the line
arose from a fancied slight
[illegible]lsely attributed to Mr. Simpson)
[illegible] Indian party who visited
[illegible]ry. I am frequently

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insulted by Indians - Individuals or
parties. I have always to engage
an Interpreter and necessarily have
to pay him myself. However Mr.
Provencher has doubtless authority
to meet these contingencies so there
is no use my saying more in the
matter, beyond stating that I am
as you say aware of the bearings
of the question of estimates, supply
&c but know also that some
margin for contingencies in
connexion with the Indian Affairs
of the North West must be provided.

When I telegraphed
proposing to come down in
the winter it was with a
view of explaining these and
other points and by answering
any

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Questions what might be put
to me give such full information
on the subject that a somewhat
complecated question might
have been made plain.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Molyneux St. John
Indian Agent

N. Sprague Esq.
D. S. I. A.
Ottawa

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J. H. Ascomb Esq

Sir Robert Spencer
Bt & 30th Regt
on the part of the
Chief Indian Officer
of Canada dated
June 12 1873
re 1783

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT VISIT TO COASTAL TRIBES. B.C. - POWELL

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12/14 May [illegible] tama

That one of Her Majesty's Vessels be placed at Sufft Powell's disposal to treat with Indians along east of B.C. & that he dist Compo in re Cochrane with the Indians & Police

See Telegrams Dist Gen Hulet & Supt Powell 11 May

See Memo Nashin

4 June Lett Supt Powell with copy of O.C.

See lett from Mr Powell reporting on his tour over

to different tribes on Coast of B.C. 25 June 23 July

Further letter from Mr Powell sending photos of views of visit to the different Bands of Indians July 7/24

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL
24
1873
OTTAWA.

British Columbia

Indian Office
Victoria July 7th 1873

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith by parcel post two small packets of photographic Views pertaining to Indian Affairs in British Columbia - which may serve to illustrate my Report upon the visitation to the Coast Tribes in Her Majesty's Ship "Boxer". I have not had the large Views mounted, as it would have been inconvenient to send them by mail; this might be done at Ottawa should it appear desirable -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
I. W. Powell
Indian Commissioner

The Honorable
The Secretary of State for the
Provinces &c &c
Indian Branch

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British Columbia

Photographic Views taken during the Visitation
of the Indian Commissioner among Indian tribes
of East Coast of Vancouver Isl^d & N W Coast of Mainland
in Her Majesty's Gun Vessel "Boxer" May & June 1873

No 1 Indians at New Westminster preparing to return home
No 2 Group of Indians at New Westminster
No 3 Indians Chiefs & others after presenting an address
to the Indian Commissioner at New Westminster
No 4 Group of Naval officers H^m S "Boxer" at Bella Bella
No 5 Indian Rancherie Tsawattie Knights Inlet
No 6 Indians at Tsawattie during visit of Commissioner
No 7 Scene at Bella Coola 1873
No 8 Group at Bella Coola
No 9 Indian Rancherie at Knights Inlet
No 10 Mountains at Knights Inlet
No 11 Open Square where Chiefs hold "potlach" or donation festivals
" 12 Snow clad Hills at Knights Inlet
" 13 H M S "Boxer" taking in Coal at Departure Bay
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" 19 H.M.S Boxer at Anchor Safety Cove ——

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Office of Secretary
of State for the
Provinces
13th May 1873
Submitted for the
Information & order
of the Deputy
Supt General of
Indian Affairs
D A Meredith
Indian Secy
see fold outside

A copy of the order in Council has been
communicated to the Lieut Gov of
B. Columbia.

13 May.

D A Meredith
Indian Secy

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Copy of a Report of a Committee of
the **PRIVY COUNCIL**, appr
Excellency the Governor General
on the 12th May 1873

On a Memorandum, dated
May 1873, from the Hon. Mr Ak
Acting as Secretary of State for
Provinces representing that by
Telegram of yesterday's date (9th M
Lieutenant Governor Trutch conveys
information that connected with a
seizure of liquor a collision had occa
near Comox (British Columbia) betw
the Indians and the Police, resulting
in two Indians being killed.

That the local Government
the matter as a Dominion affair
and the services of a man of
are represented as necessary, and
proposing, under advice of his Mi

To the Honorable
The Secretary of State
&c., &c., &c. (Provinces)

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rity be given him to act on
the Dominion Government.
Acting Secretary of State in
ction with the subject of the
ployment of a Steam Vessel, refers to
ntendent Powells correspondence
was placed before the Privy
uncil, in which he applied that
Steamer Sir James Douglas, or
me other Government Vessel, should
despatched up the Coast, stating
at this was intended as a precau-
ionary measure; and that the
ubject was laid before the Govrnt
in an Official report of the 3d January
t, to which also he requests reference
will as to the order in Council,
by the sale of that Steamer
ers to have been directed.
at in the event of the Government
ding upon complying with the
tenant Governor's recommendation,
he

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he proposes that instructions be
given to Superintendent Powell to
accompany the Expedition with direction
to investigate and report upon the
entire subject, and, if deemed advisable
to visit likewise other Indian Settlements
on the Coast.

The Committee advise that the
Lieutenant Governor be informed on
behalf of Your Excellency, that the
breach of the peace described in his
Communication, although committed
by Indians, is one with which the
Local Government, and not that of
Your Excellency must deal - but as
the Committee are of opinion that
the genral state of Indian Affairs
in British Columbia as described
by Superintendent Powell renders
an inspection by that Officer along
the Coast of the Island of Vancouver,
aswell as the Mainland eminently
expedient

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expedient, and to make his visit impressive and therefore effective, that it should be made, if possible, in one of H. M^s Vessels as has been usually done on that Coast, they recommend that Lt Governor Trutch be authorized to request the Officer in Command at Esquimalt to place a gun boat at the disposal of Superintendent Powell (on the usual terms as to fuel) for the purpose of his annual inspection and further that he be authorized to visit Comox and to assist in the steps which the Local Govern^t may deem necessary in connection with the breach of the Peace there referred to in the telegram of Lieutenant Governor Trutch

Certified

W A Hemsworth
C P C

P.C.

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File with
June 25/Aug 24 letter
from Lieut. Comr. Parnell
Report of Visit to the
East Coast Indians

A to Dy Supt

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British Columbia
Department of Indian Affairs
Victoria 25th June 1873

Sir

In accordance with the telegraphic instructions of the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs I have the honor to report, that on the 12th ultimo I communicated with the Senior Naval Officer in charge of Her Majesty's Ships at Esquimalt through his Honor the Lieutenant Governor, and on the 26th of May H.M. Gun Vessel "Boxer" Lieut Commander Fitzgerald commanding, was placed at my disposal for the purpose of making a visitation among the Tribes inhabiting the East Coast of Vancouver Island and North West Coast of the Mainland and also to assist in measures at Comox necessitated by the recent occurrence of the Police Superintendent shooting two Indians whilst in discharge of his duty".

Urgent messages having been received in the mean time by both His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and myself, requesting me to meet some four thousand Indians assembled at New Westminster for the purpose of celebrating Her Majesty's birth day and of stating their wishes to the Indian Commissioner, I embarked on the evening of the 25th in company with Mr. Hamilton Moffatt a gentleman long connected with the Hudson's Bay Service among the Coast Indians. A. F. Pemberton J.P. with his Constable and interpreter

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and a Photographer who accompanied the Expedition for the purpose of taking views of Indian Camps, and photographs of different Tribes &c. We anchored at New Westminster on the evening of the 26th and were saluted by grand volleys of Musketry from some three or four thousand Indians who crowded the wharves and streets of the Town to witness our arrival. Having been notified by a Deputation who came on board that the Indians were anxious to have an interview with me as soon as possible, I disembarked at once in company with Commander Fitzgerald and we were escorted from the landing by the Indians headed by their brass band to the platform of the Treasury building, where I was presented with the following address which I may add was very creditably read in English by one of the assembled Chiefs.

J. W. Powell Esqr
Supert. of Indian Affairs

Sir

We the Chiefs of various Villages situated on the Douglas Lillooet road, and along the Fraser River and also along the Coast to Bute Inlet are truly happy to welcome you our new Chief sent by Canada to take in hand the interests of the poor Indians.

We came here to celebrate as we have done these many years past, the day of our great Chief the Queen, and also expecting the pleasure of meeting you.

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We have been anxiously wishing to see you as we have been longing for a Chief who will truly have at heart our Interests so long neglected for the past.

The White men have taken our land and no compensation has been given us, though we have been told many times that the great Queen was so good, she would help her distant children the Indians.

White men have surrounded our Villages so much as in many instances, especially on Fraser River, but few acres of Land have been left us.

We hope that you will see yourself our wants, and our desires, and you will remove that veil of sorrow which is spreading over our hearts.

We once more greet your coming amongst us as our Chief, and the representative of the Canada-Government; Through you we send our best thanks to the Chief of Canada for the generous donation he sent us to celebrate more solemnly the feast of our Great Chief the Queen.

Peter Ayessik	Chief of	Hope
William	"	Bute Inlet
Charly	"	Tla-os
Thomas	"	Tokou
Auguste	"	Tlayamin
Andre	"	Techossem
Henry	"	Baulap
George	"	Seeshels
Paul	"	Ranachem

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Joseph	Chief of		Tsouie
Henry	"		Jarvis Inlet
Peter	"		Skwamish
Kwatat	Kwantkrew		Stamas
Swaseldow	"		Kwapssew
Kwakou	"		Kwatove
Larwaskew	"		Tsalchew
Henry	"		Taktakay
Ratselauou	"		Touktakoumaye
Joseph	"		Ekwaeakrew
Stelamkrew	"		Skaouchew
Chpeame	"		Chakchok
Kwuaeten	"		Poyam
James	"		Burrard's Inlet
Michel	"		Ketsey
Louis	"		Chouassew
Basile	"		Houok
George	"		Matsqui
Skethalew	"		Sumass
Stasollew	"		Sumass landing
Modeste	"		Chilliwack River
Peter	"		Isquayyala
Joseph	"		Kokuopilt
Tom	"		Yukyukyyoos
Etienne	"		Squa
John	"		Harrison River
Bob	"		Tsalis
Alexis	"		Cheam
Tsatseselt	"		Nakammel
Quolakalam	"		Skoyam
Charley	"		Stetlew
Auguste	"		Shouamal
Bernard	"		Ewaous
Tom	"		Yale
Lequetam	"		Yale Town
Henry	"		Ratlatle

Above Town of Fraser River

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Fraser River

Bill	Chief	of	Platoas
Louis	"		Poakolas
Paul	"		Skokow
Katemkzew	"		Skozie
Kwamasket	"		Lytton
Constantion	"		Bridge Creek
Metskealtsew	"		Lillooet
Jean Baptiste	"		Stsamak
Isidore	"		Skemkeen
Joseph	"		Stilekeaw
Paul	"		Chalalh
George	"		Silovs
James	"		Ukeate
Jack	"		Kwatkwa
James	"		Skallouk
Kelly	"		Stoulpaoultew
Jean	"		Skammech
Pakchatew	"		Kalacken
Katolcha	"		Kalatkow
Tsemenk	"		Lillooetel
James	"		Kwaroulatew
Kenta	"		Sammakwaw
Jean	"		Seachin
Tom	"		Kamamks
Isidore	"		Tsatsewaktaw
Peter	"		Skeatin
Joseph	"		Douglas
Jem	"		Semiamo.

Douglas - Lillooet.

I then addressed the Indians, stating that I was glad to have an opportunity of meeting so many Indians assembled together in peace and good order as I beheld now present. That her Majesty the Queen had appointed me to find out their grievances and to see that justice was assur

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them. There were a great many Indians in the Province and perhaps it would take some time to see them all but it was my intention to do so as soon as possible and I had no doubt that the change which had been made in their interest would make their position much better. That Her Majesty
" their great Mother had the same kind care for the Red man as she had for the White and in order that the Indians might have some one to look especially after their affairs, a Commissioner had been appointed for British Columbia. She expected them however on their part to be good subjects and I hoped at all times to have their co-operation in maintaining law and order.

That I was glad to be presented with an address signed by so many Chiefs all of whom were before me and I would take this opportunity of assuring them that it
" should have my close attention. I would state to them now in respect to one subject of their address and which was a prominent grievance, that I had been commanded by Her Majesty to see that every Indian family had land and it was my intention to procure this for them as soon as possible, that each family should have sufficient land for their maintenance to be their own property and that of their children for ever.

" As it was late in the evening I would not take up their time longer now especially as it was my intention to visit them all at their own homes separately and find out their individual wants.

My heart was glad to see them here

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engaged in celebrating the birth day of Her Majesty who is as great as she is good and I would now call upon them for three Cheers for the Queen." The cheers were given with a will, and followed by the National Anthem by the Indian Band, a feu de joie by native musketry and three cheers more closed the proceedings for the day. On the 27th I was occupied during the whole day in inspecting the different Camps giving audience to Natives who had complaints to make and in collecting information about their condition generally. Many of them had come a great distance - requiring a week or ten days to make the Journey to Westminster, and were apparently most orderly and well behaved. They all had complaints the burden of which was about their land, having either an insufficiency of reserve or in many cases no land at all. Most of them had been under the ministration of the Roman Catholic Mission and on the present occasion were controlled by the Revd Father Durieu O.M.I. who I should think possessed much salutary influence over them and unquestionably has excellent knowledge of Indian Character. In the afternoon some 700 of them left in Canoes and with flags flying; passed round the "Boxer" firing a salute with muskets which through the kindness of Commander Fitzgerald I was enabled to return with big guns and small arms. On the morning of the 28th we sailed for the East Coast via Nanaimo where the Ship took

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in Coal and I embraced the opportunity of visiting the Nanaimo Tribe of Indians.

This Tribe numbering some 260 souls were mostly absent on their annual excursion for Camaas root and berries but I met the Chief "Sewall" who conveyed me up the river in his canoe to the Camps. where I inspected their land.

The Reserve is beautifully situated on both sides of the River. but is altogether too small. The Chief informed me that the members of his tribe wished to have the land allotted and sufficient given them in addition to supply all.

The men of this tribe generally are pretty well off, being able to make from one to two dollars per diem in the Coal mines at Nanaimo. On the 29th I visited the Nanoose Indians now only a remnant of a tribe composed of three or four families. The Northern Indians (principally Euclataws) have taken possession of the "Rancherie" which is filthy in the extreme. These Indians congregate here during some five or six months of the year, and white men chiefly sailors make it a resort of prostitution and drunkeness. I strongly recommend that it be broken up and the Northern Indians should be prevented from sojourning either here or at Victoria for the vile purposes I have alluded to.

There are two small Churches one Episcopal and one Wesleyan only a few yards from each other on the Reserve and I should imagine from the nature of

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the complaints made to me, that much rivalry and jealousy not without detriment to their respective Indian adherents exists between them, a circumstance which I think prevails every where in the Province, where more than one denomination endeavors to promote the religious welfare of the same tribe. As Wm. Pemberton was anxious to lose no time in fulfilling his mission I proceeded at once to the head of Knight's Inlet (Tsawattie) village where a large number of Indians had assembled for the purpose of procuring their winter store of Oolahan grease and where we expected to find the Indians implicated in the late shooting affair. Having arrived at Tsawattie in the evening several Canoes came alongside one of which conveyed "Wawkash" one of the head Chiefs of the Quackewlths who carried with him as his symbol of authority a silver mounted Staff (a drum Major's) which had been presented to him by the late Governor Seymour. Wawkash informed me that one of the Indians wounded by Wm. Sullivan with other witnesses were up at the Camps and that they would be given up if necessary. The next morning Wm. Pemberton having arranged that I should remain on board pending the surrender of the Indian witnesses, went ashore and returned with them in the afternoon when they were taken on board.

As Wm. Pemberton wished now to return, his mission so far having been successfully accomplished, the Commander

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agreeably to my request fitted his party out with every comfort and they left us early in the morning by Canoe for Nanaimo, arriving in Victoria on the following Sunday.

Wakash and another Chief accompanied Commander Fitzgerald and myself up to the Camping grounds which though prettily situated on the banks of the Tsawatti river, are very filthy and redolent with the stench of rancid fish oil, garbage &c. A large number of Tribes (principally Quackewlths) congregrate here every year in May and June for the purpose of catching the Oolachan a small fish so full of oil as to be termed the "Candle fish" (if dried an oolachan will burn like a Candle) and which fills the Tsawatti at this season of the year. The catch was nearly over when we arrived yet the Oolachans were still there in immense numbers and the Indians had already obtained large stores of the rich and nutritious oil of these Fish.

There is very little good land at the mouth of the River but as the location is important to the existence of so many Indians who are yet savage with no other means of obtaining food, it is highly requisite that a Reserve should be made of it for them.

The Tribes I saw there were the Quackewlths, Queeahkas, Lockquelillas, Kumkewtis, (called Fort Rupert Indians) the Mamalillakullahs, Clowitzes, Nimkish, Quicksoteenoughs, Matilpahs, Tsawaughties or Tanaughtas, and Oütlellas, altogether eleven bands composed of some 2500 Indians, with a few from the West Coast

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of Vancouver Island. The Chiefs of these Tribes who were present and with whom we held an interview were.

Wakash Tsakweetie Chiefs of the Tsusiasheck Quumkewtie	Quackewlths
Oqueela Pulnahquahlagleese Clockqueglass	Queeahkas
Wahnook Clathleeingleese Towquiis	Lockquelilla & Kumkewtis
Lahlacutesa Mahquahlatsie Monahquilla Neegaitsie Tsiewuckalla	Mamalillaculla
Ooatsistahlis Tsiewittie Lackenness Amtsittkammi	Clowitzes Quicksoteenough
Quumqueealagleese Classuteteawlis Lackenness	Nimkish
Tsiewittie Negaitsie Cliuscliusum	Matilpahs

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Ahnatsim
Wahkash | Tanactough

Yactlane
Yackiiahlah | Oütlella

These Chiefs, many of them I fear, of very doubtful history and character, expressed themselves as much pleased that the Commissioner of whose appointment they had heard, had come to pay them a visit and promised their hearty cooperation in efforts calculated to promote their welfare. I visited them the next day, inquiring into their habits wants &c and having promised some prizes on the previous day for Canoe races, a procession of some thirty large canoes manned by six or seven hundred men in war paint and feathers accompanied us to the Ship, and with flags flying and chanting war songs, paddled us round the "Boxer" two or three times, with all the pageantry of true savages.

As soon as we embarked general quarters were called and the Indians were astonished and delighted at the firing and great precision of the big guns. The races which now took place were warmly contested and a general distribution of biscuit made a most agreeable termination for them of the days proceedings.

The Chiefs informed me that the tribes would probably remain at Tsawattie for one or two months longer and indeed this is the only circumstance to be regretted in connection with their

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sojourn at this place for invariably large quantities of Indian liquor are collected for the purpose of having a general carousal.

At this time they become greatly demoralized and crime and debauchery are rife amongst them. I am quite convinced that little can be done with the tribes who resort here, or indeed with most of the Coast tribes, without some effectual means of preventing the immense illicit traffic in Indian liquor almost openly carried on with them. Owing to this cause their women are almost without exception prostitutes, among whom abortion is openly practised and the men for the most part are dissolute and lazy.

The chiefs left us at a late hour in the evening and early the next morning we proceeded to Fort Rupert calling at Harbledown Island where the Mamalellaculla Indians reside. These bands I had seen at Fsawatte, but I inspected the Camps of the Rupert Indians (which a few years ago had been destroyed by H.M.S. "Clio") and would recommend now that reserves of land should be laid aside for them here, where they reside during the winter, as well as at Fsawatte. On the 5th of June we sailed for Bella Coola at the head of Bentinck Arm crossing Queen Charlotte Sound, and arriving at the former place on the afternoon of the 6th.

The Indian Camps here are beautifully situated on the Bella Coola River about a mile from the mouth with magnificent surrounding scenery. The River

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takes its rise in the Cascade Range and a trail leads from here to the Interior or Chilcoaten Country by which the Indians of that part of the Province are accustomed to come down to Bella Coola and trade at the Hudson's Bay Company's Depot. making this one of the most important trading posts on the Coast. The appearance of one of her Majesty's Ships at this place heretofore has been generally for the purpose of inquiring into or inflicting punishment for some crimes which these Indians have been wont to commit. the Chief and others were hence much gratified when they learned that the present visit was made expressly for them and was one of peace.

The last official visit of the kind which had been made to them was by the late Governor Seymour with H. M. S. Sparrowhawk on board of which he died the morning after his arrival at Bellacoola

The Chief to whom Mr. Seymour had presented a Staff of Authority had died in the mean time and his successor (Nephew) had given it over to the care of the H. B. Co. Agent pending my arrival, in order that it might be officially given to him and the authority thus conferred upon him as hereditary heir, properly recognized.

Many of the Indians were absent on their annual fishing excursion. but the next day I called those who were at home together, and having addressed them generally on the necessity of reformation and abandonment of many of their bad habits. I informed the Chief Tahmeelamme

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that Her Majesty would acknowledge no one as the head of a tribe who refused to aid in this, and that my presentation of the Staff to him to day, was based upon this additional consideration. In receiving it, he promised to carry out my instructions to the best of his ability, "that his heart was good — and if mistakes and Crimes had been committed by them before it was because they did not know better, that no interest had been hitherto taken in promoting their welfare, and their communications had been mostly with bad white men who sold them liquor and encouraged the tribe in their evil habits."

They were glad to hear what I had said about land, the cultivation of which (beyond planting a few potatoes with sticks) they knew nothing about, and if I thus put in their way other means of getting food, his people would not have to resort to the bad habits I had referred to. After making some few presents to the chief, promising to send them up some garden implements from Victoria and regaling them all with some biscuit and molasses, I made a visit to the Camp farther up the river returning to the Ship the same night.

The Village though picturesquely situated among lofty snow clad hills on the banks of a fine salmon stream is abominably filthy and the inhabitants certainly most degraded in appearance.

It was termed the "Village of Rascals" by Vancouver as far back as 1792 and

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to look at them in their present condition. one cannot but consider, that character fully justified and an occasional visitation for the purpose of keeping them in order most necessary. Land should be reserved for them at the mouth and a little way farther up the River.

On the 8th of June we steamed down to Bella Bella where I visited the Oyella-igh-tuck (people of Oyella), the Oeat-li-tuck, the Ish-li-tuck and Koqui-ite-tuck, the latter living on one of the Islands near the entrance to Milbank Sound. These Indians all bear much the same character which I need scarcely add is questionable.

They are very generally debased and demoralized, their women do not know what virtue means, nor the men honesty, and beyond close watching, not very much can be done in the way of elevating to any great extent, the present generation. The "Boxer" next proceeded across Queen Charlotte Sound to Cape Caution and Takush Harbour.

The approach to this place is most dangerous being surrounded with sunken rocks and low hidden reefs. Commander Fitzgerald very properly hesitated about going in, but so many stories had been published about the bad character of a tribe of Indians called the Quai-sil-lahs living here, especially in cases of Shipwreck, that I was most anxious to visit them, and the weather being propitious, we steamed in with the

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huge breakers of heavy ground swell always to be found here, on every side of us.

Once inside however, there is comparative safety and the ship came to anchor within "a stones throw" of the Quo-sil-lah Camp.

We found both Chiefs of the Tribe named respectively Nautzie and Salthkin apparently much rejoiced to see us, and they took the first opportunity of assuring us that their hearts were good towards the white people. The band itself however is a mere remnant of a once powerful tribe, poor and miserable in appearance and completely cowed by their own misfortunes - nearly the whole tribe numbering 250 souls having at one time been ruthlessly slain by a marauding band of the Bella Bellas or Kletsuckls. Even since that fatal night they have been attacked occasionally by stray parties of the same tribe until now they scarcely ever move from their little recess. I found there, some thirty men thirty two women and six children. They live principally on salmon which they procure with facility, at the head of Smith's Inlet.

They appeared quite ready to adopt anything in my power to suggest for their improvement, and faithfully promised to give aid and help in their power in case of any shipwreck occurring in their vicinity. I made the Chief some little presents promising during the coming season to send them some garden seeds, tools, &c of which they knew very little.

June 9th sailed for Fort Rupert

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anchoring there at night and next day at Quathiaski Cove Seymour's Narrows; near this place the Wewayaki Indians - a tribe of Euclataws, have quite a large Camp on Valdez Island. Behind these, are three more bands, the Quecahahs near Arran Rapids, the Wewayakums at Loughboro's Inlet and the Kahkahmahsis near the same place. These bands are all savage, for the most part a wild lawless set and are migratory in their character. seldom remaining long in one place.

They subsist on fish and game and trade with the whites in furs &c.

June 12th Proceeded down the Straits of Georgia to Comox where I spent a day and a half in inspecting the Camp and interviewing the tribe of Indians who are located here. The Chief Hay-que-ton who is I am told a good man, complained very much of the manner in which his kindred had been treated by the Colonial Government in respect to land, and after inquiring into his grievances I only wonder how his tribe have submitted without creating more trouble.

White settlers having been allowed from time to time to preempt even their little potatoe patches, until now, a very small piece of unproductive soil on which their Camps are located is all they have left. The good lands in the vicinity have all been taken up and no recompense has ever been made them in any way. Hayqueton has a good claim in both justice and equity for redress.

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by having sufficient land for each of his people laid aside for them—and this I promised in the fulness of time, to accomplish.

Similar complaints were made to me by the Chemainus Indians who have not nearly sufficient land reserved for them. I visited these bands four in number, on the 16th and spent the day in listening to their many grievances.

The young men of these tribes do much work for settlers, earning from $20 to $25.00 per month, and I opine would make good use of homesteads of their own, with a little judicious encouragement.

The names of these tribes are 1st The Chemainus, living in the Spring and Fall on the left bank of the Chemainus River and in the winter in Chemainus Bay west side of Stuart Channel. 2nd Sickamens, living on the west side of Oyster Bay. 3d Hel-elths, on Hel-elth Island, ½ a mile from the mouth of Chemainus River, and 4th the Penalahuts, on the right or south bank of the same stream, who also have a winter Camp on Thetis Island. Some Indians of the last tribe with no land of their own have cleared and fenced considerable belonging to white absentees, on the supposition that non-occupation gave them the right to take and improve it.

A quick run into Esquimalt on the 17th, finished a pleasant cruise for the good ship "Boxer" and terminated an official visitation to the East Coast Indians, which under the circumstances

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was highly satisfactory and instructive — satisfactory, in having created to all appearances, a favorable impression among tribes, with many of whom, we have been at war in times not long gone by, and instructive, in acquiring a personal knowledge of their urgent wants and prominent grievances, by attention to which, these people may become peaceful and less objectionable neighbours, if not in many instances, really useful Citizens.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant

J. A. Powell
Indian Commissioner

To the Honorable
The Secretary of State for the Provinces
&c &c &c
Indian Branch
Ottawa

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Lt Govr of the N. W. Territories
Fort Garry

28 apl
26 May

Mdw:

Trans'd Copy of letter from
Hon P. Breland reporting
dangerous position of Fort
Ellice in view of Indian attacks

Ackd 27th May/73.

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No. 170.

Office of the Secretary of State, 1873

Dep. to Sec. 25.
Lieut. Gov. Morris to Fort Garry 28 April 20 May.

Forwards Copy of Letter from the Hon. P. Blelands reporting dangerous Position of Fort Ellice in view of Indian attack.

Act. 27. May 75
O.S.S. Provinces
30th May 1873
Submitted for the consideration of the Committee of the Hon. the Privy Council.
By command
J.C. Aikins
for the Secy of State
for the Provinces

Privy Council Chamber
26 May 1873
Referred to the Department of the Secretary of State for the Provinces.
By Order
Wm. Himsworth
C.P.C.

Returned to the Indian Branch by the late Dep. Supt Genl's son having been found among some of the late D.S.G's private papers.
D. Clanchy Smith
Augt 25/74

to mr Howe.

Transferred to the Secretary of State for the Provinces.
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By Order
D. McPherson
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Lac Qui Appelle.
Swan River District -
North West Territories -
April 9th 1873.

Sir.

I have to inform you of my arrival after tedious detention by snow and bad roads, at this place - I am unable to gather at this point any fresh intelligence of the plans and movements of the Sioux - It is decidedly the opinion of the people with whom I have conversed here that the Sioux will go on to Manitoba in summer or early in spring and I give every credence to this rumour -

Whether they will actually carry war is only slightly doubtful, but they are very certain to levy a heavy "Black mail" on the inhabitants of any place they may appear at - I consider Fort Ellice to be in great -

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great danger and the arms and
ammunition stored there in the
hands of the Sioux would not
only furnish them with the
means, but also embolden them
and incite them to use these
means for waging war on
Manitoba - I would recommend
that every effort should be made
to avert such a mishap, and
the presence of troops at Fort
Ellice immediately is a pressing
necessity for that purpose.
I shall start to day for
Woody Hills, where all the
Sioux camps are, and expect
to be there in at furthest, six
days.

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days - I have the honour to
be,
Sir,
Your Obdt Servant,
(Signed) Pascal Breland

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Government House
Fort Garry
April 28th 1873

No 25. N.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose the copy of a letter just received from the Honble Pascal Breland -

The contents thereof have already been telegraphed (in cypher) to Sir John Macdonald -

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
J. C. McKeagney.
Administrator

April 28th 1873.

Referred to Dept of Secy State for Provinces
Jamieson

The
Honble
The Secretary of State,
For the Provinces.
Ottawa

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No. 260.

M. No. 44.

Sir Honour
The Administrator of
the Govt
Fort Garry
Manitoba

No. 176.

O. S. S. P. 20 May 73

Sir/

I have the honour to acknt the rest of your despatch, No 25, of the 2d ultimo, covering a copy of a letter which had just reached you from the Sec Parcel Breland, (the contents of which you state have been telegraphed in cypher to Sir Hr Macdonald) relative to the plans & movements of the Sioux Indians.

E. Parm

Lar Gov'r appeals 9 April.

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Manitoba
April 17/91

Dear Reed,

I enclose this for
Sr perusal. I have
written unkeen to say I have
forwarded his letter to you. I
have also told him that I
thought the Indians he referred
to were Refugee Sioux & if so
the Govt. of Canada were
not under any Treaty
obligations to them & they had
behaved pretty liberally to
them under the circumstances.

However please write
me a letter I can forward

Yours faithfully
Dennis Davis

Edward Reed
Delorraine
Manitoba

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So any one would get a long
term that I wrote and [illegible]

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Deloraine April 12 th 1891

T. M. Daley Esq
Brandon. Man

Ans'd
agent
21/4/91.

Dear Sir

I hav a small matter to lay before you and I would like to hear from you on same as sune as convenient. We hav 8 family of Indians on the Reserve near Deloraine ho I think with meny more want to be looked after thay ar a good lot to work But last year thay lost thare crop and the agent refuses to giv them eny thing hear wants them to go to Mooseman the old cheaf ho is a fine old fellow says with the rest he will stay hear and die befor he will leav why can thay not feed them hear as well as eny whare els thay hav taken away thare way of living stoped them of sooting chickens & moos & c r and now I would like to see them help them out could thay not send a man out with them for the sumer to instruct them I think if thay ware to Plant lots of Potatoes and outher stuff it would help them out I finde it pays me as well as wheat thay talk good English

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Deloraine,

May 2nd, 1891.

Insp McGibbon.

Chief H'day,am,am,of the Reserve South of Deloraine, has been complaining to me about an Indian "Standing Cloud" he is afraid that "Standing Cloud" is going to run off some of his ponies, he saysthat they have to guard them all night, he wants meto send him off the Reserve as he does not belong to it. He is the Indian who was shot at Boissevain. Kindly inform me if I will send him away.

I have the honor tobe

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

(Sgd) A. Cunning.

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Office of the Indian Commissioner,

North West Territories,

Regina, 21st. April, 1891.

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Dear Daly,

Your of 17th. inst: covering letter from Mr. [illegible] Kerr has duly come to hand.

The Indians referred to are, as you supposed, refugee Sioux, and consequently anything done for them is a matter of grace and not of right. None the less we want to do what is best in their own interests, and consequently desire to get them away from a place where we find that they are subjected among other temptations, to that of drinking, and are too near their friends across the line.

It is quite out of the question to expect the Government to go to the expense of keeping a Farmer with them

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Could we get them removed to Moose Mountain, as we have been trying to do, they would get regular supervision and be kept out of temptation.

Many others have spoken as Mr. Kerr reports the old Chief to do, and yet by patience been brought to do [illegible] was wanted after all.

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Yours truly,

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22nd. April, 1

Sir:-

I beg to inform you that a Mr. J. Kerr of Doloraine has been writing about the Sioux Indians of the Turtle Mountain Band, and says among other things that they are good workers but lost their crops last year, and that you refuse to give them anything because it is desired to remove them.

It is of course very desirable not to relax your efforts to induce them to go to Moose Mountain but none the less we must exercise patience in the meantime, and if they are in need of seed potatoes, which may be inferred from Mr. Kerr's letter, some should be provided.

Your will be the best judge as to this, and will kindly let me know.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

JAR

Commissioner.

Indian Agent,

Birtle,

Man..

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Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 1 1891
N.W.

Battle Ham 25th April 1891.

Sir,

1682

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd inst, informing me that Mr. L Vern of Edmonton has been writing to you relative to the Battle Mountain Sioux, and stated that I refused to assist them, because it is desired to remove them.

a/6/5/91

I did request this band to remove to the Moose Mountain agency, also informed them several times that if they would select another place that I would ask you to consider their request and that if they would meet your wishes that they no doubt would receive from you liberal assistance. They have so far refused the advice given to them, and I did not consider that I would be justified in supplying them wants, when they will not do as you desired them to do, and which no doubt would be their best interests. Another reason is that I have been repeatedly informed that they almost at all times have money with which to purchase intoxicants and to help them under these circumstances, would only put them in a better position to purchase more.

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I have also authorized Mr A. R. Renton who lives near the Reserve to sell "Hda mani's ox" vide your letter No 188 of the 11th inst - and from the proceeds to purchase thirty bushels of seed potatoes, but he will not hand them over to "Hda mani" until the time arrives to plant them. I was informed when I was at the Reserve with Mr Renton last month that some of the Indians had to his knowledge potatoes put away for seed.

For the reasons given I did not consider it advisable to give them seed but will do so if in your opinion I should.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
J. A. Markle
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Office of the Indian Commissioner,
North West Territories,
Regina, 6th. May, 1901.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of 25th. ulto: and prior correspondence relative to the Sioux Indians at Turtle Mountain, I would say that your course has been correct, but I think, in view of the fact of these Indians having got into serious trouble, and two of them now being in the Brandon Gaol, it would be a favourable opportunity for you to pay a visit to that Reserve, and do all in your power to get them to remove to Moose Mountain.

Of course we do not wish any breach of faith on our part, but it is for their own good we desire it.

If they will not go, no compulsion is to be used,- simply argument.

Yours truly,

J.A.R.

Indian Agent,
Birtle,
Man..

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11th. May. 1

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Constable A. Cumming's report relative to the complaint of the Chief of the Turtle Mountain Reserve, and would request you to kindly instruct that one Indian "Standing Cloud" be warned, under the Indian Act, to quit the Reserve - otherwise he will be punished.

I beg to remain,

Yours obediently,

JR

Officer Comdg. N. W. M. P.

Regina.

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Yours obediently,

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Office of the Indian Commissioner,
North West Territories,
Regina, 19th May, 1891.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 14th inst: No. [666,] I trust that you will not relax your efforts in the direction of getting the Turtle Mountain Sioux Indians to remove from there to Moose Mountain.

If they do go, we will break up land, and place them in the same relative position as they are at present. I would go to no trouble in locating them upon their present Reservation.

You are aware that certificates for possession are only issuable by me, under law, and I will only issue them upon Agent's recommendations, also the law is such that I may allow an Indian to change his land if, after trial

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As regards the Indians of Silver Creek, we will await events, before issuing my certificates there.

Yours truly,

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North West Territories,
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No 792.

Moose Mountain Indian Agency
Cannington Manor P.O
June 1st 1891

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 3 1891
N.W.T.

Ans'd 4/6/91.

Sir,

With further reference to the subject of my letter No 770 of the 23rd instant, I have the honor to inform you that I have received a letter from Mr Indian Agent Markle, informing me that I might expect about seventy five Sioux Indians to arrive here tomorrow, to whom he had promised that I would supply thirty bushels seed potatoes, turnip seed, and oxen and plow to prepare land for the same, and that I would probably supply fishing twine etc to enable them to ~~supply~~ go fishing -

In addition to the instructions asked for in my letter referred to above, I would therefore respectfully request authority for the purchase of the necessary potatoes and turnip seed.

Pending the receipt of instructions from you as to the footing upon which these Indians are to be placed, I will ask the loan from White Bear Band of

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until I see them + have
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of a piece of land on their Reserve and will lend the Sioux oxen and plough; and, if destitute, will assist them with provisions while putting in their potatoes etc.

After that work is done, the means by which they could earn livings would be for the most part dependent on the utilisation of the resources of the Reserve viz the fish - wood, limestone, and hay - and to enable them to go to work they may require some implements such as axes, scythes etc and shovels also have some oxen and wagons -

Awaiting your instructions,

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your obed^t Servant

J. Campbell

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From Bertleman

To Indian Geomr 1840

Regina

Dagrans sioux started
Moose Mountain week
ago if advisable
I will go
once Consult agent
Campbell relative settlement
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From .....

To Insurance Begged for Removal.

J. A Markle

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4th. June, 1

Sir,

702. I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 1st. inst: and in reply to inform you that since it appears that my last instructions to Mr. Agent Markle, of which I informed you in answer to yours of 23rd. ult: did not reach him in time to prevent the Sioux going to you, your proposed action relative to them is approved, and the purchase of 30 bus. of potatoes and some turnip seed, is authorised.

They will of course understand that they are only allowed to cultivate part of the Reserve as a matter of grace, and that they will have no claim to retain it. The question of the allotment of land to them must remain open, as also that of making provision of implements cattle, &c. until after I have been able to visit and come to a proper understanding with them.

Meanwhile

Indian Agent,
Moose Mountain,
Cannington Manor.

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Meanwhile you should ascertain whether your Indians be disposed to receive them, and whether land immediately adjoining the Reserve can be obtained in case of its being ultimately considered advisable that they should permanently settle there.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

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In your reply refer to
No. 840.
Also to date of this letter.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 24 1891
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Moose Mtn
Cannington Manor June 22nd 1891.

1840

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 4th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the Sioux, about ninety souls, are camped about the dividing line between Sections 7 and 8, Tp 11. R 2. which is on the north side of Moose Mtn about eighteen miles (by the trail which follows around the east end of the timber) from the Agency.

They wish to have a Reserve allotted to them there to include Section 8, which is the property of the Hudsons Bay Co, and part of which the Indians have staked off into farms.

As I promised the Indians to inform you of this wish I may say that part of Sec 8 is well suited for farming, that there is also some good land on Section 7 and that Sections 5 and 6 are principally wooded though without any building timber I think but with a fair amount of hay and that Secs 6, 7 Twp. 10 R 2 I think first mentioned Secs 18, 19 and 30 ^ would suit those Sioux to the north side of White Bears Fishing Lake (not the one shown on the map) and would afford I think a

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good supply of timber and hay and fishing rights on the North side of the lake in question -

I cannot however speak with positiveness as that part of the Mountain is not well known, and I have not yet had an opportunity to explore it -

In expectation of your visit I have not considered it advisable to say much to White Bears Indians but their feeling towards the Sioux is friendly and I think it would be easy to arrange for locating them the latter on their Reserve -

If, however, the Assiniboines remove to White Bears Reserve, it would probably be necessary (should the Sioux also be settled upon it) to reserve additional hay lands, which could only be done, without inconvenience to the settlers, on the North side of the Reserve - It would be necessary to go over that part of the country to ascertain the quantity of hay upon it and its accessibility from the Reserve, the difficulty being that

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that it is all timbered and cut up with lakes.

The location where the Sioux are now camped is suitable for a Reserve excepting for its distance from the Agency and from Cannington (about 18 miles)

The Sioux have planted the potatoes obtained for them, but have not finished the fencing, nor have they ploughed a turnip field.

They appear to be restless and dissatisfied and profess to be most anxious to be definitely settled and complain constantly regarding the delay.

I supplied them with fishing tackle and sent them to White Bears Lake (about five miles from their camp) to fish, but although they met with fair success they have not been at all energetic or persevering in efforts to support themselves in that way.

Besides rationing those at work ploughing and fencing, I have issued some flour to the others and in order to

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to keep them occupied and contented until your arrival offered to ration any who would come to work at whatever I might be able to give them to do. Some of them availed themselves of this opportunity for a few days, but as they did not receive tea, tobacco etc gave it up.

I hear that the settlers are complaining of them as beggars and have accused them of rifling an unoccupied house and I will be very glad when you are able to visit the Agency and make such arrangements as will enable me to take them in hand more thoroughly.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your obed't Servant
J. Campbell
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2nd. July, 1

Sir,

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I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

For Commissioner.

Indian Agent,

Moose Mountain,

Carnington Manor.

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1891
OTTAWA, N.W.T.

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Indian Agents Office
Crooked Lake
July 4th 1891

File

Sir.

Immediately on receipt of your telegram from Calgary I saw Inspector Constantine who detailed a Constable to accompany me to the Sioux Camps at the Moose Mountain with instructions to get an other at Cannington Manor. after this I secured the services of one Donald McLean as interpreter and his team to take us out.

I left Moosomin on the Morning of the 3rd inst. reaching Cannington Manor at 6 p.m.; As I was getting ready to drive out to the Indian Camp to see W. Campbell, I was informed by some one that he had left that day for the assiniboine Reserve, and would not be back before the next afternoon. I sent him a note informing him of the mission I was on, and asking him to meet me the next morning at Cannington, on my return from the Camps.

I left Cannington Manor on the 4th at 9 a.m.

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with a Corporal and Consulter of the N. W. M. Police and the interpretor. reached the Camps after three hours drive which I found to be on Sections 7 & 8 Township 11 Range 2, Composed of Ten lodges and 48 souls. They have two old light wagons and fine carts, all private property with the exception of a pair of Cart wheels painted red which belongs to the Indian Department.

On asking them where they were from. He said from Oak River, at the same produced a pass which read as follows (re)

"To whom this may concern"

"These indians are on "their way to Moose Mountain" "where they are to get land and "propose to settle down. Kindly "direct them on road and do "not molest them"

J. A. Markle

Sec. 11/10/24 Indian Agent
Manitoba Birtle

After reading the above pass and on being informed by the indians that they had sent three indians to Regina to see you about the Reserve. I did not order them back but told them that

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that I had been sent by you to see ~~them~~ and warn them against entering settlers houses and annoying and being impertinent to them. If any such reports was again made by any setter the police would take them in charge - I also told them when the indians returned from Regina to go immediately to Mr. Campbell and see him as I had nothing more to do with them - they promised that they would act according to message received from Regina

While I was at their camp three of their party came in with about 125 lb. of fish caught in a lake about 3 miles distant I saw no flour in any of the lodges, they had tea -

I advised them to collect Seniga root while they were waiting the return of their friends from Regina which they could exchange for flour at Morsomin on their way home.

By the appearance of these indians I do not think they have ever done much farming. one of the party a young man with left arm hurt is the most forward and of whom the setters complain

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Before leaving the settlement I saw three of the settlers, those nearest the camp and told them what I had done and the promise the indians had made.

I saw Mr. Campbell on the evening of the 4th reported what I had done and suggested that it would be better for him to go and see them again.

I left Cannington Manor on the morning of the 6th reached Moosomin same evening but the Bank being closed I had to remain over the next day so as to get money and settle bills incurred on the trip.

I reached the agency morning of the 8th.

Owing to rain on Sunday the 5th while at Cannington, I settled with Mr Ivor and hand an other party the next day to arrive me in to Moosomin.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your Ob. Servant
A. McDonald
Indian Agent

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Moosomin 6th July 1891.

To Insp. Constantine
N. W. M. P.
Moosomin

I have the honour to report on my trip to Moose Mountain re Indians. I left Moosomin for Cannington at 8 a. m. on the morning of the 3rd inst. and arrived at Cannington on the following morning with Const. Holmes; and we accompanied Col. McDonald (Indian Agent) to see some Indians who were camped in Moose Mountain. We found the Indians about 18 or 20 miles from Cannington. There were 10 lodges and about 50 Indians. They were Sioux and had come from their Reserve at Oak Lake, and had sent three of their tribe to Regina to see the Indian Commissioner to ask for a Reserve at Moose Mountain where they were camped. They had a pass from Mr Markle Indian Agent and intend to go back to their reserve if they do not get one at the Mountain. Some of the settlers complained of these Indians coming to their houses and begging. Col McDonald told them through his interpreter that they were not to do this and they promised not to go to the settlers houses again.

The Indians are in a very poor condition ,

not

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not having any powder, and the children were crying with hunger.

When Col. McDonald had finished talking with them we left for Cannington arriving there about 5 p. m.

I left Cannington for Moosomin the following morning (Sunday) and arrived here at about 7 p. m.

Weather very bad and could not make very good time.

Your obedient Servant

Sgd F. W. Light Acting Corporal.

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Hayter Reed
Macleod

McDonald let Sioux proceed Moose Mt as sent thereby Markle

A.H.P.

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Sioux at Moose Mountain - August 9th 1891

Name.	Men	Women	Boys	Girls.	
Shunkah Nompah Two Dogs	1	1	2	2	v. sex of children unknown
Shunkah Makomanie	1	1			
Echakah Washtay	1	1			
Nahpay Wahkong	1	1	3		
Echahkah	1	1	2		
Mahzah kee kee	1	1	3		
Wachpay Zee Zee	1	1			
Echahkah hin shetchah	1	1	2	2	
Shunkah Ishnan	1	1			
Shunkah Washtay	1	1	3	1	
Mahkah-o-ee ankah	1	1	2	3	
Tahtankah-Nompah	1	1	1		
Mahto Otah	1	2	2	1	
Tahtankah Wabadee	1	1			
Hay-ee-jach-a-mo	1	1			
Mahto wah hah chunkah	1	1			
Hay hahn shuns family		1	4		
A-hah kay-koo	1	2	2		
Tahtankah-Oaksheena	1	3	1		
Kootaybinnee			3		
Pah-dah	1	1	1		
	19	24	31	9	= 83

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Sho & been coming over to Bertle -
gathered them sent to Moose Mt direction - [illegible]
to settlers - Don't recd near M. Mt.
Ass. at M. M & I Head anxious to have them -

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No.
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Moose Mtn
Carnegie Manor Aug 13th 1891.

a/17-8-91

Dear Mr Reed,

I am glad to be able to tell you that on Josephs & Teds arrival at the Reserve Nahpasis Josephs step father and Way win che kappo Teds father hired horses and sent Kay kay away back with them - Nahpasis gave a gun and some cartridges for one horse and Waywinchekappo gave $2.00 to be paid out of his annuity -

I gave Kay kay when I met him away $1.00 to get provisions on the road & am going to give him some clothing from the store as a reward for his trouble - Please instruct me if you wish repayment to Nahpasis & Waywinchekappo -

If you should wish to settle the Sioux on White Bears Reserve, I think the only opposition will be from White Bear, some of the men of the Band have told me that all the others would like to have them - They all heard of your conversation regarding placing the Sioux on Pleasant Runs & Striped Blankets Reserve and

Shunkah

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Shunkah Nompah, the old Chief, is as much opposed to that arrangement as the other.

A number of the Sioux have been most anxious to obtain passes for a month to Oak River, the pretext being the weeding of their gardens - Excepting in two cases I have refused - Shunkah Matomanie the man on Crutches wishes to be allowed to go to Oak River, Oak Lake and Turtle Mtn to collect the stragglers belonging to the Band and have them here in time for the letter expected from you by the expiration of the four weeks from the Council held by you with them - If you think it advisable to permit him to go, I will be glad if you will send a pass to Constantine for him and I will tell him to enquire there as I am sending him in on a message -

Faithfully Yours

J. Kinsella

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commr
Regina

P.S. Shunkah Nompah wants his son, the young man with the crippled hand, to accompany Shunkah Matomanie

J.K.

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15th. August,

1840

Sir,

I have the honour to state that, in small numbers, Sioux Indians, of the Yankton tribe, have been crossing the boundary line from the United States, and seeking a home, among their friends, upon the Reserves at Oak River and the Bird Tail, and it has been found to be a nuisance to have them there, and they have been ordered off, upon more than one occasion, but it has been impossible, so far, to get them to recross the line, claiming, as they have done, of ill treatment by the authorities of the United States.

Having been forced off the Reserves, they become a source of annoyance to settlers, and I had to direct them to be gathered together, and sent in the direction of Moose Mountain, where I thought they would be less likely to come in contact with white settlers, and, at the same time, have the means, through game and fish, of supporting themselves, until a decision could be arrived at, in their case.

I am,

The Deputy of the
Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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I met them at Moose Mountain, when I found they numbered about eighty (80) souls, with about 15 or 20 not present, but scattered about.

They expressed a desire to settle in a locality, selected by them, on the N. E. of Moose Mountain, but this I do not concur in.

The Assiniboine Indians of Pheasant Rump's and Red Bears' Bands, who have their Reserves at the Western part of the Mountain, are desirous of having these Sioux located upon their lands, as they have always been on friendly terms with each other. There would be ample room, and plenty of rock land can be had. The Assiniboine Indians of Indian Head would be pleased to have the Sioux located upon their lands, adjacent to their own, and which were originally set apart as a Reserve for Pie-pot's Indians.

These Sioux Indians have, in the main, been in the country for two or three years.

Will the Department kindly state, at as early a date as possible, whether it is wishes that these Indians should be located as the other Sioux have been, and if so, in what locality, or that they be sent back to the United States ?

As the summer is rapidly passing away, the Indians are anxious to know what will be done with them, and, if the Department decides to grant them a location, they should get to work forthwith to provide for the winter.

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I learned that there are numbers of others, of the same tribe, who are expected into our country, from the United States, and I would urge upon the Department the advisability of having the Police instructed to have them kept back, and not allowed to enter, as they are a source of annoyance to settlers as well as to ourselves.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

AHR

Commissioner.

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Commissioner.

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17th. August, 1

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My dear Campbell,

I have your letter of 13th. inst: also Memorandum, in which you advise me of the two lads having been returned.

The conduct of the Indians is to be commended in this instance, and we must repay them. Pay Nesepysis $2.00, by Voucher, also $1.00 you paid, stating that the money was expended in getting back these truants.

I note what you say relative to the old Chief not being desirous of going to Pheasant Rump's Band, also the desire of White Bear's Indians to have them there.

I think you might let them have Passes to go and weed their gardens, if you have ascertained that they, or at least some of them, have such.

I do not think it advisable to give Passes to any one to go to collect stragglers, until such time as their location is settled.

J. J. Campbell, Esq.,
Cornington Manor.

Yours very truly,

J.R

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Yours very truly,

HR

J.J. CamPbell, Esq.,
Cannington Manor.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No 81,670
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
SEP 4 1891

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Ottawa, 31st August, 1891.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, in which you state that Sioux Indians of the Yankton Tribe have been crossing the Boundary Line from the United States in small numbers and seeking a home among their friends upon the Reserves at Oak River and Bird Tail Creek; that though they have been ordered off, upon more than one occasion, it has been, so far, impossible to get them to recross the Line; and that they have become, after being forced off the Reserves, a source of annoyance to settlers; and that you caused them to be collected and sent in the direction of Moose Mountain, where you thought they would be less likely to come in contact with white settlers, and at the same time, by obtaining game and fish, have the means to support themselves until a decision could be arrived at in their case; that on meeting them at Moose Mountain you have found they numbered about 80 souls, with about 15 or 20 not present but scattered about; that they expressed a desire to settle on the Northeast of Moose Mountain, but that you did not encourage them in this; that the Assiniboine Indians, whose Reserves are on the Western part of

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the Mountain,are desirous to have the said Sioux located upon their lands,as they have always been on friendly terms with each other;and that the Assiniboine Indians of Indian Head would be also pleased to have them located upon lands adjacent to their own,and which were originally set apart for a Reserve for the Pia-pot Indians;that the Sioux referred to have,in the main,been in the country for two or three years;and you ask that the Department inform you whether it is its wish that these Indians should be located on Reserves,as the other Sioux have been,and,if so,in what locality,or that they be sent back to the United States;that the Indians in question are anxious to know what is to be done with them;and in connection with the matter you remind the Department that in the event of these Indians being allowed to obtain land,not a little will have necessarily to be expended in equipping them for next Spring;further,that you have learned that there are a number of others of the same Tribe who are expected to come into this country from the United States;and that you would urge upon the Department the advisability of having the Police instructed to have them kept back and not allowed to enter,as they are a source of annoyance to the settlers as well as ourselves.

Having submitted your letter to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,I am directed by him to say that no encouragement should be given,of any kind,to strange Indians;and that the Sioux who have been furnished with Reserves by the Government should be informed that if they induce Indians from a foreign country to

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come to their Reserves all further assistance will be withdrawn by the Government. I have further to state that your suggestion that the Mounted Police should be asked to keep the Sioux back should be acted upon by you.

Your obedient servant

A. MacKenzie

Deputy Supt.General of

Indian Affairs.

Hayter Reed,Esq.,

Indian Commissioner,

Regina,N.W.T.

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Sub. Agency, 1

Dear Sir,

Referring to prior correspondence upon the subject, I would say that after rendering the greater portion of the Sioux Indians, who have been straggling through your Agency, and, as you were aware, sending them to Sarnia Reserve, in order that they might not inconvenience settlers, it has been found, upon the matter having been referred to the Supt. General, that the Department is unwilling that these Indians remain in our country.

You will therefore use your best efforts in seeing that they recross the line, and keep me advised in the matter, from time to time.

You should, at the same time, advise the Sioux to are resident from reserves, that if they are found inducing Indians from a Foreign country to come to the Reserves, or encouraging them in any way, all assistance will be withdrawn from them, by the Government.

Yours truly,

JMC

Indian Agent,

Birtle.

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6th September, 1891

Dear Sir,

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Yours truly,

H.R.

Indian Agent,
Birtle.

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Office of the Indian Commissioner,

North West Territories,

Regina, 5th. September, 1891

Dear Sir,

Referring to correspondence on the subject, I would say that, the matter having been submitted to the Supt. Gen'l, he has directed that no encouragement should be given, of any kind, to strange Indians, and that the Sioux who have been furnished with Reserves, by the Government should be informed that if they induce ~~xxxxxx~~ foreign Indians to come to their Reserves, all further assistance will be withdrawn.

The natural inference, although not directly stated, is that the Supt. general doesnot desire these Indians to receive land, as spoken of by ourselves, and, the fact of their having gone away, and not kept to their part of the bargain, relieves us of any further onus in the matter.

Yours truly,

Indian Agent,

Pease Mountain.

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H.R.

Indian Agent,

Moose Mountain.

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Ottawa, September, 1

etc.

During my recent visit to Moose Mountain, I was advised, by the straggling Sioux, who properly belong to the United States authorities, that many of their friends intended crossing the Boundary Line, into our country.

The matter having been referred to the Supt. General of Indian Affairs, at Ottawa, he desires that these Indians be not allowed to do so.

Will you therefore, kindly instruct, Inspector Griffin as you may think proper, in order to gain the desired end.

I have the honour &c.

JAE

Commissioner,

N. W. M. P.

Regina.

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5th September 1891

Sir,

During my recent visit to Moose Mountain, I was advised, by the straggling Sioux, who properly belong to the United States authorities, that many of their friends intended crossing the Boundary Line, into our country.

The matter having been referred to the Supt. General of Indian Affairs, at Ottawa, he desires that these Indians be not allowed to do so.

Will you therefore, kindly instruct, in such direction as you may think proper, in order to gain the desired end.

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H.R.

Commissioner,

N.W.M.P.

Regina.

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North West Mounted Police,

Office of the Commissioner,

Ref. No.....

Regina, 6th September 1891

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your No 1840 of the 5th instanton the subject of Sioux Indians crossing the Boundary to join their friends on this side, and informing me that the matter having been referred to the Supt General of Indian Affairs, he desires that these Indians be not allowed to do so.

The only way to prevent their coming into this country will be to enforce the Customs Act in respect to their arms, horses, vehicles etc, etc, and I have issued instructions accordingly.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

Commissioner.

The Commissioner of

Indian Affairs.

Regina.

Refile 1350 for letter in any 1892 from one Shields asking for a Reserve

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In your reply refer to
No. 132.
Also to date [illegible] letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Moose Mtn
Cannington Manor Septr 14th 1881.

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Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that on receipt of your letter of the 5th instant I informed Shunkah Nompah chief of the Sioux Band that as his men had disobeyed your instructions by leaving the Reserve without passes or absenting themselves for longer than the time stated in such passes as were given; you declined to give them a Reserve and he has accordingly left the Reserve.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your obed Servant
J. Campbell
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The
Indian Commissioner
Regina

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Delorraine
Manitoba
Aug. 25. 1893.

Dear Sir,

I am going to write for you today last summer you told us, you will give us a land and we went at Wood Mountain But that time Major J.A. Markle he told us to give us pation But he foal to us and we have no something to eat therefore We had came back at Town, because we want to work in Town But That is land we have remember all the time, Because we have think you never have to foal us but last time we have no terpet because we can no talked to you anything about the lands, But we want you rapidly to remit a lands for us now. Therefore We want hurry to take land We have a great many children those all we wish to go to school Thirty years now We have been in the Queen lands Aug 25. 1874 That time one man name is D R Cameron in the Wood Mountain he

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he told me I can to have land anywhere in the Queen land & he told me I can have ration anything I want to be issue, he says your Sons or Daughters They all can go to School in the Queen land other man the same way his name L. N. F. Crozier at Fort Walsh Uper Man in July 12. 1877 Therefore always we have been in the Queen land & always we wait for the Queen When have to give reservation for us, They all one tribe name Yanktonais But this time We want you to tell the Queen about this letter, Will you please give us answer, shall what you have to do for us please write in the Oak Lake Mani

Chief Two dogs
Hehakaho waste

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In your reply refer to
No. 143.
Also to date of this letter.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
SEP
REGINA

Indian Agent's Office, Moose Mtn
Cannington Manor Sept 24th 1892.

Ans 28/9/92.

File

Sir,

I have the honor to endose herewith a copy of a letter recevd from "Shunka Nompah" or "Two Dogs" and "Kihakowashtay" or "Good Elk" Chief and Headman of the band of Sioux Stragglers who were sent to this Ageney this summer -

If you should see fit to settle them on one of the Reserves here, allowing them to cultivate fields, pasture cattle, cut hay and dead timber for use or sale, and to cut such green timber as might be deemed advisable by me for use on the Reserve; but without giving them any ownership of land, or participation in cash received for permits to cut hay or timber, there wened be no difficuelty I think in obtaining the Consent of any of the three bands in the Ageney.

The effect upon the Indians upon with

The Indian Commissioner
Regina

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upon the Indians with whom they would settle would be bad at first, but that influence could be overcome after a time; and if the Indians in question are to remain in Canada, I would certainly recommend from what I saw of them last summer that they be placed somewhere under supervision as otherwise they are not likely to do the Department much credit.

If it should be decided to place them in this Agency I would very much like to be present at the Conference with them when they are informed of the terms upon which they are to be permitted to settle upon a Reserve as it would enable me I think to manage them afterwards with greater ease and success.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obed't Servant
J. Campbell
I.A.

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1840

26th September.

Sir:-

143. I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 24th Instant, and in reply to remind you of what I wrote you on 5th September, of last year, about the Supt: General's direction that no encouragement of any kind should be given to strange Indians.

The Sioux referred to by you, promised to go back home, but have instead gone to the neighborhood of the Oak Lake and River Reserves, and the Agent was recently instructed to take measures to get them to go back to their own country, where they were treated much more liberally than could be done here, even were it desirable which it is not, to let them settle in this country.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Moose Mountain,
Cannington Manor.

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24th September, 2

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Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,

Moose Mountain,

Cannington Manor.

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In your reply refer to
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Also the date of this letter.

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OCT 7
1892
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Moosomin 6th
Oct. 3rd 1892

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, and in reply to inform you that I have not given any encouragement directly or indirectly to any strange Indians and have had no communication of any kind with the Sioux since they left here until the receipt of the letter in question which though dated some time ago only reached me a few days before I forwarded it.

I did this believing it to be my duty to refer any such matter to you without considering my own opinions in the matter at all, especially as it was within the bounds of possibility that the Department's policy might have altered since last year.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your obed't Servant
J. Campbell
I.A.

The Hon'ble Comm'r
Regina

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8th October.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of
162 3rd Instant, from which it is inferred that you thought the reference to instructions not to give any encouragement to strange Indians, was intended as a rebuke to you for transmitting the communication from the vagrant Sioux

This however was not the case, since your course was the proper one under the circumstances, and the reference to the Supt: General's instructions, was merely intended to make it clear to you why the decision communicated was the only one which could be arrived at.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Moose Mountain,
Cannington Manor.

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8th October, 2

Sir:-

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No2. 3rd Instant, from which it is inferred that you thought the reference to instructions not to give any encouragement to marriage Indians, was intended as a rebuke to you for transmitting the communication from the vagrant Sioux

This however was not the case, since your course was the proper one under the circumstances, and the reference to the Supt: General's instructions, was merely intended to make it clear to you why the decision communicated was the only one which could be arrived at.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

JAR

The Indian Agent, Commissioner

Moose Mountain,

Cunningham Manor.

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In your reply refer to
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Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Moose Mtn
May 3rd 1893.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY
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1893
N.W.T.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Shunkah Washte a Sioux who is I think a member of Shunkah Nompahs Band has written to his son in law Wahsejis Naje grandson of Chief Pheasant Rump asking him to go to bring him to Pheasant Rumps Reserve where he wishes to farm.

Wahsejis Naje will doubtless soon ask a pass for this purpose (if he does not go without one) and I would respectfully request instructions from you regarding the course to pursue with reference to Shunkah Washtes wish to reside and farm on Pheasant Rumps Reserve.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your obed't Servant
J Campbell
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The Indian Comm'r
Regina

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H. Dayamani
In the Mountain
Deloraine P.O. Reserve Man

APR 25 1893 BRANCH

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 27 1893

April 1893

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The Chief & a good interpreter
Assures me to remind the
Agent of the District
promises made to them when
they settled on the Reserve
farming outfit Bindr. Mower
farming mill ploughs Harrows
oxen wagon &c
School & library & Church &c
then give reason why they are
not allowed to sell their cattle
when they like without going to Jail.
they can get nothing from the Agent
Arckie is no good he takes more
than he gives & lies besides
Give this Memor due consideration
& oblige the Chief

Ans 26 30/3/93

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In your reply refer to
No. 154
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Birtle Manitoba 26th May 1893.

File.

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I shall direct
Enclosure in re repl

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter written for "Hdamani" of the Turtle Mountain Sioux band 1860 and in reply to same beg to remind you that it was Mr L. W. Herchmer now Commissioner of the W.W.M. Police who settled these Indians on the Reserve and I believe that he redeemed all the promises he made to them while he was yet their Agent. When I first became acquainted with "Hdamani" and band they appeared to be honest and industrious, but since the advent of the Railway near their Reserve intoxicants are legally sold at Delorraine and at other stations and the Indians do not apparently have much difficulty in procuring it, although several have been convicted for supplying same, and if the reports are true that reach me "Hdamani" has done very little to suppress this evil, and occasionally joins the others in this illegal practice.

If the Department furnished them with all

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Indian Commissioner
Regina

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all the necessaries, under such circumstances it would only be assisting them indirectly to purchase more intoxicants, as no doubt the supply is governed to a large extent with their means to buy. As you are aware no Indians are allowed to sell cattle without a permit and he has not been allowed to do so.

No doubt he is troubled a great deal with renegrade Indians from across the line which largely hinders members of his band from making the progress they would if their influence and visits could be stopped, and this is one reason why he was asked to leave the Reserve at Turtle Mountain and remove to Moose Mountain or some other point where he and band would be more directly under the eye of an official of the Department. You authorized me some years ago to propose this to him and make certain promises, but he would not consent and I believe that if he had done so the other members of the band would have offered no objections.

With reference to the school "John Thunder" the teacher at present employed and paid by the Christian Endeavour Society reports that "Hdamani" has done all he could to break it up which does not indicate that he was anxious to get that promise - if made - fulfilled.

If he and band will agree to remove to the Birch Tail Reserve I can get them lots there and be better able to give them attention than where they are.

I am
Sir
Your obedient servant
J. Markle
Jr.

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May 30th, 93

Dear Chief,

In reply to your letter of April, sent first to Ottawa and then after it had been returned to you from there, forwarded to me by Mr. A. C. Mackay of Deloraine, I have to inform you as follows:--

You are evidently in error as to what promises were made to you by the Agent when you settled on your present Reserve, for those you allege to have been made include things which are not given to Indians even although they are well behaved and belong to our own Treaties.

I very much regret that reports which have been reaching me are not such as to lead one to suppose that anything would be gained by giving you and your band any addition-al assistance. You know that in order to have you assisted to farm and so make your own living, I was anxious to have you remove to the Moose Mountain Agency where you could be well looked after, and I hope that you will yet see that it is for the benefit of you all to fall in with that wish of mine, or if you would prefer it you could be settled amongst the Sioux on the Bird Tail Reserve.

I have

Chief Ndamani,
Turtle Mountain Reserve,
C-of A. C. Mackay, Esq.,
DELORAINE.

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I have always been hoping that you would see the desirability of falling in with our desires in your own interests, and have been very loath to compel you to do so, but I do not see how it will be possible to leave you any choice in the matter, unless you and your people entirely discontinue the purchase and use of intoxicants to which I much regret to hear, you have recently been becoming more addicted.

The reason why you are not allowed to sell cattle as you like is that they have been given you to work with and to enable you to get through their increase, what some day will go a long way toward making you self supporting, and if you were allowed to sell them as you like, you would soon have none left, without having any thing to show in place of them.

Your Commissioner,

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In your reply refer to
No. 753
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Moose Mtn
May 31st 1893.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 17th instant, I have the honor to inform you that on visiting Pheasant Rumps Reserve yesterday I found that the following Sioux Indians had arrived there and had planted Corn and were preparing to plant potatoes.

Shunkah Wash te wife, 4 sons, (2 of whom are young men) and 2 daughters — father in law of Wahsejanaje who is a grandson of Chief Pheasant Rump

Maka iungay wife & 4 children — brother of Shunkah Washte

Hay-injach mo wife & mother in law — son in law of Maka iungay

being in all sixteen souls.

I informed them of your reply to my ~~exp~~ report of their expected arrival but at the urgent request of Pheasant Rump's Band consented to ~~their~~ remaining on the Reserve for a week to admit of another

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another letter being received from you, after you had been made awake of their unanimous wish that these Indians should be allowed to farm upon their Reserve.

Chunkah Washte wished me to inform you that although he was here with Chundah Mompahs party he did not belong to them, and that he was a Santee not a Yankton.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir
Your obed^{t} Servant
J Campbell
J.C.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Moose Mountain
April 29th 1897

In reply refer to
No. 276
also to date of this letter.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S MAY 5 1897 REGINA ASSA.

ANS'D MAY 21 1897 FILE.

Ref.: Letter 189 No.

Sir,—

I have the honour to inform you that Pheasant Rumps Band has asked me to submit to you its request that Injamoo and Wakè, two Sioux Indians, be permitted to reside on and cultivate land, cut hay, necessary wood fencing etc on their Reserve, it being distinctly understood that Injamoo and Wahokè agree never to ask or expect from the Department any assistance in implements provisions or clothing.

May be admitted on conditions named & provided the Band give written consent

Injam-oo it is stated was born and has always lived in Canada, and his sister is married to Wahseju Najè son of Headman Red Thunder and grandson of the late chief Pheasant Rump. Injam-oo is a son of the late Shunka Washtè and it is said that he has no Reserve. He was here with a band of straggling Sioux under Shunkah

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Shunkah Nompah from Brittle Agency for whom it was intended to find a Reserve at Moose Mtn -

The Injamoo has frequently visited his brother in law and has spent the past winter with him and Mr Farmer Lawford reports him to have been well behaved and industrious - With him are his mother, grandmother, two sisters and two brothers -

Wakoke is from Oak Lake Reserve where he has been farming - On account of the scarcity of hay there and other objections he is determined not to farm there any more and is anxious to settle on Pheasant Rumps Reserve - As he appears to be a good worker and to be anxious to farm extensively his example and influence would probably be good and the Indians press very strongly for permission to be given to him - I have dissuaded him and discouraged him from time to time during the winter and upon learning from Mr Agent Markle that you did not wish to have Sioux on a Reserve with Treaty Indians I urged him to hasten

back

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back to his Reserve to sow his wheat but when I visited the Reserve last week I found him still there and the Indians were so urgent that I finally agr consented to submit the matter to you -

Wa-oke has a wife and family two of his sons being now at the Regina Industrial School.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obed^t Servant
J Campbell
Ad

Bertha advised
APR 9
MAY 21 1897
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21 May 1897

Enclosure.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 20th ultimo, No.270, you may admit the two Sioux Indians referred to on the conditions stated, if the Band gives formal consent thereto.

I enclose forms for the purpose which please return to this Office when signed.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The

Indian Agent,

Moose Mountain Agency.

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21 May 1897

Sir,

A Sioux named Wa-Oke' of the Oak Lake band has for some time been residing at Moose Mountain and has repeatedly asked to be permitted to farm on Pheasant Rump's band's Reserve and the Agent has as often tried to induce him to return to his Reserve but without success. It has therefore been decided to give him a trial in the Moose Mountain Agency and if the Band consents he will be admitted to membership there.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The
Indian Agent,
Birtle Agency.

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Commissioner.

Indian Agent,
Birtle Agency.

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No 1848½

INDIAN BRANCH.

1873

Lt Governor of the N.W. Territories
Fort Garry
Mides:

30 apl
20 May

Trans^d Copy of letter from Mr Arch^d McDonald & of reply thereto / reporting an attack of Sioux on Americans at "Cypress Hills"

✓ Ack^d 21 May/73

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No. 177.

Office of the Secretary of State, 1873

Dept. No. 27.
Lieut.-Governors
N.W. Territories
Fort Garry 30 April
20 May

Transmit Copy of letter from Wm. Jackson McDonald (Respecting tenders) respecting attack of Sioux on Americans at "Cypress Hills".

Recd. 21st. May 73.
O.S.S. Portneuf
20th. May 1873
Submitted for the consideration of the Committee of the Hon. the Privy Council.
By command
J.C. Aikins
for the Secy of State
for the Provinces.

Returned to the Ind. Branch by the late Dept. Supt Genl's Son having been found among the late D.S.G's private papers
Edwin Pope
Augt 25/74

Wm Howe

Returned to the Secretary of State for the Provinces
27th May 1873.
Transmitting the Report of the Superintendent of Indian Affairs
J.S. McDonald
Under Secretary

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No. 259. M. No. 43.

His Honour
The administrator of
The Government
Fort Garry
Manitoba

O.S.S.P. 20 May/73

No. 177

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the rest of your despatch, Nov 27, of the 30th Ultimo, enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr Macdonald, Chief Trader at the Hudson Bay Company's post at Fort Ellice on the subject of a reported massacre by the Scouts Indians at Cypress Hill, with a copy of your reply thereto.

E.

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16 April /73

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Connect 29 April /73

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No 26. N.

Copy of reply to
Mr A. McDonald's
letter to the
Administrator, in
reference to the
state of feeling among
the Sioux &c

April 29th 1873.

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No 26. 11

Government House,
Fort Garry
April 29th. 1872.

Sir,

I am directed by
His Honor the Administrator,
to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 16th inst.,
and to inform you that,
the protection of the people of
the North West against all
danger of Indian hostilities, is
a matter which is at present
engaging the most serious
attention of the Dominion
Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
William J. Urquhart
Clerk of the Council of the N.W.T.

To
Archibald McDonald Esqre
Fort Ellice
N.W.T.

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Copy

Fort Ellice Swan River District
North West Territory
16th April 1873.

To the Honble Judge McKeagney,
Acting Lieutenant Governor of
the North West Territory - &c

Received
April 28th 1873

Sir,

Two days ago during my absence, a despatch arrived from the Honble Pascal Breland addressed to you, and as I was about forwarding the same, an Express arrived for myself from the Plains bearing on matters connected with our own business, as well as the following horrible report of the deeds and doings of Sioux and American traders that established themselves last fall at the Cypress Hills on British Territory - The following is the report - "In consequence of" "the Yankees at Cypress Hills" "having"

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"having poisoned the 'Sitting Bull'"
"and 'Little Knife' (in their"
"food) the Sioux fell on their"
"posts there and massacred the"
"whole of them - By first"
"accounts the Half Breeds stopping"
"near the Yankees were said to"
"have shared the same fate,"
"but a subsequent report denies"
"that part of the story - On the"
"whole I have very little doubt"
"as to the truth of the rumour".

What effect this may have on the position on this side is rather doubtful but I take the hopeful view of it and think that instead of inciting them to further violence they may

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may be disposed to be friendly - "The Little Knife" being almost certainly dead, will no longer be the principal enemy we have amongst them -

Still it is necessary to guard against any possibility that may turn the arms and ammunition thus obtained against us - Of course I cannot vouch for the truth of the report, but it is the latest accounts our people had from the Indians near there, but in a few days the truth will be known beyond a doubt - Since last fall I have said so much on the Sioux subject and the general feeling

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feeling of dissatisfaction among
all the tribes of Plain Indians,
as I thought for the benefit
of the Government but to no
effect, and every day that
protection is withholden will
make matters worse and more
expensive to the Government - The
frontier of the North West along the
boundary line is far from being in a
tranquil state and may at any
moment break out into war. I have
thought it advisable to inform you
of these circumstances and on
that account trouble You with
this communication.

I have &c

Archd. McDonald C. T.
Hudsons Bay Co.

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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

REGINA, N. W. T.

1893

SADDLE-LAKE AGENCY

~~Victoria Agency~~

Treaty No. 6.

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SUBJECT.

Wahsatamous
Band
Removal of to
Saddle Lake

1879

ACTION.

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to date of this letter.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUL 15 1891
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

30th June 1891.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that I am now almost satisfied that the remainders of Band no: 126 will remove from Wahsatenan's to Thomas Hunter's reserve after harvesting their crops. Bears Ears appears now to recognize the futility of following a course not approved of by the Department and I have but little doubt that he will, with his band, winter at Saddle Lake. I was forced to temporarily hire the occasional Interpreter, Jos. Horse, in furtherance of this object and have issued a voucher (No: 136) in his favor for eight dollars, in payment of three trips to Wahsatenan, using his own horse.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your Obdt. Servant.
John Ross
Actg: agent.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No. 739
Also to date of this letter.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
AUG 25
1891
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

11th August 1891.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that after frequent conferences with Bears Ears band of indians, they have made up their mind to come to Saddle Lake in the spring, provided they are guaranteed in writing land added to the Saddle Lake reserve of an area equal to the Wahsatanan reserve, to which they will then give up all claim.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obdt. Servant
John Ross
Actg: Agent.

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The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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With endosures.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
SEP 14 1891
N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ansd & form

Hawa. 8th September, 1891.

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo, respecting the proposed removal of the Indians of Bears' Ears or Whah-sat-a-now Band, in the Saddle Lake Agency, to the Reserve at Saddle Lake; and in reply, I beg to inform you that the Department approves of your recommendation that these Indians be treated in much the same way as the Indians of Pass-pass-chase's Reserve, in the Edmonton district, which is to obtain a surrender from them of their Reserve, and allow the Indians of the Band to which, in future, they will be attached to share alike with them in the lands of the Wah-sat-a-now, the Wah-sat-a-now Indians

Hayter Reed Esqre
Indn. Commissioner for Man. & N. W. Territories,
Regina, N. W. T.

Vide Passpasschase for example — The only point will be whether of surrender & turnee Pakan shd. come in & sign the patent form of surrender & this considered part of this Res. — to guide you 29/10/91 vide corr. as to a R. C. being allowed upon Sad Lake Res The Affdts attached to form will have to be rewritten & bth be in duplicate

Be careful & direct Agt. in accord with last para of Dept bth

Bth not have Extn before a may cost too much wait until [illegible]

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Indians having in like manner an undivided interest in the Saddle Lake Reserve.

You will accordingly find enclosed herewith a letter, authorizing and deputing the Indian Agent for the district to summon a Council or meeting of the voting male-members of the Wah-sat-a now Band, of the full age of 21 years and over, and to submit to them the question of surrendering their Reserve for the purpose above indicated, and if they assent, to take from them a surrender on the form also enclosed.

The papers of consent on the part of each Band, to the proposed mutual ar-rangement, should be very explicitly expressed, and then executed by each Band before the surrender from the Wah-sat-a-now Band, of their Reserve is taken.

Your obedient Servant,

[signature]

Deputy of the Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

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28th. August,

See also 1569

Sir,

789. Referring to your letter of 14th. inst: I would say that I do not consider it advisable to increase the area of the Saddle Lake Reserve, on account of Bears Ears' Band being transferred to that locality.

The way we have done at other Points is to get a surrender of their land, from the Indians transferred, and allow those owning the land which they take up now, to share in that abandoned.

In order that this may be done, a formal surrender must take place, under the Indian Act, either before myself, or you if authorised in writing.

I shall communicate with you further in the matter.

Yours obediently,

LR

Commissioner.

Acting Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake Agency,
Fakan.

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20th. August, 1

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Sir,

Referring to correspondence which has taken Place, (vide my Report of 20th. Dec. 1890, No. 307), relative to the condition of the Indians of Bears Hars or Wah-sat--now Band, situated in the Saddle Lake Agency, I would say that I think we can readily get them to move.

I would therefore recommend to the Department that they be treated much in the same way as the Indians of Pass-Pass-chase Reserve in the Edmonton District, which is to obtain a surrender from them, and allow the Indians of the Band to which, in future, they will be attached, to share alike with them, in the lands of the Wah-sat-s-now Reserve, the Wah-sat-s-now Indians having, in like manner, an undivided interest in the Saddle Lake Reserve.

There is but a handful of Indians in this, the Wah-sat-s-now Band, and the majority of the males are cripples.

If the Department agree with me, would they kindly give consent in writing, to comply with the terms of the Indian Act.

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

Commissioner.

The Deputy of the
Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,
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22nd. October,

Sir,

1883. I have the honour to refer to your letter of 3th. inst: and enclosures, and to submit herewith, for Department's consideration, a form which it is thought would be suitable for the agreement to be made between the Pasquatenew and Saddle Lake Bands, before a surrender be taken from the former.

In the absence of the Order-in-Council, by which lands were set apart for the Indians at Saddle Lake, it does not seem possible to determine what Indians would be entitled to vote at a meeting, summoned to receive the Pasquatenew Band into the Saddle Lake Reserve.

While it is Proposed to locate the new comers in houses and farms abandoned by Indians who have left Little Hunter's following, and gone to Blue Quill's Band, it would seem, from the book of Plans, published by the Department, that Pakan and his Band, Little Hunter's Band, and Blue Quill and his Band hold one Reserve in common.

No doubt Pakan's and Little Hunter's Bands agreed to amalgamate and have their Reserve in common, but reference.

The Deputy of the
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erence to agreement, copy of which is acknowledged in Department's letter No. 30176, of 15th. June 1886, will show that Blue Quill removed to Saddle Lake on the express understanding that his following should be recognized, and dealt with as a separate Band.

The form, transmitted by Department, upon which to take the surrender from the Wesbatenow Band, is returned herewith, in case the Department should desire to make any change in it, as there are no Chief nor Councillors belonging to the Band, and that the proposal to pay the proceeds of the sale of the Reserve to the credit of the present owners and their descendants only appears to be at variance with the terms of the agreement proposed to be made between them and the Band which they are expected to join.

His attention is drawn to the fact that

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Commissioner.

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In your reply refer to
No. 962
Also to date of this letter.

1503

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

24th May 1892.

Vide letter to Agt. 1569 29/7/92.

Sir,

I have the honor to inquire, so soon as its remaining members are settled at Saddle Lake, whether the Wahsatanow band will be merged into that of Thos. Hunter's, or whether it shall be continued to be shown on returns and records of this office as band no. 126. Were the former course followed it would decrease the number of separate returns from this agency.

The basis of agreement between the two bands, on the transfer being accomplished, is, that the land of both reserves shall become the common property of the members of the amalgamated band. Will this meet with your approval?

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1569.
of the date of this letter.

Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T."

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories.

Regina, 29th July, 1892

Sir:-

962. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th May last, and in reply to inform you that when the members of the "Wahsatanow" Band shall have been amalgamated with the Saddle Lake Band, there will be no necessity for showing them on Returns or in any other way as separate from the latter Band.

With regard to the basis of agreement, I beg to transmit a form of agreement in duplicate which should be signed by the Chief, Headmen and Principal men respectively, of the Bands concerned.

The question presents itself as to who are to become parties to the agreement.

Since Chief Pakan, and his Headmen, at White Fish Lake, and their followers have an interest in the land at Saddle Lake, and no part of the latter Reserve has been specially set apart by order in Council for the use of Thomas Hunter's following, as distinct from the White Fish Lake Indians, it would certainly seem that

Chief

The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake.

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Chief Pakan and the Indians at White Fish Lake, and at Saddle Lake must be treated as one Band holding the Reserve in common, and they must deal with the "Wahsatanow" Band jointly.

So far the matter seems clear enough and easy to deal with, but more difficulty arises with regard to "Blue Quill". While the whole Reserve at Saddle Lake has been set apart by order in Council for Pakan and his Band there was a tacit understanding that a particular part of it would belong to "Blue Quill" and his following, and a promise was given to "Blue Quill" that he would be dealt with by the Department independently of Pakan.

It may be therefore that Blue Quill may refuse to either admit the "Wahsatanow" Band to have any share in the part of the Reserve which he regards as particularly his own, or to accept any interest in what may accrue from the sale of the Wahsatanow Reserve.

In that event he will have to be left out of the agreement, but he certainly should be invited to attend the Council held in connection with the agreement, and it should be explained to him that as the Wahsatanow Indians are not going to occupy any of the part of the Reserve he considers to be particularly his, he will by refusing to enter into the agreement, simply deny himself and his following the benefits which may accrue from the Wahsatanow Reserve.

It should moreover be explained clearly to

him

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him, that while for the general convenience and benefit of all, it is best to treat the whole of the Reserves as common property, there is no intention to interfere in any way with the understanding that has existed as to his followers holding their own end of it, nor to disturb in any way the understanding with him that the Department should recognise his standing independently of Chief Pakan. In fact the present invitation to him to join in the proposed arrangement is a proof that such independence is recognised.

You will understand that the agreement is to be signed first, after acceptance by the majority of the male members of each band.

This having been done you will proceed to take a surrender from the Wahsatanow Band on the form enclosed and as they have now no Chief nor Headmen, some of their Principal men must act.

You will find a letter attached authorizing you to take the surrender, and when the agreement and surrender are sent here the letter conferring authority t to take the latter should be attached to it.

If the attestation cannot be conveniently made before the District Judge, it will be well having completed all the rest, to wait until the Commissioner may visit you, to make the attestation.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Asst. Commissioner.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1005
Also to date of this letter.

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SEP 12 1892
N.W.T.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

27th August 1892.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of official letter No. 1569. of 29th ultº. and to inform you that, immediately after harvest, steps shall be taken to carry out, in accordance with the prescribed formalities, the instructions contained therein, regarding the surrender from the Wahsatanow band of its reserve and the agreement to be entered upon by the parties interested before that surrender shall be effected.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obdt. Servant,
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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Amended form sent at 29/4/92

Know all Men by these Presents,

THAT WE, the undersigned ~~Chief and~~ Principal men of

The Washatanow Band of Indians

resident on our Reserve at Washatanow or Hollow Hill Creek on the North Saskatchewan River in the Province of Alberta and Dominion of Canada, for and acting on behalf of the whole people of our said Band in Council assembled, Do hereby release, remise, surrender, quit claim and yield up unto OUR SOVEREIGN LADY THE QUEEN, her Heirs and Successors forever, ALL AND SINGULAR, that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the ~~in the County of~~ ~~and~~ Province of Alberta containing by admeasurement Twelve and a quarter Square miles be the same more or less and being composed of Indian Reserve No. 126. Situated at Washatanow or Hollow Hill Creek on the Northern Side of the North Saskatchewan River about Sixteen miles above Fort Victoria on the trail to Edmonton

Comprising: Sections One, Two, Three, Four, Five and the Southerly halves of Sections Eight, Nine, Ten, Eleven and Twelve in Township Fifty Nine, Range Nineteen and that portion of Township Fifty Eight Range Nineteen, lying North of the Saskatchewan River, All the above Ranges West of the Fourth Initial Meridian.

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TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto Her said Majesty THE QUEEN, her Heirs and Successors forever, in trust to Dell the same to such person or persons, and upon such terms as the Government of the Dominion of Canada may deem most conducive to our welfare and that of our people.

AND upon the further condition that all moneys received from the Sale thereof, shall, after deducting the usual proportion for expenses of management, be placed to Our credit as well as to that of the Indians ~~and their descendants~~ of the Battle Lake Reserve No. 125, who have in return agreed that we and Our descendants shall have an undivided interest with them in the last named Reserve and the interest paid to us and them and Our and their descendants.

Jointly

and the White Fish Lake Reserve No. 128

AND WE, the said ~~Chief~~ and Principal men of the said Washakamow Band of Indians do, on behalf of our people and for ourselves, hereby ratify and confirm, and promise to ratify and confirm, whatever the said Government may do, or cause to be lawfully done, in connection with the disposal of the said Reserve

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this day of in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety One

Signed, Sealed and Delivered,
in the presence of

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DOMINION OF CANADA,
~~Province of~~ ~~Ontario~~ North West Territories
~~County of~~

To Wit:

Personally appeared before me,

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in the ~~Province of~~ Pr

and

~~chief~~ of the said Band of Indians.

AND the said for himself saith :—

That the annexed Release or Surrender was assented to by a majority of the male members of the said Band of Indians of the of the full age of twenty-one years then present.

That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band summoned for that purpose and according to their Rules.

That he was present at such meeting or council and heard such assent given.

That he was duly authorized to attend such council or meeting by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

That no Indian was present or voted at said council or meeting who was not a member of the Band or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

And the said says:

That the annexed Release or Surrender was assented to by him and a majority of the male members of the said Band of Indians, of the full age of twenty-one years then present.

That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band of Indians summoned for that purpose, according to their Rules, and held in the presence of the said

That no Indian was present or voted at such council or meeting who was not an habitual resident on the Reserve of the said Band of Indians or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

That he is a ~~chief~~ of the said Band of Indians and entitled to vote at the said meeting or council.

Sworn before me by the
Deponents
at the of in
the County of this
day of A.D.,
1891.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 35,995
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE NOV 7 1891 N.W.T.





1569

Ottawa, 3rd November, 1891.

29/7/92.

Sir:-

Referring to your Assistant's letter of the 22nd ultimo, relative to the proposed surrender by the Washatanow Band of Indians of the Reserve at Hollow Hill Creek, (Wahsahatanow) (126) on the North Saskatchewan River, and the amalgamation of that Band with the Indians owning the Reserve at Saddle Lake, and their settlement upon the latter Reserve conditional upon the Indians owning it being allowed to share in the proceeds of the sale when made of the Washatanow Reserve, and the Band owning the latter Reserve being in return allowed a joint interest in the Reserve at Saddle Lake, I beg to inform you in regard to the points mentioned in your Assistant's letter above referred to as follows:-

1. The Order in Council by which lands were set apart for the Indians at Saddle Lake will be found bound in the book of plans of Indian Reserves in Manitoba and the North West Territories, of which you have a copy. The terms of the Order in Council are general and not

The Indian Commissioner,

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merely applicable to the Indians occupying the Reserve at Saddle Lake.

2. As respects the claim of Blue Quill's Band to a joint ownership with the Bands of Pakan and Little Hunter in the Reserve at Saddle Lake, I have referred to the papers mentioned in this connection in your Assistant's letter, and find, as stated therein, that Blue Quill stipulated when he removed to Saddle Lake that his Band should be recognized and dealt with as a separate Band from the others thereon. I think, therefore, that the right of his Band to a joint ownership of the Reserve is at least questionable; but it is desirable that this question should be settled definitely as soon as possible with a view to preventing further complications. I would suggest that it is not improbable that Blue Quill might agree to amalgamate with the other Bands on that Reserve on terms similar to those on which the Washatanow Band have agreed to give their consent to an amalgamation.

I forward herewith an amended form of surrender, as suggested in your Assistant's letter. From the wording of the amendment you will observe that the names of the Bands owning the Saddle Lake Reserve are not given, but it is simply stated that the proceeds of the sale of the Washatanow Reserve shall be placed to the credit of the Indians owning the latter tract, as well as to that of the Indians owning the Saddle Lake Reserve. I have done this in order that, should Blue Quill and his Band consent to amalgamate with the others as joint owners of the Saddle Lake Reserve, they might share also in the benefits of the sale of the Washatanow Reserve.

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Blue Quill and his followers must certainly be entitled to land somewhere, and it is presumed they were provided for when the Reserve at Saddle Lake was surveyed which appears to have taken place in the same year they removed there from Egg Lake.

I beg also to state that the form of agreement enclosed by you, which it is proposed should be made between the Washatanow and Saddle Lake Bands before a surrender is taken from the former, appears to be sufficient for the purpose.

Your obedient servant

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt. General of
Indian Affairs.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1045.
Also [redacted] this letter.

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NOV 14 1892
N. W. T.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

3rd November 1892.

Rec'd 19/11/92.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that, at a meeting held at Saddle Lake and at which the Chief, Headmen and the Wahsatanow Indians were present, the representatives of the Saddle Lake and Whitefish Lake reserves broke their promises and reverted to their original proposal that, in consideration of receiving the remnant of the Wahsatanow band, the area of the Saddle Lake reserve be increased by an additional block of land equal to that contained within the Wahsatanow reserve, and that the latter become again a part of the Public Domain. I informed the indians that I would report their decision but which I thought would not be entertained. I would recommend that matters be left as they stand at present - the Wahsatanow band residing on the Saddle Lake reserve - as it is possible that in time the wishes of the Department will be acceded to.

The failure to carry out the proposed arrangement is due principally to the influence of Sam. Steinhauer, M. Me., who appears to be able to lead the chief and the remainder of the Councillors.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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19th November, 8

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of
1015. the 3rd Instant, and in reply to inform you that I agree with your view as to the advisability of awaiting a change of sentiment on the part of the Indians, relative to having the Wahsatanow Reserve surrendered and an equivalent area added to the Reserve at Saddle Lake.

I am entirely influenced by a consideration of what I believe to be their own best interests. The Wahsatanow lands are so favourably situated in a District that is being fast settled up, that they will be sure to bring good prices at an early date, and so realize a fund much more beneficial to the Indians, than the addition to a Reserve, which is already larger than they really want, could possibly be. You should reason in this direction with the Indians, and watch your opportunity when sentiment seems favourable, to get them to agree.

No thing are not! The position of the Reserve is a very isolated one

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,

Saddle Lake,

Pakan P. O.,

Alta.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1107
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

10th March 1893.

Ans'd 28/3/93.

Sir,

I have the honor to report, that, on the approach of the working season, the Wahsatanow indians intend to take themselves off to Wahsatanow. The plea they make for this action on their part is that they are not welcomed to Thos. Hunter's reserve by the indians of the band, because of the unwillingness of the Department to meet the views of the latter, in regard to the enlargement of the reserve equal in extent to the area of the reserve at Wahsatanow. They are very difficult indians to manage are these Wahsatanow men and incapable of making the slightest exertion to assist themselves. I do not see what I can do with them, excepting to refuse all assistance until they find that they must work.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
John Ross
Indian agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs

for Man. & the N. W. T.

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REGINA, Mch., 28th, 1883.

Sir,

1107 I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 10th inst., and in reply to inform you that every effort should be made to prevent the Wahsatanow Indians returning to their Reserve at Yellow Hill Creek.

Since the Saddle Lake Band seem determinedly opposed to what is for their own best interests in the matter, I will endeavor to arrange for a grant of land at Saddle Lake in exchange for the surrender of the Wahsatanow Reserve, and will communicate with you again in the matter.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Indian Agent,

SADDLE LAKE.

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs

for Man. & the N. W. T.

1879

REGINA, Mch., 28th, 1893.

Sir,

35995 I have the honor to refer to your letter of 3rd Novr.1891 and prior correspondence relative to the surrender of the Wahsatanow Reserve and the amalgamation of that Band with the Indians owning the Saddle Lake Reserve, and to inform you that it was found the latter objected to receive the former on the terms proposed, viz. that they should share in the proceeds of the sale when made of the Wahsatanow Reserve, and asked that instead the area of the Reserve at Saddle Lake should be increased to an extent equal to the Reserve to be surrendered at Mallow Hill Creek.

It was hoped that by waiting the Saddle Lake Indians would through time recognize it to be more to their interest to have the Wahsatanow Reserve sold, and the proceeds applied to the benefit of the amalgamated Bands, and consequently the matter has been left for a time in abeyance. It seems however that the Saddle Lake Indians show no sign of relenting and meanwhile the members of the Wahsatanow Band are made to feel that their presence is not welcome unless upon the conditions described, and seem bent on returning to their own Reserve, which in

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To the Deputy of the

Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs,

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their own interests and those of the Department should, certainly in my opinion, be prevented if possible.

I beg to recommend that the terms of the proposed surrender be altered so as to make the condition of it the grant of an equivalent area adjoining the Saddle Lake Reserve.

To this the Department of the Interior should have no objection since the Wahstenow Reserve, is exceptionally favorably situated, as you will doubtless be able to recall, and contains lands of considerably greater value for settlement than that would be taken in exchange.

As these Indians already have a large amount of land in proportion to the number now left on the Reserve, it might be advisable to induce them to accept a somewhat reduced area, in exchange, and if so it might be found possible to do so.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Commissioner.

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DEPUTY S[illegible] GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

agt 11/4/93.

File

Ottawa, 7th April, 1893.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 28th ultimo, respecting the failure of the negotiations had with the Saddle Lake Indians to admit to an equal share with themselves, the members of the Band owning the Reserve at Wahsatanow, on condition that the latter surrender that Reserve, and the proceeds of the sale of the same should be equally divided between the Saddle Lake Indians and themselves, I have to point out to you that, to admit of a proper consideration being given to your proposal that the terms of the surrender to be taken from the Wahsatanow Band of their Reserve, be changed so as to admit of the Department's accepting in lieu of that tract a piece of land adjoining the Saddle Lake Reserve, upon which the Wahsatanow Band might settle, it is necessary that the exact locality at which the proposed Reserve for the latter Band is to be placed should be described.

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And with regard to the concluding portion of your letter, in which you say that, as the Indians of the Wahsatanow Band already have a large amount of land in proportion to the number now left on the Reserve, it

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina/N.W.T.

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might be advisable to induce them to accept a somewhat reduced area in exchange, near the Saddle Lake Reserve, I fail to see why the Department should, to the disadvantage of the Wahsatanow Indians, accept of a smaller area, more especially as you state in a previous part of your letter that the lands in the Wahsatanow tract are far superior in quality to those that may be taken in exchange near the Saddle Lake Reserve.

Your obedient servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

R.M.

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REGINA, Apr. 12th, 1893.

Sir,

With further reference to the persistence of the Saddle Lake Indians to receive the members of the Wahsatanow Band, on other terms than the extension of their Reserve, I have to request you with a view to enabling the matter to be properly considered, to exactly describe the lands which it is desired to have reserved at Saddle Lake in lieu of those comprised in the Wahsatanow Reserve, which it is proposed to surrender.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake.

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Ottawa, 17th April, 1893.

Copy

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Instant, No 35-995, with reference to the exchange of Dominion Land of equal area at Saddle Lake, for the tract comprising the Wapadlanow Reserve, and to say that I will do anything in my power to facilitate the operations of your Department. I would remind you however, that if the land selected by your Department is surveyed land, the rights of the Hudson's Bay Company, the School Endowment, and perhaps the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, may have accrued.

As to the School lands, at all events there is no way in which the right thus accrued could be acquired, except when the lands are put up for sale at public auction.

I have the honour to be Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sgd) A. M. Burgess
Deputy Minister of the Interior

L. Vankoughnet Esq.
Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 16 1893
N.W.T.

Saddle Lake. Alta.
21st April 1893.

Dear Sir,

I desire to acquaint you with a circumstance, which took place last week in connection with a high handed action on the part of the Wahsalanow indian, Matoosk, in leaving Thos. Hunter's reserve and taking with him 16. head of cattle, without my permission, or even mentioning the matter to me.

On Thursday the 13th inst. I received a letter from Pavel, the Interpreter, saying:- Matoosk left reserve today taking with him sixteen head of cattle. I replied by wire instructing him to meet me the next day with another mounted man on my way back from Victoria, as I knew matoosk was making for Wahsalanow. About noon of 14th I met Pavel near the Vermillion and about twenty minutes Matoosk, family & the cattle hove in view - the Oxen were hitched to sleighs, upon which was loaded a wagon I gave him for promising to remain at Saddle Lake.

So soon as he came in I had a long talk with the man telling him first of your intentions to meet the wishes of the Saddle Lake indians in regard to an extention of this reserve and urging him to return at once. Having, in vain, exhausted all my persuasion and seeing that he was determined to go - I told him that, of course, I would make no attempt to keep him, but that I would drive the cattle all back, and I had their heads turned towards Saddle Lake.

I was having the team of oxen turned round when Matoosk's wife ran round and began to take the straps off harness. I stopped her. When she wanted the ropes, binding load on sleigh. I offered her new rope I had with me in its place, she refused, so I let her have the rope she claimed, and I was binding on load with my own rope when I noticed her again making away

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with the harness straps. At this I pushed her to one side, and told the Interpreter to let her know she must not again touch the harness. When Matoosk saw me pushing his wife to one side he ran up and struck at me. I promptly knocked him down. For a moment after he got up he looked round undecided and then made for his jumpers, but Harper, who was with me, thinking that it was the guns he was after, got ahead of him and took the loaded guns from his jumpers.

We brought these guns with us to Saddle Lake and I am today sending them back to Matoosk per Mr. Garson. I got the cattle all safe back to Saddle Lake and they are now being fed and looked after at agency.

Yours truly
John Ross

Hayter Reed Esq.
Regina.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY 1 1893
N.W.T.

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Ottawa. 27th April 1893.

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Sir,

Referring to my letter of the 7th Instant, and previous correspondence in the matter of the proposal to obtain, in exchange for the Wahsatawow Reserve, a portion of land (adjacent to the Saddle Lake Reserve) on which the Indians owning the former Reserve might settle, I enclose herewith, a copy of a letter dated the 17th Instant, from

The Indian Commissioner
for Man & N.W.T.
Regina. N.W.T.

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from the Deputy Minister of the Interior, stating that he will do all in his power to facilitate the operations of this Department.

Your obedient servant,

E. Dewdney

Deputy of the Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

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May 17th, 93

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st ultimo relative to Pa-toosk leaving Hunter's band for the Wahsatenaw Reservation along with cattle.

I note what you say and think that you have acted wisely in the matter. In this connection I notice that you are inclined to communicate to me matters strictly official in private letters, consequently they have often to remain unattended to for some little time. It would be well, I think, to enclose them in official envelopes unless they are of such a nature that they should be solely for my personal inspection.

Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

Indian Agent Ross,

SADDLE LAKE.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1137.
Also to date of this letter.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

27th May 1883.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUN 4 1883
N.W.T.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 1879. of 12th ulto., I have the honor to inform yon that I cannot, until the return of the Wahsatanow indians, who at present are absent hunting, describe the lands which it is desired to have reserved at Saddle Lake in lieu of those comprised within the Wahsatanow Reserve, which it is proposed to surrender.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
John Ross
Indian agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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In your reply refer to
No. 1187.
Also to date of this letter.

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OCT 2 1893
N.W.T.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

19 September 1893

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Dept. 25/10/93

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Sir,

Referring to former correspondence on the subject of the transfer of the remnant of the Wahsatanow band of indians to Saddle Lake, and to your letter No. 1879. of 12 April last, in reference to an extension of the latter reserve in lieu of the former, to be surrendered, I have the honor to inform you that Chief James Seenum desired me to inform you that the land chosen lies in the vicinity of Cache Lake, on the trail to Whitefish Lake, summer trail. The nearest point of this Lake is about twelve miles distant from the Agency.

R.13. Tp.58 M.59.
W. 4th I.M.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
John Ross
Indian Agent.

Refer Dept's 35.995. 7th aprl. 1891.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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October 20th 1883

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Department's
35,995 letter of 7th April last, and to state that the Agent has now learned from the Indians of the Saddle Lake band that the land they desire to take in exchange for that proposed to be surrendered by the Wahsatanow band, and so enable the latter to amalgamate with the former, is in the vicinity of Cache Lake, on the Summer trail to Whitefish Lake. Cache Lake, at the point nearest the Agency is some twelve miles distant from it, and the land referred to would be in Township 58 or 59, Range 18, West of 4th initial meridian.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

a.c.f.

Assistant Commissioner

The Deputy of the Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs

Ottawa

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In your reply refer to
No. 1310.
Also to date of this letter.

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FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
REGINA, 5th May 1894.
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Regd. over Even No. 6 of 25 Oct '93
ASST. INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

20th April 1894.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE APR 30 1894 N.W.T.

Sir,

Reverting to my letter no. 1187. of 19th Septr. last, in re: extension of the Saddle Lake reserve, as an equivalent for that at Hollow Hill Creek, to be surrendered by the Wahsatanow Band of Indians, I have the honour to request you to be good enough to transmit to me your view of Chief Pakan's application in this matter, as I shortly expect to meet the Indians in Council, to further discuss the subject, with a view, I hope, to a final arrangement.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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Written agent 17th May 94



Ottawa, May 12th, 1894.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of copy of letter from Mr. Agent Ross, transmitted by you on the 5th instant, asking to be instructed regarding the application of the Indians of Saddle Lake to have that Reserve enlarged to an extent equivalent to the area of the Reserve to be surrendered by the Wahsatanow Band, as a condition of the latter being received on the Saddle Lake Reserve and amalgamation with the Indians now owning the same, and in reply to inform you that "the only difficulty existing arises from the fact of Townships 58 and 59, R. 13, W. of 4th I. M. mentioned in your letter of 25th October last not having been subdivided so as to admit of exact description and reservation of the lands which the Indians want to have added to their Reserve.

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The Department of the Interior has, however, promised to reserve, as effectively as can be done in the case of a district which has not already been surveyed, the two Townships mentioned, with a view to giving effect to the Indians' wishes in the matter, when a survey shall have been made, so that there would not appear to be any real obstacle in so far as meeting the views of the Indians relative to the exchange, to settling the matter.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Hayter Reed
Deputy of the Sup't General
of Indian Affairs.

A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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May 17th 1884

Sir,

In reply to your letter No 1810 of the 20th ultimo relative to the extension of the Saddle Lake Reserve to an extent equivalent to the area of the Reserve to be surrendered by the Whitefish Band, as a condition of the latter being received on the Saddle Lake Reserve and amalgamation with the Indians now owning the same, I beg to inform you as follows:

The only difficulty existing, arises from the fact of Townships 58 and 59 R. 13 W. of 5th Meridian, wherein the extension is desired to be made, not having been subdivided, an exact description of the lands the Indians want to have added to their Reserve cannot be given. The Department of the Interior has, however, promised to reserve, as efficiently as can be done in the case of a district which has not already been surveyed, the two townships mentioned, with a view to giving

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There would therefore appear no real obstacle in settling the matter with the Indians when you further discuss the subject with them. You might again, however, take advantage of the proposed meeting to impress upon them the advisability of making the amalgamation of the two bands, under the terms first accepted by them, instead of insisting of an enlargement of the reserve in place of an undivided interest in the proceeds of the sale of the Wahsahow Bands reserve. But let them have a free choice in the matter.

Yours obediently

Asst Commissioner

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Mr
write agt
Personals for reports

September 26th 1895

My dear Matoosk:

I received your letter of the 10th August last but was unable, owing to illness, to acknowledge its receipt at once. I am very sorry to ~~xxxx~~ have to tell you that I cannot do anything in the matter; for, since I left the Agency, it has been my rule not to do anything that would interfere with the work of the present Agent and I cannot now break that rule.

I have shown the Commissioner your letter and he has taken it and will ask Mr Ross about the matter so that both sides of the story may be heard.

I was sorry to hear that you had gone back to the Wahsatanow, for I think that after a year or so, when you would get settled at Saddle Lake, you would be much better off. Your children would know how to read and write; for by the time they grow up the country will be much changed (You have seen how it has changed already in the past ten years) and if they (your children) have had no schooling, they will find it hard to get along. At Saddle Lake you can get them good schooling but at Wahsatanow you cannot. If you will take the advice of one who has always been your friend, you will put away your thought of living at the old place,---no matter how much you may like it,-and go down to the Agency, take up a farm

there

Matoosk
c/o MR Chas. Whitford
Manawan P. O. Alta.
via Edmonton.

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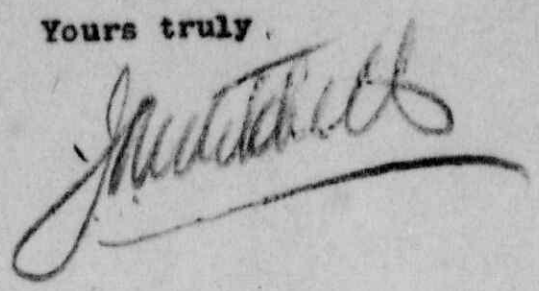
there and make a good home for yourself and your family. By doing this you would also settle the trouble about your cattle, which were only, I fancy, to be taken away because you would not stay there.

I know you may not find this pleasing advice, but I think all your friends will advise you in the same way.

Yours truly,



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Mr Mitchel Manawan

Dear Sir 10th augt 1895

As I have been so long deprived of the use of my cattle and cannot still get them. I know you would ask who has taken your cattle from you. I answer. Mr Ross agent saddle Lake. He Robbed them from me on the 14th april 1893. It happened in this way While I was at Wa-sa-haat-in-aw. in the winter and spring of 92 He came up there and tried to induce me as well as the other Indians. promising to first give me a house to live in when I got there. also a waggon also that He would give us clothing. and that He would give me rations same as we got at the treaty and after and also that He would get someone to take care of my aged Mother also that He would give me a young Cow. He fulfilled none of these except the two first, and in fact I only got the running gear of the waggon. so in making these promises Mr McLaughlan told me to go and try It for one winter so did Mr Garson tell me the same. and that I could come back If He Mr Ross failed in these promises. He failed. so consequently. I made ready to come back to my own reservation this was on the 13th april Mr Ross happened not to be at home at the time so could not tell him when I was going. but I had some time previous to this told him that I was going to my own reservation in the presence of Chief Pakan. also Chief Munitoo Kehew. and others so I thought that was satisfactory enough. on the 13th then I started I camped a little before I came to vermillion and the next morning I started. and met Mr Ross soon after. so He told me to spell and that He wanted to have a chat with me. so I did spell He commenced you have not done right in bringing off the cattle and the waggon and further told me to take them back. I told him I was.

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going back to My reservation and could not, and would not go back. so He said that He would have the Police to fetch me down and further put me in Jail. I told him that I had done nothing wrong and that the Police, as I was always made to understand are for the evil and wrongdoers, not for people that tried to make an honest living. so He got wicked and gave me all short of abusive language. I finally told him that I would not depend on the Police If I wanted to do anything I told him I killed something for to eat and not for anything else. this is the only place I confess that might not sound well in his ears.

Then Just after this He gave orders that the cattle should be taken from me as well the waggon. Himself The clerk, the School Teacher, Joe Favel interpreter. and another of his men they were five of them and five of us not counting the children that could witness what now passed Myself. My wife. My Mother. and My son and another Indian.

After this My wife wanted to take a bit of sakanapee belonging to her from the fire place. so Ross slapped her hand with his hand. and Just after this she wanted to take some of the Hay she had spread for the Horses to eat It was our own Hay. so Mr Ross Pushed her back again so the third thing she wanted to take was My boys belt. Ross gave her a slap on the face this time.

When I saw this I went forward and stretched My hand to take the boys belt. So Ross struck me three different times with his fist once on My neck. another time on My Mouth. and the last time on My left eye. so did nothing or said nothing to him for his actions.

Now I do not wish to put Ross to trouble about this Myself but the authorities ought to know that and If they think and say that He has not surpassed his duty Its well and good. but what I want to know

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is this has He a right to Keep My Cattle from Me. Cattle that I raised Myself. It is not Cattle that were supplied by the Government. I got a Cow Calf from My ~~deaced~~ deceased brother Bears Ears. Which He had got in a present from a Man that I do not know the name of. Just Newly Calved and He gave him to me this is where I raised these Cattle from. all the people from victoria knows this. There were three Milking Cows. one young or three year old. one two year old she was both Cow as well as Bull. and two at one year old. and two spring Calves. and one of the Cows was not yet Calved. so I may say He took from me 10 Cattle.

Now Mr Mitchel I hope you will try and Make this known in the right quarter and try and help me to get My Cattle back from this Tyrant Mr Ross. and will you kindly send me word by letter If you Can help me or not. the same gentleman who writes this for me Can read It for me If you will do so.

accept My unworthy
regards to yourself
and family

Your obdt Servt
Matusk or Cryer
from Wa-sa-hat in ak.

P.S. Please address My letter
If you send in c/o Mr C. Whitford, Manawan.

I am the only one of the family
now living on the reservation.
Cryer.

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6th November, 5

Enclosure.

Sir:-

A communication from Matoosk or "The Crier" of Wahsatanow Band, addressed to Mr. J. A. Mitchell of this office, has been handed me, a copy of which I now send you for a report. I have of course your report of 21st April 1893 upon the circumstances connected with Matoosk leaving the Saddle Lake Reserve and your action in taking the cattle from him and am also aware that what he terms private cattle are not so recognized on the returns, but I think it would be well to now offer him some inducement in the form of offering to return his cattle, to induce him to take up his abode on the Saddle Lake Reserve.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake Agency,
Pakan P. O.,
Alta.

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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake agency.

7th December 1895.

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Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 1879, dated 6th ulto., covering a communication addressed to Mr. J. A. Mitchell, of your office, from an Indian named "The Crier", of the Wahsatanow band, in which a series of complaints are laid against the agent.

As the latter is on leave of absence for two months and as the letter in question is one that will require his personal attention, I cannot do better than to hold it over until his return.

I would, however, take upon myself to respectfully direct your attention to the fact, that this Indian cannot write, or therefore sign his name, and I feel certain that the agent, on his return, would be pleased to learn from you that the signature subscribed by "The Crier" was reputably witnessed, before the letter was mailed to Mr. Mitchell.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.
G. H. Harper.
Actg: agent.

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake.

10th Jany 1896.

Sir,

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Matoosk his X mark.

Witness. Norman McDonald. Interpr

Re
Land chosen per Chief Jas Seeman is at Cache Lake in trail to W. L. Lake
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West of 4th Lat.
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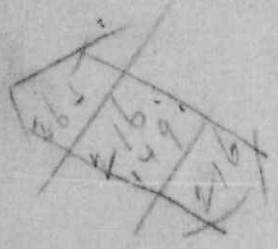

To Mr. G.H. Harper.
Actg: Agent.
Saddle Lake Agency.

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In your reply refer to
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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

10th January 1895.

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Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Indian, Matoosk or the Crier, came to this office to day and voluntarily offered, on behalf of himself and the other members of the band, to surrender all title to the Wasatanow reserve and settle near Saddle Lake. I told him [illegible] an old story this, and that he had lied so much and made so many promises in the past that he had never intended to keep, he was asking too much if he expected me to believe him. He, however, protested that this time he was acting straight and that he and his following were ready to come here this coming spring, if the requests set forth in the attached paper were granted.

In the matter of the cattle it appears to be your wish that they be given back, and as there is a sum of $413.96. funded to the credit of this band, realized on the sale of cattle and beef to the Department last spring. By expending this sum on the purchase of young cattle, the herd can be raised to 50. head.

In regard to the land in lieu of the reserve at Hollow Creek, it was decided in your former correspondence on this subject, to concede this point, as the Indians of the three reserves - Saddle Lake, Blue Quills and Whitefish Lake - objected to share the land with the Wasatanow Indians under any consideration.

Three reserves

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.
G. H. Harper.
acting agent.

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There is nothing in Mr. Harpur's letter referred to to show that the discrepancy on these points, between the original arrangement as understood by this office, and Mahtoosk-'s present offer, was observed or that it had been pointed out to Mahtoosk or that having been pointed out to him, he had rejected the original scheme and substituted one of his own, or that he (Mahtoosk) was willing or unwilling to agree to the terms of the original scheme, and before proceeding further I should like to have a report from you as to this and also a statement in detail as to the present location of those who constituted the Wahsahatanow Band at the time of their removal to Saddle Lake.

Referring to the words of the 5th to 8th lines of the letter before me, I note with regret that Mr. Harpur appears to have received Mahtoosk's "surrender" in a spirit of harshness that the circumstances do not appear to have warranted and that should not be allowed to find a place in our dealings with the Indians, no matter how refractory they may have, in the past, proved to be, and I therefore would ask you to be good enough to convey to Mahtoosk an expression of my pleasure at learning that he has wisely decided to fall in with your own and the Department's wishes in this matter and my hope that he will now prove a successful farmer and a valuable help to his Agent.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

D.C.A.

Commissioner.

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Steers - 5

Heifer 1

Bull calves - 7.

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10th January 1895.

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Witness. Norman McDonald. Interpr.

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West of 4th Jan
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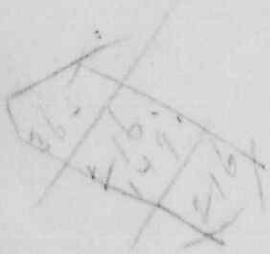

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Actg: Agent.
Saddle Lake Agency.

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14th March, 9.

Sir:-

With reference to official letter of the 10th January last, No. 53, signed by Mr. Acting Agent Harpur, informing me of the decision of Mahtoosk of the Wahsahatanow Band to surrender all claim thereto and take up his residence again with the other members of the band.

With regard to the land question I would refer you to my letter of even number of the 17th May 1894, in which the matter was settled, as far as it is possible for it to be in the present unsurveyed state of the lands selected by Chief Seenum - by the understanding that the Department of the Interior would regard Townships 58 and 59, Range 13, West of 4th I. M. as reserved for use of Indians till it could be definitely described.

In this connection an examination of the document signed by Mahtoosk accompanying your letter shows that, if Mahtoosk's present proposition is not an entirely new one, there apparently exists on his part a misunderstanding which may easily give rise to not a little trouble, and that is that while this office understands from your letters of the 19th September 1893 and 20th April 1894 that the ex-Wahsahatanow Band of Indians are to become amalgamated with the Saddle Lake Band, lose their identity as a separate Band and to take up locations at such points as may be agreed upon between yourself and them on the present reserve at Saddle Lake, Mahtoosk seems to be under the impression that the Band is to remain distinct from the Saddle Lake Band, that they the Wahsahatanow Indians, and not the Band of James Seenum generally (including themselves) are to receive the new lands and lastly that they [redacted], or at least Mahtoosk himself,

The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake Agency,
Pakan P. O.,
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himself, are to reside on these new lands apparently with the idea that they are to be regarded as constituting a separate reservation.

There is nothing in Mr. Harpur's letter referred to to show that the discrepancy on these points, between the original arrangement as understood by this office, and Mahtoosk-'s present offer, was observed or that it had been pointed out to Mahtoosk or that having been pointed out to him, he had rejected the original scheme and substituted one of his own, or that he (Mahtoosk) was willing or unwilling to agree to the terms of the original scheme, and before proceeding further I should like to have a report from you as to this and also a statement in detail as to the present location of those who constituted the Wahsahatanow Band at the time of their removal to Saddle Lake.

Referring to the words of the 5th to 8th lines of the letter before me, I note with regret that Mr. Harpur appears to have received Mahtoosk's "surrender" in a spirit of harshness that the circumstances do not appear to have warranted and that should not be allowed to find a place in our dealings with the Indians, no matter how refractory they may have, in the past, proved to be, and I therefore would ask you to be good enough to convey to Mahtoosk an expression of my pleasure at learning that he has wisely decided to fall in with your own and the Department's wishes in this matter and my hope that he will now prove a successful farmer and a valuable help to his Agent.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Commissioner.

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Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake

28th March 1896.

Accompanying Agt's letter No. 115 4 April 1896

Sir,

FILE.

In regard to last paragraph of your letter No. 1879. and dated the 4th inst. addressed to the Indian Agent, I have the honour to inform you that I regret ~~that~~ report No. 53. of 10th January last was so brief, as it very inadequately describes a discussion with the indian, Matoosk, of the Wahsatanow band, and which was conducted in a friendly spirit both on my own part and on that of this indian, and which he concluded in a reiteration of his promise to come hither when spring will open.

In regard to the charge of harshness on my part, I am in a position to state that this measure is seldom employed and, during the absences of the Agent, though strict with the indians, they all will admit down to S. Steinhauer, the greatest agitator in Treaty No. 6. that I am just and impartial in my dealings with all of them.

When Matoosk visited this reserve in January last, he said he would move down in the spring, but he first wanted a promise from me that his band would receive full rations to that time, making this a sine qua

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qua non of any movement on his part or on that of his following towards the surrender of the lands of the reserve at Wahsalānon. As Matoosk had successfully tried this ruse, on more than one occasion already, to obtain sufficient rations to tide him over the winter months and forgot about all his promises and obligations when spring arrived, I was very naturally suspicious of his motives and more particularly so at his coming to me, when he knew that the agent, with whom he had always dealt, was away on a holiday, and it was this that called forth the remarks to which objection is taken. Matoosk then moderated his demands and asked for provisions to carry him home and rations for the old women, which were given. It may be observed that I was acting as a responsible officer of the Department and using my judgment and experience, which with indians is not the experince of a novice, in the interests of the Department and to the best of my ability, in dealing with an indian who is known to be of a notoriously shifty and unreliable character; and further there was no harshness displayed in my manner towards Matoosk, nor did he accept my language as such, for he made a ready admission of his past delinquencies by assuring me that he this time intended "to act straight", and

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and had there been the slightest suspicion of harshness entertained on the part of this indian or intended by me, if needs be, that portion of the report, which is regarded with disfavor, could easily have been suppressed.

And when the above is read in connection with my report No. 53. of 10th. January last, I would respectfully request, in view of the reproof conveyed, that the matter be re-considered.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.
G. A. Harper.

Forwarded.
John Ross
Indian Agent.

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4th April 1896.

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INDIAN COMMISSIONER
APR 13 1896
REGINA ASSA

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 1879. dated 14th ulto. and in reply to inform you that when letter No. 53. of 10th January last was written there was a misapprehension on the part of the actg. agent as to where the indians from Wahsatanow were to be settled, on their removing to Saddle Lake reserve. I have, however, been to Wahsatanow - and where the remnant of the band at present is living - After a conference with Matoosk and his following, with their friend and relation, Andrew Honse, for interpreter, these indians now understand perfectly that they are to become members of the Saddle Lake Band and that all the land is to be held in common by the members of the three bands Nos. 125. 126. and 128. These indians are also aware that they are to occupy holdings on the Saddle Lake reserve at such points as shall hereafter be agreed upon between these indians and myself, and that they are to be the recipients of no special favors, simply assistance similar to that given to the other indians, and that, only while they remain on the reserve and work at farming and improving their allotments.

Three Bands

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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Sir,

At the request of Matoosk, I promised that I would ask your authority to purchase for him and his followers -

One waggon.
One Mower.
One Lease Rake.
One set Harness.

and also for $20. Cash to purchase tea & tobacco, the total of the above, about $200. to be paid out of the moneys funded to the credit of the band. viz: $413 96/x and interest from dates of deposits; the balance remaining to be applied in the purchase of a bull and young stock, which, with the twenty odd head now belonging to these indians, will be as many as they can put up hay for. The one question is - where is hay to be cut for these cattle - and this can be determined later; for the past two years it has been cut at Cache Lake.
Matoosk will be here in a few days to remain, and the others will follow with their carts, so soon as the roads will admit of travel with wheels, and I shall, with as little delay as possible, summon a meeting of the Chief and headmen and try and have the surrender effected at once.

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Sir,

The Fanning mill, ploughs and harrows have been carted from Wahsalanow to Saddle Lake already, and the other implements &c. will follow shortly.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

John Ross
Indian Agent.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 1,569.
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

Enclosed in letter to the Indian Commissioner.

With enclosure.

Ottawa, 8th September, 1891.

Sir,

I have to inform you that it is proposed to remove the Indians of Bears Ears or Wah-sat-a-now Band, in the Saddle Lake Agency, to the Indian Reserve at Saddle Lake; and the Department has decided to ask them to surrender their Reserve, and to allow the Indians of the Band to which in future they will be attached, to share alike with them in the lands of the Wah-sat-a-now Band, who will in like manner have an undivided interest in the Saddle Lake Reserve.

I accordingly hereby authorize and depute you to summon, in accordance with their rules, a Council or meeting of the voting

John Ross Esqre.
~~Actg~~. Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake
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the voting male-members of the Wah-sat-a-now Band, of the full age of twenty-one years and over, at which you should preside, and to submit to them the question of surrendering their Reserve, to be disposed of for the joint benefit of themselves and of the Band of which they are to form a part, as above indicated; and should a majority of the members of the Band present and entitled to vote, assent, you will take a surrender on the form enclosed herewith. The blanks in the form of affidavit, attached thereto, should then be filled up and sworn to before a Judge of a Superior Court or District Court, a Stipendiary Magistrate, or the Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North-West Territories, by yourself and one

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one of the Chiefs or principal men present at the Council, and entitled to vote thereat.

The whole proceedings should be conducted strictly in accordance with the provisions of the 39th section of the Indian Act.

The Indian Commissioner will instruct you with regard to the execution, before the surrender is taken, of the papers by each Band, consenting to the proposed arrangement.

Your obedient Servant,

D. Macdonald

Deputy of the Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS,

That we, the undersigned Principal men of _____ The Washatanow Band of Indians _____ resident on our Reserve at Washatanow or Hollow Hill Creek, on the North Saskatchewan River _____ in the Province of Alberta _____ and Dominion of Canada, for and acting on behalf of the whole people of our said Band in council assembled, Do hereby release, remise, surrender, quit claim and yield up unto OUR SOVEREIGN LADY THE QUEEN, her Heirs and Successors forever, ALL AND SINGULAR, that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the _____ Province of Alberta _____ containing by admeasurement Twelve and a quarter square miles _____ be the same more or less and being composed of Indian Reserve No. 126, situated at Washatanow or Hollow Hill Creek, on the Northern side of the North Saskatchewan River, about sixteen miles above Fort Victoria, on the trail to Edmonton, Comprising sections One, Two, Three, Four, Five, and the Southerly halves of sections Eight, nine, Ten, Eleven and Twelve, in Township Fifty-nine, Range nineteen, and that portion of Township Fifty-eight, Range nineteen, lying North of the Saskatchewan River, All the above Ranges West of the Fourth Initial Meridian.

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TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto Her said Majesty The Queen, her Heirs and Successors forever, in trust to *sell* ---------- the same to such person or persons, and upon such terms as the Government of the Dominion of Canada may deem most conducive to our welfare and that of our people.

AND upon the further condition that all moneys received from the *sale* ---- thereof, shall, after deducting the usual proportion for expenses of management, be *placed to Our credit, as well as to that of the Indians owning jointly the Saddle Lake Reserve No: 125, and the White Fish Lake Reserve No: 128, who have, in return, agreed that we and our descendants shall have an undivided interest with them in the last named Reserves and the interest paid to us and them, and our and their descendants.* ----------

AND WE, the said Principal men of the said ---- *Washatanow Band of Indians* ---- do, on behalf of our people and for ourselves, hereby ratify and confirm, and promise to ratify and confirm, whatever the said Government may do, or cause to be lawfully done, in connection with the *disposal of the said Reserve.* ----------

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this ---------- day of ---------- in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred *and ninety two.*

Signed, sealed and delivered, }
in the presence of }

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Dominion of Canada)
North West Territories.)
To wit:) Personally appeared before me

name of District Judge or Commr

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in the Provisional District of

John Ross Indian Agent and name of a principal man

of the said Band of Indians.

And the said John Ross for himself saith:-

That the annexed Release or Surrender was assented to by a majority of the male members of the said Band of Indians of the Wahsunoro Indian Reserve No 12 b of the full age of twenty-one years, then present.

That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band, summoned for that purpose and according to their rules.

That he was present at such meeting or council and heard such assent given.

That he was duly authorized to attend such council or meeting by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

That no Indian was present or voted at said council or meeting who was not a member of the Band or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

And the said name of principal man says:

That the annexed Release or Surrender was assented to by him and a majority of the male members of the said Band of Indians, of the full age of twenty-one years, then present.

That

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That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band of Indians, summoned for that purpose, according to their rules, and held in the presence of the said

That no Indian was present or voted at such council or meeting who was not an habitual resident on the Reserve of the said Band of Indians or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

That he is a member of the said Band of Indians and entitled to vote at the said meeting or council.

agt's signature x

Sig'd of Principal man x

Sworn before me by the Deponents)
at the)
of in the)
Provisional District of)
this day of A.D. 18)

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This agreement, made in duplicate, and entered into this day of 1892, between the joint owners of the Saddle Lake Indian Reserve, No. 125, and the White Fish Lake Indian Reserve, No. 128, in the Provisional District of Alberta, in the North West Territories and Dominion of Canada, as represented by their Chief and Headmen, hereinafter called the Parties of the First Part, and The owners of the Wahsatanow Indian Reserve, No. 126, in the Provisional District of Alberta, in the North West Territories and Dominion of Canada, represented, in the non existence of Chief or Headmen, by and and and and and

Principal men of their Band, hereinafter called the Parties of the Second Part.

Witnesseth that the Parties of the First Part, for themselves and their descendants, agree to admit the Parties of the Second Part, and their descendants, into their Band, and allow them, as members thereof, to have hold and possess forever, an undivided interest in all Land and other privileges now possessed and enjoyed, or which may at any time hereafter be possessed or enjoyed, by the said Band.

In return for the above interest, rights and other privileges, granted to them by the Parties of the First Part, the Parties of the Second Part agree, for themselves and their descendants, to surrender to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors, forever, the Wahsatanow Reserve, No. 126, herein before mentioned, in trust

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trust to sell for the joint and undivided benefit of both Parties to this Agreement, and their descendants.

It is furthermore agreed and understood between the Parties to this Agreement that it shall have no force nor effect, until sanctioned by the Honourable The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

This agreement after having been translated and read over and its provisions fully explained in the Cree language to the Indians concerned, was sealed, signed, and delivered in presence of _____ _____ at _____ this _____ day of _____ A. D. 1892.

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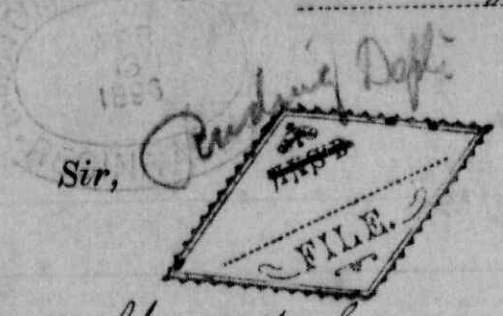
4th April 1896.



Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith the papers in re. surrender of the land on the Wahsatānow reserve, as the last paragraph commencing "In return for the above interest" has to be cancelled and another substituted, no doubt in legal phraseology, as the land is not to be sold for the benefit of any of the Indians concerned. Be good enough to return the amended papers at your earliest convenience.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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1879.

17th April, 6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. Agent Ross, relative to the decision recently arrived at by the remnant of the Wahsahatanow Band, No. 126, to finally abandon that Reserve and return to Saddle Lake, to which point they were removed in 1893 but declined to stay and returned to Wahsahatanow.

In this connection I would refer to the Department's letter of the 12th May, 1894, No. 38,995, and would ask to be informed, in view of the fact that these Indians abandon their former Reserve and practically receive a new one at Saddle Lake, through the addition of an equivalent area to the present Saddle Lake Reserve, whether a surrender of the old Reserve is necessary. Vide Departmental letter No. 24,505 of 8th February in re Checastapasin's Reserve, Duck Lake Agency.

An agreement to amalgamation would of course be obtained signed by the Chief-and-Council of the Whitefish Lake-Saddle Lake Bands and the Principal men of the Wahsahatanow Band which has no Headmen.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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ANSWER REQUIRED.

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30th April, 6.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of the Department's letter No. 38,998 of the 24th Instant, enclosing forms for surrender of the Wahsahatanow Reserve, and with reference thereto would point out that this form had been already supplied but had been unsuited for the purpose inasmuch as clauses 1 and 2 of page 2 are not essential in this case, as the Band are simply exchanging one Reserve for another, abandoning the first entirely.

I would refer to the enquiry contained in the Commissioner's letter of the 17th Instant, to which Department's letter above acknowledged does not reply, and would ask whether, in view of this fact, a surrender is necessary.

I have the Honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

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For Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Duplicate File 35995

Know all Men by these Presents,

THAT WE, the undersigned ~~Chief and~~ Principal men of the Wah-sa-ha-tan-ow or Hollow-in-the Hill Indian Band

resident on our Reserve at Wah sa ha tan ow

in the Provisional District of Alberta and Dominion of Canada, for and acting on behalf of the whole people of our said Band in Council assembled, Do hereby and for the Consideration hereinafter set forth release, remise, surrender, quit claim and yield up unto OUR SOVEREIGN LADY THE QUEEN, her Heirs and Successors forever, ALL AND SINGULAR, that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the ~~in the County of~~ ~~and Province~~ Provisional District of Alberta containing by admeasurement Seven thousand Eight hundred and forty acres be the same more or less and being composed of

Sections One, two, three, four, five and the Southerly halves of Section Eight, nine, ten, eleven and twelve in

Township fifty nine (59)
Range nineteen (19)
and that portion of
Township fifty Eight (58)
Range nineteen (19)

lying north of the Saskatchewan River and all West of the fourth initial Meridian.

And this Surrender is made Conditional upon the admission of the members of the said Wahsahatanow Band into membership in the Band owning the Reserve Situate at Saddle Lake in the Provisional District aforesaid known as the ~~[illegible]~~ Saddle Lake No 125 Division of James Seemans Band

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Band No. 128 and upon the addition to the said Saddle Lake reserve of two townships of land containing by admeasurement

~~TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto Her said Majesty THE QUEEN, her Heirs and Successors forever, in trust to~~

~~the same to such person or persons, and upon such terms as the Government of the Dominion of Canada may deem most conducive to our welfare and that of our people.~~

~~AND upon the further condition that all moneys received from the thereof, shall, after deducting the usual proportion for expenses of management, be~~

~~AND WE, the said Chief and Principal men of the said do, on behalf of our people and for ourselves, hereby ratify and confirm, and promise to ratify and confirm, whatever the said Government may do, or cause to be lawfully done, in connection with the~~

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this day of in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

Signed, Sealed and Delivered, in the presence of

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DOMINION OF CANADA,
Province of
County of
To WIT:

Personally appeared before me,
of
the of
in the Province of
and
Chief of the said Band of Indians.

AND the said for himself saith:—

That the annexed Release or Surrender was assented to by a majority of the male members of the said Band of Indians of the of the full age of twenty-one years then present.

That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band summoned for that purpose and according to their Rules.

That he was present at such meeting or council and heard such assent given.

That he was duly authorized to attend such council or meeting by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

That no Indian was present or voted at said council or meeting who was not a member of the Band or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

And the said says:

That the annexed Release or Surrender was assented to by him and a majority of the male members of the said Band of Indians of the full age of twenty-one years then present.

That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band of Indians summoned for that purpose, according to their Rules, and held in the presence of the said

That no Indian was present or voted at such council or meeting who was not an habitual resident on the Reserve of the said Band of Indians or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

That he is a Chief of the said Band of Indians and entitled to vote at the said meeting or council.

SWORN before me by the Deponents at the of in the County of this day of A.D., 189 .

Form No. 66.

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IN YOUR [redacted] REFER TO
5 995-
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

1879

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAY
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JUN 30 1896

Ottawa 6th May 1896-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 30th Ultimo in relation to the Forms of Surrender of the Wahsahatanow Reserve, sent you on the 24th Ultimo, I beg to inform you that it is considered better by the Department, in order to extinguish the Indian title to have a Surrender taken as requested, you will, therefore, be good enough to amend the Forms to suit the case and have the Surrender taken as desired.

The cases referred to by you are hardly analagous.

Your obedient servant

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs-

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A.E. Forget, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner-
Regina
N.W.T.-

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1879.

3rd July, 6

Sir:-

With reference to the Department's letter of the 6th Ultimo, No. 38,905 relative to the surrender of the Wahsahatanow reserve, I beg to state that upon proceeding to prepare a suitable form for the purpose I am confronted with an obstacle which for the present would seem to make further progress impossible.

As stated in a previous letter the clauses on the second page of the printed form of surrender do not apply in this case, as the lands are not surrendered to be held in trust for the owners and a surrender under these circumstances becomes an absolute quittal of all claim thereto. It is essential to the validity of the Act therefore that the formal surrender set forth on its face an exact statement of the consideration which has or is to pass.

As the consideration in this instance takes the form of lands to be added to the reserve, which will then become the joint property of the Saddle Lake and Wahsahatanow bands, and these lands are as yet unsurveyed, it is not possible to describe them with a degree of accuracy sufficient for the purposes of the instrument of surrender, and until such time as a Surveyor can be sent to deal with the matter, I do not see how the surrender can be further proceeded with.

Meantime the Wahsahatanow Indians might be formally admitted into the Saddle Lake Band, which has not yet been done.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

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Ag Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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OTTAWA.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA
INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
TEXAS CASSA

Ottawa 11th July 1896

forms for surrender
sent to Deputy
JUL 15 1896
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Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 3rd Instant, regarding the surrender of the Washatanow Reserve, I have to inform you that it is advisable, in order that the Department of the Interior may be able to deal with these lands to have the Indian title now extinguished. It may be some time before the survey of the lands to be received in exhhange may be made and it does not appear to be necessary to withhold the taking of the surrender until that survey is made.

With regard to the difficulty to which you refer as existing in connectioh with the second page of the form of surrender, all that appears to be necessary is to strike out all the words after "in trust to" down to "of management be" and insert instead to the effect "In trust to be exchanged for "certain lands to be hereafter defined and surveyed in the "vicinity of Cache Lake adjoining or near the Saddle Lake "Indian Reserve".

Is Agt. authorized to receive surrender?
yes
Authority to accept forms

The incorporation of the Washatanow Band with the Saddle Lake Band and the addition of the lands to be acquired to the Saddle Lake Reserve can be the subject of separate action.

It is to be borne in mind that if the survey of the lands to be received in exchange is made before these lands are surveyed by the Department of the Interior there will be no difficulties to be met in making arrangements in connection with the rights of the Hudson's Bay Company School or C.P.R. Lands.

A.E. Forget Esq.,
Indian Commissioner
Regina N.W?T.,

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Noted
JUL 14 1888

C.P.R. Lands. Will you therefore be good enough to arrange that this survey be made at as early a date as may be convenient. + possible

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

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From Saddle Lake

To Indian Comr
Regina

Require reply Re
Mower rake wagon
and harness for
Watsatanow Indians
as a raft is
Coming from Edmonton
this week

JUL 6 1896 FILE.

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

John Ross

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1879

July 6/96.

Ind. Agt.
Saddle Lake

may purchase mower, rake, set harness, and waggon, provided Wahsatano Indians consent to expenditure their money.

A. S. F.

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~~1157~~

1879

7th July, 1879

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your telegram of to-day relative to the waggon, mower and rake, and harness for the Wahsahatanow Indians referred to in your letter of the 4th April last, No. 115, in reply to which I have wired you:

"May purchase mower, rake, set harness and waggon, "provided Wahsahatanow Indians consent to expenditure "their Money."

I now send herewith forms, in duplicate, for this consent, which in this instance will have to be signed by a majority of the Principal men of the band and returned with the accounts for the purchases made.

Tea and tobacco to the value of $20.00 will be sent you from here along with your other supplies, and charged to the Band's account.

The sum at the credit of the Band on the 30th June 1878 was - $413.96
Less 6 % management charge - - - - - - - - - - - - - 24.84
Nett Cr. - - - - - - - - $389.12

The balance which may remain over after the above purchases are made may be expended in the purchase of a thorough-bred shorthorn bull and heifers for the Band. When you are in position to know what this balance is and ready to purchase the stock, forms for consent to the expenditure will be sent you on application; Meantime you might advise me as to what the bull (pedigreed) and heifers can be obtained for.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake Agency,
S a s k.

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In your reply refer to
No. 201.
Also to date of this letter.

1879 ~~1157~~

Indian Agent's Office, Saddle Lake.

15th August 1896.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
AUG 23 1896
REGINA ASSA.

see VS 85-18-19

Sir,

In accordance with instructions contained in your letter No. 1157. and dated 7th ulto., I have the honour to enclose herewith the consent, signed in duplicate, of the Wahsatanow indians to the withdrawal of the sum of One hundred and eighty-six dollars from the Capital standing to their credit, to meet enclosed accounts of articles purchased for them by me, as authorised in your letter quoted.

AUG 26 1896
FILE.

I would suggest that no further purchases be at present made for these indians until they are all well settled down on the Saddle Lake reserve and have ample stable room erected for the cattle they now have and for future additions to their herd by purchase, excepting one thorough-bred short-horn bull, which should be secured at once. This class of bull is difficult to procure in the district, but ranging from three to four years old, one might be obtainable at from seventy-five to ninety dollars. The price of yearling heifers seldom varies - usually fifteen dollars per head.

M

Doubtful - if he can get one - It is proposed next spring to bring a car load of young bulls from Ontario for Hobbema & any required at S. Lake & Edton could be bought at same time - We should find out now many exactly required at all points

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.
John Ross
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

Does Dept know of these Inds having settled down at S. Lake

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CANADA

1879.

24th August, 6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

Referring to prior correspondence relative to the surrender of the Wahsahatanow Reserve, No. 126, I enclose herewith forms, in duplicate, for the purpose, which have been prepared with special regard to the fact that no immediate consideration is given for the surrendered lands beyond the obligation to grant certain lands, not yet defined, at or near Cache Lake near the Saddle Lake reserve.

These lands will be examined and such area as is necessary surveyed and set apart by our surveyors as soon as it is possible to send one to do the work. Meantime the surrender papers should be executed and be signed first by Mahtoosk as Principal man of the Band and as many others as are entitled to a vote in the Council of this Band.

The declarations accompanying will have to be made by yourself and Mahtoosk before the Judge of the Supreme Court at the next Session thereof at Edmonton, after which the papers, together with the authorization of the Superintendent General, herewith enclosed, should be returned to this office.

The formal transfer of the Band into the Saddle Lake Band will be dealt with later on.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake Agency,
A l t a.

ANSWER REQUIRED.

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CANADA

1150.
1879

27th August, 6.

Sir:-

With reference to that portion of your letter of the 16th Instant, No. 201, in which you "suggest that no further "purchases be made, &c;" I would say that there is no intention of doing so nor has this office taken the initiative in previous expenditures.

With regard to the bull which you say should be secured at once, I would ask whether there is any special reason why, now that the season is practically over, this purchase might not as well be deferred till next Spring, at which time we will probably bring in a car-load or more of young Ontario-bred Shorthorn bulls, for points in Alberta. Now the season is so far advanced it would seem unwise to incur the expense of wintering the bull, for no practical benefit.

Yours truly,

7 Hp

For Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake.

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1879 #157

Indian Agent's Office,

In your reply refer to
No. 215
also to date of this letter.

Saddle Lake Alta.

31st August 1896.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE SEP 10 1896

Ref.: Letter 7th July 1896. No. 1157.

SEP 10 1896 FILED

Sir,—

I have the honour to inform you that, having informed the Wahsalanow indians of your promise to forward them tea and tobacco to the value of twenty dollars, chargeable to the Band's account, they are anxious to receive these articles, and I would request you to direct them to be forwarded so soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
John Rae
Indian Agent.

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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~~H57.~~ 1879

10th September, 6

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 31st ultimo No 215 - If the need for the $20.00 worth of Tea and Tobacco is very pressing, you may issue from stock on hand and replace by purchase when you are next at Edmonton.

Contract prices here are:-

Tea, 17 1/2¢ per lb.

Tobacco 43¢ " "

add $2.41 per 100 lbs freight to Edmonton.

Yours truly,

7 HP

for Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,

Saddle Lake.

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1879

Indian Agent's Office,

In your reply refer to
No. 241.
also to date of this letter.

Saddle Lake Alta
10th October 1896.

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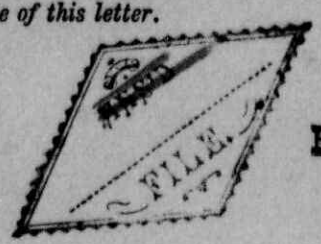

Ref.: Letter 24th August 1896. No. 1879.

Sir,—

I have the honour to inform you that, on the 26th ulto. at Saddle Lake, the members of the Mahsatanow Band surrendered their claim to the reserve at Hollow-in-the-Hill creek. The necessary declarations will be made before the judge at Edmonton on his first visit to that town.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
John Ross
Indian Agent

The Indian Commissioner.
Regina.

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Statement of distribution of axes supplied by The Hudsons Bay Company and of Tea & Tobacco supplied by Messrs Kenneth McKenzie & Co. Edmonton for account of the Wahsatanow Band - Saddle Lake Agency

Date 1896	To whom Issued	No. in Family	Articles		
			Axes	Tea Lbs	Tobacco Lbs
Oct	Upright Walker	1		2¼	8/12
	Bears Ears	2		5	1 4/12
	Matoosk	7	1	16	4 10/12
	Wap pee Kay wisk	1		2¼	9/12
	Mah yah wat atic	5	1	11	3 6/12
	Wee pay mes	3	1	7	2 1/12
	Ah kwa tum	1		2¼	9/12
	Simon	1	1	2¼	9/12
	Peter	2		5	1 4/12
		23	4	53	16

W. Sibbald
Actg. Ind. Agent
1st March 1897

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1879

No. 314.

Saddle Lake. Alberta

SADDLE-LAKE AGENCY

Sir, I have the honour to enclose two accounts payable from funds to credit of the Indians late of Wahsatanow Reserve.
The purchase of the tea and tobacco was authorised by your letter No. 1154. dated 10th September last.
The axes were purchased at the request of these Indians, as there were none in store that could be issued to them.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your Obt. Servant.
A. Sibbald
Acty. Indian Agent.

CHARGEABLE AGAINST FUNDS TO THE CREDIT OF Wahsatanows BAND
Reserve No..... Acct No. 218

FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
REGINA 27/1 1880
INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

The Indian Commissioner
Regina.

ENTERED
LEDGER H
FOLIO No. 1

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Saddle Lake (No 125) Indian Reserve,
26th February, 1897.

We, the undersigned, ~~Chief and Councillors~~ principal men of the Wahsabanow Band of Indians owning the Reserve situate at Hollow Hill Creek in the Saddle Lake Indian Agency, in the North West Territories of Canada, at a council summoned for the purpose, according to the rules of the Band, and held on the said Reserve, this Twentysixth day of February, A.D. 1897, in the presence of the Indian Agent for the said Reserve, representing thereat the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs for the Dominion of Canada:

Do hereby, for ourselves, and on behalf of the Indian owners of the said Reserve, give consent that a sum not exceeding Twenty three 50/100 Dollars, be paid out of any money standing to the credit of this Band, for the purpose of

purchasing	4 Chopping Axes, Handled	$ 4.00
	1 Hf. Chest Tea	11.66
	1 Caddie Tobacco.	7.84
		$ 23.50

Signed and sealed in the presence of the undersigned
W. Libbald
Acty Indian Agent.
N. McDonald.
Interpreter

Matoosk his x mark ~~Chief~~
Nayah wat at acter his x mark ~~H.C.~~
Peter his mark ~~H.C.~~
Weepay mess his mark ~~H.C.~~

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

1879

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, 10th February, 1897.

Sir,-

Referring to your memorandum of the 27th ultimo, on a letter from Mr. Acting Indian Agent Sibbald, under cover of which he encloses two accounts from the Hudsons Bay Company, amounting respectively to $4.00 and $19.50, for axes and for tea and tobacco supplied the Saddle Lake Indians, I have to request that you will kindly furnish explanations as to the authority for the purchase of the articles referred to. Kindly also obtain from Mr. Sibbald, and forward to the Department, a statement of the distribution. This should show the names of the recipients and the quantity given to each. A resolution from the Band, authorizing the expenditure, should ~~xxx~~ accompany the statement.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N. W. T.

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1879

Indian Agent's Office,

your reply refer to

No. 330

Saddle Lake

also to date of this letter.

13th Feby 1897

Ref.: Letter 24th August 1897 No. 1879

Sir,—

I have the honour to refer to your letter above quoted and to inform you that the papers in connection with the surrender of the Wahsahatamow Reserve were signed by the chief and others on 26th September last.

The declaration has also been signed by the chief before Judge Rouleau, but that requiring the Agents signature has not yet been signed.

Under the existing circumstances I would enquire whether or not it will be in order if Mr. Ross signs the declaration when the Judge holds the next court in Edmonton which will be the end of this month or the beginning of next; and if not I would ask what course should be followed.

Mr. Ross was obliged to leave Edmonton to attend to treaty payments when "Matook" the chief, signed his declaration, hence the reason of his declaration not having been made at the same time.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
W. Libtald
Acty. Ind Agent

The Indian Commissioner
Regina
Assa.

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1879

17 Feb 1897

Enclosure.

Sir,

Referring to your letter No. 334 (not dated) enclosing two accounts, from the Hudson's Bay Company and Messrs Kenneth MacKenzie & Company, payable from funds to the credit of the Indians into of Wahsatamoin's Band; I beg to inform you that the Department has asked for statement of the distribution of those supplies, giving the names of the recipients and the quantities of Tea and Tobacco and number of Axes given to each. A consent from the Band authorising the expenditure is also required and should accompany the statement.

Some forms of consent are herewith enclosed.

Your's truly,

J HP

For Commissioner.

Acting

Indian Agent,

Saddle Lake Agency.

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1879.

2nd March, 7

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 18th Ultimo, No. 330; I would say that it is quite in order that Mr. John Ross sign the affidavit required, at the next session of the Court at Edmonton, and it should be arranged that he do this.

I would, en passant, draw your attention to the inaccuracy of the application of the title of Chief to Mahtoosk. He has no recognized rank in the Band, which had neither Chief nor Councillors, at the time of amalgamation with the Saddle Lake Band.

Yours truly,

J MP

For Commissioner.

The Actg. Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake Agency.

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Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake

1st March 1897

In your reply refer to
No. 55
also to date of this letter.

Ref.: Letter 17th Feby **1897 No.** 1879

Sir,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter above quoted and in reply to enclose herewith, in duplicate, a statement of distribution of supplies to the Wahsatanow Band also consent from the Band authorizing the expenditure of the money from balance standing to their credit

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
W. Tibbald
Acting Indian Agent

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The Commissioner
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa
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1879.

18th March, 7

Enclosure.

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Sir:-

As requested in your letter of the 10th Ultimo; I have the honour to enclose statement of the distribution of supplies purchased from the Hudson's Bay Company and Messrs Kenneth Mackenzie & Coy., in October last, for the Wahsatanow Band of Indians; together with the consent of the principal male members of the Band to have these supplies paid for out of funds standing to their credit.

These supplies were purchased at the request of these Indians.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
7 HP
For Commissioner.

The Deputy of,
the Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
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Indian Agent's Office,

Saddle Lake

3rd April 1897

[redacted] your reply refer to
No. 386
also to date of this letter.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE APR 15 1897 REGINA ASSA.

Ref.: Letter 2nd March 1897 No. 1879

APR 15 1897 FILE.

Sir,—

With reference to letter above quoted I have the honour to transmit under separate cover the undermentioned documents relative to the surrender of the Wahsahatanow Reserve - viz.

Letter from Deputy Supt. General dated 24th April 1896 No. 35995

Rec'd for sealing — Surrender signed by "Matoosk" & others, in duplicate.

Declaration signed by Jno. Ross, in duplicate.

incomplete — Declaration signed by Matoosk, in duplicate.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
W. Sibbald
Actg Ind. Agent

Surrender papers completed, Genl Dept

MAY 26 1897

Indian Commissioner
Regina
Assa.

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1879.

15th April, 7

Encl

Sir:-

Reference your letter No. 386 of the 3rd Instant - I regret to have to return some of the "Wahsahatanow" surrender papers on account of omissions which require attention.

The "Surrender" document must bear the seal of each signer and I enclose same herewith to be affixed in your presence.

In the affidavit of Whitcomb his name should be filled in in the blank space in the eighth line.

Yours truly,

For Commissioner.

The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake Agency.

ANSWER REQUIRED.

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Indian Agent's Office,

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No. [redacted]
also to date of this letter.

Saddle Lake
10th May 1897

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
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REGINA ASSA.

Ref.: Letter 15th April 189 No.

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Sir,—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 16th Alto above quoted and to return herewith papers connected with the surrender of the Wahsatiatanow Reserve duly completed.

Papers and Dept

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
Whitbald
Acty Ind Agent

Indian Commissioner
Regina
Assa

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26 May 1897

Enclosure.

Sir,

I beg to refer to Department's letter of the IIth July 1896,- No.35,995 and to forward herewith the following papers in connection with the surrender of the Wahsahatanow reserve by the Band of that name now merged in the Saddle Lake band in the Saddle Lake Agency, viz:-

(1) The authority of the Deputy Superintendent General to the Agent to take the surrender.

(2) The "surrender" signed by the principal men of the band.

(3) Declaration of Principal man Matoosk, there being no Chief or Councillors.

(4) Declaration of the then Agent, Mr. John Ross.

Duplicates of these are fyled in this office.

The matter of the survey of lands to be received by these Indians in consideration for this surrender, will be gone into during the present season by Mr. Surveyor Ponton.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Commissioner.

The Deputy of
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

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FILE.

Ottawa 31st July 1897-

Sir-

Referring to your letter of the 8th Ultimo, I beg to inform you that the Surrender by the Wahsahatanow Band of Indians of Indian Reserve No. 126, situated at Wahsahatanow or Hollow-in-the-Hill Creek, on the North side of the North Saskatchewan River, to Her Majesty, in trust, to be exchanged for certain lands to be hereafter defined and surveyed in the vicinity of Cache Lake, adjoining or near Saddle Lake Indian Reserve, has been accepted by His Excellency in Council.

Your obedient servant

Secretary-

A.E.Forget, Esq-
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg-
Man-

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No 1919

INDIAN BRANCH.

1873

Order in Council
6th June Ottawa

Authorizing the payment to such Indians as Request it, the Annuity in goods subject to Treaties made in August 1871. in Manitoba & North West

See letter to Mr Pitts 24 June & to Mr Dawson same day.
See Letter from Mr Pitts 23/26 July

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Copy *of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the* **PRIVY COUNCIL**, *approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 6th* June *1873.*

On a Memo: dated 5th June 1873. from the Deputy Supt. of Indian Affairs, stating that the subject of paying to the Indians who were parties to the Treaties concluded in August 1871. to such extent as they may desire in goods, having been brought under the notice of the Supt. General of Indian Affairs both by Mr. Simpson & by Mr. M. L. Solon, who have conveyed the wishes of many of the Members of those Bands, it is requisite to state that the Treaties alluded to, make it optional with the Government to pay the annuities either in Money

Or

To the Honorable
The Secry: of State
&c., &c., &c. Provinces.

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or goods, and that as it seems the extreme prices of goods in the Province of Manitoba place the Indians at a disadvantage it is submitted that a compliance with the wishes of the Indians be authorized and that such of them as desire be paid in goods, to be purchased and sent up for them on the best possible terms.

On the recommendation of the Con. the Secry. of State, the Committee advise that the suggestions submitted in the said Memo: be approved and carried into effect.

Certified.

Wm Smith

C.M.

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1/ Private"

Montreal
19th June '73

My dear Dikin's,

I have received this morning a letter from the Department of Public Works dated yesterday sending me the communication of Mr. Dawson of the 2nd June on the subject of the treaty with the Saulteaux Indians Mr. Spragge's recommendation, which was

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goods besides agricultural implements - He proposes that our Commissioners should be empowered to go as high as $14. per head for a cash present and a discretionary power up to $10. per head per annum as the annuity and that the treaty should be made in the second week in July and the goods to be purchased in Montreal or Toronto for the purchase of

making the presents.

I received this communication today. It is quite impossible to make any arrangements now for a treaty to be concluded in the middle of July - Unless the treaty can be made in September I think it must lie over for another year - What I want to find out is whether it can be made in September - & whether the Indians can be got together then -

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adopted in Council
the other day, was
that these Indians
should have a Cash
present of $4. and an
annuity of $5. per
annum: Mr Dawson
says, what I had before
heard, that the Indians
on the other side the
the United States Line
received a great deal
more - I had heard
$10. per annum, but
he says $14, - $4. in
money and $10 in

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL 29 1873
OTTAWA.

Fort Lances
12th July 1873

Sir/

Yours dated Ottawa 24th June 1873 came safe yesterday, and I hasten to reply

The Indians would prefer Cash, but if it is the wish of the Government to make the payment in goods, no doubt the Indians will accept- I enclose a list of the Indians- Men Women & Children, from the Census taken in 1871 also a list of articles which will be most useful to the Indians-

About the 1st September the Indians could be called to assemble at Mc Angle, but not later, of course they would require to get timely notice, as some of them reside at a distance Provisions would also require to be sent to that place, for their use during the Council-

You will see by the enclosed list that the total number of Indians are 3,250 from Census of 1871- of course there may now be a greater number, for which there will have to be an allowance made

To day a few of the Chiefs called on Mr Dawson who is en route to Red River, and those in the vicinity wish the Council to be held here, however they are to arrainge this matter amongst themselves

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obed't Servant
Robert Pither
Indian Agent
Fort Lances

Wm Spragge Esqr
Dy. Supt Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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List of Indians from Height of Land to N West Angle and Lac Seul English River—

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JUL 29 1873
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	Men	Wim	Boys	Girls	Total
from Height of Land to N W Angle	275	185	402	344	1206
Raising the Lac Seul Region & English River	475	363	622	584	2044
	750	548	1024	928	3250

— List of Goods for Indians —

Blankets 1. 1½. 2. 2½ & 3 pts
Cloth
Capotes 1 1½. 2. 2½ 3½ & 4 Pts
printed Cotton
strong blue flannel
Twine #1. 3. 5 & 9
Kettles & frying pans
Ammunition,
Tobacco
Druggets
Fish hooks
Chiefs clothing & medals. / 10 Chiefs
6 flags
Provisions - Jay, Pork Flour & Tea

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J C McKeagney Esq
Govmt Agent Blackfoot
Gleichen

May 1st June 18

Re ye hostile movements apprehended by Sioux Indians

Ans R.S

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No 2. N.

Government House,
Fort Garry,
May 1st. 1873.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
MAY 29 1873
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Sir,

I sent you, by telegraph, a cypher despatch containing the substance of Mr. Breland's letter from Pic Apple —

Copies of his letter, and also of a letter received at the same time from Mr. Macdonald of Fort Ellice, have been forward — ed to the Honble The Secretary of State for the Provinces —

In view of the fact that a considerable amount of uneasiness already exists among the people of this Provnce regarding the movements

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and intentions of the Sioux
Indians, and bearing in mind
also that Immigration, which
in itself furnishes the best
safeguard against Indian
troubles in the future, would
be likely to be materially
checked were the possibility
of a Sioux invasion even
hinted at, I have deemed
it advisable to adopt every
precaution in order to prevent
the information furnished by
Mr. Breland and Mr. Macdonald
becoming known.- I have
not

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not, under the circumstances considered it necessary to lay the correspondence before Council, and have, in fact, only allowed its contents to be made known to Colonel Osborne Smith, the Officer commanding the Troops in the District, and Mr Urquhart the Clerk of the North West Council —

The former has, I am informed, already communicated his views to the Adjutant General, and has, this day, received instructions to send a small detachment to Fort Pelly.

From all the information which I have received from various

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various sources in reference to the
feeling existing among the
Sioux Indians I feel justified
in saying that the presence
of a military force in the
North West is absolutely
necessary - Not only shall we
fail to attract Immigration to
the North West unless the
due protection of Immigrants
is thus insured, but settlers
now residing on the frontier
of Manitoba will, through
fear of Indian hostilities,
be induced to leave the
province - The presence of
the military in the North
West would probably prevent
any trouble, would restore
confidence

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confidence to the settlers, and, at the same time, give assurance to the intending Immigrant that his life and property would be protected.

At present anything like a panic has been avoided here. The despatch of troops to the North West being regarded simply in the light of a wise precautionary measure calculated to inspire confidence rather than to create alarm.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
J. C. A. Hagarty.
Administrator

Sir John Macdonald.
Minister of Justice.
&c &c
Ottawa

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Hon. Alex. Campbell. Kingston Ont
24/26 June

Telegram - Instruct Commissioner Hart in all matters of importance he is to act under instructions of Lt. Gov Morris

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wish you would have
Dawson communicated
with in the speediest
possible way and
ascertain about what
period in the autumn
the treaty can most
conveniently be negociated
inasmuch as it is too
late to be negotiated
at the time he recommends
in his letter of the 2nd
June and will you
shew this to Sir John
Macdonald and see if
he concurs in it - I

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return you Mr Dawson's
letter - Yours very truly

A. Campbell

Nelson - J C Aikins
Ottawa

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By Telegraph from Kingston

To Wm Shrogge

Instruct Provencher that in all matters of importance he is to act under instructions of Lt Govr Morris -

A Campbell

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Order in Council
16/25 June Ottawa

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Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the **PRIVY COUNCIL**, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 16th June 1873.

On a Memorandum dated 5th June 1873, from the Deputy Supertt of Indian Affairs, Submitting terms upon which Treaties yet to be made with the Indians of the North West Territories may be effected, and on the recommendation of the Honorable the Secretary of State, the Committee advise that the Suggestions Submitted in the Said Memorandum, be approved and acted on.

Certified
Wm Cunningham
C.M.C.

To the Honorable
The Secretary of State,
&c., &c., &c.

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O.P.
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Hon A Campbell

June 25 - Ebburg
July 2

(Telegram) Act on Mr. Aikins instructions on 11 treaties with Indians West of Manitoba

Answd by telegram
25 June 1875
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Ans[d] by Sibley
25 June 1793

Sam[l] Sibley Esq[r]
Boston 25 June 1793

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21 July 1873 Private
25 Sept
Letter of Instructions
from Supt Genl to Dy
Minister

See Dy Supt Genl's
Memo of July 21
1873

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Mr. On Mr Campbells note of 21 July 1873

The presents enumerated in Commissr Simpsons letter of 3 Nov 1871 - namely Ploughs & Harrows were purchased & sent up in 1872 to him - Also several head of Cattle were purchased last year in Manitoba & delivered to the Chiefs and they are being provided as required & the people are prepared to take, upon care of them

Mr Simpsons letter above named did not include all the promises made Deed it having been shown that Lieut Governor & Mr Simpson gave the Indians to understand that the smaller farm animals such as Pigs & fowls would be given Mr P. Nolan & Provenchers have been told they will be supplied also Spades & Hoes - Likewise Working Oxen - Of these Spades & Hoes have been purchased with Mr Campbells sanction and scythes also - Another yoke of Oxen has been provided - But Pigs & fowls have not been

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been supplied This will be done
whenever the Local Commissioner
reports that they are prepared to take
of them — Wilmpson desired to
make it a condition that the extra
articles should be delivered only
as the Indians had proper places
ready for their reception

The Indians also desired to have
a Farmer to teach them to plough
and a Blacksmith, & a Carpenter
to assist them in building to these
requests Mr Campbell affixed his
approval — But the Parliamentary
Grant supplies no funds for such
purposes —

Seed wheat has been also asked
for but when the land is in a condition
to sow it some can be supplied

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JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 5 *Time* 10.55 Ottawa, June 23 187

By Telegraph from Cobourg

To Mr Sprague

Mr Aikens instructed you that negotiations with Indians west of Manitoba were to be proceeded with arrangements for money & present to be made act on those instructions did you send orders to Provencher as directed in my telegraph from Kingston

A Campbell

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Kingston 21 July 73

My dear Macdonald

In report of the "Indian Branch" 1872 page 28 in a despatch from Wemyss Simpson is an authoritative statement of what was promised the Indians outside of the Treaties of the 3d and 21st of August 1871 - I never saw this despatch until the other day on my way to Quebec in this report - why there should be any doubt as to what was promised until this despatch before the Department I cannot understand - perhaps her

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Sprague can explain -

Pray consider this despatch as a conclusive statement of what was promised - and cancel all previous memoranda or details of articles to be supplied unless indeed there be some thing still behind which Mrs is aware of and which does not appear on the face of the papers - The promises as stated by Simpson pray have literally carried out

ever yours

A. Campbell

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INDIAN BRANCH.

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J. A. McLean Esquire
Indian Commr.

13/30 June Manitoba

Re Schoolteachers
Salary at St Peters
Manitoba

see memo within for
letter

Answd July 4

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Indian Commissioner's Office
Winnipeg, 13th June 1873

Sir,

The Reverend Mr. Cochrane came to see me yesterday and gave me communication of a letter of the Honorable Secretary of State for the Provinces, dated the 3d March last, informing him that the sum of $200 per annum will be contributed from Indian funds in payment of the salary of the School teacher of the Indian ~~Settlement~~ of St Peters, to be paid at the expiration of each quarter commencing from the 1st of January 1873, by official checks.

As one quarter has allready expired more than two months ago, and no money has been received the Reverend Mr Cochrane wanted to know from me what might be the cause of that delay - Not knowing

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having any knowledge of that arrangement before, unable to find any paper in the office relating to that affair, and as the Act of Ben could not gave me any information on this subject, I could only tell to Mr. Cochrane that I would transmit his demand to the Department for instructions —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient
Servant

W. Proffe Esq
D. I. I. A.
Ottawa

H. Provencher
Indian Commr

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Copy

Ref. to the Indian Reserve Comm.

Moodyville July 22nd 1876

Lieut Col Powell M. D.
Indian Commissioner
Victoria

Dear Doctor

I have been requested by Shale chief of the Sechelts to write you as follows.

He wants to have the Sechelt's lands marked out for them and set apart at as early a date as possible. they want land for cultivation at different places where the different portions of the tribe are in the habit of residing they want lands at certain points also for salmon fishing purposes and in addition they want the exclusive right to cut timber on certain lands if it can be obtained for them. as they have been logging and wish to continue doing so.

When he receives from you a favorable reply in regard to these matters he will indicate the different lands that his tribe require their exact position character &c. (on one of the charts). Should you like to see him on this subject he will go to Victoria for that purpose, but as the distance

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distance is great and the expense of the trip would be considerable he would not like to go unless he could achieve something definite on the foregoing subject.

Will you please write me in reply at your earliest convenience and I will transmit to him the substance of same.

Yours very truly
Hugh Nelson.

(Sd)

From Hugh Nelson
to
Lieut Col Powell
22 July 1874
Relating to Seychelt
Chiefs wants

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From G G Sutt
relating to timber
Reserves at Seykelt

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Lands & Works Department
Victoria 13th Sept 1876

H Moffatt Esq
Secty Indian Commission

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 8th Inst requesting that no Preemption claims be recorded or land sales made within the limits of the Seychelt Peninsula and Jervis Inlet pending the settlement of the Indian claims in these localities. and also that no Timber Leases be accorded within these limit and also requesting that the same restrictions be extended to Deans Canal and Bute Inlet.

In reply I have the honor to inform you that the lands referred to have been reserved as requested

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt Servt

F. Geo Vernon
C C & Wks

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North Arm, Fraser River
13th Novr 1876.

To the Commissioners on Indian Reserves

Gentlemen,

In accordance with your request I have this day heard the complaint of Simalano agt. Wm Boyd, in Wm Boyd's presence. I find that previous to Wm 13 having purchased the Lot spoken of, the Garden was occupied by a white man who kept an Indian woman, that said man built a shanty there, put up a picket fence and planted currant bushes &c; subsequently he abandoned the place and the fences, bushes &c, were all carried away by the Indians. The Lot being for sale Wm 13 purchased it, this Simalano knew and some time afterward applied to Wm 13 for leave to plant Potatoes & sow wheat in part of the Garden, for one year, Wm 13, to plow & harrow the land, and Simalano to fence it and give Wm 13 ten Sacks of Potatoes; eighty Rails were used and were to remain, seven sacks, only, of the Potatoes were paid.
The whole, complaint and defence was properly interpreted and Simalano admitted the correctness of Wm 13's statement but persisted in threatening to take away the Rails, even though he should be sent to prison for it.
As I had to take an interpreter away from his work and by so doing stop another man and yoke of Oxen from work, for the time, for which I have to pay, will you have the goodness to inform me to whom I am to apply for payment.

I am
Gentlemen
Very truly Yours
W. O. Ferris. J. P.

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Replied to Mr. Ferris 17th Nov/76.
Referring him to Mr Commissioner Lenihan, with the recommendation of the Commissioners that the matter should be liberally considered and settled by Mr Lenihan

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— I. R. C. —
— Nov. 13, 1876 —

From
W. D. Ferris — I. P.
and the reply to

Enquiry into Boyd's claim
at Musqueam

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No 7595 I.B.

Ottawa Feby 6th 1877

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated Howe Sound 27th Nov. last, reporting in your Capacity as Joint-Commissioner the proceedings of the Commissioners since leaving Victoria, and further that the Commissioners had set apart two Reserves for the Skwawmish Valley Indians, at the mouth of the Skwawmish River and containing about 1200 Acres, and the other above the Che-ah-ka-mish and Skwawmish Rivers and embracing an area of probably 2000 Acres.

Your letter will be brought under the notice of the Superintendent-General.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedt Servant,

W. Meredith

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior

Gilbert M. Sproat Esqr
Indian Commr
Victoria
B.C.

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Copy Indian Reserve Commission

Kamloops ~~30~~ 27th June 1877

~~New Westminster,~~

~~British Columbia~~

~~16th June, 1877~~

Sir,

Referring to our letter from Howe Sound, 27th Nov 1876, advising what the Commissioners had decided upon in reference to reserves of land for the Muskweam Indians, and also for that portion of the Skwawmish Indians who live at Burrard Inlet, and enclosing maps of the same, we have to state that owing to various questions between white men and Indians which ~~have~~ had arisen since our visit to the Inlet at the above time, and which had to be considered in the light of more ample information than was then before us, we ~~have~~ again visited the Inlet (while waiting at New Westminster ~~there~~ for the Yale Steamer) and ~~have been~~ were fortunate enough to succeed in effecting an amended settlement satisfactory as we ~~are~~ were told to both whites and Indians and which ~~will~~ prevented the necessity of going into questions which might have been ~~be~~ regarded from different points of view.

We enclose the Commissioners amended Minute of Decision as to the reserves for the above named Indians at Muskweam and Burrard Inlet, also maps, and we

The Honourable
The Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works, Victoria

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are glad to say that the question at Kah pit-lah-no Creek and also the question with Mr Burr (near the North Arm) may now be considered as settled.

The only open question on ⊗ Burrard Inlet now, is that of Souple Jack's, the intruder on the Government Reserve at the entrance of ~~Burrard's~~ the Inlet. He quite understands he is there on sufferance, and has put in his crops this year on that understanding, but we presume you will not send him away until we are able to find a place for him. It would have taken up too much of our time to have waited at New Westminster for this purpose ~~do so now, as we have to proceed to the upper Country without delay, and it is difficult to find an unoccupied place on the Inlet, without some examination~~. Souple Jack's case has therefore, been laid over in the meantime.

⊗ The decision and maps sent last Nov may be considered as withdrawn

We are, Sir,

Your obedt Servants.

~~Archd McKinlay~~

~~Bros Commr~~

~~J. W. Sproat~~

~~Asst Commissioner~~

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Commencing at a stake on the beach at Plunger Pass, from which running east forty chains ; thence north eighty chains ; thence west to the beach ; thence following south along the beach to the place of beginning.

RICHARD MORRISON, M.D.

July 12th, 1886. fe24

Void

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that thirty (30) days after date, we intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a Lease, for timbering purposes, of the following described lands, situate on the northerly side of Cardero Channel, B. C., and opposite to Lorte Island, hereinafter known as Limit "A":—commencing where a post has been planted on the sea-shore ; thence north, one hundred and twenty (120) chains, more or less, to a Lake ; thence east, twenty (20) chains ; thence south, twenty (20) chains ; thence east, twenty (20) chains, more or less, to a lake ; thence following said lake-shore in an easterly direction sixty-five (65) chains, to where a post has been planted ; thence east forty (40) chains, more or less, to the west boundary of the Hastings Saw-mill Company's limit ; thence south, along said west boundary, eighty (80) chains, more or less, to the water's edge of Cardero Channel ; thence westerly, following the water's edge of Cardero Channel, two hundred and five (205) chains, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing one thousand five hundred and fifty (1,550) acres, more or less. Also, the following, to be known as Limit "B":—commencing where a post has been planted on the northerly shore of Cardero Channel ; thence east sixty (60) chains, more or less, to the west boundary of Limit "A"; thence north, along the west boundary of Limit "A," eighty (80) chains, more or less, to a lake ; thence westerly, following the lake shore, one hundred and sixteen (116) chains, more or less, to where a post has been planted ; thence west, twenty (20) chains ; thence south, twenty (20) chains ; thence west, forty (40) chains ; thence south, forty (40) chains ; thence west, forty (40) chains ; thence south, sixty (60) chains, more or less, to the north boundary of the Hastings Saw-mill Company's limit ; thence east, twenty (20) chains, more or less, to the east boundary of the said Hastings Saw-mill Company's limit ; thence south, along said east boundary, forty (40) chains, to the water's edge of Cardero Channel, seventy-five (75) chains, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing sixteen hundred and sixty (1,660) acres, more or less.

LEAMY & KYLE.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 17th, 1887. fe24

Void

NOTICE is hereby given that I have made application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a licence to cut and carry away timber from a tract of land containing one thousand acres (1,000), more or less, situated on Cortez Island :—

Commencing from a post situated on the shore of the west side of Cortez Island, south east of Plunger Pass ; thence east twenty (20) chains ; thence south twenty (20) chains ; thence east one hundred and twenty (120) chains ; thence north one hundred and twenty (120) chains ; thence west forty (40) chains ; thence north forty (40) chains ; thence west forty (40) chains ; thence south forty (40) chains ; thence west forty (40) chains, more or less, to a stake situated on the west shore of Cortez Island ; thence along the water's edge to place of commencement.

MOSES C. IRELAND.

Dated Victoria, 1st September, 1887. se8

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that thirty (30) days after date we intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease, for timbering purposes, of the following described lands, situate on the mainland, opposite to Low Island, Chatham Channel, British Columbia :—

Commencing where a post has been planted on the northerly shore of Chatham Channel ; thence west eighty (80) chains ; thence north forty (40) chains ; thence east forty (40) chains : thence north forty (40) chains ; thence east eighty (80) chains, more or less, to the water's edge of Chatham Channel ; thence southerly following the water's edge eighty (80) chains, more or less, to the place of beginning ; containing six hundred and forty (640) acres, more or less.

Also the following described lands, situate on the mainland, on Wellbore Channel, opposite the south-east point, Hardwicke Island, British Columbia :—

Commencing where a post has been planted ; thence north forty (40) chains ; thence east one hundred and twenty (120) chains ; thence south sixty (60) chains, more or less, to the water's edge of Wellbore Channel ; thence westerly following the water's edge one hundred and thirty (130) chains, more or less, to the place of beginning ; containing six hundred and forty (640) acres, more or less.

LEAMY & KYLE.

Vancouver, B.C.,
February 17th, 1887. fe24

Several timber licences on the island for period of One year.

NOTICE is hereby given that we have applied to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a licence to cut, fell and carry away timber from and in respect to land situated at the head of Vandouop Creek, Cortes Island, under section 3, "Timber Act, 1884," as amended in 1886.

WILLIAM KEDDY.
JOHN ELGERSON.

Nanaimo, B.C.,
April 27th, 1887. my5

NOTICE is hereby given that we intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease, for timbering purposes, the following described land, situated in New Westminster District, and described as follows:—

Commencing at the north-west corner of the Sliamen Indian Reserve, north east of Harwood Island; thence north 40 chains ; thence east 40 chains ; thence north 80 chains ; thence west 80 chains ; thence south 80 chains, more or less, to the water's edge ; thence along the shore to the point of commencement ; the whole containing 640 acres, more or less.

CROFT & ANGUS,
Per H. A. HARRISON.

Chemainus, B. C.,
May 1st, 1888. my3

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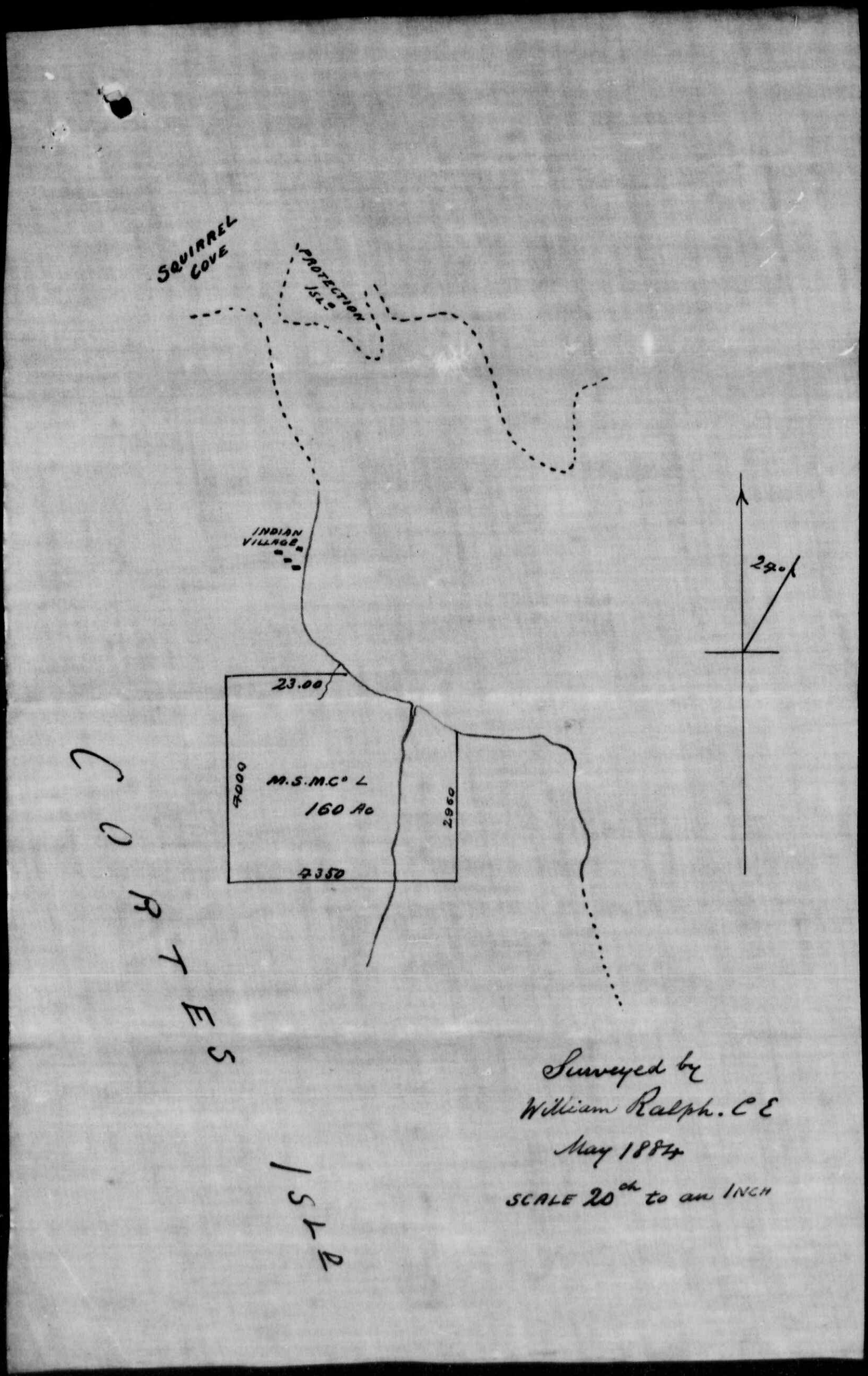

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Michael Manson

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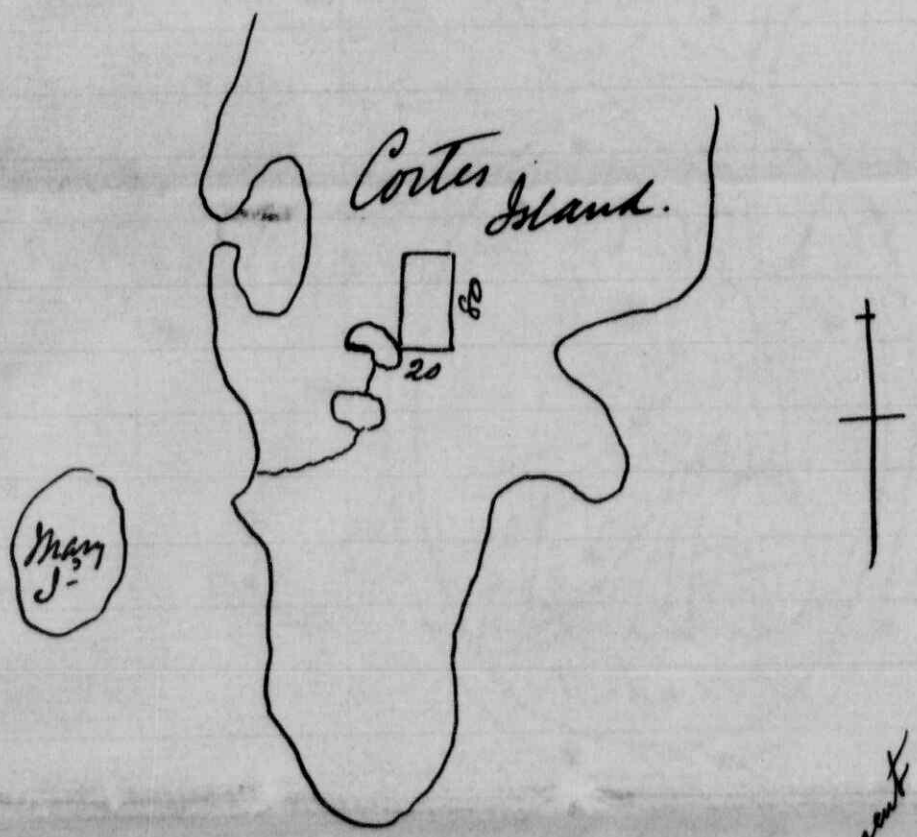
160 acres Cortes Island

as per sketch on back

sign. W S Gore



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Coast Dist

Geo Leask

Feb: 18th 1888

160 acres Cortes Island

Commencing at m the West side of Lake, thence West 80 chains, thence South 20 chains, thence East 20 chains thence North 20 chains to point of commencement

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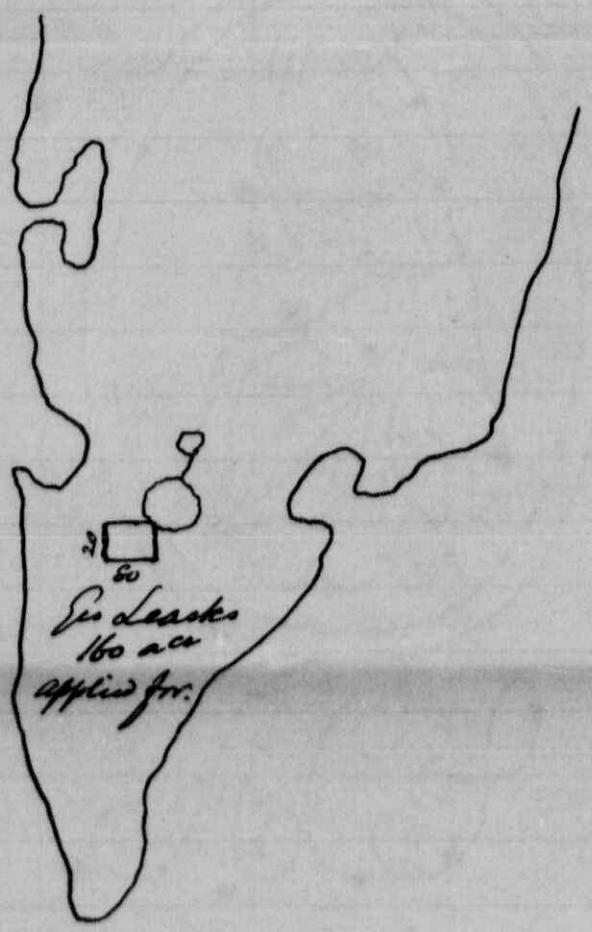

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Land Act 1884

Sayward Dist.

John Mauson

March 28th 1888

160 acres

Cortes Island.

Commencing at a stake the East side of Reef Point thence West 40 chs. thence North 40 chains thence East 40 chains thence South 40 chains to point of commencement

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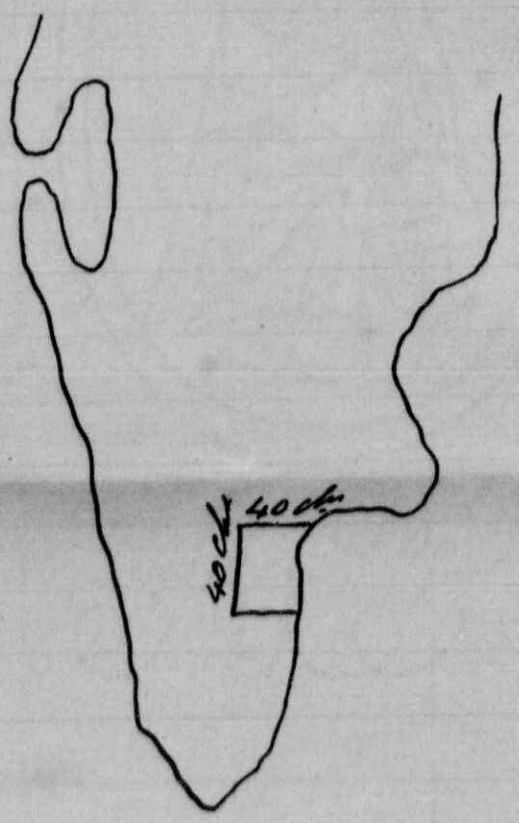

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A piece of land has been surveyed for the Woodyville Saw Mill Co on the North east side of Cortes Island on the outer bay of Squirrel cove, and South west of Boulder Point

The Indians have the right to cut and remove timber from this and adjoining ground but they do not own this land. See Indian Commissioners minutes

The principal portion of the fir timber on this claim is in the interior on the west bank of the creek.

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British Columbia
Ind. Res. Comm. Camp
Vancouver B.C.
June 27/17

Sir

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We have &c

(Sign^d) A. C. Anderson
Dom^n Com^r

(Sign^d) Gilbert Malcolm Sproat
Joint Comm^r

The Hon:
The Superintendent General
Ottawa

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Cancelled, and a fresh assignment made
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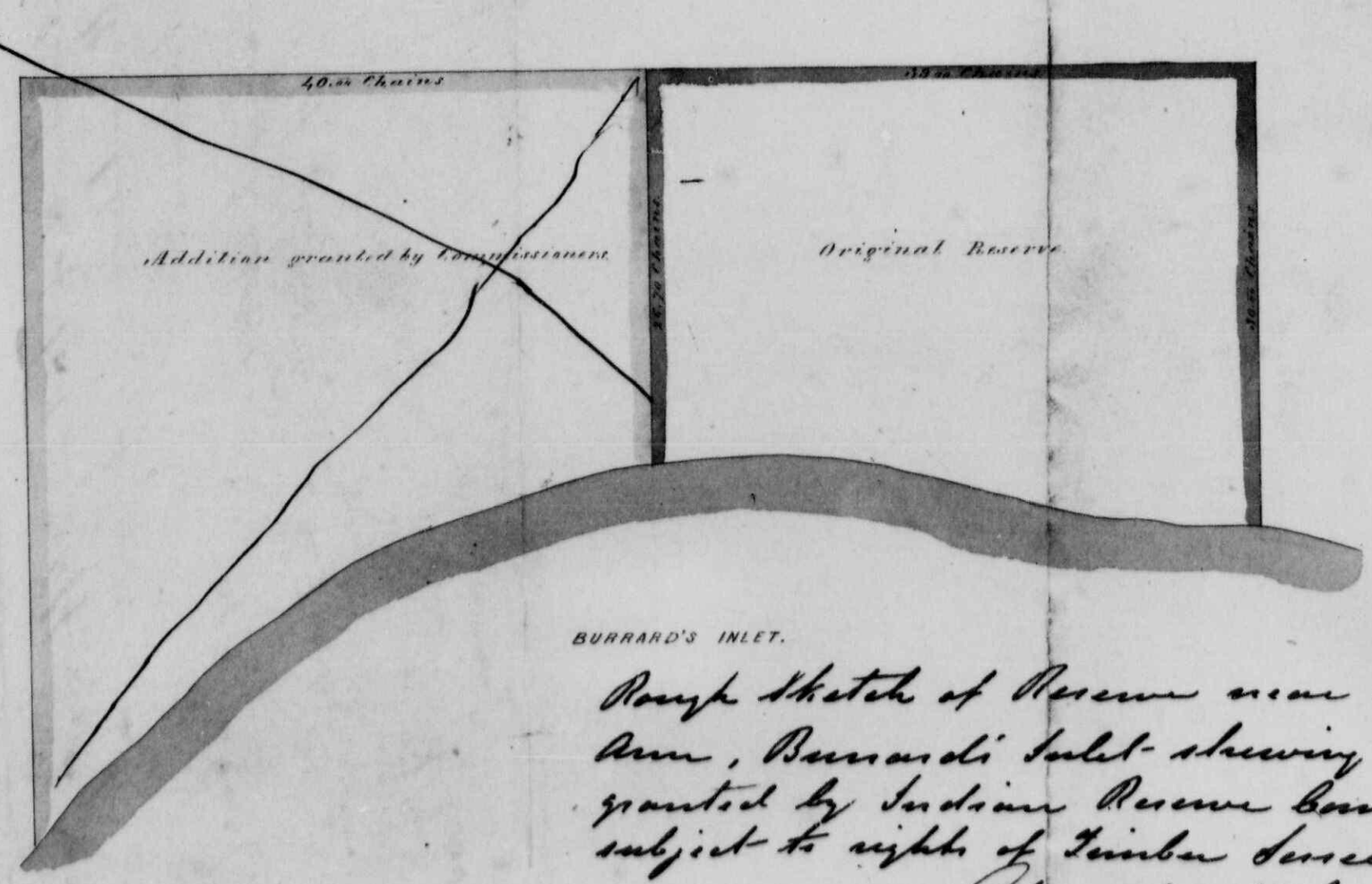

Rough Sketch of Reserve near North Arm, Burrard Inlet- showing addition granted by Indian Reserve Commissioners subject to rights of Timber Berths.

Edward Mohun C.E.
Surveyor General
14/11/76.

a/a. Dept: Interior
A.M. Esq, Dep Com
Ind Joint Comm

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Barnard Inlet B.C.
14th Nov. 1876

A.C.A. Dom. Commr.

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Sms. J. Carr

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Lands & Works Department
Victoria 26th Oct 75

Hon A. DeCosmos
Victoria

Sir

Referring to your letter of the 22nd Ult applying for a Crown Grant of the Townsite of Bute Inlet on behalf of Mr J. P. Dulip as partner of the late Mr A Waddington - I have the honor to inform you that I have examined carefully the Record of this Department on the subject but have failed to find that the Townsite was ever granted to Mr Waddington or that the conditions precedent to any such grant if contemplated were in any respect complied with by that gentleman.

I would also respectfully point out to you that even assuming that no other objection existed to issuing the Crown Grant, that Mr Dulips position in the matter is simply Trustee, and liquidator of all the property of the partnership.

I think under these circumstances as the matter refers to business transacted over 13 years ago, the documents connected with which are voluminous that the better way will be to await the return of Mr Walkem from the mainland.

In the meantime if you have any further documents in your possession bearing upon the subject, it will be as well to send them in for perusal.

I have the honor to be
Your obed Sir Servant
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Lands & Works Department
Victoria. 20th December 1875

The Hon
A. De Cosmos M.P.
Victoria

Sir

I am directed by His Honor the Licut Governor in Council to inform you that the Government do not feel themselves at liberty to comply with your request that a Crown Grant for the Townsite of Bute Inlet be issued to Mr. J. T. Dulip as they consider the Title to the land claimed, too imperfect to be recognized

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obed.t Serv.t
sig Robert Beaven
C C L & W.

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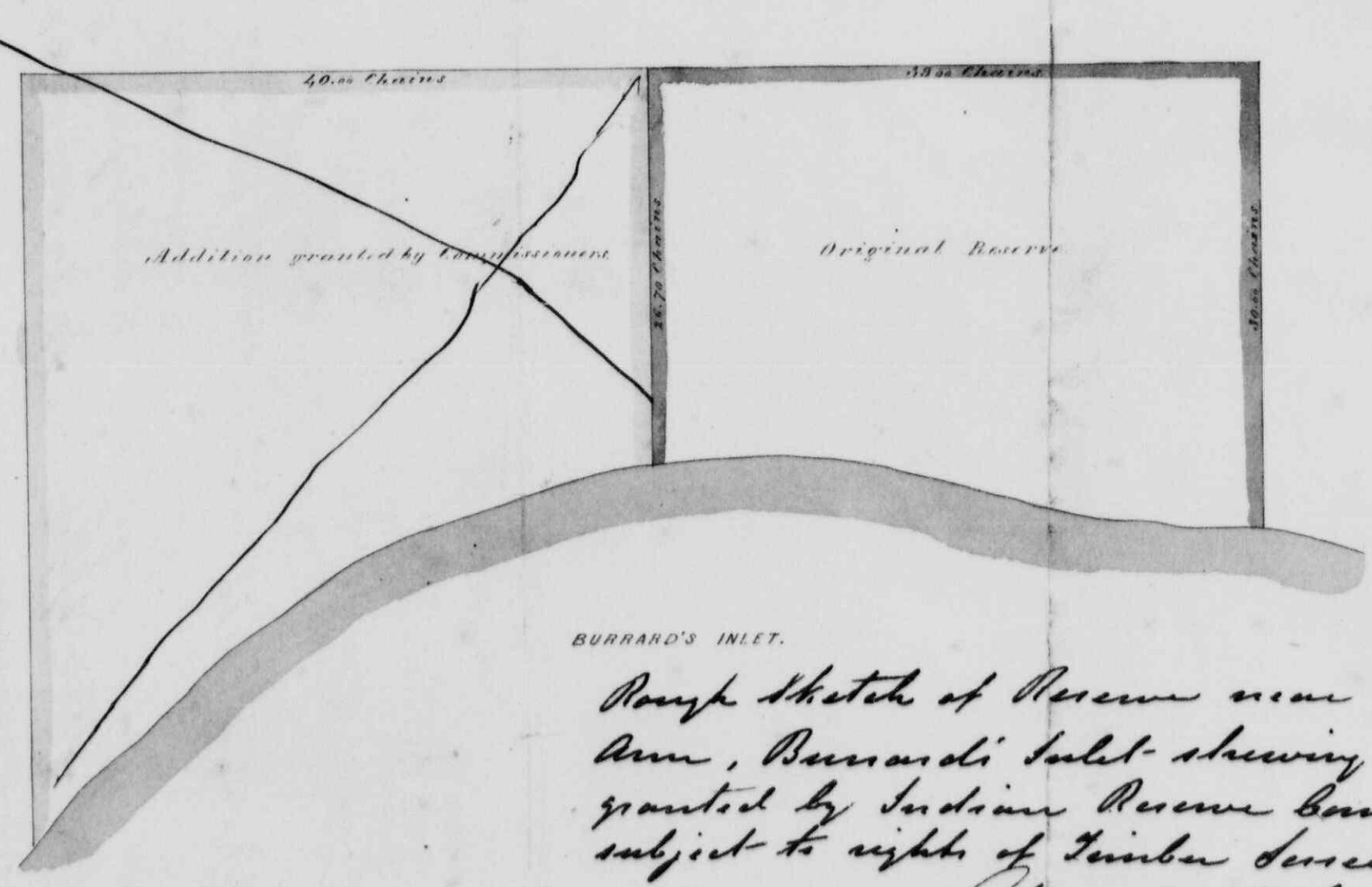

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(Signd) G M Sproat
Joint Commr

The Hon:
The Superintendent General
Ottawa

To
Supdt General
Hamilton
23 Jan 1877
Answer to Pilot &c

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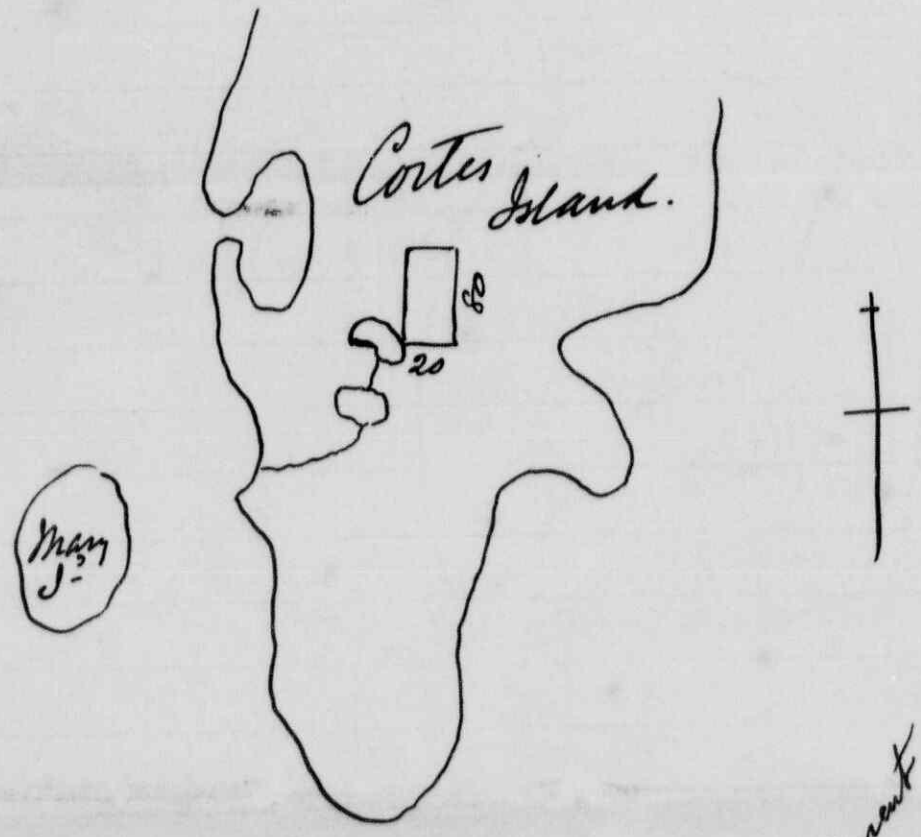

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No 135

Coast Dist

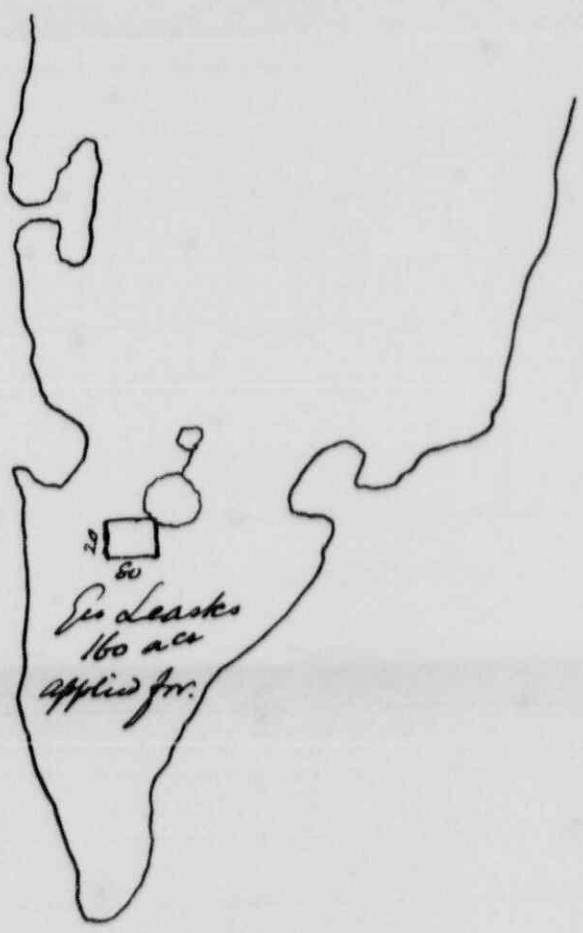
Geo Leask

Feb: 18th 1888

160 acres Cortes Island.

Commencing at m the West side of Lake, thence West 80 chains, thence South 20 chains, thence East 20 chains thence North 20 chains to point of commencement

no sig.



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Lands & Works Department
Victoria 26th Oct 75

Hon A. De Cosmos
Victoria

Sir

Referring to your letter of the 22nd Ult applying for a Crown Grant of the Townsite of Bute Inlet on behalf of Mr J. P. Dulip as partner of the late Mr A Waddington - I have the honor to inform you that I have examined carefully the Records of this Department on the subject but have failed to find that the Townsite was ever granted to Mr Waddington or that the conditions precedent to any such grant if contemplated were in any respect complied with by that gentleman.

I would also respectfully point out to you that even assuming that no other objection existed to issuing the Crown Grant, that Mr Dulips position in the matter is simply Trustee, and liquidator of all the property of the partnership.

I think under these circumstances as the matter refers to business transacted over 13 years ago, the documents connected with which are voluminous that the better way will be to await the return of Mr Walkem from the mainland.

In the meantime if you have any further documents in your possession bearing upon the subject, it will be as well to send them in for perusal.

I have the honor to be
Your obedt Sir Servant
C C L & Mr

No signature. Supposed to be Beavans.

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Lands & Works Department
Victoria. 20th December 1875

The Hon
A. De Cosmos M.P.
Victoria

Sir

I am directed by His Honor the Licut Governor in Council to inform you that the Government do not feel themselves at liberty to comply with your request that a Crown Grant for the Townsite of Bute Inlet be issued to Mr. J. T. Dulip as they consider the Title to the land claimed, too imperfect to be recognized

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
sig Robert Beaven
C C L & W.

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Purchase
Bute Inlet

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Sayward Lease on Homathco River

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase two hundred and sixty acres, more or less, situated in the Homalko River Valley, Coast District, British Columbia, and described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake on the right bank of the west slough of the Homalko River, it being the north-east corner of R. A. Smith's claim, from which running west forty chains; thence north sixty-eight chains; thence east to the right bank of the slough; thence south along the right bank of the slough to the place of beginning.

S. R. SYKES.

July 12th, 1886.

Void

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase three hundred and twenty acres, more or less, situated in the Homalko River Valley, Coast District, British Columbia, and described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake on the right bank of the west slough of the Homalko River, from which running west forty chains; thence north eighty chains; thence east to the right bank of said slough; thence south along the right bank of the slough to the place of beginning.

R. A. SMITH.

July 12th, 1886.

Void

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we, the undersigned, do intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 480 acres of land on the Homalko River:—Commencing at a post on the right bank about seven miles from the mouth; thence west 60 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 60 chains; thence following the bank of river to point of commencement.

WM. McPHERSON,
JOHN ROBINSON.

Victoria, Sept. 24th, 1886. se30

Void.

N[illegible] IS HEREBY GIVEN that I [illegible] apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 320 acres of land, more or less, in the Homathko River Valley, Coast District, described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake on the right bank of the west slough of the Homathko River, from which running west 40 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east to the right bank of said slough; thence south along the right bank of the slough to the place of commencement.

A. M. NANTON.

Victoria, March 19th, 1887. mh24

Void

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 260 acres of land, situated in the Homathko River Valley, Coast District, and described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake on the right bank of the west slough of the Homathko River, it being the north-east corner of A. M. Nanton's claim, from which running west 40 chains; thence north 68 chains; thence east to the right bank of the slough; thence south along the right bank of the slough to the place of beginning.

M. C. IRELAND.

Victoria, March 19th, 1887. mh24

Void

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase two hundred and forty acres, more or less, situated in the Southgate River Valley, Coast District, British Columbia, and described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake on the left bank of the Southgate River, from which running south forty chains; thence west sixty chains; thence north to the left bank of river; thence east along the left bank of said river to the place of beginning.

A. M. STOWE.

July 12th, 1886.

Void.

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No 146

Land Act 1884

Coast Dist.

John Elgirson

April 11th 1888

160 acres

Bute Inlet

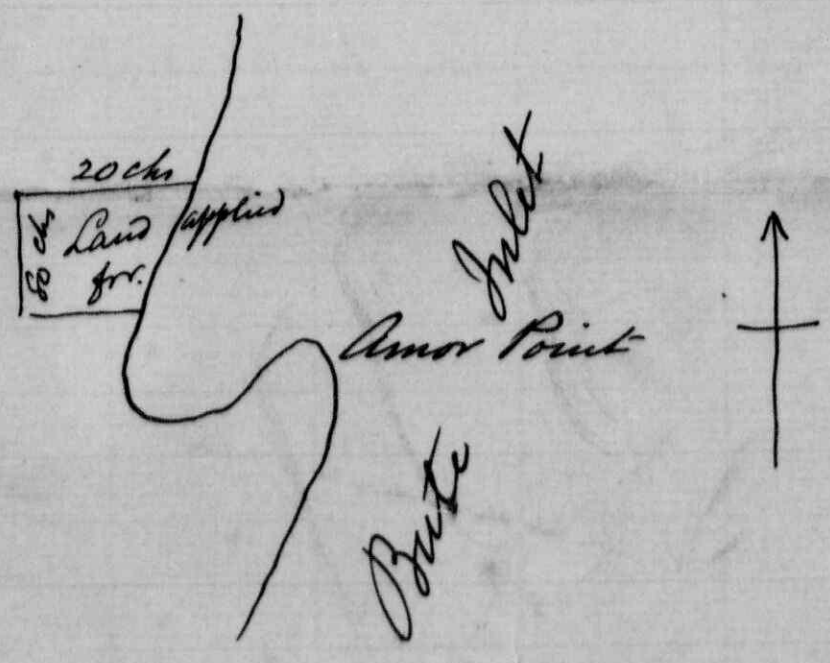
Commencing at a stake a short distance North of Amor point on Bute Inlet

Thence West 20 chains

" North 80 "

" East 20 . to Bute Inlet, thence along the coast line to point of commencement

sig: W. J. Gore



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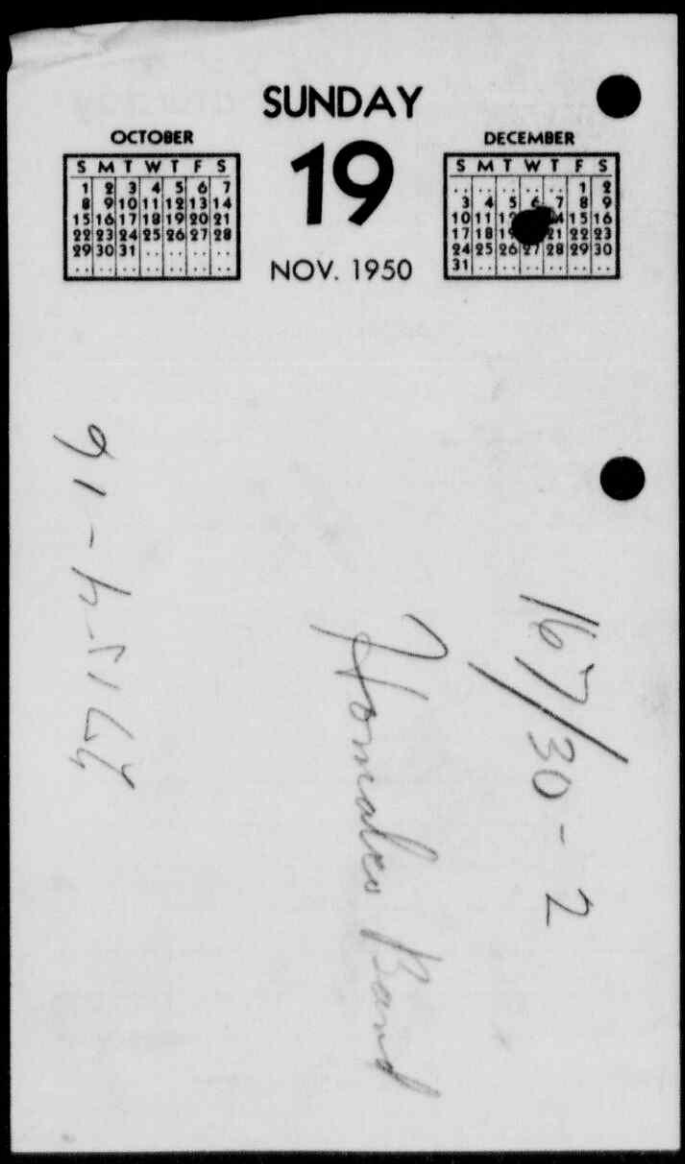

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Copy Indian Reserve Commission

Kamloops
~~New Westminster~~
British Columbia

June ~~30~~ ~~16~~ 27 1877

James Lenihan Esqr.
Indian Superintendent
New Westminster

Dear Sir,

We have visited Burrard Inlet and examined the Kapil-lah no question, and shown Joseph and Low-a the proper eastern boundary of the reserve there. Captn. Jemmett was present. We added a portion of land at the back of the reserve, and Joseph for his people, said that he would be satisfied with the addition. Low-a has buried friends of his on section 264 which belongs to Mr. Nelson. We told ~~him~~ Low-a that the property has belonged to white men for some time and that as there had been no old Indian burial ground ~~there~~ on it, we could not confirm the ~~as such~~ burial place and that he must not bury any other bodies there, but we said we would ask Mr. Nelson not to cause him to move the bodies until necessary. We mentioned this to Mr. Nelson.

Souple Jack's matter, we have again been obliged to leave over,

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as we did not find him at his place, and ~~must go upriver to morrow~~ had to leave New Westminster for their place.

Morning. We have asked the Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works not to make ~~him~~ Sample Jacker remove during the present year, as we understand he has put crops in.

To avoid a difficult question as regarded Mr Burr's claim to land which owing to defective information we ~~gave~~ had given to the Indians last November on the west side of the reserve near the North Arm (where Slay ch welt lives), we have with the consent of the Indians, and indeed at their suggestion, given them instead a piece at the east side of said reserve, which satisfies them.

We have said to the Hon The Supt Genl that our opinion still is that these Burrard Inlet reserves should be surveyed soon, and the posts should be distinctly put in, for the information of the Indians.

We are, Dear Sir

Yours Sincerely

Alex C. Anderson

Dom Comm.

G M Sproat

Joint Comm.

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~~Kapitano J.R~~
167/30-7-5
Capitano No. 5

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Surrender
re land taken
by the Gov't.
of British Columbia
for a part of
the South
approach to
the Fraser river
Bridge at New
Westminster
(Musqueam Res.
No. 1.)

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Surrender duly executed and kept
Nov. 30/1905.

Know all Men by these Presents

THAT WE, the undersigned Chief and Principal men of
Musqueam band of Indians
resident on our Reserve No. 2. on the right-bank &
the North arm of the Fraser River at its mouth
in the Province
of British Columbia and Dominion of Canada, for and
acting on behalf of the whole people of our said Band in
Council assembled, Do hereby release, remise, surrender, quit
claim and yield up unto OUR SOVEREIGN LORD THE KING, his
Heirs and Successors forever, ALL AND SINGULAR, that certain
parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and
being portions of Lots one(1) & two(2) Group 2 in the
District of New Westminster
and Province of British
Columbia containing by admeasurement fifty three One
Hundredths ($\frac{53}{100}$) of an acre
be the same more or less and being composed of all that
portion of Musqueam Reserve No. 1 in the
South west corner thereof which may be more
particularly described as follows:- Commencing at a point
on the Southerly boundary of the right-of-way of the New
Westminster Southern Railway at a distance of about 50 feet
from the centre line of the said railway and 55 feet in a north
easterly direction from, & at right-angles to the centre line of
the South approach to the bridge over the Fraser River
built by the Government of British Columbia, thence in a
South easterly direction a distance of about 35-4 feet-more or less
to the South west corner post of the said Musqueam
Reserve, thence in a North easterly direction along the southerly
boundary of the said reserve a distance of about-20 feet-
more or less to its intersection with the Northerly boundary
of the right-of-way of the south approach to the said bridge
thence in a North westerly direction at a distance of
about-55-feet- from and parallel to the centre line of
the said south approach to the point of commencement.

Form No. 65.

OFFICE OF INDIAN SUPERINTENDENT · B.C. · OCT 14 1905

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this twenty seventh day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of

R. C. McDonald
Indian Agent

Chief Johnny	his × Mark	Seal
Bob	his × mark	Seal
Augustine	his × mark	Seal
Tom Peter	his × mark	Seal
Henry	his × mark	Seal
Alex	his × mark	Seal
August	his × mark	Seal
Tommy	his × mark	Seal
Casimer	his × mark	Seal
Seymour	his × mark	Seal
Peter	his × mark	Seal
Johnny Pount	his × mark	Seal
Sam	his × mark	Seal
Johnny Garieu	his × mark	Seal
Wesley	his × mark	Seal

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DOMINION OF CANADA,
Province of British Columbia
District of New Westminster
TO WIT:

Personally appeared before me Roderick Charles McDonald Indian Agent of New Westminster this 28th November 1905 in the Province of British Columbia and Chief Johnny Chief of the said Band of Indians.

AND the said Roderick Charles McDonald for himself saith;-

That the annexed release or surrender was assented to by a majority of the male members of the said Band of Indians of the Musqueam Indian Reserve of the full age of twenty-one years then present.

That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band summoned for that purpose and according to its rules.

That he was present at such meeting or council and heard such assent given.

That he was duly authorized to attend such council or meeting by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

That no Indian was present or voted at said council or meeting who was not a member of the Band or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

And the said Chief Johnny says;

That the annexed Release or Surrender was assented to by him and a majority of the male members of the siad Band of Indians of the full age of twenty-one years then present.

That such assent was given at a meeting or council of the said Band of Indians summoned for that purpose, according to its Rules, and held in the presence of the said Roderick Charles McDonald

That no Indian was present or voted at such council or meeting who was not a habitual resident on the Reserve of the said Band of Indians or interested in the land mentioned in the said Release or Surrender.

That

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That he is a Chief of the said Band of Indians and entitled to vote at the said meeting or council.

SWORN before me by the Deponents at the City of New Westminster in the County of Westminster this 28th day of November A.D., 1905

R. C. McDonald Seal

Chief Johnny his x mark Seal

The contents of this affidavit having been read over and explained to the said Chief Johnny (Indian) who appears to understand the same and made his mark hereto in my presence.

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This Indenture

made the Seventeenth day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven

In pursuance of the "Real Property Conveyance Act:"

Between Honorable William Norman Bole one of Her Majesty's Local Judges of the Supreme Court of British Columbia and Arthur Wellesley Vowell of the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, Esquire, hereinafter called the Grantors,

Of the First Part

And

Her Majesty Queen Victoria hereinafter called the Grantee.

Of the Second Part

Witnesseth that in consideration of Two hundred and fifty Dollars ($250 00/100) of lawful money of Canada now paid by the said Grantee to the said Grantors (the receipt whereof is hereby by them acknowledged) they the said Grantors **Do Grant** unto the said Grantee her heirs and assigns for ever.

All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being part of Lot Two (2) Group Two (2), District of New Westminster, Province of British Columbia and more particularly described on the plan hereunto annexed and coloured green, containing One and 13/100 of an acre more or less

Signature of Grantors

Frank V. Bodwell
as to signature of A. W. Vowell Esquire

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The said Grantors Covenant with the said Grantee That they have the right to convey the said lands to the said Grantee notwithstanding any act of the said Grantors.

And that the said Grantors shall have quiet possession of the said lands free from all incumbrances.

And the said Grantors Covenant with the said Grantee That they will execute such further assurance of the said lands as may be requisite

And the said Grantors Covenant with the said Grantee That they have done no acts to encumber the said lands

And the said Grantors Release to the said Grantee all claims upon the said lands.

In Witness whereof the said parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals

Signed Sealed and Delivered In the Presence of

Orchille Sealius

As to signature of W. Norman Bole

Frank V. Bodwell

as per W. Vowell's signature

W. Norman Bole

W. Vowell

Received on the day of the date of this Indenture from the Grantee therein mentioned the sum of [illegible] hundred and [illegible] Dollars being the full consideration

Witness [illegible]

W. Norman Bole

W. Vowell

The original of this Document has been removed for retention in the Records of the Indian Land Registry.

C. E. Coté

Signature

Oct. 18 1973

Registration No. X018616

To have and To hold unto the said Grantee her successors and assigns to and for her and their sole and only use for ever Subject nevertheless to the reservations limitations provisoes and conditions expressed in the original Grant thereof from the Crown

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Dated 17th June 1897

Hon. L. H. Bole and
A. L. Vowell.

To

The Queen.

Conveyance of Land

situate

Part of Lot 2. Group 2
N. E. D.

Marshall & McCrae Law Stationers, Vancouver, B.C.

Copy forwarded
Oct. 28th Aug. 97
No. 306 J.

OFFICE OF INDIAN SUPERINTENDENT
AUG 26 1897

No 2345 registered the 19th
day of August 1897.
in absolute Fees Book Vol 20.
Folio 197

Henderson & Keith.

Province of British Columbia } "Land Registry Act."
For Witness.

I hereby Certify that A. Melville Malins
personally known to me appeared before me and acknowledged to me that he the person whose name is subscribed to the within Instrument as witness and having been duly sworn by me did prove to me that L. Norman Bole

did execute the same in his presence voluntarily.

In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal of office at New Westminster

British Columbia this 17th day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety seven.

H. Fiennes Clinton

Notary Public
B.C.

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27153-22
Burgeman I.R. No 1
Deed Part Lot 2.
Group 2 167/30-4-1
Vancouver
Agency



SUNDAY
28
MAY 1950



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I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the title of William Norman Bole and Arthur Wellesley Vowell to that part of Lot Number Two (2) Group Two (2) District of New Westminster and Province of British Columbia more particularly described on the plan annexed to a certain Deed dated the 17th June A.D.1897 made by the said William Norman Bole and Arthur Wellesley Vowell to Her Majesty Queen Victoria and I further certify that I find the title to be good and sufficient and the conveyance of the said lands to Her Majesty to be a good and valid conveyance, free from all incumbrances

Dated this 21st August A.D.1897.

Alexander Henderson

Agent of the Minister of Justice for the Mainland of British Columbia.

OFFICE OF INDIAN SUPERINTENDENT · B.C. · AUG 26 1897

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Lot 52, 53, 54 — Alexander McEwen. Situated on West side Fraser, and South of Chilcotin River about 3 miles.

Lot 51 — Thadeus Harper — 10 miles from mouth of Japan Ck

49 & 50 — " " — At head of Japan creek

48 — " " — Cottonwood springs 7 miles from Dog Ck

46 — " " — At head of Riske creek

45 — " " — Loves flat

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MEMO.

No. 2043

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882

E. I. Gall-
Winnipeg
1st/June.

Telegram Do not know what to do with Mr Good wishes leave of absence shall I tell him report at Ottawa.

ACTION.

Personnel

B. Clark

2043

ACTION CONTINUED.

1 June Tel to Gall.
2 " Rec'd let from E. I. Gall.
30 June Let to "
3 July Let from A. L. Macleod.
11 " " to do
12 " " Reading enclo
8 Aug Let from E Dewdney
10 " " " Nor. Thos McLeod.
27 Aug '82 Ch. Let to Dewdney
3/ April 83. from R. C. Dallas Mt. encls

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FORM NO. 2.

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This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under the conditions named above.

E. B. DWIGHT, General Manager.

ERASTUS WIMAN, President.

REC'D NO.	FROM	SENT BY	REC'D BY	TIME	CHECK
255	CH	DX	Gr	30	35 Cole 140

This Telegram has been received upon the above conditions.

No. 922 Toronto June 9 1882

By Telegraph from Winnipeg

To Sir John McDonald

Colonel McLeod here wants three weeks leave of absence to go to His home in north York please Have it granted and & reply

Thos Scott

See action noted on other side - put by

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP.

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H. P. DWIGHT, General Manager. ERASTUS WIMAN, President.

Rec'd No.	From	Sent by	Rec'd by	Time	Check
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This Telegram has been received upon the above conditions.

No. 147 Ottawa, June 5 1882

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man 5

To L Vankoughnet 2043

Do not know what to do with MacLeod wishes leave of absence shall I tell him report at Ottawa

E T Galt

Answd June 5/82

Utilize McLeod's services at Winnipeg Cant-front until Commissioners return

LK

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No. 8055

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 1882

Winnipeg. 9th June 1882.

I am this day in receipt of the following despatch from Sir John A Macdonald:

"If Col Macleod can be spared grant him 3 weeks leave of absence."

Col Macleod will leave for the East in the morning and I have desired him to report himself to you before returning to Winnipeg.

I am Sir

Your obt Sert

E. C. Gaet

Assn Comd.

Mr Ht Hon.

Mr Supt Genl of Indn Affs.

Ottawa.

Mr Wm Cook & say that the tel. from the Supt Genl did not instruct Mr Galt to direct Mr Gent to report himself to the Supt Genl; I merely granted him 3 weeks leave of absence of the Commissioner

[illegible] 11/6/82

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No 2221

June 30 1882

E. T. Galt Esq
Asst Indian Commr
Winnipeg Man

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th Inst, and in reply I beg to inform you that the telegram from the Lieut Gen'l did not instruct you to direct Mr Agent McLeod to report himself to the Lieut Gen'l; it merely granted him 3 weeks leave of absence if he could be spared.

I am &c

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 6 1882

Mr McNeill
Ack & says application for extension of leave granted
(B) Enclose copy of Mr McLeod's letter & of the repl thereto to Mr Comr Dewdney
Winnipeg
[illegible] 6/82

Oak Ridges
3rd July 82.

Sir

I have the honor to request that my leave of absence be extended for two weeks from date, or until the return of the Indian Commissioner to Winnipeg m require my services there,

I shall hold myself in readiness to start at any time for the West on learning that I am wanted

I have the honor to be Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Nor. Mor. Macleod

L. Vankoughnet Esqr
Dep & of the Superintendent Gen.
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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No. 2043

July 11th 1882

N. T. MacLeod Esqr.
Indian Agent. N.W.T.
Oak Ridges
Ontario.

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated 3rd Inst requesting ~~an~~ two weeks extension of leave or until the Indn. Commr. return to Winnipeg ~~for two~~, I have to inform you that your application has been granted & Mr Dewdney has been requested to notify you when he returns to Winnipeg

AW

July 12th 1882

The Honble E. Dewdney
Indian Commr.
Winnipeg

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your information a copy of a letter from Mr Indian Agent MacLeod requesting two weeks extension of leave, and also of the reply of the Dept thereto, granting his application.

You will have the good enough to notify Mr McLeod when you return to Winnipeg

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W Stewart File with previous correspondence re

No. 8958

Office of the 14/8/82 3040

Comissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories.

Ser.

Winnipeg.

Augt 8th 1882.

as I understand Mr Norman
MacLeod our late agent at
Fort MacLeod was granted
an extention of leave until
I returned from the West, in
order that I might be con-
sulted in what Capacity
Mr MacLeod's Services might
be utilized in our Dep^{t}.

I beg to state, that there
is no Indian agency open
that I think would suit
Mr MacLeod — the Indians

The Right Hon.
Sup^{t} Genl of
Indian affairs.
Ottawa.

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are continually coming in from the Plains, and it requires a man of most energetic, and active habits, and physically strong to undertake the duties — This, it was found, Mr MacLeod did not possess, and although his duties of Agent while at MacLeod, were most conscientiously performed, it was considered on account of the exposure and fatigue, that an agent must necessarily undergo while attending to the duties of his agency, that Mr MacLeod's age and health would not permit him to so thoroughly inspect his District and superintend the business of of his agency as the Government required.

Mr MacLeod's services might be utilized at our head Office in the capacity of clerk, but I know of no

other

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other position in our Dept that I could recommend him for.

Should there be a Registrarship required in the Territories, I think Mr Macleod would be admirably suited for the work.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your Obt Servant
E. Dewdney
Commissioner.

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Oak Ridges
10th August 82.

L. Vankoughnet Esq.
Deputy of the Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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Sir

In your letter of the 11th
July, in which you kindly extend
my leave of absence, you also
inform me that I will be notified
of Mr. Dewdney's return to Winnipeg
from the West.

As I understand that
Mr. Dewdney has since been
in Ottawa and has returned

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to Winnipeg, and as I have had no instructions as to what I am to do, will you please to let me know if I am to return to Winnipeg at once,

I have the honor to be Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Nor. Thor. MacLeod

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MEMORANDUM.

Draft Recd 16/8/82

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Mr McLean

Please write Comm. Dewdney Ottawa, 22 Augt 1882

I have the honor to ack the receipt of your letter 8958 of 8th instant with respect to the extension of leave granted to Mr N. T. Macleod late Agent at Fort Macleod, stating that no Agency is at present available for him — giving reasons why — in your opinion — he would be unfit to take charge of an Agency, and suggesting that he might be employed in your office in the capacity of clerk for the present.

The Dept is also in receipt of a letter from Mr Macleod dated at Oak Ridges Ont the 10th instant in which he announces his readiness to return to Winnipeg so soon as he is notified by you to do so.

If you can profitably engage Mr McLeods services in your office it will perhaps be well for you to notify him of the fact as requested in my letter to you of 12th ulto and in accordance with the understanding had with him RS

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Oak Ridges
18th February 82.

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Sir

As one of your Constituents I take the liberty to address you and to ask you if you will kindly give me your influence and assistance in obtaining for me my rights from the Department of Indian Affairs. I have already placed the matter in Mr. Hector Cameron's hands who will explain to you the position in which I stand, and he has intimated to me that it may be necessary for me to go to Ottawa to explain matters. I have been explaining for nearly two years and do not seem to be any nearer a settlement, and from the position in which I am placed by the treatment which I have received from the Department I cannot afford the expense of a trip to Ottawa.

I was appointed Indian Agent to Treaty 7. at Fort Macleod in the spring of 1880. and removed in 82. no reasons have been given to me for my removal and I have since waited in hopes of being placed on a satisfactory footing with the Department; as there seems to be no prospect of this being done I now ask you to give me your Assistance in demanding and procuring for me a public Investigation into my management of the affairs of the District under my charge and also of that of the Indian Department during the same period. Mr. Hector Cameron, Colonel Synnott and Colonel Williams will I am sure give you their assistance if necessary.

I remain

Yours truly,
Wm. Prov. Macleod

W. C. Wallace Esqr M.P.
Ottawa

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Aurora
(North York)
Ontario
12th March 84

The Right Honble
Sir John A Macdonald M.P.

Dr Sir I write you in reference to Mr Norman MacLeod's case

Two year ago he was removed from his charge of Treaty No 7 & placed in the office in Winnipeg as a junior at a merely nominal salary — Why? In April last 11 months ago, his salary was withheld for causes which were satisfactorily explained to Apt Com^r Reid by Col Jas F MacLeod at Regina, & he expressed himself satisfied, but yet he Mr McL has never received a $ since — In June/82

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shortly after the General
election Mr McL & I saw
you at your own residence
in Ottawa, when you promised
to have the matter looked
into & write to him, but
he has never received a line
since - Mr Macleod has
been laid up since last
fall with Rheumatism
& lung affection, & altho
the department withheld
a certain allowance from
his salary towards the
Superannuation fund, he
has never received one
cent - As his medical
attendant, I know he
is suffering for the means
withheld from him, in
justice & Charity he ought
to be either dismissed or
paid, if he is dismissed the
service he ought to know
it & the reasons for it -
if not he ought to be
paid as any other
public servant

I am Dear Sir
Yours truly
R W Hillary

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Please return this when
not required

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Ottawa 1st Apl 1884

L Vankoughnet Esq

My Dear Sir

Enclosed herewith
You will find Correspondence
re - Case of Mr Norman
McLeod - I hope you
will give your usual Careful
Consideration to it

I am Yours Truly
N C Wallace

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MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Accountant

Ottawa, May 5 1884

Please state particulars of Mr Norman McLeod's indebtedness to Indian funds on acct of timber dues which remained unaccounted for at the date of his being relieved of the duties of Indian Agent at Fort McLeod N.W.Y.

H. Vankoughnet
D.M.

See file 19.803 for further letter to Comm in re Rsinclair 18/4/84

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Fincher Creek Supply Farm
June 6th 1882

Sir

I have the honor to report the following with regard to this Indian supply Farm No 23.

Arriving here upon the evening of the 11th Ulto. I found the work very backward, after consideration, believing that the Farm agent Mr Bruce was to blame for the state of things I gave him leave of absence from the 13th for a month and took charge of the farm myself, appointing James Dixon, one of the lately imported farm hands from Ontario, as farm foreman, I retained here also 8 others of the men I had brought in with me, in order to make a big push in seeding the remainder of the land these with the 4 men Mr Bruce had make 13 employed here, but upon the 15th I dispensed with two of these men. I found the farm well

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well equiped as far as regards horses, ploughs, harrows, and seeders. and a supply of seed barley, also about 90 bushels of Potatoes were in the cellar in a neglected condition = I started seven ploughs there being no land prepared the rest of the men I started on to fence, the fences being in a very delapidated condition, and upon the 22nd I had all the land planted, that was in a condition to plant, and upon the 2nd inst. it was all securely fenced. As the oats for Bruce claimed to have sown (60 bushels) did not appear to be growing, I judged for the reason that the seed sown there upon land that had not been plowed for two years, and that the farm should not be without grain for the horses another year, I deemed it advisable to purchase seed to sow 10 acres, these promise well although put in so late as the 15th May to be

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be an excellent crop. I am not able to give you the area of the land sown, as up to this writ-ing I have not had time to measure it. Upon the 1st inst. I dispensed with the services of Robert Field a man whom Mr Bruce had engaged as Gardener, I found him useless both as a gardener and farm hand, at the same time I or-dered Mr Bruce's son Harvey Bruce to report for duty at Blood reservation: for two years he had been his Fathers assistant upon this farm, he considered it a hardship that he should removed from the position, but as I could not but notice, that he was endeavoring to breed discontent among the new men I considered it best that he should be removed to a new field of labor, as he declined to go to the Blood Reservation I dispensed with his services altogether: Upon the 31st Ulto. I left here via Fort MacLeod for the

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the Piegan Reservation while at Fort MacLeod meeting Mr Instructor Nettles, he stated he could not return to his Reservation until 2nd inst. and as I wished to attend a meeting of the Pincher Creek stock association to be held on the Police farm on the 3rd I changed my plans and again returned here. I also heard from Mr Denny that Mr Bruce intended to cancel his leave of absence himself and resume charge of his farm I therefore wrote to him to turn everything over to Asst. Farm Sup. McHugh, and I instructed Mr McHugh to receive the same. Upon taking charge Mr McHugh found the cook Francis ____ bolted insubordinate and lazy and immediately discharged him. Upon the 5th inst. I sent I.P. McHugh with four men and two span of horses to the Blackfoot crossing. (I enclose a copy of a letter I wrote Mr Denny

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Mr Denny on the subject) to take charge of the farming there, I took this course pending my visit there: it appears Mr Agent Denny has again placed in charge there Mr. Howish, at my visit of inspection to the crossing last year Mr Howish was then in charge and at that time there were very few Indians, I found the work very backward, and the men idling their time, that a year should have completely changed Mr. Howish habits is to me doubtful, but as Mr Denny has prophesied the most lamentable consequences should his appointee be removed I have for the present adopted the course described.

The above changes have brought the stuff here to a normal condition, one farm foreman and three men, as there is a good deal of work to be done between now and

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and haytime, such as getting timber from the woods and building an implement & waggon shed, ploughing &c. I am trying to engage a cook, this will make 4 men available for farm work, I may add too, of the men now employed here, their services to us are too valuable as farm hands to have any of them engaged in cooking if it can possibly be avoided.

I append an inventory of the stock and implements, tools harness &c upon this farm, with notes opposite each of them as to their quality and condition

I also enclose a communication from Mr Bruce dated 3rd instant regarding the disposal of the crop, he alleges he grew upon this farm last year. I bring his own figures from his report on farm work dated Sept. 30/81 he states he harvested 30 acres oats and 65 acres Barley, of the latter in this report

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report to me, he states he thres-
-hed 700 bushels, 150 bushels of
which were damaged by storm
and used for feed, leaving a
balance of 550 bushels to be
accounted for, or about 8 22/48
bushels per acre, an average
crop of barley is 50 bushels to
the acre, Mr Bruce disposed of
this 550 bushels as follows
per his statement.

1100 lbs	to Indian Agent	
4600 "	- Blood Reservation	
288 "	- sent to Mill	
4320 "	- used as seed previous to my arrival	
10308 lbs	or 214 26/48	Bushels
since sown 65 acres	162 24/48	do
but in granary	113 13/48	do
	490 15/48	do

The above is all the barley I can account for with the assistance of Mr Bruce's report.

He harvested 30 acres Oats and threshed 400 bus. or 10 11/34 bushels to the acre an average yield of oats is 70 bus. to the acre: according to his report on "Farm work

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work" dated Jany 31st he thresh-ed these oats out during this month and upon my arr-ival here May 11th they were all disposed of he accounts for them as follows.

Seed 60 bushels
Agt. MacLeod 29 " total 89 bush.

thus leaving a balance of 311 bushels fed to his horses. His farm return for March shews the first fed to horses 80 bush. April return shews 150 bushels consumed on farm, deduct above 60 bushels seed as he sowed this month, leaving 90 bushels fed in April, I make the statement as follows

Threshed 400 bush.
Sent Agt McLeod 29 bush.
Fed in March 80 "
" " April 90 "
Sowed " " 60 " total 259
141 bush.

This shews a balance of 141 bushels should have been on hand 30 Apl., this months return shews 82 bushels but he

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he could scarcely have had
even this much as when I
arrived here on 11th May, he
reported no oats on hand,
He reports that he dug 200 bus.
potatoes return 31st Mch.
shews that 178 bushels were
"on hand last return" altho
this is the first return in
which potatoes are given,
returns No 21 & 22 shew a consump-
-tion of 18 bushels leaving a
balance on hand of 160 bush
29th Apl. return No 22: the very
outside quantity of potatoes
planted are 90 bushels and
this taking every potatoe
allowing 10 bushels for pick-
-ing over, the potatoes are
still 60 bushels short.

My opinion is that
Mr Bruce, wishing to make
the best of a very bad yield
of crops, over estimated the
quantity harvested, and
consequently the stuff never
having been there cannot be
accounted for.

I have

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I have before me a copy of a report signed by Mr Bruce shewing "cause for the destruction of turnips" last winter on farm": being now upon the ground I am able to take in the position in which he placed the turnips he pitted them in the field fully one mile from the house even then had he built a strong corral all around them they would have been safe, but the very rickety & partial fences surrounding the field were the only protection they had = Another case of gross carelessness and perfect indifference to protecting the property of the Department occured in his deliberately allowing the cattle of the country to feed upon his oat, barley and wheat straw, altho' he knew he was short of hay he made no pretence of protecting this and people living miles

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miles away took the trouble to drive their their cattle to the straw as it was notor-ously badly thrashed, and consequently about equal to feeding hay and grain together =

Rations

February return "Farm work" No 19 shews 5 men employed upon their farm and the Agt himself making 6 the food shown to be consumed in the month-ly return of provisions No 20 dated Feby 28th is as follows

lbs per
2 " 6 flour

400 lbs flour or 66 10/16 lbs per man, or 2 6/16 lbs per man a day, this return does not shew any beef but I find by a day book here he received 687 lbs this month, or 114 1/2 lbs per man or rather over 4 lbs per day per man, 90 lbs of Bacon used or 15 lbs per man this month or 1/2 lb per man a day the quantity of potatoes used this month are not given =

4 . 0 . beef
. 5 bacon
6 . 14 total solid food

March

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March - at this time return of farm work No 20 shews 3 men in Mr Bruce's remarks he states "During this month I have had "but two men" (the man Hamilton being a blacksmith had possi-ibly left to work upon another reservation) I will therefore allow for three men which includes the instructor him-self = flour used as per return 250 lbs or 83 5/16 lbs per man or 2 11/16 lbs each man per day.

lbs oz
2. 11 flour

25 lbs Bacon or 8 lbs per man or 1/4 lb

.04 Bacon per man per day, 425 lbs beef or 141 1/16 lbs pr. man, equal 4 3/4 lbs each man daily. 480 lbs Potatoes = 160 lbs each man or 5-5/16 lbs pr. day. 16 1/16 lbs sugar each man for the month or over 1/2 lb. a day per man.

4. 12 Beef

5. 05 Potatoes

13 lbs solid food per day each man

April In the farm Agents remarks in "Farm work" report No 21 date 29th April he states "for the first week of" this month "had 3 men ---- then" but 2 till 22, then three to the last" of the month". I estimated then the

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the time rationed as follows

3	men	27	days
2	"	26	"
3	"	24	"
Mr Bruce		30	"
		107	"

As shews in his provision return number 22 dated 29th April that he consumed

lbs	oz				
3	4	flour	350 lbs	flour	3¼ lbs pr. man pr. day
	8	Bacon	50 "	Bacon	½ " " " " "
3	11	Beef	400 "	Beef	3 11/16 " " " " "
5	10	Potatoes	600 "	Potatoes	5 10/16 " " " "
			46 "	Sugar	7/16 " " " "
13	1/16	lbs solid food pr man pr day			

In closing my report I must express the hope that you will see by the above shewing of the extravagantness of provisions upon the farm, the dilatory manner in which the work has been conducted, and the altogether bad management that I was not too precipitate in placing the management in other hands. I would also state before closing that we have here one of the finest situated farms

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farms in this country and it cannot be beaten for the character of the soil, taken altogether it is a most valuable property, the growing crops upon it look remarkably well altho' rather late sown, the strength of the land is bringing them rapidly forward, so far the weather has been much in their favor and I have every reason to hope we will reap a bountiful harvest.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
sgd J Wadsworth
Inspector Indian
Agencies and Superintendent of
Indian Farms

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Inventory of Govt. Property on Supply Farm No 23 Pinchee Creek

Taken June 2nd 1882

Dwelling house and contents

1	Cooking Stove
1	Fish Dish
2	Pots
1	Table
1	Tea Kettle
3	Bake Pans
3	Bowls
12	Knives
10	Forks
18	Plates
14	Cups
17	Saucers
1	Fry Pan
2	Saltcellars
175	lbs Flour
15	" Coffee
15	" Sugar
1	Wood Stove
3	Towels
1	Table
1	Washboard
2	" Tubs nearly useless
1	Basin

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Inventory continued

1 Clock
1 Pepper Box
1 Dish Pan worn out
3 Milk Pans " "
1 Steamer
1 Coffee Mill
1 Pepper "
1 Coffee Pot
1 Tea "
1 Boiler
2 Flat Irons
1 Pudding Dish
1 Grid Iron
1 Strainer
3 Wooden Pails
1 Tin Pail
1 Lamps
1 Lantern
1 Flour Sive
1 Brass Pot
1 Coal stove, with pipes, front plate broken

Blacksmith Shop & contents

1 Cross cut saw
1 Whip saw
1 Key hole saw
3 Hand saws
1 Claw hammer

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Inventory continued

1	Spirit Level
1	Tape Line
1	Trowel
5	Whet stones
1	Screw driver
1	Set Mallet Planes
1	Riveting Hammer
1	Bevell square
1	Pair Pincers
1	Saw Set
2	Gauges
1	Chalk line
1	Spring Punch
7	Chisels
2	Brad awls
1	Try square.
1	Drawing Knive
5	Bitts & one Brace
1	Hand axe
1	Pair Compasses
2	Monkey wrenches
1	Portable Forge useless
1	Toe Knive
1	Storing Pincers
1	Rasp
1	Cattle Brand I.D.
2	Grinding stones worn out
2	Spades

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Inventory continued

4	Scotch Plows, one handle broken
2	" " , incomplete
3	Iron Harrows
1	Brad cast seeder, in bad order
1	Horse rake
1	Heavy waggon
2	Waggon Sheets
11	Garden Hoes
6	Hand Rakes
1	Peck measure
2	Snaiths
2	Scythes
2	Gauges
4	Augurs
1	Square
1	Spoke shave
1	Adze
1	Broad axe
2	Planes
2	Pully Blocks
1	Anvil
1	Blacksmiths Tongs
2	Files
1	Sledge
1	Vice Screw
4	Pick axes
2	Shovels
2	Breaking Plows

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1	Sulky Plow
2	Horse Hoes
1	Grain & seed drill
2	Combined Reapers [very heavy and obsolete]
1	Mowing Machine
1	Fanning Mill
1	Spring waggon
4	Turnip Hoes
1	Grain Shovel
1	Half bus. measure
1	Pair of Steelyards in bad order

Contents of Horse stable

5	Sett double Harness - much worn
1	Saddle old & worn
3	Curry, combs and Brushes
4	Nose bags
2	Hobbles 1 broken
4	Sett Whiffletrees
1	Sett Plow Harness
8	Horses
3	Mares
2	Manure Forks
2	4 Tined Forks
2	3 " "
1	Lead Bar
1	Wooden Harrow
2	Turnip Hoes

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4	Pairs of Blankets
1	Feather Pillow
1	Moss Mattress
3	Straw Ticks
1	Rifle
1	Single shot Gun
6	Axe Handles
8	New Axes
5	Old "
1	Rat Trap
1	Hay Knive
3	Adzes
1	Writing Desk
1	Ink Stand
1	Frow
1	Hand Turnip Seeder
125	ft. of 1 in Rope
3	Cows
2	Bull Calves
1	Heifer Calf
3	Bob Sleighs Home made
6	Plow Shares
1	Tool Chest Empty see acct. tools
1	Hay waggon Rack, home made
1	Garden Rake
1	Land Roller broken, home made
1	Tent worn out
1	Saddle Bridle

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Inventory-o-Continued

1 Stone boat
1 Coal Chisel
42 Horse shoes
113 13/48 Bushels Barley
22 20/60 " Wheat
1200 feet sawn lumber

Correct
(sgd) J. P. Wadsworth
Insp in Agencies & Farms

Pinchez Creek
June 2/82

Received the articles in the above inventory into my charge this day
(sgd) James M Dixon
Act-Farm.-Agt-

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List of horses upon supply Farm No 23.

Names — Canadian —

Jane-1 Large Grey mare - no brand - has a crack in nigh hind hoof about nine years old.

Prince-1 Large chesnut horse, small white star in forehead, about 8 years old - no brand -

Mary-1 Very heavy mare 15 hands high. - Brown - no brand - off hind hoof white - a small line of white down her face - 7 years old Filly (Mary's foal this year) brown -

John-1 Large bright bay horse about 16 hands high, black mane & tail 7 years old, nigh hind hoof white, two brands on both shoulders, nigh shoulder branded ⊤, and on the off shoulder a heart with the letter L inside ▽.

Joe-1 Heavy set Grey horse, 7 years old + brand on nigh shoulder and a large crack in nigh front hoof.

Jess-1 Iron Grey mare, 8 years old branded on the nigh shoulder thus ⊢

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— Montana horses & mares —

One chesnut horse known as the saddle horse no brands, has two white stockings on front legs, and a white face, about 15 hand high.

One heavy set bay horse 7 years old no brands, nigh hind hoof white, a small round lump about the size of a pigeons egg on belly.

"Prince" - 1 Dark chesnut horse about 9 years old, wall eyes and white face, one white stocking on off front leg, branded I.D. on the nigh shoulder. also R on the off shoulder - 15 hands high.

"Baldy" mate to Prince and known as the "China Team" A Roan heavy set horse with four white stockings and a white face 8 years old, brand H on the nigh hip and I.D. on the nigh shoulder - 15 hands high.

Lanky - 1 Roan horse 14½ hands high 10 or 12 years old - no brand - small white spot on forehead, white saddle marks, & off hind foot white.

Pincher Creek
June 12/82

sgd I. G. Wadsworth
Insp. in Agencies & Farms

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DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

2087

Pincher Creek Supply Farm
N. W. T.
13th May 1882

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I arrived here on the 11th instant, fifteen days out from Helena, at this writing I will not be able to prepare a report for your information of my actions since leaving Toronto on the 25th March but will briefly state that I arrived in good order with men and horses ready and in condition to go to work upon the farms and reservations forthwith.

I pitched my tent on this farm at five O'clock in the evening and altho' the day was bright and fine, and in the midst of seeding time the workmen upon the farm had already stabled their horses for the night, their days work being ended.

Hon
Edgar Dewdney
Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg

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The next morning I observed they did not leave for the fields with their horses, until half past seven, they took a noon "spell" of an hour and a half, and quitted work for the night at half past four, making the hours actually worked seven and a half.

I rode over this farm during today, I found not more than two fifths 2/5 seeded with grain and that done in such an unworkmanlike manner as to make it very doubtful if there will be much return: the fences are lying as the winds blew them the past year not having received any attention the stock of the country were running over the fields: there are large gaps in the fencing no provision was made to fill these during the winter by hauling rails from the woods: at the farm house there is not three days firewood ahead, this also was work that should have been done during the winter.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN

The implements are lying exposed to the weather: there is no hay at this farm is adjacent to one of the best hay meadows in the country, and well supplied with mowing machines = I am informed that Mr Bruce has not visited his workmen in the fields for days together, and never makes the slightest pretence of working himself, his son at wages of $40 per month acts as foreman

therefore in the face of the above facts and by virtue of my position as superintendent of Farms, this morning I gave Mr Bruce the Farm Agent one months leave of absence and have taken charge of the farm myself pending your decision on this matter.

I beg leave to recommend that Mr Bruces services be dispensed with from 30th June, and that his sons wages be placed at $35 pr month.

I shall place in temporary

charge

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charge of the farm Jas Dixon, one of our recent importations, I had no personal knowledge of him (Dixon) previous to his engagement in Toronto, but he was most highly recommended as an industrious, intelligent, temperate young man of good morals, brought up to farming his father being a landowner and farmer in the Township of Etobicoke Ontario. I have found the young man all of the above, also a man of energy and one to whom his colleagues look up to: We commenced yesterday a most vigorous policy and altho' somewhat late in the season I am sanguine that we can in a measure retrieve the late dilatory policy.

Mr Dixon will not expect to receive more than his agreement with the Govt calls for $35 pr month, but should you continue him in charge I would recommend that his

Salary

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salary be placed at $45 pr. month from 30th June -
A Telegraphic reply to this letter would would be most satisfactory as Mr Bruce's leave will expire before any communication by mail can be received

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Sgd T P Wadsworth
Inspt In Agencies & Sup. in Farms

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No. 7001

2087

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

Winnipeg. 3 June 1882.

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In Council Ask & say that Mr Wadsworth action & recommendations are approved & that he should be a similar instructions guilty of duty

Regret

I have this day telegraphed you as follows:

"Wadsworth writes that Bruce is neglecting his duties, have given him months leave of absence and wishes dismiss him answer."

I now enclose a copy of Mr Wadsworths letter on the subject from which you will perceive that it is absolutely necessary that a change should be made.

I am Sir

Your obt Servt

E. L. Gast.

Asst Comr.

The Rt Honble.

The Supt Genl of Indn Affs.

Ottawa.

1 Enclosure.

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File 1879	Saddle Lake Agency - Correspondence regarding the removal of Bears Ears or Whak-sat-a-now Band to the Saddle Lake Reserve. 1891 - 1897
File 1919	Correspondence regarding permission granted by Order-in-Council to make annuity payments in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories in goods. 1873
File 1979	Government House, Fort Garry - Letter to Sir John A. Macdonald reporting alarming movements by the Sioux Indians and suggesting that a military force be established in the Northwest Territories. 1873
File 2014	Part of a letter to Joseph Alfred Norbert Provencher, Indian Commissioner of the Northwest Territories, instructing him to place himself under Lieutenant Governor Morris in all matters of importance. 1873
File 2019	Privy Council approval of terms for future treaties to be concluded in the Northwest Territories. 1873
File 2036	Instructions on negotiating treaties with the Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1873
File 2037	Correspondence regarding teachers' salaries in the Northwest Territories and sale of land around New Westminster, British Columbia. 1876 - 1897
File 2043	1) Personnel correspondence on Norman MacLeod, former agent of Fort MacLeod District. 2) Annual report from Puicher Creek Supply Farm. 1882 - 1884
File 2044	Winnipeg, Manitoba - Correspondence regarding Mr. Wadsworth's intention of dismissing Mr. Bruce. 1882

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MEMO.

No. 2044

ACTION.

ACTION CONTINUED.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882

Personnel

Black

2044

E. L. Gall-
Winnipeg
3/3 June

Telegram "Wadsworth writes that Bruce is neglecting his duties has given him months leave of absence & wishes dismiss him."

3 June Tel to Galt
6/9 June Tel from E.L. Galt
Dom 5 June Tel to E.L. Galt
14 June Tel from E.L. Galt

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H. P. DWIGHT, General Manager.

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Send the following message subject to the above conditions.

3rd June 1882

To E. T. Galt, Esq.
Asst. Ind. Comr.
Winnipeg, Man.

Will receive letter about dismissing Instructors - notify Bruce on receipt.

(sgd) L. Vankoughnet

Copy
Dept I.A.

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

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H. P. DWIGHT, General Manager. ERASTUS WIMAN, President.

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This Telegram has been received upon the above conditions.

No. 215 3 June 1882

By Telegraph from Winnipeg

To L. Vankoughnet 2044

Wadsworth writes that Bruce is neglecting his duties has given him months leave of absence & wishes dismiss him answer

E. T. Galt

Ans'd June 3/82

I will receive letter ~~[illegible]~~ about ~~[illegible]~~ dismissing ~~[illegible]~~ instructors Notify Bruce on receipt

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READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP.

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E. F. Galt, Esq.
Asst. Indn. Comr.
Winnipeg, Man:

June 20th 1882.

Sir,

I have to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 3rd Inst embodying copy of your Telegram of the same date to which I sent you the following reply: "Will receive letter about dismissing Instructors. Notify Bruce on receipt". The letter referred to was dated the 30th ult.

Mr. Wadsworths action reported in letter of the 13th ult., of which you enclose a copy, and the recommendations made therein are approved of; and he should be instructed by telegraph to treat in a similar manner all Instructors guilty of the same neglect of duty as Mr. Bruce Lambe.

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Poor - Copy.

File 2057	Statement by Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher listing the quantities and description of supplies for Indians who were parties to the 1871 treaty. 1873
File 2071	Fort Walsh, Northwest Territories - Report of the murder of "The man who raised the ground", a Saulteau Indian; on the Benton Road in Montana; by American Indians. 1882
File 2118	Correspondence regarding the settling of American Sioux Indians in Manitoba, mostly in the area of Portage la Prairie. 1873
File 2118½	Winnipeg, Manitoba - Correspondence to and from J.A.N. Provencher, Indian Commissioner, reporting on the failure of Chief Prince and Big Ears to attend a scheduled conference at Stone Fort. 1873
File 2120	Portage la Prairie Agency - Correspondence regarding the setting up of a reserve for Yellow Quill's Band. 1873 - 1874
File 2021	Fort Garry, Northwest Territories - Correspondence regarding Minister of Interior's decision that no treaty be made in Saskatchewan that year. 1873
File 2024	Correspondence regarding the setting up of a Board of Commissioners for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1873

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INDIAN BRANCH.

1875

J A N Provencher
Indn Com.
14 June Winnipeg
2 July

With Statement of the quantities, and description of the provisions necessary to supply Indns who have not parties to treaties concluded in August 1871

Requisition enclosed
Requisitions authorized
Dr Selwyn 5 July 1873

Answd July 5
Requisition form
sent by Capt

Chief $3,500 sent
July 8

Mr Provencher, Indian Commissioner
Manitoba
Sir
I have the honour to transmit herewith
Requisition for Provisions
Treaty Payments
Treaty with the Indians of
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1875

J. A. N. Provencher
Indn Com.
14 June Winnipeg
2 July

With Statement of the
quantities, and descriptn
of the provisions necessary
to supply Indns who have
partie to treaties concluded
in August 1871

Recd
Secretary Northern
Ins Saturday 5 July 1873

Cancd July 5
Ins Pr Statement from
Jan 1 July

Cheque $3,500 sent
July 8

Mr Provencher, Indian Commissr for
Manitoba and the N.W. has sent in an
estimate of the expense of providing for six
Bands of the Indians with whom Treaties
were made in Augt 1871 amounting to
$3280 — The Bands specified with the exception
of the Lake Manitoba Band are those which
were parties to Treaty No 1. Consequently the Bands
which were parties to Treaty No 2 would with the one
exception named have likewise to be provided for.
The total particulating Grants for supplies for Indians attending
"to view Annuities and on other occasions" is $5000. Now
consequently it would not be prudent to attempt for the
whole of the Bands interested in those two Treaties, a
larger sum than $3500 — A cheque for this sum may
therefore be forwarded, with strict injunctions to Mr Provencher
that it must be economised and not exceeded for
any purpose. July 5 1873 J. Spragge Jr

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28 June 1879

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Indian Commissioners Office

Winnipeg 14th June 1873.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter addressed to Mr Jno Lowe & dated 31st May 73. in which you ask for a Statement of the Quantities and description of the provisions necessary to supply to each separate Band of Indians which was a party to the Treaties Concluded in August 1871 and also An

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an estimate of the Cost
thereof and the expenses
of transportation.
You ask also for the accounts
for the spades Axes &c
ordered by Mr St John
and also the amount of
Freight. These accounts
were sent by Mr St John
on the 22nd May, the
day on which he received
your telegram instructing
him to purchase them
In connexion with this
subject, Mr St John states
that he has never received
a letter from you dated

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May the 3rd on the subject
of making these purchases
and to which you refer in the
letter which is now being
acknowledged; your instructions
to them were contained in
a Telegram. The Articles
in question are now daily
expected though, as Mr.
St John has before informed
the Department there is
reason to believe that they
will not be delivered
except for Cash.

With regard to the
Estimates & for provisions
to be issued out to the
Indians

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Indians at the time of the payments, the following list is computed according to quantities and prices shown by former experience

Portage Band

125 persons

16 Bags	Flour	64
100 lbs	Tea	62
200 lbs	Tobacco	100
800 lbs	Pork or Pemmican	200
Cost of Carriage		35
		461

Pembina Band

312 persons

12 Bags of	Flour	48
80 lbs of	Tea	50
150 lbs of	Tobacco	75
600 lbs of	Pork or Pemmican	150
Cost of Carriage		35
		358

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St Peters Band — 1493 Persons

40	Bags of Flour	160
350	lbs of Tea	219
500	lbs of Tobacco	250
800	lbs of Pemmican	200
	Cost of Carriage	40
		869

Broken Head River — 90 Persons

4	Bags of Flour	16
25	lbs of Tea	15
50	lbs of Tobacco	25
200	lbs Pork & Pemmican	50
	Cost of Carriage	10
		116

Fort Alexander — 320 Persons

12	Bags of Flour	48
600	lbs of Pork & Pemmican	150
80	lbs of Tea	50
150	lbs of Tobacco	75
		223

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Indians from the neighbourhood not entitled to Annuity being outside of line of boundary will be here, to hear the Governments reply to their Application of September last

And for them		1223
2	Bags of Flour	8
100	lbs of Pemmican	25
45	lbs of Tea	9
25	lbs of Tobacco	12
	Cost of Carriage for the two preceding	70
		347

Manitoba Post (Treaty No 2) 160 persons

36.	Bags of Flour	# 144
1800	lbs of Pork	450
240	lb of Tea	150
450	lb of Tobacco	225
	Cost of Carriage	160
		1129

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that is to say

Portage	$ 461
Pembina	358
St. Peters	869
Bn Head River	116
Fort Alexander	347
Manitoba (No 2	1129
	$ 3280

The Indians who [illegible] Portage to [illegible] No 2 are [illegible] [illegible] Manitoba [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The presents of Provisions given to Indian Visitors and parties assembling for their Summer payments will amount to about $ 700 by the time the annuity money is received.

I have the honor to be

Sir.

Your Obedient Servant

J. M. Provencher

Indian Commr

Dr Sprague Esq

D. S. I. A.

Ottawa

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File 2057	Statement by Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher listing the quantities and description of supplies for Indians who were parties to the 1871 treaty. 1873
File 2071	Fort Walsh, Northwest Territories - Report of the murder of "The man who raised the ground", a Saulteau Indian; on the Benton Road in Montana; by American Indians. 1882
File 2118	Correspondence regarding the settling of American Sioux Indians in Manitoba, mostly in the area of Portage la Prairie. 1873
File 2118½	Winnipeg, Manitoba - Correspondence to and from J.A.N. Provencher, Indian Commissioner, reporting on the failure of Chief Prince and Big Ears to attend a scheduled conference at Stone Fort. 1873
File 2120	Portage la Prairie Agency - Correspondence regarding the setting up of a reserve for Yellow Quill's Band. 1873 - 1874
File 2021	Fort Garry, Northwest Territories - Correspondence regarding Minister of Interior's decision that no treaty be made in Saskatchewan that year. 1873
File 2024	Correspondence regarding the setting up of a Board of Commissioners for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1873

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E. J. Gall-
Winnipeg
2/June

Copy of letter from Mr Supt McIlree reporting death of a Canadian Indian at the hands of South Piegans on the Benton Road.

~~6/June Acknowledged~~
14th June Let'r Deputy Superior

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Col. V.

Fort Walsh 17 May 1882

2071

Sir,

I have the honor to report that a Salteaux Indian, belonging to Canada was killed by South Piegans, the other side of Milk River, on the Benton Road. This Indian was going to Benton with his family, travelling in carts. The Piegans met him, shook hands with him, and after he had passed a little way opened fire on him and eventually killed him. This Salteaux was a relation of Tanners who brought the murdered mans wife to this post, and all the evidence in the case was taken

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
(signed) J. F. McLeod
acting Agent

The Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg
Man.

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Copy.

Held by Inspector Frechette.

Fort Walsh 8th May 1882

Enquiry into the circumstances of the Shooting of one Saulteaux Indian called "The Man who raised the ground" on or about the third day of May instant on the Benton Road in the Territory of Montana United States

"Bear Blanket", a cree woman, widow of deceased, being sworn deposeth & saith

On the third May instant I was with my husband travelling on the Benton Road on the other side of the Line, thirty miles South of Milk River Crossing.

We saw a waggon with a party who had camped for dinner, we left the road to go and join the waggon. My husband ordered me to stop at some distance from the waggon to have dinner as there was water, as soon as I jumped from the

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the cart he told me to fetch some water while he unhitched the horses, as I returned with the water we saw two Indians in the distance & my husband told me not to start a fire,
He looked with his glasses and said those Indians were enemies, He kept looking with his glasses & after a while said: "They are coming. They will shoot us sure. Hurry up & put the horses to the carts" I did so. When the Indians (there were two of them on horseback & five on foot) saw us hitching up, they came running, we started & shortly after the two Indians came upon us, They jumped down from their horses & they stopped my husband. They shook hands with him, At the same time the five Indians who were on foot stopped at a distance and prepared

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prepared to fight, throwing down their blankets & painting their face. Now my husband started leading his Cart horse in the direction of the waggon, One of the Indians who had dismounted walked near him, My husband made signs to this Indian to make him understand that he had nothing to give him but that he would buy some provisions from the party at the waggon & share with him - The Indian signed that he wanted nothing -

The other five Indians overtook us, I was riding in my cart while my husband was leading the other, They walked on each side of my cart & one of them took my horse by the bridle. Then I called to my husband, saying. "One of them has got hold of my horse" as

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As soon as my husband looked behind this Indian let go my horse.

My husband had an Eighteen-Shooter rifle & he then loaded it filling the magazine.

When the Indian who was walking along side my husband talked to his partners.

Those Indians belong to another nation than our own & we could not understand their language, As soon as that Indian spoke to his partners one of these kneeled down to shoot my husband, I called to my husband saying; "There is one of them who is going to shoot you" This Indian got up again without shooting.

The waggon toward which we were going had, in the meantime, been hitched & was starting, we were now following

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following this waggon. as soon as it was across a little ridge & out of sight the Indians stopped and we went on, As soon as we had passed they began to shoot at us, At the first shot my husband was struck by a bullet in the hip going through the body and coming out on the other side, as soon as my husband was struck he turned around & opened fire on the Indians - The horse I was driving got scared & ran away with me, my husband shouted to me to stop the horse & I stopped him, my husband jumped in my cart with me, The other horse had stopped where my husband had commenced to fire, After my husband got into my cart he continued shooting and he received another bullet that went through him entering in the pit of the Stomach

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stomach, my horse had been wounded in the leg. Then we went to the other Cart & the enemy stopped shooting, We drove towards the waggon. Then we saw the Indians running to the Cart we had left with the wounded horse. When we had passed over the ridge my husband told me to stop & put him on the ground as he was dying, He told me to go to Fort Walsh & report that the Piegans had killed him, He told me to follow the waggon & promise them a robe to take me to Fort Walsh. I took the horse off the Cart & mounting him I rode after the waggon, The teamster was alone & he had two waggons When he understood that my husband had been killed, he mounted a horse and rode back with me towards the body of my husband, We found him

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him dead, The teamster left me there and went to fetch the wounded horse with the cart and robes that were in it, The Indians had taken only one blanket from it & the teamster brought back the horse, cart, & load, Then we put the two cart loads into one cart & put the body of my husband in the empty cart & we went to the waggons, we saw the Indians making off in the direction of the Sweet Grass Hills, The two Indians that were mounted had two big & fat iron grey horses, We went towards Cypress Hills, We left the body at our first camping place that day. at Milk River we met the Mail Carrier, some men came from Fort Assiniboine to fetch me with my property, I went to Assiniboine & put my property in charge of some persons there & I came on here with the mail Carrier

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Carrier, I arrived yesterday.

Sworn before me at Fort Walsh this 8th day of May 1882

"Ka-ma-squaw-reow"

Signed "The Bear her mark Blanket"

Sig^d John Cotton J.P.

Joseph Tanner a cree indian residing in the Cypress Hills being sworn deposeth and saith - The Indian who was shot "The man who raised the ground" was my cousin, He was camped near my house during the past month, My house is ten miles South of Fort Walsh in Cypress Hills, He had in his possession twenty buffalo robes, the result of his own hunt, These robes were purchased from him by Mr C. E. Conrad, of J. G. Baker & Co with the understanding that the "the man who raised the ground" should deliver them

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there in Benton, He was on his way to that place in order to carry out his Contract with Conrad when he was shot in the manner described by his wife, When the body was left on the road, it was wrapped in a Buffalo robe, the remaining nineteen robes were stored with Broadwater, M^c^Culloch & Co of Fort Assiniboine, Montana U.S.

Sworn before me at Fort Walsh this 8th day of May 1882
Signed "John Cotton"
J.P.

Signed "Joseph his X mark Tanner"

Certified true Copy
(Sig^d) John Cotton
Supt r a d^y

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Copy.

North West Mounted Police
Head Quarters
Fort Walsh 20th May 1882.

Reference No 573 of 1882.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that this section of the Territories, is now infested with horse thieves, these horse thieves are Indians from different American reservations, particularly from the "Piegan" reservation, some eighty miles West of Fort Shaw, Montana - large numbers of horses have been stolen from whitemen and Indians in this Country. In some cases the thefts have been daring ones, Stables have been broken into about the settlement here - as a general rule the horses so stolen have not been recovered.

Fredk White Esq
Comptroller
Ottawa

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Owing to the many depredations that have been committed, by American Indians, travelling is becoming unsafe even along our own frontier - A short time ago a half breed returning from Fort Macleod was pursued by Piegan Indians from an American Agency -

I enclose herewith copy of an enquiry held here to enquire into the circumstances, connected with the killing of a treaty Indian (Cree) who was on the way to Fort Benton Montana, for the purpose of disposing of some Buffalo robes, the result of his hunt

I have the honor
to be sir
Your Obedt Servant
(Md) A. G. Irvine
Commissioner

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File 2021	Fort Garry, Northwest Territories - Correspondence regarding Minister of Interior's decision that no treaty be made in Saskatchewan that year. 1873
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Indian Branch No 2118

No. Series Registry

Department of the Interior.

1873

Despatch No 37 (R)

Lieut Governor
N.W. Territories
6/17 June Fort Garry

Reports interview with Sioux Indians (from the United States) in reference to granting them lands and implements to work the same.

Action

See minute Cover
Ack by Sec of State 17/June
See Order in Council 13/Aug 73
Letter to Lt Gov of Manitoba
22/Aug – Letter from Commissr
Provencher 27/Aug 6/Sept – See Letter from
Lt Governor 21/14/Jany 74 – Ack 14/Jany
See letter from Lt Governor 25/10/Jany 74
See Letter to Lieut Governor 26/Jany
See letter from Lt Governor 14 Feb 2 March
Sent Copy of Remarks & Memo
by Min. Inland Revenue 28 Feb

For previous Correspondence See 2905

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22/April 74 See Memo to Council under No 1128

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Commissioners -

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Alex. Morris
L. G

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No 134 N

Government House,
Fort Garry,
February 14th 1874.

Sir,

I am in receipt of a despatch from the Deputy Minister of the Interior, of date 26th ult, in reply to mine of the 10th ult with reference to the Sioux Indians - I observe that the Deputy Minister states, that the Commissioniers have authority to procure the articles to be supplied to the Sioux at the proper time - I shall direct the attention of Mr Commissioner and Agent Provencher, to the matter, but

No. 2,118.
No 123 N.

Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

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but, at the same time, I take the opportunity of calling attention to the fact, that the Board of Indian Commissioners, of whom I have been appointed one, are, according to the despatch above referred to, apparently supposed to be charged with duties of <u>administration</u> with regard to Indians, while the Royal Commission appoints the Board for the purpose of suggesting an Indian policy and effecting treaties.

Whatever be the decision of the Privy Council with regard to the continuance of the Board, as to which I have already explained my views, I must respectfully

object

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object to being charged with such duties towards the Indians as the despatch in question suggests, as I cannot, in addition to my already onerous duties, be reasonably expected to assume such heavy responsibilities as the taking part in the active administration of Indian affairs and the oversight of the distribution of the Indian funds would imply - It was apparently intended that the latter was to have been one of my duties as a member of the Commission, inasmuch as the monies for the payments made under the North West Angle Treaty were placed to the credit of the Commissioners.

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(2118)

His Honor the Lieutenant
Governor of the N.W.T.
Fort Garry
Manitoba

Ottawa Jany 26 1874

(2118)

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch number 123 of the 16th instant reporting that on the 8th instant you had been waited on by Young Chief one of the recognized Chiefs of the Sioux ~~Indians~~ nation with a small party of his people, that the Chief intimated to you the willingness of his people to go to the Reserve intended for them, but that you learned afterwards that their desire was to be placed not on the west of Lake Manitoba but at the Junction of the Little Saskatchewan and Assiniboine Rivers on the north bank of the Assiniboine and west bank of the first named river and that it was your intention to cause enquiry to be made as to the character of the region designated by them and to report whether there was any reason why the wish of the Sioux to change their

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reserve should not be complied with.

~~I think~~ In reference to your remark that steps must be taken to provide the Indians with the articles enumerated in the official despatch of the 22nd. August I may observe that the Commissioners are by that Despatch authorized to obtain and furnish the Indians with the articles in question at the proper time.

I am
Sir
Your Obt. Servt.
J.O.S.

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No 123 N

Government House,
Fort Garry,
January 10th 1874.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you, that on the 8th inst. I was waited upon by "Young Chief," one of the recognised chiefs of the Sioux nation, and a small party of his people ——

His spokesman stated that he came to see about

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The Minister
of the Interior,
Ottawa.

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the land, that they were poor, & wanted to be placed on land, that they wished to know if they would be helped with seed, stock, &c, when they went on the land ——

I told them that the Government wished the Sioux to go to a Reserve, in the Spring, and told them that they would be given the articles named in the despatch from the Department of the Interior (named in the margin) — The chief intimated their willingness to go to the Reserve - I learn, however, that the Sioux desire to be placed, not on the West of Lake Manitoba, but at the junction of the Little Saskatchewan and the Assini-boine rivers, on the North bank of the Assiniboine and West bank of the first named river -

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river — I am told the country there is rolling, broken up by small lakes, stony with little fuel, and only fit for small farms — I will cause enquiry to be made as to the character of the region, and will report whether there be any reason why the wish of the Sioux should not be complied with ——

It is important to get them to settle as early as possible, and steps must be taken to provide the articles mentioned in the despatch —

I enquired of the Sioux chief how many of his nation were in our Territories. After consideration and consultation with his band, he estimated the number at 250 Tents

equal

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equal to about 1000 persons in all -

I made them a few presents, and they left well satisfied and well disposed -

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Alex. Morris

L G

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(No 2118) Ottawa January 14th 1874

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor
of the Northwest Territories
Fort Garry.
Manitoba

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 122 D. of the 2nd inst. reporting that you had been visited on the preceding Wednesday by a large number of Swan Indians from Portage la Prairie and its vicinity and that you had informed them that on the opening of the spring they would be shown the reserve which had been selected for this tribe on the west shore of Lake Manitoba, where they expressed their willingness to settle.

I may add that the department has not up to the present time received any information as to the precise position of the reserve in question; the last communication received on this subject being from Commissioner Provencher under date 27th August last.

I am Sir,
Your O. S.

(Ont)

Adv

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No 122. N.

Government House,
Fort Garry,
January 2nd 1874

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that on Wed-nesday last, I was visited by a large number of Sioux Indians from Portage la Prairie and its vicinity - They were headed by "White Eagle" -

I told them that a Reserve would be given to them

Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
- Ottawa -

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them and the rest of the
tribe now in the province,
and asked if they were ready
to settle upon it, and make
their home there - They expressed
the utmost desire to do so -

I also informed them
what implements &c would
be given them upon their
going on to the Reserve,
in accordance with the
terms of your despatch, No
30. (Augt. 22nd. 1873) -

I enquired what was
about the number of Sioux
Indians, now in the Province,
and was informed that
there were between 400
and

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and 500 men, probably representing about 1500 persons in all ——

I told them that as soon as the Spring opened, I would send some person to meet them, and show them the Reserve selected for them on the West shore of Lake Manitoba.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Alex Morris
L G

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No. 23

Office of the Secretary of State, 1873

Dep.t No 37 (A)

Lieut.-Governor
Fort Garry 7th June

Reports interviews with Sioux Indians (from the United States) on reserves planting them tools & implements to work the same &c

Act.g 17th June 73
O. S. Fortescue
17th June 1873
Submitted for the consideration of the committee of the Hon.ble the Priy Council.
By command
J. C. Aikins
for the Secy of State
for the Provinces
Returned from Committee
Report 24 Sept 73
O.C. 13 August 1873

Priy Council Chamber
23rd June 1873
Referred to the
Hon. the Secretary of
State for the Provinces
By order
J. Macpherson
C.P.C. Rec.d 24 Sept 73 O.C.

Letter to Lieut Governor of Manitoba 22 Aug

Department of the
Interior 6/8/73
Submitted to the
Hon.ble the Priy Council
for Report —
By Command
A. Campbell
Minister of the
Interior

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Indian Commissioner's office
Winnipeg 27th August 1873

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SEP 6
1873
OTTAWA.

Sir,

A surveyor being sent, on the 13th instant, on the west side of the Lake Manitoba to survey the Reserve granted to the Saulteaux, I went myself to the Portage, to ask them to send some of their men along with him, so as to get well acquainted with the locality, and guide the whole band thro afterwards. I had three men started off on Saturday afternoon, the 15th instant, and on Sunday, they proceeded with their journey; but during the day, either because they were not sufficiently prepared for so long a travel, or because they would like to have them reserve located somewhere else

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else, they turned back about twenty miles this side of their intended location. As I happened to meet them at that time, I insisted to make them complete their journey, and at least visit the place that the government had taken the trouble of selecting for them. I added that very likely they would not have another place, if they refused the one that was now granted to them after years of supplication on their part, as this one was in every way the most convenient for them -

The only answer that I could get from them was that they wanted to consult with their people, before proceeding further or accepting this reserve -

I heard afterwards that they had been joined by the Saulteux now encamped at White Mud River

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who had told them that they would not be allowed to live in their neighborhood, and that they had to look for another place -

These Saulteaux have been considered by the government as forming part of the band of Yellow Quill, but they strongly object to that arrangement, and they refuse positively to go on the reserve located for that band on the Assiniboine

These White Mud Indians have been settled for a long time along the White Mud River and the Lake Manitoba; they have some houses, gardens, farms, in that locality, and they ask to be allowed to keep them, and have the place given to them as a reserve.

To their demands I answered that they could not consider the locality as a separate reserve, but that those who were really forming

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might keep their property,
and that the portion of the
revenue would be settled at
a future time -

I hear that these people
are really good, industrious,
that they have always lived in
that part of the province in
very good terms with the
white people, and that they
could not be driven out of their
place without much harm
being done to them -

I have reason to
believe that if their titles
to this land that they cultivate
were confirmed, they would
forget their antipathies for the
Sioux, and let them settle
quietly on the revenue that the
government have granted to
them -

I expect to hear from
the Sioux in a few days, and

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will communicate to you at once all the information that I will get on this question -

I trust, I have no doubt, will smooth over this apparent ill feeling on the part of the Indians, and I expect to be able to inform you, pretty soon, that they have gone quietly on their reserve -

In same time, the surveyor has been instructed to proceed with his work, and I suppose that it is completed by this time -

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient
Servant

The Hon. Minister of Interior,
Ottawa

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The Hon.
The Lt Gov of Manitoba &
Fort Garry.

2030

Aug 22/73

Sir

(64)

Referring to your
despatch of 11th
(No 37. 10) of 11 7ber inst.
last, on the subject of
the Scotch Indian
Resident in the Province
of Manitoba, and who
on Sunday last was
the occasion of a great
disturbance in the Town
of Winnipeg, and
Commencement
I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Provinces to convey to you his approval of the course you pursued in this matter.

Hooks. 2 dozen Mush
Eat Darts and a Small
Quantity of Ammunition
and further that they
should, next Spring,
be given Corn for seed
seed potatoes, and
Hoes together with
a sufficient number of
oxen & plough..

~~The Women~~ His Ear
a Consent has therefore
been pleased to authorize the Commissioners
~~the Women of Cont for~~ ~~Indian~~
~~[illegible] & the North~~
~~West~~. to Mann &
permit the said Indians
at the proper time
with the articles
above enumerated -

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Copy *of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the* **PRIVY COUNCIL**, *approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the* 13th August 1873.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
AUG 18 1873
OTTAWA.

On a report, dated 6th August 1873, from the Hon. the Minister of the Interior submitting a Despatch, dated the 7 June last from the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, on the subject of the Sioux Indians, who have for some time past been living in the vicinity of Portage la Prairie, and who are shortly to remove to a Reserve set apart for them on the West Shore of Lake Manitoba.

The Minister states that during the coming Fall by which time it is probable they will be settled on their Reserve on the West Shore of Lake

To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c., &c., &c.

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Lake Manitoba, the Indians mentioned should be supplied with Axes, Twine for making nets, Fish Hooks, 2 dozen Musk Rat darts and a small quantity of Ammunition, and further, that next Spring, they should be given Corn for seed, Seed Potatoes, Hoes, together with a sufficient number of Oxen & Ploughs.

The Minister states that having given the subject consideration he agrees with the Lieutenant Governor as to the expediency of assisting these people in the manner and to the extent as proposed, and he accordingly recommends that the Indian Board for Manitoba and the North West Territories be authorized to obtain and furnish the Indians at the proper

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proper time with the Articles enumerated.

The Committee submit the above recommendation for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified

Dalhousie

on

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Department of the Interior
Ottawa August 6th 1873.

Mr a Report dated — from —

The Undersigned has the honour to submitting for the information of His Excellency the Governor General a Despatch dated the 7th June last from the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, on the Subject of the Sioux Indians, who have for some time past been living in the Vicinity of Portage la Prairie and who are shortly to remove to a Reserve set apart for them on the West shore of Lake Manitoba.

The Min. states that

His Honour The Lieut Governor suggests that during the coming Fall by which time it is probable

they

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on the West shore of Lake Manitoba,
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supplied with Nets Twine for making
nets, Fish hooks, 2 doz: Musk Rat
darts and a small quantity of
Ammunition, and further, that next
Spring, they should be given Corn
for seed, Seed Potatoes, Hoes, together
with a sufficient number of
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The Undersigned having given
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with the Lieutenant Governor as
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he accordingly recommends that
they

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the Indian Board for Manitoba and the North West Territories be authorized to obtain & furnish the Indians at the proper time with the Articles enumerated.

Respectfully submitted.

A. Campbell

Minister of the Interior

The Committee

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No 314.

M. No 53

To His Honour
The Lt. Governor
of Manitoba
Fort Garry
(No 213)

OSSP 17th June 1873.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the recd. of Yr. Despatch No. 37 of the 7th Inst. stating that you had, on the previous Wednesday, recd. a visit from a band of Sioux Indians resident within the Province of Manitoba, to whom you had promised a Reserve, & recommending that they should be provided with axes & fishing implements & also with seed grain ~~&~~ & farming utensils &c.

Yr. Despatch will be submitted for the consid.n of the Govr. Genl. & Council. Thanks &c.

E.A.M.

Commd
E.A.M.

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Government House,
Fort Garry,
June 7th 1873

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No. 37. 11.

Refused to Levy & State for Provinces
Invoice

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that, on Wednesday last, I received a visit from a band of about one hundred (100) Sioux, resident within the province, for the most part in and about Portage la Prairie -

I received their chiefs and head men in Government House, and was assisted by the Honble James McKay and by Mr Provencher the Indian Commissioner -

The Sioux asked for a reserve and for implements to work the lands upon which it is proposed to settle them - They said that at present they had no homes, nor means of living, and appealed to me to take care of them -

I promised to give them a Reserve, and arranged to show them, within fourteen days, the lands which it

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is proposed should constitute it —

With regard to implements I told them I could make no promise, but would submit their request to the proper authorities —

I informed them that the lands about to be given to them were intended for themselves alone, as they had been resident in the country for twelve years — The Bands of Sioux now in the United States must remain there —

I impressed upon them the necessity for their being orderly and quiet; told them that they must in no account trouble the settlers or the other Indians, and must go at once on to their Reserve lands — all which they promised —

I then gave them presents and dismissed them —

I would suggest that the Sioux, after being settled on their

Reserve

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Reserve, should, by next Fall, be supplied with Axes, Twine for making Nets, Fishhooks, Two(2) dozen Muskrat darts, and a small quantity of Ammunition -

I would further suggest that the Sioux should next Spring be given; Corn for Seed; Seed Potatoes; Hoes, together with a sufficient number of Oxen and Ploughs -

I think there is reason to believe that the Band will settle down and become useful - They already, as I am informed, do a large portion of agricultural work at Portage la Prairie. -

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Alex. Morris
L. G

Hon.ble
The Secretary of State,
For the Provinces,
Ottawa -

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INDIAN BRANCH.

1873

J. A. N. Provencher
Indian Comr
Winnipeg
Manr

15 July
/73

Telegraphs that Chief Prince & his Band did not meet him at Stone Fort as appointed

✓ 13 July lett to Comr Provencher
✓ 16/ 16 July fur Let from " "
✓ 23/ 10 July lett " " "

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Treaty #1
At Stone

Black

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I A N. Provencher Esq
Indian Com'
Winnipeg -

Dept of the Interior
Indian Branch
Ottawa, Aug 4th 187

Sir

I am directed by the Minister of the Interior to ask the rest of your letter of the 10th Inst. on the subject of his conoffice telegram of the preceding day.

The Minister desires me to assure you that there was no disposition on his part to do you the slightest injustice, but that information had reached him from sources entitled to credence that you had made an engagement to meet the Band of Chief Prince - not at the Stone Fort but at another Rendezvous, and that you

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you had failed to be there.

As it would appear from your letter that the above information was incorrect the Minister has ~~[illegible]~~ communicated its contents to the parties from whom the information was received, and upon receiving their reply will direct a further communication to be sent to you on the subject.

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Mr. [illegible] who attended a letter Book return to me

[illegible]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL 23 1873
OTTAWA.

Bureau du Commissaire des Sauvages
Winnipeg, 10 juillet 1873

Monsieur,

En réponse à votre dépêche télégraphique en date d'hier m'ordonnant d'expliquer pour quelles raisons je n'ai pas tenu l'engagement que j'avais pris avec le Chef Prince et sa bande pour le 19 juin dernier, et pourquoi je les ai fait mander au Fort de Pierre, je ne puis m'empêcher d'exprimer ma surprise que vous paraissiez accepter comme parfaitement exacts des renseignements qui peuvent vous parvenir sur ma conduite, avant même que j'aie été mis en demeure de m'expliquer. Les inconvénients d'une pareille pratique sont démontrés dans la circonstance actuelle, puisque je n'ai jamais pris d'engagement autre que pour le 19, avec le Revd M. Cochrane qui s'était chargé d'en donner avis à toute la bande, et que ce jour-là je me suis rendu à l'endroit généralement choisi pour les réunions de ce genre - Aussitôt arrivé au Fort de Pierre, le 19 après midi, j'ai fait prévenir le Chef Prince de mon arrivée pour l'entrevue qu'il avait lui-même demandée

File with Fort translation

A.A.A. Provencher
Indian Commr.
Fort Garry
Jul 10/23
Man:
Explains to the Meeting with Chief Prince's Band did not take place
[illegible] for the 19th ult.

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Il fit comprendre au messager qu'il viendrait le lendemain, mais je l'attendis en vain jusqu'au lendemain soir. Je ne puis croire qu'il fut necessaire de pousser plus loin la complaisance.

Quant au fait de convoquer les sauvages au Fort de Pierre, je ne sache pas que l'honorable Monsieur Archibald ait jamais été blâmé pour avoir tenu Conseil avec ces mêmes sauvages au même Fort de Pierre, ni Mr Simpson ou Mr. Stobart pour les y avoir payés -

L'une des raisons pour lesquelles cette pratique s'est établie ici, outre l'inconvénient qu'il y aurait, dans plusieurs Cas, à passer deux ou trois jours dans un camp sauvage, c'est que des provisions en quantité suffisante pour ceux qui assistent à la réunion, sont toujours fournies par le département. C'est un devoir auquel nous ne pourrions manquer, et pour l'exécution duquel le voisinage d'un poste de la Compagnie de la Baie d'Hudson est de la plus grande importance -

Quelques personnes, je le sais, ont beaucoup de préjugés contre la Compagnie de la Baie d'Hudson, mais je n'ai jamais eu d'instructions en ce sens, de la part du gouvernement, et je ne me crois pas tenu aux mêmes prévention; d'autant plus que les agents de la Compagnie ont toujours montré les meilleures dispositions à seconder les efforts

^ ou à tout autre poste de la Compagnie de la Baie d'Hudson

même

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que nous faisons pour assurer le contentement et le bien-être des sauvages, et à nous aider de leur influence, de leur position et de leur expérience —

Dans toutes les affaires de pure administration, de pratique et d'habitude, comme celle qui fait le sujet de votre dépêche, de même que sur les questions nouvelles et plus importantes qui s'imposent à notre attention, c'est un devoir de consulter non seulement les personnes dont vous m'avez, à plusieurs reprises, conseillé de prendre les avis, mais encore les citoyens du pays les plus capables d'exprimer une opinion intelligente et désintéressée — Il ne me serait pas permis d'ignorer rien pareille matière, rien ne doit être fait à la légère —

Dans les informations qui sont parvenues au gouvernement au sujet de ce projet d'entrevue au Fort de Pierre, il pourrait se trouver quelques détails auxquels la concision de votre dépêche ne me permettrait pas de répondre immédiatement — Après de nouvelles communications de votre part, je serai prêt à vous donner toutes les explications désirables —

Je ne puis terminer cette

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lettre sans vous exprimer le regret que le ton de votre dépêche indique, à mon égard, une défiance à laquelle je ne saurais rester insensible, et qui, si elle était le résultat d'une conviction arrêtée dans l'esprit de l'honorable Ministre de l'Intérieur, serait un obstacle sérieux à l'exécution des devoirs que j'ai à remplir ici.

L'état du pays et l'esprit de la population demandent que nous ayons la confiance et la protection du gouvernement, si nous voulons obtenir les résultats que notre devoir envers le pays nous ordonne de rechercher.

J'ai l'honneur d'être,
Monsieur,
Votre humble serviteur
J. M. Provencher
Commissaire des Sauvages

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"Translation"

Indian Commissioner's Office
Winnipeg, 10 July 1873.

Sir,

In answer to your Telegraphic Dispatch of yesterday's date, instructing me to explain the reason why I did not keep the engagement I made with Chief Prince and his Band for the 19th June last, and why I requested them to come to the Stone Fort, I cannot but express my surprise at your seeming acceptance, as correct, of information, which may come to you, in reference to my conduct before I may have been placed in a position to explain myself.

The inconvenience of such a proceeding is demonstrated in this case, as I never entered into any other engagement, but the one for the 19th with the Reverend Mr. Cochrane, who undertook to notify the whole of the Band of this meeting. and on that day I went to the place generally selected for that purpose - On my arrival at the Stone Fort on the 19th P.M. I sent intimation to Chief Prince of my arrival for the interview which he himself had demanded. He told the Messenger that he would

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would come the next day, but in
vain did I wait for him until the evening of
the following day.

I cannot believe, that it was ne-
-cessary to be more condescending

As to the fact of calling the Indians
together at the Stone Fort or at any
other posts of the Hudson's Bay Co. I
am not aware of the Honorable Mr
Archibald ever having been blamed,
for having held Councils with those
very same Indians and at that
same Stone Fort, nor Mr. Simpson
or Mr St. John, for having join
them there.

One of the reasons why this custom
was established here, is that, besides
the inconvenience to be met with,
in several cases, in passing two or
three days in an Indian Camp, a
Sufficient supply of provisions
is always furnished by the Depart-
-ment, for those present at such
meetings; this is one of the duties
to which we could not fail to
attend and for the execution of which
the proximity to one of the Posts of
the Hudson's Bay Co. is most
important.

Several persons, I believe, have
strong prejudices against the Hudson's
Bay Co.; but I have never received
any intimation, in that sense from
the Government and I do not believe
myself

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myself bound to the same prejudices, particularly as the Agents of the Company have always shown the best disposition to assist us in our efforts to insure contentment and the welfare of the Indians, through their influence, their position and their experience.

In all the affairs of simple Administration, of custom and of habit, such as the one which is now the subject of your Despatch and such new questions which may present themselves, I always make it my duty to consult, not only those persons whose, on several occasions you have advised me to consult, but also such settlers in the Country most capable to express an intelligent and disinterested opinion - It would be wrong for me to ignore, that in such a case, nothing should be done lightly.

In the information which has reached the Government concerning this projected meeting at the Stone Fort, there may be some details, which the conciseness of your Despatch would prevent me from answering immediately —

On the receipt of further communication from you, I shall be ready to give you all the explanations

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-nations desired.

I cannot terminate this letter without expressing to you, the regret, that the tenor of your Despatch indicates towards me a distress to which I cannot remain indifferent. And which, if it was the result of a fixed conviction in the mind of the Hon. the Minister of the Interior, would be a serious obstacle to the execution of the duties I have to fulfil here.

The State of the Country and the Character of its population require that we should have the confidence and the protection of the Government, if we wish to obtain the results which our duty towards the Country prescribes us to look for.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant

Signed J M Provencher
Indian Commissioner

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Reserve.

Referring to the paragraph in the Commissioner's letter expressing regret that the survey of the Indian Reserves had not been completed soon" the undersigned begs to observe that the cause of the delay has been the fact that until the Commissioner arrived in the Province lately, no steps could be taken towards the locating the outer boundaries - which is the first step towards a subdivision - always excepting the St Peters/Henry Princes/Reserve - which the undersigned caused to be surveyed under the description that of in the Treaty - McRussell who left lately was fully instructed to arrange the location of the remaining Reserves with the Commr and have the same laid out without further delay

J. S. Dennis
S.G.

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No. 364 Time 10.60 July 16th 1873

By Telegraph from Fort Garry 15

To W S Pragge

Henry prince & Big Ears band have refused to take the treaty money because they so called outside promised such as clothing for Everybody Cattle implements & C are not yet fulfilled they insist to go to Ottawa

J A N Provencher

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Telegraph him "all promises made by Commissioners will be fully carried out instructions go to you by mail

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this day - Prince can do no
good to himself or his
people by coming to Ottawa
tell him so and explain
that his taking treaty money
will not hinder complete fulfilment
of any promises really made
by Commissioners "

Write him to same
effect. enlarging on
it and explaining
P.C.
delay in survey as
per her Dennis' memo

Telegraph sent as
above to Mr Provencher
18 July /73

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Yellow Quill

No 2126 No 3730 & 20424 herewith

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1873

J. A. N. Provencher
Asst Comm
Winnipeg
Man

5/July
/16

Has just returned from Portage la Prairie on a visit to Yellow Quills Band & gives a statement of his interview with the Indians

Off. of Dom. Ld Surv
June 25/75

Left to this time I am not aware of any report of a second survey of a Reserve for Yellow Quills Band having been received at this office

L. U. Dennis
D.G.

Treaty #1
Location & Survey
J.D.R.
12/7/30

✓ 25/Aug Lett to Comr Provencher
✓ 22/Sept Lett from "Yellow Quill"
✓ 7th/Oct " to "

Blank
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✓ 13/July Lett to Comr Provencher
✓ 21/Oct Lett from Comr Provencher
✓ 30/Nov 3. Ack.d & Anan.d to Mr Provencher

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See memo on telegrams inside

Indian Commissioner's Office
Winnipeg 5th July/73

Sir,

I have recently returned from a trip to the Portage, where I had promised to pay a visit to Chief Guillaume Sayer and had a long conversation with them, and explained fully the views of the Government as regards the Indians — In this information that I had to convey to them concerning the intentions of the Government in regard to the Indian Territory I insisted on the necessity that now exists for their settling on their reserves

amongst the papers on the subject of the treaty referred to in this letter is a letter from Mr St Johns which I explains that the Indians made a number of reasonable demands and was pressed to receive a visit from the Chief and Council at their request. I found St Johns letter in these papers — apparently written with a view to be carried out. I took it upon myself to furnish the party directed with a copy of the letter contained in your telegram of the 31st ult. I presume Mr Spragge has forwarded to Mr St Johns a copy of the telegram and to her for see has for action has been taken.

Mr Johns has & I have asked him to furnish me with a copy of his letter

and complete what is incomplete in the carrying out of my memorandum in St Johns letter N.C.

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to commence a new life, and
prepare themselves to adopt
the habits of the white men.

I told them that if
they would accept these
views the government of Canada
would do all that is neces-
sary to help them, would
give them schools and school
masters, agricultural im-
plements, cattle, and a man
to instruct them in agriculture
and mechanics.

They seem to acknowledge
the impossibility of living any
more by hunting, and the neces-
sity of changing their means
of existence, but they have
the most exaggerated and the
most erroneous opinions about
the amount of help that
the government is obliged
to give them. The latter

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of the treaties is nothing to them, but they constantly talk of the outside promises that were made to them -

They see that the emigrants are pouring in, and they calculate the value of their lands on which they claim a full right of property, by the advantages that these new comers are drawing from these lands, and they express strongly the desire of being paid accordingly -

More than that, they assert that the same promises that the most extraordinary demands were granted to them, when the treaties were made, by the representatives of the government -

At the Portage, where I have met the bands of Yellow Quill on 24th and 25th of

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of June, one of the Speakers
asserted that they had been told
at the time, that each family
would be provided with
all their clothing, would
have a first class house, and
that the Canadian emigrants
would be forced to do their
work and would be paid for
it by the government of Canada.

It seems that many
misunderstandings of this kind
exist in regard to the treaties, pro-
bably due to the interpreters, and
creating a good deal of difficulty
that we have to deal with now.

In the way of implements
and cattle, they ask for a far
larger quantity than we what we
can give them for their actual
use, probably in view of trading
part of them. When I said
to Yellow Quill's Band that
this fall, they would only get
one pair of working oxen, they

expressed

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expressed a great surprise - every head of family expected to have one. I vainly endeavoured to explain that we would have to gave them one man to plough for them, and that he could do in a week more than would be necessary for them: they were too much deceived in their expectations -

It is much to be regretted that the surveying of the different indian reserves has not been completed sooner - For some of them, the boundaries have not yet been fixed, and nowhere have the division in quarter sections been yet made. Under these circumstances, the Indians cannot be asked to go and live on a reserve, the situation of which is only vaguely understood - They go

roaming

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roaming about the settlements,
to the great annoyance of
the settlers, for whose property
they have not always a due
respect—

Another evil result
of that delay is in the fact
that some emigrants seem
to have settled in the reserves,
not knowing or taking advantage
of the absence of acknowledged
boundaries. Sometimes we
hear of these trespasses only
after they have gone through
the expenses of building and
fencing; and while their
departure cannot be ordered
without a great loss to them,
the confirmation of their
rights means a great inconve-
nience for the Indians—

In the same way
some parties have been
cutting

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cutting timber on these limits, and we have to keep a constant watch to prevent them from wasting indian property —

The Indians cannot understand the reasons of these delays, and the dissatisfaction that they feel is talked over not only in the Province, but in the whole North West Territories, and I apprehend new difficulties from this fact when treaties with the tribes of Rainy lake and of the Saskatchewan are attempted.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient
servant

J. W. Provencher
Indian Comm^r

Instruct Mr Provencher that all correspondence is to be addressed to the Minister of the Interior
N. C.

W. Sprague,
D. S. I. A. —
Ottawa

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Department of the Interior
Indian Branch
July 18th 1873

Sir,

I am directed by the Hon the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, to inform you that Mr Surveyor General Dennis explains that the survey of the outlines of the various Reserves specified in the Treaties concluded in August 1871, excepting that at St Peters,- (application for the performance of which Surveys was made by this office on the 8th March last) had been deferred for your arrival within the Province of Manitoba.

Steps might then be taken for locating those Reserves. I'm

J. A. N. Provencher Esqr.
Indian Commissioner
Fort Garry
Manitoba

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St John particularized the presents which it was understood that Governor Archibald and Commissioner Simpson had promised should be given; and by Telegram of the 31st of the following month Mr St John was informed that the recommendation contained in his letter would be complied with. Accordingly, the following May, he purchased and delivered when the parties were prepared to receive them, a Sow Pig for each Chief, and a Boar Pig for each Reserve, on the Terms described in Mr St Johns letter.-

For each Chief, "a Male and female of each animal used by a Farmer".

The maintaining a School on each of the Reserves specified for

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Mr Dennis states further that Mr Russell who has left lately for Manitoba, was fully instructed to arrange the location of the remaining Reserves with you, and to have the same laid out without further delay.

In connection with these Surveys you will have the goodness to request that, in those cases in which the Indians desire a sub-division of their Reserves, with a view to farming operations, the dividing them into the quantities to which under the Treaties each family has become entitled to may be proceeded with at once.

With reference to your letter of the 5th Inst, + + +

Indians who require to
use them. The Commissioner
and Agents must carefully
protect the Timber on the
Indian Reserves from plunder
and destruction or waste.

You will use your
discretion with reference
to the delivering of Farm
Animals and other presents
to the Indians keeping in
view their for taking
care of them.

You will please to
estimate the cost of such
presents as it will be requisite
to deliver to those Indians
within the next three
Months, in order that an
official Cheque for the
amount may be forwarded
to you.

I have &c
(sgd) H. Spragge
D. S. G. A.

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Copy of Letter from Dr Provencher
with regard to the changing of the
location of Yellow Quill's Reserve.
Aug 24/74

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Copy

Indian Commissioners Office
Winnipeg 24th August 1874

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Indians of the Portage have lately expressed the desire of having their Reserve laid off at a point further west than the place where it was surveyed last fall. From two communications dated respectively the 3rd of November and the 26th of December last I understand that this proposed change would be in perfect accordance with the views of the government. In consequence

To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior

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consequence I beg to suggest that
a new survey should be made
of the land pointed out by the
Indians themselves as their intended
Reserve

If this proposal is accepted I
propose to go myself along with a
surveyor to obtain from the Indians
the formal acceptance of this new
Reserve and their renunciation
to all rights that they might have
had on any other locality
I believe that this measure is
necessary to prevent all discussions
that otherwise might arise again
about this question

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
signed I. A. N. Provencher
Indian Commissioner

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Approved. It is understood that the Reserve is to be on the South of the Assiniboine River, in Townships 8, 9 Ranges 9 & 10 west of the principal Meridian. The estimate of families in Yellow Quills band and those who are now settled at White Mud River being about 125. This will give 20,000 acres which with five miles square as allowed by Treaty viz 16,000 acres - will make 36,000 acres in all.

Signed. D. Laird

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Copy of instructions to Mr —
Rowand with regard to Yellow —
Quills Reserve Oct 25/74

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Fort Garry
Aug. 25, 74.

Sir.

Pt. Government House, I found the enclosed report, which shows that the Survey of the Indian reserve for Yellow Quill has been attempted before without Success. You will require to be very careful in your dealings with him and his people. He speaks of his gardens and grounds. You can as much as possible accede to his wishes in regard to the place of the reserve. You may extend it along the river to include any place of resort though not mentioned in the Townships which I mentioned in yesterdays last instructions. But I think we cannot let the

I. A. T. Provencher, Esq.
Indian Commissioner
Fort Garry

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quantity of land much exceed the quantity named in the Treaty. A small percentage for might be allowed -

If Yellow Quill wishes his five miles each way to extend any particular direction, I think you might grant it for peace sake. You will require to take some supplies or means to get them with you to keep the band satisfied while the work is going on. I presume you have sufficient funds for this purpose if not borrow a few hundred dollars from Treaty No. 3. as in case of Point.

Yours &c

Signed D. Laird -

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Whitehorse House
Indian Trading Store
Portage La Prairie
Sept. 22. 1874

The Hon. - Laird
Minister of the Interior
Winnipeg

Dear Sir

I was promised at the Indian Treaty 60 miles square as the reserve for my Indians and I find that instead of getting 60 miles square I have only 8 and I wish to know what I am to have as I can get no satisfaction from any other source I leave this letter for you to see on your return. I am not going to leave this thing alone until I get what I was faithfully promised

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promised & hope you will
interest yourself on our
behalf & oblige your's faithfully

Wasaw we quon

Chief of Portage Indians

P.S. Written for Yellow Quill
at my house Sept. 22-74.
Frank Field

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Chief Yellowquill
Dept 22 Oct 1874
Copy of reply
Re The Reserve for his Band

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Winnipeg, Octr 1st. 1874.

I have the honor, by direction of the Minister of the Interior, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd. ultimo, in which you state that you were promised at the time the Indian Treaty was made 60 miles square as a Reserve, and that, instead of receiving 60 miles square, you have only 8 miles square. In reply I am to state that it does not appear on the face of the Treaty that any such quantity of land was promised, nor have we any evidence that any such promise was made. Under these circumstances your request cannot be complied with. The quantity of land which is specified in the Treaty will be laid out, in accordance with the terms thereof.

This may as well be understood by you now, that the Minister of the Interior has no power to grant you any more land than is promised in the Treaty, and it will only be a loss of time and trouble for you to continue applying for what you demand, for it is unreasonable, and cannot be conceded.

The Minister directs me to say that a surveyor has been instructed to lay off the Reserve for your Band, in accordance with the terms of the Treaty, and he advises you to assist him in proceeding with his work,

I am,
your obt servt.
M. G. Dickinson,
Private Secretary of the
Minister of the Interior.

Chief
Wasaw wegnon, or Yellow quill.

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DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
OCT 30 1874
OTTAWA

Indian Commissioner's office
Winnipeg 21 October 1874

Sir,

I regret to have to report that the question of the Reserve to be granted to Yellow Quill on the south bank of the Assiniboine River could not be settled this fall -

At my last interview with the Chief, he explained to me that he was led to expect that a far larger tract of land would be marked out !

To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

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out for him than I was allowed to promise according to the Treaty and your instruction -

When the views of the Government were fully made known to him, he seemed himself to be satisfied of the conditions and of the area granted, but he objected to having that matter finally arranged otherwise than in presence of the whole Band, and for this reason, it is postponed till next Spring.

In the meantime,

the

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the survey is progressing, and when the location of the Reserve will be finally settled, the surveyor will have only to put the stakes at the corners of the Reserve

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

J W Provencher

Indian Commr

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J. A. L. Provencher Esq
Indian Com
Winnipeg
Manitoba

No. 2120

Nov. 3. '74

Sir

I have the honor to ask the aid of your letter on the subject of the proposed Reserve for 'Yellow-quill,' and stating that, though at first dissatisfied at the smallness of the tract of land marked out for him, he had, upon your explaining fully the views of the Govt, expressed himself satisfied with the area of land reserved for him; but that he objected to any final arrangements being come to unless his whole Bank were present, and that for that reason the matter had been postponed until the Spring.

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File 2024	Correspondence regarding the setting up of a Board of Commissioners for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1873

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W. D. Harper
St Peters.

Complains that Counsellors who were duly elected for the St Peters Indians have not been allowed to act.

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1882

H. D. Harper
St Peters
Manitoba
7/June 13

Complains that Councillors who were duly elected by the St Peters Indns have not been allowed to act.

23	June	Let to	Dewdney
24	"	" "	Harper
13/14	"	" from	Graham and 1st April let to E. McColl.
14/30	"	Let to	J. F. Graham
25	July	Let from	Galt.
4	Augt	Let to	Galt
27	July	Let from	Mc. J. Graham
22	Sept	Let from	J. Graham
28/Oct			
5/12	Dec.	Let from	E. Dewdney
		to	
14	"		Crighton
18/19	Dec.	Let from	J. Crighton. Brandon Presbytery

ACTION.

26 Dec Let to Dewdney
5/19 Jan 85 Let from J. F. Graham
3/9 Feb Letter from E. McColl
23/27 " Let " do
9/12 Jan Let from Chief & Council St Peters.
18 " " to E. McColl 18 Dec. Let to E. McColl.
23/28 Jan Let from E. McColl 27/31 " " 8 Enc from D°
4/8 Feb Let from E. McColl D° D°
18 Feby Let D to E. McColl 31 Dec 19/ Let 8 Enc from D°
22 Feby Let D to Lieut Governor 15 Jan 91 Let to D°
22 Feby Let D to Secretary of State Jany memo. to Council
6 Mar Let. D. to do 14 " Let. to E. McColl.
9/12 Apl Let from E. McColl. 21 Jan 91 Order in Council
19 " Let to do 21 " Let to E. McColl
25/26 " " from do 23 Jan 2 Lets from Jas Settee
29 May 2 June Let from E. Dewdney 27 Jan Let " Wm Acham & others
7 " " to Ind Comr 27 Jan Let to do
21/25 Mar Let from E. McColl. 2/4 Feb Let 8 Enc from E. McColl
Feb 13-5 E. McColl.
April Let to E. McColl.
23/24 May Let from E. McColl
23 May Let to do
23 May/2 Sept Let from J. Settee
17 " Let to do
" " E. McColl
22/26 Let 3 Enc from E. McColl
6 " to do with enclosures
" Rev. J. Settee
26/Oct 11 Let from E. McColl

ACTION CONTINUED.

24 Oct, Let to E. McColl.
7/11 Nov " from do with Encl
14 " 2 Lets to do
2 Nov Let from E. Cole
26 " " to do
2 Dec Let from do
18 Dec. Let to E. McColl.
27/31 " " 8 Enc from D°
D° D°
31 Dec 91/4 Jan 92 Let 8 Enc from D°
14 " Let to E. McColl.
21 " Let to E. McColl
23 Jan 92 Let " Wm Acham & others
27 Jan Let to do
4/7 Feb Let 8 Enc from E. McColl
Feb 13-5 E. McColl.

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On the 3rd Dec. 1881. a notice
was given by the agent to the Band to have
an Election to take the place of
two retiring Councillors whose
term of service had Expired - The
Election took place one week from
such notice being given and
William Harper and John Thomas
were elected the former by 70 of
a majority and the latter by 5 —
a report of which was forwarded
by Mr. Muckle the agent. to the
Superintendent at Winnipeg (Mr.
Graham) - Mr. Graham directed even
having given Mr. Muckle instruc-
tions to have an Election and so
reported the same to Mr. Dewdney
Mr. Muckle produced his authority
from Mr. Graham and Mr. Dewdney
said he would see into it. and in the
meantime the newly Elected Councillors
acted as such in many ways without
being interfered with by the Department

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About two months afterwards the
Chief Henry Prince called an Election
and the Councillors Thomas and
Harper were defeated. This Election
Mr. Graham acknowledged. Tho it
was protested against at the time
to the agent Mr. Clarke who said
it was illegal but that he could not
help it. According to the Indian Act
the first Election is legal and the
second one illegal and we want to
know whether we can get any
redress in another quarter than
the department in Winnipeg.

St Peters June 7th 1882

Indian department

Ottawa

W. D. Harper

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 1882

Treaty No 1

List of Articles required to complete Suits of Clothing for two Councillors under the above Treaty.

Name of Band	Pants	W Shirt	F. Hat	Sock	Buffs Kin Mocassins	Silk Hat &	Leather Belt	Remark
St Peters	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Thomas Smith and John Flett, elected Councillor last Fall
	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	

Indian Office
Winnipeg 13th June 1882.

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No. 4167

Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 13th June 1882

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith, a requisition for Clothing, being for the two Councillors elected last Fall, one to replace Ashawohme whose time has expired, and George Irvine deceased,

I beg to state for your information that I have on hand, from old Stock, the two Coats required, and would most respectfully request that the articles mentioned in the requisition be forwarded to enable me to distributed the same at the time of paying their Annuities, or to instruct me to have them made here.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Ser[illegible]

Jas. L. Wa[illegible]

Indian Superinte[illegible]

The Right Hon'ble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Mr McN acknowledges request in Sixteen to explain what he means by the Councillor Ashawohme has having expired

June 19/82 AM Rec'd 24/[illegible]

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

Winnipeg. 25th July 1882.

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Sir.

In reply to your letter of 23rd ult. No 2172 I beg to say that the first Election of Councillors for the St. Peter's Band was illegal as the Chief and Councillors were not present. The second Election however was in order.

I am Sir
Your obt Servt
E. D. Galt
Asst Comr.

Mr Hon'ble.
The Supt Genl of Indn Affs.
Ottawa.

No Indian Ack Unequal
Mr Galt to reply
Keep [illegible]
Aug 2/82

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No. 5'15'7

Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 28th Sept 1882

Sir

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, relative to the election of Councillor Ashawanee.

I beg to state for your information that the election for Councillors of the St Peters Band are held every three years and in accordance with the customs of the Band.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Jno. P. Wright
for Indian Superintendent

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

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No. 5414

12/12/82

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Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 5th December 1882

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that owing to the new election of two Councillors in the St Peters Band. Treaty No 1 last fall, the newly appointed Councillors John Flett and Thomas Smith have not as yet received their Councillors suits of Clothing and as there is a certain amount of dissatisfaction existing among these Indians arising from the late election of Chief and Councillors it is necessary that they should have their Councillors suits to designate them as such.

I would suggest that the Councillors above referred to be supplied with a

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

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a Councillors suit each as soon as possible.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E. Dewdney
Indian Commissioner

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Kingston Penitentiary
18th Dec., 1882.

Sir,

I send you by Express to-day, the following articles ordered in your letter of the 14th inst. for Indian Councillors of St. Peters Band of Indians Manitoba:-

- 2 Pairs Trousers
- 2 Shirts, Grey Military Flannel
- 2 Pairs Beef Skin Moccasins
- 2 Pairs Woollen Socks
- 2 Felt Hats, soft
- 2 Leather Belts.
- 2 Black Silk Handkerchiefs

I am, Sir,
Your obed't. Serv't.,
John Creighton
Warden

L. Vankoughnet, Esq.
Deputy of the Supt. Genl
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Rec 22/12/82

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Hon E Dewdney
Indian Com'r for
Man & N.W.T.
Winnipeg
Man

5414

Dec'r 26 /82

Sir,

23.12.82

With reference to your letter of the 5th Inst relative to suits of clothing not having been supplied the newly elected Councillors of the St Peters Band John Flett and Thomas Smith I have the honor to inform you that the following articles have this day been forwarded to your address ~~per express~~ put up in three parcels.

2 Pairs Trousers
2 Shirts Grey Mil: Flannel
2 prs beef skin Moccasins
2 " wooler socks
2 felt hats
2 leather belts
2 Black silk Hdks.

The coats may be supplied from those reported by Mr Supt Graham to be on hand in his office.

I have &c

RS

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Harper Wm	Total votes polled	108
Smith Thos	" " "	88
Wm Harper elected by a Majority of		20

Green Wm	Total votes polled	71
Parisean Jos	" " "	40
Wm Green majority over Parisean		31

Green Wm	Total votes polled	71
Settee J. James	" " "	43
Wm Green majority over Settee		28

Green Wm	Total votes polled	71
Thomas Philip	" " "	42
Wm Green majority over Thomas		29

Therefore the newly elected Councillors are Wm Harper
and Wm Green

Certified Correct
A. Millbuckle
Indian Agent

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List

of persons who voted at the election of Councillors 26th January 1885
for St Peters Band of Indians

No.	Name of Voters	Wm Harper	Thomas Smith	Joseph Parisean	Wm Green	James Settee Jr	Philip Thomas
1	Geo Sutherland Sr. Chief	/				/	
2	Thomas Harper (carpenter)	/				/	
3	Geo Sutherland Jr No 2	/				/	
4	Thomas Williams	/				/	
5	Charles do	/		/			
6	Joseph do	/		/			
7	Andrew do	/		/			
8	Thomas Bear Sr	/					/
9	Joseph Morriseau	/					/
10	John Thomas (M)	/					/
11	Wm Mouinquay	/			/		
12	Abr.m Thomas	/					/
13	Geo Turner	/					/
14	Alum Henderson		/		/		
15	John Flett Jr	/				/	
16	Joseph Spence		/		/		
17	Pat Morriseau	/				/	
18	Jno Jas. Flett.	/				/	
19	Fred Prince	/					/
20	Joseph Thomas	/					/
21	Baptiste Parisean	/		/			
22	Morison West	/					/
23	A. Thomas	/					/
24	Alex Bear	/					/
25	Hector Thomas	/					/
26	Alex do	/					/
27	Geo do	/					/
28	Robt Sanderson	/					/
29	Wm Henderson		/		/		
	Forward	26	3	4	4	7	14

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		Harper	Smith	Parisian	Green	Settee	Thomas
	Brt Forward	26	3	4	4	7	14
30	Jack Thomas	1					1
31	Thomas Thomas	1					1
32	James York	1				1	
33	Albert Stevinson	1				1	
34	Simon Thomas	1					1
35	Thomas Daniels	1					1
36	Michael Cadot		1		1		
37	Robt Smith		1	1			
38	John Parisian		1	1			
39	Wm Henderson No 2		1		1		
40	Andrew Henderson		1		1		
41	Adam Kennedy	1				1	
42	John Stevinson	1				1	
43	Angus Prince		1		1		
44	Wm Thomas	1				1	
45	James Williams	1				1	
46	John Thomas	1				1	
47	Henry Heckenburg		1	1			
48	A. Flett		1	1			
49	Geo Prince		1	1			
50	Albert Robior	1		1			
51	W. H. Prince	1					1
52	Andrew Sinclair	1					1
53	Esquatay		1		1		
54	Thos Macklin		1		1		
55	H. G. Settee		1		1		
56	John Macklin		1		1		
57	Henry Macklin (sworn as to age)		1		1		
58	John Flett Jr (No 2) (by Councillor)		1		1		
59	Isaac Irving		1		1		
60	Robt Hourie	1					1
61	Adam Spence		1		1		
62	John Moore		1		1		
63	Thos Settee		1		1		
	Forward	41	22	10	18	14	21

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		Harper	Smith	Parisian	Green	Settee	Thomas
	Brt forwarded	41	22	10	18	14	21
64	Charles Smith		/		/		
65	Geo Kippland	/			/		
66	Wm do	/			/		
67	John Spence		/		/		
68	Chichetchewasi		/		/		
69	Robeson		/		/		
70	Francois Sawyer		/		/		
71	Chas Pratt		/		/		
72	Aturin Flett		/		/		
73	James Prince		/	/			
74	Abt Prince	/		/			
75	Peter Prince		/		/		
76	James Fiddler Jr	/				/	
77	Abt Sebastian	/				/	
78	Henry Fiddler	/				/	
79	James do Sr	/				/	
80	Was-se-se coup		/		/		
81	Kushkeen (young)		/		/		
82	Wm Childs Jr		/		/		
83	Rev Jas Bear		/	/			
84	Geo Sutherland Jr No 3	/				/	
85	Abt Fiddler	/				/	
86	James Starr (Same as to age)	/				/	
87	Chas Grundel		/		/		
88	Abt Starr		/		/		
89	John Yale	/			/		
90	Chas Sinclair	/					/
91	John C. Slater		/			/	
92	John Prince Jr		/		/		
93	James Settee (Revd)	/				/	
94	Geo Henderson		/		/		
95	Thos Robinson		/		/		
96	Bapt Prince		/		/		
97	Abt Thomas	/				/	
	Forward	55	42	13	38	24	22

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		Harper	Smith	Parisian	Green	Settee	Thomas
	Brt forward	55	42	13	38	24	22
98	Esqua ca cappou		1		1		
99	F. Cameron	1					1
100	P. I. Bear	1					1
101	Jacob Sinclair		1		1		
102	Francis Sinclair		1		1		
103	James Johnston	1				1	
104	Wm Asham	1					1
105	Wm Sinclair	1					1
106	Peter Bear	1					1
107	Jno Johnston	1			1	1	
108	Thos Chief		1		1		
109	Wm Cook		1		1		
110	Joseph Pahoe		1				
111	Robert Hunt		1	1			
112	James Faval Jr		1	1			
113	Arthur Hope		1	1			
114	Benj Hunt		1	1			
115	John H. Thomas	1					1
116	P. Sinclair	1		1			
117	Pere George		1		1		
118	Adam Passage		1		1		
119	Nahoessa	1					1
120	Wm Smith	1					1
121	Chas Flett		1		1		
122	Wm Child		1		1		
123	Wm Bear	1				1	
124	Henry Prince Jr		1			1	
125	Jno Thomas Jr	1				1	
126	R. Stevinson	1		1			
127	Albert Westley	1		1			
128	Jno Thomas Jr No 2	1				1	
129	Jno Sanderson	1					1
130	Wm Henderson	1			1		
131	Henry Cook		1		1		
	Forward	73	58	20	50	30	31

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		Harper	Smith	Parisian	Green	Setter	Thomas
	Brt forward	73	58	20	50	30	31
132	James Asham		1		1		
133	Adolphus Cameron	1				1	
134	Thos Hope		1	1			
135	James Faval		1	1			
136	Wm ~~Henderson~~ Hudson	1				1	
137	Thos Faval		1	1			
138	Alex Fielding		1		1		
139	John Johnston	1				1	
140	Geo Stevinson		1	1			
141	Rich Sanderson	1					1
142	Corn^s Johnston	1				1	
143	John Stevinson	1				1	
144	Peter Smith		1				1
145	David Thomas	1				1	
146	Geo Sanderson Jr	1				1	
147	John Flett Sr.		1		1		
148	Alex Kennedy	1					1
149	James Starr.	1				1	
150	M. Sutherland		1		1		
151	Wm Grayeyes	1					1
152	Geo Flett		1	1			
153	Levi Stranger	1					1
154	Francis Henderson		1	1			
155	White Nails		1		1		
156	Edward Flett	1			1		
157	Geo Macklin		1		1		
158	Matwakakehetook	1					1
159	Henry Prince	1				1	
160	Albert Chief	1		1			
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183	Richard Chief	/					/
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 9 1885

Clandeboye
27th Jany 1885

Sir

I have the honor to enclose in duplicate list of votes polled at the election of two Councellors to take the place of Thos Smith and John Flett Jr. whose time expired on the 24th

As per instructions received in your favor dated 13th Jany. No 9564. I notified the Indians that there would be a new election on Monday the 26th inst according to the 73 Section of the Indian Act, & I beg to state that the people nominated Wm Harper to run against Thomas Smith on the one side, & Joseph Parisian, Wm Green, James Settee Jr, and Philip Thomas, to run for the Councillorship, which was held by John Flett Jr, & as per enclosed lists you will see that Wm Harper and Wm Green were elected by a majority over their oponents, I therefore declared them elected pending the approval of the Department.

Wm Harper is a Halfbreed, son-in-law of ex Chief Henry Prince, can read & write and I believe will

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will make a good councillor. Mr Green is a young man a pure Salteaux, & has not made himself known before this election.

As there was great excitement amongst the people I considered it would be better to take a constable with me to keep order, therefore I took Provincial Constable John McLeod with me, he also acting as my Interpreter. I am glad to be able to say that a quieter or more orderly election, I have never witnessed, there were teams bringing in voters, flags flying, cheering, & all the etceteras of a white mans election, except the whiskey of which there was not the faintest sign.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your obedt Servt
A. McMickle
Indian Agent

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Hon Thomas White
Superintendent
General of Indian
Affairs Ottwa

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. JAN 12 1888

Sir

As the elections of Indian Councillors is comeing of on the 24th of this Month and we are Infornd by Indian Agent A. M. Muckle that we only have to poll one vote and we have to elect two Councillors

We would kindly ask the Department to give Instructions to the agent to have the Elections the same old way to poll two votes as this Great Change will be very bad

An Immediate Instruction is asker for and a reply

Sined on behalf of Band
Chief William Prince
Com W. D. Harper
" Wm their X Green
" Mah twa X kah kee kee toot
marks

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To The
Honorable
Thomas White
Superintendent
General of Indian
Affairs Ottwa

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Manitoba Superintendency.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 28 1888

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 23rd January 1888.

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In your Reply refer to No. 19146 also to the date of this letter.

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, enclosing a copy of a letter from the Chief and Councillors of the St Peters Band relative to the mode of voting at the elections of Councillors to be held on the 24th instant.

In reply I beg to inform you that I have received a letter from Mr. Indian Commissioner Dewdney, on this subject, in which I was requested to instruct Mr. Agent Muckle, that the election of Councillors

The Honorable
The Sup't General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.
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Councillors for the Band should be conducted in accordance with Section 73 of the Indian Act,- which I did -.

I may add that Mr. Muckle was requested to report in this matter, and that on receipt of his report the same will be forwarded to you.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

Inspector of Indian Agencies

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No 3078

Clandeboye
27th Jany 1888.

Sir.

I have the honor of informing you that the election of two councillors to fill the place of the retiring Councillors of the St Peters Band. Harper, and Green, whose time expired on the 25th inst, took place on the 26th inst.

There were six candidates, Wm Henderson, Thomas Smith, John Thomas, Wm Harper, Angus Prince, and Wm Green. At the close of the poll the vote stood thus.

William Henderson --	89 votes
Thomas Smith -----	85 "
John Thomas ------	84 "
William Harper ----	79 "
Angus Prince -----	35 "
Wm Green -------	20 "

I thereupon declared Mr Henderson, and Thomas Smith elected, pending the decision of the Department

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

A. McBuckle.

Indian Agent

D. McColl Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 12 1888

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY. WINNIPEG. MAN. APR 9 1888

No 3223.

Clandeboye
5th April 1888.

Sir

I have the honor of informing you that at the election for the Chieftainship of the St Peters Band which was held on the third instant there were three candidates viz. Wm Prince Henry Prince and David Prince King At the close of the poll the vote stood thus

Wm Prince	70 votes
Henry Prince	117 "
David King	9 "

I therefore declared Henry Prince Chief pending the decision of the Department. I await instructions in regard to giving out the clothes.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

A. M. Muckle.

Indian Agent

E McColl Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 2 1888

No. 3,272.

Indian Office,
Clandeboye,
May 25th, 1888.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a letter received from Chief Hy. Prince, of the St. Peter's Band of Indians, in which he expresses a great desire to visit you at Regina, and also some of the Reserves in the North-West, taking with him one Councillor from his Band, and one each from the Broken Head River and Alexander Bands of Indians. I would beg to say that I think it might be productive of much good, intellectually, to them, besides giving them an idea of the possibility of seeming impossibilities to them; and lead to their urging their own people to renewed exertions, on their return home.

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) A. M. Muckle,
Indian Agent.

The Hon.
The Indian Commr.
Regina.
N. W. T.

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JUN 2 1888

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St Peters Reserve,
4th May, 1888.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have been elected Chief of this Band of Indians; and to state that it would give me much pleasure to be able to pay you a visit at Regina, not only to have a talk with you, in regard to my people, but to see, with my own eyes, some of the great farms in the west, that I hear so much about, and which I can hardly believe can be possible, that the prairie over which we, a few years ago, hunted the buffalo, the antelope, and wolf, and sought our enemies, the Sioux, is now, by the wonderful work of the white man, farmed for hundreds of miles, and has many towns and villages. I would like to see this, so as to be able to tell my people what can be done by one man, can be done by another, and an Indian is

The Honorable,
The Indian Commissioner
Regina, Assa

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is a man.

I would like to go to the Qu'Appelle where a number of my people have gone, as I hear a great deal about the work they have done on their Reserve.

My old enemies, the Sioux, have also a Reserve, where great work has been done, and I would like to smoke the peace-pipe with them.

If Councillor Jno. Raven, of the Broken Head, and Councillor N. Kent, of the Fort-Alexander Band, and one of my own Councillors were also asked, all the Indians in this part of the Country would feel honored.

I hope soon to have an answer from you, and that you will kindly allow me to come and see you in the far west.

I sign myself
Your obed. Serv.
(Signed) Henry X Prince
Chief St. Peter's Band.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. JUN 2 1888

No. 281.

Office of the
Indian Commissioner,
North-West Territories,
Regina, 29th May, 1888.

CORRESPONDENCE JUN 4 1888 BRANCH

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of the Department, copies of a letter received from Mr. Agent Muckle, and of one therein referred to, as having been addressed to him by Chief Henry Prince, of the St. Peter's Band of Indians, respectively.

I beg to state, in connection with the subject-matter of these enclosures, that, in my opinion, allowing the proposed visit, might very possibly result in the Manitoba Indians thinking that they should be regularly rationed, like those in the N.W. Territories, but that this is the only objection which occurs to my mind.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
E. Dewney
Commissioner.

The Right Hon.
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa -

A Memorial Act 4 Say that it is agreed that were effect to be given to the Bushes if they think it might be attended with the result apprehended by Chief Henry.
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 25 1889
MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'CY MAR 21 1889 WINNIPEG, MAN.

St Peters Indian Reserve
6th March 1889.

E M. Coll. Esqr

Sir.

At the Monthly counsel meeting on the 5th Inst, we pointed to the Band the necessity of making all the Counsellors do their Official duties, in every lawful Important work, but they will not attend, though duly notified by us, hence we join with our signatures in their removal for Incompetency and willful neglect of duty: Especially the meeting has resolved by vote to dispose off Matwa Kake Ketool,

sgd Chief Henry Prince
" Counr Thomas Smith
" William Henderson

sgd
" 1 William Prince
" 2 John Thomas Miller
" 3 Wm D Harper
" 4 John Flett. Cap.
5 Philip Thomas
6 William Cook
7 Isiah Cook
8 Morrison West
9 Adam Passage
10 Thomas Chief
11 Thomas Gear Jr.
12 Alexander Sebiston
13 William Child Senr
14 John James Flett
15 Charles Trundle
16 Thomas Vincent
17 Joseph Spence
18 William Gray Eyes Senr
19 Thomas Sandeson
20 George Sutherland No 3
21 George Prince
22 Magnus Harper
23 George Spence Jr.
24 Michael Caddotte
25 Robert Smith
26 Robert Flett
27 William Pahkoo
28 Thomas Harper
29 James Williams
30 Patrick Morrison
31 Samuel Stranger
32 John Flett Jr
33 James Star

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34 Alexander Spence
35 Peter George
36 Henry Fiddler
37 James Fiddler Sr
38 James Fiddler Jr
39 John Thomas
40 Alexander Fiddler
41 Joseph Thomas
42 Henry Prince Jr
43 Wm Gear
44 Albert Chief
45 Joseph Chief
46 Joseph Morriseau
47 Gilbert Smith
48 Thomas Morriseau
49 John Thomas Sen.
50 Thomas Kennedy
51 Jacob Sinclair
52 James Smith
53 George Sutherland Sen.
54 William Flett
55 Thomas Gear Sen.
56 James Isham Sen.
57 William Sinclair
58 Francis Sinclair
59 Andrew Sinclair
60 Isaac Isham
61 William Isham
62 Albert Fiddler
63 Isaac Thomas
64 Charles Sinclair
65 Jacob Thomas
66 Alexander Fiddler
67 Peter Smith
68 Peter Jacob Gear
69 Benjamin Smith
70 Jacob Smith
71 George Tapping
72 Robert Sandison
73 Wm H Prince
74 John Stevenson Jr

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No 3596.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
11th March 1889.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose in duplicate a paper which was handed to me by Counsellor Henderson, in regard to the removing of Councillors John Prince, and Matwakaketook from their position.

All I can say is that I do not know of any councillor who looks after the part of the reserve where he lives better than John Prince, the trouble is that they are tired of everlasting council meetings, which are really meetings of the Band, where every one talks, and where nothing is done.

Matwakaketoot, and Chief Prince are bad friends at present which I dare say is the reason they want to remove him.

I believe that if John Prince, and Matwakaketoot went around for names to remove the Chief, & the other two Councillors, they could get as many, if not more names than are on the enclosed list.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McBuckle.
Indian Agent

E. McColl. Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man.

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Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg. 21st March 1889

In your Reply refer to No. 22888 also to the date of this letter.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your consideration a letter from Mr Audian Agent Touckle, dated the 16th instant covering a petition from Chief Henry Prince, Councillors Thomas Smith. Wm Henderson and 33 Members of the St Peters Band of Indians. for the dismissal from Office of Councillors John Prince and Mahoa Ka Ke Ke Took. for incompetency and neglect of duty.

I beg to state for your information that the two Councillors

I remain

The Honorable
The Superintendent
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

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referred to, are life Councillors.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Ernst Call
Inspt of Indian Agencies

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Petition
John B Prince
& 35 others
To
The Honorable
Superintendent General
of Indian affairs.

March 16 1889

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St Peters Reserve
March 13th 1889

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MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY.
MAY
1889
WINNIPEG, MAN.

The Honorable
the Superintendent General of Indian
Affairs Ottawa
Sir

the meeting held at Antoin Henderson his house to night

1st Resolved by the majority at the said meeting that we prayed to your Indian departement to dismist old Henry Prince Chief out of his Chiefshipe has he his not competent to be in that posation since ever that he got iinn to be our Chief his always makeing a distrubances in our Reservation and so that we can not have him any longer to be our Chief and your Govern-ment Gives you a Great Trouble to settle the Lands in our Reserve has he sold the Lands both side the River and Gives the deeds of the Lands to the white people and also that his always working against the appointments in our reserve

1st The Indian Constables
2nd The School Teachers
3rd The Clergyymans
4th The Life Councillors
5th The Indian Agent Mr Mosckle

And also the same with one of our new Councillor namely William Henderson and also accused this new Councillor that he tryed to do the adultry two womans namely Mary Trandle and Sarah Spence Lately when his wife was very ill and so that we can not have a Councillor that Trys to make evil to our womans and so that we

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we prayed to your department to Grant
our request and reply to your Indians
and [illegible] sign our names into this petition

And also that we prayed to your
good government not to take notice of which
old Henry Prince Chief that sent the petition
Lately to Lay before you without any of cause
of our Life Councillors without breaking the
Laws of the Indian Act and we do not Consent these
too Life Councillors to be dismist without any
of cause namely John Prince Councillor
and Mat taw ka ke te tout Councillor and
we want your department to send the to
examin all the Charges both parties of us
these two Life Councillors are ready to meet all the
Charges made by the Chief and others

Your Truely Indians St Peters some of the
Band

Sign Your petitioners

1st John Prince Councillors his X mark
2nd Mat taw ka ke te tout Councillor his X mark
3rd David Prince
4th John his X mark Spence
5th John his X mark Henry Prince
6th Antoin his X mark Henderson
7th William his X mark Prince Senr
8 John. his X mark Prince Junr
9 William X Green
10 Thomas X Settee
11 Andrew X Henderson
12 Joseph X Pakko
13 James X Kipling
14 George X McKenney
15 George Prince Junr

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16 William his X mark Child Junr
17 Charles X Williams
18 John X George mark Kippling
19 Henry X Hakenbourk
20 John X Prince Junr
21 John X Star
22 Na maise his X mark
23 Philipe X Tate
24 Charles X Trandle
25 Arthur X Hope
26 Joseph X Managray
27 Joseph X Kal-
28 John X Peter
29 William X Bird
30 John James his X mark Mekin
31 Thomas his X mark Mekin
32 George X Ogge
33 Angus X Prince
34 John X Prince
35 Baptiste his X mark Prince

if we have time to go about to house to house we could get of more names than this

Witness
Angus his X mark Prince
David Prince

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E. McColl Esqr
Inspector of
Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

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Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 11th inst enclosing a Petition from John Prince and others of the St Peters Band requesting the dismissal of Chief Henry Prince & in reply I have to inform you that unless for immorality dishonesty intemperance or incompetency a Chief cannot be deposed. And as it is not understood that acts of the above kind since he was last elected are charged against Chief Prince the petition as regards him cannot be acceded to but as respects Councillor Henderson the charges of immorality made against him in the petition should be

investigated

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investigated and
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 21 1890

July 8th 1890

To The Honorable Superintendent General of Indian Affairs Ottawa Canada

Sir

We the Indians of some part of St Peters Indians do hereby request ~~to you to~~ your Government to grant our said request and you will see both sides between us who will obey ~~to~~ your Government according to your instructions and you will find the truth by our Indian agent Mr Muckle his report when he reports about this matter and you will consider this matter in the right way about your servants when your servant obeys you you love him and if he disobeys you you do not love him and we are the same just now about our Chief and some of our Councillors thay are making distrubance for their people to to interfear your good Government his instructions for the intrest of our band in our Reservations and we say to your department to grant our request that we wish ~~to~~ your Government to dismist our Chief Henry Prince in his Chiefshipe as we have nothing to do with him that we can not have confidence in him what he his doing now that we think this as meny as that we took our Treaty monies in this treaty ground according to your instructions and we wish you to reply to us at once The Chief would not come to the Treaty ground when Mr Muckle was sent for him and about the names are few in this petition on account of the distrubance made by the Chief that we had no time to take the names the people are going home but the people are the same mind

Yours Truly Indians St Peters Reserve

CORRESPONDENCE
JUL 22 1890
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Corr to Be 1 Ask and say that Enquiry will be made
2 Send copy of petition to Sir for Declare
for report
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List of the names (Sign) Witness

1	John	Prince	his X mark	Councillor X	
2	John	Henry	Prince	his X mark	"
3	Angues		Prince	his X mark	"
4	David		Prince		"
5	Charles		Smith	his X mark	"
6	William		Smith	his X mark	"
7	John		Prince	his X mark	"
8	Thomas		Hope	his X mark	"
9	Bangman		Hunt	his X mark	"
10	Charles		Iriddle	his X mark	"
11	Philipe		Tait	his X mark	"
12	Mesko penass			his X mark	"
13	Checa che way		say	his X mark	"
14	Wah see see		grape	his X mark	"
15	Pettow a come		me go we nin	his X mark	"
16	Joseph		Managmay	his X mark	"
17	Arthur		Hope	his X mark	"
18	Thomas		grayeys	his X mark	"
19	Nayna we kis		see go we nin	his X mark	"
20	Wa pe kas		see we nin	his X mark	"
21	As shaw		hom mew	his X mark	"

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN SUPPLY AUG 5 1890 WINNIPEG, MAN.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
2nd Aug 1890

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge your favor of the 29th ultimo with enclosed petition from John Prince & other Indians of the St Peters Reserve, praying that Chief Henry Prince be deposed &c.

I beg to report that I agree with the petitioners that the Chief be deposed, for as far as I could see it was only from lack of power, not of will, that Chief Henry Prince did not cause serious trouble during the annuity payment.

He & Councillor Henderson (Henderson being the worst man of the two) actually placed guards to prevent Indians from leaving the Old Treaty ground, & coming to where I was; but the people at last got tired of listening to

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all the lies that they were told, and came down in spite of the Chief & his friends, & received their annuity.

Then again Chief Prince before the payment posed as a reformer, a temperance man, a man who could not see his people or any person on his Reserve indulging in (as he states) immoral vices. & he spoke warmly in regard to stopping the sale of Cider and other noxious drinks; but what did do? he took a fee from each of the Traders, & owners of Booths where dancing & selling of Cider was going on, & there is also no doubt that whiskey was sold, as a number of the Indians got drunk & I can hardly think it was on Cider. I sent up Constable's Peebles & Johnston, and they found the Indians fighting & making a tremendous noise and when they asked the Chief for assistance he would not give them any; however they made a few arrests which had a good effect but still the noise & tumult was worse than ever before, I am told & neither Henry Prince

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nor Henderson tried to stop it, but by their actions countenanced it all

What a contrast there was at the new treaty ground where your petitioners were, not a sign of any intoxicant, every one looking bright and happy - Councillor John Prince a warrior, every inch a Chief - ex Councillors Mal-wa-Ka-Ke-Ke-look & Mis-koo-penais helping him & for five days there were over seven hundred people camped without an angry word except - when Chief Henry Prince sent down some of his emissaries to try & entice the people to go to him

If the Chief & Councillor Henderson are not punished, it will be an example to all surrounding Bands, & my idea is that the Chief & the said Councillor be deposed & that neither they nor those who would not come for their annuity be elegible for election to the post of Chief or Councillor.

I may also say that the indians throughout this whole section of country are all.

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in a state of excitement to know what the action of the Government will be in this matter

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McKenzie.
Indian Agent

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 9 1890

Manitoba Superintendency.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 17,680 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 6th August 1890

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th instant, relative to the petition from John Prince and other Indians of the St Peters Reserve, praying that Chief Henry Prince be deposed from his position, for the reason stated therein; and in connection therewith. I beg to enclose herewith, for your consideration, a copy of a letter dated the 2nd instant from Mr Agent Mueckle, reporting on the matter; and recommending that Chief

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Chief Henry Prince, and Councillor William Henderson, be deposed from their position.

In this connection I beg to inform you that I quiet agree with the suggestion made by Mr. Agent Muckle, respecting the deposition of both parties, but, as on account of their conduct at the last payment, no election could be held to replace ex Councillor Matwahoh Ketook; and owing to the necessity also of having an election to replace Councillor Henderson, and Chief Henry Prince, whose which time expires on the 25th of January and 31st of March next. I would respectfully recommend that the election for a new Chief and two Councillors take place in January 1891. and that as a punishment for their bad conduct during the last payment, as well as those

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Indians who could but would not go for their Annuity at Nesley Creek be not eligible for election for the post of Chief or Councillor for the next three years All of which I respectfully submit for your consideration and approval.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E McColl
Dept of Indian Agencies
for C. Anthony Lévêque

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 3 1890

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Memorandum.

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The undersigned begs to submit herewith correspondence that has taken place between the Inspector of Indian Agencies at Winnipeg and the pepartment in regard to the conduct of Chief Henry Prince, of the St. Peter's Reserve, Manitoba, Treaty NO. I.

It appears that the above Chief endeavoured to cause serious trouble during the annuity payments. He and Counceillor Henderson | Henderson being the worse of the two | actually placed guards to prevent Indians from leaving the old Treaty ground, and coming to where the Agent was, to receive their annuity payments.

The Chief also took a fee from each of the traders and owners of booths where dancing and selling cider was going on, and there is also no doubt that whiskey was sold, as a number of them got drunk, and it could hardly, I think, have been on cider.

The Agent sent constables, and they found the Indians fighting, and making a tremendous noise, and when they asked the Chief for assistance he refused it,

To the Honourable and

The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

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and although some arrests were made the tumult was even worse than before, and the Agent is informed that neither Henry Prince nor Henderson tried to stop it, and by their actions countenanced it.

If the Chief and Councillor Henderson are not punished it will be an example to all surrounding Bands who at the present time are in a state of excitement pending the action of the Government in this matter.

And also further it is shewn that on account of the improper conduct of the Chief and Councillor at the last payment no election could be made to re-place ex-Councillor Mat-wah-oh-kitook, and owing to the necessity also of having an election to re-place Councillor Henderson and Chief Henry Prince, whose time expires on the 25th. of January and 31st. of March next.

The undersigned would recommend that the Chief and Councillor herein before mentioned be deposed, and that the election of a new Chief and two Councillors take place in January 1891, and that, as a punishment for their bad conduct during the last payment, they, as well as those Indians who could but would not go for their annuity at Nestley Creek,

be

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be disqualified for the next three years.

|sgd.| W.A. Austin.

Acting Deputy Supt. General, of Indian Affairs.

P.S. Chief Henry Prince was deposed for improper conduct December, 1881, on recommendation of the Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North West Territories.

|Sgd.| W.A.A.

Ottawa, August, 14th. 1890.

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Certified Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the **Governor General in Council,** *on the* 30th. August, 1890.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 3 1890

On a Memorandum dated 23rd August 1890, from the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs submitting a summary, herewith, of certain irregularities in the conduct of Chief Henry Prince, of St. Peter's Reserve, in the Province of Manitoba, who, conjointly with Councillor Henderson, of the St. Peter's Band materially hindered the annuity payments, by acting in opposition to the wishes of the Agent of the Department and for refusing to aid in keeping the peace when drunkenness and fighting were going on in the vicinity of the Booth, and for having taken a fee from the traders attending said payments. In consequence of the actions of Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson it was impossible to hold an election to replace ex-Councillor Mat-Wah-Oh-Ketook.

The Minister recommends that Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson be deposed under Sect. 75. of the Indian Act' and that the election of a new Chief and two Councillors take place in January 1891.

The Minister further recommends that as a punishment for their bad conduct during the last payments

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The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

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payments Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson as well as those Indians who aided them in their opposition to the wishes of the Agent, be be disqualified for the next three years.

The Minister states that Chief Henry Prince's term of Chieftainship will expire on the 25th January 1891, and Councillor Henderson's time on the 31st March 1891.

The Committee concur in the said recommendations and submit the same for Your Excellency's approval.

John J. McGee

Clerk Privy Council.

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MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'CY. SEP 23 1890 WINNIPEG, MAN.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 4 1890

Dynevor 23rd August 1890

Hon E Dewdney M.P.

Sir

I beg to inform your Honour that several members of St Peters Parish objects to William Harpers return as a Candidate for the Councillor here on these grounds, when he was a Council here two years, he raised a row with the Governments Agents. & pulled the Flag down & thus causing the forfeiting 7½ Cents of all the Band which was had, bringing a scandal on the Band and loss to our Reserve. This is the Cause of the objection raised against William Harper.

Sir,

I have the Honour to be
Your Honours Most humble Obt Servt
J S Hee C.M.T.

Hon E Dewdney.

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Corrs Branch - Ack and send to Insp'r Jno Coll for report & Sgd Gordon 4 Sep 1890

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 29 1890

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 25th September 1890

In your Reply refer to No. 18009 also to the date of this letter.

OCT 3 1890
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, with enclosure from the Rev. J. Sutter, informing the Department that several members of the St Peters parish object to William Harpers return as a Candidate for Councillor, on the grounds therein set forth.

With regard to William Harpers return as a Candidate for Councillor I beg respectfully to report that this office knows nothing about it. Only an election was held for the purpose of electing a Councillor to take

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take the place of ex Councillor Mat-
wha ah ke took, and William Harper
returned as the successful Candidate,
his election is nul and void, as contrary
to Section 45 of the Indian Act. The time
and place for holding an election hav-
ing not been directed by the Supermit-
endent General.

Moreover in a letter to the De-
partment dated the 6th ultimo it was
reported that on account of the Conduct
of Chief Henry Prince and Councillor
Henderson at the Annuity payments
the election which was to be held at
that time could not take place, and
therefore I recommended the month
of January for holding the election
to replace Councillor Matwah ah ke took
and also Chief Henry Prince and Coun-
cillor Henderson which time you ap-
proved of.

I may mention also that
Mr Agent Muckle has failed
to

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to notified this office of the proceedings that have taking place in connection with the election referred to.

I beg to herewith return the Rev Mr Settee letter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E McColl
Insp't of Ind Agencies
for C. A. Arthur Lévêque

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 29 1890

Manitoba Superintendency

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 28036 also to the date of this letter.

CORRESPONDENCE OCT 4 1890 BRANCH

Winnipeg, 26th September 1890

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant informing me that His Excellency the Governor General in Council has been pleased to order the deposition of Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson under Section 75 of the Indian and that an election of another Chief and two Councillors may be held in January 1891; and in connection therewith. I beg respectfully to recommend that the election should take place

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Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

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Copy Br Reb & 5 cy that the Election may be held on the day between the hours & as the place recommended

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place on the third Saturday in January 1891 (the 17th) at the North S Peters School School between the hours of 9.30 A M. and 4 P M.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E McColl
Insp't of Ind Agencies
p L. Arthur Lévêque

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RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

2172 Revd J. Lettee
Dynevor.
Manitoba.

Oct. 6 1890

Revd Sir,

With further reference to your letter of the 23rd August last, stating that several members of the St Peter's Band object to William Harper's return as Councillor I have to inform you that Harper was not elected at an election authorized by this Dept and therefore his election is invalid and the Dept does not recognize him as a Councillor.

I am &c.

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Insp^r of Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg.
Man.

Oct. 6, 1890.

Sir,

I have to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 23rd ult^o reporting on the Rev^d Mr Settee's communication respecting the alleged return of William Harper ~~alleged return~~ as Councillor for the St Peter's Band; and in reply I enclose herewith a copy of the Dept's reply, of even date herewith to Mr Settee.

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Asforwm

Mr B

Yours &c.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OCT 20 1890

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY.
OCT 14 1890
WINNIPEG. MAN.

No 4979

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Indian Office
Clandeboye
10th Oct. 1890

Sir

I have the honor to state that on 16th August last, at the request of the St. Peters Band, I went in to the reserve to a nomination of a councillor to take the place of Matwa ka ke took who was deposed. Wm. Harper and Philip Thomas were nominated, the election to take place on the 23rd. it did take place and Harper was returned by a majority of twenty four. & I declared Harper elected pending the decision of the Department as usual. & on the 25th I gave Harper his clothing

I beg to state that I had the authority of the Department to hold an election of a councillor to replace Matwa ka ke took at the annuity payment, which owing to the action of

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Man.

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of the Chief, and others I could not do but I considered that I had authority to hold this election at any time after the time named

Councillor Thomas Smith's time is up in January, so that there will be an election for two Councillors & if Harper's election is null, there will have to be three Councillors and Chief.

I have always given the clothing immediately after each election, for as yet no one has been elected who could well be objected to

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A.M. Muckle.
Indian Agent

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RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

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Insp. of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Oct 24, 1890

Sir,

I have to ack the recpt of your letter of the 16th inst, in further reference to the alleged return of Wm Harper as Councillor for the St Peters Band, & enclosing a letter dated the 10th inst from Mr Agt Muckle relative thereto. P In reply I beg to inform you that provided Wm Harper was elected by a majority of the voting members of the Band at a meeting duly summoned for the purpose

Rt for Decs

A.N. Mrs

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purpose, his election
is confirmed & the
election of a Councillor
to replace Thos Smith
whose term of Office
will expire in Jany
next may take place,
as recommended, on
the 17th Jany next.

I am &c

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MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'S
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Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

We the petitioners of St. Peters Band of Indians humbly pray. to the Indian Department for an election of a new chief for our Reserve, as we understand our late chief has been suspended from his office as head of the aforesaid Band. We are further informed there is to be no such election untill the month of January next. This places the Reserve in an awkward position, as no action can be taken by the two councillors in any affairs of the Reserve whatever, when the Indian act requires four. to make a quorm. We therefore humbly pray to the Indian Department to kindly allow us to have an election for a chief at once. & one or two councillors as well. We hope the Indian Dept. will favorably consider our prayer, for the good order of our Reserve,

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John Henery Zlett
William Acham
Mischeal Cadotte
Antoine Zlett
William McDruiller
George Sanderson
Joseph Prince
Thomas Spence
William Prince
Peter Stevenson
George Zlett
John Henry Thomas
Alexander Thomas
Peter George
William Sinclair
Henry Hickenburg
Miles Cochrane
Robert Sandison
Abram Thomas
William Robert Stevenson
James Acham Sr.
James Stevenson
Alexander Zeilding
William Bear Sr.
William Bear Jr.
Antoine Henderson
John Thomas Stevenson
John Henry Prince
Henry Kennedy
George Sutherland Sr.
Thomas Kennedy
Peter Bear
Andrew Sinclair
Alexander Cochrane

Thomas Pratt
Alfred Sinclair
Jacob Sinclair
James Williams
Josiah Cook
Charles Sinclair
Jeremiah Johnston
Jacob Thomas
Thomas Bear Sr.
John Thomas Sr.
John Zlett Sr.
Adam Cochrane
Peter Smith
Isaac Thomas
Thomas Boyce
William Stevenson
Philip Thomas
Charles Pratt
Thomas Sutherland
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Isaac Acham

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 11 1890
MANITOBA INDIAN SUPPLY
NOV 7 1890
WINNIPEG, MAN.

No 4991.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
1st Nov 1890.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a petition which was handed to me by John Flett a member of the St Peters Band of Indians praying that the election for a chief for their band be at once, instead of in January

I beg to state that I see no reason why the Department should make any change in regard to the matter

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McBuckle.
Indian Agent

E. McColl. Esq
Inspl Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

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NOV 11 1890

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR.

In your Reply refer to No. 28,425 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 7th Nov. 1890.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter, dated the 1st instant, from Wm Agent Nuckle, covering a petition, addressed to you, from a number of Indians of the St Peter's Band, praying that the election of a Chief, to replace Henry Prince deposed, be held at once instead in January next, the time appointed by the Department.

In this connection I beg to remark that all the signatures attached

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attached to the petition referred to appear to be in the same hand-writing, although at least half of those parties cannot write, and no marks were made to their signatures and no witness thereto.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

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Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NOV 21 1890

In your Reply refer to No. 28.512 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 17th Nov. 1890.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, relative to the petition from a number of Indians of the St Peters Band, praying that the election of a Chief, to replace Henry Prince, deposed, be held at once, instead of in January last (?) next; and in reply I beg to inform you that I see no reason whatever why the recommendation submitted in my letter of the 16th ultimo, and approved by

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Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa-Ont.

Copy Rec'd & say the petitioners should be informed that the election will be held on the date originally fixed

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by the Department, should not be adhered to.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

Inspector of Indian Agencies

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 31 1890
MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY.
DEC 29 1890
WINNIPEG, MAN.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
18th Dec 1890.

No. 3059

Sir.

I have the honor of informing you that Wm Prince was here, & he wants to know if he can, if elected, be Chief of the St Peters Band of Indians.

He states that the reason he did not go, in the first place, was that when he was Chief he wanted the treaty ground removed to near to where he was living, and he was informed by the Superintendent that the treaty ground would never be changed.

He also informs me that he only got home from Swan Lake on Saturday night-late (5th July). He was at the old treaty ground, on the 7th 8th and part of the 9th. He also states that one of the treaty men, told him, "that I would pay all those who did not go down

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down when I came home from my trip. He states that he made no speeches at the old treaty ground, and he considers that he acted in good faith with the Goverment, in not going to the new treaty ground, as he states that he makes no mistake when he states that he was told by the late Supt Grahame that the treaty ground would never be changed.

I may say that William Prince did not take an active part, against the change of the treaty ground, by speeches etc, as far as I have heard.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McDonald.
Indian Agent

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 31 1890

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Manitoba Superintendency.

In your Reply refer to
No. 28.908
also to the date of this letter

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg, 27th Dec. 1890.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter, dated the 18th inst, from Wm Agent Druckle, informing me that Wm Prince wants to know, if he can, if elected, be Chief of the St Peters Band of Indians, &c; and in connection with his action in refusing to go to Netley Creek for his money, I refer you to the Pay Sheets of the St Peters Band, wherein the Agent states in the marginal remarks opposite his name, "Absent, refused to "come to Treaty grounds," although according to the Agents letter herewith enclosed he was at the

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the old Treaty ground on the 7th, 8th and part of the 9th of July last during the payments of annuity money to the Indians of the St. Peters Band at Netley Creek, where he could easily have gone, and doubtless would have done so, were it not that he was aiding and encouraging secretly, if not openly, Henry Prince in his opposition to the payments being made at Netley Creek; and therefore I concider that the same remarks made in reference to John Slett in my letter of this date, applys with equal force to Wm Prince, and in my opinion they are both equally guilty with Henry Prince, Wm Henderson and the others who refused to go to Netley Creek for their annuity money, and should be treated accordingly.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
E. McCall
Inspector of Indian Agencies

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Manitoba Superintendency. 74301

In your Reply refer to
No. 28.907
also to the date of this letter

Office of the Inspector,
Winnipeg, 27th December 1890.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, in answer to enquiries made by John Flett, an Indian of the St Peters Band, as to whether he is eligible for election for the next three years for the position of Chief or Councillor of the Band, in consequence of his action in absenting himself from the last payment of annuity money; but before communicating to him your decision that the Department knows of no reason why he should be disqualified on that account, &c.

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Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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I beg respectfully to submit for your further consideration the following observations, Viz:- In the last paragraph of your letter of the 10th September last, you inform me that "His Excellency the Gov- "ernt has also been pleased by the "same Order-in-Council to au- "thorize the disqualification for "election for the next three years, as "a further punishment for their "bad conduct during the last pay- "ments, of Chief Henry Prince and "Councillor Henderson, as well as "that those Indians who aided "them in their opposition to the wishes "of the Agent be disqualified for "election for the same period." It appears from Mr Muckle's letter of the 26th ultimo, enclosed to you in my letter of the 28th ultimo, that John Flett aided Ex-Chief Henry Prince, Ex-Councillor Henderson and

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and others, in their opposition to the wishes of the Agent, by refusing to go to Netley Creek for the annuity money of himself and family. You will also see on reference to the Pay. Sheets of the St. Peters Band enclosed you on the 12th instant, according to my letter of that date, that Mr. Muckle says in his remarks opposite John Flett Jr, No 89, the party referred to, that he "would not "come to the Treaty grounds for "his annuity", hence I consider "that the clause "as well as those "Indians who aided them" (the "Chief, Henry Prince, and Councillor "Henderson), in the Order-in-Council applies to John Flett as well as to any other Indian who refused to go to the new Treaty grounds at Netley Creek, if it has any meaning at all, for according to the letter of the Agent referred

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referred to in the matter, John Tlett not only went to the old Treaty grounds, near Henry Prince's residence, every day during the Treaty payments, but also, himself and family remained over night in George Sutherland's house, and therefore his excuse that he was unable to go so far down because he had to attend to his chickens, cows, &c. is the veriest rubbish, for had he been anxious to go for his money, he could have easily gone from his house to Netley Creek and get back again in a few hours. The fact of the matter is that he and a number of others are laboring under the delusion that they can compell the Department to come to their terms in this as well as in other matters in which they take exception to its decisions.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
E. McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies

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MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY.
JAN 9 1891
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Election Statement

Votes polled at election of Councillor of St. Peters Band

No	Name	Candidates W.D. HARPER	Candidates Phil THOMAS	Remarks
1	Augus Prince	/		
2	James Settee		/	
3	John Spence	/		
4	Alwin Flett	/		
5	Bapl. Leclair Snr	/		
6	Wm Greyeyes jnr	/		
7	Geo. Moningquay	/		
8	David Stranger	/		
9	James Kippling	/		
10	Chas Williams	/		
11	John Prince ✓	/		
12	Jas. Fidler Snr	/		
13	Alex Sibeston	/		
14	Pierre George	/		
15	Joseph Spence	/		
16	Bapl Leclair jnr	/		
17	Alwin Henderson	/		
18	Albert Westley	/		
19	Thos Vincent	/		
20	John Parisean	/		
21	John Robinson	/		
22	Isaac Thomas		/	
23	Richard Chief		/	
24	Catfish	/		
25	Thos Spence		/	
26	A Thomas		/	
27	Alex Thomasson		/	
28	Michael Cadott		/	
29	Jacob Sinclair		/	
30	Geo. Prince		/	
		21	9	

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	Brot over	21	9	
31	Wm Thomas jnr		1	
32	Peter Bear		1	
33	Jas. A. Settee		1	
34	Gilbert Smith		1	
35	Thos Morrisean	1		
36	Thos Macklin	1		
37	John Thomas		1	
38	Thos Kennedy		1	
39	Henry Kennedy		1	
40	Adam Cockran		1	
41	Henry Prince ex chief		1	
42	James Smith		1	
43	Thos Chief		1	
44	Jos Morrisean	1		
45	Jos Williams	1		
46	M. Sutherland	1		
47	Thos Smith councillor		1	
48	A. Heckenburgh	1		
49	Aud. Sinclair	1		
50	Wm Stevenson		1	
51	Thos Bear		1	
52	John Thomas jnr		1	
53	Wm Prince	1		
54	Wm Greyeyes	1		
55	Wm Bear	1		
56	John Prince jnr	1		
57	David Sinclair	1		
58	Joseph Rat.	1		
59	Alex Ockran		1	
60	John Flett		1	
61	George Slater	1		
62	John Johnston		1	
63	Henry Prince (King)	1		
	over	36	27	

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	Brot forward	36	27
64	Jno Jas Flett		1
65	Jacob Thomas		1
66	Jno Flett jm	1	
67	Wm Sinclair		1
68	Thos Hope		1
69	Wm H Prince		1
70	Geo Spence	1	
71	Jno Stevenson jm	1	
72	Wm Henderson	1	
73	R. Sanderson	1	
74	Chas Rat	1	
75	Natawecooshecoowinnin.	1	
76	Geo. Sutherland	1	
77	Thos Settle	1	
78	Wm Child	1	
79	Wm Flett	1	
80	Alex Fiddler	1	
81	Geo Leclair	1	
82	Putin	1	
83	Benj Hunt		1
84	Henry Hope		1
85	Alex Macklin	1	
86	Thos Sanderson		1
87	Wm R. Stevenson		1
88	Peter J Bear	1	
89	Geo Trundle		1
90	Michael Bear	1	
91	Alex Leclair	1	
92	R. Smith	1	
93	Morrisean West		1
94	Wm Pakoo	1	
95	Alex Fielding		1
96	Chas Slater	1	
		57	39

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	Brot forward	57	39
97	John Spence jnr	1	
98	Alex Starr	1	
99	Jas Stevenson	1	
100	Wm Green	1	
101	Thos Sutherland jnr.	1	
102	Geo Sutherland (No 2)	1	
103	Jas Johnston	1	
104	Andrew Flett		1
105	Wm Hudson		1
106	Wm Asham		1
107	Geo. Flett	1	
108	Rod Thomas		1
109	Hector West		1
110	Simon Thomas		1
111	Geo Kippling		1
112	Jno. H. Thomas		1
113	Jos Thomas		1
114	Jno H Prince ✓		1
115	Albert Chief	1	
116	Jos Chief	1	
117	Wm Child jnr	1	
118	D. T. Monkman	1	
119	Jno Ramsey	1	
120	Chas Flett	1	
121	Henry Fiddler	1	
122	Jno Stevenson	1	
123	Thos Bear		1
124	Geo Prince jnr	1	
125	Albert Chief	1	
		75	50
legs	Slater Geo. protest allowed	1	
		74	50
			24

Total Number of Votes polled for Harper 74
Do Do Do " Thomas 50
Total Votes Polled 124

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24 majority for Harper

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JAN 9 1891
WINNIPEG, MAN.
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 13 1891

No 3075.

Indian Office
Glandeboye
5th January 1891

Sir

I have the honor as per request in your favor of the 29th ultimo to enclose list of votes polled in the election of Councillor of the St Peters Band of Indians, at which election Wm Harper was elected by a majority of 24 votes. There was a protest filed in against the vote of George Slater by Philip Thomas, who contended that Slater not of the full age of twenty one, and therefore not entitled to a vote, at the close of the poll this was allowed by Harper, and Slaters vote was struck off.

The Chippewa Indians with a few exceptions did not vote, and they would be better satisfied I believe if there was no Chief or Council, and there is no doubt that there is a great deal of harm done by the continual excitements that

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E McColl Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg.
Man.

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that there are in St Peters every year over elections

In regard to the number of voters or Indians of the full age of twenty one belonging to the St Peters Band of Indians; I beg to state that I have never made out a voters list, and there a number of young men of whose age I am doubtful (the Candidates have always looked after this) but I do not think there are over two hundred and fifty voters in the Band, a number of whom never vote as they do not live on the reserve

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A McDonnell.
Indian Agent.

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MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Act'g D.M.

Ottawa, 13 Jany 1891

Having reference to Mr McColl's telegram of the 10th, the matter referred to first came before the Dep't in a petition from certain Indians of the St Peter's Band requesting that Chief Henry Prince be deposed. The petition was sent to Insp. McColl on the 26th July for his report. On the 6th Aug. he replied enclosing a letter from Agent Muckle recommending that the prayer of the petition be acceded to & further that, in addition to the deposition of Chief Henry Prince, Councillor Henderson be also deposed, and that both, as well as all the Indians who did not go for their annuity, be rendered ineligible for election

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as Chief or Councillors. His
recommendation was based on
the facts that Chief Henry
Prince & Councillor Henderson
did all in their power to
prevent the Indians from the
leaving the old treaty ground
& going to where the Agent
was for their annuities,
and that the said Chief &
Councillor countenanced fruitless
& disorderly conduct on the
part of the Indians at the
annuity payment. Insp. McColl
in forwarding Agent Mackle's
letter expressed his concurrence
in the Agents suggestion &
recommended that "an election
for a new Chief and two
Councillors take place in
January 1891 & that, as a

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punishment for their bad conduct during the last payment" Chief Henry Prince & Councillor Henderson "as well as those Indians who owned but owned not so for their annuity at Nelly Creek, be not eligible for election for the post of Chief or Councillor for the next three years."

On the 14th Aug Mr Austin who was then acting Deputy Minister submitted the correspondence to the Minister with a recommendation in accord with the reports of Agt Muckle & Insp. McColl. On the Acting Dy Minister's Memorandum the Supt General made this note:

"Prepare a memo to

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Council deposing Prince & Henderson"

But the report to Council not only recommended the deposing of the said Chief & Councillors, but that they & those who followed their leading be rendered ineligible for election for three years. And an Order-in-Council was passed on the 30th Aug in accordance with the report.

The substance of the Order-in-Council was conveyed to Insp. McColl, & in ack^g it he recommended that the election be held on the 17th Jany 1891. In answer he was told that the election might be held on that date

On the 7th Nov Insp. McColl enclosed a letter from John

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Flett asking whether he was disqualified for election for three years on account of not going for his money at the last annuity payment. A letter was addressed by the present Dy to Msrs McColl enquiring as to the whereabouts of Flett on the date of the last annuity payment & stating that the Dept would await the information before deciding as to Flett's disqualification. A letter dated 26th ult. was rec'd through Mr McColl from Agent Mickle stating that Flett was at the old treaty ground at the time referred to. On the 18th ult. the Dy Minister in a letter to Msrs. McColl stated that there was no reason why Flett shd. be disqualified, the

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only effect of his absenting himself from the annuity payments being to deprive himself of the amount of money coming to him.
Insp. McColl ackd this letter referring the Dept to its letter of the 70th Sep't & the Order-in-Council already referred, & pointed out that according to Ag't Muckle "Flett aided Chief Henry Prince & Councillor Henderson & others in their opposition to the wishes of the Agent by refusing to go to Netley Creek for the annuity money". Mr McColl contends that the clause of the Order-in-Council — "as well as ~~also~~ all those Indians who aided them" (Chief Hy Prince & Councillor Henderson)

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applies to Flett. He accordingly delays action on the Supt's letter of the 18th inst.

On the same date – 27th ult – Insp. McCole enclosed a letter from Agt Mackie in which he stated that Wm Prince wished to know if he was eligible for election. Mr McCole reported adversely & classed Wm Prince as being equally guilty with Flett, Henry Prince & Henderson.

On the 31st ult. Mr McColl wrote further in Wm Prince's case, enclosing copy of a letter written on behalf of the Indians by David Prince asking that Wm Prince be "allowed to run at the coming elections." Mr McColl made no further comment.

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From a perusal of the papers it appears to me that while the conduct of Chief Henry Prince & Councillor Henderson may have come under the 75th sec. of the Indian Act which provides that Chiefs may be deposed for "dishonesty, intemperance immorality or incompetency", I do not know upon what law or practice based that part of the Order-in-Council which renders them & all who aided them in their opposition to the wishes of the Agent, ineligible for electing for three years. And this view is borne out by the letter already enclosed of the Dy Minister of the 18th ult to Msrs. McCole.

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I suppose an Order-in-Council will have to be passed, if this view is sustained, ~~cancelling the~~ amending the Order of the 30th Aug. But if this has to be done in order to remove the disqualification of the parties mentioned, the Election will have to be at once postponed till a later date than the 17th Jany.

J. A. J. McKenna

The letter from Insp. McColl of the 9th Jany under refers to another matter which had better await the disposition of that referred to in the foregoing

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Immediate

SECY'S BRANCH,
JAN 14 1891
WRITTEN.

Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to recommend that the O.of Yr.Ex.in C.of the 30th Aug.last deposing Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson of the St.Peter's Band of Indians in the Provience of Man.,and disqualifying for three years them and those who aided them in their opposition to the Indian Agent,be amended by striking out the third paragraph thereof,which reads as follows:-

"The Minister further recommends that as a punishment for their bad conduct during the last payments Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson,as well as those Indians who aided them in their opposition to the Agent, be disqualified for the next three years!

It is found that the disqualification of these Indians was ultra vires of the Indian Act,which only permited of the deposition of the Chief and Councillor for their misconduct.

Supt.General ofI.A.

To the Hon.

The Privy Council of Canada.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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Immediate

E.McColl,Esq.,
Inspector of I.A.&.R,
Winnipeg,Man.

SECY'S BRANCH,
JAN 14 1891
WRITTEN.

S i r:-

Referring to your telegram of the 10th inst.and mine reply of the 13th,and to your letters of the 27th and 31st ultimo referred to therein, in regard to the disqualification of John Flett and Wm.Prince, I beg to inform you that that part of the O.in C. of 30th Aug. last, communicated to you in the Department's letter of the 10th Sept., ~~last~~ disqualifying for election as Chief or Councillors for three years Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson,as well as those Indians who aided them in their opposition to the wishes of the Agent at the last annuity payment, was ultra vires of the Indian Act;and an O.in Council will have to be passed amending the previous Order in so far as it disqualified these Indians.

Pending the passage of this Order it would be well to fix the date of the election as late as possible in the present month,say the 31st instead of the 17th instant as already agreed upon.

I am,&c.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 21 1891

Certified Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the **Governor General in Council,** *on the 17th January 1891,*

On a memorandum dated 14th January 1891, from the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs recommending that the Order in Council of the 30th August 1890 deposing Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson of the St Peter's Band of Indians, in the Province of Manitoba, and disqualifying for three years them and those who aided them in their opposition

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To the Honorable
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

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to the Indian agent, be amended by striking out the third paragraph thereof, which reads as follows:-

"The Minister further recommends that as a punishment for their bad conduct during the last payments Chief Henry Prince and Councillor Henderson, as well as those Indians who aided them in their opposition to the Agent, be disqualified for the next three years."

The Minister states that it is found that the disqualification of the Indians was ultra vires of the Indian act, which only permitted of the deposition of the Chief and Councillors for their misconduct"

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The Committee advise that the Order in Council be amended accordingly.

John J. McGee

Clerk. Privy Council

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Dynevor January 17th 1891

Hon. E. Dwedney. M.P.
Ottawa.

May it please your Honour.

The Election for a Chief & Councillors is about to take place at this Reserve. I have not attended the meeting on the 23rd August last An election meeting was held to appoint a Councillor or Councillors. William Harper carried the majority. but an objection was made On the ground that when he held the office of a Councillor he made a row & acted disloyally to E. McColl Esq. thereby causing a forfeiture 7½ Cent from every one of the Band. I being included, though innocent of the disturbance as Sir John A Macdonald

Another objection is that William Harper is Charged with immorality one William Stevenson told me yesterday that William Harper seduced his daughter & had an illigetimate child with Stevenson daughter, the young woman told me the same, and William Harper confessed the same to William Stevenson and to his wife The Indians now ask? Can such character be put to trust to conduct of the affairs of the Reserve? I write on request of lawful authority. Sir; I have the honour be be

Your most Obt humble Servant

James Settee
Missionary
C.M.S.

Hon E Dwedney, M.P.
Ottawa.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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Dyneevor January 17. 1891

Honorable E Dewdney, M. P.
Ottawa.

May it Please your Honour.

Your humble Petitioner showeth.

First. That the Indian Chief Henry Prince has never once been disloyal to Her Majesty Government, nor has rebelled against the Dominion Government in any form whatever but acting conscientiously to conform to the laws of the land.

Second. That the injunction which his late Chief Peguys left him to observe and carry out he has adhered to it. Loyality to the Ruling Power. Peace & friendship to his brother Indians & open his hand to gather the wandering Indians if allowed to the Reserve which was left to him.

Third. Henry Prince in accordance with his fathers injunction at his dying moments. he has carried out. But the reward he has received from the Swampeys, is nothing but hatred & slander at last disrobed him of the coat & metal which was granted to his father & to himself from the Crown & from the Dominion Government.

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Fourth. Your humble Petitioner wish to lay before your Honour that it would be a great satisfaction to many of your Indian subjects to invest the said Henry Prince that Office of the Chieftain which your honourable Body granted him when he transferred his title claim to the Dominion Government and his loyalty for it cause. not to be set aside by the slander by parties whom he undertook to save and defend from being frozen to death in their wigwam. but brought them at this Reserve, where they might enjoy the means of grace like himself.

I am happy to bear testimony of Chief Pegwis and the same of Henry Prince that they are Christians the former has passed away, but Henry Prince is a true loyal man as any man in the Dominion.

I also wish to state for your honours information at the last payment made to our Band I was unable to attend, on account of sickness, I have received nothing I have been true to yr Government I was requested by Lieut. Governors who held the administrations of the Province and the Country at large to continue on to speak peace on behalf of the Govt. from Governor Archibald's time Govr. Morris Govr. Arkins and Caushon. unto this day - without one cent help. Excuse the liberty I have taken

Sir. Your most Obedient humble Servant

James Settee
Missionary
C.M.S.

Hon E. Dwedney, M.P.
Ottawa.

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Ottawa. January 22nd, 1891.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, petitioning on behalf of Chief Henry Prince, and in reply I may state that while the action of the Chief and Councillor Henderson at the last annuity payments was improper, and an Order-in-Council was passed dated the 30th August, deposing them, under Sec. 75 of the Indian Act, and disqualifying them for three years, this clause, in question, was found to be ultra vires of the Indian Act, and was consequently amended on the 17th instant. As the matter stands, I don't see that there is anything to prevent the re-election of both Prince and Henderson, but they must understand that if

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if re-elected the Government will hold them responsible for their actions during the term.

In regard to Harper, I would direct your attention to Sec. 75 of the Indian Act, and sub-sections 2, 3, and 4, from which you will observe that the matter is practically in the hands of the Indians themselves. Chiefs and Councillors can only be held accountable to the Department for their actions during their term of office.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) E. Dendney.

Rev. James Settee,

Dynevor,

Manitoba.

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Register of votes

Polled at the election for Chief, and two Councillors for the St Peters Band of Indians held on the 31st January 1891

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MANITOBA INDIAN AGENCY
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No of Votes	Name	Chief		Councillors				Remarks
		William Adams	Antoine Klatt	Joseph Williams	William Sinclair	Adolphus Cameron	Alexander Fiddler	
1	Geo Sanderson	/			/		/	
2	Wm Thomas	/			/		/	
3	Adam Kennedy	/			/		/	
4	Geo. Hudson	/			/		/	
5	Wm Hudson	/			/		/	
6	Jno. Geo. Sanderson	/			/		/	
7	John Stevenson	/			/		/	
8	Thos Daniels	/			/		/	
9	Thos Harper	/		/		/		
10	Albert Fiddler	/			/		/	
11	Peter Bear	/			/	/	/	
12	Geo. Sutherland	/			/	/	/	
13	Thos Bear snr	/			/	/	/	
14	Michael Cadott	/			/	/	/	
15	Geo. Prince	/		/	/	/		
16	John Thomas (Jn	/			/	/	/	
17	John Henry Thomas	/			/	/	/	
18	Thos Sutherland	/		/	x	/		
19	Joseph Thomas jnr	/			/		/	
20	Jacob Sinclair jnr		/	/		/		
21	John Olson	/			/		/	
22	John H Prince	/			/		/	
23	Alfred Sinclair	/			/		/	
24	Jno Prince (com	/			/			
25	Thos Smith	/			/			
26	Thos Spence	/			/		/	
27	Arthur Hope	/		/	/			
28	Jno J Stevenson	/			/		/	
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		✓ 27	✓ 1	✓ 5	✓ ~~25~~	✓ 3	✓ 21	
29	Adam Cockran	1			1		1	
30	Alex Cockran	1			1			
31	Henry Kennedy	1			1		1	
32	Jos. Stevenson	1			1		1	
33	Jas Stevenson son	1			1		1	
34	Rod Stevenson	1			1		1	
35	Fred Cameron	1			1		1	
36	Jas Smith	1			1		1	
37	Arthur Nesbitt	1			1		1	
38	Jacob Sinclair sr	1			1		1	
39	Thos Spence	1			1		1	
40	Jos Stevenson jun	1			1		1	chief
41	Jos Monniquay	1			1		1	
42	Rod Stevenson jun	1			1		1	
43	Jas. Asham	1			1		1	
44	Andrew Henderson		1	1		1		
45	Wm Moniquay		1		1	1		
46	Wm Henderson jun		1	1		1		
47	Wm Greyeyes jun		1	1		1		
48	Thos Macklin		1	1		1		
49	Wm Greyeyes son		1	1		1		
50	Philip Thomas	1			1		1	
51	Jacob Thomas	1			1		1	
52	Edward Greyeyes		1	1		1		
53	Jerry Johnston	1			1		1	
54	Jos Thomas son	1			1		1	
55	Geo Moniquay		1			1	1	
56	Jas Asham	1			1		1	
57	Alvin Henderson		1	1		1		
58	Wm Green		1	1		1		
59	Jas Kippling		1	1		1		
60	John Harper		1	1		1		
61	Alex Macklin		1	1		1		
62	Michael Bear	1	1	1	1	1	1	
		✓ 48	14	✓ 16	✓ 47	✓ 17	41	

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63	Jno Spence		/	/		/	
64	Philip Dail	/			/		/
65	Miles Cockran	/			/		/
66	Albert Jas Settee	/			/		/
67	Catfish		/	/		/	
68	Robt Moninquay		/	/		/	
69	Jno Sinclair		/	/		/	
70	Wm Cook		/	/		/	
71	Chas Flett		/	/		/	
72	Geo. Kippling	/			/		/
73	Jno. D. Strangers		/	/		/	
74	Wm M'Corrister	/			/		/
75	Chas Sounde snr		/	/		/	
76	Chas Sounde jnr	/			/		/
77	Jos Morriseau		/				
78	Thos Vincent		/	/		/	
79	Jno Kippling	/			/		/
80	Mathew Cook	/			/		/
81	Pat Morriseau		/	/		/	
82	Jno Prince		/	/		/	
83	Francis Henderson		/	/		/	
84	David Thomas	/			/		/
85	John Harper	/			/		
86	Angus Prince		/	/		/	
87	Jno Prince (son of Angus)	✓	/	/		/	
88	Geo Macklin		/	/		/	
89	Robt Donich		/	/		/	
90	Thos Fiddler	/			/		/
91	Alex Sibeston	/			/		/
92	Albert Fiddler	/			/		/
93	Henry Boyd	/			/		/
94	Arthur Prince	/			/		/
95	Wm Beat jnr	/			/		/
96	Wm Chas Slater	/	/	/	/	/	/
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97	Jno Johnston	/			/		/
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99	Jno Stevenson	/			/		/
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101	Jno Jas Beat	/		/	/		
102	Jno Thomas No 1	/			/		/
103	Thos Beat	/			/		/
104	Levi Stranger	/			/		/
105	Peter Stevenson	/			/		/
106	Jas Favel		/	/		/	
107	A. Henderson	/			/		/
108	Jno Robinson		/	/		/	
109	Wm Flett		/	/		/	
110	Jno Thomas Sn	/			/		/
111	Alex Thomas	/			/		/
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113	H. Heckenburg		/	/	/		
114	Alex Sinclater	/			/		/
115	Geo Flett	/			/	/	
116	Gilbert Smith	/			/		/
117	Andrew Flett	/			/		/
118	Simon Thomas	/			/		/
119	Morrison Read	/			/		/
120	John Jacob Beat	/			/		/
121	Peter Stevenson	/		/	/		
122	Jno. Monkman	/			/		/
123	Jacob Cook	/			/		/
124	Jno Parisien		/	/	/		
125	Jno Dait		/	/		/	
126	Isaac Thomas	/			/		/
127	Donald Ramsay		/	/		/	
128	Henry Prince Jnr	/			/		/
129	Fred Prince		/	/	/		
130	Pierre George	/	/	/	/	/	/
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131	W[illegible] Bear	/			/		/
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133	Wm Henderson		/	/		/	
134	Jno Prince No 2		/	/		/	
135	Jos Imundle		/	/		/	
136	Alex Starr		/	/		/	
137	Jos Sutherland No 2		/	/		/	
138	And Starr		/	/		/	
139	Jos Rat		/	/		/	
140	Bapt LeClair jnr		/	/		/	
141	Thos Morriseau		/	/		/	
142	Jos Robinson		/	/		/	
143	Sam Stevenson	/			/		/
144	Albt Thomas	/			/		/
145	Jas Fiddler jnr	/			/		/
146	Isaac Askam		/		/		/
147	Wm Child	/		/		/	
148	And Sinclair	/			/		/
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153	Albt Bear	/			/		/
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161	Jno Jas Flett		/	/	/		
162	Benj Hunt		/	/	/		
163	Geo. Ork		/	/		/	
164	Jos Vincent	/	/	/	/	/	/
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167	Henry Hope		1	1	1			
168	Jos Williams		1	1	1			
169	David Sinclair		1	1	1			
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171	Ootache		1	1		1		
172	Wm Pakoo		1		1	1		
173	Albt Cockran	1			1		1	
174	Jacob Smith	1			1		1	
175	Jacob Mowal		1	1		1		
176	Jos Chief		1		1	1		
177	Geo. Prince jnr		1	1		1		chal-age
178	John Flett		1	1		1		
179	Alex Leclair	1			1	1		
180	Geo Leclair	1			1		1	
181	Alex Stevenson	1			1		1	
182	Wm Harper		1			1	1	
183	Thos Harper		1		1		1	
184	Thos Williams		1	1	1			
185	Thos Hope		1	1	1			
186	Wm R Stevenson	1			1		1	
187	Chas Williams		1	1		1		
188	Jno Spence		1	1		1		
189	Philip Stevenson	1			1		1	
190	Albt King		1	1	1			
191	Thos Starr		1	1		1		chal-age
192	Jno Flett jnr		1	1		1		
193	Chas Pratt		1		1	1		
194	Henry Fiddler	1			1		1	
195	Jos Prince (chief)	1			1		1	
196	Alex Putin		1	1		1		
197	David Smith	1			1		1	
198	Alex Fidder	✓1	✓	1 ✓	✓1	✓	✓	
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		111 ✓	87 ✓	84 ✓	128 ✓	75 ✓	101 ✓
199	Wm Sinclair	1		1			1
200	Jas Williams		1		1	1	
201	Adolp Cameron		1		1		1
202	Wm Asham		1	1		1	
203	Alwin Flett	1		1		1	
204	David Prince	1		1	1		1
		114 ✓	90 ✓	87 ✓	131 ✓	78 ✓	104 ✓

For Chief.

Votes polled for Wm Asham 114 ✓
do do do Alwin Flett 90.
Wm Asham elected by a majority of 24. ✓

For Councillors

Votes polled for Wm Sinclair 131 ✓
do do do Alex Fiddler 104 ✓
Wm Sinclair elected by a majority of 44
Alex Fiddler do do 17

Therefore William Asham is elected Chief
do William Sinclair is Elected Councillor
do Alex Fiddler " do do

Certified Correct.
A. McBuckle.
Indian Agent

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FEB 7 1891

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y
FEB 8 1891
WINNIPEG, MAN.

Indian Office
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2nd Feby 91

Sir

I have the honor to enclose list of Votes polled at the Election of Chief & two Councillors for the St Peters Band of Indians which was held on the 31st Jany 1891; as per instructions

I beg to state that Wm Asham who has been elected as Chief is a Swampy Cree Halfbreed, he is a sober industrious & intelligent man, who can read & write the English Language fairly well.

Wm Sinclair & Alex Fiddler the newly elected Councillors are both Swampy Cree Halfbreeds & both can speak English, are intelligent sober young men, who I think will make good Councillors.

I shall not give out the Clothing untill I am notified by you to do so

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obdt Svt
A. McMurdle
Indian agent

E McColl Esq
Insp Ind Agencies
Winnipeg

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

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Refusal to receive Annuity

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J. A. N. Provencher
Ind. Com.
July 16/26 Winnipeg
Man:-

States Indians of St
Peters had declined
to receive Annuity because
of the supposed increase
in Planting keep Rec'd

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL 26 1873
OTTAWA.

Indian Commissioner's Office
Winnipeg, 16th July 1873

Sir,

In conformity with your letter of the 27th of June last, received here on the 8th instant, conveying to me your instructions in regard to the treaties to be made in the direction of the Saskatchewan, I began to prepare the estimates of the Outfit, &c to be provided for in this service. As notice had been given at that time to the Indians of St Peters that they were to be paid Friday and Saturday last, the 11th and 12th instant, the St John was sent down to take them their money. She came back on Sunday, and reported that the Indians of that reserve had refused to take the payment, because the other promises that were made to them had not yet been fulfilled. According to their reports of the negociations when the treaties were made many things were promised to them that they never had —

These demands have already been communicated to you of enough, so that it is useless

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to repeat them all here

Yesterday I had an appointment with the Band of Na-sha-ka-pennais, or The Big Ears, also to gave them their annuity money. We had a talk that lasted for four hours. They insist on having two sets of Clothing (for summer and winter) every year; they showed me a piece of paper, that they pretend to be a report of the terms agreed to by the different Chiefs and Mr. Simpson in which this article of the Clothing is mentioned as to be given to the Indians —

That paper does not bear even one signature, and I told them of course that it was of no authority for me, and that I had to be bound by the treaty that they signed and sealed — But then they answered that their paper was the only good one, and that the other one did not contain the true conditions of the surrendering of their lands —

They heard of the debates that took place in the House of Commons in regard to the treaties, how some members strongly condemned the idea

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of giving them only three dollars ahead, and they take advantage of all that now in discussion.

The Indians here, and mostly those of St Peters have been encouraged in these extravagant demands, as it is easy to understand from their speeches, and this band being the largest, the others have a tendency to follow their example —

There are some other difficulties in keeping this band of St Peters as it is now, and it might become necessary to divide it —

Nevertheless, great many people of that reserve come at the office to get their — The Chief Na-sha-Ka-penais asked me not to pay any one without his consent. I told him that I could not comply with his demand, and that every one who would come for his money would get it, and that if they were in any way molested or threatened by the others, the offenders would have to answer for their conduct before the Court —

I have the honor to
sir
your obt servant
J. P. Provencher
Indian

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882.

J. W. Powell
Indian Supt
Victoria

Extract from Annual Report The takers of Penuquat Release have not received further Compensation of their Reserve by the Rocket five years ago

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Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 5th July 1882

Memorandum,

The undersigned has the honor to submit herewith an extract from the Annual Report for the year 1881 of Dr. I. W. Powell, Indian Superintendent for British Columbia, relative to the condition of the natives of Kemsquit which is an Indian Village on the Western Coast of B.C. owing to the bombardment five years ago of their Village by Her Majesty's Ship "Rocket" under apparently a misapprehension.

In view of the facts stated in Dr. Powell's Report, the undersigned is of

To the Right Honorable
Sir John A. Macdonald,
P.C., K.C.B.,
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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of opinion that the assistance asked for by the Chief of this Band should be supplied the Indians. It becomes a question, however, whether the expense connected with furnishing the articles should be borne by the Dominion or by the Imperial Government - indeed it would appear but just that the buildings destroyed by the "Rocket" should be replaced by the latter Government in consideration of the serious mistake made in bombarding the Village.

I have &c

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Sup.t Gen.l
of Indian Affairs.

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Enclosure of letter dated 6th April 1877.

Proceedings of H.M.S. "Rocket"

Wednesday 14th March 1877. 6.0. a.m. Embarked Sergeant Bloomfield, & Alfred Undower & proceeded outside 7.0. Thick fog, anchored off Victoria. 10.30. Weighed & proceeded. P.M. 8.45 off Nanaimo, but too much fog to go in. anchored outside.

15th March 6.0. a.m. Weighed & communicated with the shore at Nanaimo & Departure Bay. 10.30 Proceeded - Sunset anchored off Oyster Bay.

16th March 6.0. a.m. Underweigh - Fair wind - Sunset anchored off Fort Rupert - embarked Mr. George Hunt, as interpreter, and three Smokholate Indians, Chief, his son, and another.

17th March Daylight, underweigh. 5.45. P.M. arrived at Mc Laughlen's Bay (Bella-Bella). Found Stempsetts was farther North.

18th March Sunday - Sergeant Bloomfield & Alfred Undower proceeded in Peg for Stempsetts - 5 P.M. Stempsett brought on board, he requested that a Kitamat woman should be procured

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procured as a witness.

19th March 5.30. am. Weighed and proceeded North to pick up woman near Kikeis. Noon embarked do, & turned round, towards evening wind freshened from S.E. forced to make & anchor in Morris Bay.

20th March Daylight, underweigh for Fort Rupert and Alert Bay. P. M. Wind freshened ahead, made Safety Cove at Sunset.

21st March Detained - stress of weather. 9. am. a slight improvement. Weighed, Fresh breeze outside. P. M. freshened obliged to put in to Takush Harbour. Sent for Chiefs, but got no information from them.

22nd March 6. A. M. Weighed for Fort Rupert - strong head wind - made Fort Rupert by Shadwell passage & Goletas Channel at 3.20. P. M. Landed 3 Sumkholate Indians.

23d March Detained off Fort Rupert through stress of weather.

24th March 6. 0. A. M. Proceeded for Alert Bay. 8. 0. stopped Klickseewa, communicated with Mr. Coon white settler. Noon alongside pier at Alert Bay

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taking in fire wood - Coma the Nimkish Indian wanted as witness not to be found here although expected. - Determined to remain until Monday Morning.

25th March Alert Bay. Landed Hempsett & Kitamat Kloochman. Held a Court on the complaint of Mr. Coon - at which an Indian lad was fined $10.00 or one month for stealing a knife.

26th March 6.0. am. Underweigh to the Northward - thick fog occasionally - 2. P.M. off Cape Caution, where Captain, Sergeants Bloomfield & Hunnu, Messrs. Hunt, Dudower & Dyer with Gig's crew landed & search, nothing found, "California" passed North, 4.30. Boat returned to Ship - Ship proceeded to and anchored in Open Bay.

27th March Daylight, underweigh for Wakeena - 11. am. arrived, sent Mr. Hunt for Chiefs. 1. P.M. Chief came - Detained Chief & Son & one Wakeena, proceeded to next river for another. 4.30. embarked do. Fresh breeze ahead, anchored, 8.30. Fine, weighed & proceeded - 10.30. to 12 thick fog - going easy - Mid. Proceeded to Kemsquit.

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28th March Steaming through Burke & Laboucheres Channels for Kemsquit. Towards sunset anchored behind Village & sent in for Chiefs by Mr. Hunt, Interpreter; the Indians informed him that there were very few people in Camp, and that the principal Chiefs were away at Bella Bella & Kitloop but they expected the head Chief back that night. those in Camp promised to come off next morning at 9. A.M. it being too late then.

29th March 9. O. am. No Indians coming near the ship, Sergeant Bloomfield, Messrs Hunt & Undower walked over to the Village: when they first arrived that any Chiefs were there, then said the head Chief was still absent. later it was found out that there were four Chiefs in Camp, & these accompanied Sergeant Bloomfield on board about 11. A.M. these men stated that they expected the head Chief every minute, & were told to return on board again at 5. P.M. with him. 5. P.M. seven chiefs (not including the head) came on board, they were then told that they had to give up the Kemsquit Indians who were at the wreck of the "Wright" they first of all denied

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denied all knowledge of such wreck,
then said two were dead, and one at
Victoria, then they admitted that
three men, & a woman who had
been present were in Camp -
Sergeants Bloomfield & Stimmon
accompanied by Messrs Stait &
Dudower, & one Chief went to arrest
these parties; when they arrived in
Camp, these Indians were found
to be preparing to leave that night,
two of the men were arrested, but
in doing so, one threatened to shoot
A. Dudower, & the father of this
youth, went to the assistance of his
son, & also threatened the life of
A. Dudower, this old man then
made off with his gun, & called
up the Camp to resist by force:
Sergeant Bloomfield & party returned
on board with the two prisoners -
The six other Chiefs had been
detained on board, & were informed
of what had taken place on shore,
& then all were told that the old
man, the man & women already
spoken of, were to be delivered up
on board the ship at 9 O'Clock
the next morning, failing which
the village would be burnt,
two chiefs would be detained on
board as hostages, and the others
were allowed to go on shore after
promising

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promising to give up the Indians required.

30th March P. A. M. No Indians appearing, weighed & proceeded off village, sent 1st Jig; armed with side arms, Sergeants Bloomfield & Stannen, & Marines, Messrs Hunt, Undower, & Dyer (special constable) accompanied by galley, manned and armed, the whole under Mr. Baily Sub Lieutenant, to arrest the offenders: on arriving they found the village nearly deserted, two chiefs with a few others only remaining, one of whom was arrested, & the other ran off. The Indians wanted were not to be found, those present were again informed that the village would be fired into & burnt unless the offenders were given up: the boats then returned to the ship. Fired blank charges from great guns, then two 20 Pr: shells, one on each side of the village. Sent 1st Jig in as before with two of the Chiefs detained, who promised that they would go & bring the persons required off if the village was not fired into or burnt.

These Chiefs on landing called two men, & sent them after

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after the parties, but after a long time these men came back without anyone, & all present were again informed that the village would be fired into & burnt. Mr. Bailey & Sergeant Bloomfield examined village to see that there were no inhabitants, men, women or children left, & the boat having returned - blank charges were then fired & afterwards shell round the skirts of the village, then into village itself, & after a few rounds the 1st. Jig was sent in, as before, to fire the house of the old man who had threatened life, this was accomplished & the boat returned, & the ships proceeded for Bella Bella, arriving there at 11. P. M.

31st March - Sent for Chiefs - J. A. M. Do came on board with Mr. Clayton of the Hudson's Bay Co. accompanied by three Bella Coula Indians who had seen a portion of the wreck of the "Wright" - No Indians were detained from this place & the Ship proceeded at 4 P. M. for the Southward, having previously landed Mc Kenna Chief & Son & three Kemsquit Chiefs.

1st April

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1st April 8.30. A.M. Stopped off Cape Caution. landed Sergeant Bloomfield, Messrs Dudower, Hunt & Dyer with one WaKeena & one Kemsquit Indian in Blunder Bay & Indian Cove to search - they found a portion of a mast. 10.40. Boat returned - Proceeded 3.30 P.M. Stopped off Klickseewa, communicated with Mr Coon C.O. Proceeded 7.15 anchored in Alert Bay.

2d April 4.0. A.M. Weighed & proceeded South.

3d April 3.30. A.M. Secured to buoy in Departure Bay. Coaled Ship.

4th April 6.30. AM. Cast off - Proceeded 4.0. Request from High Sheriff of Vancouver, for the Ship to remain to support his authority by her presence, he fearing resistance by force.

Anchored off Nanaimo

5th April At anchor off Nanaimo

(Signed) C. R. Harris
Lieut. Comdr.

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Reporting Proceedings & Return.

H.M.S. "Rocket"
Esquimalt, 6th April 1877.

Sir,

In compliance with your requisition of 9th March, I left Esquimalt on the 14th Ult^o for the North to prosecute enquiries relative to the fate of the supposed survivors of the "Wrights", and as this enquiry has taken a considerable time, a great deal of ground has been gone over, and many places visited, I think a daily diary, which I beg herewith to enclose will be the best form in which to lay before you the work done.

2 _____ In now reporting my return to this harbor with four prisoners on board, two Wakenas, & two Kensquits, I beg to inform you that these men admit having found a portion of the wreck of the "Wright" near Cape Caution, and they

His Honor
Lieut. Govr. Richards
Victoria.

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they are suspected of knowing more about it, the resistance made to lawful authority by the Kemsquits on the 29th & 30th Mch (see diary) seem to point to guilty knowledge on the part of that tribe.

3 _____ It is evident that all the Indians from Alert Bay, North are aware of a great deal more in connection with this matter than they will reveal, and there is the greatest difficulty in getting an Indian to tell the same story twice on this subject.

The Nimkish Indian Coma or Bessuhaulis has not been found, and I should advise his arrest, if possible.

4 _____ I should wish to recommend to the Government the desirability, in my opinion, of employing upon a similar occasion the services of a pure white man as Interpreter, as a half breed may possibly lean to the Indian side.

5 _____ Mr. J. H. Coon of Klicksewa, between Alert Bay and Fort Rupert complained to me of the conduct of the Sowatana Indians towards him, & had opportunity offered, I should have visited Health Bay on his behalf, under the circumstances I considered it desirable

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desirable to let the action taken at Kemsquit be known along the Coast, before moving further in this matter.

6 ——— I arrived at Nanaimo on the 3d April, and was leaving for Esquimalt on the 4th when I received a request from the Sheriff to remain at that Port in the interests of the public peace, this has detained me 48 hours.

7 ——— I trust that this enquiry into the "Geo. S. Wright" mystery will be satisfactory to you, and your Government, & at the same time I beg to state, that I am of opinion the only way to arrive at the truth of the matter is by employing a trader as a detective, to remain among the various tribes cognizant of this matter for a lengthened period, or, to offer by Government of a large reward to anyone revealing the matter or finding it out.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant.
(Sd.) C. R. Harris.
Lieutenant & Commanding.

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623. I. Indian Office
Victoria Sept 28th 1882

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th ult, requesting me to be good enough to furnish, for your information, a full report of all the circumstances in connection with the bombardment of the Kemsquit village by H. M. S. "Rocket", and also to state what amount would in my opinion be sufficient to repair the damages sustained by the village on that occasion.

As explained in my Report referred to in the above, the "Rocket" was sent north at the request of the Police Authorities to prosecute enquiries relative to the fate of alleged survivors of the Steamer

No. 2314.

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No action necessary
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May 27/84

The Honorable
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

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Steamer "G. S. Wright" a boat supposed to have been lost during the summer of 1876, with all on board, when on her way from Sitka (Alaska) to this Port — rumours having reached Victoria that some of the passengers or crew thereof had been foully dealt with by Indians who were found to be in possession of a few articles purporting to have been taken from them.

I have the honor to enclose a copy of the official report furnished by Lieut Commander Harris to His Honor Lieut Governor Richards — which gives particulars of the destruction of the Village and the reasons which influenced Comr. Harris in bombarding the place.

The slight resistance made by the Indians to the Interpreter Dudoward, a Tsimpshean, with whom they were not on good terms does not in my opinion point to any guilty knowledge of the matter on the part of the Kenesquits.

If all the Indians from Alert Bay to Kenesquit had been aware "of a great deal more in connexion with the matter than they were willing to reveal", as supposed by Capt. Harris, it is certain that some

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some evidence of the matter would long ere this have been produced —

The Kemsquits were old and deadly enemies of the Nimkish and other Kwakewelth tribes between them and Alert Bay, and had the latter possessed any knowledge that the former had Killed any survivors of the Wright, there can be no doubt that they would at once have made the matter known.

It is difficult to understand why a Village should be shelled upon the mere supposition that certain inhabitants thereof were implicated in a crime, and because, in the excitement of the moment, an old man had threatened the life of Dudoward whom they accused of being the cause of all their trouble.

The Chief of the Kemsquits being engaged on a peaceful trading visit to his friends the Bella Coolas knew nothing of the affair until he returned and found his village and home in ruins, nor does he, in my opinion, to this day understand the reason therefor.

I am informed that Capt. Harris had "general quarters" on the Ship before landing at the Village, and the Chief informed me that his people

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people were so frightened at the firing, without knowing the cause, that they did not know what to do, in order to avert the threatened trouble, concluding, possibly, "that self-preservation was the first law of nature" the few Kenusquits that were at the camp betook themselves to the woods and did not return until the Ship had left.

Capt. Harris called upon them to deliver up the suspected ~~the sus-pected~~ parties without proof that they were present in the Camp; the little evidence gleaned of apparent guilt is so contradictory as to render it useless, and the people who came on board, denominated chiefs (but were really not such), seem to have been so thoroughly scared as to make statements which were unsupported by fact.

It is not improbable that the whole affair was originated or encouraged by Dudoward and Stemptsit, (both men of doubtful character) for the purpose of gratifying some revengeful feeling or spite.

The unfortunate prisoners brought down by the "Rocket" remained in prison here for some time no evidence however appearing

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appearing against them they were finally released at my earnest request, and having been supplied with some clothing of which they were sadly in want they were sent home at the expense of this Department.

With regard to the present condition of the Village, I may state that the houses destroyed were built of timber roughly hewn out of logs with much difficulty and labor by the Indians; and consequently on Ac of the isolation of the place, and no facilities for procuring sawn lumber they have never been able to rebuild them.

I am of opinion that little could be done in relieving the Indians with a less sum than twelve hundred dollars, but a grant of this amount would enable them to procure building material such as lumber, doors, windows, nails and a supply of tools which would satisfy and greatly please them.

There cannot be a doubt that the Kenesquits have, as a tribe, been roughly and most unjustly used. A number have in consequence suffered privations for causing which there

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there appears no excuse, and they are therefore in every way deserving of humane and kindly consideration.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obdt. Servant,
I W Powell
Indian Superintendent.

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Lo Mr McNeill
4/6/84

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MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Accountant

Ottawa, 30th May 1884

1st To take the necessary steps to have the amount voted in the Supplementary Estimates for 1883-84 for the repair of houses at the Village of Kensquit on the West Coast of Vancouver Island placed by accountable cheque to the Credit of Mr Supt. Powell, Victoria, with a view to his having the necessary repairs made

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2nd. To advise Mr Supt. Powell on 5 June 84 the Establishment by wire of a Credit of the amount recommended by him to admit of the rebuilding of Indian houses at Kensquit namely $1200.00 ~~has been~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~to his Credit~~, & request him to have the binding material & necessary tools furnished the Indians on the most favorable terms possible & to forward vouchers and cheques drawn in payment giving full details of the same to this Dept as well as a Statement from the Agent, shewing each Indian recipient of material & the amount of each kind [illegible]

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FORM 87.

THE MONTREAL AND DOMINION TELEGRAPH COMPANIES' LINES,

OPERATED BY THE GREAT NORTH WESTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF CANADA

ALL MESSAGES TAKEN BY THIS COMPANY ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

It is agreed between the sender of the following message and this Company that said Company shall not be liable for damages arising from failure to transmit or deliver, or from any error in the transmission or delivery of an unrepeated telegram, whether happening from negligence of its servants or otherwise, or for delays from interruption in the working of its lines, for errors in cypher or obscure messages, or for errors from illegible writing, beyond the amount received for sending the same. To guard against errors, the Company will repeat back any telegram for an extra payment of one-half the regular rate, and in that case it shall not be liable for damages beyond fifty times the amount received for sending and repeating.

Correctness in the transmission of messages can be insured by contract in writing, stating agreed amount of risk, and payment of premium thereon at the following rates, in addition to the usual charge for repeated messages, viz:—One per cent. for any distance not exceeding 1,000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance.

This Company shall not be liable for the act or omission of any other Company, but will endeavor to forward the telegram by any other Telegraph Company, necessary to reaching its destination, but only as the agent of the sender and without liability therefor. This Company shall not be responsible for messages until the same are presented and accepted at one of its transmitting offices; if a message is sent to such office by one of the Company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the sender's agent; if by telephone, the person receiving the message acts therein as agent of the sender, being authorized to assent to these conditions for the sender. This Company shall not be liable in any case for damages, unless the same be claimed, in writing, within sixty days after receipt of the telegram for transmission.

No employee of the Company shall vary the foregoing.

H. P. DWIGHT, General Manager. ERASTUS WIMAN, President.

SENT No.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	TIME SENT.	TIME FILED.	CHECK.
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Send the following message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to.

To J. W. Powell, M.D. 5th June, 1884.

Victoria, B.C.

Twelve hundred dollars to rebuild houses at Kimisquot placed by wire to your credit today. Cheque whole sum out before

(1.)

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP.

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Send the following message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to.

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before thirtieth June, on which date it would otherwise lapse. Have written.

R.S.

Chief Dept. Ind. Affrs.

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A. W. Powell Esqr
Indian Supt
Victoria
B.C

June 7 84

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 28th September 1882 giving a report of the circumstances apth connected with the bombardment of the Kemsquit Indian Village by H.M.S. Rocket and recommending that the sum of $100 should be granted to aid in rebuilding the houses of the Indians there I have now to inform you that a credit for that amt has been established in your favor for the purpose above mentioned.

You will be good enough to have the building material and necessary tools furnished the Indians on the most favourable terms possible and forward vouchers and cheques drawn in payment thereof giving full details of the same to the Dept as well as a statement

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from the Agent showing cash Indian Department of material, and the amount of each kind given him.

The Indians should be informed when the Supplies are furnished them, or previously, that Her Majesty in consideration of the loss sustained by them by the destruction of their Village has been graciously pleased to make a grant of money to them for the purpose of enabling them to rebuild their houses.

I enclose a Copy of my telegram of the 3rd instant advising you of the Credit

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 17 1884

British Columbia

611. L.

Indian Office Victoria
8th June 1884

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th June 1884 No 2314 with copy of telegram of June 5th 1884 advising the remittance of $1200 for the purpose of building the houses of the Indians at Kimsquit and containing your instructions respecting the same.

In reply, I beg to state, that Kemsquit is a very distant Indian Village with no means of transport in my power for reaching, and would be within the North West Coast agents District. Mr Mackay is now awaiting orders, probably, transferring him to Kamloops. I have, at present, no officer to whom I could refer this matter in accordance with your request. Should Mr Mackay not return to his agency, or no officer be appointed soon to succeed him, I will attend personally as soon as other duties permit, to the expenditure of the twelve hundred dollars in the manner you have directed. Meantime, as the appropriation would have lapsed after the 30th ult. I have, agreeably with your desire, chequed out the sum to be accounted for by me in due course.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
I W Powell
Indian Superintendent

The Honorable
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa Canada

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882

J. W. Powell
Victoria
B. C.

Letter Enclosing Clipping from Toronto Globe relative to alleged forced removal of bodies of deceased Indians belonged to the Yale Band from place where they were interred & some other points.

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From Toronto Globe 17th June 62

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The Gale Indians are complaining of the treatment they have received at the hands of the Indian Department. The resting places of their dead have been taken for railway purposes, and they have been forced to remove at considerable expense the remains of their departed kindred. These Indians are as warm in their affection for the relics of their dead as any of their white brethren, and have transfered the bones of the departed with the same care and reverence. To meet the expense of the forced removal, the Government it appears has refused to recoup the Indians more than to the extent of one-third, and naturally they feel that they have been unfairly dealt with. The Sentinel adds that it would be gratifying if this was the only complaint coming from the Indians concerning the management of their affairs

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Yale British Columbia
13th July 1880.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your communication of the 8th instant which I received on Saturday the 10th referring to a large demand being made on your department for the cost of removing bodies from the Indian Cemetery at Yale. The large sum of $1100 00 seems inexplicable to me for I have heard of no complaint with them since the payment of the $100 00 dollars.

The time the Indians received the one hundred dollars I am fully convinced they were perfectly satisfied after the circumstances being explained to them of the necessity of the removal of the remains.

Since the receipt of your letter I called last evening and interviewed "Lekul-tum" the Chief together with several other Indians of his tribe who are entirely ignorant of any further demands being made on your department in their behalf, and which is still unknown to them. In a social way of touching

To I.W. Powell Esq.
Superintendent of Indian Affairs
Victoria B. C.

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touching on the question of expense in allowing them their own demands and claims without the least opposition of a check against them, would not amount to more than 200 Dollars, they based their calculations in the following way, 48 Indians employed 2½ days each, who came from "Ohamal", "Squabig" and "Spuzzum", Drilling for wrapping up the remains, and a little lumber, together with provisions supplied, about 200 Dollars.

These items I forward to you for your guidance to enable you to form some idea how matters are represented by certain parties.

I hear of no dissatisfaction to report to you more than what I have already stated the true facts are herein contained.

I have the honor to be
dear Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
William Teague.
Govt. Agent.

(Sd.)

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Indian Office
Victoria 8th July 1880

453. P.

Sir,

Referring to your note of the 14th ultimo, I am exceedingly obliged for your kindness in attending to the business I was compelled to refer to you, in the absence of any Agent of this Department at Gale.

I may state in connexion with this matter, that a large demand has been made for cost of removing bodies amounting to something like $1400 00.

This request has been forwarded through the Revd Mr. Good.

Would you therefore have the goodness to inform me if the Indians were not quite satisfied with the payment of $100 00 and if so, their reason for desiring more.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obdt Servant,
(Sd) I.W. Powell
Supt Indian Affairs.

Wm Teague Esqr.
Govt Agent.

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Indian Office
11th June 1880.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
INDIAN AFFAIRS

My dear Sir,

The Indians at Yale complain of their Cemetery being rudely destroyed by the men working on the R.R. To move the remains of their dead to another ground across the River, they state, will cost $300 00, and hence, the demand is made for this sum.

Will you have the goodness to acquaint me if their request can be complied with? or shall I be obliged to bring the matter formally to the notice of our Chief.

Believe me very truly yours
(Sd) L.W. Powell.

Hon. J.W. Trutch.
&c. &c.

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British Columbia

359. I. Indian Office
Victoria July 17th 1882

No. 2,325

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ult covering a clipping from the Toronto Globe relative to the alleged forced removal of the bodies of deceased Indians of the Gale Band - to the unfair treatment received by them in connection with the expense incurred in the removal of the bodies, and also to a complaint in respect to the general mismanagement of their Affairs.

For your information I have to state that I had nothing to do with the matter referred to in the first instance - In the prosecution of Railway Work in May 1880 it became necessary to remove

The Honorable
The Supt. General
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remove the burial ground in question from the Railway track, and a deputation of Yale Indians having come to me for the object of complaining that an insufficient sum had been offered them for such a purpose, I brought the subject to the notice of Mr. Trutch by note, a copy of which is appended hereto. That gentleman then informed me that he had met the Indians when at Yale, and told them that he would pay $75.00 for the removal of the Indian remains in the old burial ground. Mr. Trutch positively declined to pay what the Indians then asked, namely $300.00, but subsequently added that he would increase the amount he originally intended of $75.00 to $100.00, which sum he accordingly placed in the hands of Mr. Wm. Teague Prov. Gov. Agent who divided it among the Indians in payment for their own labor in removing the bodies.

Shortly afterwards, the Revd. Mr. Good Anglican Missionary addressed a letter to me on behalf of the Indians requesting payment of $1400.00 for cost of removing bodies from the Cemetery – a demand

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demand which, I was informed, the Indians had been prompted to make but which I considered ridiculous and most exhorbitant. This letter I shewed to the Hon Mr. Trutch who, agreeably to his expressed wish, retained the same with a view of bringing Mr. Good's conduct in meddling with the matter to the notice of the Bishop of New Westminster.

I however wrote to Mr. Teague upon the subject, (copy enclosed) and beg to append a copy of his reply.

The item cut from the "Globe", referred to in your letter, was observed by me in the "Sentinel" Newspaper published at Yale, and as some evil disposed person had informed the Indians that $300 cc had been placed in my hands for payment to them I directed Mr. Agent Mr. Tiernan to make particular inquiries — first as to the name of the person who was circulating false reports and creating trouble among the Indians, and secondly whether they had suffered the least injustice by the award of Mr. Trutch.

The Indians declined to give the name of the white man who had prompted them to make another

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another demand, and up to the present time Mr. McTiernan has not been able to elicit any evidence that the money paid them by Mr. Trutch was either unjust or unsatisfactory.

In respect of the last remark contained in your letter, and alleged complaints of mismanagement, I believe it to be untrue that any complaint whatever exists, Mr. McTiernan has proved himself an active and useful Agent in that locality, and is spoken of in terms of approval by every one with whom I have conversed upon the subject.

I have been informed that the item in question, together with two or three others of a similar nature were contributed by a gentleman lately connected with this Department but who is now an Indian trader living upon or near the Reserve at Tale.

I have no reason to doubt the correctness of this information, and therefore I feel that any further remark of mine, as to the positive untruth or vindictive motive, both of which are apparent, in the item is unnecessary.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obdt. Servant.
J. W. Powell
Indian Superintendent.

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Victoria B. C.
14th August 1882.

Hon J. W. Trutch to Col. Powell

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant relative to the Church Building on the Indian Reserve at Spuzzum which has been removed by Government off the land required for Railway purposes,

I have the honor to state that, as I have already by letter to you of the 5th ultimo, expressed fully my views as to the value of this Building, and the damage done to it by its being removed, I do not find it advisable to make any further remark on this part of the subject.

But I entirely concur in the suggestion conveyed in your letter, as I understand it, that it is desirable that the Provisions of the 31st Section of the Indian Act 1880 should be carried out in all cases in which the Canadian Pacific

I. W. Powell Esq
Indian Superintendent
Victoria
B. C.

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Pacific Railway passes through any Indian Reserve; and that I propose to take steps to have these Provisions strictly carried into effect in all such cases in future.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obt. Servant
Joseph W. Trutch.

(Sd)

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British Columbia

4119. I. Indian Office
Victoria Aug 4th 1882.

Col. Powell to the Hon J. W. Trutch

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 5th ultimo, I beg to enclose copy of a communication from Mr. Agent Cornwall in reply to an inquiry of mine as to the interest of the Indians in the Spuzzum Church.

It would appear to me that the Church having been erected on the Reserve by the labor and assistance of the Natives, themselves, though aided partly by contributions collected in their behalf in England and elsewhere, compensation should really be made for them through this Office, in order if possible to put an end to the grievance.

I &c

The Honorable
J. W. Trutch
C.M.G.

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If the removal of the building has made it unfit for use, and it has been placed in an undesirable locality, as I infer from Mr. Cornwall's letter, the compensation offered of $125.00 would scarcely go far, either in erecting another structure or repairing a damaged one.

I venture to think that the Indians should have the advantage intended to be conferred by the 31st Section of the Indian Act, in the event of any sum offered them in compensation for damages being deemed inadequate.

I may remark, in the latter connexion, that the manner of settlement adopted in respect of the removal of the old burial ground belonging to the Sale Indians has, through the instigation of designing persons, perhaps, or otherwise, remained a standing complaint ever since, and an article published in the "Sentinel" Newspaper reflecting upon this Office in consequence has been brought to my notice by the Department.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obdt. Servant.
(Sd.) I. W. Powell
Indian Superintendent.

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Victoria B. C.
5th July 1882

Hon J. W. Trutch to Col. Powell

Sir,

Upon the subject matter of your letter to me dated the 3d instant, I am of opinion that the Indian Church on the Spuzzum Reservation could be built anew of similar materials and construction to the present building for from $150.00 to $175.00.

The contractor is responsible for all damage done to this building by blasting operations which I estimate does not exceed $30.00.

The building has not been pulled down as Mr. Cornwall supposes, but was removed all standing by the Contractor from off the right of way, by direction of the Government and at the Government expense.

Before

I. W. Powell Esq.
Indian Superintendent
Victoria
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Before directing its removal however I offered to pay from Government funds $125.00 to cover all claims on account of damage to the building, and for its removal.

My view being that the most advisable course would be that a new Church should be built elsewhere on the Reservation.

This offer was made to the Bishop of New Westminster who had made application in this matter as representing the Church Mission under whose auspices the building in question was erected.

His Lordship decided to accept that offer and I consequently directed the building to be removed from off the land required for Railway purposes.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obd't Servant.
Joseph W. Trutch.

(Sd.)

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British Columbia.

Col. Powell to the Hon J. W. Trutch

317. I. Indian Office
Victoria July 3d 1882.

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Mr. Cornwall considers the sum of $250.00 would be a fair compensation for the injury done.

Will you have the goodness to inform me if you consider this a fair estimate of the amount to be paid to the Spuzzum Indians for the damage above referred to; or otherwise, if the course provided for in the Indian Act of settling the matter by arbitration will be preferred.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obdt. Servant,
I. W. Powell
Indian Superintendent.

The Honorable
J. W. Trutch.
C. M. G.

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Pub by

Sent private letter to Mr Powell in the Hon 3/82

587. I.

Indian Office
Victoria Sept. 13th 1882.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No. 2.325, and to my reply thereto, I have the honor to enclose my correspondence with the Hon J. W. Trutch relative to a similar complaint made by the Spuzzum Indians (near Yale) that in the prosecution of railway work, a church built by the Indians had been removed and thereby rendered unfit for occupation and that the sum offered by the Dominion Agent who was acting for the Railway Department was insufficient.

I was under the impression that the Church having been built by the Indians and by aid collected in their behalf by Anglican Missionaries

The Honorable
The Supt. General
of Ind. Affairs.

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Missionaries, that the damages should be ascertained agreeably to the 31st Section of the Indian Act and paid to the credit of the Honble Supt. General and not to the Bishop of New Westminster.

It will be observed that so far this course has not been followed, and this circumstance, no doubt, has given rise to the item published in the Globe Newspaper in regard to alleged injustice to the Gale Indians to which you have requested my attention.

Mr. Agent Cornwall did not mean that the building had been pulled down, but reports that the Church has been damaged by removal and that the place which it now occupies is a miserable one for the purpose, the Indians declining to use or touch it.

As the compensation proposed by the Dominion Agent, who also acts for the Railway Department, is regarded as insufficient, I am of opinion that it should be ascertained in some other way as provided for in the Section which I had the honor of calling to the notice of Mr. Trutch otherwise, I think that the matter will naturally remain a grievance to the Spuzzum Indians.

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Sir,
Your obd.t Servant.
I. W. Powell
Indian Superintendent.

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INDIAN BRANCH.

1873

Order in Council

Sept 19
Oct 3

Increasing Visiting Indian Supt & Agent Powell's B.C. Salary to $2,600 & Travelling Expenses to date from 1st July last

Sent Mr Powell
Sent to Dr Powell Oct 13/73

Inform Supt Powell the increase of his Salary by C.C. of 19 Sept 1873 from $2000 to $2600 p. Annum — that his expenses in travelling are to be allowed in addition thereto. And will be paid from time to time on his supplying accounts thereof

W S

Oct 9 1873

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Oct 13th/73

J. W. Powell Esq M.D.

B.C.

Sir

I have to inform you that by an order in Council dated the 19th Ulto. your salary for services as Visiting Supt & Agt for Indian Affairs has been increased from $2000 to $2600 per annum ~~and travelling expenses the said increase to commence from the~~, your expenses in ~~your~~ travelling ~~expenses~~ will also be paid, from time to time, on your furnishing ~~a~~ accounts thereof. ~~and~~ The increase of salary will commence ~~to date~~ from the 1st July last.

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Your expenses in

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Copy *of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the* **PRIVY COUNCIL,** *approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 19th September 1873*

On a Memorandum, dated August 1873, from the Hon: the Minister of the Interior, stating that Wm. Iracl W Powell who was appointed by Order in Council of the 7th October 1872, visiting Superintendent and Agent of Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia at a Salary of $2000 per annum represents that his Salary is inadequate.

That in this connection Wm. Powell calls attention to the fact that the scale of prices which obtains in British Columbia is much higher than in other parts of the Dominion.

That looking to this fact and

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To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c., &c., &c.

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to the general scale of Official Salaries in that Province, he the Minister recommends that Dr Powell's Salary be raised to $2,600 per annum and travelling expenses such increase to commence from the 1st July last.

The Committee submit the above recommendation for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified

W. A. Himsworth

C.P.C.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1882

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ACTION CONTINUED.

E. Dewdney
Indian Commr
Winnipeg
Man

Re Site for proposed Industrial School enclosing Sketch plan showing the locality selected.

14 June Letter to Hon E. Dewdney
28 " Telegram " " Gilchrist ordered
11 July " " Dpty Min. of Indian
16 August " from S. M. Jarvis rec'd.

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Shewing
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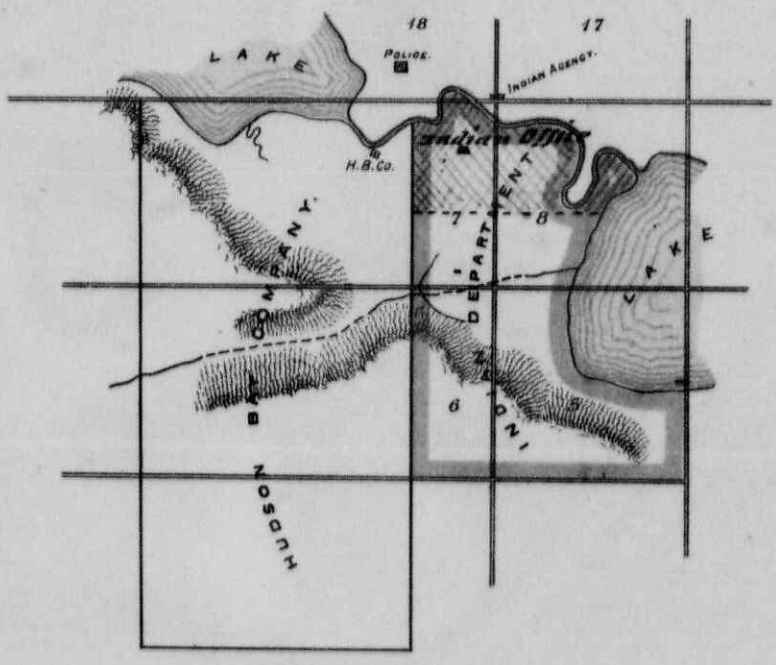
and
INDIAN DEPARTMENT RESERVES
at Qu'Appelle, N.W.T.



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No. 420 "C"

2490

Office of the
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
North-West Territories,

Qu'Appelle 19th June 1882.

Sir,

While here at Qu'Appelle, I have taken the opportunity of looking around for a site for the Industrial School which it is proposed to erect in this District- and I can see no better place for it than the Indian Reserve between the two Lakes- and adjoining the Hudson's Bay Claim- This Reserve was surveyed by Mr McKeen last year- and is lettered H of the Plans inserted in the 1881 Report.

This Reserve is about 1300 acres in extent but the portion I have shaded and on which our Indian office is built- would be sufficient for our purpose. A portion of the Reserve has been in the occupation of a Mr Smith, Agent for the North-West Trading Company of which Dr Schultz is a member- This Company has set up a claim to it.

There is also another Squatter near Mr-

The Right Honble
The Supt Genl of
Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Smith

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Smith, of the name of McPherson.- and he has built a small Cabin and ploughed about an acre.- He was duly notified in writing by Col: McDonald not to build before he commenced.- but paid no heed.

There is no one on the portion I suggest for the Institution.- and should I receive instructions to locate there, I would take steps to at once get it fenced in.- and let a contract for a small building.- so that a commencement might be made next Spring.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your obt. Servant
E. Dewdney
Ind: Commissioner.

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The Hon.ble E. Dewdney
Indian Comr. for Man & N.W.T.
Winnipeg, Man.

July 14 1882.

Sir,

I have the honor to ack: the rect. of yr. letter of the 19th ult.o, enclosing Plan shewing the site selected by you for the ~~proposed~~ Industrial School proposed to be erected in the Qu'Appelle District; and to inform you that the Dept. knows of no objection to the ground selected being fenced in and the building erected thereon provided the quantity of land ~~and~~ to which the Indians owning the Reserve are individually entitled under Treaty will not be diminished thereby.

Legal measures should be taken under the pro

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provisions of the Indian
Act 1880 for the Ejectment
of all unauthorized persons
from the Reserve.

Edmonton

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- Notice -

Copy

By direction of the Indian Commissioner notice is hereby given warning the Public against purchasing Lots on the North West Quarter of section 8 - Township 21 - Range 13 West of the 2nd Principal Meridian - lately surveyed into Town Lots and offered for sale by J. W. Jackson - the same being a portion of an Indian Department Reserve -

(sgd) Hugh A. J. Macdougall
pro Md. Agent
Treaty 4

Indian Office
Qu'Appelle
16th Decr 1882

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No. 10736 4768

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JAN 2 1883

Winnipeg Decr 28th 1882

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose you herewith a copy of a notice posted at all the principal business places at Qu'Appelle on the day mentioned therein. This property mentioned is that on which it is proposed to erect an Industrial School in the Qu'Appelle District

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt. Servt.
E. D. Gaut
Asst. Indn. Commr.

The Rt. Hon.
The Supt. Genl.
of Indn. Affairs
Ottawa

Mr McKacke

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Indian Office
Ile Appelle N.W.T.
26th Decr 1882

Sir,

On my way from Regina to Ile Appelle the other day, I considered it my duty to call on Mr Jackson at Capelle and inquire of him by what authority he had the North West quarter of Section 8 Township 21 Range 13 west of 2 prinl Mer. Surveyed — without hesitation he produced a Deed or Bond signed by C. J. Brydges, Land Com.

The Hon.
Edgar Dewdney
Indian Comr

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Missioner of the Hudson's Bay Company, witnessed to by one Bennet and sworn to before J. Balsillie.

He also showed a letter, signed by one Burrage, stating, that he was directed by the Minister, to inform him, that the quarter section referred to belonged to the Hudsons Bay Company by law; and it was with them, he (Jackson) should deal with in the matter.

Enclosed is a copy of a Notice posted here and at the Station.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obt Servt
[illegible]
Indian Agent

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Fort Qu'Appelle J. Jackson's Survey
N.W. 1/4 8 Tp. 21. R. 13 W 2 M

To purchisers of Lots in above Survey and others –

Refering to a Notice posted by order of Mr. Dudney Indian Commission warning the public against purchising Lots in above Survey –

I beg to inform the public that I am the owner of the land in question, that I purchised it from the Hudsons Bay Company after being assured by the Government through the Honorable the Minister of Interior, that the Hudsons Bay Company were the owners thereof and that I am prepared to satisfy parties interested that the Indian Commissioner had no authority whatever for issuing such Notice, and further, that I am selling daily, and shall continue to sell Lots in the above Survey, and shall carry on medisated improvements on the property — I shall also ask the protection of the Government to whom the Indian Commission is responsible against the damaging and meddlesome interference of Mr. Dudney

Yours Obedt Servt
(Signed) T. W. Jackson

Fort Qu'Appelle
Feb. 18th 1882

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No. 933.

Regina N.W.T.

4/83 28: Dec. 82

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS 4804 JAN 1883

Mr Pelicce
Write Prim of Interior
Conveying Purport of this
letter & of Agent McDonald's
& the question [illegible]
this [illegible]
this Dept [illegible]
[illegible]

Sir,

I beg to forward a letter from Mr Agent McDonald enclosing a copy of a notice posted by Mr Jackson on the property at Fort Qu'Appelle which has been claimed by us for Indian purposes since the Treaty was made at that place.

During the summer I wrote to the Dept: recommending that the portion now claimed by Mr Jackson be used by us for the Industrial School proposed to be erected at

The Right Hon:
The Supt: General
Ottawa

Qu'Appelle

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Du Appelle. This was assented to, at the same time I was directed to notify all trespassers on this Reserve to remove.

Mr. Jackson saw me in reference to this piece of land and asked me whether it belonged to our Dept: and whether it would be safe to purchase the right of a man called Cameron who he stated held the refusal of it from Mr Bryd ges. I then told him that it belonged to the Indian Dept: and was where we proposed to erect our Industrial School.

I heard nothing further in reference to it until casually

J.

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I heard that Mr. Jackson had surveyed this land into town lots and sold some. I at once went to the Hudson Bay Office and saw Mr. Ballsallie who was in charge of the Office, and he told me on referring to his books, that the Quarter Section referred to had been sold to Mr. Jackson and that it could not have been shewn on the Maps as a Reserve. I then shewed him the Map which has always shewn it as a Reserve. I spoke to Mr. Bridges before he went to England about Cameron stating that he had

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the refusal of it and drew his attention to the fact that it was a Reserve and he then told me the land Cameron wanted was known of the Du Appelle River. This we did not claim and I took no further notice of it.

Mr. Ballsallie saw me subsequently to my calling on him at his office and said that Mr. Jackson had a letter from the Dept: stating that the Minister of the Interior had referred him to the Hudson Bay Company. as they held the land.

I believe there is no doubt but.

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but that Mr. Jackson holds a letter signed by one of the Officers of the Dept: to that effect, but I think it would be well to look up the correspondence and see whether when Mr. Jackson wrote the Dept: he described the land intelligently so that the Dept: understood the exact Quarter Section referred to.

My impression is, there has been some underhand work on the part of Mr. Jackson he did not take the trouble when communicating with the Dept: of explaining that to his knowledge the land was

claimed

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claimed by the Indian Dept.
I have the honor to be
1804
Sir
Your Obed: Servt.
E. Jarvis
Indian: Commr.

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Lindsay Russell, Esq.
Deputy Minister
of the Interior.
Ottawa.

Re Mdy sec 8. Tship 21. Range 13. West of 2nd Principal Meridn.

January 11th 1883.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the Honble Mr Dewdney, Indn Comr for Manitoba and the North West Territories has forwarded to this Dept. a copy of a Notice which was posted up by Mr. T. W. Jackson, offering for sale the property at Fort Qu'Appelle which has been claimed by this Dept. for Indian purposes; and in connection therewith Mr. Dewdney reports as follows:-

During the past Summer he wrote to this Dept. recommending that the portion now claimed by Mr. Jackson be used by us for the Industrial School proposed to be erected at Qu'Appelle. This was assented to and at the same time Mr. Dewdney was directed to notify all Trespassers on

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on this Reserve to remove therefrom.
Mr. Jackson had an interview with Mr. Dewdney in regard to the land in question and enquired whether it belonged to the Indn. Dept. and whether it would be safe to purchase the right of a man named Cameron who he stated held the refusal of it from Mr. Brydges. Mr. Dewdney replied that it belonged to the Indn. Dept. and that upon it it ~~was~~ was proposed to erect our Industrial School. Mr. Dewdney heard nothing further in reference to the matter until casually he heard that Mr. Jackson had surveyed the land into Town lots and sold some. Mr. Dewdney at once went to the H. Bay Co. Office and was told by Mr. Ballsallie, who was in charge, that upon referring to his books he found that the Quarter Section referred to had been sold to Mr. Jackson and that it could not have been shewn on the Maps as a Reserve. Mr. Dewdney then ~~[illegible]~~ produced the Map which has always shewn it as a Reserve.
Before Mr. Brydges went to England Mr. Dewdney spoke to him about ~~the~~ Cameron stating that he had the refusal of the land in question and at the same Mr. Dewdney drew Mr. Brydges attention to the

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the fact that it was a Reserve. The latter gentleman replied that the land Cameron wanted was North of the Qu'Appelle River. So Mr. Dewdney took no further notice of the matter until Mr. Ballsallie ~~called on him~~ told him that Mr. Jackson had a letter from the Dept. stating that the Minister of the Interior had referred him to the Hudson's Bay Co. as they held the land. Mr. Dewdney believes that Mr. Jackson holds such a letter but he thinks that in writing to your Dept. Mr. Jackson may not have described the land in such an intelligent manner ~~that~~ as to enable your Dept. to understand the exact Quarter Section referred to. Mr. Dewdney's impression is ~~that there has been some underhand work on the part of Mr. Jackson and~~ when communicating with the Dept. ~~he~~ Mr. Jackson did not take the trouble to explain that to his knowledge the land was claimed by this Dept.

Mr. Dewdney encloses also a letter from Mr. A. McDonald, Inspr. Agent at Qu'Appelle of date the 26th ult., in which that Officer states that on his way

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from Regina to Ou'Appelle a few days previous he called on Mr Jackson at Capell and enquired of him by what authority he had the NW¼ of Sec 8, Tp 21, Range 13, West of 2nd Principal Meridian surveyed. Without hesitation Mr. Jackson produced a Deed or Bond signed by "C. J. Brydges", Land Comr. of the Hudsons Bay Co. witnessed by one Bennett and sworn to before J. Balsillie. He also produced a letter from Inspt [redacted] informing him by direction of the Minister that the Quarter section reserved to belonged to the Hudsons Bay Co by law and that it was with the Hudsons Bay Co he should deal in the matter.

I have the honor to request that You will have the goodness to furnish this Dept. with information on the subject above referred to at Your earliest convenience and especially on the points alluded to by the Comr. Dewdney.

I have &c.

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N.W. 1/4 Sec 8. Tp 21
Range 13 West of 2nd
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Statement of Jonn. Jackson
Pee-a-pot

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 28 1892

N.W. 1/4 Sec 8 Tp 21. Range 13 W of 2nd Meridian

Statemnt of Jarvis v Jackson's Claim

On the 12th Aug. /82 a letter. N°48461. was written from the Dept of the Interior to one Dixie Watson saying in reply to an application made by him /n one E. A Cameron on the 18th July /82 /n a patent of the above land, that it belonged to the Hudson Bay Coy. and referred him to that Coy.—

In October /82 Jackson was shewn this letter by Cameron, purchased his interest in said land and subsequently on the 27th Oct /82 obtained from the Hudson Bay Coy an agreemnt /n the sale of the same.

In Nov. /82 Salter M Jarvis. having seen said letter and agreemnt. purchased an interest from Jackson—

Jarvis v Jackson then laid out the land in Lots sold some 75 procured plans. and timber /n the erection of a budge across the Qu'Appelle River. and gave agreemnts /n deeds to purchasers to be delivered in Nov. /83..

On the 16 Dec. /82. The Indian Commissioner issued a notice claiming the land as an Indian Reserve. This was the first intimation that Jarvis and said purchasers had of the claim of the Indian Dept. M'Dowall states Jackson was warned on the 18th Aug. but the letter from Dept. of Interior was not received till Sept. /82.

Statemnt of Claim of Indian Dept.

On 24 May /79 the Indian Agent at Qu'Appelle applied to Dept of Interior /n the use of land at Qu'Appelle /n a Camping Ground /n the Indians when they paid their annual treaty money - A reply was sent on the 11th July /79 granting the use of ground which subsequent Survey proves to be parts of Sections 7 & 8 Township 21. upon conditions that hereafter it might be resumed if in the interest of settlement

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A letter from the Indian Department to the Asst. Commr at Winnipeg of the 14 June /81 No 139.31 and his reply disclose the fact that the Indian Agents were then notified by the Indian Dept. in future to pay the Indians on their reserves. This has been done ever since - and the land in question has not been used for any purpose.

The Hudson Bay Coys Claim.

Under Sections 18 & 21 of the Dominion Lands Act /79. this Company is entitled out of Section 8 and the S 1/2 and NW 1/4 of Sec. 26. to have allotted to them 1/20 of the land in Ip. 21. after deducting land covered with water roads &c. 1/20 of 19117 acres would be 955 acres. The S.E. 1/4 of Section 8 is covered by a Lake and if the NW 1/4 of that Section be not allotted to them there will not be sufficient in these two sections to cover their allotment. It is respectfully submitted that the letter of 12 Aug /82 from the Dept of the Interior should be considered a partial Allotment. Ip 21. is claimed to be a fractional Township & was confirmed in June /82 Vide Plan in the office of the Surveyor General

Remarks

It is understood that it is desired to establish an Industrial School on the NW 1/4 of Section 8 - May the suggestion be advanced that a good site can be obtained in the Large Police Reserve North of the Qu'Appelle River. now occupied by a very small detachment of the N.W.M. Force where there are buildings which can be utilized for the purpose?

This solution would prevent a hardship being inflicted on those who purchased from Jackson in the belief called forth by the letter from the Dept of the Interior of the 12 Aug /82 - that the Hudson Bay Coy. were the owners by Law of the property. and who on the faith of that letter invested their money and have become liable in damages to purchasers. If it is decided that Mr Dewdney's notice cannot be withdrawn it is requested that the Hudson Bay Coy. before further action be notified and heard.

March 16 /83 Sattie M Jarvis

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Place with
other papers
on this Subject
Jerrard

Ottawa
March 16/83

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To The Right Honourable
The Minister
of The Interior

Sir

I have the honour to enclose for your consideration a statement of the claim of Thos. W Jackson and others. to the N.W 1/4 of Sec 8 Tp. 21 Range 13 West of 2nd Mer. I am informed by His Honour the Lt Governor of the N.W. Territories that his report on this matter is now in your hands. I trust therefore that you may be enabled shortly to decide the questions involved -

I have the honour
to be Sir
Your obdt Servt
Lattes M Jarvis

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT FUNDS FOR TREATY PAYMENTS

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FROM 1873

TO

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1873

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Lt Governor of the North West
10/October Fort Garry Manitoba

Telegram asking further Credit of $18,000 to Cover Payments under Treaty

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14/oct
Referred to the Hons. the Privy Council

A. Campbell
Min of the Int

Dec Order to Oct 23 20/oct
" Letter to Auditor General 20/oct/73
Refund to Rebates written

$2998
12980

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Drft No 114

Oct 20th/73

J. Langton Esqr
Auditor General Sir,
Ottawa,

I have to inform you that a Minute has passed the Committee of the Privy Council and now awaits H. Ex. approval authorizing that, the sum of $18.000 in addition to the sum already granted, be placed to the Credit of the Indian Commissioner for the Province of Manitoba & the N. W. Territories, in the merchants Bank, Ft Garry, to meet expenses under the Indian Treaty recently concluded at the N. W. Angle, the amount to be covered by an appropriation in the Supplementary Estimates for the Current year.

I have now to request you to be good

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good enough to
authorize by Telegraph the Merchants
Bank at Fort Garry, ~~Telegraph~~, to place the
above mentioned
sum to the Credit
of the Indian Comrs
for the Prov of Manitoba
& the N. W. Territories
in accordance with
the proposed Treaty.
I have

Telegraph

Oct 20th 1873

His Honor
The Lt Governor
of the N. W. Territories
Fort Garry

Your Telegram promised a Despatch giving details of Treaty. No Despatch received. The money asked for will be placed at disposal of Commissioners at Merchants Bank to day. Will write as soon as your Despatch arrives with particulars of Treaty.

(Sgd) A. Campbell
M of Int

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Copy *of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the* **PRIVY COUNCIL,** *approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the* 16th October 1873.

On the recommendation of the Hon: the Min: of the Interior, the Com: advise that in compliance with the request contained in a Telegram received on the 10th inst: from Lieut: Gov: Morris & I. A. D. Prosecutor as Indian Comrs for the Pro: of Manitoba & the North West Territories, the sum of $18,000 in addition to the sum already granted, be placed to the credit of the said Comrs in the Merchants Bank, Fort Garry to meet expenses under the Indian Treaty recently concluded at the North West Angle, the amount to be covered by an appropriation in the Supplementary Estimates for the current year.

Certified.

W. A. Himsworth Clk

To the Honorable Minister of Interior
The Secy: of State
&c., &c. &c.

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Office—
Depot—

Sent by ..... Rec'd by .....

Check 31 p 042

No. 252 Time 9.50

By Telegraph from Fort Garry Ma

To Hon A Campbell

In addition to all existing credit be good enough to have eighteen thousand dollars more placed to our credit in Merchants Bank here to cover payments under indian treaty

A Morris
J. Provencher

I recommend compliance with this request - Draw a report accordingly

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Department of the Interior.

1873

Privy Council
Attawa
13/20 Aug

Directing the Indian Commissr be authorized to visit the Metis and others to the West of the Province of Manitoba, & the Indians of the Plains, and make them presents &c.

Letter to Lieut Gov & North West Territories Aug/22 – Del from Comr Provencher 22/aug Ack: 28/aug
Do Lt Gov & N. Territories
see further despatch from Lt Gov. & N.W.T.
Sept-20/30/73 ACK – 30 Sept-/73

See Memo within
19/Nov
2/Dec See further Despatch from Lt Governor, Covering Copy of acct Report of Hon Mr Belands Mission to the Indians of Qu'Appelle

Privy Council Chamber
4 December 1873
Referred to the
Hon. the Postmaster
& Justice

MacKinsworth
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Copy of Telegram

Aug.t 28/73

To Lt. Gov Morris
Fort-Garry.

Authority sent you by mail on
22nd Instant. approving visit of a
Commissioner to Indians on
Saskatchewan for purposes re-
commended in your despatches
of 4th and 11th. on receipt should
no member of the Indian Board
be available this season and send
a special Commissioner say Mr. Ray.
or Breland to carry out recommend-
ations

Sgd W.C

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No 76. N.

Government House, Fort Garry,
Sept. 20th 1873.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
SEP 30 1873
OTTAWA.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that, in accordance with the authority contained in your despatch of the 23rd ult, I have sent the Honble Mr Breland, of the North West Council, on a mission to the Indians of the Qu'Appelle region as far as the elbow of the South Branch of the Saskatchewan -

Mr Breland takes with him

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him a number of appropriate presents, and is instructed by me to inform the Indians that they will be visited next Summer, and that their rights will be respect-ed, and all things connected with the Lands arranged to their satisfaction, as I was authorized to say -

I have also instructed Mr Breland to obtain any information he can, concerning

the

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the late massacre of Indians
at Cypress Hills, and to
obtain the names of the
guilty parties, if possible,
with a view to their being
brought to justice -

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Alex. Morris
L. G

Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa -

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Hon. Hoare
The Lieut Gov of N.W.T.
Fort Garry.

30 Sept/73

Sir

I have the honour
to be the rest of your
despatch (No 78 N) of the 20th Inst.
reporting that, in accordance
with the instructions
contained in the despatch
from the Dep of the 25th
Ult., you have sent
the Hon Mr Boland of
the N.W. Council on a
mission to the Indians
of the Qu'appelle region
as far as the elbow of
the South Branch of
the Saskatchewan.

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Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the **PRIVY COUNCIL**, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 13th August 1873.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AUG 18 1873 OTTAWA

Memo not [illegible] back

On the annexed Memorandum dated 6 August 1873, from the Hon. the Minister of the Interior, having reference to the Settlement of Metis and others to the West of the Province of Manitoba, and to the Indians of the Plains, and requesting authority to direct the Indian Commissioners, or one of them, to visit these tribes during the present summer, and to make them presents suitable to the occasion, and to say that during the summer of 1874, Indian Commissioners will revisit them and renew the presents given them this year, and be

To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c., &c., &c.

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be authorized to assure them that they will not be interfered with in their hunting grounds without treaties being made with them to their satisfaction for the surrender of their lands.

The Committee concur in the said annexed Memorandum, and submit the recommendations therein contained for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified

Wadsworth

Clk.

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Hon Honour

No 35.

The Secretary of the North West Territories

Fort Garry.

Dept of Int
Aug 22/73

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Sir/

Referring to your despatch, No 48 N. of the 4th Instant and to your other despatches in reference to the Settlement of Metis and others to the West of the Province of Manitoba, and to the Indians of the Plains, I have the honour to state, for the information of the Board of Indian Commissioners, that the Governor in Council has been pleased to

authorize

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authorize the said
Commissioners or one of
them to visit these
tribes during the
present Summer
and to make them
presents suitable to
the occasion, and to
inform them, at the
same time, that
the Commissioners will
revisit them during
the Summer of 1874.
and when the pre-
sents grow them
this year: and the
Commissioners are further
to assure the Indians
that they will not be
interfered with in
their hunting grounds
without treaties being
made with them
to their satisfaction for
the surrender of their lands.

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Draft ~~Rough Proof~~

No 67

Ottawa,
2nd Decr. 1873.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 102 N of the 19th ult, reporting the return to Fort Garry of the Honble Pascal Breland, a member of the North West Council, ~~and~~ (the bearer of a message and presents to the Indians of the Qu'appelé region, under the authority of a despatch from the late Minister of the Interior, dated 22nd August last) and enclosing a copy of Mr Breland's report

Your despatch and its enclosure will be submitted for the consideration of the Governor General in Council

I may add that the attention of His Excellency in Council has been specially invited, since the recent change of administration, to your despatches

To His Hon.
Lieut Govr Morris
Fort Garry
Manitoba

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despatches (to which reference is made in the despatch now acknowledged) respecting the Indian question and the future of the North West, and also respecting the murder of the Indians by American Traders at the Cypress Hills.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedt servt

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Return to Mr
J Carmel
E Allen

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with #1064. Sent before Council

Rs 6744/25 were referred to Council on 7/8/00/13

Translated Copy
of Honble P. Breland's
report of his
confidential mission
to the Indians of
the Dié Appele
region ———

Report received
—Nov: 18th———

Enclosed in
Despatch No 101 R.
November 19th 1873

Certified ——
Correct Translation
William Thornton Sergeant
Privy Council Office

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Your Excellency,

I left Fort Garry on the 18th September last, with the presents which you had entrusted me to distribute, with three waggons and two hired men.

I arrived on the 9th of October last at Sable Mountain.

As the season was already advanced, I was compelled to send a messenger to tell an Indian chief who was then at a place named the Vermillion Hills to collect all the Crees, the Sauteaux, and the

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the Assiniboines who were not too far distant from there ———

This Chief was named in Cree, "Ka-ki-chi-war," or "the one who speaks with strength" ——

I left to them liberty to fix the day and place of meeting ——

I sent to the Vermillion Hills, and the messenger whom I had sent returned on the 18th and asked a further delay of ten days, which I granted them ———

I was not able to convoke an assembly until the 29th October, at which said

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said Assembly were forty Indians, more Crees than Saulteaux, among whom I recognised two chiefs with whom I was acquainted ———

Then in the presence of all the assembly I read your Excellency's letters, & explained them as well as I could ———

But they were not entirely satisfied, and there was great excitement among them, they fearing that by accepting the said presents they would compromise their lands and their rights, but after considerable explanation I was enabled to convince them and to dispel their distrust ———

Then

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Then the above named Chief
accepted, in the name of
all his men, the said
presents, but he accepted
them as presents only &
not in any other light, not
wishing to compromise their
lands nor any of their
rights, nor those of their
nation _____

"Let this be well understood,"
said he to me, "and I charge"
"you to tell it to His Excell-"
"-ency the Lieutenant Governor-"

He said further: "You will"
"thank him in my name &"
"that of all my men who"
"are here for the magnificent-"
"presents which he has"

sent

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"sent us, that we shall "
"always keep him in kind"
"remembrance, and we "
"hope that he will continue"
"to assist us in our deep
"distress".

Such were also the words of the Saulteaux chief.—

These are the most important points in connection with my mission, but if His Excellency desires any other particulars, he will find me always ready to give all explanations possible —

(Signed) Pascal Breland.

St. François Xavier
17th. Nov. 1873.

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No. 302. N.

Government House,
November 19th 1873

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OTTAWA.

Minister of Justice
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Sir,

I have the honour to inform you, that the Honble Pascal Breland, a member of the North West Council, who was the bearer of a message and presents to the Indians of the Qu'Appele region (in compliance with directions received from Ottawa under date Augt 22nd) has returned ——

I enclose a copy of his report ——

In connection with this subject, and in view of the change

Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
— Ottawa —

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change of Administration which has lately taken place in the Dominion, I desire to direct your attention to my despatch of 2nd July last, also to my despatches No 45 N. No 61 N, and No 94 N; with enclosure —

These despatches show what my views are in reference to the future of the North West, and the Indian question, upon the solution of which that future so much depends —

I also desire to direct your attention to my despatches No 57 N.; No 60 N; and No 77 N; in reference to the

murder

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murder of Indians by American traders at the Cypress Hills —

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Alex. Ross
L. G

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File 2593	Confidential statement by Mr. Robert Bell, a surveyor, on the condition of Indians and half-breeds in the Northwest. 1873
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Dept of the Interior Nos 2553 Nos 31174 & herewith

INDIAN BRANCH.

1873

Saulteaux & Swampy Cree Indians of Red River

Ctnd
20/25 Oct Dr John Schultz M.P.

Petition for increase in annuities.

217/28-3

Ack 25/October 1873
Letter sent Commissr Provencher enclosing Copy of letter from Dr Schultz & Copy of Petition 27/Oct/73 — See further letter to Comsr Provencher 10 Mar covering Duplicate with enclosures of letter of the 27/Oct See Let to Comsr 4/mar
Ack 11/mar 73 — See letter from Comsr Provencher 26 Mar / 8 April

1980

21/Mar

Referred to the Honorable the Privy Council for Report thereon

By Command
J. Lair
Minister of the Interior

See memo writing

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Ottawa 25th October 1873

Sir - I have the honor to enclose to you for transmission to His Excellency the Governor General a Petition from Members of the Sauteaux and Swampy Cree Tribes of Indians resident at or near the mouth of the Red River

I have also to respectfully urge your favorable consideration of the claims of these Indians should His Excellency refer the matter to your Department for report - I have the honor to be

Sir

Your humble Servt

John Schultz

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...nister of the Interior

Ottawa

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
APR 8 1874
OTTAWA.

Indian Commissioners Office
Winnipeg 26th March 1874

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, enclosing a duplicate of your letter of the 7th of October last and of its enclosures, and requesting me to report on the petition of the Indians of St Peters, and to explain the cause of my delay in doing so —

In answer, I beg to state that I was instructed to submit the papers referred to to the Indian Board, of which the Land agent, according to the Order in Council of the 16th of June 1873,

To The Honorable
Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

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is a member.

On the notice of your instructions being given to Mr. Codd, acting Land Agent, he answered that he had never been notified of his appointment, and that in those circumstances, he would not attend to the sitting of the Board. The report was, for this reason, postponed, in expectation that after new instructions on the composition of the Board, we could have a sitting to which all the members would take part.

On the receipt of

your telegram of the 9th instant, the Hon. Mr. Morris

and

and I met to Consider this demand
of the Indians, and a report
of this meeting was duly
forwarded to you, signed by
Mr St John acting secretary

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

J W Provencher
Indian Commissioner

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(2553)

resident at or near

Memo.—

To His Excellency the
Governor General in Council.

The undersigned has had
under his consideration a petition
of certain Chiefs and Headmen
of the Saulteaux and Swampy
Cree ~~Tribes~~ of Indians ~~from~~
the South of the Red River, setting
forth that the promises made to
them at the conclusion of the
Treaty of 1871 have not been
fulfilled and that a state of
general dissatisfaction ~~exists~~
prevails in consequence among
them.

The Petitioners further set
forth that the Annuity of Three
dollars ($3), granted to them
under that Treaty is wholly
inadequate to their wants, and
pray that it ~~[illegible]~~ be increased
to five dollars ($5), the amount
of the Annuity allowed the
Indians parties to the Treaty at
the North-West Angle. The
undersigned finds that a
copy of this petition was sent
to the Indian Commissioner
for Manitoba and the North-
West ~~on the receipt of it~~
~~at the Department~~, for
their Report, that the attention

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of the Commissioners has again recently been again called to the subject: but up to the present time no report has been received from them. The undersigned is aware, however, that these "outside promises" as they are called have been a source of general dissatisfaction to the Indians and there is no likelihood they will continue so to be unless some satisfactory settlement can be made respecting them.

The undersigned thinks it much to be regretted that the Indians were led to expect that they would receive anything, beyond that was specially mentioned in the Treaty, and he respectfully submits, that it would be advisable to increase the Annuity of the Indians in question from three to five dollars, as asked for, on the understanding that such increase in the Annuity should be accepted by the Indians in lieu of, and as a settlement for all the so called "outside promises"

The undersigned finds

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Also that Complaints are
made by certain Indians
of the Bands of the Saulteaux
Tribe and Swampy Cree
Tribes above referred to that
they were not represented at
the time when the Treaty was
made and that they have
received no benefit from it,
and are not bound by its
provisions. It is very de-
sirable that these Bands,
which are believed to be few
in number, should as early
as possible be brought
within the operation of the
Treaty. To effect these objects
the Indian Agent is of opinion
that a short supplementary
Treaty will be necessary,
and he believes that the
duty of making this Treaty
should be entrusted to Messrs
Dawson and Pither, two
Gentlemen who acted as
Commissioners with
His Honor Lt Gov Archibald
when the original Treaty
was made. Both these
Gentlemen are thoroughly
acquainted with the Indians
in question and understand
their wants and habits; the
latter is the acting Indian

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Agent at Fort Francis
and the former will be
in the locality during the
summer ~~in his capacity~~ in the discharge of other duties
~~as an officer of the Public~~
~~works Department~~.
It is believed that the
proposed Supplementary
Treaty could be concluded
without assembling the
Indians in large numbers,
by merely summoning
the chiefs or representative
men of the various bands
to be affected by it.

Should these
suggestions be approved of
the undersigned would further recommend
~~suggest~~ that the draft of the proposed Sup-
plementary Treaty ~~proposed~~
should be prepared in the
Department of the Minister
of Justice and furnished
to the Commissioners for
their guidance, leaving them
a discretionary power to
alter such draft in non
essential matters.

In the way the
expense attending it
will be ~~very slight~~
inconsiderable.

Approved
D.L.
20/3/74

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Dy Min Interior

Papers referred will be submitted to Indian board Thursday as requested

L A N. Provencher

Indian Comr

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J. A. N. Provencher
Ind Comsr
Fort Garry
Man

Draft
2553

Ottawa 10th Mar 1870

Sir,

I am directed by the Minister of the Interior to forward you a Duplicate of my letter of the 27 Oct last with its enclosures, & to request that you will be good enough to furnish me, for the information of the Minister, with the Report therein asked for at as early a date as possible. I am further to request your explanations as to the cause which has so delayed your answering it

I am &c

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I. A. M. Provincial Indian Conv. Fort Garry.

Dept 2553

Oct 27th 1873

Sir

I have the honour of Ancestor of the Supt Genl of Indian affairs, to enclose a copy of a letter from Mr McSchultz Esquire with a copy of the Petition therein referred to from the Saulteaux & Swampy Cree Indian Objecting thereon claim to have their annuities raised from $3.00 to $5.00, for all reasons set forth in the petition.

I have to request you to bring the accompanying documents under the early notice of the Indian Conv for the ans. the 1 of the W Territory and communication thereon

25 oct 73

15 oct 73

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The Honorable
John Schultz
M.P.
House of Commons
Ottawa

Drft
2,553

Oct 25th 1873

Sir,

I have the honour to ask the rest of your letter, of the 25th Instant, covering a Petition from Members of the Saulteaux & Swampy Cree Tribes of Indians resident at or near the Mouth of the Red River, praying that their annuities may be increased to the same amount as loan, by ~~the~~ recent Treaty ~~[illegible]~~ granted to the Indians assembled at the North West Angle of the Lake of the Woods.

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Mr. Have letter sent & return papers to me
E Phelps

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To

The Right Hon the Earl of Dufferin
Governor General of the Dominion of
Canada &c &c

Dated at St Peter's Lisgar County Manitoba
15th October 1873

The Petition of the undersigned Chiefs Headmen and warriors of the Saulteau and Swampy Cree tribes of Indians residents at or near the mouth of the Red River humbly sheweth — That the promises made to them at the Treaty of 1871 have not been fulfilled And that a state of general dissatisfaction exists in consequence; that they find it quite impossible to supply their most ordinary wants with the present Annuity of three dollars; that game has become very scarce and their reservations is found to be small and insufficient for their use. That the Indians lately assembled at the North West Angle have received a much larger sum that was given to your petitioners and for Territory of very much poorer Character

Wherefore your Petitioners humbly Pray — That their Annuities be increased to the same Amount as was granted at the late treaty to the

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to the Indians above referred to

And your Petitioners
will ever Pray

Thomas Spence
John Flett
Joseph Hope
Frances Henderson
John Columbia
John Johnston
Adam Cockran
John Spence
William Badger
Jacob Sinclir
George Gladman
Baptist Kennady
Alexander Thomas
Peter Smith
George Irven
Moses Chaspellan
Samuel Cook
George Morgan
Edward Kipling
Andrew Agnew
William Sheap
Thomas Sheap
Richard Sheap
Henry Sheap
Joseph Moon-Kman

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Charles Sinclis

Frances Sinclis

Charles Stevenson

James Thomas

William Thomas

John Sinclis

John Flett

Charles Smith

Thomas Cook

John Clement

John Stevenson

Edward Flett

Thomas Flett

Peter Spence

Peter Stevenson

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File 2553	Correspondence regarding a petition for an increase in Annuities from theSaultaux and Swampy Cree Indians residing near the Red River. 1873 - 1874
File 2563	Newspaper clippings reporting on the negotiations for Treaty 3 in the Northwest Territories. 1873
File 2579	One census chart showing the population of Indians, half-breeds and whites in the Northwest Territories. 1873
File 2589	Acting Agent J.H. McIlbree's report of the bad relations and danger of war between the Cree,and the Blood and Blackfoot Indians in the Fort Walsh District. 1882
File 2593	Confidential statement by Mr. Robert Bell, a surveyor, on the condition of Indians and half-breeds in the Northwest. 1873
File 2673	Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Reverend Henry Cochrane's request for a $ 350.00 grant to rebuild a school house. 1873
File 2714	Indian Commissioner I. W. Powell's letter stating that there was never any census taken among the British Columbia Indians. 1873
File 2735	Correspondence regarding the hiring of George W. Gairdner as a clerk at the Carlton Agency. 1882
File 2753	Copy of Rear Admiral Arthur A. Fargular's report to the admiralty on his trip along the West Coast, which was transmitted to the Privy Council. 1873
File 2790	Couchiching Agency - Copies of letters, reports and treaties in the settling up of reserves in the Northwest Angle of Treaty 3 around the Fort Frances-Rainy Lake District. 1874 - 1876

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Note

The enclosed were found among papers of late Hon Alex Morris and were returned to the Department on 23rd October 1906.

Newspaper excerpts re Treaty 3 negotiations

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Charles J...

...that I can go back and report that I left my Indian friends contented, and that I have put into their hands the means of providing for themselves and their families at home; and now I will give you my last words. When I held out my hands to you at first, I intended to do what was just and right, and what I had the power to do *at once*,—not to go backwards and forwards, but at once to do what I believe is just and right to you. I was very much pleased yesterday with the words of the chief of Lac Seul. I was glad to hear that he had commenced to farm and to raise things for himself and family, and I was glad to hear him ask me to hold out my hand. I think we should do everything to help you by giving you the means to grow some food, so that if it is a bad year for fishing and hunting, you may have something for your children at home. If you had not asked it, the Government would have done it all the same, although I had not said so before. I can say this, that when a band settles down and actually commences to farm on their lands, the Government will agree to give two hoes, one spade, one scythe, and one axe for every family actually settled; one plough for every ten families; five harrows for every twenty families; and a yoke of oxen, a bull and four cows for every band; and enough barley, wheat and oats to plant the land they have actually broken up. This is to enable them to cultivate their land, and it is to be given them on their commencing to do so, once for all. There is one thing that I have thought over, and I think it is a wise thing to do. That is, to give you ammunition, and twine for making nets, to the extent of $1,500 per year, for the whole nation, so that you can have the means of procuring food—Now, I will mention the last thing that I can do. I think that the sum I have offered you to be paid after this year for every man, woman and child now and for years to come, is right and is the proper sum. I cannot make any change in that, but we are anxious to show you that we have a great desire to understand you—that we wish to do the utmost in our power to make you contented, so that the White and the Red man will always be friends. This year, instead of $10 we will give you $12, to be paid you at once as soon as we sign the Treaty. This is the best I can do for you. I wish you to under... do not come here as traders...

...living amongst us—those that are married to our women.

Governor—I am sent here to treat with the Indians. In Red River, where I come from, and where there is a great body of Half-breeds, they must be either white or Indian. If Indians, they get treaty money; if the Half-breeds call themselves white, they get land. All I can do is to refer the matter to the Government at Ottawa, and to recommend what you wish to be granted.

Chief—I hope you will not drop the question; we have understood you to say that you came here as a friend, and represented your charitableness, and we depend upon your kindness. You must remember that our hearts and our brains are like paper; we never forget. There is one thing that we want to know. If you should get into trouble with the nations, I do not wish to walk out and expose my young men to aid you in any of your wars.

Governor—The English never call the Indians out of their country to fight their battles. You are living here and the Queen expects you to live at peace with the white men and your red brothers, and with other nations.

Another Chief—I ask you a question—I see your roads here passing through the country, and some of your boats—useful articles that you use for yourself. Bye and bye we shall see things that run swiftly, that go by fire—carriages—and we ask you that us Indians may not to have to pay their passage on these things, but can go free.

Governor—I think the best thing I can do is to become an Indian. I cannot promise you to pass on the railroad free, for it may be a long time before we get one; and I cannot promise you any more than other people.

Chief—I must address myself to my friend here, as he is the one that has the Public Works.

Mr. Dawson—I am always happy to do anything I can for you. I have always given you a passage on the boats when I ... I will act as I have do... I can give no positive promise for the future.

Chief—We must have the privilege of travelling about the country where it is vacant.

Mr. McKay—Of course, I told them so.

Chief—Should we discover any metal that was of use, could we have the priv...

Gove... Govern... hear th... ple, an... that do... manner... Chief... give us... of the... off, on... Gove... give yo... as I ge... parchm... Chie... as they... visions... Whene... I wish... to us. Gove... they ar... for tho... Chie... come f... Gove... the gra... grown... to you. Chie... a smi... great ... good ... best c... for on... for eve... us. I... reserv... nothin... peace. ... be the... will p... —such... side, s... disturb... Gov... licens... ers ar... punish... as she... Chi... Bay C... have s... reserv... will p... Gov... given ... The ... ri... be... C... is, wh...

themselves. It was a most important day for them and for their children, and His Excellency would be glad to meet them again.

The Council broke up at this point, and it was extremely doubtful whether an agreement could be come to or not. The Rainy River Indians were careless about the treaty, because they could get plenty of money for cutting wood for the boats, but the northern and eastern bands were anxious for one. The Governor decided that he would make a treaty with those bands that were willing to accept his terms, leaving out the few disaffected ones. A Council was held by the Indians in the evening, at which Hon. James McKay, Pierre Léveillée, and Mr. Genton were present by invitation of the Chiefs. After a very lengthy and exhaustive discussion, it was decided to accept the Governor's terms, and the final meeting was announced for Friday morning. Punctually at the appointed time proceedings were opened by the Fort Frances Chiefs announcing to His Excellency that they were all of one mind, and would accept his terms, with a few modifications. The discussion of these terms occupied five hours, and met every possible contingency so fully that it would be impossible to do justice to the negotiators otherwise than by giving a full report of the speeches on both sides; but want of space compels us to lay it over until next week.

The treaty was finally closed on Friday afternoon, and signed on Saturday ... after which a large quantity of ... and pork ... goods were distributed. The text of the treaty will be published next week.

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rnor—The ear of the Queen's
nent will always be open to
e complaints of her Indian peo-
she will deal with her servants
not do their duty in a proper

—Now, you have promised to
all your names. I want a copy
reaty that will not be rubbed
parchment.

rnor—In the mean time I will
a copy on paper, and as soon
back I will get you a copy on
ent.

—I do not wish to be treated
were at Red River—that pro-
should be stopped as it is there.
ver we meet and have a council
that provisions should be given
We cannot speak without eating.

rnor—You are mistaken. When
brought together at Red River
r payments they get provisions.

—We wish the provisions to
om Red River.

rnor—If the Great Spirit sends
shopper and there is no wheat
n Red River, we cannot give it

—You have come before us with
ing face, you have shown us
harity—you have promised the
hings; you have given us your
mpliments and wishes, not only
o but for ever; let there now
be peace and friendship between
is the wish of all that where our
are peace should reign, that
shall be there that will disturb
Now, I will want nothing to
that will disturb peace, and
every one that carries arms,
as murderers and thieves—out-
that nothing will be there to
our peace.

rnor—The Queen will have po-
to preserve order, and murder-
men guilty of crime will be
in this country just the same
inishes them herself.

—To speak about the Hudson's
pany. If it happens that they
rveyed where I have taken my
if I see any of their signs I
them on one side.

nor—When the reserves are
you will have your rights.
Bay Company have their
Queen will do justice

rances—Why I say this
chosen for my reserve I

A copy of the treaty was then prepared and duly signed, after which a large amount of presents, consisting of pork, flour, clothing, blankets, twine, powder and shot, etc., were distributed to the several bands represented on the ground.

On Saturday, Mr. Peither, Local Superintendent of Indian affairs at Fort Frances, and Mr. Graham of the Government Works, began to pay the treaty money—an employment that kept them busy far into the night. Some of the Chiefs received as much as $170 for themselves and families. The total amount disbursed was $

As soon as the money was distributed the shops of the H. B. Co., and other resident traders were visited, as well as the tents of numerous private traders, who had been attracted thither by the prospect of doing a good business. And while these shops all did a great trade—the H. B. Co., alone taking in $4,000 in thirty hours—it was a noticeable fact that many took home with them nearly all their money. When urged to buy goods there, a frequent reply was: "If we spend all our money here and go home and want debt, we will be told to get our debt where we spent our money." "Debt" is used by them instead of the word "credit." Many others deposited money with white men and half-breeds on whose honor they could depend, to be called for and spent at Fort Garry when "the ground froze."

One very wonderful thing that forced itself on the attention of every one was the perfect order that prevailed throughout the camp, and which more particularly marked proceedings in the council. Whether the demands put forward were granted by the Governor or not, there was no petulance, no ill-feeling, evinced; but everything was done with a calm dignity that was pleasing to behold, and which might be copied with advantage by more pretentious deliberative assemblies.

On Sunday afternoon, the fi

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England, 27 days ...

The thermometer at ... two degrees below ze... morning.

The New Brunswick Railw... pany have in contemplation a b... their road from the Kent sta... the valley of the Shikt... from the St. John River, ... the head waters of the Miram... Nashwaka to their vast territo... head waters of the Tobique. Th... of lumber made available by ... branch is limitless.

A heavy storm of wind and ... prevailed here from an early ... morning.

On Friday afternoon, Henry ... Moncton, while at Jones' Mill, ... tween two lumber cars, on a ... see if they were attached ... train, when the train ... and two fingers of his ... were caught by the bumper ... was dragged along under th... some distance. The two fin... literally pulled off, but he su... other injuries.

The body of the young man ... Hagerty, who was drowned ... near Indiantown, was found ... noon.

The ex-Empress Eugenoe t... Napoleon, at Paris, on Friday, ... put all thoughts of politics as... no care for anything but the ...

... on their heads and ...ds of queer contortions. ...hat he left the asylum for, ...ted to speculate in barges ...ling business was now ...t appears he labors under ...ion that he is worth a ...unt of money, and on ...noon inspected the barges ...the Canal Basin, with a ...chasing them. Deputy ...od has telegraphed to the ...ities that he has been ...a keeper will doubtless ... to-day.

the course of a day or two will present a beautiful appearance. The decoration is to be carried out on an extensive scale, and to judge from the designs will look quite elegant. The walls have been tinted, and the steam pipes are nearly completed. The tables are in an advanced state, and two new circles of gas jet have been su... from the ceiling. The decorati... consist of portraits, bunting, eve... flags, banneretts, and illuminate... toes. Mr. Gouin, of the Russell ... the caterer, is getting his ap... located. In fact, everything i... gressing admirably. Seating ... modation will be provided fo...

shortly after started for Fort Caldwell, on the Columbia River, adjoining Washington Territory, in the United States, where he pursued the object of his ambition with more or less success. He was not satisfied, however, and thought he would cross the Rocky Mountains to the Prairie Province. With this object in view, Mr. Nash, along with ...



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STEEL
of the very best Euro...
qualled for flexibility, ...
ness of point.
Real Swan C...

derstand our language that is talk-
down. I would like a man that
tands our language and our ways.
ould ask your Excellency as a fa-
appoint him for us.

ernor—I have a very good feeling
. C. Nolin, he has been a good
here; but the appointment of an
rest with the authorities at Ot-
nd I will bring your representa-
them, and I am quite sure it
eet with the respect due to it.

f—As regards the fire water, I
like it and I do not wish any
to be built to have it sold. Per-
t times if I should be unwell I
take a drop just for medicine;
all any one insist on bringing it
we are, I should break the treaty.

ernor—I meant to have spoken
myself, I meant to put it in the
. He speaks good about it. The
and her Parliament in Ottawa
ssed a law prohibiting the use of
r territory, and if any shall be
t in for the use of you as medi-
can only come in by my permis-

f—Why we keep you so long is
s our wish that everything should
erly understood between us.

rnor—That is why I am here.
y pleasure, and I want when we
ake hands that it should be for-

—That is the principal article.
s in my midst the fire water
ave spoiled my happiness, and I
to be left far away from where I
the promises that you have made
little promises and the money
e promised, when it comes to
after year—should I see that
anything wanting, though the
es of the people who have to
these things, I trust it will
power to put them in prison

back of his knife. The result was anything but the "true ring," and made every man ashamed of the petty meanness that had been practised.] Let the medals you give us be of silver—medals that shall be worthy of the high position our Mother the Queen occupies.

Governor—I will tell them at Ottawa *what* you have said, and *how* you have said it.

Chief—I wish you to understand you owe the treaty much to the half-breeds.

Governor—I know it. I sent some of them to talk with you, and I ~~own~~ proved that all the half-breeds from Manitoba, who are here, gave their Governor their cordial support.

am proud

The business of the treaty having now been completed, the Chief, Manitopensis, who, with Powhassan, had with such wonderful tact carried on the negotiations, stepped up to the Governor and said—

Now you see me stand before you all; what has been done here to day has been done openly before the Great Spirit, and before the nation, and I hope that I may never hear any one say that this treaty has been done secretly; and now, in closing this council, I take off my glove, and in giving you my hand, I deliver over my birthright and lands; and in taking your hand, I hold fast all the promises you have made, and I hope they will last as long as the sun goes round and the water flows, as you have said.

The Governor then took his hand and said;

I accept your hand and with it the lands, and will keep all my promises, in the firm belief that the treaty now to be signed will bind the Red man and the white together as friends forever.

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...itt & Co.'s Advertisement ...EN.

...OSPITAL.—The nuns have ...e erection of a small-pox ...andy Hill, and the resi... locality are again greatly ...t. Some of them are en... ...ave a *mandumas* issued to ...ayment of the hospital ...l be remembered that an ...ade to establish a small... ...on the same site some ...it was burned down.

guests.

THE ST. ANDREW'S BALL, ... the patronage of His Exc... the Marquis of Lorne, on ... 1st of December next, ... a brilliant affair. The pre... are being carried out on a gr... It is expected that at least 400 will be present. Subscribers can procure cards from the President, members of committee, or from the Secretary in attendance daily at the St. Andrew's Hall, Elgin street.

crossing the Rockies by ... ...th of October, and it was here they met the first white man since they started on their trip on the 20th of July. The men at times got separated through letting their horses loose to feed while ... Ottawa.

August 1st, 1879.

DR. C. LEGG ... to 211 Albert ...
Office hours—9 to 11 a.

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ntative of the Queen. All this is property where you have come. have understood you yesterday her Majesty has given you the power and authority as *she* has, to this business; you said the Queen you her goodness, her charitable- in your hands. This is what we , that the Great Spirit has planted this ground where we are, as you where you came from. We think e we are is our property. I will ou what he said to us when he ed us here; the rules that we d follow—us Indians—He has us rules that we should follow to overn ~~it~~ rightly. We have under- you that you have opened your able heart to us like a person g off his garments and throwing to all of us here. Now, first of have a few words to address to this man (Mr. Dawson). When he un- od rightly what was my meaning day, he threw himself on your I think I have a right to follow to where he flew when I spoke to n the subject yesterday. We will up the subject from the point we t up. I want to answer what we from you yesterday, in regard money that you have promised terday to each individual. I want k about the rules that we had own before. It is four years back they have made these rules. Per- he rules that they laid down are les that they wish to follow—a l that has been agreed upon by Indians. I do not wish that I be regarded to say twice what now going to lay down. We ask r all that you see, and for the n that are to be born in future. year only we ask for $15; years $10; our Chiefs $50 per year for year. and other demands

other Chief—I take my standing from here. Our councillors have ncil come to this conclusion, that hould have $20 each. Our war- $15; our population, $15. We ow laid down the conclusion of ncils by our decisions. We tell ur wishes are not divided. We of one mind. (Paper put in be- e Governor for these demands.)

~~Soul~~ Chief—I now let you know inions of us here. We would sh that any one should smile at airs, as we think our country is a ter to us. If you grant us deliver a message [illegible] represents you, and that is how I stand with the Queen's Government.

Chief—It is your charitableness that you spoke of yesterday—Her Majesty's charitableness that was given you. It is our chiefs, our young men, our children and great grand children, and those that are to be born, that I represent here, and it is for them that I ask for terms. The white man has robbed us of our riches, and we don't wish to give them up again without getting something in their place.

Governor—For your children, grand children, and children unborn I am sorry that you will not accept of my terms. I shall go home sorry, but it is your own doing; I must simply go back and report the fact that you refuse to make a treaty with me.

Chief—You see all our chiefs before you here as one mind; we have one mind and one mouth. It is the decision of all of us; if you grant us our demands you will not go back sorrowful; we would not refuse to make a treaty if you would grant us our demands.

Governor—I have told you already that I cannot grant your demands; I have not the power to do so. I have made you a liberal offer, and it is for you to accept or refuse it as you please.

Chief—Our chiefs have the same opinion; they will not change their decision.

Governor—Then the Council is at an end.

Chief—I understand the matter that he asks; if he puts a question to me as well as to others, and I say so as well as the rest. We are the first that were planted here; we would ask you to assist us with every kind of implement to use for our benefit, to enable us to perform our work; a little of everything, and money. We would borrow your cattle; we ask you this for our support; I will find whereon to feed them. The waters out of which you sometimes take food for yourselves, we will lend you in return. If I should try to stop you—it is not in my power to do so; even the Hudson's Bay Co.—that is a small power—I cannot gain my point with it. If you give what I ask, the time may come when I will ask you to lend me one of your daughters and one of your sons to live with us; and in return I will lend you one of my daughters and one of my [illegible] for you to teach what is good, and after [illegible] have learned, to teach us. If you [illegible] us what I ask, although I do not [illegible] you, I will shake hands with [illegible] This is all I have to say.

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CHAMBER CONCERT.—Messrs. Orme & Son gave a chamber concert on Tuesday evening.

BURNED WITH COAL OIL.—Serious coal oil explosions are becoming quite common on the Gatineau. Only a few week ago a woman died from the effects of a severe burning, at the Kazubazua. Last week another severe accident occurred at the same place. It appears Mrs. Sloane was going up stairs with a coal oil lamp in her hand, when it canted over to one side, and the burner being defective, the oil was ignited and



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It was at first thought probable that the serious business of the meeting would be begun on Friday, but owing to the non-arrival of a large body of Rainy River and Lake Seul representatives, it was decided to defer it until next day. Saturday came, and owing to the arrival of a messenger from the Lake Seul band asking the Governor to wait for their arrival, proceedings have further stayed until Monday. But "hope deferred maketh the heart sick;" so the advent of Monday brought nothing but disappointment, and this, coupled with the disagreeable wet and cold weather that prevailed, made every one ill at ease if not miserable. The Chiefs were not ready to treat—they had business of their own to transact, which must be disposed of before they could see the Governor; and so another delay was granted. But Monday did not find them ready and they refused to begin negotiations. An intimation from the Governor that unless they were ready on the following day, he would leave for home on Wednesday, hurried them up a little—they did wait on him to-day, Tuesday, but only to say they had not yet finished their own business, but that they would try and be ready to treat on Wednesday. And so the matter stands at present—if the Indians agree amongst themselves, the treaty will be opened to-morrow; otherwise, the Governor will strike camp and return to Fort Garry.

Divisions and local jealousies have

...tions were broken off. Since this I have done what was in my power to bring about this meeting with new terms, and consider it a very happy day that you should be assembled to meet the Governor of the Territory as representative of Her Majesty. He would explain to them the proposals he had to make. He had lived long amongst them and would advise them as a friend to take the opportunity of making arrangements with the Governor. When we arrange the general matters in question, should you choose to ask anything, I shall be most happy to explain it, as I am here all the time.

The Chief in reply said his head men and young men were of one mind, and determined not to enter upon the treaty until the promises made in the past were fulfilled they were tired of waiting. What the Commissioners called "small matters" were great to them, and were what they wished to have settled.

The route that had been built through the country proved this and the Commissioners promised something. which they now wanted.

This was taking the Commissioners on a new tack, but Mr. Dawson promptly undertook to answer the objections. He said all these questions had been discussed before; but if he had made any promises that remained unfulfilled, he would be happy to learn their nature. The Chief replied that all the houses on the line, and all the big boats on the waters, were theirs, and they wanted to be recompensed for them.

Mr. Dawson continued, saying he was glad they had now come to a point on which they could deal. The Indians questioned the right of the Government to take wood for the steamers. This was a right which the speaker had all along told them was common to all Her Majesty's subjects. He then referred them to the Governor if they had anything more to say on that subject. Wood on which Indians had bestowed labor was always paid for; but wood on which we spent our own labor was ours.

His Excellency then addressed them at some length. He understood that they wanted to have the questions in which they were interested treated separately. This was not what he came there for. Wood and water were the gift of the Great Spirit, and were made alike for the good of both the white and red man. Many of his

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for the grain of the Northwest will for generations to come be in the ports of Liverpool or London, and the correspondent has evidently taken some trouble to ascertain what would be the various charges between the place of production and the port of destination. We have first of all the farmer's price, 45 cents per bushel, then the following: transport charges to Duluth or other port at the head of lake navigation, 15 cents per bushel; elevator charges, ½ cent; transport from head of lakes to seaboard, 15 cents; ocean freight, 18 cents; marine insurance and commission, 3 cents; and for contingencies, enhanced freight charges, &c., 12½ cents;—a total of $1.10 per bushel. As respects the im-

Ottawa forwarders are considerably troubled over the condition of their craft which left the city. Shortly before the present cold spell set in, Ald. McRae had sixteen barges out, some of them laden with lumber, *en route* for Whitehall, and others, on the home trip, laden with coal. They are at present frozen up in the Chambly Canal. The steamer *Swan* and tow of barges, laden with lumber, are keeping their company. Captain Little's steamer, *Welshman*, and tow of barges, laden with general merchandize, is waiting over at St. Anne's until warm weather sets in. Mr. Harris' steamer, *Gatineau*, and tow of two barges, are detained in Lake Champlain, and cannot reach their destination unless the ice disappears. Perley & Pattee's barges are in the vicinity of Montreal and cannot make any progress.

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Enclosing extract from
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The Speakers.—Among the gentlemen who are down for speeches at the coming banquet are, Rt. Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald, Sir Charles Tupper, Sir Leonard Tilley, Hon. Hector Langevin, Mr. W. Meredith, M.P.P., Hon. Mr. Chapleau, Mr. Adolph Caron, M.P., and Mr. Dalton McCarthy, M.P.

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INDIAN TREATY.

NORTH-WEST ANGLE,
Sept. 30, 1873.

The Lieutenant-Governor and party, and the other Commissioners appointed to negotiate a treaty with the Indians, arrived here on Thursday, 24th inst., having enjoyed delightful weather during the entire trip from Fort Garry. The Governor occupies the house of the officer in charge of the H. B. Post. The grounds around it have been nicely graded and cleared of brush, and surrounded by rows of evergreens planted closely, so as to completely screen the house from wind, and at the same time contribute much to relieve the monotony of the scenery. Immediately west of this, and likewise enclosed by walls of evergreens, is the large marquee used as a Council House, by the high contracting parties; and immediately surrounding it to the north and west are the tents of the other officers of the Commission and the officers and men of the Volunteers on detachment duty.

Situated to the eastward, and extending all along the river bank, are the tents of the Indians to the number of a hundred, with here and there the tent of the trader, attracted thither by the prospect of turning an honest penny by exchanging the necessaries of Indian life for such amounts of the price of their heritage as they can be induced to spend.

The natives assembled here number about 800 all told, and hail from the places given below. Among them are many fine physically developed men, who would be considered good looking were it not for the extravagance with which they besmear their faces with

NORTH-WEST ANGLE,
Oct. 1, 1873.

The assembled Chiefs met the Governor this morning, as per agreement, and opened the proceedings of the day by expressing the pleasure they experienced at meeting the Commissioners on the present occasion. Promises had many times been made to them, and, said the speaker, unless they were now fulfilled they would not consider the broader question of the treaty.

Mr. S. J. Dawson, one of the Commissioners, reciprocated the expression of pleasure used by the Chiefs through their spokesman. He had long looked forward to this meeting, when all matters relating to the past, the present, and the future, could be disposed of so as to fix permanently the friendly relations between the Indians and the white men. It was now, he continued, some years since the white men first came to this country—they came in the first place at the head of a great military expedition; and when that expedition was passing through the country all the chiefs showed themselves to be true and loyal subjects—they showed themselves able and willing to support their Great Mother the Queen. Subsequently, when we began to open up the road, we had to call upon the Indians to assist us in doing so, and they always proved themselves very happy to help in carrying out our great schemes. He was, he continued, one of the Commission employed by the Government to treat with them and devise a scheme whereby both White men and Indians would be benefitted. We made to the Indians the proposals we were authorized to make, and we have carried out these proposals in good faith. This was three years ago. What we were directed to offer we did offer, but the Indians thought it was

give to each of you this year a present of goods and provisions to take you home; and I am sure you will be satisfied.

After consultation amongst themselves, the Councillors went to have a talk about the matter and will meet the Governor to-morrow morning, when it is expected the bargain will be concluded. Of course the Indians will make some other demands, but as it is generally known what they will be, the Governor will at once grant them and so end the business.

Immediately after the adjournment as above, the Governor presented an ox to the people in camp; and the way it disappeared would have astonished the natives of any other land. Half-an-hour after it was led into encampment, it was out up and boiling in fifty pots.

Weather clear, cold, but evidently settled for good. Forty passengers arrived by Dawson route last night.

It is probable the treaty will be signed on Friday, and that the Commissioners will leave for home on Saturday. The troops are in excellent spirits and seem to enjoy themselves highly. They will remain a few days longer, until the bulk or the natives have returned to their homes. The mail is just about to leave so I must close.

THIRD DAY.

Proceedings were opened at 11 o'clock by the Governor announcing that he was ready to hear what the Chiefs had to say. The Fort Francis Chief acted as spokesman.

Ma-ni-to-bah-sis.—I now lay down before you the opinions of those you have seen before. We think it a great sin to meet you here. What we have heard yesterday, and as you represented yourself, you said the Queen sent you here the way we understood you as a re-

as long as the sun rises and the water runs.

Governor—I am very sorry; you know it takes two to make a bargain; you are agreed on the one side, and I for the Queen's Government on the other. I have to go away and report that I have to go without making terms with you. The Commissioner will be sent again to assemble this nation. I have only one word more to say; I speak to the Chief and to the head men to recollect those behind them, and those they have left at home, and not to go away without accepting such liberal terms and without some clothing.

Chief—My terms I am going to lay down before you; the decision of our Chiefs; ever since you came to a decision you push it back. The sound of the rustling of the gold is under my feet where I stand; we have a rich country; it is the Great Spirit who gave us this; where we stand upon is the Indians' property, and belongs to them. If you grant us our requests you will not go back without making the treaty.

Another Chief—We understood yesterday that the Queen had given you the power to act upon, that you could do what you pleased, and that the riches of the Queen she had filled your head and body with, and you had only to throw them round about; but it seems it is not so, but that you have only half the power that she has, and that she has only half filled your head.

Governor—I do not like to be misunderstood. I did not say yesterday that the Queen had given me all the power; what I told you was that I was sent here to represent the Queen's Government, and to tell you what the Queen was willing to do for you. You can understand very well; for instance, one of your great chiefs asks a brave to

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he as representing the Crown, and to do what we believe is just and right. We have asked in that spirit, and I hope you will meet me in that spirit and shake hands with me to-day and make a treaty forever. I have no more to say.

Chief—I wish to ask some points that I have not properly understood. We understood that our children are to have $2 extra. Will the $2 be paid to our principal men as well? And these things that are promised will they commence at once and will we see it year after year?

Governor—I thought I had spoken fully as to everything, but I will speak again. The ammunition and twine will be got at once for you, *this year*, and that will be for every year. The Commissioner will see that you get this at once; with regard to the things to help you to farm, you must recollect, in a very few days the river will be frozen up here and we have not got these things here now. But arrangements will be made next year to get these things for those who are farming, it cannot be done before as you can see yourselves very well. Some are farming, and I hope you will all do so.

Chief—One thing I did not say that is most necessary—we want a cross-cut saw, a whip saw, grindstone and files.

Governor—We will do that, and I think we ought to give a box of common tools to each Chief of a Band.

Chief—Depending upon the words that you have told us, and stretched out your hands in a friendly way, I depend upon that. One thing more we demand—a suit of clothes to all of us.

Governor—With regard to clothing coats will be given to the chiefs and head men, and as to the other Indians there is a quantity of goods and provisions here that will be given them at the close of the treaty. The coats of the Chiefs will be given every three years.

llege of putting our own price on it?

Governor—If any important minerals are discovered on any of their Reserves the minerals will be sold for their benefit with their consent, but not on any other land that discoveries may take place upon; as regards other discoveries, of course, the Indian is like any other man. He can sell his information if he can find a purchaser.

Chief—It will be as well while we are here that everything should be understood properly between us. All of us—those behind us—have their reserves marked out, which they will point out, when the time comes. There is not one tribe here that has not laid it out.

Commissioner Provencher (the Governor being temporarily absent)—As soon as it is convenient to the Government to send surveyors to lay out the reserves they will do so, and they will try to suit every particular band in this respect.

Chief—We do not want anybody to mark out our reserves, we have already marked them out.

Commissioner—There will be another undertaking between the officers of the Government and the Indians among themselves for the selection of the land; they will have enough of good farming land, they may be sure of that.

Chief—Of course, if there is any particular part wanted by the public works they can shift us. I understand that; but if we have any gardens through the country, do you wish that the poor man should throw it right away?

Commissioner—Of course not.

Chief—These are matters that are the wind up. I begin now to see how I value the proceedings. I have come to this point, and all that are taking part in this treaty and yourself. I would wish to have all your names in writing handed over to us. I would not find it to my convenience to have a stranger here to transact our business between me and you. It is a white man who does see signs that the H.B.Co. has surveyed. I do not hate them. I only wish they should take their reserve on one side. Where their shop stands now is my property; I think it is three years now since they have had it on it.

Governor—I do not know about that matter; it will be enquired into. I am taking notes of all these things and am putting them on paper.

Chief—I will tell you one thing.—You understand me now, that I have taken your hand firmly and in friendship. I repeat twice and you have done so, that these promises that you have made, and the treaty to be concluded, let it be as you promise, as long as the sun rise over our head and as long as the water runs. One thing I find, that deranges a little my kettle. In this river, where food used to be plentiful for our subsistence, I perceive it is getting scarce. We wish that the river should be left as it was formed from the beginning—that nothing be broken.

Governor—This is a subject that I cannot go into.

Mr. Dawson—Anything that we are likely to do at present will not interfere with the fishing, but no one can tell what the future may require, and we cannot enter into any engagement.

Chief—We wish the Government would assist us in getting a few boards for some of us who are intending to put up houses this fall, from the mill at Fort Frances.

Governor—The mill is a private enterprise and we have no power to give you boards from that.

Chief—I will now show you a medal that was given to those who made a treaty at Red River by the Commissioner. *He* said it was silver, but *I* do not think it is. I should be ashamed to carry it on my breast over my heart. I think it would disgrace the Queen my Mother to wear her image on so base a metal as his. [Here the chief held up the medal and struck it with the

ernor presented an ox to the nation and after it had been eaten, a grand dance was indulged in. Monday morning the river Indians took passage on the steamer for Fort Frances, and others left in their canoes for their winter quarters.

The Governor and party left on Monday morning, the troops, under command of Capt. McDonald, who had conducted themselves with the greatest propriety, and had cantributed, by the moral effect of their presence, much to the success of the negotiation, having marched to Fort Garry Saturday morning.

The last detachment of homeward bound emigrants, numbering about 25, arrived at the Angle on Sunday evening.

Mr. Dawson and Mr. Buchanan have gone eastward to close the business of the line—the latter will pay off the men and return by way of Duluth in a week or two.

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shed into the settlement. It is not a matter of Riel being arrested or not arrested it, is simply a case of endangering people's lives by an unwarrantable and unwise proceeding. We will put the case as it might have turned out—a large number of men were assembled together to nominate a person for the Commons, they themselves were united, but they had reason to dread an interference from outsiders. At this stage there appears 60 men on the scene, all of them armed. Now had the three

people of the Maggie taken proper steps in the matter, there is no doubt the authorities would have seen the necessity for remedying the evil. As it is, the act of cutting the rope produced a great deal of delay and inconvenience to a large class of people who are in the habit of using the ferry as a means of crossing to and fro on the river.

We protest on the one hand against any such high-handed proceedings as the one of cutting the rope of a public ferry, and on the other, we protest against the continued mismanagement which has existed so long in the case of the Red River ferry at Winnipeg.

The wire rope is a costly affair, and no such wanton act as cutting it, no matter how much provocation is given, should be allowed. We hope the authorities will in the meantime take the matter in hand, and see to the better conduct of the ferryman at the point in question.

THE roof of the new Court House is rapidly approaching completion. The appearance, however, of the main building is spoiled altogether by the presence os the old Court House. It looks like a big house with the kchen in front. Under the circumstans, we fully understand the present arrangement could not be avoided, but it is a pity that it is so, nevertheless.

Our merchants in Winnipeg, however, did not seem to acknowledge the day, as they kept their stores open for business. We think a general Thanksgiving ought to be held by the people as a public holiday. In connection with the above we clip the following from the *Globe*:

"A very general desire having been expressed that the proposed National Thanksgiving for the bountiful harvest with which we have been favored should be held at a later period of the season than that suggested—the 16th of October—we are glad to hear that consultation has been had with the authorities of the religious bodies on the subject, and that some early day in November is likely to be selected. This change will be most acceptable to all business men, as for two or three weeks the pressure to hurry up business before the close of navigation will be keenly felt; and we fear the services of the day would have been but poorly attended."

In the future let our Thanksgiving be general, and the day appointed be such as all classes can join in holding it as a public holiday.

THE steamer International, which has been laid up for some time, arrived here on Friday with a large number of passengers, and a heavy freight list.

cher that they remained quiet and orderly in the face of a body of armed men advancing upon them for what purpose they could have had no reason for supposing. The purpose it appears was to arrest Riel, but what chance had the electors to know that, and seeing such a number advancing, all of them armed, had they not good reason to suppose that they were about to be attacked and driven from the meeting? The meeting, however, remained quiet, and we say again that the people of Provencher deserve credit for their great good sense on this occasion.

The Returning Officer, on being interrogated as to the reason for so many armed men being present in a body, expressed himself as unable to account for it, as he had made no request for special or any other kind of constables, he having not deemed them necessary.

The object of the visit of the armed men soon became apparent, however, for they proceeded to search in every direction and into every conceivable place for Louis Riel. They were not successful in finding him, and soon afterwards the meeting broke up in good order, the constables going their way and the people of Provencher separating to their homes.

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INDIAN TREATY.

CLOSING PROCEEDINGS.

When the Council broke up last (Thursday) night, it looked very improbable that an understanding could be arrived at, but the firmness of the Governor, and the prospect that he would make a treaty with such of the bands as were willing to accept his terms, to the exclusion of the others, led them to reconsider their demands. The Hon. James McKay, and Messrs. Nolin, Genton, and Lavaillee were invited into their council, and after a most exhaustive discussion of the circumstances in which they were placed, it was resolved to accept the Governor's terms, with some modifications. Word was sent to this effect, and at 11 o'clock on Friday, conference was again held with His Excellency.

The Fort Frances Chief opened negotiations by saying:—We present our compliments to you, and now we would tell you something. You have mentioned our councillors, warriors, and messengers—every chief you see has his councillors, warriors and messengers.

Governor—I was not aware what names they gave me—they gave their chief men. I spoke of the subordinates of the head chiefs; I believe the head chiefs have three subordinates—I mean the head chief and three of his men.

Chief—I am going to tell you the decision of all before you. I want to see your power, and learn the most liberal terms that you can give us.

Governor—I am glad to meet the chiefs, and I hope it will be the last time of our meeting. I hope we are [illegible] understand one another to-day.

Chief—Once more; powder and shot will not go off without guns. We ask for guns.

Governor—I have shown every disposition to meet your view, but what I havepromised is as far as I can go.

Chief—My friends, listen to what I am going to say, and you, my brothers. We present you now with our best and our strongest compliments. We ask you not to reject some of our children who have gone out of our place; they are scattered all over, a good tasted meat hath drawn them away, and we wish to draw them all here and be contented with us.

Governor — If your children come and live here, of course they will become part of the population, and be as yourselves.

Chief—I hope you will grant the request I am going to lay before you. I do not mean those that get paid on the other side of the line, but some poor Indians who may happen to fall in our road. If you will accept of these little matters, the treaty will be at an end. I would not like that one of my children should not eat with me, and receive the food that you are going to give me.

Governor—I am dealing with British Indians and not American Indians; after the treaty is closed we will have a list of the names of any children of British Indians that may come in in two years and be ranked with them; but we must have a limit somewhere.

Chief—I should not feel happy if I was not to mess with some of my children that are around me—those children that we call the Half-breed—those that have been born of our women of Indian blood. We wish that they should be counted with us, and have their share of what you have promised. We wish you had accepted our demands. [illegible] Half-breeds, that are actually

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with a different colored light, and all apparently connected in one system. The effect upon the worlds lighted by these suns of such contrasts of color can hardly be imagined. Andromeda contains many other interesting objects, chief among which is the great light-cloud that has been called the Queen of the Nebulæ, and which no telescope has ever yet been able to separate into stars.

HOGARTH'S Line of Beauty preserved to the form by the Empress Corsets. Two cases just opened at Stitt & Co's.

nos voisins d'Outre-Manche: bouquet et mousse superbes; robe elegante et diamantee, force, bouquet, sauveur chaude et gout sec; mais la *Cuvee reservee* les reunit a un degre plus eleve." These gentlemen pronounced also in decisive terms of eulogy in favor of the wines offered in the French market. In this tasting, as in the other, there was a fair field and no favor, and these were the results.

The wine which MM. Perinet et Fils specially desire to offer to the notice of the public is the Cuvee Reservee, extra

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INDIAN BRANCH.

1873

Block 2579

North West Indians
thro' Hudson Bay Co
April 21/73 Montreal

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Population of Indians
Whites & Half Breeds.

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Swan River District (Fort Ellice) (Riding Mountain)	Note: The Fort Ellice Indians are not included among the population, not having any claim on the Canadian Government.	37	42	53	37	42	53
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	Note: The Riding Mountain Indians were settled with in the Treaty made with the Indians of Manitoba.						

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Hudsons Bay House.
Montreal,
2nd April 1873.

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1st January 1872.

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	Blackfeet			Circees			Peigans			Blood Indians			Crees & Saltaux			Stonies			Chipewyans			Bushwaps			Esquimaux			Dogribs, Loucheux & Hare Indians			Sioux			Halfbreed French			Halfbreed English			Whites			Total.		
	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children	Men	Women	Children
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Swan Rivers .													243	286	324																		122	121	349				2	2	6	367	409	869
Saskatchewan .	300	300	900	30	30	90	40	40	120	300	300	900	361	547	1693	210	230	540	16	16	46	17	14	40										382	411	1361	33	48	155	27	7	7	1636	1943	5852
English Rivers .																			357	333	689													29	23	79				28	22	46	414	398	813
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	Enclosing Copy of a letter from Acting Agt McDonell re the movements of Indians in the Fort Walsh District		
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Fort Walsh
21 June 1882

INDIAN AFFAIRS JUL 11 1882 DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN

Sir

During my absence of three weeks the big Cree Camp remained stationery at Davis Lake and were pretty regularly fed Pie-Pot getting regular rations and the others occas-sional helps. As no doubt you have learnt, a large party of Bloods came here to look for horses supposed to have been stolen by the Crees from them. Col. Irvine dissuaded the whole party from going to the Cree Camp but sent some of the chiefs down with Insp. Norman. So far as I can learn the Crees behaved very foolishly as they took the tobacco given them by the Bloods and threw it into the fire, and were very abusive towards the Bloods, and it is in my opinion greatly due to this in the later conduct of the Bloods Killing a Cree at Walsh and declaring open

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open war against them and the half-breeds. We heard from MacLeod that a very large party of the Blackfeet Nation were organising to come here and fight the Brees. The Indians & others constantly report seeing war parties in the neighborhood of the Fort and there is no doubt but that the hills are infested with Bloods &c and any Brees or Halfbreeds they can sur-prise they will make short work of them.

A couple of days after I came back the whole Blackfoot camp moved to a point six miles from this Post, and then celebrated their Sun Dance. During that time Col. Irvine or-dered me to ration them, at the same time telling the Indians that those who were able to transport themselves were to leave for their reserves, or they would receive no more help here. They stopped on and tried every means of begging to

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to get rations, but failing to get any they broke camp and left for the Plains, to seek Buffalo.

Big Bear, Lucky Man, & and some lesser chiefs will very likely cross the Line.

Little Pine will not I think.

I think it more than probable that the greater part of them will be on their reserves before the payments as I made them fully understand that no Indian of any tribe would be paid here.

Pie-Pot, is camped right under the walls of the Fort as he is afraid of the Bloods, he has about 70 lodges, and I hope to be able to start him for Qu'Appelle before very long.

I started Bear's Head and Poor-man north Assiniboines, the day I left here, about 325 souls, besides about 175 Crees, belonging to different Chiefs

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Chiefs about Battleford
and Ft Appelle.
They got as far as the forks
of the Red Deer River when
the Bloods made a descent
on them and stole 31 head
of horses. They were inclined
to return but Col. Irvine sent
out to them and told them
they must keep on for
Battleford as they would
get no help here if they
returned.
They went on and I suppose
arrived safely at Battleford.
Another Chief was
reported to be killed but as
he was accustomed to wander
alone for days at a time and
no trace has been found of
his body I do not place
any particular credence
in the report

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J A Wilkie
Act-Ind-Agt.

The Indian Commr
Winnipeg

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Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories.

Winnipeg, 7th July 1882

11/7/82

Rec'd 13-7-82 MW

I beg to Enclose a copy of a letter from Mr. Acting Agent McMurray with reference to the movements of the Indians in the Fort Walsh District.

I am Sir

Your obt Servt

E. J. Galt

Assn Comr.

Mr. R. Houk.

Mr. Supt Genl of Indn Affs.

Ottawa.

Mr. Hill

Ack & say that the Comr shd be given Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Let the suggestion made to him as well the Deptt whether it would not be well to improve the Cree Indians who then the Blood Nation given by Should not be [illegible] the fire [illegible] Lotten of friendship [illegible] wood will [illegible] as [illegible] upon them [illegible] necessity [illegible] to [illegible] with them [illegible]

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E. F. Galt, Esq.
Asst. Indn. Comr.
Winnipeg, Man.

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July 18th 1882.

Sir

I am in rect. of your letter of the 7th Inst. merely copy of one from Mr. Agent McGree relative to the movements of Indians in the Fort Walsh District; and in reply I have to inform you that Mr. Comr. Dewdney should be given communication of Mr. McGree's letter and the suggestion made to him, as from the Dept., whether it would not be well to inform the Cree Indians who threw the tobacco given them by the Bloods into the fire, that they should not have done so as it was given by the Bloods in token of friendship and goodwill; and to urge upon them the necessity of endeavouring to

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