
Image not available

START

DÉBUT

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CANADA

PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF CANADA

This microfilm is a true copy of original documentation in the Public Archives of Canada. It is provided for research purposes only. Permission to reproduce it must be obtained from the Public Archives of Canada. Responsibility regarding questions of copyright that may arise in the use of this microfilm is assumed by the recipient.

ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES DU CANADA

Ce microfilm est une copie exacte de documents conservés aux Archives publiques du Canada. Elle a été préparée pour fins de recherche seulement et ne peut être reproduite sans la permission des Archives publiques du Canada. Le récipiendaire sera tenu responsable de toute infraction au droit de propriété de ce document.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CANADA

MICROFILMED
BY
CENTRAL MICROFILM UNIT
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
OF
CANADA
OTTAWA, ONTARIO

MICROFILMÉ
PAR LE
SERVICE CENTRAL DU MICROFILM
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
DU
CANADA
OTTAWA, ONTARIO

Nov 25th → DATE

REDUCTION 26 1/2.

R.Gr. → OPERATOR / OPERATEUR

EXPOSURE / EXPOSITION 1 plus 0.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Roll #11.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3618)

File 4646	2	Clandeboye Agency - Two copies of a forty-three page report by H. M. Howell on land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1906
File 4646-1		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Correspondence regarding a homestead for Mr. B. P. Richardson, M.L.A. 1885 - 1890
File 4646-1A		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Commissioners report on claims to land held by whitemen and half-breed at the time of the treaty. 1885 - 1896
File 4646-1B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1896
File 4646B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a land claim on St. Peter's Reserve by Reverend Edward Thomas (map). 1888 - 1905
File 4646-1C		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land by whitemen and half-breeds on St. Peter's Reserve (blueprints). 1897 - 1906
File 4646-C	1	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Murdock McIvor. 1888 - 1906

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

any

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 8th March 1887

Exd.

Memorandum:-

With reference to the Report dated the 24th of January last from the Honourable the Minister of the Interior to the Honourable the Privy Council, respecting the claims of parties, other than Treaty Indians, to lands within the St Peter's Indian Reservation, Manitoba, which has been referred for report to this Department, the undersigned begs, with much deference to state with regard to the claims included in Schedule "A", which accompanied the Report from the Minister of the Interior, that, with the exception of one of the claims covered by that Schedule, the same would appear to be quite admissable under the terms of the Treaty made with the Indians on the 3rd of August 1871 in accordance with which any settlers

To the Rt Hon.ble the
Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

For the consideration of the Minister of the Interior
J A M D

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

settlers who might have been at the date of the execution of the Treaty within the bounds of any lands reserved for any Band were to be dealt with as should be deemed just by Her Majesty," so as not to diminish the extent of land allotted to the Indians"

The one case to which the undersigned respectfully takes exception is that part of John Clemon's claim which is described on page 6. of the Schedule being the Northerly 3 chains of Lot N° 55, "purchased from William Prince, an Indian of the St Peter's Band, in 1872 and enclosed, and cultivated ever since by the claimant in connection with the remainder of the lot."

Exception

The undersigned respectfully submits that this portion of John Clemon's claim cannot be recognized as a legal transaction; the land in the St Peter's Reserve is held by the Indians in common, and no individual member of the Band has a right to sell any portion of that land to other than a member of the Band; and then only with the approval of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Affairs. The Indian Act, 43rd Victoria Cap. 28, section 36. provides that no portion of a Reserve shall be sold, alienated, or leased, until it has been released or surrendered to the Crown. No such surrender having been made by the St. Peters Band who own the Reserve, of the portion of land claimed by Mr Clemons as purchased from William Prince, the undersigned submits that the sale to him of said lands is invalid and cannot be legally recognized, nor would any title passed to Mr Clemons covering this land without a surrender of the same had been made by the band, be legal.

As respects the claims included in Schedule "B", which also accompanied the Report of the Minister of the Interior, no remark is called for, as the Department of the Interior recognizes the fact that such claims are untenable.

With regard to the claims included in Schedule "C", being those of persons who took up their lands subsequently to the date of the Treaty; the lands being said to have been acquired from Indians or Half Breeds

taking

Schedule C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

taking Treaty, the undersigned respectfully submits that the Treaty in question only admits of the claims of parties who were in actual possession at the date of the execution of said Treaty of lands within the Reserve being recognized, and that any parties who undertook to purchase lands within the Reserve after the date of the Treaty did so at their own risk, and that no such purchases can be considered valid, in view of the fact that the lands, as before stated, are held in common by the St Peter's Band, and that before any land could be alienated by sale, lease or otherwise, a surrender from the Band was necessary; but no such surrender has ever been made of the lands in question, and the undersigned submits that until the Indians have surrendered these lands in the manner provided by the Indian Act none of them can be sold or deeded to any one, notwithstanding the improvements made and the residence of the claimants thereon. As respects the argument used in the Report of the Minister

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Minister of the Interior, that inasmuch as 282 Halfbreeds who were formerly connected with the Treaty under which the St Peters Indian Reservation was allotted to the St-Peters Band, have withdrawn from that Treaty and received Scrip as Halfbreeds, the Reserve in question should ~~release~~ suffer a proportionate diminution of area calculating 160 acres for each family of 5; or in that proportion of those Halfbreeds who have withdrawn, thus reducing the area of the Reserve by 9 000 acres or 56 lots of 160 acres each; the undersigned begs very respectfully to state that the Reserve in question was allotted to the St Peters Band of Indians, in so far as the area thereof is concerned, proportionately to the number of souls in the Band at the time that the Treaty was negotiated with those Indians, and that it there and then became the property in common of the Band, and that without reference to future increases or decreases of number, and that the mere fact of certain Half Breed members of the band having in the exercise of their rights accorded them by the law, withdrawn from the Treaty and accepted

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

accepted Half Breed Scrip would not in the opinion of the undersigned justify the Government in curtailing to any extent the Reserve of the Band aforesaid. The land is held ~~in~~ common property by the Band, and, it might be asked, if, instead of members withdrawing from the Treaty an equal number were to be added to it, would the Government be prepared to augment the area of the Reserve beyond the extent of the Territory granted the Indians as a Reserve when the Treaty was made with them, and it is a poor rule that will not work both ways. Moreover, the Indians regard this Reserve as the property of the Band without reference to the numbers in the Band, and were any attempt made to curtail the same by making free grants, as proposed, to parties who happen to have obtained possession of lands after the date of the Treaty, it would lead to very serious consequences, as the Indians have frequently represented to the Department that these parties reported to should be ejected summarily from the Reserve as being illegally in possession of their lands

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

lands; and in like manner as respects the Half Breeds, who were formerly connected with the ~~Band~~ Treaty and have withdrawn therefrom, and have accepted landscrip; the Indians have time and again made requests of the Department for the ejectment of these Halfbreeds from the Reserve in order that they might occupy the lands to be vacated by them.

The undersigned, therefore, ~~res~~ respectfully submits that if there is to be any recognition of the claims of the parties included in Schedule "C" for improvements made upon the lands in question, compensation should not be made at the expense of the Indians. And, to revert here for one moment to the claims under Schedule "A," it is further respectfully submitted that for any lands for which Letters Patent may be granted to the parties included in that Schedule, the Indians should be allotted land elsewhere proportionate to the quantity patented, as this would be only in accordance with the provisions in the Treaty made with them as above quoted viz: that the extent of land then allotted

I

This conduct was not done.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

allotted to the Indians was not to be diminished by grants of land within the Reserve made to claimants who were in occupation of the same at the date of the Treaty.

In respect to the claims under Schedule "D" being those made to the wood lots on the East side of the Red River, the undersigned does not find any thing in the Treaty with the Indians that would justify the Government in recognizing the claims to these wood lots.

Wood lots Schedule D.

The Treaty apparently restricts such claims to lands that were actually settled on at the date of the Treaty was made. If, however, the Indians surrender these wood lots, the undersigned would see no objection to a sale of them being made for the benefit of the Indians at a fair valuation to the occupants of such lands as were settled on at the date of the Treaty.

In connection with the foregoing the undersigned begs to place herewith his Report on this subject dated 1st April 1884, being previous to the issue of the Commission to

Wm Simpson

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr Inspector McColl of this Department, and Mr Whitcher of the Department of the Interior empowering them to investigate and report upon the claims in question.

All very respectfully submitted

(Sd) L. Vankoughnet

Dy. Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs.

Certified

A True Copy.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 - 1A

Ottawa, 11th June, 1894.

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Sir,-

You will remember that in the report made by you and Mr. Whitcher in 1885 on claims to land in the St. Peter's Reserve, certain woodlands were grouped in Schedule D, and it was recommended that claimants thereto should be given patents. Would you kindly report whether the claimants to these lands, or others claiming through them, are still using them and have continued to use them with the acquiescence of the Indians.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

E. McColl Esq.,
Inspector, &c.,
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MANITOBA INDIAN SURVEY
JUN 1894
WINNIPEG, MAN.

115611

No 6762

Indian Office
Claudeboye
20th June 1894

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge your favor of the 14th inst on claims to land in the St Peters Reserve, and beg to report that by your instructions I have not allowed the claimants to use their wood lots, as their claims had been disallowed.

Lot 135 is a wood lot. Councillor Wm ? Grayeyes has improvements on it (H Cochrane)

Lot 84 is not a wood lot & has been patented

Lot 166. North ½ is a wood lot, which has been sold I believe by Mrs A Sinclair to Mr Philip Monkman.

Not recommended for patent by Commrs.

Lot 145, is a wood lot, now claimed by Mr Murdoch McIvor.

Lot 118, was never claimed by Mr Jas Monkman there is a mistake here

should have been 148

his.

E McColl Esq.
Insp Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg.
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his wood lot is No 148.

Should have been 165.

Lots No 105 & 100 are not wood lots, and they were never owned by Mr Philip Moubrman. — George Gallender received patent for Lot 105, and Wm Leask for Lot 100.

Lot 164. (R Harper) is a wood lot, acting under instructions from the Commissioner re lots St Peters, I placed an Indian John James Pahkoo on the south half of this lot, & he is building a house there now & has brushed about half an acre.

Lot 233. is a wood lot, with no improvements on it.

All the parties owning the above mentioned wood lots, although not using them for some time still claimed them, and considered that they had been used harshly by the Department, as the lots were bought before the transfer, and that they were actual settlers on their farms on the opposite side of the Red River. — The Indians understood that all lots where there were no improvements, or occupation at the time of the transfer, was part of the reserve & still claim this but I believe would like the question settled. I have the honor to be

Sir
Your obedt Servt
A McLuckie.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

41.285

4646 1A

MEMORANDUM.

115611

To The Deputy Supt
General of Indian Affairs

Indian Office,

Winnipeg, 7th June 1894

4646-1a

In reference to Departmental letter of the 11th instant on claims to land in the St Peters Reserve on certain woodlands grouped in Schedule D. The attached letter is a report from Agent Muckle relative thereto.

Yours Obediently.

L. I. Archambeau

for Inspector of Ind Agencies

LAND BRANCH JUN 26 1894

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 1 A

MEMORANDUM for the Information of the Minister in re Compensation of Indians of St. Peter's Reserve for Timber Lots to be taken and Patented to Occupants at Time of Treaty.

.....

Area affected 467 8/10 acres.

The late Hon. Thomas White, Minister of the Interior, thought that in view of the exodus from Treaty of Half-breeds, leaving the members who remained in Treaty in possession of a Reserve, the area of which had been computed to provide for the said Half-breeds who left, as well as for the remaining members, no compensation need be given on account of issuing patents in settlement of settlers' claims.

By terms of Treaty No. 1 the right was reserved to deal with settlers with-in the bounds of Reserves at time of Treaty, as might be deemed just, but so as not to diminish the extent of land allotted to the Indians.

The late Deputy Superintendent General was strongly of opinion that the Reserve was allotted to the Band of an area proportionate to the number of souls in the Band at time Treaty was negotiated, and there and then became the property of the Band in common, without reference to future augmentation or decrease. of number, and such view was so generally understood by officials in the West to be the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the correct one that the Indians were always given to believe that they would be compensated for any land of which they might be deprived. When question was raised as to what should be done with regard to land in a Reserve in Treaty No. 6 of a Band many members of which went out of Treaty, the late Sir John A. Macdonald expressed the opinion that it was advisable "to keep these lands until surrendered by the Band, when so surrendered the land should be sold and the proceeds funded for the benefit of the Band. In this way the Public Treasury would be protanto relieved from the cost of any articles furnished or benefits conferred, beyond the Treaty obligations."

On reference to the Department of Justice Deputy Minister Burbidge expressed his opinion to be that such lands could not be sold until formally surrendered by the Band.

The present Deputy Minister of Justice writes : "I am of opinion that in such cases, under the provisions of the Treaty No. 6, and of the Indian Act, "the lands in a Reserve belong, as a Reserve, to the "Indians who remain members of the Band, and that if "Surrendered and sold or disposed of the proceeds "should be devoted to the use and benefit of such "Indians. There is no provision in the law, that I "am aware of, under which a Reserve set apart under "this Treaty for a particular Band can, on account

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"account of a reduction, for any cause, of the "original number of the Band, be reduced in extent "without the sanction of those who still continue "to be members."

The undersigned fails to discover anything in the provisions of Treaty No. 1, to which the St. Peter's Band belongs, to prevent t e full application to it of the opinion expressed by the Department of Justice with respect to the position under the terms of Treaty No. 6, and consequently is unable to see how compensation for lands of which the Band may be deprived can be avoided.

Such compensation would, in his opinion, be best given in the form of other lands in the neighbourhood or in the Saskatchewan District.

Hayter Reed

Dy S. G. I. A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

S C H E D U L E D.

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
W.O. 35,014, & page of Evidence 50.	135	Henry Cochrane, Jr.	Claimed and held only as a wood lot by Claimant and the persons thro'whom he claimed it.
M.A. 1956, & pages of Evidence 22,42,43.	84 & N 1-2 of 166	Mrs.A.Sinclair,nee Jane Harper.	Lot 84 has been patented to the Claimant and the part of Lot 166 appears to have been used as a wood lot in connection therewith.
M.A. 848, & pages of Evidence 19,20.	145, S 1.68 chains.	William Leask.	Claimed by him solely as a wood lot in connection with Lot 100, which he occupied & received patent for.
M.A. 6319,& pages of Evidence 19,20.	145 N. 4 chains.	Peter R. Young, St. Andrews.	Claimed through Mr.Leask,who held it solely as a wood lot in connection with Lot 100,on which he lived and rec'd patent for. P.R.Young is a non-resident, but title to above is now vested in an actual and bona fide settler, Murdoch McIvor,& is used as a wood lot by him in connection with his farm on west side of River.
M.A. 6320,	148	James Monkman.	Claimed and held solely as a wood lot.No improvements thereon.
W.O. 34,233 & pages of Evidence 22.	165 & part of 166.#	Philip Monkman.	Claimed as a wood lot,being his wife's portion of her father (Thos Harper's) estate. Lot 165 only to be recommended.
M.A.6323, & pages of Evidence 42,43.	Sly 3 Chains, 167.	Robert Harper.	Held as a wood lot at date of Treaty,at which time there were no improvements on the lot.
M.A.613	233	Edward Thomas	Used solely as a wood lot.

This Lot, 166, North 1-2, is a wood lot, which was said to have been sold by Mrs. A. Sinclair to Mr. P. Monkman.

N. B. The Evidence referred to as on such and such pages in this Schedule is on File in the Department of the Interior, and the pages mentioned relate to the same.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ANSWER APPEARS

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, January 24th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Department has decided to issue patents for wood lots grouped in Schedule D. by the Commissioners in their report of their investigation of certain claims by others than Indians to lands within the parish of St. Peter's, dated June 2nd, 1885.

These lots, you may remember, the Commissioners recommended should be patented to the holders, who were actual residents and occupants of farm lots on the west side of the River at the date of Treaty, and had continued to be such, and the Minister, after careful investigation, is decidedly of the opinion that the wood lots were so inseparably connected with and necessary to the holdings on the west side of the river as to constutute the occupancy at time of Treaty a bona fide one.

You will, however, note that these patents will be issued in substitution of the outer two miles, or scrip, in lieu thereof, as the case might be, to which the claimants of the lots would be entitled under the provisions of the Manitoba Act, in commutation of the hay and common privilege.

I have therefore to request you to be kind

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

GC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILM +

kind enough to report fully as to whom the several patents should be issued, giving the names of the parties in full, and in case of any other than the original claimants, the evidence that the party whose name is to be substituted is entitled to receive the patent, and stating whether the original claimants received the outer two miles or scrip herein before referred to.

The last report relative to these claims was one made by Mr. Agent Muckle, on 20th June last, and transmitted under cover of your letter No. 41,235 of 21st June, but comparison with copy of Schedule hereto attached will shew that several discrepancies exist between the lots described in it and in the Agent's report.

Since, by the terms of the Treaty, the right reserved to deal with settlers within the bounds of Reserves at time of Treaty, under which it is intended to issue patents, was subject to the condition that the extent of land allotted to the Indians should not be diminished, you should inform the Indians that the patents will be issued, but that they will have land in lieu of that to be patented given to them elsewhere, and the Department will be glad if, after consultation with them you will report where they would like to have such lands, having reference of course to what is available. I may remind you that there are excellent lands in the Saskatchewan, some at the South Branch, and at no great distance from the Town of Prince Albert, which might be had, and which are not only valuable now, but likely to become more so.

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646--1 A

ANSWER REQUIRED

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, February 12th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to what was said by the Honourable the Minister of the Interior in his Memorandum to Council dated January 24th 1887, with regard to claims made by settlers to land within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, which consisted of wood lots on the east side of the Red River, held in connection with farm lots occupied by settlers on the west side of the River. These claims to wood lots were classified by the Commissioners with whose report the Memorandum to Council herein above referred to dealt, under Schedule D.

The Minister in his Memorandum expressed his opinion to be that the several claimants mentioned in Schedule D. were entitled to receive patents for their wood lots, and stated that claimants of like class in other parishes of Manitoba were recognised and invariably confirmed in their holdings.

The Minister, however, concluded his Memorandum with a proviso to the effect that the granting of the wood lots should be "in substitution of the outer two miles, or scrip in lieu thereof, as the case might be, to which they would be entitled under the provisions of the Manitoba Act in commutation of

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of
The Interior, Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the hay and common privilege."

What I have to request you to be kind enough to inform me of is whether the recognition of right to wood lots in other parishes of Manitoba was made in any way dependent upon a proviso similar to that which has just been quoted ; also whether the claimants to the wood lots referred to in Schedule D. did receive the outer two miles or scrip in lieu thereof, in commutation of the hay and common privilege referred to by the Minister in the immediately foregoing quotation from the Memorandum to Council.

This information I would be glad to get at the earliest moment compatible with your convenience, since the settlement of claims which are being pressed upon the department depends thereon, at least to a considerable extent.

Your obedient servant,

(sgd) Hayter Reed.

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ad[illegible] reply
[illegible]ecretary
[illegible]rtment of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

4646 1A
red

G.P.

124732
LETTER

FILE 72512.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa. 7th March, 1895.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 8 1895

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 12th ultimo, Fyle, No. 4646-1,A, asking for information about certain claims to wood lots preferred by settlers within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, I am directed to inform you that the claimants mentioned in schedule "D" have received patents for their lots on the west side of the river, and scrip in connection therewith, which action is held by this Department to have finally disposed of their claims to wood lots.

Where wood lots were granted in other parishes of Manitoba, it was in substitution of what was known as the "outer two miles", or of scrip in lieu thereof.

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

J. Lund Hall
Secretary.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

12782

Memo from Land Office.

Jane Sinclair received patent for Lot 84. St. Peters & received Hay Scrip as well, in lieu of shortage in area of lot. Has no patent for any part of Lot 166.

Record shews Lot No. 135 as vacant. Henry Cochrane got Pat. & Hay Scrip for Lot 104. St. Peters.

Record shews Lot no. 145 St. Peters to be vacant. Leask got Pat & Scrip for Lot No. 100.

Lot No. 100 is Patd to Wm Leask. He also received Hay Scrip. (Leaving 69 of a chain.) S.M.C.

Lot No. 148 is shewn as vacant. Jos. Monkman got Hay scrip with Pat for Lot 96

Lot Nos. 165-166 are shewn as vacant. Philip Monkman got Hay scrip & patent for Lot No. 85 St. Peters.

Lot No. 167. is shewn as vacant. Robert Harper received Hay scrip & patent for Lot No. 83.

Lot No. 233 is shewn as vacant. Edward Thorne received Hay scrip and patent for Lot No. 34.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1

Confidential

Rg 38676 A

No 7162

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y. MAR 14 1895 WINNIPEG, MAN.

127781

Indian Office
CLANDEBOYE AGENCY.

9th March 1895.

Sir.

I have the honor in answer to your favor of the 26th ultimo in regard to wood lots claimed by other than Indians within the St Peters Indian Reserve.

To state that lot No 135 is claimed by Henry Cochrane Jr, in connection with lot No 104, on which he lives, & he has received Scrip for the outer two miles for lot No 104.

Mr Alex. McAuley, Clandeboye, Man now claims the southern two chains of lot No 166; he bought it from one John McLeod, who bought it from his sister-in-law Mrs Jane Sinclair, nee Harper. — The balance of the lot is claimed by Philip Monkman poplar park

E. McColl. Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

127781

Bay. P.O. Man. In connection with this Lot Mrs Jane Sinclair received Scrip for the outer two miles of Lot No. 84.

Lot No. 145 is now claimed by Mr Murdock McIver. Pequis. Man. who bought it from P.R. Young & Mr Leask. Mr Leask the original owner in connection with this lot received scrip for the outer two miles for lot No. 100.

Lot 145. ✓

Lot No. 148. is claimed by Mr James Monkman. Pequis. Man. in connection with lots No. 96 & 102, & he has received Scrip for the same for the outer two miles he lives on lot No. 102.

Mr Alex McAuley. Clandebaye. Man. claims the northern four chains of Lot No. 167; he bought it from one John McLeod who bought it from Robt Harper.

The balance of this lot is claimed by Mr Robt Harper. Pequis. Man. in connection with which he received Scrip for the outer two miles for lot No. 83.

Lot No. 165. is claimed as a wood lot by Mr Philip Monkman in connection with lot No. 85. for which he received Scrip for the outer two miles

Lot 165. ✓

Lot No. 233. is claimed by the Revd Mr Edward Thomas. Fort Alexander. Man. in connection with lot No. 34 for which he received Scrip for the outer two miles

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In connection with this matter I beg to say that in my opinion, if Patents are issued for these wood lots that application for Scrip on the outer two miles, will immediately be made, by the parties claiming said land

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. M. Muckle.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 1A tud

INDIAN OFFICE,
WINNIPEG, Man.

Winnipeg, May 16 1895

My dear Mr Reed.

In reply to your
letter of the 2nd inst
January last, No.
4646 1A with regard
to the decision of the
Department to issue
patents for wood lots
grouped in Schedule
D, by the Commis-
sioners in their
report of investiga-
tion of certain Claims
by others than Indians
to lands within the

DEPT OF INDIAN
MAY 21
1895

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to the matter, dated the 9th ult. of March last, and an answer from the Land Office here with regard to those lots.

I send you this privately, as you told me to do nothing further in the matter until further advised, but I thought that the information contained in these enclosures might be of some benefit

to you, but if not I assume that there could not possibly be any harm in sending it to you privately.

Yours sincerely

Enc.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Parish of St Peters &c,
Canal to your telegra
of the 6th inst of February
instructing me not
to do anything in
the matter until
further advised, and
in reply thereto your
former letter, I have
the honor to enclose
abstracts of Convey-
ances from the Regis-
try office of the
County of Lisgar
of said lots.

A letter from Mr
Agent Muckle relative

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10^00 o'clock A m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 233, Parish of St Peters
no patent

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
503	Mtge	6 Nov 1874	16 Jany 1875	Edwd Thomas	John Solomon ½ pt	1336^00	
7605	Bt Sale	2 Jany 1880	8 Jany 1880	Edwd Thomas	Jas Colclough	350^00	
14689	Agreem't	31 May 1887	3 June 1887	Hugh Homand	David Glass	450^00	

I certify that the foregoing abstract is true and correct. And that there are no other entries affecting the land described as Lot 233, St Peters, ~~other~~ Registered in the Lisgar Registry office other than such as are properly entered in the General Register.

T H Partington
Dep Registrar.

127781

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10⁰⁰ o'clock A m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 135. Parish of S'Peter

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
9782	B & Sale	26 mch 1891	25 apl 1892	Joseph Monkman, Sr.	Henry Cochrane	360⁰⁰	no patent,

I certify that the foregoing abstract is true and correct, and that there are no other entries affecting the land, described as Lot 135 S'Peters, registered in the Lisgar Registry office, other than such as are properly entered in the General Register

Thos Partington
Dep Registrar

127731

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10.00 o'clock A m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 166, Parish of St Peter

No patent —

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
567	B & Sale	16 Mch 1895	7 Apl 1895	Thos Harper et ux	John McLeod	$125.00	S'ly 2 chains
1248	B & Sale	28 Sept 1877	28 Sept 1877	John McLeod	Alex McAulay	400.	N'ly 4 chains frontage
3604	B & Sale	26 Aug 1881	26 Aug 1881	John McLeod	Alex McAulay	400.	S'ly 2 chains
5942	M'tge	19 Aug 1884	20 Aug 1884	Philip Markman	Robt Bullock.	395.	N'ly 2 chains

I certify that the foregoing Abstract is true and correct, and that there are no entries affecting the land described as Lot 166 St Peters, registered in the Lisgar Registry office, other than such as are properly entered in the General Register

Dhd Partington.
Dep Registrar

127731

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10⁰⁰ o'clock A m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 145, Parish of St Peter

No patent

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
248	B & Sale	8 Sept 1873	23 Sept 1873	Wm Leask et ux	P R Young	pt 500⁰⁰	N'ly 2 chs frontage
597	B & Sale	23 apl 1875	3 May 1875	P R Young	Murdock McIver	" 450⁰⁰	
8267	Quit Claim	1 June 1889	15 June 1889	John Schultz	Agnes Schultz	1⁰⁰	

I certify that the foregoing Abstract is true and correct, and that there are no other entries affecting the land described as Lot 145 St Peters registered in the Lisgar Registry office, other than such as are properly entered in the General Register

Thos Partington
Dep Registrar

127781

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10.00 o'clock 4 m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 148, Parish of St Peter

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

no patent –

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
	no entries against this Lot.						

Thos Partington.
Dep Registrar

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10.00 o'clock A. m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 167. Parish of St Peter

no patent

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
566	B & Sale	18 Mch 1875	7 apl 1875	Robt Harper	John McLeod	250.00	N'ly 11 chains
3604	B & Sale	26 aug 1881	26 aug 1881	John McLeod	Alex McAulay	400.00	N'ly 11 chains

I certify that the foregoing Abstract is true and correct, and that there are no other entries affecting the land described as Lot 167 St Peters registered in the Lisgar Registry office, other than such as are properly entered in the General Register

Thos Partington
Dep Registrar

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10 o'clock A m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 165 Parish of S' ~~Clements~~ Peter (G.P.)

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

No patent

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
1248	B & Sale	28 Sept 1877	28 Sept 1877	John McLeod	Alex McAulay	400.00	Sly 2 chains frontage

I certify that the foregoing Abstract is true and correct, and that there are no other entries affecting the land described as Lot 165 S' Peters registered in the Lisgar Registry office, other than such as are properly entered in the General Register

Thos Pavington
Dep Registrar

12

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Registry Office, County of Lisgar.

Selkirk 27th April A.D. 1895 At 10.00 o'clock A m.

AN ABSTRACT of all Conveyances, which appear to have been Registered in this Office upon Lot 184, Parish of St Peter

L. S. VAUGHAN, Registrar.

No patent.

No. of Instrument.	Instrument.	Its Date	Date of Registry.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage.	Quantity of Land and Remarks.
835	Mtge	3 July 1876	8 July 1876	Joseph Norquay	S G Emerson	pt 300.00	
4533	Ass'of Mtge	13 Jany 1882	13 apl 1882	S.G. Emerson	W H Cowdry	pt 190.00	
4570	Discharge	6 apl 1882	25 apl 1882	W H Cowdry	Jos Norquay		Discharge of "835"
4575	Bt Sale	22 apl 1882	25 apl 1882	Jos Norquay	Saml G Emerson	pt 1250.00	

I certify that the foregoing Abstract is true and correct, and that there are no other entries affecting the land described as Lot 184 St Peters, registered in the Lisgar Registry office, other than such as are properly entered in the General Register

Thos Pretington
Dep Registrar

When this RC Schuck is

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

4646--1 A

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

ANSWER REQUIRED

Ottawa, May 11th, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to invite your attention to the fact that the Indians of the St. Peter's Band do not appear to have received any lands in lieu of those within their Reserve for which patents were issued by your Department to claimants through actual occupancy at the date of Treaty.

As you are aware, such patents were issued by virtue of the following Treaty stipulation, which said : "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.

The Department is aware that the late Hon. Thomas White, when Minister of the Interior, thought that in view of the exodus from Treaty of Half-breeds having left the members of the Band who remained in Treaty in possession of a Reserve, the area of which had been computed to provide for the said Half-breeds who went

out /

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,

Deputy Minister of the Interior,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

out, no compensation need be given on account of issue of patents in settlement of settlers' claims.

This Department, however, has always held that the Reserve was allotted to the Band of an area proportionate to the number of souls therein at the time when the Treaty was negotiated, and there and then became the property of the Band in common, without reference to future augmentation or decrease of number, and such view was so generally understood by officials in the west to be the correct one that the Indians were always given to believe that they would be compensated for any lands of which they might be deprived.

When a similar question was raised as to a Reserve in Treaty No. 6 from the Band for which it has been set apart, many members went out, the late Sir John A. Macdonald expressed the opinion that it was advisable "to keep these lands until surrendered by the Band, when "so surrendered the lands should be sold and the pro- "ceeds funded for the benefit of the Band. In this "way the public treasury would be pro tanto relieved "from the cost of any articles furnished or benefits "conferred, beyond the Treaty obligations."

The Department of Justice expressed the following opinion :

"I am of opinion that in such cases, under the "provisions of the Treaty No. 6 and of the Indian "Act, the lands in a Reserve belong, as a Reserve,

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"to the Indians who remain members of the Band, and "that if surrendered and sold or disposed of the "proceeds should be devoted to the use and benefit "of such Indians.

"There is no provision in the law, that I am "aware of, under which a Reserve set apart under this "Treaty for a particular Band can, on account of a "reduction, for any cause, be reduced in extent, "without the sanction of those who still continue "to be members."

The opinions just quoted refer to reserves within Treaty No. 6, but none the less serve to support the Department's contention that the exodus of Half-breeds from the St. Peter's Band in no way affected its right under Treaty agreement to be protected against the diminution of the Reserve in the settlement by the Government of settlers' claims.

I will be glad to have an expression of your views on this matter.

Your obedient servant,

(SGD) HAYTER REED

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

141196

4646-1A

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 22 1896
72512

Ottawa, 19th May, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th instant, No. 4646-- 1 A., calling attention to the fact that the Indians of the St. Peter's Band do not appear to have received any lands in lieu of those within their Reserve for which patents were issued by this Department to claimants through actual occupancy at the date of Treaty. It would be desirable under all the circumstances, I think, to ask the Department of Justice to advise us in regard to this matter, and it might perhaps be advisable that we should make a joint submission. With that view I am preparing a memorandum which I will send or bring over for your perusal when completed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Deputy of the
Minister of the Interior.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

H.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646--1 A

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, May 26th, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant ; and in reply to inform you that the Department will await the opportunity which you promise it to peruse the memorandum which you think should be addressed, and perhaps jointly, to the Department of Justice relative to the compensation of the Indians of St. Peter's Reserve for lands patented to claimants through actual occupancy at the date of Treaty.

72,512

Your obedient servant,

(SGD) HAYTER REED
Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN RESERVE.

Lot 165. This Lot is claimed by Philip Monkman as his late wife's portion of Thomas Harper, her father's, estate.

Lot 166. A. McAuley, 2 claims, (south).
Bought from John McLeod, who bought from Thomas Harper, (Half-breed), who owned before transfer.

Lot 167. A. McAuley, 4 claims, (north).
Bought from John McLeod. Bought from Robert Harper, (son of Thomas), who acquired before the transfer. Balance of Lot, 2 chains, 87 links, is claimed by R. Harper.

Lot 81. A. McAuley, 2 chains, 4 links.
Bought from J. McLeod, who bought from P. Monkman, who bought from William Harper, who got from his father, Thomas Harper. Says other half of Lot was patented, which acknowledged right.

Lot 166. 1 chain, 92 links. Jane Harper, (Half-breed).
Married an Indian. Inherited from her father, Thomas Harper.

Lot 184. Samuel G. Emerson.
Bought from Joseph Norquay, who owned before the transfer. Has improvements on it.

Lot 233.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lot 143. George Kingsbury.

Bought from Taylor & Watson, who bought from Parisien, (Treaty Half-breed) who withdrew from Treaty 1885.

Lot 144. George Kingsbury.

Bought from Taylor & Watson, who bought from Francis Rose, (Treaty Half-breed) who owned before transfer. Went out of Treaty before his death.

Lot 148. James Monkman.

Bought from party who bought from Pequis long before the transfer.

(Lots 151 & 152 were patented and got hay scrip as well.)

Lot 164. Jos. Monkman, Sr.

Bought from Indian who owned before the transfer, having got it from Paquis, also claimed by Jos. Monkman, Jr. (See correspondence).

Lot 60. R. J. Whitla.

Bought from Philip Monkman, who got from Jos. Monkman, Sr.

Lot 109. Annie Bird.

Bought from her brother Albert Monkman, who bought from Jacob Smith, who bought from Jos. Monkman, Jr., who bought from David Sanders, who bought from William McCorrister, who bought from Joe Donald, who claimed to have bought from the Chief, (1866,) Hy [redacted]. Prince

Lots 130 & 145.

..

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lot 233. Revd Ed. Thomas, ex-Treaty Half-breed or Indian.
Claimed to own before transfer.
(Lot No. 34 was patented and scrip issued as well).

Lot 135. Henry Cochrane. Bought before transfer.

Lots 130 & 145. M. McIvor.
Acquired by purchase. Full particulars on file. Mr. McIvor has agreed to pay $2 per acre for the surrendered 77 acres if he gets patent for wood lots. McIvor says Leask never was compensated in any shape or form for No. 145.

Lot 156. Colin McIvor. Son of Murdoch McIvor.
Acquired from his father, who purchased from Wm. F. Colcleugh, who bought from Joseph Monkman, Jr., who acquired from bona fide claimant. (See correspondence).

.....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

...R REPLY REFER TO
-1-
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

145520

Ottawa July 6th 1896

~~THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT~~

Sir,

I have the honour to report that during my absence, I received instructions from the Department to proceed to St Peter's Reserve under directions to effect if possible a settlement between certain whitemen and half breeds and the Indians to claims preferred by the former to lands included within the Indian Reserve.

Accompanied by Mr Whitcher of the Department of the Interior, I left here on the 18th Ultimo, arriving at Winnipeg on Saturday the 20th late in the afternoon. Mr E. McColl, Inspector of Indian Agencies, Winnipeg being one of the Commissioners, Mr Witcher being the other who originally investigated these claims was called upon by Mr Witcher and myself and the various claims discused. It was then thought advisable to appoint a day to see the claimants on the Reserve, and on Monday morning we left word through Mr Muckle Indian Agent and Mr Osler who was interesing himself on bahalf of the Claimants that we would be on the Reserve on Wednesday the 22nd to go into their claims. On Wednesday therefore we went to the Reserve by appointment and were able to prosecute our enquiries from that day until we were

Hayter Redd Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent Geneal
of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

were satisfied that every unsettled claim meriting consideration had been carefully looked into.

The cases enquired into, although---comparatively speaking- -few in number, are somewhat complicated, and as the papers herewith will supply what may be lacking when the evidence was first taken it will be unnecessary to reiterate them here.

It might, however, be atated that these cases in most instances were classed in Schedule "D" in the Commissioners' report, and were not entertained by the Government for reasons which I think Mr. Whitcher and I will be able to explain were probably overlooked in coming to a decision, and which should now be carefully considered by the Department.

Attached is a list of the claimants and the number of lots claimed, with some other particulars.

Your obedient servant,

W. W. Lyon

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 27.—Mr. *Douglas.*

September 17—Has Wm. McGirr, of the Indian Department, who was sent up west during the recent general elections ostensibly for the purpose of making a report in regard to matters pertaining to the St. Peter's band of Indians, made any such report, and, if so, will the Government submit it to Parliament? As the St Peter's Indian band is located near Winnipeg, were Mr. McGirr's expenses to the Territories, at that time, paid?

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1A)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3618)

File 4646	2	Clandeboye Agency - Two copies of a forty-three page report by H. M. Howell on land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1906
File 4646-1		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Correspondence regarding a homestead for Mr. B. P. Richardson, M.L.A. 1885 - 1890
File 4646-1A		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Commissioners report on claims to land held by whitemen and half-breed at the time of the treaty. 1885 - 1896
File 4646-1B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1896
File 4646B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a land claim on St. Peter's Reserve by Reverend Edward Thomas (map). 1888 - 1905
File 4646-1C		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land by whitemen and half-breeds on St. Peter's Reserve (blueprints). 1897 - 1906
File 4646-C	1	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Murdock McIvor. 1888 - 1906

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 LB BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE

VOLUME

FROM

TO

4646 LB

FILE NO.

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks		PA or BF	By	Date	For C.R. Use
		CLAIMS					

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 No 1 B.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

St Peters. Res

Claims.

125/30

BLACK

4646-1B

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T.D. Form 2.
50m-18-2-96.

Canadian Pacific Railway Co's Telegraph.

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 the negligence of its servants or otherwise, or for delays from interruption in the working of its lines, or for errors in cipher 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 five 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 repeating messages, viz:—One per cent. for any distance not exceeding 1000 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 endeavour 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 places; 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.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.
JAMES KENT, Supt., Montreal.

Sent No.	Sent By	Rec'd By	Time Sent.	Time Filed.	Check.

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

Ottawa, June 16th, 1896 189

To H. J. Macdonald, Esq.,
Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs,
Winnipeg.

Disputed cases question of law. So far as Indian Department is concerned facts not in dispute except one or two minor cases which McColl could reopen. Burgess wiring particulars and suggestions. If still of opinion Department should send man McGirr will leave at once.

D. C. Scott.

Ch. I. D.

☞ Read the Notice and Agreement at the Top.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4

E.T.

Copy. 142166

Department of Justice,

Ottawa, 4th June, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo - Ref. 72,512 - in which you ask for an opinion as to the right of the Indians of St. Peter's Band, Manitoba, to receive lands in lieu of certain lots in their reserve for which patents have been issued by your Department to persons establishing a claim thereto as having been in actual occupancy thereof at the date of the treaty under the terms of which the reserve was established.

You thus state the facts:

"By (the) treaty the said Indians ceded, "released, surrendered and yielded up to Her Majesty all "the lands included within the limits described in the "said Treaty, Her Majesty undertaking to lay aside and "reserve for the sole and exclusive use of the Indians "certain tracts such as would furnish 160 acres for each "family of five or in that proportion for larger or "smaller families x x x x 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 for 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."

The

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

142166

"The patents which have been issued for the said "lots within the Indian Reserve in question were for lands "granted to persons whose claims thereto were satisfactor- "ily established under the Manitoba Act through their "having been in actual peaceable and undisturbed occupa- "tion of the respective lots on the 15th July, 1870, the "aggregate area being about 4229.70 acres.

"It will be observed that Mr. Reed contends "that the Indian Band is entitled to receive other lands "in lieu of the lands which have been so patented, basing "his contention on that portion of the Treaty which reads "as follows; '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". "If the concluding sentence just quoted was intended to "refer to the lands originally reserved for this Indian "band under the terms of the Treaty, Mr. Reed's contention "would appear to be a correct one, but, on the other hand, "the late Mr. White, when Minister of the Interior, on the "strength of another part of the said Treaty which "stipulates that so much land will be reserved for the use "of the Indians as will furnish 160 acres for each family "of five or in that proportion for larger or smaller "families, held, as pointed out by Mr. Reed in his letter "already referred to, that in view of the exodus from "Treaty of Half-breeds having left the members of the "band who remained in treaty in possession of a reserve, "the area of which had been computed to provide for the "said Half-breeds who went out, no compensation need be "given on account of the issue of patents for lands "occupied by settlers at the date of Treaty. It will "also be seen that Mr. Reed states that the Department of

Indian

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"Indian Affairs has always held that the Reserve of an "area proportionate to the number of souls therein at "the time the Treaty was negotiated was allotted to the "band, and there and then became the property of the Band "in common, without reference to future augmentation or "decrease in number, and that the Indians were always "given to believe by the officials of his Department "that they would be compensated for any lands of which "they might be deprived."

I beg to state that in my opinion the interpretation placed upon the Treaty by Mr. Reed is correct, and under its terms the Indians of this Band are entitled to have the area of their reserve made up to what it was before the lands granted to settlers were taken from it.

Papers returned.

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

'Sd' E. L. Newcombe,
Deputy Minister of Justice.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4 4646 1B

LETTER

Address your reply
"To the Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM. 142166 FILE 72512.

Department of the Interior,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 18 1896

Ottawa, 17th June, 1896.

Sir,

Referring to Mr. Reed's letter of the 26th ultimo, Ref. 4646--1 A, I am directed to enclose herewith, for your information, a copy of a letter received here from the Deputy Minister of Justice, respecting the right of the Indians of St. Peter's Band to receive lands in lieu of certain lots in their reserve for which patents have been issued by this Department under the Manitoba Act, and to say that Mr. Burgess is prepared to discuss with Mr. Reed whatever may be necessary in the premises.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lyndwode Pereira

Assistant Secretary.

D. C. Scott, Esq.,
Acting Deputy Superintendent-
General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A. M. Burgess. Esq.
Deputy Minr. of the Interior
Ottawa

July 1896.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge
7251/2 the receipt of your letter of 17th ult.
transmitting copy of one from the Dept.
of Justice in which the opinion is expressed
that the Indians of the St Peter's Reserve
are entitled to receive Lands in lieu of
~~those which were taken from the Reserve~~
~~originally set apart for them to satisfy~~
~~the claims of bonâ fide occupants~~
certain lots on that Reserve for which
Patents have been issued by your
Dept. under the Manitoba Act, and
with reference to the remark that you
are prepared to discuss with the
undersigned whatever may be necessary
in the premises, to point out that the
first

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

step which suggests itself is for your Dept. to state where lands are available out of which this Indian may be invited to make a selection, and the undersigned will be glad to talk over this matter, or anything else in connection with the case, at any time you may appoint for such purpose.

D. L. Gossip

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 1 B

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, July 2nd, 1896.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, transmitting copy of one from the Department of Justice, in which the opinion is expressed that the Indians of the St. Peter's Reserve are entitled to receive lands in lieu of certain lots in their Reserve for which patents have been issued by your Department under the Manitoba Act, and with reference to the remark that you are prepared to discuss with the undersigned whatever may be necessary in the premises, to point out that the first step which suggests itself is for your Department to state where lands are available out of which the Indians may be invited to make a selection, and the undersigned will be glad to talk over this matter or anything else in connection with the case at any time you may appoint for such purpose.

72,512

Your obedient servant,

(SGD) HAYTER REED

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Immediate

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 11 Sept 1896

MEMO. Acct

Kindly let me know for reply to enquiry in House from what fund Mr. Wm McGivis expenses were paid for visit to St Peter's Reserve in June last

J. G. McKenna

C.G. Contingencies

See Mr McGivis report of the 6th July 96 on file 4646 1A

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

September 10—Mr. *Douglas*—For what purpose was Mr. William McGirr, of the Indian Department, sent to the North-west during the recent elections? Under whose authority was he sent, and from what fund were his travelling expenses paid?

Copy

According to the official record Mr. McGirr was instructed to proceed to the St. Peter's Reserve to effect, if possible, a settlement, between certain white men and halfbreeds and the Indians, of the claims preferred by the former to lands included within that reserve.

He was sent under authority of the then Superintendent General of Indian Affairs; and his expenses were paid from the appropriation for civil government contingencies.

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 11th September, 1896.

N.B. additional correct by report to effect that McGirr left Ottawa 15th reached Winnipeg 20th returned to Ottawa 29th June 1896

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3618)

File 4646	2	Clandeboye Agency - Two copies of a forty-three page report by H. M. Howell on land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1906
File 4646-1		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Correspondence regarding a homestead for Mr. B. P. Richardson, M.L.A. 1885 - 1890
File 4646-1A		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Commissioners report on claims to land held by whitemen and half-breed at the time of the treaty. 1885 - 1896
File 4646-1B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1896
File 4646B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a land claim on St. Peter's Reserve by Reverend Edward Thomas (map). 1888 - 1905
File 4646-1C		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land by whitemen and half-breeds on St. Peter's Reserve (blueprints). 1897 - 1906
File 4646-C	1	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Murdock McIvor. 1888 - 1906

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 B BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S LAND CLAIMS

VOLUME

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4646 B

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For C.R. Use

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 444/2)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

Cr 21-11-92
Dr 2-2-93
Cr 16-2-93
Dr 2-3-93
Cr 27-3-93
Cr 27-3-93
Dr 12-4-93
Cor 12-4-93
Dr 27-6-93
Cr 27-6-93

No. 4646 B

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

St Peters Res.

Correspondence on the subject of Claim of Edward Thomas.

20/Nov 91 Ltr from Indian Dept received.
13/July " " do
26/May 92 " " do
19/March 93 " " do received
2 April Ltr " do
2 April Ltr " Ella Cook
Dr " Ltr for do
27/ Aug " for Ind Dept received
3 Sep " " do

ACTION.

3 Sep Ltr " Ella C Cook
24 Nov. Ltr. to Acting D.M. of Ind
1893
21/27 March Ltr from Dept
3/ April " " J. J. Robinson
24/27 June Ltr received from E. McCook

ACTION.—Continued.

123/30

BLACK

4646 B

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

52779

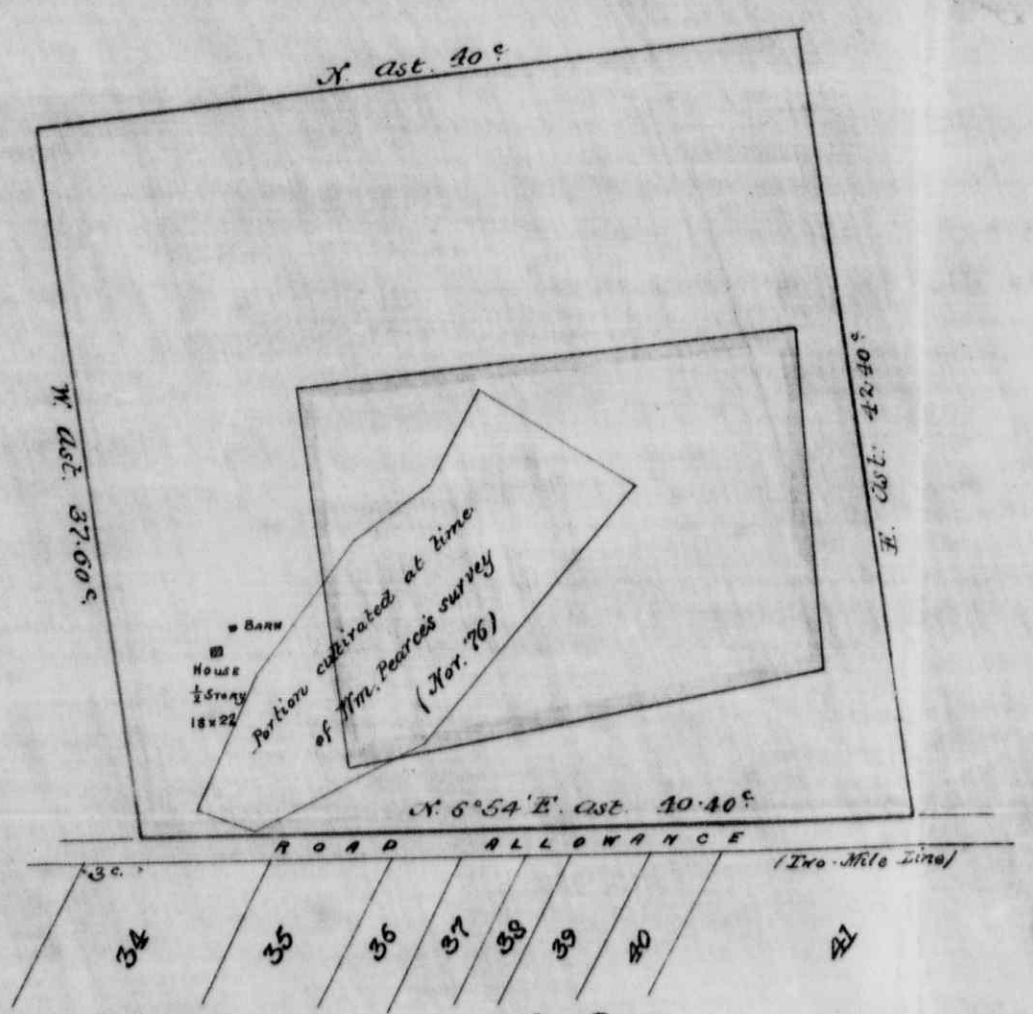
SKETCH

SHOWING CLAIM OF EDW^D THOMAS

in Parish of St. Peters

MAN

Scale 10 Ch = 1 In.



PARISH OF ST. PETER

14/11/88

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

copy. 52779

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 20 1888

Letter No 37422
Reference No 2104.

Department of the Interior.
Office of the Superintendent of Mines.
Calgary, 4th October, 1888.

Sir,

In reference to your letter of the 4th April last. No. 98185, on 47825, regarding the claim of Edward Thomas to a park lot in rear of the inner two miles of the parish of St. Peter's, I have at last obtained a copy of the plan of same made from my field-notes in Head Office. The notes themselves are missing, but I think they are in the Commissioner of Dominion Lands. Winnipeg - Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

vault in. your old office;
please instruct one of
your employes to have
a search made for them.
I enclose a sketch
taken from my map so
far as it relates to
anything done by Thomas.
In November 1876 I made
a survey of all claims
at that date, at which
time Mr Thomas had
under enclosure the
portion colored pink on
the sketch herewith,
which consisted of 21 3/10
acres. The following
memo. was made by me
at the time: "Edward
"Thomas; the greater
portion

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

52779

"portion of enclosure is
"cultivated; good fence;
"broken 12 years; does not
"take the treaty; is enum-
"erated as a Half-Breed.
"In 1872 applied for 160
"acres as a homestead,
"covering this park."

According to the plan furnished by Thomas, and prepared by L. S. Vaughan, it would appear that he now has under fence the portion within the pink margin, about 40 acres, and has also erected a house and barn. The portion he desires to acquire is 160 acres, which is shown by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by the green enclosure on sketch.

As I take it, the point now to be decided is to what extent the Land Board would recommend the Indian Department to recognize Mr. Thomas' claim; I presume that Department would be justified in limiting it to the portion he had actually under cultivation at the date of treaty, viz: the autumn of 1871, which would be about 21 acres, and which would be all that he could claim under the Manitoba Act; it is exactly

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

52779

exactly similar to park lots which have been granted elsewhere, i.e, they should be granted the area they had under cultivation. Mr Thomas was not a squatter at the time of the Indian treaty; he simply had some improvements on the claim, and I think if he were now granted say 40 acres, covering his house, the same to be sold him at $1.00 per acre, he would be liberally dealt with. I fail to see how it can be recognized as a Manitoba Act

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

act claim beyond area he had under cultivation at the date of treaty with the Indians in September or October 1871, but he might be allowed to homestead that area. On the other hand, he might desire to reserve his homestead privilege, and make a purchase of this. Thomas is, I believe, a worthy man, and as a member of the Land Board I would be willing to memorialize by the Board the Indian Department to grant him the full 160 acres, but as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

as a matter of right-I could not go further in Thomas' favor than I have expressed.

I have the Honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient servant
(sd) Wm Pearce.
Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

copy.

52779

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 20 1888

Department of the Interior.
Dominion Lands Commission
Winnipeg, November 2nd, 1888.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioner to enclose herewith file of this office No 47825, relating to the claim preferred by Mr Edward Thomas to certain lands in the Indian Reserve in the Parish of St. Peters, in rear of lots 34 to 41, both inclusive, in that Parish.

It appears from the letter of Mr Wm Pearce, Superintendent of Mines who surveyed in 1876 the park

The Secretary
Department of the Interior.
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

park lots in St. Andrews, St. Peters &c., that Thomas at that time had 21 3/10 acres under cultivation and that he is entitled to this extent of land under the Manitoba act (see Mr. Pearce's letter and sketch attached to file).

As early however as 1872 Thomas applied for about 160 acres, covering his improvements, as a homestead and as he is to Mr. Pearce's knowledge a valuable settler he recommends that if the Indian Department does not offer any objection Mr. Thomas may be allowed homestead

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

52779

homestead entry as applied for in 1892. The Commissioner concurs in this recommendation. The sketch referred to describes accurately the position of land for which Thomas applied.

If it should be decided that it is not practicable to allow Mr Thomas a larger area than that to which under the Manitoba act he may be entitled the Commissioner suggests that he should be allowed to select the said 21 3/10 acres in a block in such a manner as to cover his buildings and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and, as far as possible, his cultivation and fencing.

It would probably not affect materially the value of the Reserve to the Indians who occupy it, if Mr. Thomas' application were granted in full. (2).

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.
(sd) J. R. Burpe.
Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

LETTER No. 190621.
REFERENCE No. 170189.

52779

Ottawa. 17th November 1888.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 20 1888

Address your reply as follows:
To the Secretary of the
Dep.t of the Interior Ottawa.

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

Sir,

I have the honour by direction, to enclose, herewith, for your information a copy of a letter from the Commissioner, relative to the claim preferred by Mr. Edward Thomas to certain lands in the Indian Reserve in the Parish of St. Peters, in the rear of lots 34 to 41 inclusive; and also a copy of a letter from Mr. Pearce on the subject, together with a sketch shewing the claim in question

3 sch. 1ds.

The Deputy
Supt. General
of Indian affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

question and I am to
ask whether you see
any objection to grant-
ing Thomas the area
claimed by him under
the Manitoba Act,
namely 160 acres.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
P. B. Douglas
Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

vb. vb

R.

76405

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 19 1891

3

No. 257301.

Copy.

Winnipeg, Feb. 12th 1891.

Sir,

Re. Mr. E. Thomas, Park Lot.

Now that the Judgement in the Exchequer Court the Queen vs. William Thomas has been given, I trust there will not be any unusual delay in closing out this case. Knowing the importance, in having the ruling of the Court on question at issue in the Parish of St. Peters. I let this case stand until the Judgement would be given.

The Park Lot in question is in rear of river lots 34 to 40 in the Parish of St. Peters Manitoba a plan of which is on file in your Department prepared by Mr. Vaughn D. L. S.

I trust this matter will receive due attention.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(sgd.)W. J. Robinson.

P. O. Box, 753

Winnipeg, Man.

The Secretary

Department of Interior,

Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

76405

Letter No.
Reference No. 170189.

M.

Department of the Interior,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 19 1891

☞ 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.

Returned

Ottawa, 18th March, 1891. 18

Sir,

Referring to Mr.Sinclair's letter of the 26th July, 1889, No.4646/3, respecting the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land in the St.Peter's Indian Reserve, I have the honour, by direction, to send you herewith a copy of a letter dated the 12th ultimo from Mr.W.J.Robinson, of Winnipeg, and to ask if the decision of the Exchequer Court referred to in that letter removes the objection of your Department to the claim of Mr.Thomas being dealt with under the Manitoba Act.

Encl:

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

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

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 20 1891
R. BRANCH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH
4646/3

A. M. Burgess Esq.
Dy. Minister
of the Interior
Ottawa.

170/89

April 7th 1891.

Sir,

I have the honor to ack the rect. of your letter enclosing a copy of a letter dated the 12th Feby last from Mr. W. J. Robinson of Winnipeg in further reference to the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land in the Parish of St Peters and asking whether the decision of the Exchequer Court referred to by Mr. Robinson removes the objection of this Dept to the claim of

1. To Land Branch
2. To Technical Br.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of Mr. Thomas being
dealt with under
the Manitoba Act.
In reply I beg
to inform you that
the matter will be
taken into consideration.
Your &c.

E. N. Coll. Esq.
Supt. of Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg.
Man.

April 2nd 1890.

Sir,

Adverting to previous
correspondence in the
matter of the claim
of Edward Thomas to
certain land in the
St Peter's Indian Reserve
I enclose herewith a
copy of a letter dated
the

Answer req'd

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

the 18th ulto from the Dept of the Interior and of its enclosure, (copy of a communication from Mr W. J. Robinson dated the 12th Feby last of Winnipeg in which he refers to the decision of the Exchequer Court in the case of Regina vs Wm Thomas & presses for an early settlement of the case above referred to); and I have to request that you will report whether you know of any objection to Patent for the Park Lot referred to by Mr Robinson now issuing to Mr Wm Thomas.

Your &c.

Messrs.
Aikins Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
Winnipeg.
Man.

April 3rd 1891

Gentlemen,

In compliance with

Copy with Whitman papers

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with the request
made in your
letter of the 23rd
ulto. I enclose
herewith a copy
of Judge Burbidge's
Judgment in the
case of Regina
vs Thomas.

Your &c.

Rasn

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

77054

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 11 1891

Manitoba Superintendency.

Office of the Inspector.

Winnipeg, 8th April 1891

In your Reply refer to
No. 29.981
also to the date of this letter

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, in the matter of the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land in the St Peters Indian Reserve, enclosing a copy of a letter from the Department of the Interior and of its enclosure (Copy of a communication dated the 12th February last from Mr W. J. Robinson of this City in which he refers to the decision of the Exchequer Court in the case

L. Vankoughnet Esqr
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

case of Regina Vs. William Thomas.
and presses for an early settlement
of the case above referred to;; and
requesting me to report whether I
knew of any objection to Patent for
the Park Lot referred to by Mr Robinson
now issuing to Mr Thomas;; and
in this connection I beg to state
for your information that, I have
made a close examination of all the
papers connected with the investig-
ation held by Messrs. McColl and
Whitcher in 1885. respecting claims
to land within the St Peters Reserve,
and no such a claim as described
by Mr Robinson, was examined
by them. The land claimed by
Edward Thomas, was Lot No 233
on the East side of the Red River
and the following is his declaration
in regard to it. "Re Lot No 233." "The
"deposition of Edward Thomas of the
"Parish of St Peters was taken, he"
"sworn

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

77054

"having been first duly sworn, stated
"as follows:- I claim Lot № 233 as
"a wood lot, I never lived on it nor
"cultivate it, I built a house on it
"in 1874 and pulled it down about
"a year afterwards. I claim this solely
"as a wood lot." I will however
upon the return of Mr McColl laid
your letter before him for his report.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
L'I. Arthur Lévêque
Clerk in charge.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.S.

Copy.

81997

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 28 1891

No. 170189.

In the matter of my claim to land in the Indian Reserve outside of the River lots Parish of St. Peters on West side of Red River, I Edward Thomas declare and say-

The first time I took possession of this land was 31 years ago, I was then the owner of lot No. 34 St. Peters and I made a field outside of the River lots, opposite said lots No. 34 extending North now to about lot No. 38- I began first of all to plough a piece of about 2½ acres just opposite my lot, then I bought from widow Beads, about 30 years ago, just alongside of me, on the N.W. side about 2½ acres and I kept on enlarging my field until on the 15th July 1870 I had about 40 acres, on about lots 34, 35, and 36 I mean opposite them, that piece which I kept enlarging since the 15th July 1870 to 60 acres are now extending to about from No. 34 to 38, the ridge on which I made my field is about 5 chains distant West of the limit of the River lots on said No. 34 to 38- Four years ago I got a Surveyor of the name of Mr. Vaughn who laid my claim into 160 acres with the direction North, and South and East and West, just about opposite said lots No. 34 to 41, and he made a plan of it which I sent to Ottawa by W.J. Robinson. I cannot say if he sent it to

Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ottawa sure, anyway I did not get an answer about it yet, I had made application for it many years ago, I cannot say exactly when, I got a reply, I do not know if I have it. Mr. Pearce also once made a survey of it I think he surveyed it anyway he took a memorandum of it, I cannot say exactly when. There is on it now a house 18 X 22 feet 1½ story built 10 years ago, I had a little shanty on it before, about 25 years ago and stood there about 7 years when the prairie fire burnt it, I also have a stable on it 22X24 feet built since 3 years, I had a small stable there before, built 25 years ago it stood for 5 years and got burnt- that shanty and small stable stood on land on 15th July 1870 to be used while I was working on the land, my house being on No. 34 along the Red River where I lived on the 15th July 1870. The house on land I used yet- in summer time when I work on lot and in winter time I go back in my house along the River on No. 34 and as I had that land for so long I really believe I am entitled to a patent for it and I make this solemn declaration according to law in that behalf.

Declared before me at Winnipeg, 25th July, 1891.

(Sgd.) Edward Thomas.

(Sgd.) R. Goulet.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Letter No. 272222.
81997 Reference No. 170189.

Department of the Interior,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 28 1891

☞ 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, 27th August, 1891. 18

Sir,

I have the honour, by direction, to enclose herewith a copy of a declaration made by Edward Thomas who lays claim to a park lot in rear of River Lots Nos. 34 to 40 in the Parish of St. Peters and within the boundaries of the St. Peters Indian Reserve, and in connection therewith to refer you to your letter of the 22nd April last.

Enc.

CORRESPONDENCE
AUG 28 1891

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Frank Pedley

Acting Assistant Secretary.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 46468)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy 4646 3

3rd September 1891

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 8th April last, and previous correspondence respecting Messrs Edwards and Thomas's claim to certain lands described as in the Parish of St. Peters, and within the St Peters Indian Reserve, I enclose a transcript of a copy of a declaration made by Mr. Thomas in the matter.

I have &c.

E McColl Esq
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

4646/3

170.189

John R. Hall, Esq.
Acting D.M. of the Interior
Ottawa

Septr. 3rd, 1891

Sir,

I have the honour to ack. the Rect. of Yr. letter of the 27 ult., enclosing copy of a declaration by Edward Thomas who lays claim to a Park Lot in rear of Lots 34 to 40, described as being in the Parish of St. Peters and within the boundaries of the St. Peters Indn. Reserve; and in reply I beg to inform you that I have sent a copy of the declaration to Mr. Inspector McColl, Winnipeg, in connection with previous correspondce.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

correspondence ~~on the subject of the claims~~ respecting Mr. Thomas' claim to that Lot, which is referred to in my letter to you of the 22 April last.

Yours &c.

E. McColl, Esq.
Inspr. of Indn. Agencies.
Winnipeg, Man.

29.9.81

Sept - 3rd, 1891.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 8th April last and previous correspondence respecting Mr. Edward Thomas' claim to certain land described as in the Parish of St. Peters & within the St. Peters Indn. Reserve, I enclose a transcript of a copy of a declaration made by Mr. Thomas in the matter.

Yours &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

32413

Duplicate

85704

DEPARTMENT OF MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT. OFFICE
INDIAN AFF. NOV 30 1891
DEC 8 1891
CANADA

Indian Office
Clandeboye
24rd Nov 1891

No 5566.

Sir

32,083.

I have the honor to report as per your favor of the 31st ultimo in the matter of the claim of Edward Thomas, a non treaty man to certain lands in the St Peters Indian Reserve.

I have made careful enquiries in regard to this claim, and find many mistakes in the declaration made by Mr Edward Thomas in regard to the matter,

In the first place he only farmed there for the first time the year he married which was twenty seven years ago; on the 15th July 1870, he had not forty acres under crop or under fence, he might have had ten or fifteen acres under fence at this time, but about three or four acres of this was owned by William Thomas, who gave this piece of land, or park, along with another park

E. McColl Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

park back, to the reserve, in consideration of receiving twenty acres in block at another park he claimed in the outer two miles, on the east side of the Red River, which has been recommended for patent & which by my instructions is no longer part of the reserve.

The park claimed by Mr Edward Thomas is located as per declaration in rear of lot No 34 but does not run as far north as lot No 40. — I should say that he has not over thirty acres under fence at the utmost, at the present time, & it has never been larger.

It is the opinion of all those to whom I have spoken, that at the time of the transfer that Mr Thomas had not more than five acres under cultivation, and that he never had a house, and stable there 25 years ago. The first house, and stables he had are the ones he has on the lot now, which are as per declaration, the house being built some ten or twelve years ago.

I cannot say anything about it being surveyed except that lines have been run by some one, and 160 acres laid out, which takes in a part of a field belonging to one Abraham Thomas a treaty man.

You will observe that Mr Thomas states

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

states that he in the first place ploughed about 2½ acres, afterwards he bought 2½ acres alongside from a Mrs Beads, or about what the old Red River people would call 10 bushels sowing, now Wm Thomas had what he called seven bushels sowing, which would make 17 bushels sowing in all, or 8½ acres. — In 1870 Edward Thomas farmed all the land he had at this park, he sowed 20 bushels of wheat, and thrashed 500 bushels; he could not have had much over ten acres, as we had wonderful crops in that year, one man getting 69 bushels from one acre.

Mr Edward Thomas took treaty until 1874, when he went out as a Halfbreed. Mrs Beads took treaty; from whom he bought 2½ acres.

In my opinion if Mr Edward Thomas is entitled to any of this land, under the Manitoba Act, he is not entitled to at the utmost more than twenty acres which would be something more than he had enclosed on the 15th July 1870.

In regard to his being the owner of Lot No 34 St Peters on the 15th July 1870, he was not the owner of the whole of this lot to say the least, for his father James Thomas No 394 (St Peters Pay Sheets) when he

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

he died in 1881 & 1882, left his part of this lot, one half to his son Edward and the other half to his daughter Mrs Snider

Previous to this, and before the transfer Edward had bought part of this lot I think about 6 chains from one Mr Omand, afterwards he bought 2 chains from one Francis Sinclair I cannot say whether the latter purchase was before or after the 15th July 1870

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McKeekle.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

85704

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 32.413 *also to the date of this letter.*

Winnipeg, Nov 30th 1891

Return

Sir,

28th Nov 91

4646 3/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd of September last with further reference to Edwards Thomas's claim to certain land within the St Peter's Indian reserve; and for your further information relative to the matter I enclose herewith a letter dated the 24th instant from Mr Muckle giving particulars

L. Van Koughnet Esq
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

with

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with regard to Mr Thomas's
claim.

I consider, in view of
Mr Muckle's representations
that inasmuch as Mr Thomas
obtained a patent in 1878
to Lot 34 St Peters, when
really he was only en-
titled to a patent to one
half at least of said
Lot, as the other half was
only inherited from his father
Louis Thomas who took his
annuity money up to the
time of his death in 1881 or 2
and therefore could not
alienate this property from
the band, he is not en-
titled to any more land
as he has already received
more than his share.

I may mention that
interested parties are trumping
up claims not only at
St

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

85704

St Peter's Reserve but elsewhere, and unless the Department will resist and repudiate all such claims interminable complications with Indians will inevitable ensue from these encroachments upon their reserves which will ultimately if these fictitious claims are recognized end in irretrievable confusion.

I have the honor
to be, Sir;
Your obedient Servant
Emil Call
I.I.A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

The Dy M. of Justice
Ottawa

SECY'S BRANCH,
DEC 7 1891
WRITTEN.

Sir —

I beg to enclose No. 4 of File 4646 of this Dept which contains herein a letter from the Insp of I A & R for Man, dated the 30th ult., also the letter referred to therein from the Ind. Agt. for the St Peter's Res., of the 24th ult., having reference to the claim of one Ed. Thomas to certain land in the St Peter's Res.

File

AD

~~The~~ Other preceding numbers of this file ~~of papers~~ which accompanied my letter to you of the 28th ult. in respect to another land claim in the same Reserve contain the previous correspondence in regard

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to this claim.

I shall be
obliged if you will,
after perusing the
correspondence respg.
the same, advise
me as to whether
Numao's ~~claim~~ claim
shd. be recognized
by this Dept.

J. D. Taché

—

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

281092

DEPT OF THE INTERIOR
DEC 9 1891
OTTAWA

Winnipeg 3rd Decr 1891

Sir Re Edward Thomas' Park Lot
St Peters Parish Manitoba

I beg to ask you to call the attention of the Indian Department to this matter. The last letter I have had being some four months ago in it it was stated that certain report was asked from Mr McCall (here) I presume that has been had. If not there can be no good reason for the delay. If the Indian Department and the Interior Department which are one - will not dispose of this matter. In the name of all that is good say so and then we can have some steps taken whereby it may come up in the Exchequer Court and have the St Peters Land Question decided for all time.

I am Sir
Your Obt Sol
W J Robinson
P O Box 753
Winnipeg
Man

The Secretary
Department of Interior
Ottawa
Ont

Mr Hall
I do not think this is a matter which I should deal with. Mr. Robinson has no excuse for writing in the tenor of this letter.
T.G. Rothwell
17.12.91

263055

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

35878 Letter No. X

Reference No. 170189

M. B.

Department of the Interior,

☞ 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, 12th January, 1892. 18

S S.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 18 1892

35 Nov
94 Nov

Sir,

I have the honour by direction to transfer to you herewith file 170189 of this Department, relating to the claim of Edward Thomas, to certain land within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve. In this connection, I am to say that Mr. W. J. Robinson has been notified, that any further correspondence should be addressed direct to your Department in regard to this claim. Copies of some of the papers have already been furnished to your Department from time to time as they have been filed in this Department, but it is thought that it might be more convenient for you to be in possession of the original records in extenso, which is the reason for now transferring the whole file to your Department.

Enc.

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

Lyndwode Pereira
Assistant Secretary.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

W. J. Robinson Esq.
62 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Man.

Draft

4646 3/4

SECY'S BRANCH,
SEP 22 1892
WRITTEN.

Sir,-

On my return to Ottawa I found Yr Cr of the 9th ult., which Mr Austin of this Dept ackd on the 18th ult., awaiting me. In it you enquire if anything further has been done "towards the issue (or recommending) the issue of letters patent" for a park ~~of a~~ lot in the St Peters Res. "to Mr William Thomas" In respect ~~to~~ thereto I beg to inform you that the case of Wm Thomas was disposed of by the judgment of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr Justice Burbidge
in the case of the
Queen vs William
Thomas. That judgt
confirmed the patent
which was issued
to him in 1887 by
the Dept of the Interior

It may be, however,
that Yr Lr refers to
the claim of Edward
Thomas, about which
you previously com-
municated with the
Dept. Edward Thomas'
case, as I think
you have been already
informed was referred
to the Dept of Justice
in Dec. last; but as yet
that Dept has not been
heard from in the matter.
I shall however remind
the Dy Minister of Justice
of the reference.

Frobbert

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

TY ▲ FILM +□

Memorandum

Encl.

Mr Fraser of the Justice Dept called to-day to said a report had been prepared in this case & would be forwarded. He looked over these papers & found they consisted mainly of copies documents on the file before the Justice Dept.

J.D. McLean
22-9-92

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS OCT 10 1892

94980

Reference No. 18

Letter Book No.

Page 77

Ottawa, Sept. 24th, 1892.

Return on folder with letter of 7th Dec last referred to RD Oct 10/92

309224

Sir,

Referring to Mr. vanhoughnet's letter of the 7th of December, last, on the subject of the claim of Mr. Edward Thomas to certain lands in the St. Peter's Reserve, I have the honour by direction to state that from the papers it is clear that Mr. Thomas is entitled under the Manitoba Act to some portion of the land claimed by him. Under that Act he can claim letters patent for any lands to which he can establish undisturbed occupancy prior to the 15th of July, 1870 and that he was in peaceable possession of them on that date.

Actual cultivation by a claimant is recognized as occupancy and peaceable possession; and this is shown in the present case, although the evidence as to the area cultivated is somewhat conflicting. Mr. Thomas should receive a patent for an area equal to that which the Department is reasonably satisfied he had under cultivation at the date of the transfer, 15th July, 1870; and it would be but fair to permit him to select the land to be granted so as to include his improvements as far as possible.

I am to add that the present claim seems to be precisely like numbers of others which have been disposed of by the

The Acting Deputy Supt. Gen'l.

Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of the Interior by the grabting of what are known as park lots to the claimant, and, to suggest that in order to preserve uniformity in the mode of dealing with such cases it might be well for the Superintendent General to consider whether he ought not to adopt such a settlement of Thomas' claim as that Department may report to be proper.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A. Power

Actg D.M.J.

Papers returned

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646^{4}

The Acting Dy M. of the Interior

—

SECY'S BRANCH,
OCT 12 1892
WRITTEN.

Draft for Acting Dy Ministers approval
Jagnett 12-10-91

Sir:

I place herewith file 4646^{4} of this Dep't resp'g the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land in the St Peter's Res; and I beg leave to direct yr. attention to the letter on the face thereof from the Dep't of Justice, dated the 24th ult., in which it is stated that Mr Ed. Thomas ~~has~~ is entitled under the Manitoba Act to some portion of the land claimed by him, and the suggestion is made that, as yr. Dep't has disposed of many similar claims, & as it is well to preserve uniformity in the mode of dealing with such cases, it might be well for

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the S.G. to consider whether he might not to adopt such a settlement of the Thomas' claim as yr. Dep't may report to be proper.

This Dep't is quite willing to act on the suggestion of the Dep't of Justice, and I shall be much obliged if you will indicate what you consider a proper settlement of the claim under consideration.

I have turned into the file which I send you a letter from yr. Dep't of the 17th Nov. ~~last~~ 1888 covering a communication from the Comr. of Dom. Lands & one from Mr. Wm. Pearce on the subject of Edward Thomas' claim. Certain suggestions are made in these communications, but in the covering letter no opinion is

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

expressed

I have also turned out in the file a copy of a declaration in the matter made by Edward Thomas on the 25th July 1891, and a letter from our Ind. Agt Muckle of the 24th Nov. last dealing with the same, together with Insp. McColl's covering letter.

I will observe from the documents that there is a considerable discrepancy in the various statements as to the area which Thomas had under cultivation at the time of the Treaty. This seems now to be the principal difficulty in the way of a settlement, for this Dept is quite willing to give Mr Thomas a patent for whatever-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

land: he is entitled
to under the law.

Jno Robertson

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

O.P.

309224
on

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 21 1892

Ottawa, 18th November, 1892.

96188

Sir,

I am duly in receipt of your letter of the 12th ultimo, No. 4646/4 in the matter of the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land in the St. Peter's Reserve.

I recommend the settlement suggested in the third paragraph of the letter from the Secretary of the Land Board, dated the 2nd November, 1888, copy of which was transmitted to your Department in Mr. Douglas' letter of the 17th of the same month. This settlement, as you say, is recommended by Mr. Smith and Mr. Pearce, both Memebers of the Land Board, and which is the mode in which the case would have been dealt with had it been handled by this Department.

Encl:

I return you herewith the papers in this matter. The greater part of these papers ~~on fyle~~ belong to the Department of the Interior, and I shall be much obliged if, when action in this case has been taken, you will detach from the fyle such ~~papers~~ belonging to your Department as it may be necessary for you to retain, returning the fyle here.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

CORRESPONDENCE NOV 21

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

4646B ~~A. M. Burgess Esq.~~
The Actg Dy Min of the Interior
Ottawa.

Ont'ly

Novr 24th 1892

with enclosure

Sir,

I have the honour to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 18th Inst, with enclosures, ~~rec~~ in the matter of the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land in the St Peter's Reserve, and recommending that the settlement suggested in the third paragraph of the letter from the Secy of the Land Board dated the 2nd Novr 1888 be made.

In reply I beg to inform you that this Dept concurs in your recommendation, the understanding being that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that Edward Thomas
is to be limited
to the quantity of land
(viz. twenty-one acres) he
had under cultivation
at the date of Treaty No 1,
which ~~included~~ treaty included among
other Reserves that of St Peter's ~~Reserve~~.

"All the original
papers of the Dep't of the
Interior in this matter
on file in this Dep't
are in accordance
with your request,
returned herewith

Yours &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.S.

Copy. 99000

No. 320474.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 14 1893

Winnipeg, 24th January, 1893.

Sir, ,

Re Edward Thomas Park. Ref. No. 170189.

In reply to your letter of the 10th instant, announcing a decision in the matter of Mr. Thomas' claim to 160 acres of land in rear of Parish Lots 34 to 41 inclusive in the Parish of St. Peter's and which is included within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve.

Mr. Thomas' claim to a parcel of land as described in a certain plan of survey made by Mr. Vaughan, P. L. S., and forwarded you under cover of my letter of the 27th February, 1888, is now admitted by your letter of the 21st December last and addressed to the Secretary of the Dominion Lands Board at Winnipeg, but intimating your desire to cut him off with a Patent for about 22 acres. This proposition is very unfair to Mr. Thomas and I think a proceeding not usually followed.

If improvements have been found upon a 1/4 Section the person making the improvements and claiming the right to the land has invariably been recommended for the 1/4 Section and not merely for that portion covered by the improvements.

Mr. Thomas' claim as has been proved to have existed

The Secretary,
Department of Interior,
Ottawa,
Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

L.C.

existed long prior to the transfer and was therefore not subject to any Treaty stipulations as to the formation of the Indian Reserve, but on the contrary the formation of the Indian Reserve is subject to not only Mr. Thomas' right to this parcel of land but to all others who may establish their right thereto. The claim in question then isone which came under the Homestead law of Assinaboia and is protected and provided for by law. I regret very much to be obliged to differ from the view taken by your Department and trust that you will deal with my clients claim to this Land in a spirit in accordance with the Act and the promises made by the Senate and Commons in their negotiations for the Transfer of this country in 1867 & 68 (See Reports) I may also refer you to the finding of the Land Board in re Lot 113 St. Boniface where I conterded that if occupation of land was sufficient there it should be only for the land actually occupied as between individuals- the Land Board decided that the occupation of a small area of said Lot 113-was sufficiot and Patent issued to Mrs. Poitras (Madeline) for the whole Lot containing over 60 acres while the occupation covered about 4 acres- and this as against the residence of the claimants. In this case it is a matter between the Crown and the subject and not the St. Peters Band of Indians because as I have already stated the formation of the Reserve is subject to this claim for this was not Crown Land the title being in Thomas prior to the

transfer

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

transfer- not being Crown Lands or Dominion Lands this land could not pass as part of the Indian Reserve.
I may say I have seen the Dominion Lands Commissioner in reference to this case and he has advised me to write you and ask you to reconsider your decision which I trust you will and deal in a more liberal spirit with my client.

I am, Sir,

Yours,

(Sgd) W.J. Robinson,

627 Postage Ave.,

Winnipeg,Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 46463)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 B

MEMORANDUM.

To The Deputy. Department of Indian Affairs.

Ottawa, 20th Feby. 1893.

~~Mr W J Robinson's letter of 24th Sept. referred to the Deputy Minister of Justice and Solicitor of Indian Affairs in connection with the letter from the Deputy of the 24th Sept. last on the subject of the area of land to be allowed Edward Thomas.~~

With regard to the 11th Instant, the undersigned [illegible] the Deputy to letter of the 24th of Nov. last, the Department of the Interior in which Edward Thomas' claim was limited to 21 acres in accordance with the opinion of the Dept. of Justice as given in letter of the ~~18th Nov.~~ 24th Sept. ~~last~~ and letter of the 18th of Nov. last from the Dept. of the Interior.

CORRESPONDENCE FEB 20 1893 BRANCH

P. D. M. Lean

Corrce Br ~~Ack & Inform~~ Inform Mr W. J. Robinson that the Claim of Mr Edward Thomas was fully considered by both the Dept of Justice and this Dept before the decision to allow him Patent for 21 acres was arrived at & that no more land can be allowed him

A W Feby 20/93

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 B

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

W. J. Robinson Esq
627 Portage Av
Winnipeg
Man

Feby 23rd 93

Sir,

~~I have to ack the~~ Referring to your letter of the 24th ult. addressed to the Secy of the Dept of the Interior & transferred to this Dept, I have to inform that the claim of Mr Edward Thomas to certain Land in the St Peters Indian Res was fully considered by both the Dept of Justice and this Dept. before the decision to allow him Patent for 21 acres was arrived at & ~~that~~ no more land can be allowed him.

Your obt Servt

A.M. Mon

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10

J.R. Copy. No.323992.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 27 1893

100146

Winnipeg 16th February, 1893.

Sir,

Ref. No. 170189.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 11th instant No. 320474. in re Edward Thomas' Park Lot of 160 acres in the St. Peters Indian Reserve. Mr. Thomas informs me that the cultivated land was not in one parcel but scattered over the claim and with the buildings the area cannot be reduced to take in all the improvements. That was the object of Mr. Vaughns' Survey- that plan covers the improvements as they existed at the date of the Transfer and prior.

You stated in your letter dated 21st December last directed to the Secretary ofthe Dominion Lands Board Winnipeg. "that the Department of Indian Affairs has "withdrawn all objection to a patent being issued Mr. "Thomas for the land covered by his improvements-" There - fore there should not now be any further delay in the issue of this Patent. If so the cause must be in your department- and I trust you will not prolong* the settle- ment of this claim any longer.

I am, Sir,

Yours &c.,

(sgd) J.P.Robinson.
627 Portage Ave.
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

100460

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN
APR 7 1893

Winnipeg 3rd April 1893

Sir

Re Edward Thomas Claim 4646B

I am in receipt of your letters of the 28th. and 16th. ultimo. and in reply say. That as Mr Edward Thomas has been in undisturbed possession of all that parcel of land lying outside the Two mile limit and in rear of River Lots in the Parish of St Peters as described in a certain plan of Survey made by Mr Vaughn P.L.S and filed in the Department of the Interior on or about the 27th February A.D 1888 since the year 1864. I will not-adorse him to accept (by way of a compromise) Letters Patent for about 200 acres covering his improvement. Mr Thomas' Claim to this land was never disputed until very recently when as I am informed your Agent (Mr Muckle) acting under instructions from you called several meetings with-in the Parish at all Points and informed those present that it was necessary to defeat Thomas' claim to this land and called upon all who knew anything about it to let him know, I am not in a position to speak of the evidence on file which from your prior Correspondence would appear.

The Deputy
Superintendent General
Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

100460

appear to have been submitted to the Department of Justice and a sort of Snap Judgement or opinion obtained from that Department upon evidence which is and must be in an incomplete state — a practice which you appear to encourage among the officers of your Department — Indeed If an officer is not competent to do something underhanded and in a deceptive way he is not qualified for your Department — he must in this line exceed every thing Indian.

I do know however that Thomas has established the fact that he held the land claimed by him since 1864 and under the Homestead Law of Assiniboia. That he cultivated all the high arable land and cut hay on the low land and continued to do so and was doing so on the 15th day of July 1870 and has continued to do so ever since.

If I have stated the facts then in Heavens name why do you insult him by saying you will consent to Patent for 20 acres odd to cover his improvements

The land is Thomas and not yours to give It never wa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

100460

Dominion Lands - and any Law officer of the Crown who says it was - If the State of facts existed as I have stated them to have existed - Then he should reconsider and read up - and he will conclude as I have done and many others, that the properties held by all persons here under the Homestead laws of Assiniboia were by the Manitoba Act declared to be the property of the individual or Corporation.

I have not seen this file and I do not know how Thomas has prepared his case - but one thing I do know that If Thomas has not put his case in proper shape - he can do so now - And the shortest way to settle this matter is to have the Commissioner Dominion Lands take the evidence - and let your Department be represented by your Solicitors here - and I undertake that Thomas will abide by the result - but never will to evidence gathered in an ex parte way as I have stated by an agent who wishes to take one side only - If you will only give this St Peters matter some reasonable consideration

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

100460

You would have it settled long ago. To do this put a responsible Agent who will report the truth at all times whether they are favorable or unfavorable and then you can apply the remedy — I have read his reports for the past four or five years and a more intended falsification of the state affairs I have seldom seen.

Now give my client fair play and for him I ask no more

Yours
W J Robinson
Cor Y Palace Ave
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

4646B

W J Robinson Esq
627 Portage Ave
Winnipeg
Man

April 14 1893

Sir

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 3rd instant with further reference to the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land on the St Peters Indian Res; & in reply I have to inform you that this Dept adheres to its previous decision in the matter.

Yours obt Servt

A. N. Morris

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

38595

103255

Duplicate

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y. JUN 24 1893 WINNIPEG MAN.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 27 1893

No 6318

Indian Office
Claudeboye
21st June 1893

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Chief and Council of the St Peter's Band are not satisfied with the answer contained in your favor of the 22nd May last in regard to Edward Thomas' claim to a park lot inside the St Peter's Reserve.

38.281
6.266
Chief 6275

In Council they stated that they recognised the extract mentioned in your letter. — But claim that at the time of the transfer the date mentioned Mr Edward Thomas, was an Indian, and that the Manitoba Act did not cover his case.

They claim that his declaration about the park is false, as to facts and

E M Coll Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

103255

and they protest against being defrauded of any land for his benefit. — They claim that declarations sent in by them are true as to facts, and they have requested me to bring their wishes again before you, as they have heard that Thomas is saying that he will get his park lot and more

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. M. Muckle.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of the Interior
Ottawa, 13th March, 1901,

Mr. Keyes :-

Herewith are three of the four files of the Indian Department which have been held here until copies of a few papers on each of them have been made for our general file, 139441 re. claims to lands in St. Peters Reserve. These three files will be wanted by the Indian Department to deal with the subject of file 612121 which I am sending to Mr. Goodeve to-day, before its transmission to the Secretary of the Department of Indian Affairs.

The files herewith are :- 4646 (1), 4646 (1a) and 4646 B. The four papers of which copies are wanted are marked. The remaining file is a special case and which the Department of Indian Affairs will not require at once I will send to you in a few days.

H. Robertson

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

4646 B

27-7-47

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

Winnipeg, 27 May 1899. 189

DEPT OF IN MAY 30 1899

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

184925

4646B.

INDIAN BRANCH JUN 1 1899

Sir,

Referring to Department's letter of the 26th. June 1893 addressed to Mr. Inspector McColl, on the subject of the Rev. Edward Thomas' claim to a park lot inside the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, I beg to report that the Chief and Councillors of the Band complain that Mr. Thomas has rented the lot in question to one William Leask, a non-treaty man, and they strongly protest against this bargain as they claim that this lot forms part of the Reserve.

Will you kindly advise me whether or not this lot has been patented to Mr. Thomas; and if not, advise me what action to take in the matter.

I may add that this lot does not appear on the list of patented lots in the Parish of St. Peter's, furnished this office under cover of your letter of the 3rd. May 1898.

4646

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Leask

SECRETARY TO THE INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

L. M.

Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, 10th June, 1899.

Memorandum 4646B

To the Secretary of the
Department of Indian Affairs :-

BRANCH
JUN 12 1899

I have retained a copy of Mr. Lash's letter of the 27th ultimo, and attached it to the file of papers here relating to the claim of the Reverend Edward Thomas to the Park lot referred to by Mr. Lash,

The Lot in question, has not yet been patented to Mr. Thomas, but it has always been acknowledged by every officer of this Department who has looked into the claim that Mr. Thomas was entitled to the portion of the Lot upon which a dwelling house and other improvements are situated, and had he been willing to accept the same in full satisfaction of his claim, letters-patent for such part of the Lot would have issued to him long ago.

Mr. Thomas and his agent or attorney, Mr. W. J. Robinson, Winnipeg, have always insisted however, that he was entitled to the whole Lot. The claim with the claims to all other lots in the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, will be reconsidered, however, during the present year.

I suggest that you advise Mr. Lash to the foregoing effect.

Yours faithfully,

T. J. Rotherwell

Law Clerk, Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/B-

Ottawa 13th June 1899-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 27th Ultimo on the subject of the Rev.Edward Thomas' claim to a Park Lot inside the St.Peter's Indian Reserve,I beg to inform you that the Law Clerk of the Interior Department advises that the Lot in question has not yet been patented to Mr. Thomas,but it has always been acknowledged by every officer of the Interior Department,who has looked into the claim that Mr.Thomas was entitled to the portion of the Lot upon which a dwelling house and other improvements are situate,and had he been willing to accept the same in full satisfaction of his claim,Letters Patent for such part of the Lot would have issued to him long ago.

Mr.Thomas and his Agent or Attorney,Mr.W.J.Robinson of Winnipeg,have always insisted,however,that he was entitled to the whole Lot.

The claim in question,along with the claims to all other Lots in the St.Peter's Indian Reserve,will be re-considered by the Law Clerk of the Interior Department during the present year.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

The Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 B

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 29 Apr. 1905.

In your reply refer to
No. I28/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

4646B.

274281

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 2 1905

LAND BRANCH
MAY 3 1905

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the I3th. June I899 on the subject of the Rev. Edward Thomas' claim to a Park Lot inside the St.Peter's Indian Reserve, will you kindly advise me if this claim was re-considered by the Law Clerk of the Department of the Interior, and if so, what decision was arrived at.

In this connection Mr. Inspector Semmens informs me that Mr. Thomas has sold the Park Lot in question to a non-treaty man of Selkirk and the Indians are restless over the matter, deeming the sale an invasion of their rights.

Will you kindly instruct me in the matter at your earliest convenience.

Your obedient servant,

Indian Commissioner.

Secretary,
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646B.

OTTAWA, 9th May, 1905-

Sir-

I beg to refer to communication of the 10th June 1899 from the Law Clerk of your Department, relative to claim of the Rev. Edward Thomas to a park lot within the limits of the St. Peter's Indian Reserve and to ask that you will kindly advise whether this Department is correct in assuming that only right to a portion of the lot is admitted, and if so what portion and whether it has been decided to disallow the claim as to the remainder of the Lot.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

SECRETARY.

The Secretary,
Department of the Interior,
OTTAWA.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3618)

File 4646	2	Clandeboye Agency - Two copies of a forty-three page report by H. M. Howell on land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1906
File 4646-1		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Correspondence regarding a homestead for Mr. B. P. Richardson, M.L.A. 1885 - 1890
File 4646-1A		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Commissioners report on claims to land held by whitemen and half-breed at the time of the treaty. 1885 - 1896
File 4646-1B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1896
File 4646B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a land claim on St. Peter's Reserve by Reverend Edward Thomas (map). 1888 - 1905
File 4646-1C		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land by whitemen and half-breeds on St. Peter's Reserve (blueprints). 1897 - 1906
File 4646-C	1	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Murdock McIvor. 1888 - 1906

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 1C BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETERS RESERVE LAND CLAIMS

VOLUME

FROM

TO

REFERRED TO	REFERENCE	REMARKS	DATE			FOR C.R. USE

FILE NO. 4646 1C

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4446-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

Feb 12 - 98
Feb 8 - 98.
Feb 18 - 10 98.
Feb 17 - 11 - 98.
Feb 20 - 5 - 99.
Feb 12 - 5 - 1900.
Feb 11 - 3 - 1901.
13501
Feb 29 - 5 - 1901

No. 4646 No 16

Department of Indian Affairs.

189

BLACK
4646-16

Clandeboye

125 130

Re lands on
St Peter's Res.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-16)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646 oCol

Address your reply
"Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."
Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to this letter quote the file number.

LETTER

BB 159409

FILE 72512

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 26th July, 1897.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the Minister has instructed Mr. Rothwell, Law Clerk of this Department, to prepare a report upon the present position of all unsettled claims to lands within the Parish of St. Peters, such report to shew not only what lands are claimed, the names of the respective claimants, and the basis thereof, but also the cause for the delay which has taken place in issuing patents for the lands so claimed.

Before Mr. Rothwell can complete his report, it will, ~~therefore~~, be necessary for him to peruse any papers or documents on the files of your Department with regard to these claims, and also to be advised fully as to the position of your Department with regard to all of them, or any particular one. I am therefore to request you to send to Mr. Rothwell all files of your Department relating to this matter.

It may be stated that it is claimed that the Municipality of St. Peters was not legally included within the boundaries of the Indian Reserve of St. Peters, and I am, therefore, to ask particularly for a copy of the Treaty of 1871, and any other

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

159409

other information you may be able to furnish to settle this point.

In the event of any of the files referred to being now in the Department of Justice, I am to say that you are authorized by the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs to get them and send them with all other files to Mr. Rothwell.

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

R. Coulthard

Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 31st July 1897-

Sir-

In accordance with request of the Secretary of the Department of the Interior in regard to the unsettled claim to lands withint the Parish of St. Peter, I beg to send you under separate cover Files & Papers of this Department referring to the matter in question, being Numbers 4646 -1-1A- B-1B-C-2-3-5A-6-7-9-10 and 11 from which it will be seen that position taken by this Department in regard to the claims referred to therein.

I also send with the above Files a copy of the Treaty of 1871, as requested.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN
Secretary-

T.G.Rothwell, Esq-
Law Clerk,
Dept. of the Interior-
Ottawa-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

161844 man.

To the Hon. C. Sifton

Dear Sir

St Peters Sept Lamb. 14th 1897

23/9/97

4646

Dear Sir

I the undersigned respectfully pray your Government to give me the information in case I revoke the Treaty will the authorities give patants to my 2 Lots first where I am living 3 chains front Lot which I have bought and paid also I have another claim or Lot on the East side at Cooks creek said Lot is 6 chains by 2 miles said 6 chains Lot was bought an occupied by my late father for years It was the late Chief pigwis who sold the land that time your pitition or humbly pray your Government to answer my request

(Signed) James Smith

LAND BRANCH SEP 24 1897

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Office of the

Indian Commissioner,

North-West Territories,

164619 4646 red

In your reply refer to
No. 83/28.
also to the date of this letter.

Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T."
WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.

WINNIPEG *Regina*, 1st December, 1897

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 6 1897

LAND BRANCH
DEC 9 1897

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the Chief and Councillors of the St. Peter's Band waited on me sometime ago to discuss matters in connection with their Reserve, and among other things, they protested very strongly against patents being issued to outsiders for lots inside the Reserve, especially without first being consulted in the matter, and they expressed a wish to be furnished with a list of all the patented lots in the Reserve.

As this list would also be of great use to me, may I ask you to procure one from the Department of the Interior, which would show the number of lots patented on the St. Peter' Reserve, to whom patented, the date of issue and the consideration, if any, in each case.

Your obedient servant,

Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary,

Indian Department,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 9th December 1897-

Sir-

I beg to inform you that Mr.Indian Commissioner Forget of Winnipeg has reported that the Chief and Councillors of the St.Peters Band waited on him some time ago to discuss matters in connection with their Reserve and among other things they protested very strongly against Patents being issued to outsiders for lands inside the Reserve,especially without first being consulted in the matter and they expressed the wish to be furnished with a list of all the patented lots in the Reserve.

I have,therefore,to request that you will kindly have the Department furnished with a statement showing the lands patented on the St.Peters Reserve,to whom patented, the date of the issue of Patent and the consideration,if any in each case,to be accompanied by a Plan of the Reserve,showing the lands referred to.

Am. L. war

Your obedient servant

A.E.MCLEAN

Secretary-

Sec.Dept.Interior,
Ottawa-
Ont-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

× 4646 old

LETTER

Address reply
"To the Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

MEB

166035 FILE 161075.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 13th January, 1898.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JAN 15 1898

LAND BRANCH
JAN 17 1898

Sir,

I am directed to enclose you herewith File 161075 of this Department, and to call your attention to the application of Mr. James E. Walkley to exchange a Park lot in St. Peter's Indian reservation, patented to William Thomas but of which Mr.Walkley says he is now the owner, for another piece of land in the said Parish lying between the Red River and Cook's Creek.

Enc.

Will you be good enough to report to the Deputy Minister upon this application, the land asked for being under the control of the Department of Indian Affairs; and also on the matter as to the road allowance to give access to the lot in question.. Please return our fyle with your reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lyndwode Pereira

Assistant Secretary.

J. D. McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ottawa, W. V. 189[illegible]

MEMO To the Secretary:

The 20 acre Park Lot patented to Wm. Thomas in 1897 and sold by him to Mr Wadkley during the summer of 1897 is the only parcel of land outside the River Lots that is not part of the Indian Reserve and yet within the boundaries thereof. That part of the Reserve applied for in exchange, viz. between Coote Creek and Red River is unsurrendered and lies between the surrendered portion and Red River.

94751½

It might be advisable to keep the Reserve intact in which case a fair exchange might be accepted and perhaps Mr. Wadkley could be induced to accept a piece of lot No. 116 already surrendered for sale. The question of a road to and from the Park Lot cannot be dealt with until that part of the reserve is subdivided into 40 acre lots which will probably be done next summer.

T.D.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 5th February 1898-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 13th Ultimo,No 161 075,in relation to the application of Mr.James E. Walkley to exchange the Park Lot in St.Peter's Indian Reserve patented to William Thomas for another piece of land in the same Parish,lying between the Red River and Cook's Creek,I beg to inform you that the portion of land applied for by Mr.Walkley in exchange for his Lot is situate on the unsurrendered portion of the St.Peter's Indian Reserve and,therefore,his application cannot be considered.

As,however,it would appear advisable to keep this Reserve intact,an exchange might be arranged,if Mr. Walkley would be willing to accept a piece of land of equal value on Lot 246,which has been surrendered for sale

As regards the question of road allowance to give access to Mr.Walkley's land,I beg to state that the same will receive consideration when this portion of the Reserve is beingsubdivided ~~xx~~ which will probably be next Summer.

As requested,the File of Papers,No 161 075,is herewith returned.

Your obedient servant

A. N. McNEILL

Asst.Secretary-

Secretary-
Dept. of the Interior,
Ottawa-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646
166947 Old

Office of the

Indian Commissioner,

North-West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 64/28
also to the date of this letter.

Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T."

WINNIPEG 2 Feb 1898. 189

LAND BRANCH FEB 8 1898

DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS FEB 7 1898

Sir,

The Council of the St.Peter's Band have asked to be furnished with a map of their Reserve showing the lots which have been patented to non-Treaty holders or occuparts, when the patent in each case was granted and to whom.

There is no record in this Office or among the papers of the late Winnipeg Office of patents which have been issued and I would ask that the map asked for be prepared in the Department.

They have further requested that hereafter patents for lands within the Reserve be not issued until the Council has been notified of the application for same and afforded an opportunity to show cause why patent should not issue, in the event of there being any grounds for objection thereto.

I may say that the Indians are very strongly opposed to the patenting of lands within their Reserve as it has opened the way for the exercise of municipal authority within what they reasonably regard as the jurisdiction of their own Council.

Your obedient servant,

A. Forget
Commissioner.

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Ottawa 9th February 1898-

Sir,

I beg to refer you to letter of the 9th December last,in which request was made to have this Department furnished with a statement shewing the lands patented on the St.Peter's Reserve,to whom patented,the date of the issue of patent,and the consideration in each case,accompanied by a plan of the Reserve,shewing the lands referred to.

Mr.Commissioner Forget,of Winnipeg,has again asked the Department for this statement and plan,and I should be pleased if the same could be furnished at an early date.

I may say that the Commissioner states that the Council of the St.Peters Band have requested that hereafter Patents for lands within the Reserve,be not issued until the Council has been notified of the application for same,and afforded an opportunity to shew cause why Patent should not issue,in the event of there being any grounds for objection thereto.

The Commissioner further states that the Indians are very strongly opposed to the patenting of lands within their Reserve,as it has opened the way for the exercise of Municipal authority within what they reasonably regard as the jurisdiction of their own Council.

Your obedient servant,

A. N. McNEILL

Asst.Secretary

The Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Address reply
"The Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote file number.

G.P. 4646 Rod

Letter 461549.

File 139441.

167526

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 21st February, 1898.

DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS FEB 24 1898

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge your letter of the 9th instant, No. 4646, drawing attention to one written on the same subject, dated the 9th December last, requesting that you be furnished with a statement showing the lands patented on the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, to whom patented, and the date of the patent, accompanied by a plan of the Reserve showing such lands.

LAND BRANCH FEB 24 1898

In reply I beg to say that on the 8th April, 1896, a statement of this kind was forwarded to your Department. Since that date two additional lots have been patented, namely, Lot 71, to John Ballendine, patent dated 28th July, 1897; Lot 109 to Annie Bird, patent dated the 13th March, 1897.

If you are still desirous to have the schedule asked for to be brought down to date, along with the plan, I can have the information prepared for you in that manner.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lawrence de Percin

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 25th February 1898-

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 21st Instant, No.139 441,in relation to statement and plan desired by this Department showing lands patented on the St.Peters Indian Reserve,to whom patented and the date of Patent, I beg to say that as all correspondence in connection with this Reserve is at present in your Department,I shall be pleased to be furnished with a complete list as request -ed accompanied by plan,at as early a date as possible.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

169209 4646 old

G.P.

LETTER 461002.

FILE 161075.

Address reply "The Secretary Department of the Interior, Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 6th April, 1898.

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS 9 APR 1898

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 5th of February last, No. 4646, I am directed to inform you that the land referred to by you to be given to Mr. Walkley in exchange for his Park Lot in the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, has already been dealt with, it having been patented to Mr. R. R. McLennan as far back as 1883. The records here show that patents issued on the 16th December, 1882, and the 27th November, 1883, for respective portions of Lot 246, and it is understood that these patents were confirmed subsequently by your Department.

LAND BRANCH 19 1898

Correct WWC

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

J.R.

61.

Schedule showing lands patented in the Parish of St. Peter.

70300

Lot	Part of Lot.	Name.	Date of Patent.
3		Robert Evans	14th January, 1884.
4		Christian Christianson	27th October, 1887.
7		Hon. John Norquay	9th March, 1882.
10		Joseph Moore and Margaret Moore	26th June, 1888.
14	Nly. 1. 81 chs.	Revd. Alfred E. Cowley	25th January, 1883
	Sly. 3. "	Hon. John Schultz	25th January, 1883.
22		William Thomas	27th October, 1887.
23		Hon. John Schultz	25th January 1883.
26		do.	25th January, 1883.
34		Edward Thomas	9th August, 1878.
41		The Finance Committee of the Church Missionary Society of Rupert's Land.	5th April, 1878.
43		James Bird	27th October 1887.
53		Fredk. Clarke Mercer	27th October, 1887.
55	Sly. 7 chs.	John Clemons	31st October, 1887.
62		Narcisse Chatelaine	27th October, 1887.
65		Thos. Peebles, William Henry Fields and Charles Hamilton Fields.	16th August, 1892.
69		Samuel G. Emerson	27th October, 1887.
79		Thomas Peebles	27th October, 1887.
81	N. 2 chs.	Trustees of estate of Bernard R. Ross, Duncan McArthur and John Farquhar Bain.	15th March, 1888.
83		Robert Harper	10th December, 1879.
84		Jane Sinclair	24th August, 1882.
85		Philip Monkman	13th July, 1882.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

J.R.

170200

Lot.	Part of Lot	Name.	Date of Patent .
90	Part of	Joseph Monkman, Jnr.	22nd February, 1888.
90	Part of	Henry Thomas	13th August, 1888
91	Pt. of between road & river, 4 acs.	Thos Truthwaite, Snr.	27th October, 1887.
91	Pt. between road and rear	Jos. Monkman, Jnr.	22nd February, 1888.
95	.....	Jos. Monkman	14th July, 1882.
96	.....	James Monkman	31st October, 1887.
97	.....	Jos. Monkman	14th July, 1882.
100	.....	William Leask	12th September 1879.
101	.....	James Bird	10th February, 1880.
102	.....	James Monkman	31st October, 1887.
104	.....	Henry Cochrane	14th February, 1888.
105	.....	George Ballendine	31st October, 1887.
110	.....	William Hespeler	21st September, 1883.
111	.....	Murdoch McLennan	12th February, 1880.
114	.....	John L.L.Smith,	27th October, 1887.
115	.....	John L.L.Smith	27th October, 1887.
151	Sly.2.08 chs.	Joseph Monkman	27th April, 1883.
152	.....	Joseph Monkman	27th April, 1883.
193	Nly. 5 chs.	Duncan McLean	15th February, 1883.
"	Sly. 11.26 chs.	Andrew G.B.Bannatyne	15th February, 1883.
209	.....	Hon. John Schultz	25th January, 1883.
224	.....	Josiah Thos. Robarts	21st May, 1888.
212	Part of (45 acs)	Synod of the Diocese of Rupert's Land,	5th April, 1878.
71	.....	John Ballendine	28th July 1897.
109	.....	Annie Bird	13th March, 1897.

as follows;- Commencing at the intersection of the easterly side of the Red River and the boundary line between River lots 212 and 213 in the said Parish thence in an easterly direction along the southerly boundary of lot 212 a distance of 28 chains and 96 links. Thence N.33° 54' east at right angles to the southerly boundary 14 chains thence N. 56° 6' west in a direction parallel to the southerly boundary 35 chains and 32 links to the banks or margin of the Red River. Thence in a southerly direction following the bank or margin of the Red River to the place of beginning. (134233)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 old

Address y[illegible]ly
"T[illegible]etary
[illegible]ment of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

G.P.

LETTER

FILE 139441.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 27th April, 1898.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence with your Department, your No. 4646, in which you asked to be furnished with a list of the patents issued for lots in St. Peter's Parish, and a plan of the said Parish, showing the lots disposed of; I now beg to enclose herewith the schedule, and map showing in blue colour the lots thus disposed of, as mentioned in such schedule.

Encls.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lyonnais de Rivière

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

LAND BRANCH
MAY 2 1898

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 29 1898

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy 170356

East Selkirk, April 14th 1898

Secretary

Department of Interior
Ottawa

I am in receipt of your letter of 6th inst. re William Thomas Park Lot exchange now owned by me and as you can not exchange for a portion of Lot 246 St. Peters. Can you exchange for any other land in this vicinity or do you wish to buy my rights to said Lot and what would you be willing to pay for it.

Yours truly,

(sd) Jas. L. Walkley.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 5th May 1898-

Sir-

Some time ago,Mr.James E.Walkley of East Selkirk made application to the Department to exchange a Park Lot in St.Peter's Indian Reserve patented to William Thomas,of which Mr.Walkley claimed to be the owner,for another piece of land in the said Parish,being a portion of Lot Number 246.

As Lot 246 had been patented by the Department ~~hafaxe~~,it was unable to entertain Mr.Walkley's application and he was so advised. He now wishes to know if the Department would exchange for any other land in this vicinity,or would wish to buy his rights to the Thomas Lot and what it would be willing to pay therefor. Will you kindly have this matter looked into and see if any satisfactory arrangement can be come to with Mr.Walkley for any portion of the land on the St.Peter's Reserve which was surrendered some years ago for a Townplot at East Selkirk.

Your obedient servant

J.D. McLEAN

Secretary-

A.E.Forget,Esq-
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg-
Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

-:Copy:- 173127

East Selkirk, 1st July, 1898.

A.E.Forget, Esq.

Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 27th of June, re Park Lot in St.Peter's Indian Reserve, and I do not think that $4.00 per acre is fair value for this Lot, and I will not offer it to the Department at that price, as I can show that this Lot is worth at least ten dollars per acre, and considering that it take away other lands for a road allowance, it is worth more than that to the Department, and if the Department gives me two hundred and fifty dollars($250.00) I will sell to them, otherwise I will sell to other parties,as I have other offers, and I had an offer of $5.00 per acre for land 4 miles further from Town then this lot and that only this week. Now I wish this matter settled one way or the other without delay, as I wish a road allowance to and from this Lot if you do not buy it.

Yours truly,

sgd. Jas.E.Walkley.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Office of the 173127 4646

Indian Commissioner,

North-West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
also to the date of this letter.

Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N.W.T."

WINNIPEG 7 July 1898. 1899

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 11 1898

LAND BRANCH
JUL 13 1898

Sir,

I beg to refer to your letter of the 5th.May last, No.4646 with reference to the "park lot" in the St.Peter's Reserve, and to state that I sent Mr.McDonald of this Office to see Mr.Walkley and ascertain if the exchange asked for could be made.

Mr.Walkley upon being seen with reference to exchanging for other lands, stated that as he had already purchased lands elsewhere he did not now wish to exchange but would sell to the Department at $20.00 per acre.

Mr.McDonald after enquiring as to the value of lands in the neighborhood reported to me that $4.00 per acre would be a good price for the lot in question and Mr.Walkley was informed that if he were willing to accept this price, I would recommend the purchase of the lot. I enclose a copy of his reply from which it will be seen that he now asks $12.50 per acre but I know of no reason why the valuation of Mr.McDonald should not be sustained.

As to giving access to the lot by a road through the Reserve, it will be time enough to consider this when the lot is resided upon which at present it is not, I understand.

Your obedient servant,

Commissioner

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 old

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28.
and date of this letter and address
A. E. Forget, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 11th October, 1898.

176584

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS OCT 17 1898

LAND BRANCH OCT 18 1898

Sir,

4646. Referring to your letter of the 5th of May last and my reply thereto of the 7th of July, I beg to state that Mr. James E. Walkley informs me that he is willing to accept four dollars ($4.00) per acre for the twenty acres of land owned by him on Park Lot patented to William Thomas, in the Parish of St. Peter's, and that if the Department will prepare all the necessary papers conveying the land in question to the Government, he will sell on these terms.

I would now recommend that the lot be purchased from Mr. Walkley on the terms mentioned.

The description of the Lot as near as can be ascertained is as follows:- Park Lot patented to William Thomas, in Section 5, Township 14, Range 6 East, in the Parish of St. Peter's.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary of the
Department of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 old. Exd.

Ottawa 21st October 1898-

Sir-

In reply to letter of the 11th Instant, No 128/28 in relation to the purchase of 20 acres of land on the Park Lot patented to William Thomas from Mr. James E. Walkley, I beg to inform you that there are no funds available to make this purchase.

On referring to letter addressed the late Commissioner on the 5th May last, you will observe that the proposition was for an exchange of land with Mr. Walkley and not for purchase.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

The Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg,

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

177343 4646 old

Sec. 5, Tsp. 14, R. 6 E,
EAST SELKIRK, MAN; Oct 28-1898

To The Hon Clifford Sifton
Dear Sir
I am in receipt of a letter from the Sec of Indian commissioner in reply to a letter from me. Offering to except Mr Forget offer for the Wm Thomas park lot Sir Constancer having changed with me that I saw it was nessery for me to except it but the Secetory says that there are no funds at present to purchase will you kindly let me know if this is final or if you intend to except Mr Forget offer in the future, if so when
Yours truly Jas S Walkley

LAND BRANCH NOV 7 1898
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NOV 4 1898

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Exd.

Ottawa 8th November 1898-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 28th Ultimo in relation to the William Thomas Park Lot on the St.Peter's Reserve,I beg to inform you that,as you have been already advised by the Indian Commissioner,the Department has no funds available to purchase this property.

I may say that the original proposition was not one of purchase but of exchange and as you now desire to sell your land, I regret that the Department is unable to comply with your wishes.

Your obedient servant

F. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

James E.Walkley,Esq.,

East Selkirk,

Manitoba.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

177551

Canada
Province of Manitoba
To Wit

In the Matter of the Claim of John Cochrane to Lot 211 of the Parish of Saint Peters

I William Ashem of the Parish of Saint Peters in the Province of Manitoba a member of Saint Peters band of Indians do solemnly declare

1- That I was formerly Chief of the Saint Peters band of Indians and during my term of Office I drew a will for the late Adam Kennedy and by that will the said Adam Kennedy bequeathed his house and Lot above described and also all the chattels he owned to his adopted son John Cochrane and to the best of my knowledge and belief the said will of the said Adam Kennedy so drawn by me as aforesaid was never revoked by him.

2- After I drew the said will the said Adam Kennedy requested me to keep it for him which I did and put it amongst my papers and when my term of Office expired I distroyed a large number of papers lying in my office and although I have made diligent search I have been unable to find the said will and I believe that the said will was distroyed by me by mistake along with some of my own papers

3- To the best of my knowledge and belief the said Adam Kennedy never made any other will of his said house and Lot [illegible] and I

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

believe the said will drawn by me was his last will and testament as to said Lot and I remember the contents of said will perfectly and I know that by said will the said Adam Kennedy left his said house and Lot to the said John Cochrane

4. Some time after the said will was drawn the said John Cochrane built a house on the said Lot for his adopted father and he also to my knowledge paid for the burying of his adopted Mother the wife of the said Adam Kennedy and the said Late Adam Kennedy informed me that after his adoption John Cochrane went to Rat Portage to work that the said John Cochrane sent money to the said Late Adam Kennedy to assist in his support

5- In my opinion John Flett the present Claimant to the Lot of the said Adam Kennedy is not in any way entitled to it. He has already sold two lots in the said Parish of St Peters and he has at the present time a lot on the West side of the Red River in the said Reserve containing about sixty four acres and has also registered a claim to about One hundred and sixty acres in the vicinity of Sugar Island in the most southerly part of the Reserve

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

6- The said late Adam Kennedy on all occasions when speaking to me of the matter spoke of John Cochrane as his heir to his lot- and I verily believe the said Adam Kennedy never made any other disposition of his said lot- than by the Will drawn by me and on the other hand the said late Adam Kennedy at least six times told me that the said John Flett would never have his lot-

7. The said late Adam Kennedy was a frequent visitor at my house and he often talked to me about his property and I know of my own knowledge that it was his desire that the said John Cochrane should have his lot-

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act 1893.

Declared before me at Selkirk in the Province of Manitoba this 8th Day of November A.D. 1898

William Cochrane

Fred C. Elliott
A Commissioner &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

177551

Fred. C. Elliott.
Barrister.
Attorney, Solicitor, etc.

P.O.Box 45.
OFFICE. EATON BLOCK.

Selkirk, Man. Nov'r 8th, 1898.

LAND BRANCH NOV 14 1898

LAND BRANCH NOV 12 1898

Superintendant General of Indian Affairs.,

O T T A W A. Ont.

Sir.-

Enclosed herewith I beg to hand you Declaration of William Asham, until recently, Chief of the St. Peters Band of Indians, in regard to Lot 211 St. Peters, formerly in the occupation of Adam Kennedy, since deceased. I filed several declarations with late Commissioner Forget and I understand from him that all papers filed by me were forwarded to you. I would be greatly obliged if you would take this matter up and deal with it as as early a date as possible.

As you will see by the enclosed declaration, the party who has entered upon this property, although without any authority from your Department, has already got over 200 acres in the Reserve to which he lays claim and has already disposed of two other properties which he obtained by similar means, using his position as one of the Council of the Band for his own advancement and to the damage of other members of that Band. The lot he at present resides on, I am informed, was obtained by him by ejecting his mother-in-law therefrom after the death of her husband. The Claimant for whom I am acting, John Cochrane, has not got any other claim in the Reserve and as you will see by the declarations filed, is the party who erected the buildings on thisLot.

I hope this matter will have your earliest consideration.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

Fred. C. Elliott

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 15th November 1898-

Sir-

I beg to enclose copy of a communication received from Mr.F.C.Elliott,Barrister of Selkirk,and of enclosure sent therewith,in relation to Lot 211 on the St.Peters Reserve and to request that you will kindly have this matter looked into as the papers referred to by Mr.Elliott as having been filed with the late Commissioner,Mr.Forget do not appear to have been forwarded to the Department.

I have the honour to be

Sir-

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

The Hon.David Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg,

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 15th November 1898-

Sir-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant and declaration enclosed in relation to Lot No 211,St.Peter's Indian Reserve and in reply to inform you that a copy of your communication and of the declaration enclosed have been forwarded to the Hon.Mr.Laird Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg,for investigation as the documents referred to in your letter as having been filed with late Commissioner Forget,were not forwarded to the Department.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

Fred.C.Elliott,Esq.,
Barrister &c-
Selkirk,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 1

Fred. C. Elliott.
Barrister.
Attorney, Solicitor, etc.

177766

P.O. Box 45.
Office. Eaton Block.

Selkirk, Man. Nov'r 10th, 1898.,

Exd.

Superintendant General of Indian Affairs.,

OTTAWA. Ont.

-re Lot 211 St. Peters-

Sir.-

I have just been informed that John Flett, who claims the Lot formerly in the occupation of Adam Kennedy and which is claimed by John Cochrane under the will of the said Adam Kennedy, is at the present time dispoiling the property although, with the most liberal construction of the situation, he is only entitled to a very small portion of the property as heir-at-law of Adam Kennedy. He has already torn down one building and has removed for firewood almost all the fences around the place. I would urge very strongly that you deal with this matter at once as it is apparently the intention of this man to waste the property as much as possible and if action is not taken by your Department at once I am afraid that all the improvements put on this property by the late Adam Kennedy and his adopted son and heir-at-law under his will, John Cochrane, will be entirely destroyed and as Flett is worth nothing Cochrane could not recover anything for the loss he may sustain and has already sustained. I hope this matter will have your very earliest consideration.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant.

Fred. C. Elliott

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Newsome & Gilbert, Law Stationers, Toronto.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
JAN 13 1899
REGINA ASS

DOMINION OF CANADA
Province of Manitoba:

To Wit:

In the matter of Lot 211 in the Parish of St. Peters in the Province of Manitoba & the dispute in regard thereto between John Cochrane and Mrs. John Flett

I, Mary Stevenson wife of George Stevenson of the same place in the province of the St Peters Indian Reserve of Manitoba farmer do solemnly declare that

1. In August 1898, John Cochrane came to our place and got me to sign a paper in his favor regarding this lot: which was the only paper I ever signed for him
2. He explained that the paper was just to show who I considered had the best claim to Adam Kennedy's estate — he John Cochrane or Councillor John Flett
3. I said that he John Cochrane was the adopted child of Adam Kennedy, whereas Councillor John Flett was not related to the deceased in any way whatever; and I signed for that reason & with that meaning & intention, & for no other reason & with no other meaning or intention
4. He did not say in any way that the paper was to give up any right I might have as one of the heirs of Adam Kennedy: and if I had had any idea whatever that the paper was of that sort, I certainly would not have signed
5. He did not say at all that Mrs John Flett was in any way interested in the matter or affected by the paper, but he named merely Mr John Flett. If I had understood Mrs John Flett to be interested in the matter or affected by the paper, I certainly would not have signed: for while Mrs. John Flett has no right to the estate, Mrs John Flett certainly has some right as being one of the heirs
6. I never read the paper: I cannot read writing: He read from it to me, or at least claimed to be doing so: but I am satisfied now that he did not read or explain it correctly

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act, 1893."

DECLARED before me at the Indian Reserve of St. Peters Band in the Province of Manitoba this Eighth day of December A.D., 1898 having first been read over & explained by me to the said declarant who appeared fully to understand the same & who made her mark opposite hereto in my presence

Her
Mary × Stevenson
mark

A Commissioner in B. R. &c.
J. Neal a notary Public in & for Manitoba

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Newsome & Gilbert, Law Stationers, Toronto.

DOMINION OF CANADA
Province of Manitoba:

Copy

INDIAN COMMISSIONER JAN 13 1899 REGINA

In the matter of Lot 211 in the Parish of St. Peters in the Province of Manitoba & the dispute in regard thereto between John Cochrane & Mrs. John Flett

TO WIT:

We William Thomas of the Parish of St Peters in the Province of Manitoba in the farmer, and Mary Ann Thomas, his wife do solemnly declare that

1. Adam Kennedy, late of St Peters Parish aforesaid, the occupant of Lot 211 named above, who died there some time in March last 1898, did, about three weeks before his death, come to our residence saying that he was immediately about to go away some long distance to spend the winter, & that he wanted to say good-bye to us as being friends and neighbors of his. He then said to us together there that if he should die, all his lands & buildings were to belong to his niece Mrs. John Flett of St. Peters aforesaid
2. Several times within the year prior to said occasion, the said Adam Kennedy spoke to us in the same way regarding his said niece: saying that she always cleaned & sewed for him & attended to him generally & was the only one of all his relatives that did so for him: & that on that account she was to have all his property, when he died.
3. As a matter of fact, of our own personal knowledge, we know that the said Mrs John Flett was specially kind & attentive to the said Adam Kennedy in the ways described above
4. It is customary in our Indian bands to make wills by mere word of mouth in the presence of witnesses, without any writing: and according to our customs the above statements of Adam Kennedy would be treated as a valid will

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act, 1893."

DECLARED before me at the Town of Selkirk in the Province of Manitoba this 26th day of November A.D., 1898

The mark of William Thomas
The mark of Mary Ann Thomas

The same having first been read over & explained to the said declarants, who appeared perfectly to understand the same & who made their respective marks opposite hereto in my presence

~~A Commissioner in B. R. &c.~~ ~~Notary Public~~ ~~for Manitoba~~

James Heap
a Notary Public in & for Manitoba

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Newsome & Gilbert, Law Stationers, Toronto.

DOMINION OF CANADA

Province of Manitoba:

To Wit:

In the matter of Lot 211 in the Parish of St. Peters in the Province of Manitoba & the dispute in regard thereto between John Cochrane & Mrs John Flett.

We John Stevenson Jr of the Parish of St Peters in the Province of Manitoba and Juliet Stevenson, his wife

do solemnly declare that

1. Adam Kennedy, late of St Peters Parish aforesaid, the occupant of Lot 211 named above, who died there sometime in March last 1898, did about three weeks before his death, come to our residence saying that he was immediately about to go away some long distance to spend the winter, & that he wanted to say good-bye to us as friends & neighbors of his. He then said to us together that if he should die, all his lands & buildings were to belong to his niece Mrs John Flett of St. Peters aforesaid: and he requested us to inform the council of our band of his said wish & will
2. Several times within the year prior to said occasion, the said Adam Kennedy spoke to us in the same way regarding his said niece: saying that she always cleaned & sewed for him & attended to him generally, & was the only one of all his relatives that did so for him: & that on that account she was to have all his property, when he died
3. As a matter of fact, of our own personal knowledge we know that the said Mrs. John Flett was specially kind & attentive to the said Adam Kennedy in the way described above
4. It is customary in our Indian bands, to make wills by mere word of mouth in the presence of witnesses, without any writing; and according to our customs the above statements of Adam Kennedy would be treated as a valid will

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act, 1893."

DECLARED before me at the town of Selkirk in the province of Manitoba this 26th day of November A.D., 1898

the same having first been read over & explained to the said declarants, who appeared perfectly to understand the same & have made their respective marks opposite hereto in my presence

the mark of
John X Stevenson Jr
the mark of
Juliet X Stevenson

Commissioner in ~~B.R.~~ &c.

a notary Public in & for Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Newsome & Gilbert, Law Stationers, Toronto.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER JAN 1899

DOMINION OF CANADA
Province of Manitoba:

TO WIT:

In the matter of lot 211 in the Parish of St. Peters in the Province of Manitoba & the dispute in regard thereto between John Cochrane & Mrs John Flett.

I, John Flett of the St Peters Band of Indians in the province of Manitoba farmer husband of the above named Mrs John Flett do solemnly declare that

1. I have read the statutory declaration made by my said wife in this matter on the 1st inst. before J. Heap a notary Public at Selkirk Man: and I say that the same is true and correct. and I further say that I was present as a witness on the occasion mentioned in the fourth paragraph thereof

2. In regard to the house on the said lot which John Cochrane claims to have built, I say that all the materials therefor were purchased solely at the expense of the late Adam Kennedy, who gave John Cochrane, just before the commencement of said building, a team of oxen, & during the said building, a cow or a sleigh (I forget which) for the express purpose of purchasing materials for the said building. and the said John Cochrane purchased all the said materials solely with the proceeds of the things thus given him by Adam Kennedy for that purpose. And the only thing of his own which the said John Cochrane invested in or bestowed on said building was his labor: All the matters set out in this paragraph I know personally; and further I personally heard them declared so to be by the said Adam Kennedy before the Council of said band on the occasion referred to in the said Council's recent report on this matter to the Indian Commissioner

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act, 1893."

DECLARED before me at the town of Selkirk in the province of Manitoba this 4th day of January A.D., 1899

John Flett

James Heap
A Commissioner in B. R. &c. Notary Public for Manitoba

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Newsome & Gilbert, Law Stationers, Toronto.

DOMINION OF CANADA
Province of Manitoba:

Copy

In the matter of Lot 211 in the Parish of St. Peters in the Province of Manitoba & the dispute in regard thereto between John Cochrane & Mrs John Flett

To Wit:

I, Jane Mary Flett of the Parish of St. Peters, wife of John Flett in the said Parish of St. Peters in Manitoba farmer do solemnly declare that

1. I am the above named claimant, a member of St. Peters Indian band
2. I was intimately acquainted with my uncle Adam Kennedy who died some time in March last 1898, the occupant of the above-named Lot 211. Ever since I used to regularly do washing & sewing & other things for him, and very frequently I supplied him food & clothing: and I was the only one of his relatives that did so, and was his favorite relative on that account.
3. Many times on different occasions, he assured me that, on his death, his house & lands were to be mine, because of my services mentioned above.
4. About three weeks before his death, he called at our house & stopped overnight. He said he was about to start off to some distant place to spend the winter, & that he came to say good bye to us. He repeated that, if he should die, I was to have all his house & lands. He added that he had that day been expressing this wish & will in my favor in the presence of several neighbors of his with the express purpose & intention that they might be witnesses to prove & establish same.
5. In June last 1898, the Council of said band, gave me a location certificate for said lot: and on the strength thereof & in faith & reliance thereon I shortly afterwards caused my husband to put thereon a building worth at least Twenty five Dollars which is still on said lot.
6. I own no other land whatever nor any interest or location whatever in respect of any other land: and John Cochrane is entirely wrong in representing that I have certificate of location for thirty-two acres received from my father.

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act, 1893."

DECLARED before me at the town of Selkirk in the Province of Manitoba this 17th day of December A.D., 1898

Jane Mary Flett

J. Heak
A ~~Commissioner in B. R. &c.~~ Notary Public in & for Manitoba

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

HEAP & HEAP,
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
Notaries, &c.
P.O. DRAWER 24.

JAMES HEAP. FRED HEAP, M.A., LL.B.

SOLICITORS FOR THE TOWN OF SELKIRK,

184909

128
28

Copy

Selkirk, Man., Jan 11th 1899

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
JAN 13 1899
REGINA ASS

Hon. D. Laird
Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg

Dear Sir:

In regard to the dispute between Mrs. John Flett & John Cochrane over lot 211 St. Peters, we hereunto as Mrs Flett's solicitors, enclose certain affidavits respecting the matter.

The affidavits speak almost well enough for themselves but still we will point out a few of our contentions.

First: Mary Stevenson's affidavit shows that Cochrane obtained her signature to the renunciation in his favor by improper means. This one instance of improper conduct is sufficient, we submit, to cast suspicion on all the other signatures & affidavits obtained & filed by him: especially when viewed in the light of the Council's report of the young man's bad character gener

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

HEAP & HEAP,
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
Notaries, &c.
P.O. DRAWER 24.

JAMES HEAP. FRED HEAP, M.A., LL.B.

SOLICITORS FOR THE TOWN OF SELKIRK,

Selkirk, Man., ... 187

Second we contend that the will in favor of Mrs Flett is valid not only according to Indian Customs, but also according to Law. No Manitoba Statute concerning wills can affect Indians, because of the British North America Act. The Dominion Parliament has [redacted] Jurisdiction to legislate on the subject, but has not done so. Consequently the law of England will apply as the same stood at the date of the Hudsons Bay Company charter i.e. 1670 (vide Sinclair v Mulligan 5 Manitoba Law Reports) now the first English Statute requiring a will to be in writing was passed in Charles II's reign after the H.B. Co's charter i.e. in 1679. Thus the law applicable to this case is the common law of England, unaffected by any statute on the point; and according to the common law a verbal will is clearly valid: vide Jarman on Wills 5th Ed. p. 75, also Jauncy v Sealey 1 Vern. 397.

There are many other points in our favor but we think the affidavits shew same sufficiently themselves

We are yours respectfully
Heap & Heap

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

Copy

128/26

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEC 5 1898
REGINA ASSA.

St Peters Reserve
May 2d 1898

I John Stevenson Senr. do give my evidence and say that late Adam Kennedy came to my place several times last winter and said before the presence of my wife and I, that he was going to leave his house and the lands to Jane Mary Flett the wife of John Flett as the said Mrs John Flett was the only one who cared and looked after him while he lived.

Signed
John his X Stevenson
mark

Juliette her X Stevenson
mark

Certified a true copy by the Acting Chief and Council -

St Peters Reserve
November 28th 1898

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

184909

St Peters' Reserve
May 2d 1898

I William Thomas. Do give my
voidince and say that late Adam
Kennedy came over to my place
several times before he fell sick &
told us in the presence of my wife &
I that when he is dead, that he was
going to leave his house and lands
to his neice Jane Mary Flett the
wife of John Flett. As he said that
that Jane Mary Flett was the only one
relative that worked and washed for
him during the time he was alone
and unable to work for himself.

Signed
William his X mark Thomas

Witness Mary Ann her X mark Thomas.

Certified a true copy by the acting Chief & Council
St Peters Reserve
November 28th 1898

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSION
DEC 5 1898
REGINA ASSA

0097

St Peters Reserve
May 2d 1898.

I Jane Mary Flett do give my evidince and say that my Uncle Late Adam Kennedy promised to give me the house and lands the day before he fell sick, he slept at my house and there. there he told me that Rev. Mr Anderson being not at home he was unable to get him to make his last Will. I then told him that perhaps John Cochrane will claim the house. he then said that John Cochrane owned nothing there, as he broke the agreement made by Chief Asham.

Signed
Jane Mary Flett

Certified a true copy by the acting Chief & Council
St Peters Reserve
Nov: 28th 1898

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
JAN
13
1899
REGINA ASS

Mrs Colby

St Peters Reserve
June 7th 1898

John Flett Esq
Madam

You are herewith Located on Lot No 211 of the St Peters Reserve. as a member of the St Peters Band of Indians

Signed
Chief Henry his × mark Prince
Sec'y W D. Harper

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN COMMISSIONERS
DEC 5 1898
REGINA ASSA.

Rat Portage
Sept. 18. 1898.

Copy
Chief Henry Prince.

Dear Sir.

Mr Charles Flett received a letter from you, asking an information about John Cochrane, so I take the liberty of answering that letter as I know every thing about him. And when he mortgage my house he made me believe it was fire insurance. of course I did not know what he was going to do, and - not being able to read or write. I did not know any better. so when I received the first payment amounting $10 s. 00 he asked me to let him put it in the Bank. so I gave it to him to put it in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Bank, and he deceived me again he did not put it in the Bank but went to work and spent it all himself that was the first so when the other part of the money came in. he did the very same thing. so I did not even get a cent of it. he spent every cent of it himself, so that is how he treated me about my house and I hope you will not think any wrong of me in answering your letter.

yours truely
Margret Mc Pherson

Sir

You will please find from this letter ~~from~~ the doing of John Cochrane at Pat Portage please return this after you Copy or read it

W. H. Prince
acting Chief

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

184909

128/28

St. Peter's Reserve
November 28th 1898

D. Laird Esq.
Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg

Sir.

In reply to your predecessors letter No 128/28 dated 18th August 1898. asking us for information regarding late Adam Kennedy's estate that John Cochrane was adopted son by the late Adam Kennedy. The said Adam Kennedy made a will in the presence of ex chief Askum who was then Chief and Councillor W. Sinclair giving all his property to John Cochrane his adopted son. Viz: house and lands and cattle on the conditions that said John Cochrane was to keep and support the said Adam Kennedy as long as he lived of which we claim he has failed to do so. No sooner than the will was made the said John Cochrane sold all the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

(2.)

184909

Cattle and made away with all the personal property and said Adam Kennedy made a complaint against his adopted son John Cochrane to the Chief & Council in assembly and said that John Cochrane failed to fulfil the above conditions and finally the said Will was cancelled with the understanding that they were to separate from each other for good. Said John Cochrane then left the old man and went to Rat Portage where he got married and lived there for several years and while living there he made away with his Mother-in-law's Money which you will find enclosed without her permission. The said John Cochrane was out at Rat Portage when old Adam Kennedy died.

Regarding Mrs John Flett's claim to this lote we beg to inform you that we put Mrs John Flett in possession of this lot on the grounds of the evidences given us by several parties which you will find enclosed, who states that adam Kennedy leaving house & lands

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to Mrs John Platt as she being the only one who looked after him while he was alive.

John Cochrane has been away since the Treaty was given out at St Peter's Reserve. and never came back since.

Before we the chief and Council held the meeting to decide wether to give Mrs John Platt or John Cockrane the lands & house of late Adam Kennedys.

Alexander Cochrane came and laid a defence for his son John Cochrane before the Chief & Council on the 3rd day of May then the said Chief & Council to give fair chance on both parties. decide to give time for Alexander Cochrane to Notify his son John Cochrane who has been away at Rat Portage since.

So when the Chief & Council saw that John Cochrane did not come then they held their meeting on the 7th day of June 1898 to decide who is the proper person to claim the late Adam Kennedys house and lands.

Signed
Acting Chief W. H. Prince

W. D. Harper Councillor.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copied 30/8/98.

184909

Selkirk August 17/96

INDIAN COMMISSIONER AUG 8 1898 REGINA ASSN

To

John Cochrane Esq
St Peters

Sir

We the undersigned heirs of the brothers and sisters of Adam Kennedy and belonging to the St Peters band of Indians do hereby consent to a Location Certificate being granted you and we we hereby waive all our rights to Lot 211 of the Parish of St Peters

Mrs Geo Stevenson
Henry Kennedy
Mrs Henry Kennedy
Adam Cochrane
Jane Stephenson
Jeremiah Johnston
Mrs John Flett

Henry Kennedy
Jane Stevenson
Mrs Henry Kennedy
Mrs Geo her + Stevenson
Cross.
Adam his sign Cochrane

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copies 30/8/98.

184909

INDIAN CO... AUG 8 1898 REGINA ASSA...

Province of Manitoba
Town

In the matter of Lot 211
St Peters -

I Alexander Cochrane of St Peters in the Province of Manitoba Farmer a member of St Peters Band of Indians do solemnly declare

That I am acquainted with the descendants of the brothers and sisters of Adam Kennedy and the following is I believe a correct list of the brothers and Sisters of the said Adam Kennedy and their children

2 - Baptiste Kennedy brother of Adam Kennedy died leaving. Alex Kennedy, Grand Marais, Mrs Wm Sinclair St Peters, Mrs Geo Stevenson, Peguis, Henry Kennedy St Peters

3 Thomas Kennedy brother of Adam Kennedy leaving Alex Kennedy, Peace River,

4 James Kennedy died leaving Rachel Whitford wife of Jacob Whitford, Prince Albert, Eliza — married to an Indian on Rossean Reserve United States who takes treaty there,

5 Centome Kennedy died leaving - Mrs J Flett, Peguis Mrs J Cummings - Poplar Park, John George Kennedy. Prince Albert -

6 Emma Cochrane died leaving - Alex Cochrane, St Peters Mrs McLeod, Clandeboye, Mrs Henry Kennedy St Peters Mrs Holgate, Selkirk, Adam Cochrane, St Peters, and John Cochrane Touchwood Hills

7 Helen Sutherland died leaving, Mrs Mayo Selkirk Mrs Ed Canavan St Peters, Mrs Johnston St Peters

8 Jane Kennedy died leaving Mrs Hall - Selkirk

9 Margaret Kennedy m Gadde died leaving Jane Stephenson St Peters, Helen Gaddes, Qu'appelle Two other Girls living at Qu'appelle and William & Gilbert Gadde of Qu'appelle.

11 Mary Johnston died leaving Jeremiah Johnston of Fort Francis Ontario

12 The only parties taking treaty and belonging to the St Peters band of Indians are Mrs Geo Stevenson daughter of Baptiste Kennedy and his son Henry Kennedy, Mrs John Flett

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Wm Hy Kennedy, Adam Cochrane, Jane Stephenson and Jeremiah Johnson who live at Fort ~~Alexander~~ but who take Treaty at St Peters

And I make this Solemn Declaration Conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act 1893.

Declared before me at Selkirk Manitoba this 1st day of August A.D. 1898

Alex Cochrane

Fred C Elliott
A Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copies 30/8/98.

184909

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
AUG
3
1898
REGINA ASSA

Province of Manitoba
To wit

In the matter of Lot 211
of the Parish of St Peters

I John Cochrane of the Parish of St Peters in the Province of Manitoba Farmer a member of the St Peters band of Indians do solemnly declare

1- I am the adopted son of Adam Kennedy deceased and am of the age of Twenty five years

2- I lived with the said Adam Kennedy from the time I was a very small boy until I went to Rat Portage to work on the railway

3- Before I left the said Adam Kennedy I built a house on said lot- as the said Kennedy had always promised to give me the lot and I paid for the labor and material expended and used in the construction of said house

4- I am informed by Wm G. M. Rundle late Indian Agent that Mrs John Flett has entered for and has a certificate of location for thirty two acres of land which she received from her father Antoine Kennedy deceased and that John Flett has received a location Certificate for one hundred and sixty five acres

5- It is my intention to give in said lot 211 St Peters if I receive a location Certificate therefor and I consider that I am entitled to a location Certificate for said lot as the adopted son of the said Adam Kennedy, as he always promised to give me said lot

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

and It was on the strength of that promise that I went on and built the house on the said lot

6 I am informed by Mr A. M. Muckle late Indian Agent at St Peters, that the said late Adam Kennedy informed him that I his adopted son was to get his lot when he died

7. The said Adam Kennedy deceased lived on said lot 211 for many years before he adopted me as I am informed and I lived all my life with him up until the time I went to Rat Portage to work.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act 1893

Declared before me at Selkirk in the Province of Manitoba this 27th day of July A.D. 1898

John Cochrane

Fred C. Elliott
a commissioner &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Copied 30/8/98.

184909

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
AUG 18 1898
REGINA, ASSA

Province of Manitoba
To wit

In the matter of Lot number two hundred and eleven (211) of the Parish of St Peters

I Mary Kennedy of the Parish of St Peters in the Province of Manitoba wife of Henry Kennedy of the same place formerly a member of the St Peters Band of Indians do solemnly declare that Adam Kennedy late of the Parish of St Peters in the Province of Manitoba died at my house about the end of the month of March A.D. 1898 and during his illness lived at my house

2. Shortly before he died he made a will of his chattels consisting principally of his Carpenters tools in favor of his grandson Cornelius Irvine and often asked about the land he said there might be trouble about it and he would not will it to anyone

3. Some considerable time before he died and after his grandson John Cochrane had come to Rat Portage I work he told me that the Lot on which he was located was to go to his grandson John Cochrane

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act 1893

Declared before me at Selkirk in the Province of Manitoba this 23rd day of July A.D. 1898

Mary Kennedy

Fred C Elliott
A Commissioner &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Office
30/8/98.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER
AUG 8 1898
WINNIPEG MANITOBA

Province of Manitoba
To Wit

In the Matter of Lot-Number 211
of the Parish of St Peters

I John Henry Prince of the Parish of St Peters in the Province of Manitoba Farmer a member of the St Peters band of Indians do solemnly declare
1- I was employed by John Cochrane when he was building the house on Lot-211 and it was by him I was paid for all the work I did
2- When working at the house on several occasions I asked the late Adam Kennedy for nails and other hardware to be used in the construction of the house but he always told me to ask Cochrane for them saying that it was he who was building the house and that he Kennedy had nothing to do with it and that he was leaving everything to the said
3- The said John Cochrane also bought all the lumber shingles nails &c used by me and my fellow employees in building the said house
And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act 1893.

his
John Henry X Prince
mark

Declared before me at Selkirk
in the Province of Manitoba
this 25th day of July A.D. 1898
The said declaration having been read over and explained to the said John Henry known Prince who seemed thoroughly to understand the same and made his mark in my presence
Fred. C. Elliott A Commissioner &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646

Office of the

184909

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

Winnipeg, 23 May 1899. 189

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

464 BRANCH

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 15th. November last, with enclosures, relative to a dispute regarding the ownership of Lot 211 on the St. Peter's Reserve, I beg to enclose herewith the papers referred to by Mr. F. C. Elliott, Barrister of Selkirk, as having been filed with the late Commissioner, Mr. Forget, on behalf of one of the claimants, John Cochrane, which papers, I understand, were withheld by Mr. Forget pending the receipt of papers from Messrs Heap & Heap, Barristers of Selkirk, who were preparing the case for the other claimant, Mrs. John Flett. The papers filed by Mr. Elliott consist of Statutory Declarations from John Cochrane, Mary Kennedy, John Henry Prince and Alex. Cochrane, and a statement from Henry Kennedy and others relinquishing all claims they might have to Lot 211 as heirs of the brothers and sisters of the late Adam Kennedy, in favour of John Cochrane.

The papers (herewith enclosed) filed on behalf of Mrs. John Flett consist of a letter from W. H. Prince and enclosure from Margaret McPherson, authority of the Chief to locate on Lot 211, Statements from Jane Mary Flett, William Thomas, John and Juliette Stevenson; and letter from Messrs Heap & Heap, with statutory declarations from Jane Mary Flett, John Flett,

John

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

184909

John and Juliette Stevenson, William and Mary Ann Thomas, and Mary Stevenson.

It was by oversight that these documents were not forwarded to the Department on receipt of the same from Messrs Heap & Heap.

I would be glad to be advised of the decision of the Department in the matter.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

SECRETARY TO THE INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646.

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 12th July, 1899.

LAND BRANCH
JUL 12 1899

Memorandum:

Re Estate of Adam Kennedy Deceased.

The case presented on file is in relation to land occupied by deceased.

John Cochrane claims as an adopted son of deceased and through a Will made in his favour in presence of Ex-Chief Asham and Councillor Sinclair in consideration of work done and money paid by Cochrane for erection of a house on the land. The evidence adduced in favour of Cochrane's claim is his own Declaration and those of Mary Kennedy, J. H. Prince, A. Cochrane and Ex-Chief Asham also a consent by descendants of brothers and sisters of deceased to location by Cochrane.

Jane Mary Flett claims as a niece and under a nuncupative Will alleged to have been made in her favour in consideration of her care of deceased. The evidence adduced in her favour is her own Declaration and those of John Flett, Jacob Stevenson, Juliette Stevenson , William Thomas, Mary Ann Thomas and Margaret Stevenson, the last alleging that her consent to the ~~Declaration~~ location of John Cochrane was obtained by fraud. There is also a certificate of Mrs. Flett's locat on by the band and a Report by Acting Chief W. H. Prince as to proceedings of the band in respect of this claim.

On the material filed I am of opinion that the deceased.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

deceased died intestate as to the land claimed by the opposing parties. Chief Cochrane shows that the Will in favour of Cochrane was destroyed in fact. The Report of acting Chief W. H. Prince shows that Cochrane and deceased decided to separate and that the Will should be cancelled; and ~~that~~ Mary Kennedy's Declaration contains evidence of deceased's last expressions in relation to his property, and that when on his death bed he declared he would leave it to no one and that there would be trouble about it. I do not accept Mrs. Flett's Solicitor's view of the law relating to Wills of Indians in the Province of Manitoba; but it is hardly necessary for this case that it should be accepted or rejected, because from Mary Kennedy's Declaration it is clear that any verbal bequest to Mrs. Flett, even if enforceable, was revoked in the same manner.

There is nothing before me to show that deceased was located under Section 16 of the Indian Act, or granted a certificate of occupancy under Section 2 of 53, Vic. c. 29; but if he had an interest in the band which he could devise, I consider that he died intestate; and that if, as appears to have been the case, all of his next of kin living at his death were more remote than brothers or sisters, the land became vested in the Crown for the benefit of the band under S. S. 4 of Section 20 of the Act as amended by 57-58 Vic. 32 s. 1.

I may draw attention to the fact that the land comprises 200 acres and that no certificate of occupancy can be granted for more than 160 acres.

Law Clerk.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Red

198098 4646

Extract of letter from Indian Commr dated 8th May, 1900. Winnipeg.

INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 12 1900

LAND BRANCH
MAY 12 1900

× × × × × × × × × × × × ×

I observe from official letter of the 5th May, 1898 to my predecessor that lot 246 in Parish of St Peters has been patented by the Dept. As this lot is not marked on the plan of the Reserve showing lots patented in the Parish of St Peters, I would request to be furnished with the name of the patentee and the date of patent, and if other lots in the Township have been patented I would also like to receive this information in each case.

Your obedient servant
(sgd) D. Laird
Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

dxq

Ottawa 14th May 1900-

Sir-

In reply to the latter portion of your letter of the 6th Instant, No 82-26, I beg to state that Letters Patent were issued on the 6th September 1887 to Mr. Roderick McLennan of the Village of Alexandria, in the ~~Township~~ County of Glengarry, Contractor, for Lot 246, Parish of St. Peter, he having paid $637.00 therefor.

~~The~~ above is the only Lot which has been sold by this Department within the portion surrendered by the Indians on the 7th August 1875 to be disposed of for their benefit.

The question of disposition of the other Lots surrendered in 1875 is under consideration and you will be advised in regard thereto later.

On file 5084

WED

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

H. B. McLEAN

Secretary-

The Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg-
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Address your reply
"To the Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to the letter quote its file number.

210042

LETTER.....

BB

FILE 139441

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 9th March, 1901.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 11 1901

INDIAN BRANCH
MAR 13 1901

Sir,

I am directed to return, herewith, the following files of your Department concerning claims to lands in the St. Peters Indian Reserve, Manitoba, and other matters connected therewith, and to inform you that such files are the only files of your Department which relate to matters concerning the above mentioned Reserve and which have been in the hands of the Law Clerk of this Department, except files 4646(1), ~~4646(a)~~, 4646.B., and 4646 (c), which will be sent to you so soon as copies have been made, for future reference here, of a few of the papers which comprise them :- The files which are sent with this letter are :- 4646 Nos. 1 B., 2, (old 3 or 3a and 4 all connected,) 3a Ty., 5a, 7a, 8, 9, 10 11 and 11a and file 4466 1a, and a copy of the schedules which accompanied the Report of Messrs. McColl & Whitcher of their investigation of claims to lands in the above mentioned Reserve.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa,

Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646-

M E M O R A N D U M

To the Secretary-

Ottawa 13th March 1901-

As the papers in regard to disputed claims within the Parish of St.Peter's, which have been for some years before the Law Clerk of the Interior Department, have been returned without any report from that Officer, I would recommend that they be submitted to the Law Clerk of this Department.

W. A. Ross

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ottawa 14th March 1901

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 9th Instant No 139 441, returning a number of Files, relating to claims to lands in the St.Peter's Indian Reserve, Manitoba, I have to request that you will kindly advise me whether any report was made in this matter by the Law Clerk of your Department.

I might call your attention to your letter of the 26th July 1897, No 72 512, in which you informed me that the Minister had instructed Mr.Rothwell to prepare a report upon the position of all unsettled claims to land in the Parish of St.Peters, and in accordance with request contained in said letter, the Files of correspondence were forwarded to your Department.

Your obedient servant

D. M. McLEAN

Secretary-

The Secretary,
Dept.of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

213052

-- TREATY NO.I.--

ST PETER'S INDIAN RESERVE.

May ..2nd...1901.

This Council rescinds all previous resulutions which it may have passed relating to the disposal of Lot 2II in St.Peter's Reserve, formerly occupied by the late Adam Kennedy, and decides, subject to the approval of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, that John Cochrane a member of St.Peter's Band, be located upon said lot and exercise all the rights thereto which a location title gives under the Indian Act.

Witness:

F.Brucolle

E. McColl

Inspector of Ind. Agencies.

W. H. Prince Chief.

John his x mark Prince Councillor.

William his x mark Cook Councillor.

David Prince Councillor.

William Sinclair Councillor.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Office of the

213052

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg, 9 May 1901.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 13 1901

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

acres 58.8 in Lot 211

4646

BRANCH. MAY 13 1901

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 13th. July 1899 with enclosure in regard to the dispute as to the ownership of Lot 211 St. Peter's Reserve, I beg to enclose herewith a resolution signed by the Chief and Councillors of the St. Peter's Band locating John Cochrane on the lot in question, and I would recommend that their action be approved by the Supt. General.

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

Sir,
I think it would be well to submit to the Law clerk whether he intended a Location Ticket to issue in this case — no Location Ticket has as 7 at best issued on this Reserve
~~to Adm~~

Yes — What is the Question to submit to the Law Clerk? Surely the Ld. Branch can deal with a matter of this kind without reference to the Law Clerk. J.M. Lowe 15/5/1901

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646-

MEMORANDUM

To the Secretary,

Ottawa 20th May 1901

In regard to letter of the 9th Instant from the Indian Commissioner, enclosing a Resolution of the Council of the St.Peter's Band, locating John Cochrane a member of said Band, upon Lot 211 of the Reserve, and granting him all the rights thereto which a location title gives under the Indian Act, I beg to recommend the issue of a Location Ticket in accordance with the 17th Section of the Act, in view of the recommendation by the Commissioner that the action of the Councillors of the Band be approved by the Superintendent General.

The Lot in question contains 58.8 acres.

W. A. Ry.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ex'd.

Ottawa 20th May 1901-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 9th Instant No 128/28, enclosing a Resolution by the Chiefs and Councillors of the St.Peter's Band, locating John Cochrane for Lot 211 St.Peter's Reserve, I beg to refer you to 53 Vic, Cap 29 Sec 2, and to say that if you consider the Indian entitled thereto, you may issue your certificate under this Section.

If, however, you consider that a Location Ticket should issue under Section 17 of the Indian Act, you will be good enough to state whether you would recommend same and whether there is any adverse claim to the Lot in question.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary

The.Hon.D.Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg,

Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Office of the

213632

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. I28/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 23 May 1901.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 25 1901

LAND BRANCH.
MAY 30 1901

LAND BRANCH.
MAY 29 1901

4646

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 20th. instant, relative to locating John Cochrane on Lot 2II of the St.Peter's Reserve, I beg to state that I was aware that I could issue a certificate of occupancy to Cochrane under 53 Vic.Cap.29,Sec.2,but as this lot has been in dispute before, I thought it would be more satisfactory if the certificate was issued under Section 14 of the Indian Act. By referring to your letter of the 13th. July 1899 and its enclosure you will observe that the Law Clerk of the Department has ruled that neither of the claimants had any legal right to the lot in question, and that the land became vested in the Crown for the benefit of the Band, after the death of Adam Kennedy, its former owner.

I would therefore recommend that a Location Ticket be issued to Cochrane under Section 17 of the Act.

Referring to the last paragraph of the Memo of the Law Clerk on the subject it will be seen that he draws attention to the fact that Lot 2II comprises 200 acres, but according to the Plan of River Lots in the Parish of St.Peter's this Lot comprises only 58.80 acres.

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

Ex'd.

Ottawa 30th May 1901-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 23rd Instant No 128-28, regarding the locating of John Cochrane for Lot 211 St.Peter's Reserve, which contains 58.8 acres, I beg to say that as the Department has not as yet introduced the system of Location Tickets, as provided for under Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Indian Act, in the North West Territories and Manitoba, it is considered advisable that, in this case, you should issue a certificate of occupancy.

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

J. D. McLEAN
Secretary.

The Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

4646-1

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 24 1903

M.F.

Refer to No. 721839.

Ottawa, September 20th, 1903.

Copy for Department of Indian Affairs.

Sir,

Replying to your letter of the 29th ultimo, Ref. 177395, covering an application from D. H. Pettes, of Winnipeg, for the following Lots in St. Peters, namely, 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15 — 21 (inclusive), 235——246 (inclusive), I am directed to say that, as all these Lots are within the St. Peters Indian Reserve, they are not for sale.

Your obedient servant,

F. G. KEYES

Secretary.

The Agent of Dominion Lands,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

1773 4646-1

H.R.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

Refer to No. 721842.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 24 1902

Ottawa, September 20th, 1902.

Copy for Department of Indian Affairs.

Sir,

Replying to your letter of the 20th ultimo, Ref. 177395, reporting the application of D. J. Ferguson to purchase the following Lots in St. Peter's, namely, Lots 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, I am directed to say that, as these Lots are within St. Peter's Indian Reserve, they are not for sale.

Your obedient servant,

P.G. KEYES

Secretary.

The Agent of Dominion Lands,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

4646-1

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 24 1902
RECEIVED

M.H.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

Refer to No 734204.

Ottawa September 20th, 1902.

Copy for Department of Indian Affairs.

Sir,

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant, Ref. 177945, reporting the application of B. E. Chaffey and G. W. Walker, to purchase the following Lots in St. Peter's, namely, Lots, 64, 80, 86, 87, 89, 93, 93, 94, 98, 99, 103, 106 to 109 inclusive, 112, 113, 153 to 167 inclusive, 169, 170 to 192 inclusive, and 245, I am directed to say that, as these Lots are within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, they are not for sale.

Your obedient servant,

F. G. KEYES

Secretary.

The Agent of Dominion Lands,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-1C

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

M.H.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

Refer to No. 721841.

Ottawa. September 20th, 1902.

Copy for Department of Indian Affairs.

Sir,

Replying to your letter of the 29th ultimo, Ref. 177395, reporting the application of Henry T. Champion, of Winnipeg, to purchase the following Lots in St. Peters, namely, Lots 46--52, inclusive, 54--56, inclusive, 56--61, inclusive, 66, 67, 68, 72 to 76, inclusive, 117--119, inclusive, 131--150 inclusive, 194--208 inclusive, 210 and 211, 213--223 inclusive, I am directed to say that, as these Lots are within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve they are not for sale.

Your obedient servant,

P. G. KEYES

Secretary.

The Agent of Dominion Lands,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

241846

Copy.

The Petition to the undersigned Humbly Sheweth:-

That we, your loyal subjects, pray your liberal government to consider the validity of our rights, as residents within the province of Manitoba.

That your petitioners were residing within the parish of St. Peters, (now called Indian Reservation) taking Treaty. 1886

That your petitioner revoked the said treaty in the year 1886, expecting to acquire Half Breed rights. Your humble petitioners consider said rights have been treated with contempt.

That your petitioners pray your government to give the same rights as well as the North West Territories. Said North West Territory Half Breeds were living in the province of Manitoba in the year 1870, or the first rebellion. Said Half Breeds came to Manitoba after raising children in said North West Territories. Said children that were born in the year 1870 participated Half Breed scripts in accordance to the regulations made by your government.

We, your petitioners, were loyal to the government, although we know we had rights very important, as aborigines within the province of Manitoba.

Your petitioners have been disappointed by your government, in not giving equal rights. In accordance made by the imperial authorities in the British cabinet in the year 1870 in the time of the first rebellion it was guaranteed by the two governments that we insert part of the clause:-

"Right shall be done to all parties, irrespective of creed or nationality. Believe me, with all respects, according to the formula, right shall be done to all parties".

(Signed-) Sir John Young,
Governor General.

Your government is aware said guarantee was ratified by the two governments in the year 1870. That is the expectation of your humble petitioners to consider a favorable reply; your humble petitioners will ever pray for.

(Signed) John Sandison - no 445 - J.G. no 627½ J.R
Richard Sandison
Isaac Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

241846

Josiah Sandison

John J. Sandison

John J. Tait

James Smith, Jun. 299½ St Peters

William Thomas - No 395 St Peters

Rev. E. Thomas -

John Walker

Thomas Sandison No 359 St Peters

David Cochrane

Alexander Kennedy.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BB

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

4646 [illegible] 0

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 14 1903

Refer to No. 768517-139441

241846

Ottawa 8th April, 1903.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit, herewith a copy of the petion which was filed in this Department by Mr. J.A.J.McKenna on the 25th ultimo, Mr. McKenna having received such petition, it is understood, from Mr. McCreary M.P., It is stated in the petition that the Treaty under which the Indian Reserve of St. Peter's was established was revoked in 1886 but I am to say that no record of such revocation is on file here.

As you have been repeatedly advised the question of dealing with all the lands in this Indian Reserve and unsettled claims which have been made to many parcels of such lands after the Indians have been fully compensated therefor has been under consideration for some years and I am, therefore, to ask for the views of the Deputy Superintendent General upon this point, as well as upon the other matters referred to in the petition.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646-1C.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

The Deputy 242419

Superintendent General.

Petition by Halfbreeds.

As I understand the petition, which is not couched in the clearest language, the petitioners intend to assert that they are half breeds who withdrew from Treaty in 1886, that their claim to scrip has not been recognized; and they ask that they be treated in a manner similar to half breeds of the territories. If such is the intention of the petition the matter would appear to pertain to the Interior Department.

Gerald Pinnell

Law Clerk.

Ottawa, 24th April, 1903.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

H. O.

Exd.

Ottawa, April 28th, 1903.

Sir,

Having reference to your favour of the 8th instant, transmitting a copy of the petition filed in your Department by Mr. J. A. J. McKenna and relating to the claim of some Indians or Half-Breeds, ostensibly of the St. Peters Reserve, I beg leave to say that it would appear that the petitioners pretend to assert that they are Half-Breeds who left Treaty in 1886 and whose claim to scrip has not been recognized , and they ask that they be treated the same as the Half-Breeds of the Territories. If such is the intention of the petition, which is not couched in the clearest language then it is considered that the matter is one which belongs to the Department of the Interior.

Your obedient servant,

Frank Pedley

Deputy ~~Superintendent~~ General of Indian Affairs.

P. G. Keyes, Esq.,
Secretary, Department of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-1c Ka

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
BB
MAY
4
1903

Refer to No. 777652-139441

242572

Ottawa, 2nd May, 1903.

Sir,

I am directed to express regret that the points upon which information with regard to the petition of which a copy was enclosed with my letter of the 8th ultimo, were not more clearly stated therein. These points are :

See file 4646 (6)

1. Whether the thirteen persons or any of them who signed such petition are now in receipt of Indian ~~annuities~~ annuities as members of the St. Peters Indian Reserve or of any other Indian Reserve under your control ; and

2. Whether St. Peters Indian Treaty was "revoked in the year 1886" as stated in such petition, or at any other time, or whether it yet stands as it did when it was made.

The settlement of the claims of these persons as Half-breeds must be considered by this Department of course, but it is advisable that the present status of these persons and the present position of the Treaty should be known here before such claims are considered.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Frank Pedley, Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

D. J. Keyes
Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4,646---16

Exd.

OTTAWA, May 7th----1903.

777,652--139,441-

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 2nd. instant, dealing with the petition of certain half-breeds in Manitoba, I beg to reply to your questions;

1st- An examination of the pay-sheets of the Department fails to discover the names of any of the thirteen persons who signed the petition, and it may be, ~~therefore~~ safely assumed that they are not in receipt of Indian annuities.

2nd- The Treaty is known as Treaty No. 1-, ~~they~~ has never been revoked.

It occurs to me that the petitioners refer to their withdrawal from Treaty when they mention the revocation of the Treaty. It is likely that they all with-drew from Treaty in the usual way, in order that their rights as half-breeds might receive consideration, although this Department has no record of their withdrawals from Treaty.

Your obedient servant,

D. C. Scott

Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

O. J. Kyes

~~Jas. A. Smart, Esqr.~~ Lee

~~Deputy Minister of Interior~~,

OTTAWA.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-1C

Ottawa, 18th April, 1906.

Sir :-

Herewith I inclose you a letter and its inclosures received from S. J. Jackson, Esq., M. P., relating to certain halfbreeds residing on the St. Peters Indian Reserve, Manitoba, and to say that Mr. Jackson has been informed that this is a matter which has been under the consideration of your Department for sometime past and that his letter is therefore being transferred to your Department.

Incls.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLean

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

P. G. Keyes, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-1c

Hx'd.

Ottawa, 18th April, 1906.

Sir :-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. inclosing a petition from the Chief and Councillors of the St. Peters Band of Indians relating to certain halfbreeds residing on the St. Peters Reserve; and in reply to inform you that this is a matter which has for sometime past been under consideration by the Department of the Interior; your letter and its inclosures are therefore being transferred to that Department for action.

Your obedient servant,

Frank Pedley

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

S. J. Jackson, Esq., M. P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

294334

Ottawa, June 29th, 1906.

R.

Dear Sir,

I beg to transmit you herewith the file of this Department, No.139441, covering papers with regard to the claim of certain settlers within the boundaries of the St. Peters Indian Reserve. As you are no doubt aware, this is a matter which has been standing for a considerable time and the Minister is anxious that it should be disposed of in some way satisfactory, if possible, to all parties interested. I would invite your special perusal of Mr. Rothwell's Memorandum of the 3rd of August, 1900, which is marked on the file, and will be glad if you will let me have your views upon the suggestions that are therein contained.

Enc.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Minister.

F. Pedley, Esq.,
Deputy Supt. General,
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, JUL 4 1906 SURVEYS.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-1C)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

17

RIVER LOTS IN THE PARISH OF
PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

Surveyed by T D Green D.L.S.

Scale 20 chains to an inch.



RIVER LOTS IN THE PARISH OF St PETER

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

Surveyed by T D Green D.L.S.

Scale 20 chains to an inch

Principally a level country with considerable small poplar and willows also numerous hay meadows and marshes.

The settlements houses and gardens are entirely along the banks of the river

Soil 1st class

Red River

River

Creek

KODAK SAFETY A FILM +

37

PARISH OF S

Sugar I.

Red River

Cooks Creek

Surrender No. 145
Aug. 11 1875.

Salt 1st class

460

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA



PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3618)

File 4646	2	Clandeboye Agency - Two copies of a forty-three page report by H. M. Howell on land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1906
File 4646-1		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Correspondence regarding a homestead for Mr. B. P. Richardson, M.L.A. 1885 - 1890
File 4646-1A		Clandeboye Agency - St. Peter's Reserve - Commissioners report on claims to land held by whitemen and half-breed at the time of the treaty. 1885 - 1896
File 4646-1B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1896
File 4646B		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a land claim on St. Peter's Reserve by Reverend Edward Thomas (map). 1888 - 1905
File 4646-1C		Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land by whitemen and half-breeds on St. Peter's Reserve (blueprints). 1897 - 1906
File 4646-C	1	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Murdock McIvor. 1888 - 1906

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 C

BLACK

125/3-11

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

VOLUME

SUBJECT St Peters Reserve
Claim of Murdock McIvor

FROM

TO

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For Records Use

FILE NO. 4646 C Volume 1

BLACK

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

IA 1-102

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, File 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

INSIDE (Cover)

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

REGULATIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Records indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other offices an opportunity of using it.
3. Records must be notified whenever a file is passed direct to another Division.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Records.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Blue Slips will not be attached to files without notification to Records.
11. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
12. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No.
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, March ~~26th~~ 28th, 1889

Draft

Sir,

Encl.

Referring to prior correspondence relative to certain claims made by those other than Indians, to lands within the St. Peter Indian Reserve, I have the honour to advise you that it has been decided to request you to take such proceedings always provided the same are within the law as you may deem proper to evict all such claimants, as well as all parties holding lands within the limits of the Reserve, under claims which have been advanced on account of occupation begun subsequently to the date of the Treaty, as shown in the annexed Schedule marked "C", being the one presented by the Commission entrusted to report upon the difficulties in connection with land claims within the said Reserve, and in this connection you will exercise your judgment as to eviction, and compensation to the parties occupying the lands, provided you do not exceed the sums recommended by the Commission.

In the case of McIvor, mentioned in said Schedule "C", it would be well, it is thought, to reserve his case to the last, as it appears to be entitled to consideration, and endeavour to get the Indians to consent to allow him to retain the land claimed by him within the Reserve, it being understood that they, in the event of making the Surrender, will receive compensation for the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

Poor - Copy.

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

50187

f the in lands or otherwise, as thought mo[illegible]
visable you.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient servant,

Hayter Reed. Esq.

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the

North West Territories.

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

Poor - Copy.

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

58019

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 27 1889

No 265.

SECRETARY'S BRANCH
MAY 29 1889

Not numbered.

Returned

Office of the
Indian Commissioner
North-West Territories,
Regina, 23rd May, 1889.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that in in accordance with instructions contained in your letter of 28th March last, to take such lawful proceedings as I might deem proper, for the eviction of trespassers on the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, and the settlement of claims for compensation in connection with the same, within the limits recommended by the Com--mission, I proceeded to Winnipeg a few days ago, and put everything in process for what I trust will be considered by the Department to be, with regard to each case, when finally settled and reported, a satisfactory arrangement.

With regard to the case of Murdoch McIvor, specially mentioned in your letter, as deserving of consideration, I have come to the conclusion that if the Indians will agree to surrender the land for the purpose, he should be allowed to purchase

The Hon.
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

purchase, at the rate of $3.00 per acre, the lane leading to his house, and being southerly 73 links of lot 88, as well as the northerly 3 chains of lot 88, and the southerly 1 chain of lot 89, on which his buildings and improvements are found.

With regard to the surrender of this land, for which the Department states that compensation may be promised at my discretion, I beg to point out that although authority to get the assent of the band, as required by sub-section a, of section 39 of the Indian Act, may be contained in the powers generally conferred by the Department to effect a settlement, yet I think it might, in case of question hereafter arising, be well to confer such authority specially; and in any case, I think it would be better to depute Mr. Agent Muckle to act in this respect, for the Supt. General, since he will be on the spot, to take advantage of the first favourable opportunity which presents itself, for holding the necessary council.

One case, that of Wm. Cochrane, lot No. 243, the last mentioned in schedule C, I refrained from interference in, because I found the lot situated within the mile square, on the east side of the river, surrendered by the Indians

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

58019

to the Department, but not transferred by it to the town-site of Selkirk; and furthermore, that there are some seven or eight others settled within the same square, as to the eviction of whom, I do not know the Department's wishes.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Hayter Reed
Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 13 1891
JAN 21 1891
OTTAWA

255184 X 75544

Saturday, January 17th 1891

Peguis P. O
Man

Hon: Mr Dewdney
Minister of the Interior
Sir,

Re lot 88 & 1 chain
89 St Peters
Reserve

I beg of you to kindly instruct me whether the government is going to be so enough to give me a patent for my lot — 88 & 1 chain 89 in St Peters Reserve; because the Municipality of St Andrews put the said lot for sale for taxes, and no one bidding for it bought it in themselves and they intend to put it up again at any time.
I wish you would kindly inform me whether or I have a right to pay the arrears of taxes on this lot as the government has withheld the pate altho' I have resided on the lot for 16 years & made large improvements and have lived peacea with the Indians and hope to do so while I live. Has the Municipality a right to collect the said taxes in St Peters Reserve as they have made few improvements if any.
You will oblige me exceedingly by giving me a fav =rable answer to this my humble petition as I am very anxious to clear this matter up.

Hon: Sir,
I have the honor to be,
Your obed[t] Servant

Murdock MacIver

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DM.

Letter No.255184.
[redacted].No.140010.

Copy.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 13 1891
83

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 12th February, 1891.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, inquiring concerning a patent for Lot 88 and part of Lot 89, St. Peter's.

In reply I am to say that the Department of Indian Affairs has the management of the land in question, and that your letter has therefore been transferred to that Department, of which, as well as of this Department, Mr. Dewdney is the Minister.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) Lyndwode Pereira,

Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Murdock MacIver,

Peguis, P.O.,

Manitoba.

Y.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Sir

Ottawa, 16 July 1881

In regard to letter from MacIver of the 17th ult the undersigned would refer the D.M. to Commr McColl & Whitehurst report of 2nd June 1885 file 4646 herewith leaves turned down.

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Wm Murdock McNeer
Peguis P.O.
Manitoba

SECY'S BRANCH,
FEB 18 1891
WRITTEN.

SECY'S BRANCH,
FEB 18 1891
WRITTEN.

Sir—
With ref to Yr. letter of the 17th ult., addressed to the M. of the Interior, relative to the seizure of lands claimed by you in the St Peter's Res., being lot 88 & part of lot 89, by the Municipality of St Andrews for non-payment of taxes, which lands, you state, that Municipality bought in at the tax sale, inasmuch as no one else bid for them, & that they intend to put them up again for sale, ~~has been transferred to this Dept.~~

Return Hme

HB

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~I accept~~ I beg
to inform you that
yr. letter has been
recently transferred
from the Dept of
the Interior to this
Dept, & in ref. thereto
I have to state that
this Dept never
undertakes to give
legal advice to
any parties, & I
have to ~~request~~ suggest
that you consult
the same from some
competent Lawyer.

With regard to
yr. request for a
patent for the lands
in question, I have
to inform you that
they ~~have~~ form part
of the Mud. Res. of St Peters
& they have not been
surrendered by the
Indians for sale.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the question of
asking the Indians
to surrender these
lands, with a view
to their being sold
or conveyed by patent
to you, will be
brought under the
consideration of the
S.G. of I.A. on his
return to Ottawa.

I may add
that the Dept is
fully advised of
the facts in respect
of wh. you claim
patents for the
said ~~land~~ lands,
the Comrs appointed
to investigate land
claims in the St
Peters Res having
set them forth in
their report to the
Dept.

Jas

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

261050 77164

Mr Henry

Pat Bch

X Pequis P.C.

Man.

April 1891

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
APR 8 1891
OTTAWA.

Hon. Mr Dewdney.

Sir,

Re lot 88 part 89 St Peters

As I have settled now with municipality of St Andrews respecting taxes I had to pay on my lot. I would like you to be kind enough, according to our agreement in the Land Office in Winnipeg to issue me a patent for the said lot. My lot consists of lot 88 and the South chain of 89, extending from the river two miles back, that is the boundary line. Making in all 4 chains and 73 links. This is correct and is what I bought and paid for. I would be very very much obliged if you could forward the patent. Thanking you for your kindness,

I remain

Yr obedient Servant

Murdock McIver

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.
APR 17 1891

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

36197

Extract from the Report of Messrs. Whitcher & McColl. Dated 2nd June 1885.

Schedule "C".

File No	Lot No	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 848 6319-3284 W.O. 35.642 & pages of evidence 60-61 84-76 19420	Ney. 3 chns. of 88 Sly. 1 chn of 89 130 145	Murdoch McLeod	The Northerly 3 chains of Lot 88 is claimed by purchase in 1875 through Baptiste Parisien an Indian of the St. Peters Band who was living on Lot at date of treaty. The Southerly 1 chain of 89 claimed through Edward Kipling, also an Indian who was living on the Lot at Treaty, date of purchase 75. Claimant has made the following improvements; about 25 acres cleared, cultivated and fenced. Double house 25 x 30 and 18 x 40, Log, tided and shingled. Two stables 40 x 20 and 20 x 20, Log and shingled, storehouse 20 x 20 milk-house 12 x 15. Value about $3.500

Remarks on this case from the body of Messrs Whitchers and McColl's Report as follows.- "But the claim of Murdoch McLeod "being an exceptional one, the circumstances in connection "we consider would justify the issue of a patent to him. "Owing to the benefits accruing to the Band by his example "as an industrious practical farmer and trader, the "Indians have expressed their willingness to surrender "their right to the land, if necessary, in order to enable "the Government to grant him a patent."

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4,646

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa April 28th 1891

Memorandum

The undersigned begs to submit, herewith, an application from Mr. Murdock McIver, of Pequis P. O. Manitoba, dated the 4th instant, in which he asks for a patent for lot 88 and part of lot 89 St. Peters Reserve, about which he states that he had an agreement with the Minister, in the Land Office in Winnipeg. The letter was transferred to this Department from the Department of the Interior by letter of the 14th instant, and the undersigned has placed on this file an extract

To the Honourable
E. Dewdney
Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

extract from the report of Messrs Whitcher and McColl, dated the 2nd June 1885, who were employed to investigate claims of settlers, other than Indians, within the St. Peters' Reserve, and which extract refers specially to the claim of Mr. Murdoc McIver

As Mr. Iver states in his letter that he had an agreement with the Superintendent General when he met him at the Land Office in Winnipeg in regard to his claim, the undersigned refrains from making any report thereon.

A. Vankoughnet
Deputy Supt General of
Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 5th May 1891

4,646

Memorandum

With reference to the Superintendent General's remark, upon the memorandum of the undersigned on Mr Murdock McIver's application to be allowed a patent for lot 88 and part of lot 89 St. Peter's Reserve, namely, that there was no agreement made with McIver, as alleged by him, but that the Minister promised to look again into his claim; and referring to the Superintendent General's enquiry as to what is the difficulty in McIver's case and whether it is one

To the Honourable

E. Dewdney

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Write to Mr. McColl & Arthur Lemi to Endeavor with the assistance of the Agent to bring them about — EF

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

one that can be got over, the undersigned begs to report that the only manner in which the difficulty in the way of granting Mc Iver a patent for the Land, could be got over would be by the Indians surrendering the same; and, as will be seen by the Minister, on reference to an extract from the report of Messrs Whitcher and McColl, those gentlemen think that the circumstances described therein would justify the issue of a patent to him; owing to the "benefits to the Band by his "example as an industrious, "practical farmer and trader." They also state that "the Indians "have expressed a willingness "to surrender their right to the "land, if necessary, in order "to enable the Government to "grant Mc Iver a patent" therefor.

(the following is the extract referred to.)

Wm Ives

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

one that can be got over, the undersigned begs to report that the only manner in which the difficulty in the way of granting McIver a patent for the land, could be got over would be by the Indians surrendering the same; and, as will be seen by the Minister, on reference to an extract from the report of Messrs Whitcher and McColl, those gentlemen think that the circumstances described therein would justify the issue of a patent to him "owing to the benefits to the Band by his example as an industrious, practical farmer and trader." They also state that "the Indians have expressed a willingness to surrender their right to the land, if necessary, in order to enable the Government to grant McIver a patent" therefor.

(the following is the Extract referred to.)

"

McIver

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mc Iver appears, from another part of the above cited report, to have purchased this land in 1875 from an Indian of the St. Peter's Band. This was four years after the Treaty of the "Stone Fort"

At that date, at the date of the said report, made the following improvements: ~~as stated therein~~

"About 25 acres cleared, cultivated and fenced;

A double house 25 x 30, and a loghouse 18 x 40 sided and shingled;

Two stables 40 x 20 and 20 x 20 log and shingled;

Storehouse 20 x 26;

Milk-house 12 x 15: total value about $3,500.00."

It is not stated what payment was made to the Indian by Mc Iver for the land, but even supposing he paid him sufficient, the Indian had no right to sell land held in common by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by the Band.

The undersigned, therefore, considers that if the Indians surrender the land in question, McIver should be required to pay for the same at a fair valuation for the benefit of the St. Peter's Band, excluding, of course, the improvements which are owned by himself. This valuation might be based upon the value of land at the date on which he purchased the property, namely, in 1875.

A. Van Koughnet
Deputy Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

E. McColl Esq.
Inspector of
Indian Agencies & Reserves
Regina

Draft 46,46 3

SECY'S BRANCH,
MAY 26 1891
WRITTEN.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that application has been made by Mr. Murdock McIver, of Pequis, Manitoba, for a patent for lot 88 and part of lot 89 St. Peters Reserve.

In connection with Mr. McIver's previous application to yourself and Mr. Whitcher, when you investigated the land claims upon the above Reserve, you reported as follows:-

"Owing to the benefits to the Band by his example as an industrious, practical farmer and trader the

ans 88. 74.40
" 1 ch 89 17.70
9.2.10

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the Department would be justified in issuing a patent to him." And you also stated in the same report that "the Indians have expressed a willingness to surrender their right to the land, if necessary, in order to enable the Government to grant Mc Iver a patent for the same". It would appear also from the statement made therein that at the date of the report ~~that~~ Mr. Mc Iver had made considerable improvements upon the property.

With reference to the question of granting a patent to Mr Mc Iver for the land, as it forms part of the Indian Reserve, and was not occupied by him previous to the date of the Treaty made with the Indians occupying and owning the ~~same~~ ~~Tract Covered by the Treaty~~ St Peter's Reserve, the law requires that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that, before it can be sold or leased, it shall be surrendered in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Act. I beg however, to inform you that the Superintendent General is disposed to entertain favorably the application of Mr. Murdock McIver to be given a title to the land in question, provided that the Indians will consent to surrender the ~~land~~ same.

You are therefore authorized, under the provisions of Section 39 of the Indian Act, to cause a meeting or Council of the voting male members of the St. Peters Band, of twenty-one years and over, to be summoned according to their rules for the purpose of considering the question of surrendering the ~~same~~ said land, and you are authorized to attend the Council or meeting so summoned; and, if a majority of the voting members

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

members, aforesaid, vote in favor of the surrender being made, you are authorized, after filling up the accompanying form of release or surrender, to cause the Chief and Head men of the Band to affix their signatures thereto, and you should sign the same as witness to the execution thereof, and, in accordance with sub-Section (b) of the above clause, the fact that the release or surrender has been assented to in the manner required by the law should be certified on oath, before a Judge of a Superior County or District Court or before a Stipendiary Magistrate, by yourself and someone of the Chiefs or principal men who was present at the Council and entitled to vote: and you should then transmit the documents to the Department for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council. Yr obt Svt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Land & T. Branch Ottawa, 26 May 1891

To prepare form of surrender of the land referred to in my report to the Superintendent General of the 5th instant

Done 27 May 91 Vol 40

LAND BRANCH MAY 26 1891

D.M.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A. M. Muckle Esq.
Indian Agent.
Clandeboye,
Man.

June 1st 1891

Sir.

I beg to inform you that you are hereby authorized to cause a meeting of Council of the male members of

Your

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the St. Peters Band
of the full age of twenty
one years to be
summoned in
accordance with their
rules at such time
as may seem to
you most suitable,
and to attend such
council and submit
to the ~~same~~ to the to the members of the Band
question of the propriety of surrendering
the land at present
and for some years
past occupied by
Mrs. Murdock McPhee
and which is described
as consisting of a
lane leading to his
house and being the
southerly 73 links
of lot AA as well as
the northerly 3 chains
of lot AA and the
southerly 1 chain of
lot AG, on which
said

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

said Murdock McCrae's
buildings and improvements
are ~~found~~ situated; the conditions
of surrender to be that
the land above
referred to shall
be sold by the Dept.
and the money received
therefor invested
in the interests of
the St. Peter's Band
of Indians. It will
be your duty to see
that the proceedings
in connection with
the summoning and
holding of the Council
and taking of the
surrender, if made
are conducted
in strict conformity with
the provisions of the
39th section of the Indian
Act, also that the
surrender, if assented
to by ~~all~~ a majority
of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~majority~~ of the voting members of the Band present at the council, is ~~be~~ certified on oath before a Judge or Stipendiary Magistrate by yourself ~~and~~ and by one of the Chiefs or principal men who were present at the Council and who were entitled to vote thereat. Upon the surrender being so executed and attested, you should forward the same to the Dept. for submission to His Exc. in Council.

I am, &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy.

Ottawa. June 20th, 1891.

Dear Mr. Ross,

I am in receipt of yours of yesterday, asking me to inform you if I have fully looked into the claim of Murdoch McIvor, of St. Peter's. In reply I may say that on my return from the West last Spring I took the matter up at once, and after going into it fully it was decided that the best and quickest way of effecting a settlement would be by obtaining a surrender from the Indians, who should, before a patent issues, be compensated for the value of the land, excluding, of course, the improvements which Mr. McIvor himself has made on the place. This conclusion was come to in view of the fact that it appears that he obtained fro

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 17 1891

180616

Manitoba Superintendency.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 30,983 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 11th July 1891.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th May last, authorizing me to cause a meeting of the voting male members of the St Peters Band of twenty-one years and over to be summoned according to their rules, for the purpose of considering the question of surrendering to the Government Lot 88 and part of Lot 89 of their Reserve, in order to give a title to the said land to Mr Murdock McIvor; and to inform

L. Vankoughnet Esq
Deputy Superintendent
of Indian affairs
Ottawa - Ont.

INDIAN BRANCH
JUL 21 1891

Indian Affairs." (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

inform you that in obedience to Your instructions, in accordance with an appointment made with the Band, I attended a meeting held for that purpose yesterday evening and after inflammatory speeches were made by Chief William Adam and Councillors William Harper and John Prince against the proposal a division was taken which resulted in one hundred and nine (109) against the surrender and none for it. They declared that, until all the non-treaty squatters on the Reserve were driven off by the Government, they would not surrender any land whatever. Dr Orton who happened to be present at the meeting assisted me all he could in disabusing their minds, and in removing from their minds deep rooted prejudices against the Government and its Agents here for the delay in settling their

landed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

landed disputes. He is of opinion that, if a reasonable amount was paid overly Wm Ivor to the Agent to be divided amongst the whole Band as soon as they signed the surrender, they would likely do so. As to the putting the value of the land to their credit with the Department, they scorn the idea.

When Wm Whitcher and myself were investigating their land claims upon the Reserve they were then apparently very friendly to Wm McIvor and many of them expressed their willingness to surrender the said lands in his interest, but now they have, through the influence of the Chief and Councillors, assumed a different attitude.

Could not Wm McIvor obtain a Patent in accordance with the decision of Judge Burbridge in a similar case, that of the Queen vs Thomas

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4

Thomas, a Half-Breed who withdrew from Treaty, for Wm Ivon purchased the lots in question from Baptiste Parisien, a Half-Breed who also withdrew from Treaty, and Ed. Kipling also a Half-Breed taking Treaty.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
Ennecom
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4676

MEMORANDUM.

The Deputy

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 23 July 1891.

Correspondence Br. A.E.R.M. McColl letter & conveyed to him part of this memo with the remarks & in form him in regard to Mr Ostoin's proposal D.D. as in terms of memo. Mr McColl July 22 91 on page 3 of letter

Memo. for Cert. under

With regard to Mr McColl's letter of the 11th Instant, the undersigned would refer the Deputy to the Report of Messrs. McColl & Whitcher of the 2nd of July 1855 on No 1 of 4676 herewith

It will be seen that the case of Wm Thomas is covered by Schedule A & the remarks thereon in the Commissioners' Report, & that the case of Murdoch McIvor is covered by Schedule C & the remarks thereon in said Report

The difference in the two cases is to be that the Thomas land does not form part of the Reserves while the McIvor land does & before Patent could issue to him a surrender would have to be obtained.

The Deputy will remember that the

Judgment

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To .....

Department of Indian Affairs,

.....

Ottawa, ... 189...

Judgment rendered by Judge Rouleau in the Thomas case sustained the action of the Department of Indians in issuing Patent to him.

D. M. Lean.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr McIvor Bell

4676

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

Ch. Cor. $24.80 Messrs Bal dwson & Bal dwson Atty. General

Ch. Cor. A. to Dept. of Justice
Legal Service 31st July 91
As Thomas

E. McColl Esqr
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

ACCOUNTANTS
JUL 25 1891
BRANCH

July 24th 1891

CORRESPONDENCE
JUL 30 1891
BRANCH

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 11th inst reporting the result of a meeting of the Voting male members of the St Peters Band summoned for the purpose of considering the question of surrendering to the Govt Lot 88 and part of Lot 89 of their Res, in order to give a title of the said land to Mr Murdock McIvor, and stating that the Indians declared that they would not surrender any land whatever, and asking whether Mr McIvor could not obtain a Patent in accordance with the decision in the

Afford Dw

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the case of the Queen vs Thomas
a Half breed who withdrew from
Treaty; and in reply I have to
inform you that the difference
in the two cases is that the
Thomas land does not form
part of the Reserves while
the McIvor land does &
before Patent could issue
to him a surrender would
have to be obtained

As regards Dr ~~Ortons~~
Ortons opinion that if
a reasonable amt was
paid over by Mr McIvor
to the agents to be divided
among the Band that they would
sign the surrender ~~I have~~
~~to inform you~~ beg to say that
this would be a very bad
precedent to establish.
They would soon part with
all their land if permitted
to receive the purchase
money in hand.

Your obt Servt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Baptiste Parisien No 264 St Peters Band
Discharged in Nov. 85. Has he rec'd
scrip? D.C.S.

One Baptiste Parisien, son of Baptiste Parisien & Eliza Parisien, born about 1800, whose Cert. of Discharge is dated 24th Nov. 1885; rec'd scrip for $160 in 1886, as attached
26.9.91 N.D.C.

Note for the Deputy Minister

Baptiste Parisien was discharged from Treaty in Nov. 85 and rec'd scrip in 1886.

D.C. Scott
26/9/91

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM

The difference between the claim of Mr.Murdock McIver to the Northerly 3 chains of Lot 88,which he claims through Baptiste Parisien who was formerly an Indian of the St.Peter's Band and was living on the Lot at the date of the Treaty - and to the Southerly one chain of Lot 89,which he claims through Edward Kipling who was an Indian living on the Lot at the date of Treaty and which Mr.McIver claims by purchase from said Kipling in 1875 - and the claim of Edward Thomas - now a Half-breed,but formerly an Indian connected with Treaty No.1 - to Lot 22 in the St.Peter's Reserve - appears manifest from that part of the judgment of Judge Burbidge,in the case of The Queen vs. the said William Thomas,when judgment was given in favour of the latter,when in speaking of the fact that none of the statutes of the Dominion of Canada relating to Indians and Indian affairs applied to Indians in Manitoba prior to 1874,but that in the latter year certain provisions of 31 Vic., Cap.42,and of 32-33 Vic.,Cap.6,were extended by 37 Vic., Cap.21 to that Province,the learned Judge makes the following statement:-

"It may be admitted that if in 1874,and thereafter,the defendant (Thomas) had participated in the annuties payable under the Treaty,he would have brought himself within the definition of an Indian,contained in the Acts mentioned (31 Vic.,Cap.42,Section 15 and 37 Vic.,Cap.21,Section 3) and that he could not subsequently have regained his status of a Halfbreed,except in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

accordance with the law or practice in that behalf for the time being in force". And further on in his judgment, Judge Burbidge makes the following statement:-

"By virtue of what law did he (Thomas) forfeit his interest in the homestead that he had purchased and on which,with his wife and family,he was residing. The only answer suggested in reply to that enquiry is that such is the effect of the 19th Section of the Indian Act (R.S.C.Cap.43) whereby it is amongst other things provided that "every Indian in the Province of Manitoba who has previously to the selection of a Reserve possession of a plot of land included in or surrounded by a Reserve,upon which he has made permanent improvements, shall have in respect thereof the same privileges as are enjoyed by an Indian who holds under a location title". But that provision was first enacted in 1876 by 39 Vic., Cap.18,Section 10,and cannot,I think,be construed to deprive the defendant of any rights of property theretofore acquired seeing that there is no pretence that he was at that time an Indian or liable to be considered or treated as an Indian within the meaning of the Statute."

Now it would appear from the foregoing that, whereas in law William Thomas'status continued to be reverted to that of a Half-breed,inasmuch as he did not accept annuities subsequently to the year 1874,when he returned the amount paid to him in that year,Baptiste Parisien, through whom Murdock McIver claims the land first above described,received annuties from 1874(and previously thereto) up to the date of his discharge from Treaty,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ETY ▲ FILM +□

namely, in November 1885, and his status was therefore that of an Indian up to the date of his said discharge and he was therefore not competent to assign the land which then formed, and still forms, part of the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, which Murdock McIver claims by assignment from said Parisien.

The same remarks apply to the part of Lot 89 claimed by the said McIver through the aforesaid Edward Kipling who was also an Indian of the St. Peter's Band and is now deceased, and who was an Indian at the date of his decease.

September 30th 1891.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.

Copy

1

84321

275375.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NOV 24 1891

Ottawa, 26th Sept. 1891.

Sir,

Mr. Murdock McIver of St. Peters Parish, Manitoba, requested me to ask you to submit the file in connection with his claim (for which he has applied for Patent in the said Parish for many years past) together with the judgment and reasons for judgment in the case in the Exchequer Court. Queen vs William Thomas (Lot 22 St. Peters Parish) to the Department of Justice for their opinion with a view of arriving at some settlement in this matter.

I am, Sir,

Your obt. svt.

'sgd' W. J. Robinson

P.O. Box 753, Winnipeg, Man.

The Secretary,
Dept. of Interior,
Ottawa,
Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A. Pedgwick Esq.
Deputy Minister
of Justice
Ottawa

Draft

4,646 3/3

SEC'Y'S BRANCH,
NOV 28 1891
WRITTEN.

Sir,

I beg to forward herewith file No 4,646 1.2.3 of this Department, which contains, among other papers, the documents referring to the alleged claim of one Murdock McLeod, of St Peter's Parish, Manitoba, to the Northerly 3 chains of Lot 88 and the Southerly 1 chain of Lot 89 in the St Peter's Reserve.

This Department has refused to recognize Mr McLeod's claim to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

patents for these lots, for reasons stated in my report to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, dated the 5th May, 1891, which will be found among the other papers on the file; and in connection with this same I beg to call ~~your~~ attention to my Memorandum of the 30th September 1891, which will also be found on the file.

Mr McLaut has requested, through his Solicitor, W. H. J. Robinson, of Winnipeg, that the papers in this case may be submitted - "together with the judgment and

Matter as compared with the claim of Wm Thomas to other lands in the same reserve which was allowed by the Privy

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and reasons for judgment in the case ~~of~~ in the Exchequer Court, The Queen vs William Thomas ~~for~~ (lot 22 St Peters Reserve) — to the Department of Justice" for an opinion on the claim of the said Murdock McLaor. A copy of Justice Burbidge's judgment in the case above referred to of William Thomas will also be found among the papers on the file

Yr Obt Sat

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

281131

85206

36197

3

275375

Winnipeg 5th Dec 1891

Sir

Lot 88 Parish of St Peters

On the 28th March 1887 in reply to my letter of the 3rd of same month you stated "That the approval of His "Excellency The Governor "General in Council, of the "Report for the disposal of "Claims to land within the "Parish of St Peters is daily "expected, and that as soon "as this approval is obtained "the matter will be disposed "of."

Since that date - on the 22nd day of October A.D. 1888. an information was filed in the Exchequer Court of Canada by the Attorney General for the Dominion of Canada against (the Patentee) William Thomas for the purpose of Cancelling Letters Patent for Lot 22 in the Parish of St Peters

over

The Secretary
Dept. of Interior
Ottawa
Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

85206

which case was heard and Judgement given (and duly recorded) in favor of the defendant William Thomas. It was generally understood that the result of this case would settle the general question of the Title to lands in St. Peters Parish. I feel certain If the proper officers of your Department would examine the reasons for the Judgement in the above case — you would not delay the issue of the Letters Patent in this case and most certainly the Officers of your department have never had a better opportunity to settling the General question than that afforded by said Judgement

Whatever may have been the object of the Order in Council (ref^d to in letter of 28. March 1889) to give effect to a report ~~of~~ for the disposal of Claims to land in St Peters Parish seems

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

281131

to have been entirely overlooked at least the whole question seems to be at a "standstill" and why so. Is it because of a desire on the part of the officers of your Department to "stand it off" or to please the so called Indian "For Peace sake" or can it be the want of ability I must confess I know of no good reason why this question should be longer delayed - In heavens name take such action as will bring this long delayed question to an issue so that the evidence of those who know anything of importance in relation thereto can be had and do not prolong the matter until "Father Time has gathered them unto himself".

I have had many letters in reply to as many more and every delay conceivable has been announced -

I understand this Lot 88 St Peters has been Patented just do in this case as was done in the Thomas case

case

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

If the case is Patented. If
not Patented cannot
the the several questions
in dispute be referred to
the Exchequer Court. for
an opinion - Do something
fair and give Mr McLean
an opportunity of defend-
ing his Title and then
will be no doubt as
to the result being favor-
able to him and all
those interested - But
do not hand us over
to a Department or
rather an irrespon-
sible Branch of your
own Department - when
the whole question is viewed
from the Standpoint
that all the land within
the limits of Reserves
Parish belongs to the
Indians - and they must
protect them from the
incursions of would
be land grabbers &c &c
The Interior Depart-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

has control or ought to have of the lands If so why do you not protect the Settler and assert your right to the land before you hand it over for a reserve for Half Breeds (for there are not any Indians only in name on the St Peters Reserve under Treaty No 1.) There cannot be any doubt but the Lot was a parcel of land to which a Patent under the Manitoba Act could properly apply and if so. The Crown has no right to it now - whether Patented or not. Under the Manitoba Act Mr McDoor has a title and it should be confirmed by granting his application and the Patent delivered

This is the only Parish in Manitoba so situated and an earnest effort on your part should be made to effectually

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

85206

settle this question - not by force - not by execution of Powers that are given to be but seldom used - but let it be settled in a manner when the British subject can defend his right and justice done at the same time remembering that Dr McLean is a man of limited means while you in your post have the Treasury to fall back upon

Elevate the so called Indian by pleasing him on his own reserves and St Peters Parish will again prosper and flourish as it did on the days prior to the 13th day of August A.D. 1871 -

With all the casting and fixing of the report of the Indian Agent at the Parish or Reserve

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

281131
7
85206

in which this last question is extended. It does not begin to shew such a state of prosperity as existed therein prior to the date mentioned and I refer you to your own official survey thereof And in this way the condition of the so called Indians is being improved! "Surely the state of affairs is worse than the first

Now may I ask you to consider that Mr McLean has a claim to this Island he is desirous of having this settled at an early date - and that he is poor financially but Loyal to Her Queen and to himself and so therefore a good subject. Choose some mode of determining this case in which he can defend his Title with as little expense as possible at the same time giving him all the advantages

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

reasonable - with a view of an Honorable and just determination of the whole question — either by way of a Commission with a fair representation of the settlers thereon or by by reference to the Exchequer Court. If on examination of the reasons for judgement in the Thomas Case - it should be considered re quesite - Let us have this settled in our day that we may enjoy the fruit of our labour.

I have the honor to be
Your Obt Sol
W J Robinson
P.O. Box 753
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A. Ledgwick Esq.
D.M. Justice

Draft

SECY'S BRANCH,
DEC 7 1891
WRITTEN.

Sir,

Referring to my letter to you of the 28th ~~of September last~~ relative to the alleged claim of one Murdoc McIvor to lands in the St Peters Reserve, Manitoba, I beg to forward herewith file No 139,441 of the Department of the Interior, which contains the report of the special Commissioners, ~~who were appointed~~ Messrs McCall and Whitcher who were appointed to enquire into the claims of parties, other than

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indians, to lands within the St Peter's Reserve, and in which you will find reference made to the said Mac Ivor's claim. I thought that possibly you might require to refer to this report in connection with the matter which has been referred to you by this Department for opinion.

Yr Obt Sut

4646 4
8/8

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 19 1892

When I received the letter of the Secretary of the Department of the Interior stating that my letter to him had been transfered to your Department. I wondered if he knew of any better way to have the case stood off than by so doing- Your Branch of the Interior Department seems to me and to the Public Generally- to have become so- very much clogged with a policy of non progressiveness that it is needless to expect any honorable mode of treatment at the hands of the officials and through them the unfortunate people whose advancement in civilization has gradually been going backward instead of forward. If a comparison made today with the same Territory

CORRESPONDENCE
JAN 21 1892
BRANCH

The Deputy
Superintendent General
Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor- Copy.

86944

2

in 1866 or 1860 and at the date of the Transfer. 15th day of July 1870.— Intellectual as well as Financial. a Parish of Half Breeds degenerating to the very lowest type of the most treacherous Indian

In the name of Christianity What can your Department mean! I cannot see any other way than collect all the evidence and place the matter in the hands of a member of Parliament and through the medium of a Committee of the House Let the evidence go the World and I am sure the result will reveal the mode of deceit which has been going on for years in the reports that have been made. and in this way these unfortunate Slaves may be freed. If I was interested in one acre of land in the said Parish I could not and would not write you so strongly in this matter. I am Sir

Yours Truly &

W J Robinson
627 Palace Ave
Winnipeg

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

4.646/3

W. J. Robinson, Esq.
627 Portage Avenue.
Winnipeg, Man:

Jany 22nd, 1892.

Sir,

I have to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 15th Inst, relative to the alleged claim of Murdoch McIvor to Lot No. 81, St Peters Reserve; and in reply to the remarks made in that letter I beg to inform you that this Dept. has no fear of any investigation by Parliament or otherwise into its affairs. As regards the Half-breeds, this Dept. has never administered, nor does it now administer their affairs, as any one

at

Rs for Due

Mr Monkman

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

at all conversant
with the business
of the Country knows;
and as you are
a lawyer a reference
to the common law
of the land should
have demonstrated
to you that the special
duty of this Dept. is
to look after and
protect the Indians
proper and their rights
against Half-breeds
and White-men's attempted
encroachments on the
same.

Jno. S.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

87548

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 9 1892

WINNIPEG 4TH FEB. 1892

Return

SIR.

RE. LOT 81 PARISH OF ST PETERS.

IN REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF THE 22nd INSTANT NO 4646 I MAY SAY THAT MY CLIENT DOES NOT CLAIM ANY LOT IN THE INDIAN RESERVE, BUT LOT 81 IN THE PARISH OF ST. PETER AS LAID DOWN ON A MAP OF SAID PARISH APPROVED OF BY THE SURVEYOR GENERAL AND IS OF RECORD IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. MAY I SUGGEST THAT YOU MAKE YOURSELF MORE CONVERSANT WITH THE RECORDS OF YOUR DEPARTMENT AND THEN YOU MAY NOT CALL A PARISH AN INDIAN RESERVE.

AS TO THE SECOND PARAGRAPH OF YOUR SAID LETTER I AM AFRAID THAT IN YOUR HASTE TO TELL ME HOW LITTLE COMMON LAW I KNEW YOU FORMED A VERY UNFAIR CONSTRUCTION OF MY LETTER, FOR I DID NOT CHARGE YOU WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HALF BREEDS AFFAIRS IN THE SAID PARISH THERE ARE NO INDIANS, IN THE RESERVE WHICH PARTIALLY SURROUNDS THE SAID PARISH THERE ARE NOT TWELVE INDIANS, HENCE THE DIFFICULTY CAUSED BY THE INDIFFERENCE OF THE OFFICIALS OF YOUR DEPARTMENT IN not BECOMMING FULLY CONVERSANT WITH THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES REGARDING THE TITLES TO THE LAND IN THE SAID PARISH

MY CLIENT HAS A GOOD AND CLEAR TITLE TO HIS SAID LOT UNDER THE MANITOBA ACT — AN ACT WHICH THE PARLIAMENT OF CANADA CANNOT ALTER, WITHOUT THE SANCTION OF THE PARLIAMENT OF GREAT BRITTAIN, IT IS WELL THAT IT IS SO, FOR A LARGE PORTION OF HER MAJESTYS SUBJECTS -- Between not them WOULD NOT OBTAIN ANY RECOGINATION OF THEIR RIGHTS WHATEVER IN YOUR ZEAL TO PROTECT SOMETHING YOU NO NOT WHAT, YOU SAY INDIANS — WE SAY HALF BREEDS, YOU DISRESPECT SUCH AN ACT. — Forwarded

THE DEPUTY OF THE

SUPERINTENDANT GENERAL OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

OTTAWA

ONT.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FOUNDED ON THE REPRESENTATIONS OF THE PARLIAMENT OF CANADA - IN A CERTAIN MEMORIAL TRANSMITTED - THROUGH - HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN - PRAYING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF RUPERTS LAND AND THE NORTHWEST TERRITORY WITH THE DOMINION OF CANADA "THAT THE RIGHTS OF THE NATIVES to THE SOIL WOULD BE RESPECTED AND SETTLED BOTH FAIRLY AND EQUITABLY"

I AM AFRAID THAT IF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN KNEW HOW THIS PLEDGE HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT SHE WOULD SAY THAT YOU ARE UNFAITHFUL STEWARDS.

NOW I DO NOT ATTRIBUTE TO YOU THE MANAGEMENT OF HALF BREED AFFAIRS, BUT I AM SURPRISED THAT THIS CASE SHOULD BE HANDED OVER TO YOUR BRANCH DEPARTMENT WHEN YOU WILL NOT ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF CARRYING OUT THE PROMISES ALREADY MADE DURING THE LAST TWELVE YEARS "THAT THE PATENT WOULD ISSUE AT ONCE"

NOW I BEG YOU WILL EXCUSE ME IF I DO NOT PUT MY STATEMENT SUFFICIENTLY CLEAR TO SAVE YOU PULLING UP YOUR RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION AND FLYING OFF IN A TEMPER AND LIBELLING ME. I WILL NOT ALLOW YOU TO DO SO WITHOUT RECORDING MY HUMBLE PROTEST - I AAM NOT A LAWYER

ALLOW ME SIR TO ASSIST YOU IN THIS MATTER AND IN DOING SO MAY I ASK YOU TO SEND TO THE COMMISSIONER OF DOMINION LANDS HERE THE FILE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE FROM THE EARLIEST DATE OF THE CORRESPONDENCE IN CONNECTION THEREWITH THAT THE SAME MAY BE EXAMINED BY A SOLICITOR PREPARATORY TO PROCEEDING IN THE EXCHEQUER COURT. I DO NOT PROPOSE TO HAVE MY CLIENT WAIT MUCH LONGER WITHOUT HAVING HIS TITLE SETTLED BY SOME COMPETENT TRIBUNAL.

BELIEVE ME SIR

YOURS SINCERELY

W. J. Robinson

627 PORTAGE AVE.

WINNIPEG

MAN.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum

Department of Indian Affairs

To Deputy Minister

Ottawa, [illegible] 1892

Mr. Robinson is [illegible] that Murdoch McLean [illegible] of St Peters. [illegible] claim to lot 88 St Peters [illegible] were written by him to the Dept of the Interior [illegible] were by that Dept. transferred to this Dept. [illegible] on the subject of this claim were referred [illegible] of Justice for an opinion on the 28th Nov. last [illegible] still before that Dept.

E. Stewart

Corr. Bro. Jack & say the question of Mr. Murdoch's claim to be referred to the Dept of Justice for opinion & that as regards to 88 & St Peters is before this Dept. [illegible] referred to in his letters of the 4th Inst. [illegible] Dept. knows [illegible] any claim [illegible] made by Mr. McLean [illegible] Say that the Dept. of Justice is [illegible] thought [illegible] this Dept. [illegible] to all legal questions & therefore [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his suggestion
that the papers
be sent to Winnipeg
to be submitted
to a lawyer there cannot
be completed with
HW Feby 9/'92

Say no promises were ever
made by this Dept that a
Patent would issue to
McIvor for said Lot 58

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his suggestion
that the papers
be sent to Winnipeg
to be submitted
to a lawyer there cannot
be completed with
HW — Feby 9/'93

Say no promises were ever
made by this Dept that a
Patent would issue to Mrs
McIvor for said Lot 88

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

RETURN TO
RECORDS BRANCH.

46463

W. J. Robinson Esq.
627 Portage Ave.
Winnipeg.
Man.

Feby 12th, 1892

Sir,

I have to ack the rect. of your letter of the 4th Inst; and in reply I beg to inform you ~~that the question of Mr Murdock McDonald's alleged claim to Lot 88 St Peters is before the Dept of Justice for opinion, and~~ as regards Lot 81 referred to in your letter ~~that~~ this Dept knows nothing of any claim having been made by Mr McDonald thereto.

The Dept of Justice is

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

is the authority
consulted by this
Dept in respect to
all legal questions
and therefore ~~your~~ your
suggestion that the
~~if we had any relative to this lot~~ should
papers be sent to
Winnipeg to a lawyer
there ~~cannot~~ could not, if we had any relative to said lot 81,
be complied
with; and I ~~may~~ need scarcely
add that no promises
were ever made by
this Dept that a Patent
would issue to Mr
McIvor for the said
Lot 81 ~~88~~ ~~or any lot~~ ~~other~~ though you allege
that such was the case.

Your &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH FEB 20 1892
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS FEB 19 1892

1 87834

Winnipeg 16th Feb 1892

Sir

Re Lot 81 Parish of St Peters
Ref No 4646 3

In reply to your letter of the 12th instant Mr McIvor has applied for Letters Patent for Lot 81 in the Parish of St Peters Manitoba and said application has been before the Dominion Lands Branch of your Department for the Past Eight years and I have for Mr McIvor filed an abstract of his Title to said Lot. The said Branch or rather the officers of that Branch adorsed me on the 23rd November last as follows.

"I am directed to inform you that, as the "Department of Indian Affairs has the management of the lands in question, a copy "of your letter has been transmitted to "~~your~~ Department. I wrote to you on the 16th January last and called your attention to the above notification of the same being transferred to your Dept. to which you replied on the 22nd of same month. to which letter I replied on the 4th instant and I called your attention to the fact that my client claimed Lot 81 Parish of St Peters Manitoba while you spoke of it as If it were in what you are pleased to term the Indian Reserve

over

The Deputy
Superintendent Genl.
Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont.

Correct Br Ackerman that the papers can not be sent for reasons stated in letter to Fisher 19/2 [illegible]

Return [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

and it is to this very peculiar position of affairs that I am desirous of drawing your attention to. for the better understanding Your of relative positions - The lands in the Parish of St Peters Manitoba which lies to the North of the Parish of St Clements and on both sides of the Red River as shewn by the Map of the said Parish approved of by the Surveyor General and is of record in your Department are not Dominion lands. — The lands belonged to many individuals who owned them long prior to the Transfer of this part of the Country to Canada - I admit that certain owners or residents on some of these Lots receive annuities at the same time are Half Breeds. — and these people paid for their lands and resided thereon and thereby acquired an undisputable title to the land or parcel they occupied at the date of the Transfer under and by Virtue of the Manitoba Act. — This being So How can the Government of Canada Convert the private property of those individuals into a public domain?

I am sure the answer will be By first acquiring a Title thereto by purchase - or compensation when to the same entitled. This Country (that is Manitoba) was not acquired by Conquest - Therefore little doubt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Can be entertained as to the Title those people have to their lands.

I desire to call your attention to another incident in connection with St Peters land question.—

The Indian Reserve as laid out does not and never did include the lands within the Parish of St Peters but commences at a distance of Two miles from the River on the East and West side thereof — surrounding the said Parish on the East, west and North. There can be little doubt about this.

As I have already pointed out to you It is my desire to assist (If I can in any way) the Officers of the Department in arriving at a fair and just decision in this disputed land question, and as life is short I hope to expedite matters by asking that the file in connection with this Lot be sent here to the Commissioner who is an officer of Your Department. Believing that you will assist as far as possible these honest Loyal and forbearing people to obtain their just due — And in forwarding the file

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

you will contribute your portion. for it will save agency fees. You must know as a matter of fact these people are not rich and they are forced to take this course because of the ~~[illegible]~~ delay of the Hand or other officers of the Interior Department. The persons who will give important evidence are old. it is of the utmost importance that their evidence should be had & heard before a proper tribunal it is then for these reasons I have instructed a solicitor here to take proceedings at once in the Exchequer Court and if possible have the title to hat 81 and the other hands determined once and for all time to come

I again ask you to forward the file here

I am Sir
Yours Truly
W J Robinson
629 Portage Av
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

4.646 / 3 A

W. J. Robinson, Esq.
627 Portage Avenue.
Winnipeg, Man.

Feby 25, 1892.

Sir,

I have to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 16th Inst, re Lot 81, Parish of St. Peters; and in reply to the request made therein that the papers having refer^ce thereto be sent to the Comr. of Dom^n Lands Winnipeg, I have to inform you that for the reasons stated in my letter of the 12th Inst, the papers cannot be sent.

Yours &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OCT 7 1892

34976

Reference
No. 1320, 1891.
Letter Book
No.
Page 74

Ottawa Sept. 24th, 1892.

Encs.

Sir,

Re Claim of Murdoch McIver.

Referring to Mr. Vankoughnet's letter of the 28th of November last, and to subsequent correspondence relating to the above claim, I have now the honour, by direction, to state as follows :

From the papers it appears that the land claimed by McIver is part of the St. Peter's Reserve and that he claims it as having purchased it in the year 1875, a portion from one Baptiste Parisien and the remainder from Edward Kipling. Parisien is stated to have been, at the time, an Indian, a member of the St. Peter's band, and living on the land alleged to have been purchased from him, and to have been then and for long afterwards in receipt of annuity money under the treaty. Kipling, also, is stated to have been an Indian and to have been living on the land said to have been purchased from him, but it is not stated whether or not he was a member of the band or had joined the treaty, and the papers do not, apparently, show what was the nature of the title possessed or claimed by these Indians.

The Minister is inclined to think that, upon the state of

The Acting Deputy,
Supt. Gen'l. Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of facts as above ~~stated~~ set out, Murdoch McIver could not have acquired a title by purchase from these Indians, but, before finally advising your Department, he would like to have certain further information, viz.,—

1. Whether Kipling was a member of the band, and was in receipt of treaty money at the date of the purchase and afterwards.

2. Whether he was a full blooded Indian or a half breed.

3. What title Parisien and Kipling respectively are claimed to have had to the lands in question.

4. What evidnce there is of the purchase by Mr Iver.

It may be that full information on all these points is contained somewhere in the papers, but they are so bulky and contain so much matter irrelevant to the particular claim under consideration that I shall be much obliged if you save me the trouble of going through them all by indicating just where it may be found.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D.M.J.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646c

R. Seagewick, Esq
2c

D.M. of J.

SECY'S BRANCH,
OCT 12 1892
WRITTEN.

Sir:

I beg to ack the rec't of yr. letter of the 24th inst resp'g the claim of Murdoch McIver to land in the St Peter's Res.

I quite appreciate the difficulty of going through the bulky file of papers which was sent you in this matter with the Dept's letter of the 28th Nov. last. The papers in all the St Peter's Res. claims had been filed together; but, as you will observe, I have ~~had the file broken up~~ had placed on one file (4646c) the papers dealing with McIver's claim. ~~I [illegible] enclose that~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

~~file together~~

I place herewith file 139441 of the Dept of the Interior in which I have turned down the documents containing all the information which we can get in the points referred to in your letter. I also enclose ~~return~~ to this Dept's file 4646 C, as you may ~~again~~ wish to refer to it again. In Mr Vankoughnet's report of the 5th May 1891 on that file is an extract which you have not had, from the report of Messrs. Whitcher & McColl bearing on the claim under consideration. The report of Messrs Whitcher & McCole belongs to the Interior Dept, but it was, I think, placed before you in connection with the St Peter's Res. claims.

Yours &c

Robert

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

95212

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS OCT 17 1892

Reference
No. 1320 1891
Letter Book
No. Encl
Page 744

Ottawa, October 14th, 1892

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, in reply to mine of the 24th ultimo, relating to the claim of Murdoch McIver to certain land in the parish of St. Peters and have now the honour to report upon this claim as follows :

It now appears :

(1) that the land in question is a portion of that reserved for the St. Peter's band of Indians,

(2) that it is claimed by McIver on the ground that he purchased it in 1875, as to one portion of it from Baptiste Parisien, and as to the remainder from Edward Kipling,

(3) that both Parisien and Kipling were at the time of the alleged purchase Indians of the band and in receipt of treaty money, and

(4) that the laws relating to lands reserved for Indians by which the alienation of such lands was forbidden except after surrender, had, by an Act passed in the session of 1874, been extended to, and were at the time of such purchase in force in, Manitoba.

The Minister of Justice is of opinion that under the circumstances

The Acting Deputy Supt. Gen'l.,
Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

cumstances neither Parisien nor Kipling could sell to McIver, so as to vest in him a title which your Department can recognize, any portion of the reserve of the band, and that therefore McIver is not entitled to a patent for the lands in question.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D.M.J.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 22nd Oct. 1892

In re claim of Murdoch McIver

Memorandum

The letter of the 14th instant, hereunder, from the Department of Justice gives the facts briefly in the case, and disposes of the claimof McIver to the land claimed by him in the St.Peter's Reserve, in so far as it declares that he has no legal title thereto.

But it must be remembered that Messrs.McColl and Witcher who investigated the St.Peter's Reserve cases in 1885, classed Mr.McIver's claim in schedule C, which dealt with claimants not entitled to patents but deserving of compensation for their improvements. In McIver's case however they made this special recommendation. "But the claim of Murdock McIver being an exceptional one, the circumstances in connection therewith we consider would justify the issue of a patent to him. Owing to the benefits accruing to the Band by his example as an industrious practical farmer and trader, the Indian have expressed their willingness to surrender their right to the land, if necessary, in order to enable the Govt. to grant him a patent."

The Commissioners valued McIver's improvements at about three thousand five hundred dollars in 1885.

The late Hon.Thomas White then Minister of the Interior in a proposed report to Council of the 24th Jany. 1887 recommended that all the claimants in schedule C should

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

be given patents for the land claimed by them, the consent of the Indians being first obtained.

This report was sent by Sir John Macdonald to the Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affairs for his views thereon. The Deputy objected to the recommendation that all these claimants should be given patents; and here the matter seems to have rested until 1889. In instructing Commissioner Reed on the 28th March of that year to take steps to remove squatters from the St. Peter's Reserve the Deputy Supt. General stated:

"In the case of McIver mentioned in schedule C it would be well, it is thought, to reserve his case to the last, as it appears to be entitled to consideration, and to endeavour to get the Indians to consent to allow him to retain the land claimed by him within the Reserve, it being understood that they, in the event of making the surrender, will receive compensation for the same in lands or otherwise, as thought must advisable by you".

Nothing further appears to have been done; and on the 17th Jany 1891 McIver brought the matter up again in a letter addressed to Mr. Dewdney; and on the 28th April and 5th May of that year, the Deputy Supt. General reported to the then Minister on McIver's claim, suggesting that the Indians be asked to surrender the lands claimed by him, but adding that McIver should be required to pay for the same at a valuation based on the value of land in the St. Peter's Reserve when he procured the land claimed by him from ~~Parsien~~ Parisien and Kipling. In accordance with the Minister's directions on the latter of these reports, Inspector McColl was instructed on the 26th ~~July~~ May 1891 to take a surrender from the Indians.

On the 11th of July 1891 Mr. McColl reported that the Indians, at a meeting held for the purpose of considering the question of giving a surrender, unanimously refused to do so, declaring that until all squatters were driven off the Reserve they would

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

be given patents for the land claimed by them, the consent of the Indians being first obtained.

This report was sent by Sir John Macdonald to the Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affairs for his views thereon. The Deputy objected to the recommendation that all these claimants should be given patents; and here the matter seems to have rested until 1889. In instructing Commissioner Reed on the 28th March of that year to take steps to remove squatters from the St. Peter's Reserve the Deputy Supt. General stated:

"In the case of McIver mentioned in schedule C it would be well, it is thought, to reserve his case to the last, as it appears to be entitled to consideration, and to endeavour to get the Indians to consent to allow him to retain the land claimed by him within the Reserve, it being understood that they, in the event of making the surrender, will receive compensation for the same in lands or otherwise, as thought most advisable by you".

Nothing further appears to have been done, and on the 17th Jany 1891 McIver brought the matter up again in a letter addressed to Mr. Dewdney; and on the 28th April and 5th May of that year, the Deputy Supt. General reported to the then Minister on McIver's claim, suggesting that the Indians be asked to surrender the lands claimed by him, but adding that McIver should be required to pay for the same at a valuation based on the value of land in the St. Peter's Reserve when he procured the land claimed by him from ~~Parsien~~ Parisien and Kipling. In accordance with the Minister's directions on the latter of these reports, Inspector McColl was instructed on the 26th ~~July~~ May 1891 to take a surrender from the Indians.

On the 11th of July 1891 Mr. McColl reported that the Indians, at a meeting held for the purpose of considering the question of giving a surrender, unanimously refused to do so, declaring that until all squatters were driven off the Reserve they would

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

not surrender any land whatever.

As McIver is in no way responsible for the delay which has resulted in the Indians changing their mind so that in 1891 they were unwilling to surrender what they, according to the Commissioners, expressed their willingness to surrender in 1885, it seems but fair that all possible effort should be made to prevent McIver suffering as a result of that delay. It may be that the action taken lately to remove trespassers from the Reserve may have put the Indians in a better frame of mind, and they might now perhaps agree to surrender the land. It would be well, however, before asking for the surrender, to come to an understanding as to what McIver should be called upon to pay in consideration of the extinguishment of the Indian title, so that the Indians might be in informed of the amount which would be placed to their credit in the event of their surrendering the land. It would also be well to have McIver's improvements re-valued. They were put at $3,500.00 in 1885, but they may have increased or decreased in value since then. It might be advisable to inform the Indians, when submitting to them the question of surrendering, that McIver cannot be removed until fully compensated for his improvements by the payment to him in cash of the amount fixed; and that, as they have no funds (their account in the books of the Department showing a debit balance of $399.07, capital, and $583.84, interest), and as the taxpayers of the country cannot be asked to bear the cost of McIver's improvements, the Government, if they persist in refusing to surrender, will be forced to seek other means of securing to McIver a title. His title, of course, could be made good by Parliament.

627.59 Dec 31/92

J. A. McKenna

To the Acting Deputy

Superintendent General.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To .....

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, ... 189...

St Peters Band

Capital Debt Bal · 399.87

Interest Debt Bal 583.84

Sept 30/92

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum

10th Jany. 1893

To Deputy Minister

With reference to the description required for the proposed surrender of the lands claimed by Murdock McIvor in the St Peter Indian Reserve - Man. I beg to report that these lands are stated to be Lot 81 in Mr Robinson's letters of 15 Jany and 16th Feby 1892 - but in his letter of 5th Dec. he refers to these lands as Lot 88.

Mr McColl refers to the land 11th July 1891 as Lot 88 and part of Lot 89.

Mr Ivor's letters of 17th Jany and 3rd April states the lands to be Lot 88 and the South one chain of Lot 89.

Mr Hayter Reed in let. of 23rd May 1889 - describes the land as "the lane leading to his house and being southerly 73 links of Lot 88 as well as the northerly 3 chains of Lot 88 and the Southerly 1 chain of Lot 89.

In Messrs. Whitcher and McColl's report of 2nd June 1885 the lands are stated to be the Northerly 3 chains of Lot 88

Approved
DW
Corrse Bd
Jany 10/93

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lot 88 and Southerly 1 chain of 89.

It is impossible from the foregoing to state positively what are the identical lands proposed to be surrendered. Probably the whole of Lot 88 and the Southerly 1 chain of Lot 89 comprise the land, but as this is a matter on which there should be no doubt I respectfully recommend that Mr McColl be instructed to obtain from Agent Muckle* a correct statement or description* of the lands claimed by Murdock McIvor in the St Peter Ind. Reserve.

Saml Brady

X at McIvor's Expense

* by a Dominion Land Surveyor if necessary & Certified by Agent Muckle as correct

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Dy Minister Yes [illegible] Ottawa, 11 Jany 1893

Is it the Dy Minister's
esire that the letter under to
r McColl should be withheld
til a reply is rec'd from that
cer to the letter to be written
he Correspondence Branch on Mr
's memo?

J. A. McKenna

r - see under -

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646c

RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

Exd

E. McColl. Esq.
Inspr. of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg.
Man.

Jany 17 1893

Sir,

Referring to previous correspondence in the matter of the claim of Murdock McIvor to certain land on the St Peter's Reserve I have to request that ~~as~~ you will obtain from Mr Agt Muckle at Mr McIvor's expense a correct statement or description by a Domn Land Surveyor, if necessary & certified by Agt Muckle as correct, of the lands claimed by Mr McIvor.

Yours &c.

A for DM

A. N. McIvor

D. McWilliam

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Immediate

995939595

T. D. FORM 1

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S TELEGRAPH

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form [illegible] which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an [illegible] mes-

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Man. Telegraphs.
B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.

No.	Sent by	Rec'd by	
87	Ho	a	29

Time 0 42 p. mch

From Winnipeg

To L. Vankoughnet

The Indian commissioner requests that no patent be issued by the Dept of Interior for lot St Peters reserve without first referring to Indian Dept Indians hostile to the same.

E McColl

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

NOTICE.

—:o:—

To all persons other than Indians, claiming lands within the Indian Reserve in the Parish of St Peters by virtue of occupancy thereof prior to the date of the Treaty (3rd August, 1871) setting apart those lands, or as the assigns or legal representatives of such occupants.

Notice is hereby given that Messrs E. McColl and A. H Whitcher, have been appointed a commission for the investigation of such claims and for the purpose of their final settlement.

It is therefore required that all evidence in support of such claims shall be fyled with the said Commissioners on or before the first day of February, 1885, after which date the Commissioners will proceed to make such investigation in the premises as may to them seem fitting and proper.

E. McCOLL,
A. H. WHITCHER,
Commissioners
jan1-feb1

Winnipeg, Dec. 31, 1884

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646C

A.M.Burgess Esq.,

Deputy Minister

of the Interior.

Esq.

DRAFT

SECY'S BRANCH,
MAR 11 1898
WRITTEN.

Sir:-

A telegram was received by me on the 8th instant from E.McColl Esq.,Inspector of Indian Agencies and Reserves,Winnipeg,to the following effect:-

- (Copy tel.) -

I do not know to what,if any,particular lot the above telegram refers; but I assume that it means lots generally in the St.Peter's Reserve; that the Indians are opposed to fee simple being given to the parties who are entitled to said lots.

I have,however,written to Mr.McColl for a full explanation.

Yr.Obt.Svt.

E.McColl Esq.,

Inspector of Indian

Agencies and Reserves,

Winnipeg,Man.

SECY'S BRANCH,
MAR 11 1898
WRITTEN.

Sir:-

I

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I received a telegram from you on the ~~8th instant which~~ 8th instant, which reads as follows:-

- (Copy tel., under) -

Will you be good enough to explain to what particular lot, if any, on the St.Peter's Reserve you refer, as the one for which the patent is not to be issued by the Department of the Interior on account of the Indians being hostile to the same, or whether ~~the~~ you refer to patents for lots generally in said Reserve being issued to the parties who have established their claims thereto, under the Maintoba Act.

Yr.Obt.Svt.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

99909

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, March 14th 1893

In your reply refer to No. 37626 also to the date of this letter.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 17 1893

CORRESPONDENCE MAR 20 1893 BRANCH

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 11th inst I beg to inform you that the objection is raised to patents issued for any lot within the St Peter's Reserve without first obtaining the views of the Indians about the matter through the Indian Department officials

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obt Servt
Ewe Cook
I.I.A.

L. Van Koughnet Esq
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Correspondence Br Dr Ruler Dy Man of Interior
Enclosure Copy of this letter & say that
it is concluded that his Dept will not agree
be guided by the opinion of the Dept of Justice
in regard to the ~~[illegible]~~ issue of patents under the law
W. Clements of
Lands with Sir Bessom
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

4646a

A M Burgess Esq
Deputy Minister
of the Interior
Ottawa

Exd

March 22nd 1893

Dear,

Referring to my letter of the 11th instant embodying a telegram from Mr Inspector McColl, Winnipeg, relative to the issue of Patents for lots in the St Peter Reserve, I have now the honour to enclose a copy of a letter from Mr McColl of the 14th inst. in which he states that objection is raised to patents being issued for any lots in the St Peters Res. without first obtaining the views of the Indians in this matter.

It is concluded that your Dept will of course be guided by the opinion of the Dept of Justice in regard to the issue of patents

A.M.Burgess
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Patents under the law to
claimants of lands in the
Res

Your obt pvt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Letter No. 326228.

Reference No. 139441.

100459

Department of the Interior,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 7 1893
OTTAWA

☞ 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, 5th April, 1893.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd ultimo, No. 4646 C, and to say in reply that this Department is guided by the legal as well as the equitable aspect of a claim preferred under the provisions of the Manitoba Act to any of the lands in the parish of St. Peters. Of course it is understood that this Department takes no notice of any claim made to any of the lands in the Reserve other than under the provisions of this Act.

CORRESPONDENCE
APR 8 1893
BRANCH

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Draft

Encd.

OTTAWA, 10th April, 1883

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th Inst: relative to the issue of Patents for Lots in the St Peters Reserve, to which you state objection is taken unless the views of the Indians in the matter are first obtained. In reply I beg to inform you that a copy of your letter was sent to the Department of the Interior, and this Department is now advised that that Department is guided by the legal, as well as the equitable aspect of a claim preferred under the provisions of the Manitoba Act to any of the lands in the Parish of St Peters; and that it is of course understood that that Department takes no notice of any claim made to any of the lands in the Reserve other than under the provisions of the said Act.

Your obedient servant

Deputy of the Sup:Gen:
of Indian Affairs.

E.McColl, Esq.
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg, Man:

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

100796

Letter No. 326228.

Reference No. 139441

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 14 1893

Department of the Interior,

☞ 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, 13th April, 1893.

Sir,

With reference to the Departmental letter of the 5th instant, in regard to the issue of patents for lands in the Parish of St. Peters, being the St. Peters Indian Reserve, I am further to say that, in addition to claims preferred under the Manitoba Act, this Department has to take cognizance of any which may be preferred by persons claiming to be entitled before the 3rd August, 1871, as this is the only limit which is set on the action of this Department by the treaty of that date with the Indians of St. Peter, an extract from which is as follows:-

"It being understood, however, that if at the "date of the execution of the 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."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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

Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

103256

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y
JUN 21 1893
WINNIPEG, MAN.

Province of Manitoba
County of Lisgar

I hereby Certify that Murdoch McIver is occupying, and residing on, and claims the north three chains of lot number (88) eighty eight, also, the south chain of lot number (89) eighty nine.

He also claims lot number (142) one hundred, and forty two, and lot number (145) one hundred and forty five, as wood lots.

All these lots are in the parish of St Peters in the County of Lisgar

A. Millluckle.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

38556

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 26 1893
103256
MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'S
JUN 21 1893
WINNIPEG MAN.

No 6299

Indian Office
Clandeboye
June 16th 1893

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge your favor of the 10th inst, referring to previous correspondence in the matter of claim of Murdock Mc Iver to certain lands on the St- Peters Reserve + I beg to state that Mr Mc Iver had his land surveyed some years ago + he claims the north three chains of Lot- number 88, the south chain of Lot- number 89, also lots number 142, and 145, all of St- Peters Parish.

Lots number 88 + 89 are where Mr Mc Iver is living, lots 142 + 145 are as he claims his wood land.

In looking over my file I found that your letter of the 20th Jany No 37.190 had been answered in my favor No 6133, but on examining my letter book I found that the letter of that number was on

E. McColl. Esqre.

Inspt- Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

103256

on an entirely different subject, & I cannot account for mistake.

I herewith enclose a certificate in regard to said lots

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt servt
A. M. Muckle.
Indian Agent.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 26 1893

103256

Manitoba Superintendency.

In your reply refer to
No. 38556
also to the date of this letter

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 21st June 1893.

H.646-c

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 17th January last, in the matter of the claim of Murdoch McIvor to certain land on the St Peters Reserve, I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter from Mr Agent Brickle, dated the 16th instant, giving a statement of the lands claimed by McIvor, together with the Agents certificate as to the correctness of the statement.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
E McColl
Insp'r of Indian Agencies.

The Deputy of
The Sup't-General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

LAND BRANCH
JUN 27 1893

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C

MEMORANDUM.

To D.Y.

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 28th June 1893.

Mr McLean Please see me in re lots claimed by McIvor

To Technical Br. for Can with previous reference

J.B. 7 July 93

The information furnished by Mr McCall in his letter of the 21st Instant was called by Mr Bray's memo. of the 10th. Jany. 1893 (turned down)

J.D.McLean

Deputy will see from his report of the 8th March 1887 on File 4646 1A herewith (page turned down) that the question of allowing the claimants wooded lots was not agreed to. The wooded lots have never been considered in the case of Mr Ivor's claim

J.D.McLean

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum

7th July 1893

To Deputy Minister

Before drawing the description of the lands proposed to be surrendered and then patented to Mr M. McIvor, it will be necessary to decide whether his claim to the wood lots is to be admitted.

The wood lots are not to be allowed in description. Include in Description merely the North three chains of lot number 88 and the South chain of lot number 89

S.B. 10 July 1893

July 8/93

It is proposed to admit his claim to the wood lots. I respectfully recommend that Mr McColl be informed that Agent Muckle's certificate of accompanying his letter of 16th ult. states that Lots 142 and 145 are claimed by Mr McIvor, whereas the Commissioners in their report of 1885 enumerate in Schedule C. the lands claimed by Murdock McIvor as being Nly. 3 ch. 88, Sly. 1 ch. 89 130, 145, but in schedule D of the same report, and which purports to be a schedule of wood lots claimed, lot 130 is omitted and McIvor is stated to have a claim to only

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the N. 4 chs. of Lot 145.
Wm. McColl will please
ascertain the facts and
inform the Dept. clearly
on this matter.

L. Bray

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

To Lands Br.

D BRANCH
JUL 10 1893

Description

All and singular that certain tract of land and premises containing (77 1/5) seventy-seven and one fifth acres of land situate in the St. Peter Indian Reserve, Province of Manitoba, comprising the Northerly three chains of River Lot No. 88 and the Southerly one chain of River Lot No 89 and which may be described as follows, commencing at a point in the rear boundary of the said Lot 88 distant perpendicularly three chains from the limit between Lots 88 and 89, thence N. 6°54' E. along the said rear boundary and of the rear boundary of Lot 89, 4.49 chains more or ~~less~~ less to a point distant one chain perpendicularly from the said limit between Lots 88 and 89, thence S. 56°06' E, and parallel to the said limit 192.00 chains more or less to the left bank of the Red River, thence Southerly along the said bank to a point in Lot 88 distant three chains perpendicularly from the said limit between Lots 88 and 89, thence N. 56°06' W. parallel to the said limit 194.00 chains more or less to the

Draft Surrender herewith as per memo on letter to Agent McColl of 7 Jany last 10 July 93 to AO

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

point of commencement, excepting
therefrom the Allowance in road from
~~the~~ Lower Fort.

S. Bray

10 July 1893

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

E. McColl, Esq
I. I. A. & R.
Winnipeg
Man.

LAND BRANCH
JAN 7 1893

Inquire Entry

SECY'S BRANCH,
JUL 12 1893
WRITTEN.

~~SECY'S BRANCH,~~
~~JAN 1893~~
~~WRITTEN~~ but not forwarded
see memo of 11th Jan

Sir—

I beg to refer you to yr. letter to me of the 11th July 1891, reporting that the voting members of the St Peter's Band had refused to surrender the land claimed by Mr Murdock Mr Iver in order that a patent might be issued to him; and by direction of the Sup't Gen'l I am to say that, as Mr Iver is in no way responsible for the delay which has resulted in the Indians changing their mind so that in 1891 they were unwilling to surrender what they, according to the

1 Technical Br To prepare description for surrender.
2 Land Branch: To prepare form of surrender to accompany this letter & send same with file to Secy's Branch.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

report of yrself & Mr Hitchen, expressed their willingness to surrender in 1885, the Supt Genl considers it but fair that every possible effort shd. be made to prevent ~~the~~ Mr Meyer suffering as a result of that delay. He thinks that, in view of the action taken lately to remove trespassers from the Reserve, the Indians may now be in a better frame of mind & more disposed to agree to surrender the land in question.

I have, therefore, to authorize you under Sec. 39 of the Ind. Act to summon, in accordance with their rules, ~~the~~ at such time & place as you may deem most suitable, ~~of the Ind. Act,~~ a meeting & council of the male members of the St Peters Band of the full age of ~~twenty~~ one years & over, & to submit again to the Ad. meeting or Council the question of surrendering the land occupied & claimed by Mr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr Murdock McMer, the same being more particularly described in the form of surrender herein enclosed.

But before re-submitting this question to the Indians you shd. fix the sum (and obtain the approval of the Department thereof) which you deem it reasonable to demand of Mr McMer in consideration of the extinguishment of the Indian title, so that the Indians may be informed by you at the meeting of the exact amt McMer will be called upon to pay to their credit before a patent is issued to him for the land.

You shd. also have Mr McMer's improvements re-valued and report the result to the Dept. In 1885 they were valued at $ 3,500, but they

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

may have increased or decreased in value since them. The Supt Genl thinks it would be advisable, when submitting to the Indians the question of surrendering the land, to inform them that, even if they refuse to surrender, Mr Mc Iver cannot be removed until he is fully compensated for his improvements by the payment to him in cash of the amt fixed by yr. valuation; & that, as they have no funds (their a/c in the books of the Dept'mt showing at this date a debit balance of $399.07, capital, & $627.59, interest), & as the taxpayers of the country cannot be asked to bear the cost of Mr Mc Iver's improvements, the Government, if they persist in refusing to surrender, will be forced to seek

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

other means of securing to me the same a title.

This matter should receive your early attention; and all the proceedings in connection with the submission of the Question to the Indians & the taking of the surrender & the attesting of the same should be conducted strictly in accordance with the provisions of the aforesd. Sec. 39 of the Ind. Act.

Yr obedt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CORRESPONDENCE
JUL 25 1893
BRANCH

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 25 1893

104369

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 38889 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, July 22nd 1893

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant with regard to Murdock McIver's claim to land within the Indian Reserve at St Peters, and in accordance with your instructions I submit the following valuations made by me of the land in question, and of the improvements

Immediate

L. Vankoughnet Esq
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa } made

Correct by Ack & say that inasmuch as he considers Mr McIvor's offer 4646 Two Dollars per acre a sufficient price for that Gentleman to pay for the land occupied by him that price be considered that settled by the Dept for the land provided the Indian Agreement

Return

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

104369

made thereon since Mr. Witcher and myself valued them in 1885, viz;

15 acres of new land cleared and fenced @ 20 dollars per acre	$300.00
1 new stable 25 x 30 ft erected.	500.00
1 new frame house built	500.00
Total improvements since 1885	$1300.00
Value of improvements in 1885.	3.500.00
Total present value of improvements on the 77 1/5 acres claimed by Mr. McTuor	$4800.00

I had an interview with Mr. McTuor yesterday on the matter and he offers to pay $2.00 per acre for the land referred to, or that he will give in exchange the same number of acres viz 77 1/5 in Section 32, Township 14, Range

2

6

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

6 Each in the Province of Manitoba. This land is situated on Devil Creek adjoining the reserve, and is classed No. 6 by Mr Crown Timber Inspector Stevenson.

Taking all the circumstances into consideration in connection with Mr Murdock McInnes Claim I consider that his offer is fair and should be accepted. Of course the land claimed by Mr McInnes is worth a great deal more than what Mr McInnes offers for it owing to the improvement made on it by him, but I am of opinion that it was not worth a cent more in the condition in which he

3 formerly

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

104369

found it, if I am to judge its value there from the portion of it which has not been improved as it is low and wet and covered with second growth poplar and gray willow of not much value, but very difficult to eradicate from the soil which is done by the use of the axe and grubhoe, and therefore entails much labor and expense in clearing the land upon which this scrub timber grows.

All of which is submitted for Your approval.

I have the honor to be, Sir
Your Obt Servt
Ernest Coll
I.T.A.

4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SA

4646.

Exd.

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

E McColl Esq
Inspector of
Indian Agencies
Winnipeg Man

Immediate

38889

July 26th 1893

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 22nd inst with further reference to the claim of Murdock McIver to land on the St Peters Res & in reply I have to inform you that, inasmuch as you consider Mr McIvers offer of $7.00 per acre a sufficient price for that gentleman to pay for the land occupied by him that price may be considered as that settled by the Dept for the said land provided the Indians surrender the same to be sold to Mr McIver

Yours obt Servt

DCS for DM

A.N.M.M.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

105859

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 9 1893

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 39705
& also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 5th September 1893

Sir,

I beg by direction of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs to inform you that he requests that no Patents be issued within the Parish of St Peters without the matter being previously referred to him, and he is desirous that the facts connected with Patents already issued be brought before his notice, and that in all cases of applications for Patents the Indians be notified of the same in order that they may be in a position to refute all fictitious claim.

I

The
Deputy Supt-General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

CORRESPONDENCE
SEP 11 1893
BRANCH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E. McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

...RN TO
...NDENCE BRANCH.

Exd

4646c A. M. Burgess Esq.
Dy Min of the Interior
Ottawa.

Sept 13 1893

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith for your information and guidance in the matter a copy of a letter dated the 5th Inst from Mr Inspr McColl relative to the wishes of the Supt Genl of Indian Affairs as regards Patents ~~issued or to be issued~~ for land in the Parish of St Peters Manitoba

Yours &c.

E. McColl Esq.
Inspr of Indn Agencies
Winnipeg Man

Sept 13 1893

Sir, I have to ack the rect.

DCS
A.M. Mcy

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

rec'd. Your letter of the
5th Inst relative to the
Supt Genls wishes as
regards Patents for land
in the Parish of St Peters;
and in reply I beg to inform
you that a copy of your
letter has been sent to the
Dept of the Interior for its
information & guidance in the
matter as that Dept and not
this Dept issues all patents
for land in the Parish of St
Peters, and any that have already
been issued were issued by
that Dept.

I have &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

111831

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 5 1894

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to
No. 40.411
also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, March 1st 1894

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 26th of July last, I have the honor to report that I absented my utmost endeavours to have the Indians surrender the claim of Mr. McLean, to the Dept. General, but the Indians positively refused to do so, and therefore I am at a loss to know what further steps to take in the matter.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your obedient
Servant
[illegible]

Walter Reed Esq
Deputy Supt. General
of Indian affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

361
4646 - C
36197

Ottawa, 10th March, 1894.

The Honourable

T. Mayne Daly,

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

I have the honour to submit herewith a letter from Mr. McColl, with reference to the claim of Mr. McIvor to land within the St. Peter's Reserve.

This land is claimed by McIvor on the ground that he purchased it in 1875 from Baptiste Parisiene and Edward Kippling, members of the St. Peter's Band of Indians. The Department of Justice decided that neither Parisiene nor Kippling had power to sell to McIvor so as to vest in him a title which this Department could recognize. The Indians of the St. Peter's Band were, therefore, approached to grant a surrender of this land, for which McIvor was willing to pay $2.00 an acre. From Mr. McColl's letter, you will see that they refuse to do so.

This leaves the matter in a very unsatisfactory position. From your notes upon the memorandum of the 22nd October, herewith, I observe that you had approved of the intention to seek legislation securing McIvor the title if the Indians refused to surrender. Before taking any

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

steps in this direction I think it would be better to approach them once more, laying before them the alternative of accepting $2.00 an acre for this land, or an equivalent number of acres (77 1-5) in Section 32, Township 14, Range 6, East, adjoining the Reserve, which has been offered by McIvor. And, in the event of their accepting neither of these propositions, the Department will take the matter into its own hands and obtain, by Act of Parliament, the right to grant McIvor a patent for the land, at the price named, namely, $2.00 an acre.

This may convince the Indians that we are in earnest in the matter and intend to protect McIvor; and they may then see the folly of resisting.

Acting Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Duplicate Copy

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 7 1894
RECEIVED

St Peters
March 30th 1894.

(2) The Honble. D. M. Daly. 113165
Supt General of
Indian Affairs.

Sir,

Sometime last summer a Deputation of our Band waited upon you at the Industrial School at St Pauls and amongst other matters laid before you a complaint a complaint we had amongst us; one Murdock Mc Iver is the occupant of land in our Reserve we feeling that he was a trespasser and should be evicted so as to have the lands he was in possession of free for our uninterrupted use and advantage as was originally granted to us and set apart.

Mr Mc Iver carries on a general store business on the lands he is in possession of in our Reserve and exacts exorbitant prices for goods sold to our Band, much greater than they could be procured for elsewhere at Selkirk and generally conducts himself as if he was one of our members of our Band, and committing waste on our lands by cutting

COPY FOR RETURN TO PARLIAMENT, CALLED FOR BY
Ref. 104.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

cutting and taking away our timber for cordwood + otherwise, to the disadvantage and loss of the Band; We have been informed that said Mc Iver has taken steps to have a patent granted to him for the lands he has in occupancy and in that direction our consent has been asked for that purchase, a meeting being called for the consideration of our Band, and this matter submitted to them at which it was resolved that we could not give our consent therefor we feel very strongly that our rights and interests should be protected and no intruders granted privileges in our Reserve.

We therefor now humbly ask you to have our wishes as above presented carried out and all trespassers on our Reserve prevented from acquiring any right or title to our lands and also that the claims of the said Mc Iver may be refused and he ordered to give up possession of the lands he now occupies in our Reserve.

And as in duty bound we will ever pray &c &c. On behalf of the St Peters Band of Indians.

Over

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

We have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servts.

Indian Agent.
Chief Wm. Asham.
Comnr. Wm. D. Harper.
" Wm. Sinclair.
" Wm. his x mark Greyeyes

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

113165

We have the honor to be Sir your obedient Servants

Sgd William Asham Chief
W. D. Harper Counl
Wm Sinclair
Wm his x mark Grayeyes

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

40.695

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 12 1894

INDIAN AGENT OF INDIAN SUPT. APR 7 1894

Duplicate

113165

No. 6643.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
6th April 1894

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a communication from the Chief, and Council of the St Peters Band of Indians, which was handed to me yesterday by them; in regard to Mr Murdock McIver's lands in St Peters, addressed to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

I may say that Mr McIver in his store charges the same as the Hudson Bay Co & any wood he may have taken was either under permit from the Indians, or for his own use, when it was cut on land claimed by him, as per previous correspondence.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. M. Buckle.
Indian Agent

E. McColl Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

COPY FOR RETURN TO PARLIAMENT, CALLED FOR BY
Ref. 104

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 "C" old 113165

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. APR 12 1894

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 40.695 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, April 7th 1894

Sir,

6643

I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter dated the 6th instant from Mr Agent Muckle forwarding a petition from the chief and councillors praying for the removal of Murdock McIvor from the lot which he occupies within the reserve &c.

As requested by the Supt General I made several efforts to obtain a surrender from the band of said lot

26th July 1893
4646

The Deputy
Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

COPY FOR RETURN TO PARLIAMENT, CALLED FOR BY
Ref. 104

but

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

but without avail. I cannot see why they are so much opposed to Mr McEwen unless they are jealous of his prosperity, for both himself and family are as peaceable and industrious as any family in the Province. They seem to my knowledge ever interfered with the Indians nor meddled with their affairs. Mr McEwen is a model farmer, and the cultivation of his fields, care of cattle and the business capacity of his wife in attending to her annual store, are instructive object lessons to all the Indians of the Bands. I never know of the McEwens taking undue advantage of Indians as other parties in their dealing with

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with them. I never known him cutting any wood off the lands claimed by him for traffic without a permit, and I know that Hon Mr Dewdney gave him permission to take some wood off the reserve for his own personal use. I would therefore strongly recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not entertained without a satisfactory settlement first being effected with Mr McIver, either in lands or money, for he purchased the land claimed by him in good faith from the Indians.

It seems to me that if lands to the value of his present holding were given him elsewhere say

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

say in the Town Plot at East Selkirk which the Indians have already surrendered, they might thus be compelled to pay indirectly for the valuable improvements which Mr. McIvor made on the lot taken from him in exchange.

I do not know whether or not Mr. McIvor at his advanced age would con for going on a bush farm, or an unbroken lot, and commence life again by clearing land and building houses, barns sheds and stables.

With these suggestions thrown out, I submit the subject to your better judgment. I have the honor to be

Sir;
Your obt. Servt
[illegible]
I.I.A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

E. McColl Esq.
Exd. Insp. of Ind. Agencies
Winnipeg
14. April 1894.

Sir,

40695 I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 7th Inst. inclosing one from Mr Agent Muckle covering a petition from the council of the St Peter's ~~Reserve~~ Land to have Murdock McIvor removed from their Reserve, and in reply to express much regret at the obduracy these Indians have manifested throughout regarding this case.

It does not appear what better settlement ~~than~~ than the one suggested by you could be made, and it will be well for you to place a liberal valuation upon McIvor's improvements, and then ascertain whether, if offered to him, he would accept lands within the town plot at East Selkirk at market value, as compensation, ~~and if offered to him, & then report the result~~ & report

Wm. Reed
D. of N. Ld. I.A.

COPY FOR RETURN
TO PARLIAMENT,
CALLED FOR BY
Ref. 104

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

40.956

Winnipeg Man
May 14th 1894.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 17 1894
114852

E. McColl Esqr
Inspector &c
Indian Dept Winnipeg.

Dear Sir.

In reference to valuation I
worked put on Mr McIvors property. I may
say that I think there is a vast difference
between the prices obtainable just now
and the actual value Lands within 9 Miles
of Portage La Prairie have brought as high
as $50 per acre with very moderate improve
ment & ordinary land without any improve
ment except fencing readily bought within
last few years $30 per acre. I think that
all improved land especially with a front
on the Red River is worth quite as much
if not more on account of the excellent
local Market for the Lake trade at Selkirk
for all sorts of farm produce. The 149 acres
on West side of River with Improvements thereon
is worth at the lowest valuation $25 per acre
= 3,725. and the 177 acres on East side I would

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

114852

place at $15.00 per acre wood is yearly becoming more valuable close to Selkirk, that would be $2.665.00 per East side Total $6.390.00
I am sure it is well worth this to Mr. McIvor. & indeed to any body else, & more to them as they do not desire to move.

I am

Yours Faithfully
Geo. L. Otton

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'S
APR 28 1894

Duplicate Copy.

St Peters Reserve
16th April 1894.

I Murdoch McIver of the Parish of St Peters, which is within the St Peters Indian Reserve, in the County of Selkirk, in the Province of the Province of Manitoba, herewith agree to give up all claim right, or title to the following lands, that is to say to Lots 88, and part of 89; Lots No 130. 145; and 156, all in the above Parish, and reserve for the sum of Six thousand dollars $6000 00/100 to include all improvements.

~~I being allowed to remove all buildings that are situated on Lots 88, and 89.~~

Attd/pa
D McI

If this my proposal is accepted I further agree to give up possession within three months from the time I receive the money.

Sgd Murdoch McIver

Witness

Sgd Duncan McIver
Bedson McIver
A. McLuckie.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

40.956

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 28 1894

Duplicate

114352

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 17 1894

No 6673

Indian Office
Clandeboye
19th April 1894

Sir

40,696

I have the honor to enclose an agreement signed by Wm McIvor to give up all claims to land, and any improvements theron, within the St Peters Indian Reserve for the sum of Six thousand dollars, & to leave the said reserve within three months of receiving the said money

I beg to state that Wm McIvor first wanted $10.000.00/100 then he came down to $6.000.00/100 — As you had instructed me to get him to sign an agreement: & as he would not sign the paper I had taken in, which was merely his surrender of his right and title to land in St Peters for a consideration, I then at his dictation wrote the enclosed, which is all the land he claims and which he

E McColl Esq
Insp Indian Agencies
Winnipeg

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

he signed ; he then agreed to leave the improvements on Lots No 88 & 89 but would not sign another paper.

I beg to state that his idea of the value of the land etc. is preposterous, all the land mentioned with the improvements thereon, is not at the outside figures worth over three to three thousand five hundred dollars, & Mr McEwer would be remarkably well paid if he received that amount.

I would suggest that you see him personally, as then you might arrange the matter satisfactorily I cannot do anything with him, and I consider that if he will not take a fair amount for his claim, he should be evicted, for as the Indians truly state, he is never satisfied, even last summer he moved his fence a few feet so as to take in a little more land, and it is this spirit of encroachment which makes it so that the Indians will never allow him to remain on the Reserve, if they can have him put off.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt.
A. McKellar.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Agent Muckle's
valuation of McIver's
improvements.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

40956

11th May /94

Regnier

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 17 1894

114352

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT. MAY 12 1894

Rs 35.76

Dear Sir

Mr. McColl

This is a rough Sketch of the Buildings on my Place Dwelling House 30 ft by 25 = 2nd Dwelling House 25 by 20 an = Atchment to it 6 ft by 20 = Ice House 20 by 20 = Store atche to it 20 by 20 = Shope or dry good Store 20 by 18 = 1 Stable 75 feet = waggon 20 ft Shed = 1 lean to for Sheep stabling 20 ft = 1 Grainery 20 by 20 = 1 Stable 1½ Storey 28 by 25 First class = with other little buldings around 1 Well lined with Stone from tope to Bottom Pronounced by Doctor to be good water

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

& Pumps = ready for use
also a number of thousand
rails around the place
or farm = 40 acres cultivated
or cleare under fence on
good ground Partly under
wheat now the Balance will
will put in Barly & oats
as soon as dry — & i Paid
Taxes for 74 acres on lot 88
& 17 acres on lot 89 = Since
19 years past — Paid in full
on the Amount i own on East
of the River for wood land
is lot 130 & lot 145 — & lot
156 = on 1 Chain that the
East school is built on
i own an Paid for it
this is what i claim
in this place
Your Truly
Murdoch McIvor

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

114352

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. MAY 17 1894

4646 C Red

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 10.956 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, May 14th 1894

Sir,

4646/C

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th ulto in reference to Murdock McIvor's claims to certain lands within the Indian Reserve at St Peters, and in reply thereto I enclose herewith letters from Mr McIvor, Agent Muckle and Dr Orton. Mr McIvor values his lands and improvements at $6,000, Mr Muckle values them at 3,000 to 3500 dollars, and Dr Orton at

Hayter Reed Esq
Deputy Supt General
of Indian affairs
Ottawa, Ont

$6390

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

6390 dollars. 114352

I consider that under the circumstances the amount asked by Mr McIvor is fair and reasonable. I spoke to him relative to my proposal to the Department that an equivalent in value of land in the Town Plot at East Selkirk be given him in exchange for his claims, but he refused to entertain any such proposition as he was too old to start life again. He maintains that others with no greater claims than he, received patents for lands purchased from Indians after the trans-

fer

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Jer.

114352

On reference to your Commissioners (Messrs Witchen and McColl's) on the 2nd of June 1885, Report, the following recommendations were made therein viz,

" But the claim of Mr. McIvor
" being an exceptional one, the
" circumstances in connec-
" tion therewith, we consider
" would justify the issue of
" a patent to him, owing to
" the benefit accruing to the
" Bond, by his example, as an in-
" dustrious practical farmer & trader &c.

I do not know what further to do in the matter, or what to recommend to the Department, as I did my utmost with the Indians and with Mr. McIvor to bring about a satisfactory solution of the difficulty but

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

but
to no avail. Mr. Muckle
and others exhausted
their resources to effect
a settlement of this vexed
question but lamentably
failed.

I have the honor
to be, Sir;
Your obt Servt
Emmerson
T.D.A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

M E M O R A N D U M

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

Mr. McKenna's report on this case (vide attached file) will refresh your memory as to particulars, if, as is pretty certain, the matter is brought up before you.

The balance of the correspondence shews that the Indians remain obdurate, and apparently there is nothing left but to proceed with the course already approved by you, and tell them that they must compensate Mr. McIvor, surrender the land at a valuation fixed by the Department, or else that the matter will be taken out of their hands.

The only objection to this course known to the undersigned is the possibility of an attempt to quote it as a precedent affecting other claims in Schedule C. (Commissioners' report), but in such case the fact that McIvor was left in possession and allowed to go on improving by the Indians themselves, who expressed their willingness to surrender in order to let the Government issue a Patent (although they have since receded from the position) would justify treating the case exceptionally, and requiring them to compensate or redeem their promise.

On attached file you will see the latest valuation of McIvor's improvements.

The undersigned would suggest that he be charged not less than $2.00 per acre, or more than $3.00 per acre.

1884 Hayter Reed.

Aug. 7th, '94.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646--2 ty

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, November 19th, 1894.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of the 14th ult. last, and prior correspondence relative to Murdoch McIver's claim to lands within the St. Peter's Reserve, and to inform you that the Superintendent General, after mature consideration of the same, has come to the conclusion that it has already been kept pending far too long, and he is quite determined to have it settled without further delay.

40,956

As you are well aware, the Department has exercised much patience in the hope that the Indians, by a surrender, would facilitate a settlement, and earn the credit of doing their share towards an act of simple equity. The Department is well aware of what the Indians consider to be their rights under Treaty with regard to this matter, but it is quite ~~the~~ clear that Mr. McIver also possesses rights which must be respected. As you will no doubt remember, in the joint report made by yourself and Mr. A. M. Whitcher, as Joint Commissioners, on claims to lands within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve by others than Indians, the following passage occurred :

"But the claim of Murdoch McIver being an

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

"an exceptional one, the circumstances in con-
"tion therewith we consider would justify the issue
"of a patent to him owing to the benefits accruing
"to the Band by his example as an industrious,
"practical farmer and trader, the Indians have ex-
"pressed their willingness to surrender their right
"to the land, if necessary, in order to enable the
"Government to grant him a patent.

It is clear, therefore, that in face of the circumstances entitling Mr. McIver's claim to special consideration, ~~the~~ and in view of the willingness expressed by the Indians to make such surrender as would enable a patent to be granted to him, the Government was amply justified in leaving him unmolested, and in expectation of eventually getting a patent, and that he made his improvements under cover of title, and it would be manifestly most unjust to attempt to oust him now.

The Indians, on their part, may justly expect that if Mr. McIver receive a patent they should get a corresponding area of land added to their Reserve, or be compensated by cash or other payment for the value of the land ta en from them, and the Department considers t at the sum of $2.50 per acre would be a reasonable amount of compensation to be paid to the Indians by McIver.

Since it is most desirable to have this matter settled with the good will of the Indians, if possible, a last appeal should be made to them to surrender the land, and they should be clearly given to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

30197

to understand that failing this the Department means to take the matter out of their hands, and to issue a patent to McIvor on the terms herein above described.

If the Indians refuse to surrender, when reporting you will kindly describe accurately what lands McIvor's claim consists of. In the report already herein referred to they are described as northerly 3 chains of Lot 88, southerly 1 chain of 89, and 130 and 146. In the copy of his agreement, dated 16th April 1 94, to leave in case of receiving certain compensation, Lot 156, is mentioned in addition, and in his statement of land and improvements, dated 11th May last, and transmitted by you on 14th of that month, he speaks further of owning 1 chain upon which the East School is built.

Your obedient servant,

(sgd) Hayter Reed.

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

E. McColl Esq.
Insp. of Ind. Agencies
Winnipeg
April 24th 1895

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT
CORRESPONDENCE
APR 24 1895
BRANCH

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to my letter of even No. of 19th Mar. last in which you were told that the Dept. was quite determined to have the McIvor claims to land within the St Peter's Reserve ~~settled~~ without further delay, and requested to make a last appeal to the Indians to surrender the lands, and report the result to the Dept. and to now confirm the following telegram this day addressed to you which should read. "Immediate answer to letter number four six forty six ~~nineteenth~~ November last re McIvor's claims wanted".

The Dept. is surprised that it should have been kept so long without the report asked for or any explanation of the delay

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

delay, about a matter which you were told was urgent.

(Sgd) Hayter Reid

D. L. Gov. I. A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. Form 1.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President,
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Man. Telegraphs.
B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.
JAMES KENT Supt., Montreal.

No.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK.
94			18 Paid

Time 10366 126854 April 26 1895

From West Selkirk Man 26

To Hayter Reed

Depy Supt Genl

residence Ottawa

Chief and Councillors willing surrender McIvors land provided similar claims be not entertained by Department hereafter answer immediately

E. McColl

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. Form 1.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

TERMS AND CONDITIONS. 126825

All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President,
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Man. Telegraphs,
B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.
JAMES KENT, Supt., Montreal.

No.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK.
86	So	Ho	10 paid

Time 6.33 Apl 24 1895

From Winnipeg Man 24

To Hayter Reed
Dept Indian affs
Ottawa

Re your telegram today going St Peters tomorrow for endeavouring Settlement

E McCool

endeavoring

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. Form 2.

Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s Telegraph.

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 :—(neper [illegible] any distance not exceeding 1,000 miles, and two per [illegible] any greater distance.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.

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.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.
JAMES KENT, Supt., Montreal.

Sent No.	Sent By	Rec'd By	Time Sent.	Time Filed.	Check.

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

Apl 27 - 1895

To E. McColl
West Selkirk
Man

I know of no similar case to McIvers which can arise, you may therefore promise — course this does not include the claims upon which you and Whicther reported upon and have yet to be finally disposed of

Sgn Hayter Reed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-C Pt 1

127764

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 21 1895

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to
No. 43.836
also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 16th May 1895.

Sir,

4646

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo, in reference to your letter of the 19th of November last, relative to obtaining a surrender from the St Peter's Indians of the land claimed by Mr Murdoch Mc Ivor within their Reserve; and in reply to your enquiries why I delayed the matter so long, I beg to inform you that I made several efforts to induce the

The Deputy of
The Sup't General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

the Indians to make the necessary surrender to enable the Department to give a legal title to Mr McIvor of the property claimed by him, but without success until three weeks ago when I succeeded in persuading the Chief and Councillors to represent the matter favourably to the Band and to exert their influence in inducing the Indians to grant the surrender asked. I showed them that it was simply an act of justice to Mr McIvor which the Department desired of them, and after attending several meetings in which they indulged in protracted discussions on the subject a vote was taken resulting in fifty-two (52) in favour of the surrender and twenty-two (22) against it. The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

The Superintendent General is to be congratulated in effecting a satisfactory settlement during his administration of this, and other long-standing vexed questions in this Superintendency, which baffled his predecessors.

Wm McIvor claims in addition to the land surrendered on the West side of the Red River Lots 130, and 145 on the East side of the river, as wood lots in connection with his holdings on the West side of the river. He also claims Lot 156, a wood lot purchased from Mr Wm J. Colclough, who bought it from Jos Monkman, junior, who claims that he purchased it from Henry Prince in 1864. Mr McIvor relinquishes now his claim to one chain upon which the East Protestant School is

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

is built. 127764

I herewith beg to enclose the surrender in question with the declarations in connection therewith.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Duncan
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646 C

ANSWER REQUIRED

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, June 1st, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, enclosing conditional surrender by the St. Peter's Band of Indians of certain lands occupied by Mr. Murdoch McIvor, and to return the same herewith because the conditions cannot be accepted.

43,836

With regard to the payment of the purchase money to the Chief and Councillors, to be by them expended for the benefit of the Band, such course is rendered impossible by the provisions of the Act, which require that funds accruing from the sale of Indian lands be sent in the first instance to the Department to be invested for the benefit of the Indians concerned. These funds could, upon approval of the Department, be paid out for the interests of the Indians in such manner as they themselves might desire.

As to the condition that the Department shall not entertain any claim or grant patents for any other portion of the Reserve, excepting only to such persons as were actually resident thereon prior to the 15th day of July 1870, it may be assumed that in view of Department's telegram

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

J.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

telegram to you of the 27th ultimo, which should read :

"I know of no similar case to Mr. McIvor's
"which can arise. You may therefore promise.
"Of course this does not include the claims
"upon which you and Whitcher reported, and
"have yet to be finally disposed of;"

which message was in reply to one from you dated 26th ultimo, which read :

"Chief and Councillors willing surrender
"McIvor's alnd, provided similar claims be not
"entertained by Department hereafter. Answer
"immediately."

The Indians clearly understood that the right to settle in such manner as may seem just with regard to claims for wood lots held in <u>bona fide</u> connection with farm lots, the right to which has been recognised, would be reserved. However, if any possibility of doubt as to this exists it should be made perfectly clear, and if any such condition be insisted upon, then the limit should not be 15th July 1870, the date of the transfer of Manitoba to Canada, but 3rd August 1871, that upon which the Treaty was entered into, and upon <u>bona fide</u> occupation at which the recognition of claim depends. The changes just indicated should be made in the surrender, and that without any evitable delay, because if the Department is unable to accept the surrender on account of impossible conditions, and is reluctantly compelled to seek special legislation, no time can be lost if it is to be obtained, as it should, during the present

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

present Session of Parliament.

There are some matters in this same connection which require notice.

It may doubtless be assumed that under the circumstances Mr. McIvor will gladly avail himself of an opportunity to purchase at the stipulated price, but the Department should be assured on the point, also as to whether he is in a position to pay cash down, or what arrangements for payment he may desire to submit for consideration.

With regard to lands other than these included in the surrender, to which you say Mr. McIvor lays claim, the department does not appear to know anything about Lot 156 beyond what you say in your letter. This claim does not seem to have been brought before the Commissioners in 1885, nor does the Department know of any ground upon which it should afford it any consideration.

Mr. McIvor's claim as described in Schedule C of the Commissioner's report comprised northerly three chains of Lot 88, southerly one chain of Lot 89, together with Lots 130 and 145.

As to Lot 88, it would seem from the Surrender that the whole of it is now claimed, and the discrepancy should be explained.

As to Lot 130, while it does not appear to have been excluded from the general recommendation in McIvor's favour made by the Commissioners, the fact that it was placed in Schedule B, as claimed through

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

through William Leask, who purchased from Indians after date of Treaty, and was unimproved and unoccupied, or in other words, was classed among claims which the Commissioners themselves considered could not be entertained, would seem to indicate that they did not intend their recommendation to extend to it, and its omission from what you have asked the Indians to surrender seems to support such conclusion.

As to Lot 145, it appears in Schedule D, as well as among lands claimed by McIvor and grouped in Schedule C.

In Schedule D we find Lot 145, S 1.68 chains claimed by William Leask solely as a wood lot, in connection with Lot 100, which he occupied and received patent for. Lot 145 N 4 chains, claimed through Leask by Peter Young, non-resident, but title vested in bona fide settler, Murdoch McIvor, and used as a wood lot by him in connection with his farm on west side of river.

Mr. Agent Muckle, in his confidential report dated 9th March last, says that Lot 145 is now claimed by Mr. McIvor, who bought it from Young and Leask, but in abstract from County of Lisgar Registry Office, of conveyances after bill of sale from Leask to Young, and from Young to McIvor, respectively, there suddenly appears in 1889 an entry of a quit claim given by John to Agnes Schultz, without anything to show how Mr. Schultz claimed to be able to dispose of it. It should be clearly stated

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

stated whether any one disputes McIvor's claim to this Lot 145, or to any part of it.

It would seem reasonable that if these wood lots were held in bona fide connection with improved and occupied farms on the other side of the river the holders or those who purchased from them should get patents, and the Department is disposed to view such tenure as valid, but the question has arisen whether claims to such wood lots have not been otherwise compensated for and extinguished, and correspondence as to this is pending with the Department of Interior.

If, however, Mr. McIvor, in preference to awaiting the result of the conclusion that may be reached relative to such claims, likes to pay for the whole or such part of Lot 145 as he may claim, and the Indians are inclined to surrender it, the Department will make no objection, but in that case they would have to be made clearly understand that such surrender would in no way prejudice any right that the Department may recognise any other claimants to lots enumerated in Schedule D to have.

Your obedient servant,

(sgd) Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Letter from
Inspector McCall
1. June 1895

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY

4646 C. June 28th 1895

Note

1 The Deputy's memo. to the Minister dated August 7th 1894 – with latter's note of approval thereon –

2 Inspr. McColl's No. 44.099. 15th June /95 re St Peter's Indians refusal to change terms of surrender & McIvor's refusal to pay for the land.

3. McIvor's letter to Minister complaining of having to pay for land 14th June /95

4 Minister's acknowledgment of last mentioned all taken off this file & sent with a memo. to Minister 28th June 1895.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I.R. No. 4646-C

Sent to the Minister with memorandum 28/6/95.

.....

MEMORANDUM for the Information of the Superintendent General in re Claim of Murdoch McIvor to Lands within the St. Peter's Reserve.

.....

Attached Memorandum to the Minister of the 9th August last shews his decision regarding undersigned's recommendation in this case.

Acting thereon a strong effort has been made to get the Indians to surrender at $2.50 an acre.

Indians consented to surrender, but made two conditions ; 1st, That purchase money should be paid over to Chief and Councillors, to be expended by them for the benefit of the Band ; 2nd, that the Department shall not entertain any claim, or grant patents for any other portion of the Reserve, excepting only to such persons as were actually resident thereon prior to the 15th day of July 1870.

As to first condition, it was pointed out that it could not be complied with under the provisions of the Act, which require that funds accruing from sale of Indian lands be sent in the first instance to the Department to be funded for the benefit of the Band, although, as the Indians were told, they might, on approval of Department, be paid out for their interests in such manner as they themselves might desire.

As to second, it was pointed out that if insisted

J.D.C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

insisted upon the limit should be 3rd August 1871, date when Treaty was entered into, and upon bona fide occupation at which the recognition of such claims depends.

Attached letter from Inspector McColl will show that Indians refuse to change conditions attached by them to surrender, and that McIvor declines to pay for the land, claiming that he has already done so.

The second condition is of no consequence, in view of Mr. McColl's statements (page 7) in attached letter, that the Indians do not object to claims for wood lots held in connection with farm lots in bona fide occupation on west side of River at time when Treaty was made, since Department has no intention of entertaining any other, always excepting McIvor's claim.

The first condition might be overcome by Order-in-Council, but for the new complication introduced by McIvor's refusal to pay for the land.

If it be decided to give it to him free, then the Indians would apparently have to be compensated by gift of land elsewhere, and in case of their refusing (as seems probable) to surrender on such terms, legislation would be necessary to enable patent to be issued to McIvor, as has already been recommended and approved as an alternative measure.

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) Duncan Scott

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C

19C

128308 Red

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 19 1895

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 44.099 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 15th June 1895.

4.646 C

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, returning the Conditional Surrender by the St Peter's Band of Indians of certain lands occupied by Mr Murdoch McIvor within the Reserve, and requesting me to make certain changes in the Surrender as it cannot be accepted by the Department in its present condition.

After having given notice to the Band through the Agent that

The Deputy of
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

126898

that I would meet them on the 12th inst. for the purpose of making the changes indicated by you in the Surrender of the lands above referred to, I attended the meeting called for the purpose mentioned at two o'clock of that day and laid the matter before them, but the Chief refused to do anything in the absence of Councillor Harper, whereupon I adjourned the meeting until half past six in the evening and drove down to Wm McLean's place in order to make certain enquiries of that gentleman for your information, and to ascertain what arrangements for payment of the land in question he proposed to submit for your consideration, as well as to bring Councillor Harper to the meeting.

At the time appointed I

2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I arrived at the South St. Peters School-house with Councillor Harper and called the adjourned meeting to order, when I again explained to them the necessary changes to be made in the Surrender. Mr. Muckle and myself fully explained the whole matter and showed them that there were no radical changes in the Surrender asked of them from what they had already signed, but they absolutely refused to consider the Surrender as amended in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Act.

Mr. McIvor, whom I interviewed in reference to your enquiries, said that in consequence of the persecutions he had been subjected to for years by the Indians, and of the fact that-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that they owed him a couple of thousand dollars for goods and seed grain advanced them which he expects that he will never be able to collect, he now declines to pay any more for the land, as he has already paid five dollars per acre for it to Parisien and Robinson. With eyes suffused with tears he and his wife said that if they had been turned out of the Reserve sixteen years ago, when they had strength to make a home for themselves elsewhere they would not complain, but now as they have grown old and feeble they are unable to make their livelihood elsewhere; but rather than to prolong this intolerable agony they prefer to abandon their land and their homes without-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

without compensation if the Department insists upon it. I assured them that the Superintendent General profoundly sympathized with them in the circumstances under which they were placed, and was doing his very utmost to effect a satisfactory settlement of their claim.

I am deeply impressed that such legislation as indicated in your letter should be enacted by Parliament to enable you to give a Patent to Mr. McIvor for Lot 88 and Southerly one chain of Lot 89 and of wood lot 145 without any payment therefor being exacted from him.

As to Lot 88 Mr. McIvor purchased three chains of it from

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

from Baptiste Parisien and afterwards, upon the demise of said Parisien, Wm McIvor purchased the rest of the lot from Wm J. Robinson, of this city, who purchased it from Wm Joseph Monkman, who received it from her father Baptiste Parisien.

Mr Whitcher and myself after thoroughly investigating the claims of others than Indians to lands within the St Peter's Reserve recommended in our report that Wm McIvor should get a Patent for Lot 1145 as a wood lot in connection with his holdings on the West side of the river. In the Commissioner's investigation there was no one claiming this lot other than McIvor, neither has any one since laid any claim to this lot to me. I know nothing

6

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

128808

of John or Agnes Schultz having ever owned this lot other than what appears in abstract from County of Lisgar Registry Office. The Chief and Councillors as well as Agent Muckle say that the Indians have no objection whatever to the recommendation of the Commissioners that Patents be given for wood lots to those in actual occupation of lots opposite on the West side of the Red River within the Reserve at the date of the treaty.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Ennecoll
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

St Peters

June 14 1895

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 24 1895

Hon I. M. Daly. E

128976

Minister of Interior

Sir

I beg respectfully to enter my protest against the way in which I have been dell with by the agents of your Department regarding my Land on which I have lived over 20 years and for which I paid over 20 years ago 5.00 per acre, Now before I can obtain a patent your officers demand 2.50 per acre again, This is a very great hardship and one that falls fare short of Justice I ask now in the name of Justice that you buy all my Improvements and let me get away from this place, or Else do me Justice by granting me my patent for my Land

Yours truly

Murdoch. Mc. Iver

A.C.
ask H.M. for report.

Acting Hon
Inst with
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I.D.C.
2.

M E M O R A N D U M

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL.

Mr. McKenna's report on this case (vide attached file) will refresh your memory as to particulars, if, as is pretty certain, the matter is brought up before you.

The balance of the correspondence shews that the Indians remain obdurate, and apparently there is nothing left but to proceed with the course already approved by you, and tell them that they must compensate Mr. McIvor, surrender the land at a valuation fixed by the Department, or else that the matter will b taken out of their hands.

The only objection to this course known to the undersigned is the possibility of an attempt to quote it as a precedent affecting other claims in Schedule C. (Commissioners' report), but in such case the fact that McIvor was left in pesession and allowed to go on improving by the Indians themselves, who expressed their willingness to surrender in order to let the Government issue a Patent (although they have since receded from the position) would justify treating the case exceptionally, and requiring them to compensate or redeem their promise.

On attached file you will see the latest valuation of McIvor's improvements.

The undersigned would suggest that he be charged not less than $2.00 per acre, nor more than $3.00 per acre.

Aug. 7th, '94.

Hayter Reed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

.....

MEMORANDUM for the Information of the Superintendent General in re Claim of Murdoch McIvor to Lands within the St. Peter's Reserve.

.....

Attached Memorandum to the Minister of the 7th August last shews his decision regarding undersigned's recommendation in this case.

Acting thereon a strong effort has been made to get the Indians to surrender at $2.50 an acre.

Indians consented to surrender, but made two conditions ; 1st, That purchase money should be paid over to Chief and Councillors, to be expended by them for the benefit of the Band ; 2nd, that the Department shall not entertain any claim, or grant patents for any other portion of the Reserve, excepting only to such persons as were actually resident thereon prior to the 15th day of July 1870.

As to first condition, it was pointed out that it could not be complied with under the provisions of the Act, which require that funds accruing from sale of Indian lands be sent in the first instance to the Department to be funded for the benefit of the Band, although, as the Indians were told, they might, on approval of Department, be paid out for their interests in such manner as they themselves might desire.

As to second, it was pointed out that if insisted

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

insisted upon the limit should be 3rd August 1871, date when Treaty was entered into, and upon bona fide occupation at which the recognition of such claims depends.

Attached letter from Inspector McColl will shew that Indians refuse to change conditions attached by them to surrender, and that McIvor declines to pay for the land, claiming that he has already done so. although he agreed to pay when negotiations first opened

The second condition is of no consequence, in view of Mr. McColl's statements (page 7) in attached letter, that the Indians do not object to claims for wood lots held in connection with farm lots in bona fide occupation on west side of River at time when Treaty was made, since Department has no intention of entertaining any other, always excepting McIvor's claim.

The first condition might be overcome by Order-in-Council, but for the new complication introduced by McIvor's refusal to pay for the land.

If it be decided to give it to him free, then the Indians would apparently have to be compensated by gift of land elsewhere, and in case of their refusing (as seems probable) to surrender on such terms, legislation would be necessary to enable patent to be issued to McIvor, as has already been recommended and approved as an alternative measure.

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT
ANSWER REQUIRED

Ottawa, July 4th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 15th ultimo, reporting the refusal of the Indians to make any change in the conditions attached to their surrender of the land for Mr. McIvor, and the latter's refusal to pay for the land.

44,099

With regard to the attitude assumed by the Indians, it remains to be seen whether you may manage to get them to conform to the Department's wishes in return for a compromise regarding the place of making the annuity payments, about which you were written to the other day ; but in any case the difficulty with regard to the conditions might be overcome, and the surrender made to answer the desired purpose, were it not for the fresh complication introduced through the position assumed by Mr. McIvor relative to payment for the land.

I have therefore to request you to be kind enough to see Mr. McIvor, and explain to him that it is too late in the day, now that, on the faith of the understanding that has all along existed that he would be willing to pay for the land, a surrender has been with so much difficulty obtained from the Indians upon that condition, and that it is hopeless to expect to be able to do anything with

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

L.C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with them to enable him to be otherwise dealt with now.

As to compensation for improvements. You are aware that the Indians have already overdrawn their trust account, and you can ~~h~~readily convince Mr. McIvor of the hopelessness of getting them to consent to pay for the improvements, and shew him that the Department has no funds which it could devote to any such purpose.

Even were there funds available, which there are not, and the propriety of paying for the improvements admitted, it would pay Mr. McIvor far better to purchase at the price offered than to accept such value as could be put upon his improvements.

The Department has evidenced its good faith in going to all the trouble it has in Mr. McIvor's interests, and it is to be hoped that he will weigh the possible consequences very carefully before deciding to do anything calculated to frustrate its efforts just as they are promising to prove successful.

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C

ANSWER REQUIRED

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, November 15th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that upon the occasion of the Superintendent General's recent visit to the St. Peter's Reserve the Chief and Councillors authorized the settlement of the McIvor claim to land within the Reserve, in accordance with the wishes of the Department, and to request to be informed when a surrender free from the conditions attached to the one already made, which could not be accepted by the Department, may be expected.

In this connection I beg to remind you that no reply has yet been received from you to Department's letter of even number of 4th July last, in which you are requested to see Mr. McIvor relative to the fresh complication of the position introduced by his refusal to carry out the terms upon the faith of which the Department's action was taken.

Your obedient servant,

Sgd / Hayter Reed.

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba.

H.C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

45150

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y. AUG 16 1895 WINNIPEG MAN.

134806

No 7345.

Indian Office
CLANDEBOYE AGENCY.
12th Augt 1895.

Sir.

I have the honor to refer to your favor of the 9th ultimo in regard to the McIver land etc.

44248.

I beg to say that I have seen McIver, and he states that he is willing to pay for the land referred to, providing he receives a patent for his two wood lots No 145 & 156. which he states he claims under the Manitoba act, as they were bought before the transfer by non treaty men.

The Chief and Council are willing to surrender the McIver land, and they do not consider that a meeting of the band would be required, as the band have already given their consent to the surrender.

I

E. McColl Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I would suggest that proper deeds of surrender be made out by some competent person & I anticipate no trouble in the matter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McDonald.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

134803 4646 C
Red

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 3 1895

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to
No. 45150
also to the date of this letter.

134803 Winnipeg, Novr 28th 1895

Sir,

4646 C

LAND BRANCH
DEC 4 1895

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, and in reply to your enquiries to inform you that I requested the agent, Mr Smuckle, after the surrender of Mr McIvor's claim by the Bond on the 14th of September last, to bring the chief into the city in order to make a declaration to the surrender, but the chief and agent only arrived in the city today

The Deputy,
Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa - Ont

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to attend to this matter.
I therefore have been delayed in forwarding the enclosed Surrender and affidavit = until now
Mr. Meekle informs me that he saw Mr. McGwar before coming into the city in reference to the payment of the surrendered lands, but that he could not give any definite answer until he had the municipality to refund him the taxes on said lands illegally collected from him.
He however agreed before the surrender had been obtained to pay for the land referred to provided he received a patent for his two wood lots Nos. 145 & 156 which he claims under the name

itola

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

itoba Act, as they were bought before the transfer by non-treaty-men. (See enclosed letter from Mr Agent Muckle, dated the 12th of August last.

I have the honor
to be sir;
Your obt Servt
Ewe Coll
T. T. C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M E M O R A N D U M

To the Minister-

Ottawa 6th December 1895-

Mr. Inspector McColl now forwards to the Department a Surrender by the Chippewa and Saulteaux Band of Indians, resident on the St. Peter's Reserve of portions of River Lots 88 and 89 of that Reserve in order that the same may be sold, and as this Surrender has not been attested as required by the Indian Act, it will be necessary to return it for amendment, but before doing so, I would like to know whether any arrangement or agreement was come to with Mr. Murdoch Mc Ivor on your recent visit to that Reserve, whereby he was to receive, upon paying for the land surrendered, a grant of wood Lots. It may be stated that in the previous correspondence on this File, the Nos of the Lots claimed as wood lots by Mr. McIvor are 130, 145 and 156, whereas in letter from Mr. Agent Muckle to Mr. Inspector McColl of the 12th August last, the wood lots stated to be claimed by Mr. McIvor are Nos 145 and 156. I would refer the Minister to the latter portion of Letter to Mr. Inspector McColl of the 1st June last which reads as follows;-"It would "seem reasonable that if these wood lots were held in bona "fide connection with improved and occupied farms on the other "side of the River, the holders or those who purchased from them "should get Patents, and the Department is disposed to view such "tenure as valid, but the question has arisen whether claims to "such wood lots have not been otherwise compensated for and "extinguished, and correspondence as to this is pending with the "Department of the Interior."

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C

Special Notice 15-4-96

E. McColl Esq
Insp. of Ind. Agencies
Winnipeg
Man.
February 25th 1896.

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT
INSTEAD REQUIRED

CORRESPONDENCE
FEB 24 1896
BRANCH

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your
45150 letter of 28th Nov last, transmitting
surrender of lands ~~on the~~ for the purpose
of sale to Mr. McIvor -
also letter from Mr Agent Muckle
in which he says that McIvor is willing
to pay for the lands surrendered, provided
he receive ~~a~~ patents for his two wood
lots No 145 and 156, which he claims
under the Manitoba act, as having been
purchased by non-treaty men before
the transfer; and in reply to point out
the following

In the first place attention is directed to
your statement in your letter of 16th May
43836 last, in which you say that McIvor claims
Lots 130 and 145, also lot 156, and the
Dept. would like to be informed whether

McIvor

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

3618

McIvor has relinquished his claim to Lot 130.

As to Lot 156. Dept. can only repeat what it said to you in its letter of 1st June last, viz. that the Dept. knows nothing of it more than what was stated by yourself in your letter of 16th May already referred to, ~~and that~~ and that it does not appear to have been brought to the notice of the Commissioners who investigated such claims, and of course it could not be entertained without searching investigation ~~and~~ which would probably involve no small amount of trouble without any very satisfactory result, even were it deemed advisable to entertain at this distance of time, claims which were not presented to the Commissioners.

As to Lot 145. Since Mr Agent Muckle's reports in his letter No 71 & 2 of 9th March 1885. transmitted under your semi-official communication of 16th May following, that Wm Leask received ~~the~~ scrip in lieu of the outer 2 miles in connection with Lot 100. and McIvor claims to have purchased from P.R. Young who purchased from Leask, the Dept. can not see how it can possibly entertain the claim. As you are aware the Dept. decided

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

AK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

36197

decided ~~was willing~~ to recognise the claims to wood lots ~~class~~ enumerated in schedule D. attached to the Commr's report, on account of bona fide and necessary occupation in connection with farms on the West side of the River, until it discovered that they had been extinguished by the Dept. of the Interior's grant of the outer two miles or of scrip in lieu there-of.

The Dept. has made no small exertion to give effect to the Commissioners' recommendation that Mr McIvor should be ~~treated~~ exceptionally with regard to the lands ~~for~~ of which surrender has been obtained and does not see why a final settlement should be complicated by the introduction of claims ~~of~~ which ~~are~~ belong to other & distinct classes, and if Mr McIvor attaches any such value to his improvements as he placed upon them when there was a question of purchasing them, he will doubtless see how greatly to his advantage it will be to close the matter at once, & will have only himself to blame should fresh complication arise in consequence of his delay to do so.

(sgd) Hester Rull
D. L. Gofsh

See list in Mr McColl of 24 Jany 1895 File 4646 1A

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646c

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa 27th February 1896-

Sir-

Referring to your letter of the 28th November last, enclosing a Surrender by the St. Peters' Band of parts of Lots Nos 88 and 89 on the St. Peter's Reserve, I have to return the same to you in order that an Affidavit of execution may be made thereto on the blank formattached, by yourself or the Agent, whichever witnessed the signature, in accordance with Section 39 of the Indian Act, sub Section "B", before a Judge of a Superior Court County or District Court or a Stipendiary Magistrate. You will be good enough to have this matter attended to as soon as possible and return the Surrender to the Department.

Your obedient servant

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

WAD

E. McColl, Esq-
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg-
Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

133405

4646-C
red

Sec'y Ds

Ladder Ef O.K.

have Surrender accepted

DC

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 13 1896

Manitoba Superintendency,

In your reply refer to
No. 45870
also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,
Winnipeg, March 9th 1896

Sir,

4646C

BRANCH
MAR 14 1896

Referring to your letter of the 27th ultimo enclosing the Surrender by the St Peters Band of Parts of Lots No 88. and on the St Peters Reserve, I have the honor to return the same together with my affidavit of execution made thereto before a Judge of the County Court in accordance with Sec. 39. of the Indian Act. Sub Section B.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
E. McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies

Sec'y's Ds
Surrender in due form
& copy to be enclosed herewith
WOD

The Deputy
Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

8

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

133862

4646/C

133862

Ottawa, 10th March, 1886.

His Excellency

The Governor General in Council.

The undersigned has the honour to submit herewith a surrender, made by the Chippewas and Salteaux Indians resident upon the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, in the Province of Manitoba, of a portion of land on their reserve, containing 77 1/5 acres, with a view to the same being sold for their benefit.

The surrender has been assented to, executed and attested in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 39 of the Indian Act; and the undersigned would respectfully recommend that the same be accepted by Your Excellency in Council, as required by that Section; the certified copy thereof, which is placed herewith, to be kept of record in the Privy Council office, and the original to be returned to the Department of Indian Affairs.

Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

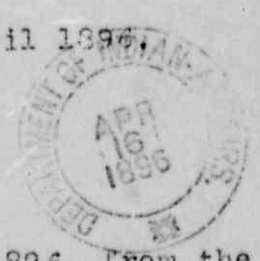
Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1102. 139675 4646 "C" Red

Extract from a Report of the Committee of the Honourable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency on the 1st April 1896.





--------- ooo ---------

On a memorandum dated 19th March 1896, from the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, submitting herewith a surrender, made by the Chippewas and Salteaux Indians resident upon the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, in the Province of Manitoba, of a portion of land on their Reserve, containing 77 1/5 acres, with a view to the same being sold for their benefit.

The Minister states that the surrender has been assented to, executed and attested in accordance with the provisions of Section 39, of the Indian Act.

The Minister recommends that the same be accepted, as required by that Section; the certified copy thereof, which is placed herewith, to be kept of record in the Privy Council Office, and the original to be returned to the Department of Indian Affairs.

The Committee submit the same for Your Excellency's approval.

John J. McGee

Clerk of the Privy Council.

The Honourable

The Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

P. C. 1102

Certified copy of a Report of the Committee of the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General on the 1st April, 1896

On a Memorandum dated 19th March, 1896, from the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, submitting herewith a surrender, made by the Chippewas and Salteaux Indians resident upon the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, in the Province of Manitoba, of a portion of land on their reserve, containing 77-1/5 acres, with a view to the same being sold for their benefit.

The Minister states that the surrender has been assented to, executed and attested in accordance with the provisions of Section 39 of the Indian Act.

The Minister recommends that the same be accepted, as required by that Section; the certified copy thereof, which is placed herewith, to be kept of record in the Privy Council Office, and the original to be returned to the Department of Indian Affairs.

The Committee submit the same for Your Excellency's approval.

Clerk of the Privy Council.

The Honourable
The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 "C"

ICH
Apr 21 1896

Ottawa 20th April 1896

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith for registration in the books of the Registrar General's Branch of your Department a Surrender made by the Chippewas and Salteaux Indians resident upon the St Peter's Indian Reserve, in the Province of Manitoba, of a portion of land on that Reserve, containing 77 1-5 acres, with a view to the same being sold for their benefit; which surrender was accepted by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 1st Instant.

Be good enough to return the Instrument to this Department as soon as possible with a certificate of registration endorsed thereon.

Your obedient servant,
(SGD) HAYTER REED

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Joseph Pope Esq
~~J.A. Catellier Esq.,~~
acting Under Secretary of State
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C
140017 Vol

DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 22 1896

CANADA

Ottawa, 21 April, 1896.

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO
LETTER NO. 1897
FILE NO. 3684.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20 inst. enclosing, for registration, a deed of surrender made by the Chippewa and Salteaux Indians with respect to a portion of land situate on the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, and to state that the matter shall receive attention.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant.

Acting Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Superintendent General of
Indian affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646C-

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa 22nd April 1896-

Sir-

I beg to inform you that the Surrender of 77-1/5 acres of land on the St. Peters Reserve,with a view to the same being sold to Mr. Murdoch McIvor,has been accepted by His Excellency in Council,but no further action can be taken thereon pending the receipt of a reply to Departmental letter of the 25th of February last.

Your obedient servant

(SGD) HAYTER REED

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs-

E.McColl,Esq-

Inspector of Indian Agencies-

Winnipeg-

Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646 c

red

Exd.

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 46210 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, April 20th 1896

140069

Sir,

In reply to your special notice of April 15th instant I have the honor to inform you that upon receipt of your letter of the 25th February last, I have written agent Muckles to furnish the desired information, but upon to date have not received it. I have again this day written him again requesting him to furnish immediately the information asked, and as soon as received will forward it to you.

I have the honor to be Sir;
Your obt. servant
Emerson
I. I. A.

No. 4646 c

The Deputy
Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-C

Winnipeg 23rd April 1896

Forwarded for the information of the Department. Re Official letter 25/2/96

E. McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

4646 C

140217

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. APR 28 1896 WINNIPEG, MAN.

Indian Office
CLANDEBOYE AGENCY.
16th April 1896.

Sir

I have the honor in answer to your favor of the 1st inst in regard to Mr McIvors claim to land within the St Peter's Reserve, as bried for a paper to be signed by Mr McIvor relinquishing his claim to lot 130, & again I beg to state that I can do nothing with him, he puts me off from day to day.

I would suggest that I be allowed to frighten him (as it would be for his own good) by taking a constable and threatening to evict him when I feel certain that he will sign any necessary papers.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. H. Muckle
Indian Agent

E McColl Esq.
Inspr Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg.
Man.

Mr C. I dont see that answered your letter of the 25 Ult. Of course this Branch will not hand [illegible] for [illegible] view of [illegible]

4.6.04
7.3.02

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 c
red

140317

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 1896

In your reply refer to
No. 46272
also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, April 27th 1896.

Sir,

4646c

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant informing me that the surrender of 77 1/5 acres of land on the St Peters Reserve, with a view to the same being sold to Mr. Murdock McIvor, has been accepted by His Excellency in Council, and with regard to the conclusion of your letter I beg to refer you to Mr. Agent Muckle's last communication, forwarded to the Department on the 23rd instant, I may mention however that I have again written to Mr Muckle to see Mr Mudock McIvor and try to

75 71

The Deputy
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

1/1

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

14057

to effect a settlement of this matter in accordance with Departmental letter of the 28th of February last

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
E. Dewdney
Inspector of Indian Agencies

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

E. McColl Esq.
Insp. of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg

Ottawa
May 5th 1896

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

ANSWER REQUIRED

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 27th ult. and of ~~transmitting copy of~~ one from the Agent Muskeg dated 16th & transmitted by you on 23rd ult. and in reply to inform you that the Dept does not deem it advisable by the adoption of the Agent's suggestions to run the risk of placing itself in the position of having ~~made~~ threatened to evict Mr. McKay, unless it shall fully determined, which it has not, in the event of the threat failing of its intended effect, to proceed to carry it into execution.

The Dept. notes the further instruction given to the Agent, and has requested you to be kind enough to see that none of the points touched

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

upon in its letter of 25th February last are overlooked, in any arrangement which may be come to with Mr. [illegible],

(SGD) HAYTER REED

D. S. G. of I. A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-C

141371

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 23 1896

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
CANADA

Ottawa, 22nd May, 1896 /89

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO
LETTER NO. 2260
FILE NO. 2684.

Enq.

LANDS BRANCH
MAY 23 1896

Sir,

Adverting to your letter of the 20th ultimo, No. 4646 " C," I beg to return to you, herewith, Deed of Surrender made by Chippewas and Salteaux Indians, with the requisite certificate of registration endorsed thereon.

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

Under Secretary of State.

Encl^d
No 375

The Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

141527 4646 C/red

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 1 1896

Manitoba Superintendency,

In your reply refer to No. 46463 also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, May 26th 1896

File
SSG

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that in a letter dated the 23rd instant in reply to my letter of the 29th of February last, asking for information relative to the enquiries contained in your letter of the 25th of February last, Mr. agent Muckle says that he "saw Mr. McIvor twice and that he would do nothing in regard to his land". I also saw Mr. McIvor a few days ago and he insisted on his claim

The Deputy
Supt General
of Indian affairs
Ottawa

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

141577

to Lots 130, 145 and 156.
I have the honour
to be, Sir,
Your obt Servt
Duncan
J. J. A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 27 May 1899. *189*

184984

46460.

43432

Sir,

Referring to Department's letter of the 22nd. April 1896 addressed to Mr. Inspector McColl, and to Mr. McColl's letter of the 26th. May 1896, relative to the lands surrendered by the St. Peter's Band of Indians for the purpose of sale to Mr. Murdock McIvor, I beg to report that the Indians are pressing for a settlement of this question, and I would request you to kindly instruct me in the matter.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

SECRETARY TO THE INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10

187278

G.P.) Ref.4646-C.B.Indian Dept.

Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, 14th June, 1899.

Memorandum:-

You ask to be informed to what the letter of Mr. J. B. Lash, Secretary to the Indian Commissioner, dated the 27th ultimo, relates .

Murdock McIvor is one of those claims upon which Messrs. McCaul and Whitcher some years ago investigated and reported upon, being in the Parish of St. Peter,(St. Peter's Indian Reserve) H.O.Ref.325959.

This claim, along with many others reported upon by the Commissioners, was not dealt with by this Department owing to a protest made by the Department of Indian Affairs. The subject of these claims is now undergoing investigation by Mr. Rothwell, and nothing can be done until he has time to look into it.

Rothwell

James A. Smart, Esq.,
Deputy Minister
of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10

Address your reply
to the Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to the letter quote its file number.

G.S. 187278

LETTER
FILE 325959

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 19 1899

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 17th July, 1899.

Sir,

I am directed to return herewith file No. 4646 C.B. of your Department to which is attached a letter addressed to you on the 27th May last, by Mr. J. B. Lash, Secretary to the Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg in the following words :-

"Referring to Department's letter of the "22nd. April 1896 addressed to Mr. Inspector "McColl, and to Mr. McColl's letter of the 26th. "May 1896, relative to the lands surrendered by "the St. Peter's Band of Indians for the purpose "of sale to Mr. Murdock McIvor, I beg to report "that the Indians are pressing for a settlement "of this question, and I would request you to "kindly instruct me in the matter."

Enc.

To the enclosed file is also attached a Memorandum, dated the 14th ultimo from the Chief Clerk of Patents to the Deputy Minister, in which it is stated that all claims to lands in St. Peters are now undergoing investigation by Mr. Rothwell, Law Clerk of this Department.

I am to say to you that owing to pressure of other work entrusted to him Mr. Rothwell has not been able to complete his consideration of the above men- - tioned -

J. D. McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Dept. of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

LAND BRANCH
JUL 20 1899

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

187278

mentioned claims, but that he will do so as soon as possible.

I am , Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/C.B.

Ottawa 21st July 1899-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 27th May last,No 128/28,relative to the land surrendered by the St.Peters Band for the purpose of sale to Mr.Murdock McIvor,I beg to inform you that this matter has been referred to Mr.Rothwell,Law Clerk of the Interior Department,but owing to pressure of other work,he has not been able to complete his consideration thereof,but will do so as soon as possible.

Your obedient servant

A STEWART

Asst. Secretary

WAD

J.B.Lash,Esq.,

Sec.To the Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg-

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 CB 211016

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg, 29 Mch. 1901.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 2 1901

In your reply refer to
No. I28/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Laird

4646/CB

LAND BRANCH APR 3 1901

Sir,

Referring to Department's letter of the 21st.July I899, relative to the land surrendered by the St.Peter's Band for the purpose of sale to Mr.Murdock McIvor, will you kindly inform me whether this matter has received the consideration of the Law Clerk of the Department of the Interior, and if a decision has been arrived at by the Department.

I may say that the Chief and Councillors of the St. Peter's Band have repeatedly asked to be advised of what action the Department intends to take in this matter, and yesterday they called at this office and said that McIvor claims the land and will not pay for it. The Indians state that if McIvor does not pay for the land in question they want the surrender cancelled and the land restored to the reserve.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM

36197

4646/CB

Hx'd.

Ottawa 3rd April 1901-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 29th Ultimo, No 128-28, relative to the land in the St.Peters Reserve claimed by Mr.Murdoch McIvor, I beg to inform you that no report has, as yet, been received by the Department from the Law Clerk of the Department of the Interior.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

J.D. McLEAN

Secretary.-

The Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg,

Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 @ dc

Ack'd. on Form "A" 18.6.1903 H.G.O.

P.O. Box 1364.

Perdue & Rothwell,
Barristers,
Solicitors,
Notaries, Etc.

W.E. Perdue.
S.J. Rothwell.

Suite 32 & 33 Canada Life Building

Winnipeg, Manitoba. June 9th 1903

244091

LAND BRANCH JUN 15 1903

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 13 1903

The Hon. Frank Pedley,

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

OTTAWA.

Dear Sir;-

re McIver.

We write you with respect to the patent to lots 130 & 145 of the Parish of St Peters, and to know if the patent cannot issue to these properties in the name of Murdoch McIver of Peguis Post Office in the Parish of St Peters, Farmer. McIver obtained a deed of same from Peter R. Young, merchant in the parish of St Andrews, Manitoba as far back as April, 1875. Young in turn had obtained a deed of same from William Leask in September, 1873. Please look into this matter and advise us whether patent could issue to Murdoch McIver, and if not what evidence is neccessary to be furnished as to his title before patent could issue. We would be obliged if you could look into this matter add write us as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

Perdue & Rothwell

I would recommend upreme of this matter to Pres Clerk

18.6.03

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

File 4646 CB.

234170

The Deputy
Superintendent General.

De McIver.

11 | 2 | 15

According to Mr. Goodeve's memorandum of 14th June, 1899, to the Deputy Minister of the Interior the claim of Murdoch McIver is one of those undergoing investigation by Mr. Rothwell the Law Clerk. I cannot very well advise on the matter until it is known what the result of Mr. Rothwell's report is and what action has been taken thereon.

AD BRANCH. FEB 11 1904

Law Clerk.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C. old

Office of the

265502

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 5th October 1904.

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Reply to Kindly let me have file re Surrender
A. Ogden

4646 C

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OCT 8 1904

Sir,-

4646/CB

The Council of St. Peter's Band are anxious that the McIvor claim should be finally disposed of. I remember reporting upon it some years ago, but cannot recollect the details. I understand that a surrender was subsequently made by the Indians, and that patent was to issue to McIvor upon his paying a certain amount.

Your obedient servant,

J. A. McNeill

Asst. Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

36197

46446C.B.-

P.XIII

OTTAWA, 12th October, 1904-

Sir-

In reply to letter of the 5th Instant, No 120-28, regarding McIver claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve, I beg to enclose copy of a communication addressed the late Inspector McColl, on the 25th February 1896, and copy of his reply of the 26th May same year, which will give you position of matter, there being no further correspondence in connection therewith.

Your obedient servant

S. STEWART

ASST. SECRETARY.

The Indian Commissioner,

WINNIPEG,

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. FORM 2B

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

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 the said Company shall not be liable for damages arising from failure to transmit or deliver, or for 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 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 charges for repeating 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.

B. S. JENKINS, Gen. Supt., Winnipeg, Man.
J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.
W. J. CAMP, Supt., Montreal, Que.
A. W. BARBER, Supt., Toronto, Ont.

JAS. KENT,
Manager Telegraphs, Montreal.

SENT NO.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	TIME SENT	TIME FILED	File 4646-CB

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

OTTAWA, 11th. February, 1905.

Hon. D. Laird,
Winnipeg.

If Mr. McIver is occupying Lot you may issue Permit to him for twenty five cords for fuel without prejudice to existing claims.

Charge D.I.A.

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender under these conditions.

J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.
B. S. JENKINS, Gen. Supt., Winnipeg, Man.
A. W. BARBER, Supt., Toronto, Ont.
JNO. F. RICHARDSON, Supt., Montreal, Que.
P. W. SNIDER, Supt., St. John, N.B.

JAS. KENT,
Manager Telegraphs, Montreal.

A. 140 Ra.Jo. Z. 4.53-p.m.. 270769

40-Collect.

Winnipeg. Man. Feb 10.

Sec'y.. Dep't.. Indian Affairs. OTTAWA.

Reference four thousand six hundred and forty six C. B. of twelfth October last Colin McIvor wishes permit cut twenty five cords wood for his own use as fuel on lot one hundred and fifty six can I grant.

D. Laird.

LAND BRANCH. FEB 11 1905

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-C B

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. I28/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

271645 Winnipeg, 2 March 1905.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 5 1905

4646/CB

Lands

Sir,

I beg to refer to your letter of the 3rd. April 1901 and previous correspondence relative to the land in the St. Peter's Reserve claimed by Mr. Murdoch McIver, and to state that the Council of the Band is constantly pressing for a definite answer as to the settlement of this disputed claim. I would be glad if the question could be taken up by the Law Clerk of the Department of the Interior at an early date, with a view to closing the transaction.

LAND BRANCH
MAR 8 1905

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

Secretary,
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646C.B.

Ex'd.

OTTAWA, 10th March, 1905-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 2nd Instant No 128-28, regarding land on the St. ~~Regis~~ Pelees Reserve claimed by Murdoch McIvor, I beg to enclose copy of a communication addressed the late Inspector McColl on the 25th February 1896 and to say that no further action appears to have been taken in this matter. I may say that a surrender was given by the Indians in 1895, covering portions of River Lots 88 and 89, containing 77-1/5 acres, with a view to the same being sold to Mr. McIvor.

I should be pleased if you could take the matter up with Mr. McIvor and favour the Department with your views as to the best mode of settlement of claims made by him.

Your obedient servant

FRANK PEDLEY

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
WINNIPEG,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C B

FORM 1B

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender under these conditions.

J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.
B. S. JENKINS, Gen. Supt., Winnipeg, Man.
A. W. BARBER, Supt., Toronto, Ont.
JNO. F. RICHARDSON, Supt., Montreal, Que.
P. W. SNIDER, Supt., St. John, N.B.
JAS. KENT, Manager Telegraphs, Montreal.

2502

272071

A 195 Rx U C, 57 Collect Winnipeg Man Mar 13 th

Secy Dept Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, Ont.

Reference four thousand six hundred and forty six C B tenth inst Colin McIvor who now claims to hold lot one hundred and fifty six from his Father Murdoch , refuses to stop cutting wood thereon . Shall I employ constable to seize wood and remain in charge . Reply at once as he says will haul away tomorrow .

D Laird.

7p.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. FORM 25

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

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 the said Company shall not be liable for damages arising from failure to transmit or deliver, or for 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 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 charges for repeating 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.

B. S. JENKINS, Gen. Supt., Winnipeg, Man.
J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.
W. J. CAMP, Supt., Montreal, Que.
A. W. BARBER, Supt., Toronto, Ont.
JAS. KENT, Manager Telegraphs, Montreal.

SENT NO.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	TIME SENT	TIME FILED	CHECK
					File 4646 C.B.

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

Hon.David Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

WINNIPEG, Man.

OTTAWA,14th March '05

Seize wood cut by Colin McIvor on Lot 156 St.Peters Reserve and place under guardianship. Wrote you in this matter on Tenth Instant.

WRD

☞ READ CONDITIONS AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Office of the 4646 C B

272360

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 16 March 1905.

MAR 20 1905

80107

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

4646 C.B.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of Department's letter of the 10th. instant enclosing copy of a letter addressed to the late Inspector McColl on the 25th. February 1896, regarding land in the St. Peter's Reserve claimed by Murdoch McIvor, and stating that no further action appears to have been taken in the matter; also requesting me to take the matter up with Mr. McIvor and give my views as to the best mode of settlement of claims made by him. In reply I would refer you to Department's letters of the 17th. March 1898, 18th. Nov. 1898, 4466/IA 21st. July 1899, 3rd. April 1901, wherein this office was informed that all the papers in connection with McIvor's claim " 4646/C.B. had been sent to the Department of the Interior to be dealt " with by Mr. Rothwell, Law Clerk of that Department, and that I would be advised later. There seems to be points of law involved in connection with these claims and I am of the opinion that inasmuch as Mr. Rothwell has all the papers in his possession the consideration of the same should be left to him, and he should be requested to submit his report as soon as possible. As I have not in my possession the documents in support of these claims I fear, from what I learn, that I could not accomplish anything towards arriving at a satisfactory understanding were I to confer with Mr. McIvor in the matter. You will see by Mr. Inspector McColl's letter of the 26th. May 1896 to the Department that both himself and Agent Muckle could do nothing with McIvor, and that he insists on his claim to Lot 130, as well as to Lots 145 and 156.

Secretary,
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

272360

At any rate I am not in a position to discuss the matter with Mr. McIvor without the papers showing proof of his claims.

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

3619

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CORRESPONDENCE
JUN 10 1905
REGISTRATION BRANCH
OTTAWA

of J.319,05.

Enclosure.

Ottawa June 9,1905. 190

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith files Nos. 4666-C and 4646 C.B. of the Department of the Interior containing correspondence and other papers relating to the claim of one Murdoch McIvor to certain lots on the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, namely, Kots 130, 145 and 146 From the correspondence on file it appears that these claims were some years ago referred to the law clerk of your Department for investigation and report and there is nothing to show that any report has been made by him.

Before going into the matter I should be glad to learn from you whether the investigation by the law clerk has taken place and with what result.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

E.L. Newcombe.

D.M.J.

The Secretary

Department of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

1207351

JUN 12 1906 REGISTRATION BRANCH No 4

F 319/1905

Ottawa, 11th June 1906.

JUN 21 1906 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE RECEIVED OTTAWA

Sir,

I sent to you with my letter of 9th June, 1905, certain files of papers relating to the claim of one Murdoch McIvor to lots 130,145 and 146, St Peter's Indian Reserve, which had been referred to this department by the Department of Indian Affairs for advice. It appearing from the papers that the claim had some time previously been referred to the law clerk of your department for investigation and report, I, asked you to let me know whether such investigation had taken place, and if so, with what result at the same time sending for the papers.

I have as yet received no answer to this letter and as the Department of Indian Affairs is pressing me for a report upon the reference I should be glad to hear from you as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

E. L. Newcombe.

Deputy Minister of Justice.

The Secretary,
Department of the Interior,
OTTAWA.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
CORRESPONDENCE
NOV 9 1906
REGISTRATION BRANCH

1301919

Ottawa, 7th November 1906.

F.
319/1905.
606/1906.

S i r;

Referring to my letters of 9th June,1905 and 11th June last on the subject of the claim of one Murdock McIvor to certain lots in the St Peter's Indian Reserve, I have the honour to request that you will return the papers sent to you with the earlier of these letters.The Department of Indian Affairs informs me that it is proposed to have the whole question of land claims on the St Peter's Reserve referred to commissioners,and that these papers will be required in connection with the proceedings before the commissioners.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your obedient servant,

Acting D. M. J.

The Secretary,
Department of the Interior,
O T T A W A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

139,441

Copy.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 3rd August, 1900.

Sir : -

I regret that it is not possible to give in a short report the information you ask for, in your memorandum under of the 25th ultimo, respecting claims by others than Indians to lands in the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, the settlement of the same having been a failure up to this date although many attempts have been made, from time to time, since 1885, in that direction. Indeed, I do not think that pressure with regard to these claims upon the Department by claimants who do not get all they have asked for, and by those behind them, will cease, unless some proper arrangement is made with the Indians, most of them being Halfbreeds, who now reside in the Reserve, whereby all the lands within its boundaries which have not already been patented or for which you may authorize patents to issue after you consider this report, may be dealt with by this Department, freed from all claims under the Indian Treaty.

The treaty referred to, under which this Reserve and others were established, was made and concluded upon the 3rd August, 1871. By such treaty the Indians, whose chiefs and headmen were parties to it, ceded to Her Majesty, the tracts of lands therein described, in consideration of the presents and benefits therein mentioned, including the establishment of reserves for the several bands of Indians whose chiefs and head men were parties to the treaty, as therein defined, the reserve for the St. Peter's Band being defined as follows : - "For the use of the Indians belonging to the band of which Henry Prince, otherwise called Mis-koo-ke-new, is the Chief, so much of land on both

The Honourable Clifford Sifton, sides
Minister of the Interior,
O t t a w a.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

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, " • • • " ; "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 (? for) 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."

A copy of the treaty is herewith, but I have thought it advisable to draw your particular attention to the portion quoted, because of the necessity of considering in this report the question of compensation to the St. Peter's Indians for lands now patented and which are within the bounds of their Reserve, and because the Commissioners, who in 1885 investigated claims by others than Indians to lands within this Reserve, the late Honourable Thomas White, in his Report to Council, of the 24th January, 1887, as Minister of the Interior, the late Deputy Minister of the Interior, Mr. Burgess, and others took the view that as a large number of Halfbreeds who had been living upon the Reserve accepting annuity withdrew from treaty on or about that year 1886 to obtain Halfbreed scrip, the area of lands to which the Indians would continue to be entitled was thereby diminished. Mr. VanKoughnet, Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and Mr. Hayter Reed, who succeeded him, took the position, which to me seems clear by the words quoted, that "the Reserve of an area proportionate to the number of souls therein at the time the treaty was negotiated was allotted to the band, and there and then became the property of the band in common, without reference to future augmentation or decrease in number. " The question having in 1896 been submitted to Mr. Newcombe, Deputy Minister

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Minister of Justice, he stated, in his letter of the 4th June of that year, that in his opinion the latter interpretation of the words quoted "is correct and under its terms the Indians of this band are entitled to have the area of their reserve made up to what it was before the lands granted to settlers were taken from it. " Copies of Mr. Newcombe's letter and of two other letters concerning this question are herewith. I have given prominence to it as it is clear from papers on file here, copies of several of the most important being submitted, herewith, that but for it, that is but for the necessity of compensating the Indians, letters-patent would have issued long ago for many of the parcels of land claimed.

It is evident from the early correspondence that the treaty gave great dissatisfaction to many persons who claimed lands within the Reserve, some by settlement, others by purchase, the purchase in many cases being from persons who were deemed to be "Indians" by both Departments. This dissatisfaction finally resulted, after strong pressure from the claimants and from others who interested themselves on their behalf, including the late Honourable John Norquay, in the appointment of Mr. McColl of the Indian Department and Mr. Whitcher of the Interior Department, as Commissioners in 1885, "to investigate and report upon all claims by others than Indians to lands in St. Peters."

The Honourable Mr. Norquay urged the settlement of the claims repeatedly, from 1883 to 1886 and in his letter of the 25th October, 1886, he advocated the adoption of "a course of equity rather than a strict adhesion to the law. "

By a Commission issued under the Order in Council of the 17th March, 1885, they were empowered to summon and examine witnesses under oath. The selection of these

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

these two officers was the result of correspondence between Mr. Burgess and Mr. VanKoughnet, but it will be seen by perusing Mr. Burgess' letter of the 17th March, 1884, and Mr. VanKoughnet's letters of the 1st April, 1884, and the 2nd June, 1884, which correspond, that the writers were strongly opposed in their views as to the nature of the claims. Copies of these three letters are herewith, although the two written by Mr. VanKoughnet correspond, and one only need to be read if you care to refer to them.

The original of Messrs. McColl and Whitcher's report, dated the 2nd June, 1885, is also attached to this file.

The cases considered were 130 in number, which they divided into four classes, and respecting which they reported their conclusions, respectively, as follows : -

" Schedule A. (15 folios) shews claims of
" others than Indians by actual occupancy at the date of
" Treaty satisfactorily established, and which we consider
" are under the Commission entitled to patents, the immed-
" iate issue of which we respectfully recommend.

" Schedule B. (44 folios) comprises claims
" held by Indians or halfbreeds who have been admitted to
" Treaty and are receiving annuities, or persons claiming
" through those parties; or that were unoccupied and unim-
" proved at date of Treaty, and which cannot therefore under
" the Commission be entertained.

" Schedule C. (6 folios) shews claims ac-
" quired from Indians (or Halfbreeds taking Treaty) subse-
" quent to date of Treaty, and which since they were so ac-
" quired have been continuously occupied and cultivated by
" the claimants, who have made considerable improvements
" thereon, but although under the terms of the Commission
" are not entitled to patents yet we consider are deserving
" of the most favourable consideration from the Government
" for compensation in scrip or otherwise for their improve-
" ments, estimates of the value of which are given in the
" schedules. But the claim of Murdoch McIvor being an ex-
" ceptional one, the circumstances in connection therewith
" we consider would justify the issue of a patent to him.
" Owing to the benefits accruing to the Band by his example
" as an industrious practical farmer and trader, the Indians
" have expressed their willingness to surrender their right
" to the land, if necessary, in order to enable the Govern-
" ment to grant him a patent.

" Schedule D. (8 folios) of lots which we
" beg respectfully to recommend should be patented to the
"

holders

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

" holders who were actual residents and occupants of farm
" lots on the west side of the river at the date of Treaty
" and have continued to be such, the same having been used
" by them as wood lots, and which are absolutely necessary
" to enable them to carry on their homestead operations.
" These lots have always been recognized by the settlers and
" Band as part of their property and are in fact indispens-
" able to them. It is understood that this recommendation
" is restricted to the claimants mentioned in this schedule.
" In view of any possible objection to the granting of these
" wood lots which the Indians may consider are being alien-
" ated from them, we may state that the Church authorities
" have intimated to us their willingness to sell to the Gov-
" ernment for the benefit of the Indians all the lands pat-
" ented to them, at about Five Dollars ($5.00) an acre sub-
" ject to the reservation of small portions around the
" Church buildings, which arrangement we feel assured would
" be satisfactory to the Indians as an equivalent for those
" lands. "

I think I should mention here that before Messrs. McColl and Whitcher held their investigation patents had issued in eleven instances, three being for claims classed by Messrs. McColl & Whitcher in "Schedule B," one classed in "Schedule C," and one in "Schedule D." A list of these eleven cases is herewith.

In his Report of the 24th January, 1887, of the late Honourable Mr. White, already referred to, which I have obtained from the Indian Department and which is herewith (Ref. 37594), he expressed views which had they been confirmed by Order in Council would have resulted in the settlement of not only all claims classed in Schedule "A" but also those in Schedule "C" and in Schedule "D". That claims classed in Schedule "B" should all be rejected upon the ground that title from an "Indian" was bad, appears to have been agreed to by the Minister and officers of both Departments.

Mr. White's report was referred to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs (the late Right Honourable Sir John Macdonald) for report. Sir John handed over the reference to Mr. Vankoughnet, who, by his report of the 8th March, 1887, (copy herewith) to use the words of the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the late Mr. Burgess in submitting it to Mr. White, "combats every proposition" contained in the Report to Council of the 24th January, 1887, except those in "Schedule A".

Mr. White and Mr. Burgess appear to have accepted the position so taken by the Indian Department as final, as although it is stated in a later letter from Mr. Burgess to Mr. Vankoughnet that patents would only issue for the cases in "Schedule A" and that the other cases would again be brought to the attention of Council, no further submission was made to Council. Mr. White directed the issue of patents for all cases in "Schedule A," and letters-patent were thereupon issued for all such cases, except two which I will make the subject of separate reports. These patentees were granted scrip to compensate them for hay and common rights, as although there was no "outer-two-miles" to the lands in "Schedule "A" which were patented, and which are situated on the west side of the river, Messrs. Smith, Pearce and Whitcher (vide copy herewith of Mr. Smith's letter to Mr. Burgess of the 15th May, 1886,) agreed that "the lands on the east side of the river were equivalent in all respects to the outer-two-miles in other Parishes," such lands on the east side of the river having been held apparently for wood and hay purposes only. It is further submitted by that letter that the claimants of lands on the west side of the river be offered the option of a patent for such lands and scrip, or in lieu of scrip, a patent for the two miles on the east side if available, "but that they should not under any circumstances receive patents for lands on both sides and also scrip in commutation of common right on the west side. "

The Indians protested against the issue of patents even for lands in "Schedule A" and very strongly

for

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

for lands in "Schedule D," and finally by letters from this Department, dated the 7th March, 1895, and 31st May, 1895, the Indian Department was informed that the lots in "Schedule D" would not be patented to the claimants because of the issue of scrip to them, and also that while it was "true that the late Mr. White recommended that patents for these lots should be issued by this Department such recommendation was not adopted by Council, and is therefore of no effect. "

Notwithstanding strong letters from Mr. W. J. Robinson and others no further action was taken until June, 1896, when at the instance of the then Minister of the Interior Messrs. Whitcher and McGirr made another investigation. A copy of their report is herewith, but as nothing is suggested in it as to the lands classed in Schedule "D" and as it will be necessary to report to you separately as to those claims to lands classed in Schedules "B" and "C", where the evidence respecting them, respectively, is sufficient to warrant that action, I simply refer to Messrs. Whitcher and McGirr's report here so that it may be known I have not overlooked it.

As to the lands in "Schedule D," I think that in view of the reports I have referred to, the claimants who have received patents for lands on the west side of the river and scrip, should be advised that upon returning, in scrip or cash, the amount of such scrip a free patent will be issued for the lot on the east side of the river. Several of the claimants and Mr. W. J. Robinson are pressing for free patents for these lands and scrip, but of course such a settlement cannot be made.

From what I have been informed as to the Reserve and its present members I consider, however, that it would be in their interest and in the public interest if an arrangement could be made with them in accordance with which

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

which they would surrender all lands in the Reserve to Her Majesty, those of them who would accept separate grants of land, and scrip for say $160.00 to heads and $240.00 to children to be given such grants, and the few who I understand will prefer to remain Indians, to be given a reserve elsewhere and to be given such wagons, animals and other presents as may be a fair consideration for their joining in the surrender. All claims to lands outside of a few I will report upon separately which I think can be dealt with at once, from the evidence on file here, can then be easily settled, and what lands remain could then be disposed of, the proceeds derived from their sale to form a fund for those members of the band who prefer to remain in treaty. In this way the few old people amongst them would receive very generous treatment, to which they are of course entitled.

I also consider that compensation should be made to the band for every acre of land that has been granted out of the Reserve since the treaty was concluded, and for every acre which may be granted, while the Reserve exists. This view is in accordance with the opinion of Mr. Newcombe, before referred to.

If you are favourable to my suggestion of obtaining a surrender of the Reserve, I may perhaps also suggest that this had better be entrusted to a Commission. The Commissioners might be selected from the present Half-breed Commissioners, Mr. McKenna, who knows all about Indian matters, to be one.

In closing my report I may refer to the judgment in the Exchequer Court in the matter of the Queen vs. Thomas rendered in 1890, of which a copy is herewith, as in dealing with a few of the cases in "Schedule B," I shall base my recommendation upon the fact to which attention

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

attention was drawn by the learned judge in that decision that "none of the Statutes of the Dominion relating to Indians and Indian affairs were in force in Manitoba prior to 1874." As it appears to have been a custom of the country in Manitoba at the time of the Treaty (15th July, 1870,) and some years afterwards, to recognize a sale by an Indian, and as many of the claimants to lands classed in "Schedule B" appear to have purchased in good faith from the Indian, William Prince, I think some of these claims should be allowed upon the evidence we have here, notwithstanding the reports and views before referred to in this report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

T. G. Rothwell,

Law Clerk, Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

4646 CB Rec

FORM 18

...an Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender under these conditions.

J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.
B. S. JENKINS, Gen. Supt., Winnipeg, Man.
A. W. BARBER, Supt., Toronto, Ont.
JNO. F. RICHARDSON, Supt., Montreal, Que.
P. W. SNIDER, Supt., St. John, N.B.

JAS. KENT,
Manager Telegraphs, Montreal.

273817 2540

A 202 Ra JO C,

Lands

58 Collect , Winnipeg Man Apr 18 th.

Frank Pedley,

Ottawa, Ont.

Respecting wood cut by Colin McIver on lot 156 StPeters reserve which you authorized to be seized by telegram of fourteenth ultimo is Month allowed by sixty sixth section of Indian act has passed and no notice of Claim has been given by him to agent I advise that you order wood to be sold .

D Laird.

6,32pm,

LAND BRANCH APR 20 1905

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646 C.B.

M E M O R A N D U M

To the Deputy Minister-

OTTAWA, 22nd March, 1905-

In view of communication from Mr.Laird, of the 16th Instant, I think possibly it might be well to submit the papers in connection with Murdoch McIvor's claim to land on the St.Peter's Reserve to the Department of Justice for advice thereon.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C.B.
Read

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

In your reply refer to No. 12828 and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 3rd. June 1905.

875946

4646 C.B.

LAND BRANCH. JUN 7 1905

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 20th. April last, regarding the wood cut by Colin McIvor, on Lot 156, St. Peter's Reserve, and advising me that the papers in regard to McIvor's claim to that lot had been submitted to the Department of Justice for decision, I beg to request you to kindly advise me if a decision has been given in regard to this claim. The wood seized is under the charge of a constable and it is advisable that it should either be released soon or sold, as the expenses will run up to much more than the wood is worth.

Your obedient servant,

D Laird

Indian Commissioner.

Secretary,
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-C.B.Ty.

Ex'd.

OTTAWA, 8th June, 1905-

Sir-

Referring to letter addressed you on the 27th March last as to claim by Colin McIvor to Lots on the St.Peter's Indian Reserve, I beg to say that the Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg advises that the wood which was cut on Lot 156 , St.Peter's Reserve, and which is under seizure and under charge of a Constable, should either be released soon or sold, as the expenses will run up to much more than the wood is worth.

I should be pleased to be advised as to whether, pending decision as to claim, the Department would be justified, under the circumstances, in disposing of the wood and holding proceeds, after payment of expenses, until the matter is decided.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

SECRETARY.

The Deputy Minister of Justice,
OTTAWA,
Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 CB 2-1

Immediate

Ottawa Jun 9,1905. 190

D.of J. 319,05.

276233

Sir

I have thehonour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 8th instant with respect to the claim of Colin McIvor to certain lots on St. Peter's Indian Reserve as to whihh claim you ask the advice of this Department in your letter of the 27th March last.

With regard to the claims generally I may say that having observed from the papers that McIvor's claims had been referred to Mr. Rothwell the law clerk of the Department of the Interior for investigation and report some years ago, I have written to that Department asking whether such investigation has been had, and if so with what result, and I propose to await a reply before going into the question involved myself.

In your letter now under acknowledgment you state that the Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg advises that the wood which was cut on Lot 156 on the Reserve and which is under seizure and under charge of the constable should either be released soon or sold as the expenses will run up to much more than thewood is worth and you ask to be advised as to whether pending decision as to claim your Department would be justified under the circumstances in disposing of the wood and holding the proceeds after payment of expenses until the matter id decided.

The Secretary
Departmentof Indian Affairs.

JUN 12 1905

LAND BRANCH. JUN 13 1905

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In reply I beg to state that with regard to this seizure the papers disclose only that there has been a seizure of wood reported to have been cut by McIvor on Lot No. 156which the Indian Commissioner in his telegram of 13th March states that McIvor now claims to hold from his father Murdoch. This lot is not one of those mentioned in your letter of the 27th March but I observe from the papers that it is claimed by him as a wood lot. The papers do not show and you do not state whether McIvor gave the notice to the seizing officer for which section 66 of the Indian Act provides. If he did not then the land being claimed by theDepartment to be part of the Reserve I think the officers may proceed to sell the wood. If the notice has been given it would appear proper that proceedings should be taken for its condemnation with theprovisions of the Act.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

E. L. Newcombe.

Deputy Minister of Justice.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646C.B.ty.

Ex'd.

OTTAWA, 14th June, 1905.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 3rd instant No. 128-28 and previous correspondence relating to wood cut by Colin McIvor on lot 156 St. Peter's Reserve, I beg to inform you that it has been decided to sell the wood that was seized on the best terms obtainable, and you will have the goodness to take the necessary steps in the matter.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

276670

I William J Douglass
Selkirk
Constable

E. F. Comber
Selkirk
Broker

1. I or We and name in full. If there is a partnership the names in full of all the partners must be given, and the words "*doing business under the name and style of*" and the name of the firm should be added. In the case of an incorporated company the power of attorney should begin with the full name of the company.

2. Insert place of residence.

3. Insert occupation.

4. Name of Attorney in full.

5. Insert place of residence of the Attorney and his occupation.

6. My or our.

7. Me or us.

8. My or our.

9. All the parties who join in giving the power of attorney must sign. If it is given by a partnership or firm each partner or member of the firm must sign, and in the case of a company, besides signatures of the proper officers, the seal of the company must be attached.

of

hereby appoint

my lawful Attorney, to receive from the Receiver General of the Dominion of Canada, or other person authorized to pay the same, all such sum or sums of money as are now due, or may hereafter become due, and payable to me by the Government of the Dominion of Canada, and to give a receipt or receipts for the same, hereby revoking and cancelling all powers of Attorney at any time heretofore made by me for the same or any like purposes.

WITNESS my hand, at Selkirk this 9th day of May one thousand nine hundred and five

EXECUTED IN PRESENCE OF James Smith } Wm J Douglass

N.B.—No addition to the printed terms of this authority will be permitted. When the intention is to authorize a bank to receive money, the power of attorney should be in favour of such bank, and not in favour of its manager.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 26 June 1905.

277007

In your reply refer to No. 128/28 and date of this letter and address Hon. David Laird, Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg, Man.

276670

1
2

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 29 1905 SEC.

ACCOUNTANTS JUN 30 1905 BRANCH

LAND BRANCH JUN30 1905

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 2Ist. instant enclosing voucher No.II0 in favor of Constable W. J. Douglas, amounting to $I35.00, for services "in watching wood" on the St. Peter's Reserve from the I5th. March to the I5th. instant, I beg to inform you that Mr. Douglas was engaged in accordance with instructions contained in telegram of the I4th. March last from the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs to take charge of wood cut by Colin McIvor on Lot I56, St. Peter's Reserve, that had been seized. On the I8th. April last I telegraphed the Deputy Superintendent General that as the month allowed by the 66th. Section of the Indian Act had passed since date of seizure and no notice of claim had been given by McIvor to the Agent, I advised that the wood be ordered to be

4646C.B. sold. On the 20th. April you answered that telegram stating that the papers in regard to McIvor's claim to Lot I56 had been submitted to the Department of Justice, and that it would be well not to make any disposition of the wood until the question of claim had been settled. On the 3rd. instant I again wrote you advising the sale or release of the wood in question, and on the I4th. in-

4646C.B.Ty. stant you informed me that it had been decided to sell the wood that was seized on the best terms obtainable, and I immediately instructed Mr. Agent Lewis to sell it by

Secretary,
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Public Auction after giving a week's notice. I herewith return Mr. Douglas' account.

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 C.B. Ty

Ottawa, 3rd July, 1905.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 26th ~~inst~~ ultimo, I have to request that you will report whether the wood therein referred to which was cut by Colin McIver on lot 156, St Peter's Reserve, was sold, and if so what was the amount realized from the sale. If a sale has been effected you should also state when the Department may expect to recive a remittance ~~xxxxx~~ on account of the same.

Your obedient servant.

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.

Hon. D. Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

278685

Office of the 4646 C.B.Ty

278685

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 22 July 1905.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 25 1905
ACCOUNTANT'S BRANCH
JUL 26 1905

4646 C.B.Ty.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 3rd. instant, I beg to inform you that the wood which was cut by Colin McIvor in trespass on Lot No. 156, St. Peter's Reserve, was sold by Mr. Agent Lewis on the 5th. instant by public auction. Mr. Lewis states that there was spirited competition and the wood was finally sold en bloc to Mr. Jas. Flett, Postmaster at Peguis, at $1.35 per cord. The estimated quantity was 20 cords and Mr. Flett promised to remit the proceeds of the sale to Mr. Lewis at once. The latter has been instructed to make the remittance as soon as he receives the amount to the Department.

Your obedient servant,

Indian Commissioner.

Secretary,
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/ C B Ty

Hixa.

Ottawa, 8th August, 1905.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the Department was advised on the 22nd ultimo, that the wood which was ~~seized~~ cut by Colin McIver in trespass on lot No 156, St Peter's Reserve was sold by you at auction, and that it was purchased by Mr Jas. Flett, Postmaster, Peguis at $1.35 per cord, and that the estimated quantity of wood was 20 cords. The Department desires to know whether you have been paid as yet. If not, what is the delay. The money when received should be transmitted to Headquarters.

Your obedient servant.

Secretary.

J.O. Lewis, Esqr,
Indian Agent,
West Selkirk, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

281570

Selkirk SEP 26 1905

Sept. 21st 1905 190

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 1/2
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

Ref.: Your Letter Aug. 8th 1905 190 No. 4646/ C B Ty

1 Cert
2

Sir.

I herewith enclose $24.30, being the amount for 18 cords of wood, at $1.35 per cord, which I sold, by Public auction, at Peguis, St. Peters Reserve, on the 5th of July, 1905.

This wood was seized on Lot 156, St. Peters Reserve, on the 14th of March ulto. Having been illegally cut by Colin McIver,

I have had some diffiwulty in settling this. The wood was seized in the bush, and was in 32 small piles. Some of it was in a heap. rather than a pile, just as it was cut, and thrown down by the chopper. I was given to understand, by Constable Douglas, and by Mr. Sutherland, who was a Clerk in this office at the time, that there would be about twenty cords. Mr. Flett disputed this, and we have since piled it up, and found hardly 18 cords. However Mr. Flett has paid me for 18 full cords.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

J. D. Lewis

Indian Agent.

The Secretary.

Department of Indian Affairs.

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER. WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL NAME AND ADDRESS.

4646

Department of the Interior

300568

NOV 6 1906

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."

Canada.

IN YOUR REPLY
PLEASE QUOTE THIS
FILE No. 139441

Ottawa, 5th November, 1906.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the Minister has decided to take the necessary steps for the appointment of a Commission, under the provisions of Chapter 114, R.S.C., to hold an investigation with regard to all claims to lands within the St. Peters Indian Reserve, and to report for the information of Council what action will be necessary to settle these claims, and matters which may arise in connection with their settlement.

It is understood here that most of the "Indians" who now reside in the Reserve are really Half-breeds, and that they would prefer to be dealt with as Half-breeds and that they and the few full blooded Indians who now occupy this Reserve with them as Treaty Indians would willingly execute the necessary surrender — the full blooded Indians to be given compensation for all lands surrendered and a reserve elsewhere and the Half-breeds to be given scrip and patents for the small parcels of land in the Reserve they, respectively reside upon.

The Minister, therefore, desires you to get ready to be handed over to the Commissioner or Commissioners who may be appointed in this matter, all files

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

300568

files of papers, plans or other records of your Department which in any way relate to the affairs of this Reserve.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/CB

Mr. Bray
re his plans

Ottawa, November 7, 1906.

Sir,-

I beg to refer to communication addressed you on the 27th of March 1905, inclosing files of correspondence of this Department Nos. 4646/C and 4646/CB, regarding claim to lots on the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, and, as it is proposed to have the whole question of land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve handed over to commissioners to be appointed before whom it would be necessary that all papers should be laid, I have to ask you to kindly return the files above referred to.

Your obedient Servant,

S. STEWART

Asst. Secretary.

W.A.D

The Deputy Minister of Justice,

Ottawa.

AFFAIRS.
NOV 8 1906
SURVEYS.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4646/C.B.

Memo. Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, 10th November, 1906.

The Secretary,-

Herewith you will find [illegible] the following list of plans relating to the St. Peter's Indian reserve, Man:-

1. Plan of river lots in the parish of St. Peter's, surveyed by A.H. Vaughn, D.L.S., in 1874.
2. Resurvey and subdivision of St. Peter's Reserve, No. 1, compiled from surveys made by T.D. Green, D.L.S., L.S. Vaughn, D.L.S., J.W. Harris, D.L.S.
3. Resurvey and subdivision of St. Peter's Indian Reserve, No. 1, by T.D. Green, D.L.S., 1897, and J.L. Reid, D.L.S., 1904.
4. River lots in the Parish of St. Peter's, surveyed T.D. Green, D.L. S., 1899.
5. Plan of St. Peter's Indian reserve, dated 1883.
6. Colonization road through St. Peter's reserve, by L.S. Vaughn, D.L.S., 1901.
7. Survey of road through St. Peter's Indian reserve, on east side of Red River, by Henry Lawe, D.L.S., 1903.

W. W. Pugsley

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3618, file 4646-C Pt. 1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3619)

File 4646-3	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1885 - 1888
File 4646-3B	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1902
File 4646-4	Clandeboye Agency - Report and extensive schedules of land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1887
File 4646-5	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1891

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BLACK

FILE NO. 4646[3]

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

VOLUME

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S LAND CLAIMS

FROM

TO

4646[3]

FILE NO.

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For C.R. Use

125/30

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 474-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT--ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3619, File 474/6-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

for 1 Capt. D. M. McColl
re 2 Dept. of Justice
Acct 27. 3-85-
Mar 24. 3-85-

No. 4646 No 3

Department of Indian Affairs,

188 .

Correspondence relative to Half Breed Lands on St Peters Reserve.

ACTION.

ACTION CONTINUED.

BLACK

125/30

4646 #3

12/ March Ltr from D McColl
2 " " " do
2 " Ltr " do
18 " " to A M Burgess.
23/26 mem Ltr from Dept Justice.
Apr. Ltr to E. McColl.
Ltr " from do
13/14 ap Ltr from E McColl.
24/24 ap Ltr from Dept Justice.
" Ltr " E McColl.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

18968

In your reply refer to
No. 10,117
also to the date of this letter.

Manitoba Superintendency.

Office of the Inspector.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 9 1885

Winnipeg, March 4th 1885

SIR,

With regard to the Claus of Claims to lands, within the limits of the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, by Non-treaty people, to be investigated by the Commissions appointed for the purpose, I have the honor to respectfully request, that You will kindly inform me for the guidance of the Commissioners whether, or not, more than Half Breeds who

The Right Honorable,
The Supt-General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Ind 9

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

had been in actual occupation of lands within the St Peters Indian Reserve, at the date of Treaty, on the 3rd of August 1871, and had been admitted into the treaty at that time, but were subsequently "allowed to withdraw therefrom on refunding any annuity money received by them under the said treaty, or suffering a corresponding deduction in the quantity of any Cree, or Scrip which such Half-Breeds, as such were entitled to receive from the Government." according to the 14th Section of the Indian Act

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

Act, have any right to the lands accruing by Treaty, within the Reserve, at the date of treaty. If it is decided that Treaty half-breeds have no claim to said lands a large number of otherwise complicated cases can easily be settled. The instructions for the guidance of the Commissioner are very clear and must satisfactory in every other respects.

An early reply is respectfully solicited:

I have the honour to be
Right Hon. Sir,
Your obt. Servant
E. McColl
I. S. A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

OTTAWA

Form .
Cox's Patent INFOLD, Canada, Nov. 10th 1885; U.S., M
To open, tear off the colored label at the per

THE GREAT NORTH WESTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF CANAD

OPERATING THE LINES OF THE MONTREAL, DOMINION AND MANITOBA TELEGRAPH COMPANIES.

2

This Company transmits and delivers messages only on conditions limiting its liability, which have been assented to by the sender of the following message.

Errors can be guarded against only by repeating a message back to the sending station for comparison, and the Company will not hold itself liable for errors or delays in transmission or delivery of unrepeated messages, beyond the amount of tolls paid thereon, nor in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after sending the message.

This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under the conditions named above.

H. P. DWIGHT, General Manager.

ERASTUS WIMAN, President.

Money orders by telegraph between principal telegraph offices in Canada and the United States.

TELEGRAM.

Use this space for Continuation of Lengthy Addresses, OR INSTRUCTIONS TO MESSENGER.

Dept Genl Ind affrs

No. 159 Check Paid

Form	Sent by	Rec'd by	Time
N	Z	T	1.17

Ottawa March 12th 1885

Winnipeg Man

We empowered by Commission evidence under oath send list ties in ar peters who have permitted to leave treaty under ions of Indian act answer letter No 1017 of fourth inst required

C M Cole

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FORM 35.

THE MONTREAL AND DOMINION TELEGRAPH COMPANIES' LINES,

OPERATED BY THE GREAT NORTH WESTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF CANADA

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP.

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 this Company shall vary the foregoing.

ERASTUS WIMAN, President.

H. P. DWIGHT, General Manager.

SENT NO.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	TIME SENT	TIME FILED.	CHECK.

Send the following message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to.

12th March 1885

To E. McColl Esq.
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg Man.

Not empowered to take evidence under oath.
Order in Council empowering you in progress. Will send list as requested.
Letter fourth instant referred to Justice Dept

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4546-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Immediate

E. McColl Esq
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man.

March 27th 1885

Sir,

I have to ack the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant respecting the right of Half breeds to Lands in St Peters Indian Reserve occupied by them at the date of Treaty. 3rd August 1871. They having been admitted to the Treaty and afterward withDrew under Section 14 of the Indian Act 1880 and in reply to inform you that the Department is advised by the Department of Justice that the Half breeds above referred to who were admitted to the Treaty and afterwards withdrew under the provisions of Section 14 of the Act were not by the mere fact of being admitted to the Treaty deprived of any rights acquired by them previous to the Treaty and that the Commissioners should treat

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

treat each case of claim
coming before them on
it's merits Reserve
should be taken
~~to ascertain whether~~
before recognizing
the title of parties
to lands in the Reserve
that their Claims
thereto are clearly
established both
under the Manitoba
Act and under the
Indian Act

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-2

E. W. Coll, Esq.
Inspector of Indian Agencies
& Reserves
Winnipeg, Man.

11-3-85

March 12/ 1885

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant relative to the claims to lands within the Indian Reserve of Halfbreeds who were in actual occupation of said lands on the date of treaty & who were admitted into the Treaty but subsequently were allowed to withdraw therefrom on refunding all annuity money received by them under the said Treaty & on suffering a corresponding reduction in the quantity of any land or Scrip which such Halfbreeds were entitled to receive from the Government according to the 14th Section of the Indian Act.

I have referred the Question

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Question to the Department of Justice for an opinion which will be communicated to you as soon as read from that Dept

Lam &c

4646 x 2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

563

19525

Immediate
Mr Mitchell Enclose
Copy of this C.C. & Mr
Inspector McColl
Mch 31

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 March 1885.

On a joint Report dated 12th March 1885 from the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and the Minister of the Interior, representing that Mr. E. McColl, Inspector of Indian Agencies, Winnipeg, and Mr. A. H. Whitcher, Agent of Dominion Lands of the same place, are now engaged in investigating claims preferred under the

Manitoba

To the Honorable
The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Manitoba Act – that is to say, by virtue of actual possession at the time of the transfer – to certain lands in the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, on the Red River in the Province of Manitoba, and that it would greatly facilitate their operations if they were empowered to summon witnesses, to examine such witnesses under oath, and to compel the production of papers and writings as provided, for by clause 83 of the Dominion Lands Act –

The Ministers are of opinion that it would be expedient in the

public

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

public interest to comply with the request, and recommend accordingly that Dr. E. McColl, Inspector of Indian Agencies, Winnipeg, and A. W. Whitcher, Agent of Dominion Lands, of the same place be authorized under clause 83 of the Dominion Lands Act, 1883 to summon before them any person by sub-poena issued by them, to examine such person under oath, and to compel the production of papers and writings before them.

The Committee concur in the foregoing recommendation

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

recommendation and they advise that a commissioner do issue in accordance therewith.

John J. McGee
Clerk, Privy Council.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~Hobbs~~

A. M. Burgess, Esq.
Deputy Minister
of the Interior.

March 18/85.

Draft
17/3/85

Sir,

This Dept. has been requested by Mr. E. McColl, Inspector of Ind. Agencies at Winnipeg, who with Mr. Whitcher of your Dept. is investigating the titles of non-treaty persons to lands in the St. Peters Indian Reserve, Man., to furnish him with a list of the parties at St. Peters who were permitted to leave the Treaty under the provisions of the Indian Act. This, I take it, would include all persons who have received Half-breed Grants and who were formerly connected with Indian Treaty No. 1.

This Dept. is without any information on this subject and it is assumed that it can be furnished from your Dept. Will you be good enough either to ~~supply~~ send a list of the parties referred to to your Officer Mr. Whitcher, ~~or forward~~ ~~him~~ to this Dept. to be transmitted to Mr. McColl.

I have &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

19397

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. CANADA.

Ottawa. 24th March 1885.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. 27 1885

460

Immediate D.J. 31/85

No Incomplete Information

No Incomplete Information

Sir

27/3/85

Mch 27

Re right of Half-breeds to Lands in St. Peters Indian Reserve occupied by them at the date of the Treaty 3 August 1871 – they having been admitted to the Treaty and afterwards withdrew under Section 14 of the Indian Act 1880 –

The Half-breeds referred to were admitted to the Treaty and afterwards withdrew under the provisions of Section 14 of the Act. I am of the Opinion therefore that they were not, by the mere fact of being admitted to the Treaty, deprived of any rights acquired by them previous to the Treaty; and would advise that the Commissioners treat each case of claim coming before them upon its merits

Your Obedient Servant

Geo. W. Burbidge

Dm. J.

L. Vankoughnet Esquire

Deputy Superintendent General

Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.

No. 2170.

To Accident
For report

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

19398

Ottawa 23rd March 1885.

Sir,

I am directed by the Minister of the Interior, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th inst., asking for a list of the parties at St. Peters' Indian Reserve who were permitted to leave the Treaty under the provisions of the Indian Act, and who received Half Breed grants.

In reply, I am to inform you that there are no lists in this Department shewing the names of the parties referred to in your letter.

Half Breeds who were formerly

The Deputy
of the Superintendent-General
of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa. Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

formerly connected with Indian
treaties and, who, through
Indian Agencies, were per-
mitted to leave those treaties
in order to be allowed to
share in the grant of land
set apart for the children
of Half Breed Heads of Families
refunded the treaty money
through the Bank, and such
money was placed to the
credit of Indian Funds. The
names of the parties who
so refunded treaty moneys,
and the respective amounts
refunded should therefore
be of record both in your
Department and in the
office of the Auditor General.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your obedient servant
P. B. Douglas
Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1/4/85 McN

4646

Immediate

Outlier

With Enclosure

E McColl Esq
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

April 1 1885

Sir,

In connection with the investigation which you and Mr A H Whitcher Agent of the Dominion Lands Winnipeg have been authorized to make into the claims preferred by certain Half breeds to Lands in the St Peters Indian Reserve occupied by them at the date of Treaty, 1st August 1871, to which they were admitted and afterwards withdrew under the provisions of Section 14 of the Indian Act 1880 I beg to enclose a Copy of an Order in Council of the 17th ult. authorizing you and Mr Whitcher under clause 83 of the Dominion Lands Act 1883 to summon and examine witnesses under oath, and to compel the production of papers and writings as provided for by the above cited clause of the Dominion Lands

Of 3d

AW

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10.331

7/4/85

Filed with Mr McColl's previous letters in re Doctor Sandy Reed &c

19569

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 2 1885

Manitoba Superintendency
March 28th 1885.

Sir,

Mr Witcher and myself made preliminary examination of all the documents submitted us concerning the disputed land claims within the Parish of the St Peters Indian Reserve, and visited the different lots claimed therein by various non-treaty parties, but we have postponed further investigation into the matter until we received

The Right Honorable, from
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Mr Archibald Dr Pt Postrice
Add Regrist advice as to what
in the cases of Claimants under the
Manitoba Act of lands on the
St Peter's Indian Reserve should
"Contract" [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

from the Department an answer to my letter No. 10.117 of the 4th instant, as well as to my telegram of the 12th instant relative to the true interpretation of certain clauses in our commission &c.

See letter to Mr McColl of the 27th March

I would further beg to be informed what constitutes "actual occupation" of lands? Does actual occupation include not only actual residence on the lands in question at the date of treaty, but also lands under cultivation then, lands not under cultivation but having buildings thereon then, and lands surveyed before that date.

Kindly

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Kindly favor us with explicit answers to all the questions raised by your Commissioners, and send us the list asked in my said telegram, of parties in St Peters Bond who had been permitted to have the Treaty under the provisions of the Indian Act, as, if there had been any such parties, no record was kept, by my predecessors, in this office in reference thereto.

I would be glad to have a reply to the above at the earliest possible date.

I have the honor to be
Right Hon. Sir,
Your obt Servant
E McCall

Accountant is to prepare list

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Draft

E. McColl Esq
Indian Office
Winnipeg Ma:
Wawa 7 April 1885

Immediate

Sir.

Referring to previous correspondence and particularly to your telegram of the 5th instant I beg to inform you that there is nothing of record in this Department to shew that any refunds of Annuity Money which had been paid to Half Breeds belonging to the St Peters Reserve who were desirous of withdrawing from Treaty No 1 in order that they might be enabled to share in the half breed grant of land were made through the Department.

Any sums which were so refunded appear to have been paid into the Merchants' Bank at Winnipeg and the Certificates of deposit sent direct to the Receiver General. A search has been made in the Finance Department with the result that in a "Statement of Deposits" to the credit of the Receiver General under date the 8th July 1879 there occurs an Entry of a deposit on account of Eliza

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Henderson $9.00 and also an Entry on account of N Borneau (or Bonneau) $60.00. On the Statement in question — which ~~appears~~ seems to have been submitted for information to the Accountant of this Department in whose handwriting there appears the following memorandum written on the face of the statement.

"No return has yet been received "by the Dept of the Interior "of these refunds which are "supposed to be refunds of "Annuity Money of former years "by persons desirous of receiving "the halfbreed grant; if this "is correct "Casual Revenue" "should be credited"

Subsequent ~~payments~~ deposits of annuity money were made in 1879 by Albert Flett $5.00 Nancy Petit $40. John Dunning $9.00 but no account of these refunds appears ~~[illegible]~~ to have been subsequently received by the Department of Indian Affairs and no such payments passed through its books

Sam &c

Be good enough to refer to Reports of the Dept of Indian Affairs 1880. p. 236. 1881. p 114 1882-p 122 1883-p 124 1884 p 140 for the names of persons who have commuted their annuities for a payment at 10 years purchase — of $50. Each

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

19694

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 7 1885

No 10,369

Manitoba Superintendency
Winnipeg, April 2nd 1885.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo, No. 4646 respecting the Right of Half Breeds to Lands in St Peters Indian Reserve accepted by them at the date of Treaty 3rd of August 1871, they having been admitted to Treaty and afterwards withdrawn under Section 14 of the Indian Act 1880, and to inform You that Your instructions in reference thereto will be faithfully carried out by the Commissioners appointed to investigate the claims of non-treaty parties for Lands within the Reserve

I have the honor to be,
Right Hon. Sir,
Your obt. Servant
E. McColl
I. A.

The Right Honorable,
The Deputy General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

G. W. Burbidge Esq.
Deputy Minister
of Justice
Ottawa

April 14 85.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to advise me ~~as to~~ what, in the cases of claimants under the Manitoba Act of lands in the St. Peters Indn. Reserve, should constitute "actual occupation"; whether besides actual residence upon the land at date of Treaty with the Indians the land should also have been under cultivation at that time or whether such actual occupation would extend to lands which though uncultivated had at that time ~~[illegible]~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~unoccupied~~ buildings
occupied or unoccupied thereon and to highlands were
surveyed
Shawk

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

PUBLIC NOTICE.

In the matter of the Grant of the 1,400,0000 Acres of Land to the Children of Half-Breed Heads of Families, pursuant of the Act 33 Vic., Cap. 3, and the Orders in Council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th Septemb following Claims have been approved for the Parish of ST. PETERS:

No.	Name of Allottee.	Date of Birth.	No. of Towns'p.	No. of Range.	Description of the Land allotted in Legal Sub-divisions.
1	Anderson, Charles.	16th Sept., 1864	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 20 and the N. ½ of the N. W. ¼
2	" Gustavus.....	12th December, 1865	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 20 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼
3	" Alfred	18th February, 1867	14	3 E	S. E. ¼ of 12 and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼ o
4	" Oliver	20th Sept., 1868	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 24 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼ o
5	" Susan	6th February, 1877	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 9 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of
6	Bird, Sophia.....	20th February, 1856	14	3 E	S W. ¼ of 25 and the N. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of
7	Bird, Charles.....	25th April, 1860	14	4 E	N. ½ of S. ½ of 22 and the S. ½ of the N. W ¼ of
8	Budd, Alice H. M.....	19th Sept., 1862	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 28 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of
9	Cochrane, Mary (Monkman)	14th June, 1853	14	4 E	N ½ of S ½ of 22 and the S½ of N W ¼ of 22.
10	Campbell, Malcolm	24th November, 1864	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 7 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of 7.
11	" Roderick	22nd December, 1867	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 15 and the N. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 10.
12	*The legal representatives of the late* Campbell, Jessie.....	26th October, 1869	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 18 and the N. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 7.
13	Chatelain, David.....	About 1858	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 7 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 7.
14	*The legal representatives of the late* Cochrane, Arthur H	.....	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 16 and the S. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of 21.
15	Chatelain, Flora	About 1863	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 34 and the N ½ of the N. E. ¼ of 27.
16	" Elizabeth	About 1867	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 9 and the S ½ of the S. E. ¼ of 16.
17	" Margaret	.....	14	3 E	N.W. ¼ of 13 and the N. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of 13.
18	Clemens, Esther.....	18th January, 1867	14	3 E	N. W. ¼ of 26 and the E. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of 35.
19	" Leonard	27th November, 1869	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 28 and the S. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of 33.
20	Crowley, Daniel	15th July, 1869	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 16 and the N. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of 16.
21	Cumming, Alex. T.....	15th May, 1869	14	3 E	N. E. ¼ of 25 and the E. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 25.
22	Donald, John.....	18th October, 1859	15 14	4 E 4 E	S. E. ¼ of 5 and the N. ½ of N. E. ¼ of 32.
23	Donald, Annabella	26th March, 1861	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 21 and the N. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of 21.
24	" Sarah	27th March 1864	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 15 and the S. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of 22.
25	" Charlotte	11th November, 1865	14	3 E	N. W. ¼ of 12 and the S. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of 13.
26	" William R.....	13th February, 1869	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 15 and the S. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of 22.
27	Fields, Isabella (Norguay)	24th January, 1853	14	3 E	S. W. ¼ of 1 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 1.
28	*The legal representatives of the late* Garrioch, Gilbert Herber	.....	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 31 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 30.
29	Harper, Jane.....	14th May, 1859	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 30 and the S. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of 31.
30	" Joseph	20th Sept., 1862	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 10 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 10.
31	" William T	20th May, 1867	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 14 and the W. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of 14.
32	*The legal representatives of the late* Harper, Mary Ann	.....	14 14 14	4 E 4 E 4 E	E. ½ of N. E. ¼ of 19. W. ½ of N. W. ¼ of 20. N. ½ of S. E. ¼ of 19.
33	Kennedy, John George....	Over 18 years.	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 16 and the N. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 9.
34	Kennedy, Sarah	Over 18 years.	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 14 and the W. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of 14.
35	Leash, Sophia	25th November, 1858	14	3 E	N. W. ¼ of 35 and the W. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of 35.
36	" William	28th April, 1860	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 27 and the S. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of 34.
37	" Caroline.....	23rd January, 1862	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 19 and the N. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of 19.
38	" Mary.....	24th July, 1863	14	3 E	S. W. ¼ of 12 and the N. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 1.
39	" Alfred	9th August, 1865	14	3 E	S. E. ¼ of 25 and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of 2
40	" Eliza	9th August, 1867	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 22 and the N. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of 2
41	" Alice	28th March, 1869	14	3 E	S. E. ¼ of 24 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of 2
42	Monkman, Andrew.....	6th June, 1851	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 15 and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of
43	" John	——— August 1840	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 28 and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of
44	" Nancy	16th October, 1856	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 21 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of
45	" Albert	1st March, 1854	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 20 and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of
46	" Anabella	26th January, 1860	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 32 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of
47	" John J	——— March, 1863	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 33 and the N. ½ of the S. E. ¼
48	" William	1st October, 1861	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 18 and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼
49	" Alexander.....	4th August, 1863	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 32 and the N. ½ of the S. E. ¼
50	" Nancy	Over 18 years.	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 17 and the S. ½ of the N. W
51	" Isabella..... .	9th August, 1865	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 35 and the W. ½ of the N. E
52	" David	9th Sept, 1869	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 18 and the S. ½ of the S. E.
53	Moore, Clementina.....	24th February, 1859	14	4 E	N. E. ¼ of 20 and the E. ½ of the N. W.
54	" John R	19th December, 1860	14	4 E	N W. ¼ of 18 and the S ½ of the S. W.
55	" Donald	11th July, 1862	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 31 and the W. ½ of the N. E.
56	" Maggie.....	5th August, 1864	14	3 E	N. E. ¼ of 13 and the N. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of
57	Norguay, Henry, jr.....	31st August, 1850	14	3 E	S. W. ¼ of 36 and the W. ½ of the N. W. ¼ of
58	" George.....	16th June, 1852	14	3 E	S. E. ¼ of 17 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of
59	" Robert H.....	28th May, 1867	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 27 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of
60	" Mary J.....	21st December, 1869	14	3 E	N. E. ¼ of 12 and the S. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of
61	" Thos.....	1st September, 1857	14	4 E	N. W. ¼ of 34 and the N. ½ of the S. W. ¼
62	" David	4th March, 1860	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 33 and the N. ½ of the N. W ¼
63	Reid, Catharine.....	18th November, 1866	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 25 and the S. ½ of the N. W. ¼
64	" John	8th October, 1869	14	4 E	W. ½ of E. ½ of 23 and the W. ½ of S. E. ¼
65	Thomas, Jessie J.....	21st July, 1868	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 10 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼
66	Whiteford, Ellen....	Over 18 years.	14	3 E	S. E ¼ of 1 and the S. ½ of the N. E. ¼
67	Williamson, Henry.....	10th June, 1866	14	4 E	S. W. ¼ of 27 and the N. ½ of the N W. ¼
68	" Joseph Thos..	4th February, 1868	14	4 E	S. E. ¼ of 30 and the W. ½ of the N. E. ¼

Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior.

J. S. DENNIS,

Surveyor Gene

Dominion Lands Office,
Ottawa, 19th June, 1877.

Poor - Copy.

CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

20078

Immediate
Mr McNeill
Enclose copy to Mr
McColl

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 24 1885

Ottawa. 24th April 1885

Sir

Re claimants under the Manitoba Act

In reply to your letter of the 14th instant respecting "actual occupation" under the Manitoba Act, I beg to refer you to Section 3. of Chapter 52 - 38th Victoria - which is a new section substituted for 37 Victoria Chapter 20 Section 3.

Undisturbed occupancy and being in person or by their servants tenants or agents, or those through whom they claim, in actual peaceable possession of the land claimed on the 15th day of July 1870, entitles the parties to Patents under 33 Victoria Chapter 3. Section 32. Occupancy may be of different kinds, - for grazing purposes if suitable for that - if a wood lot for getting out wood and timber - and for growing crops if the land can be tilled - but the Act does not require actual residence upon the land, or that that it should be cultivated or built upon.

Geo. W. Burbidge
D. M. J.

L. Vankoughnet Esquire
Deputy Superintendent General

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Immigration

4646.

10.331

E. McColl Esq.
Insp. of Ind. Agencies
Winnipeg
Man.

April 25 95

Sir,

With reference to the question submitted in your letter of the 28 ult. as to what, - in the case of claimants under the Manitoba Act of lands in the St Peters Ind. Reserve, should constitute "actual occupation", I enclose copy of a letter from the Dep. Minister of Justice giving his opinion on the point referred to.

I am &c.

24 April 95

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No. 4. B. 123

Rec'd June 2/85

Immediate

To Assistant for report

June 2

20955

Ottawa. June 1st 1885.

Sir,

I am directed by the Minister of the Interior to request you to be so good as to inform this Department, by return mail, whether or not the Treaty money paid to one Nancy Petit, (née Thomas) wife of Thomas Petit, has been refunded.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient Servant,
P. B. Douglas
Assistant Secretary

The Deputy
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 46 46 2
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa. 2 June 1885

Draft

Sir.

In compliance with the request contained in a letter from your Department of the 1st Instant, I beg to state that Nancy Petit wife of Thomas Petit responded in the year 1879 $40.00 annuity money received by her while on the Pay-list of Treaty No. 1, with a view to her withdrawal as a Half-breed from said Treaty which was allowed by the Supt Genl of Indian Affairs.

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

N. W. Burgess Esq.
Deputy Minister
of the Interior

Deputy of the Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

21051

Duplicate

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. JUN 8 1885

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY. JUN 2 1885 WINNIPEG, MAN.

No 8.93.

Clandeboye
25th May 1885

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose a letter addressed to you from the St Peters Band of Indians in regard to river lots which have been patented, and also in regard to the Clandeboye lands held by Settlers & by the Hudson Bay Co.

In regard to the last clause although a large number of the Indians in my Agency would prefer the twine still if put to the vote I believe the majority would be for the Bacon, and I consider it would be as well to give it to them although the twine would be of infinitely more use to them.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. Millbuck
Indian

Extract made
Dec 17 938

E. McColl. Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Duplicate

21051

Copy.

MANITOBA JUDICIAL DISTRICT
JUN 2
1885
WINNIPEG, MAN.

St Peters
18th May 1885

E. M Coll. Esq.

Sir

We beg to lay before your most serious attention the following Resolutions in convention passed unanemously by Chief Counsel & Band viz The Chief Council & Band request you to investigate the balance of those Lots claimed by different Gentlemen in this Reserve first

Lot No 7 John Norquay
" " 23 John Schultz
" " 26 John Schultz
" " 209 John Schultz
" " 246 R. M. M Lennan

including Clandeboye and the H. B. Co's Lots

also Resolved the Chief & Counsel & Band request the same amount of Bacon Flour, & Tea &c as usual at the time of the anuity

Signed Chief Wm Prince
Coun John his + mark Prince
" Wm his + mark Green
" W D Harper

Extract made Dec 1/1938

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

21051

Manitoba Superintendency,

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg, 9th June 1885

11/6/85
MCN
Rec'd.
12/6/85

In your Reply refer to
No. 10747
also to the date of this letter

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 8 1885

SIR,

2 Enclosures

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your information, copy of a letter from Mr Agent Muckle covering one from the Chief and Council of the St Peters Band, dated the 18th ultimo relative to River lots which have been Patented, and also in regard to the Clandeboye lands held by settlers and by the Hudson's Bay Company.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E. McCall
Inspector of Ind Agencies

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 7342 M.A.

22206

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUL 27 1885

29/7/85 MCN

Ottawa, 23rd July, 1885.

Sir,

With reference to the letter of the 8th instant, addressed by Mr. Commissioner McColl to the Right Honorable Sir John Macdonald, and transferred by your Department to this Department, with a deed from W. Harper to B. R. Ross of part of Lot 81 in the St. Peters Reserve, I am directed by the Acting Minister of the Interior to request you to inform me if the Report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate claims to lands in the Parish of St. Peters has yet

The Deputy of the
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Mr Archibald Ack yesterday his Report
not Reached this Dept
JR

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

yet been received by you,
and if so, when this Depart-
ment is to be supplied with
a copy of such report.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

John A. Hall

Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

22566

Copy

Dynevor P.O.
July 27. 1885.

The Hon.
the Minister of the Interior.

Sir

At the last annuity payments of St Peters Band of Indian, I found, Miles Cochrane has joined the Band & taken the annuity, his name will therefore be cancelled from the Supplementary list of Half breed claimants,

I am Hon.d Sir
Your humble Servt
H. Cochrane.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Tu.

22566

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

Ottawa 13th August, 1885.

CORRESPONDENCE AUG 15 1885 BRANCH

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO
FILE No. H.B. 356.
LETTER No.

Sir,

I am directed by the Minister of the Interior to enclose herewith copy of a letter from Mr. H. Cochrane of Dynevor, Manitoba, and to request you to inform me whether the statement therein concerning Miles Cochrane is correct.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
P. B. Douglas
Assistant Secretary.

The Deputy of the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Immediate
Dr McNeill Attd Ind Agencies in Manitoba will be to report at once on the subject and the information desired will be communicated as soon as possible. B. Pend copy of Mr McCochrane's Comm to Min of Int. to Inspr McCleale for his report as to the correctness of Mr McCochrane's allegation and - of correct - Mr Peters' Dept under which Miles Cochrane was permitted to become a Member of the Peters' Dept.
RS
15 Aug 85

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 No 2

E. McColl Esq.
Inspector of Indn. Agencies.
Winnipeg, Man:

CORRESPONDENCE
AUG 17 1885
BRANCH

Augt. 21st 1885.

Sir,

I enclose copy of a letter addressed to the Minister of the Interior by Mr. H. Cochrane of Dynevor; and I have to request that you will be good enough to report whether the statement therein made is correct; and if so that you will state the circumstances under which he was permitted to become a Member of the St Peter's Band of Indians.

I am &c.

A. M. Burgess Esq.
Deputy Minister of the Interior.
Ottawa

Augt. 21st 1885.

H.B. 356

Sir,

I have the honor to ack. the rect. of your letter

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

letter of the 13th Inst, En-
closing Copy of one from
Mr. R. Cochrane of
Dynevor, Manitoba;
and to inform You
that the Inspector of
Ind. Agencies [illegible] in
that Province has
been instructed to
report on the statement
that Miss Cochrane
had joined the St Peters
Band of Indians &
taken annuity money;
and the result
will be communicated
to You.

I have &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

MACDONALD & TUPPER,
Barristers, Attorneys, &c.

McA[illegible]UR & DEXTER,
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.

Offices-Over the Merchants' Bank of Canada.

J. B. McARTHUR, Q.C. HUGH J. MACDONALD.
J. STEWART TUPPER. H. J. DEXTER.

23595.

Lawrence VanKoughnet Esq
Dep. Superintendent-General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa,

WINNIPEG, MAN.,
26th Sept. 1889

My Dear Mr. VanKoughnet

On the 16th May 1884 I received a letter from you stating that the application of Mr. R. J. Whitla, of Winnipeg, for a Patent for Lot 63 in the Parish of St. Peter's was before the Minister. Since then I have heard nothing from you on this question - Would you kindly drop me a line stating the position of this matter and if it has not been settled call the Minister's attention to it at as early a date as the pressure of public business will allow: By so doing you will greatly oblige,

Yours truly,

Hugh J. Macdonald

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4446-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4466 2

Draft

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. CANADA.

Ottawa 7th Oct. 1885

My dear Macdonald,

Your favor of the 26th ultimo duly received; and I beg to inform you in reply with reference to Mr. R. J. Whitla's application for Patent for Lot 63 in the Parish of St. Peters that all the claims of White people and Halfbreeds to land within the Indian Reserve at St. Peters are before the Department of the Interior, and I have reason to believe that these matters will

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

will receive early consideration at the hands of that Department.

Mr Whitlaw's application was forwarded by me to Mr. McColl, who, with Mr. Whitcher, formed the Commission of Enquiry into the above claims, and I have no doubt that he has transmitted it with the other papers connected with the report of the Commission on the subject of said claims

Believe me to be
My dear Macdonald,
Yours very sincerely.

Hugh J. Macdonald, Esq.
Barrister &c. Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 7798. M. A. #

Copy: 23731

Office of the
Dominion Lands Commission.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OCT 7 1885

Winnipeg, 15th Sept. 1885.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 8th inst., M. A. 7342, 7607, and in reply am directed to say that Mr. Whitcher informs the Commissioner that the report in question together with the papers were sent to Sir John A. Macdonald early in June.

Being a joint report of the two Departments, it was considered necessary to send it to the Chief Minister.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Sgd) T. R. Burpé.
Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of Interior,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 Pt 2

P. B. Douglas Esq.
Asst Secretary
Dept of the Interior
Ottawa.

Oct. 10 1885.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. enclosing copy of a letter from the Dominion Lands Comrs stating that their Report on claims of Lands in the Parish of St Peters, Manitoba, was sent to Sir John Macdonald early in June; and in reply beg to inform you that the Report in question was handed by Sir John to Mr. Burgess.

I have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No 101968. copy- 25375

E. McColl and A. H. Whitcher, Commissioners.

In ac with the Dominion Government for expenses incurred in connection with investigation under Commission re Land Claims within the St. Peters Indian Reserve.

6th June, 1885.

1885.					
Mch.	17.	Street car and Ry fares from Winnipeg to Selkirk.	Re 5 Voucher.	2	00
	19	Horse Hire as per voucher.	1	2	50.
	"	Horse feed.		"	50.
	20	Railway fare from Selkirk to Winnipeg including that of Street car.		2	00
Apl	14	Street car and Railway fares from Winnipeg to East Selkirk.		2	00
	"	Stage fare from East to West Selkirk as per voucher.	2	1	50.
	15	Provisions, Tobacco, Tea &c. to Indians assembled during investigation as per voucher.	3	6	81.
	16	Wm Leask interpreter as per voucher.	4	6	00
	"	Joseph Parisien interpreter as per voucher.	5	4	00
	"	Isaac Asham Constable as per voucher.	6	1	00
	"	H. B. Hodgins for Livery as per voucher.	7	6	00
				$ 34.	81.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

25375

Continued -

Apl.	16	To amount brot forward.			$34	31
		"				
		" James Settee junr for in-terpreting as per voucher.		8	1	00
	17	" C. P. Ry. for fares from Selkirk To Winnipeg.			2	00
May	18	" Steamboat fares for Selves and Clerk from Winnipeg To Selkirk @ 75¢ ea			2	25.
	20	" H. B. Hodgins for livery as per voucher.		9	7	00
	19	" John R. Moore. messenger as per voucher.		10	2	
"		" Baptiste Parisien an aged and helpless Indian.			"	50.
	21	" C. P. Ry. for fares for Selves and clerk from Selkirk To Winnipeg @ $1.50 ea			3.	00
"		" Board allowance from the 17th To the 20th Mch. inclusive: from the 14th To 17th Apl. inclusive, and from the 18th To 2.d May inclusive: 12 days each (24 days altogether) @ $2.00 per day.			48	00
					$100.	06.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

25375

Continued.

May	21	To amt brot forward.		$ 100.	06.
		" Board allowance for clerk from 18th to the 21st May inclusive as per voucher.	11	8	00
June	3	" Cab to convey Comm^r McColl to Steamboat landing.		1	00
		" Com^r McColl fare on Steamboat from Winnipeg to Selkirk to obtain information re Commission.		"	75.
	4	" Man & boat to see witnesses east of Rat River.		1	00
		" Messenger to a number of witnesses across the River to meet Mr McColl at Selkirk re Commission.		"	75.
		" H. B. Hodgins for livery team to St. Peters Reserve as per voucher.	12	6	00
		" My fare from Selkirk to Winnipeg.		1	00
		" Board allowance Com^r McColl for 3 days 3rd to 5th June inclusive @ 2 x		6	00
		" John W. Jowett. Services as clerk as per voucher.	11	40	00
Certified Correct.			2/	$ 164	56
				82	28

Approved.
(Sd) A. M. Burgess.
D. M. I.
10 Dec. '85.

(Sd) E. McColl.
(") A. H. Whitcher.
Commissioners.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

28837

1	Alex Spence
2	Patrick Morrison
3	Joseph Pahkoo
4	John Prince
5	Gilbert Smith
6	George Grindle
7	Alex Sabston
8	Peter George
9	Wm Henderson
10	John James Bear
11	Andrew Henderson
12	Alwin Henderson
13	Joseph Williams
14	Andrew Sinclair
15	John Flett Sr
16	Peter Prince
17	James Fidler
18	David Thomas
19	Wm Child
20	Thomas Hope
21	David Smith Jr
22	Wm McCorrister
23	Isaac Arham
24	Charles Stevenson
25	Frederick Prince
26	Wm Stevenson Jr
27	Wm Bear Jr
28	Joseph Thomas
29	Peter Jacob Bear
30	Henry Fidler
31	George Flett
32	Geo Stevenson
33	Miles Cochrane
34	Dolphus Cameron
35	Charles Flett
36	William Cook
37	Andrew Flett
38	George Keppling
39	John Flett Sr
40	Morrison West
41	Baptiste Cook
42	Thomas Spence
43	Michael Cuddote
44	Peter Smith
45	Henry Cook
46	Francis Sinclair
47	John Flett Jr
48	John Thomas Miller
49	Henry Hekenbarger
50	Magnus Harper
51	James Williams
52	Joseph Morriseau
53	John Henry Prince
54	Thomas Harper
55	George Sutherland
56	Alwin Flett
57	Robt Flett
58	Roderick Stevenson
59	Jacob Sinclair
60	James Smith
61	Mathieu Cork
62	Henry Kennedy
63	Thomas Kenedy
64	Geo Sutherland
65	Thos Bear
66	Richard Chief
67	Geo Sanderson
68	Jno G Sanderson
69	Thomas Daniels

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

28837

69	Thomas Daniel
70	John Plemmon Jr
71	William Child Jr
72	Geo Sutherland
73	Abraham Sutherland
74	Thomas Sutherland
75	David Prince
76	Thomas Bear Jr
77	Isaac Thomas
78	Thomas Harper
79	John Flett
80	John Thomas
81	James Settee Jr
82	Albert Bear

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Duplicate Copy

28837

St Peters 9th April 1886

Hon Sir John A McDonald
Superintendant General.

Sir, In convention 8 April 1886.

1st Resolved to lay before your earnest consideration some facts! namely that some Lawyers are using their influence to persuade many of the parties who has severed themselves from Treaty to believe they will hold the Lands they Located while participating in the Anual Annuity and own them as prwate property, and will in due time, get Patents for the said lands, for doubtless such intelegent men will indace others of our Band to do likewise, though we the undersigned cannot reasonably rely on such Gentlemen for it is not in accord to the tenor of the treaty, neither does it agree with the Superintendent Generals instructions to those parties gone out of the Treaty & received Scrip per C. McColl Esq dated 23 March 1886.

2nd In conlusion Sir we respectfully ask of you to consolidate our Reserve which will be the best applicable means to remove all doubts and fears from our troubled Hearts, and from the powed and influmence of those Gentlemen who is so apt to mislead more of our Band, is the prayer of your humble Petitioners

Sgd Chief William Prince
Cane William Donald Harper
" William his mark Green
" John his mark Prince

Witness Sgd
Thomas Hope
George Stevenson.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

13653

28837

Duplicate

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 27 1886
MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY APR 19 1886 WINNIPEG, MAN.

no 2197.

Clandeboye
15 April 1886

Sir

I have the honor to enclose in duplicate a communication from the Chief and council of the St Peters' Band addressed to the Hon Sir John A McDonald Superintendent General in regard to the land question in St Peters Reserve

I beg to state that as per my instructions, I have distinctly told every Halfbreed who applied to me to withdraw from treaty that he had the privilege before withdrawing to sell his improvements to a treaty man. but that after withdrawing from treaty under Section 14 of the Indian Act as amended if he he had not so disposed of his improvements he would have to leave the Reserve by the 1st of may next, and leave his land and improvements without any recompence whatsoever

The Lawyers and those interested in buying Scrip, tell them that if they bought the land they claim before the transfer. that they will receive patents for it.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A Mellickle
Indian Agent

E M Coll Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Manitoba Superintendency. 28837

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg 19th April 1886

In your Reply refer to
No 13653
also to the date of this letter.

SIR.

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your information, a copy of a letter from Mr Agent Muckle dated the 15th instant, covering a communication from the Chief and Council of the St Peters Band addressed to the Right Honorable The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs in regard to the land question in the St Peters Reserve.

CORRESPONDENCE
APR 29 1886
BRANCH

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E. McColl
Inspector of Ind Agencies
p L. A. Archambeau

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

For Reply

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Clipped from "Morning Call" of Winnipeg of the 4th May 1887

File with papers re St Peters lands claimed by ~~[illegible]~~ Half breeds who have walk [illegible] from Greenly

[illegible] Morning Call 4-5-87

With the consent of Mr. Robinson, the mover, and Mr. Martin (Morris), the seconder, the following was substituted for the motion submitted a few days ago, being amended by Hon. Mr. Norquay :

"Whereas, several parties resident in the Indian reserves of Fairford and St. Peter's, in the province of Manitoba, have abandoned the Indian treaty act, and have in consequence become entitled to the exercise of the franchise, and otherwise to all privileges and responsibilities of citizenship; and whereas, many more have manifested a disposition to divest themselves of the incapacities incident to the receipt of treaty, and are desirous of exercising all the rights and privileges and assuming all the responsibilities of full citizenship; and whereas, many of the above mentioned parties have resided and do still reside on lands now included in the reserves, and having abandoned treaty, fear that they will be compelled to leave the said holdings; and whereas the parties above referred to had possession of their several holdings before they agreed to receive treaty, and in many instances have continued and do still reside thereon; and whereas it is the intention of the Government to elevate the standing of the said Indians, and in the opinion of this House encouragement would be afforded them were they invested with the full possession of these lands in the same manner as white settlers were treated under the Manitoba Act; and whereas certain parties in receipt of treaty, are in peaceable possession of lands in the parish of St. Peter's, having obtained the same according to the custom then in practice in the Red river settlements; and whereas, these parties cannot obtain patents for the said lands owing to a defect in title which the Government of Canada refuse to recognize, and which according to existing custom was fully recognized and respected by all parties. Therefore be it resolved, that an humble address be passed by this house, praying that his Excellency the Governor-General may be graciously pleased to direct that in dealing with the said Indians due regard be had to the facts set forth in the preamble of this resolution, and that the said Indians and others who may obtain treaty may be confirmed in the possession of land they now occupy. Further, that the said parties who were in peaceable possession of land at the time of the transfer of the 15th of July, 1870, or at the time of the survey of said lands, may also receive patents for the lands they were then in peaceable possession of at the date above mentioned."

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the information asked for.

Mr. Robinson moved that "Whereas several half breeds of the old Indian reserve of Fairford, in the province of Manitoba, have abandoned the Indian treaty and become white men in the eyes of the law;

"Whereas, many more have manifested the same desire to become white men, provided the Dominion Government would grant them a certain parcel of land within the reserve, and whereas the Dominion Government have allotted to these Indians a certain number of acres per head within the reserve where they live, and

"Whereas it is the aim of the Government to elevate the standing of the Indians and give them all possible encouragement to adopt the customs of white people, and

"Whereas it is in the interest of the Province that these Indians should adopt the customs of white settlers;

"Therefore be it resolved, that an address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, to be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying that the Dominion Government will grant free to all Indians who have left the

[CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE.]

THE LEGISLATURE.

(CONTINUED FROM 3RD PAGE.)

treaty and who are still living on the land set aside for them in a reserve, and also to all Indians who may desire to adopt the customs of white men, the same number of acres which have been set aside and laid out in their respective reserves at the rates allotted per head, according to the Indian treaty for all such reserves."

The mover said he was glad he had struck something on which the House could agree. He explained, in eloquent terms, the position of the people on the reserve in question with regard to the land which they occupied, their rights or holdings thereto being recognized for years before the lands were thrown into the reserve by the Dominion Government. As time moved on and the influence of civilization stretched up that far they became desirous of leaving the Indian Treaty and adopting the customs of white citizens, but it appeared in doing so they had to forfeit all claim or right to their holdings according to the policy at present pursued by the Federal authorities. This he thought, and believed the members of the House would think, was scarcely fair to those half breeds who wished to retire from the treaty, and the object of the proposed legislation was to impress upon the Dominion Government the claims of these people to hold the lands set apart for them, notwithstanding the fact that they were within the limits of the Indian reserve. It seemed to him a very great hardship that these people, because they felt disposed to advance and elevate their condition and copy their white brethren, should be met with this very serious obstacle at the very first step they take towards improving themselves. He understood the Federal authorities claimed, and probably with some degree of justice, that it would be very inconvenient after a certain portion of territory had been set apart for an Indian reserve to break into it and allow pieces to be cut out of it, as it willed. But in view of the fact of their having it before the reserve was created, he thought their claim an equitable one.

Mr. Martin (Morris) said that in 1876 he was sent to survey the reserve at Fairford, and he spoke in flattering terms of the rapid advances in the direction of civilization that were being made by the people of the part of the country referred to since that time. They had schools and churches for the last thirty years, and most of them voted, and he thought it nothing but fair that their wishes should be complied with. He knew it would do a great deal of good to other tribes also to have the same advantage given them. For instance, those at St. Peter's, who he understood were willing to take a similar step, if the privileges asked by those at Fairford were accorded to them.

Hon. Mr. Norquay, desired to make a few remarks on the resolution submitted by the member for Woodlands, as he thought a great many improvements might be suggested if the matter were only taken up a little more carefully. In saying this he did not intend to impute carelessness to the mover, but it was just possible that, not having a thorough knowledge of the circumstances of the Indians or those who are leaving the treaty, and the manner in which they hold lands in the different reserves previous even to their taking up treaty, or their slight tenure, or no tenure at all by which they now occupy those lands, it would require a great deal of looking into the matter in order that people might be thoroughly seized of all the facts in connection with the manner in which these parties are being regarded now by the Federal Government. The hon. gentleman dwelt at some length on the manner in which lands were held by the settlers even before incorporation of this province in the confederation of Canada. He looked upon the matter as one for the superintendent of Indian affairs. There was a strong equity side to the question no doubt, which in his opinion should have a greater weight than the legal should have with parties who are charged with the administration of this very nice question. If a man bought land from an Indian chief notwithstanding such a sale was not recognized in law, yet he found himself quietly in possession of that land at the time the province became part of the Dominion of Canada. and that man had not received treaty, and that man looked upon his holding in the same light as the whiteman would have looked upon his, in such cases he thought that man should have the same consideration as the original party, and he thought that men found sitting on land at the time of the transfer should have the same consideration as the Indian. His opinion was that immediately these parties became enfranchised they could avail themselves of all the privileges extended to immigrants in this country, and other citizens of the Dominion, that is, to take up a homestead of 160 acres and go on prosecuting their business and carrying on their ordinary avocations just the same as any others, and he believed that privilege would be extended to everyone who left treaty; but if they should prefer to remain just the same as the old settlers here preferred to remain, on the banks of the river on the several holdings what he thought should be carefully regarded in this resolution is that an expression should go to show suggestions that it is the opinion of this House that parties who prefer remaining on the holdings which they have within the reserve should not be molested, but while withdrawing from the treaty they should be placed in the same position as white men. All they wanted to express in the resolution was regard for the rights which they thought should be accorded these parties now, and that they should not be taken away from them, but be treated as if they had been all along white settlers, and this was the system he would like to see adopted with regard to Indians who were withdrawing from treaty now. He would suggest to the mover of the resolution that it should stand for some time, as he would like to make some suggestions, which he could not do now, in order to make it as strong as possible. He knew Mr. Robinson was anxious to make it as comprehensive as it could be, and he (Mr. Norquay) would do all in his power to help him in the matter.

Mr. Robinson accepted the suggestion, and the motion was allowed to stand.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

May 27th 1887
St Peters Reserve

39936

To The Hon.
Sir John A. Mc Donald
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Sir

we the undersigned Chief and Council and band learn from the proceeding of the Local House 1st That they have Resolved to petition to His Excellency the Governor General of the Dominion on behalf of those parties who had gone out of the treaty last year That the goverment will grant free to all those Indians who have left the treaty and who are still living on the land which was set aside in the Reserve for them and to those Indians who may desire to adopt the custom of white men that they receive the same number of acres of land allotted per Head according to the Indians Treaty

2nd We your humbl Petitioners firmly beliv your Goverment cannot reasonably break your own law which we are guided and protected by if those who has gone out of the treaty live on their Scrips or buy land from the Goverment as white men do according to the Manitoba Act but not in the reserve

3rd We your Petitioners has ever respected and loyally adhearred

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

to the stipulation of the treaty to the best of our understanding and to the advancement of our band do feel assured your Gover-ernment will protect us according to our just rights and to take steps shortly to settle the Reserve for this long vexed question has already almost caused very grave troubles also to remove the Iron Post to the Boundary of the reserve

4th all lands bought after the transfer by none treaty or white men being null and void according to the treaty with your Goverment we claim those lands as a part and portion of our Reserve as those who purchased from Treaty parties bought those lots in spite of our protests and went against our agreement in the arti-cles of Treaty 1871

5th we The Chief and Council and band do hereby petition your Goverment to take steps at once to remove all par-ties who took the Scrip and regected the Treaty money but who are still a source of trouble and anxiety to our Band as they are still living and tresspassing on our Reserve being encouraged by white men to resist our Chief and Council

we your Children who are under the protecting care of your Super-intendency beg that this our prayer

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

39936

prayer may be heard and respected for our rights

Signed
Chief William Prince
Councellors Wm D. Harper
" John there x Prince
" William x Green
" Mah twa x kah kee kee toot
marks

William Stevenson
John Tate
Thomas Smith
David Prince
Charles Turner
John Star
George Thickfoot
Wm Henderson sr
Thomas Harper jr
Joseph Morrison
George Sanderson
George Sutherland jr
Joseph Vincent
James Fidler jr
John Thomas sr
Morison West
George Spence
John H. Prince
Alex Sabiston
Joseph Thomas
Parrie George
Angus Prince
Charles Pratt
Thomas Bear sen
George Trindle
Joseph Manangue
Philip Tate

William Child jr
Henry Fidler
Thomas Chief
George Yook
Antwain Flett
Henry Hekenburger
James Williams
John James Bear sr
Adolphas Cameron
John Prince jun
Henry Prince sr
James Smith
Charles Flett
Thomas Harper sr
Patine
Thomas Williams
Wm R. Stevenson
Abraham Thomas
Gilbert Smith
Isiah Cook
Benn Smith
David Thomas
John Flett
Isaac Thomas
Alex Cochrane
Wm Smith
Joseph Robson
Charles Trindle

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

39936

Alexander Thomas
Robert Sanderson
Roderick Stevenson
John Johnstone
John Flett
Peter Stevenson
Thomas Spence
Micheal Caddote
George Sutherland
William Bear Junr
Thomas Bear
William Prince
David Sinclair
Richard Chief
Francis Henderson
Joseph Spence
John Spence
Charles Williams
Joseph Ratt
Gilbert Smith Junr
Thomas Morrison
Henry George Settee
John Prince
Magnus Harper
Philip Thomas
Peter J. Smith
Old Catfish
Alex Star
Thomas Star
George Manangua
John Peter
Joseph Ironsman
John Ironsman
Jeremiah Johnstone
Colin Johnstone
George Stevenson

Albert Bear
George Flett
Jacob Thomas
Henry Kennedy
Thomas Kennedy
George Sutherland dec'd
James Stevenson dec'd
Peter Bear
Frederick Prince
Joseph Thomas
H. George Thomas
William Sinclair
Alex dec'd Fidler
Thomas Fidler
James Johnstone
William Bear Junr
Albert Settee
John Thomas Junr
Levi Stranger
James York Settee
Isaace Asham
William Asham
Alex dec'd Spence
John Perrisia
Hector West
Joseph Prince
Francis Sinclair
Andrew Sinclair
John James Flett
Simon Thomas
Albert Fidler
Wm Mc Corriston
Charles Smith
Thomas Robeson
James Favel
Baptise Prince
James Prince

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

William Yellowhead his
John Steinmann mark
Peter Prince
Alex Prince
Henry Adolphe

Witness

Isaac Asham
David Prince
Albert Bear

P. S. a copy sent to A. M. Muckle Indian Agent—
Blandeboye
Chief witness Prince

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Albert Fidler
Wm McCoristor
Charles Smith
Thomas Robison
James Favel
Baptise Prince
James Prince
Joseph Manangnay
Philip Tate
William Smith
Joseph Robeson
Charles Trindle
George Flett
Albert Bear
Alexder Thomas
Alexder Prince
Peter Prince
Henry Hope

May 21
St Peters Res

Witness
Isaac Ashaw
David Prince
Albert Bear

William Thom
John Steven

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

39078

May 27th 1887
St Peter Reserve

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 6 1887
MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'CY
JUN 1887
WINNIPEG, MAN.

To The Hon^le Sir John. A. Mc Donald
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Sir
we the undersigned
Chief and Council and band
learn from the proceedings of the
local House
1st that they have Resolved to
petition to His Excellency the Gov-
ernor General of the Dominion
on behalf of those parties who
has Gone out of the treaty last
year that the Goverment will
grant free to all those Indian who
have left the treaty and who are
still living on the land which
was set aside in the Reserve for
them and to those Indians who
may desire to adopt the custom
of white men that they recive the
same number of acres of land
alloted per head according to
the Indian Treaty
2nd we your humbly Petitioners
firmily belive your Goverment
cannot reasonably break your own
law which we are Guided and
protected by let those who has
Gone out of the treaty live on
their Scrips or buy land from
the Goverment as white men
do according to the Manitoba
act but not in the reserve

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

3rd we your petitioners has ever respected and loyally adheard to the Stipulation of the treaty to the best of our understanding and to the advancement of our band do feel assured your Goverment will protect us according to our just rights and to take steps shortly to settle the reserve for this long vexed question has already almost caused very grave trouble

als to remove the Iron Posts to the boundary of the reserve

4th all lands bought after the transfer by none treaty or white men being null and void according to the treaty with your Goverment we claim those lands as a part and portion of our Reserve as those who purchased from Treaty parties bought those lots in spite of our protests and went against our agreement in the articles of treaty 1871

5th we The chief council and band do hereby petition your Goverment to take steps at at once to remove all parties who took Scrip and regected the treaty money but who are still ~~t~~ source of trouble and axxiety to our band as they are still living and tresspassing on our Reserve being encouraged by white men to resist our

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

our Chief and Council we your Children who are under the protecting care of your Superintendency beg that this our prayer may be heard and respected for our rights

Signed

Chief William Prince

Councillors Wm Di Harper

" John x Prince

" William x Green

" Mah-twa-kah-kee-kee-toot

William Stevenson
John Tate
Thomas Smith
David Prince
Charles Turner
John Star
George Thickfoot
William Henderson Sr
Thomas Harper
Joseph Morrison
George Sanderson
George Sutherland Sr
Joseph Vincent
James Fiddler Sr
John Thomas
Morrison West
George Spence
John Henry Prince
Alexdr Sabston
Joseph Thomas
Pierre George

Angus Prince
Charles Pratt
Thomas Bear Sr
George Grindle
William Child Jr
Henry Fiddler
Thomas Chief
George Cook
Atwain Flett
Henry Hekenburger
James Williams
John Jr Bear
Dolphas Cameron
John Prince Jr
Henry Prince Sr
James Smith
Charles Flett
Thomas Harper
Paton
Thomas Williams
Wm Robert Stevenson

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 6 1887

Abraham Thomas
Gilbert-Smith
Isaac Cook
Benn Smith
David Thomas
John Flett Jr
Alexder Cochrane
Isaaec Thomas
Robert Sanderson
Roderick Stevenson
John Johnstone
John Flett Sr
Peter Stevenson
Thomas Spence
Micheal Caddote
George Sutherland
William Bear
Thomas Bear
William Prince Jr
David Sinclair
Richard Chief
Francis Henderson
Joseph Spence
John Spence
Charles Williams
Joseph Ratt
Gilbert-Smith
John Prince
Thomas Morrison
Henry George Settee
John Harper
George Prince
Magnus Harper
Philip Thomas
Peter Jacob Smith
Simon Thomas

Catfish
Alex Star
Thomas Star
George Nanangqua
John Peter
Joseph Monkman
John Monkman
Jeremiah Johnstone
Colin Johnstone
George Stevenson
Jacob Thomas
Henry Kennedy
Thomas Kennedy Sr
George Sutherland Sr
James Stevenson Sr
Peter Bear
Frederick Prince
Joseph Thomas
Wm George Thomas
William Sinclair
Alexder Fidler
Thomas Fidler
James Johnstone
William Bear Jr
Albert Settee Jr
John Thomas
Levi Strangeu
James York Settee
Isaaec Asham
William Asham
Alexder Spence
John Perrisia
Hector West
Joseph Prince
Francis Sinclair
Andrew Sinclair
John James Flett

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

17.070

39978

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 6 1887
MANITOBA INDIAN AGENCY
JUN 2 1887
WINNIPEG, MAN.

Duplicate

No 2745

Clandeboye
30th May 1887

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose in Duplicate a petition from the St Peters Indians addressed to the Honble Sir John. A. McDonald Superintendent of Indian Affairs, referring to certain resolutions brought before the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, and in regard to the land question in St Peters Reserve.

In regard to clause one in said petition, I beg to state that all the Halfbreeds who withdrew from treaty were distinctly told that they would have to give up their lands within the

E. McColl Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the reserve if they took scrip, and as it is almost all, who owned land and received scrip in St Peters, have sold their land to speculators, and I have no doubt that they are the parties who are bringing presure on the Local Government in regard to the matter

In regard to clause three, I do not consider that the St Peters people have respected and loyally adhered to the stipulations of the treaty, in regard to their lands, as they were told that they could not sell land except to the Government, and it was by their doing so that the land question in St Peters has arisen.

At a meeting held on the 25th inst Comr: John Prince, and some others tried to get the band to agree to not take the treaty next July unless the land question is settled, but could not get the people to follow them in this respect. Then it was moved that they take the law in their own hand, and put those whom they call trespassers out of the Reserve, but better counsel

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

council prevailed, & they have decided to await the action of the Government that is if the Government do not delay too long.

Thomas Hope one of the band in his speech, said that Mr Simpson told them at the time of the treaty, that perhaps it would take ten years to settle the land question, and that they had waited patiently for that time, now seventeen years had passed, and the question was in a worse state than ever, this is quite true and a hard bad feeling had arisen between the Indians, and non treaty men, (with a few exceptions) which may cause trouble at any moment.

Since the resolution in re St Peters lands, has been brought up in the local house, I have seen almost all the band, & I have not met one who wanted to give up the treaty even if he got his land

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

A. McKellar.

Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

39978

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 6 1887

Manitoba Superintendency.

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg 2nd June 1887.

In your Reply refer to
No. 17.070
also to the date of this letter.

SIR.

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your information a copy of a letter from Wm Indian Agent Muckle covering a petition from the St. Peters Indians, referring to certain resolutions brought before the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba and in regard to the land question in St. Peters Reserve.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
E. McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies.
per L'Archevêque

The Right Honble
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

Winnipeg, Man.,
1st June, 1887.

Dear Mr. Vankoughnet,

Chief Prince of the St. Peters band of Indians called today upon Mr. Smith, Commissioner of Dominion Lands, and myself, for the purpose of representing that white men are trespassing upon his reserve, and that others have purchased land within its limits from half-breeds who formerly took treaty, but who withdrew last year and took scrip, and who claim that they are entitled to the land which they held

L. Vankoughnet, Esq.,
Dpty Supt. General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

held for their individual use while residing inside the reserve. He also wished to know what steps the Government were going to take for the removal of these persons. We replied that the protection of the reserve was a matter within the jurisdiction of your Department, saying however, that white men had no rights within the boundaries of the St. Peters Reserve except such as were provided for by the treaty of 1871. The Chief then asked that, as we were officials of a Department of the Government, we should bring the matter to Sir John Macdonald's attention.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

attention. We explained that officially we had nothing to do with the case, but would, because he requested us to do so, inform the Department and the Superintendent General of the nature of his grievance.

Yours faithfully,
A. M. Burgess

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/2

P. McColl Esq.
Inspector of Indn. Agencies.
Winnipeg, Man.

17.070.

D.M. will sign.

June 11 1887.

Sir,

I have to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 2nd Inst, enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. Agent Muckle covering a petition from the St Peters Indians bearing reference to certain Resolutions brought before the Legislative assembly of Manitoba in regard to the St Peters Indn Reserve ~~land question~~ parties occupying illegally land on; and in reply I have to request that you will report what steps have been taken to give effect to the instructions sent to eject from the Reserve the parties who left the Treaty and took scrip.

I may ~~add that~~ a similar petition has been ~~rec.~~ ~~by the Dept.~~ forwarded to and rec. by the Dept. from ~~the~~ Chief Prince

Jamb. Over

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

E. McColl, Esq.
Inspector of Indn. Agencies.
Winnipeg, Man:

June 1887.

Sir,

I enclose copy of a letter from the Chief, Councillors and Members of the St Peters Band

Chief William Prince.
Indian Reserve
St Peters, Man:

June 11 1887.

Chief,

I have to ack. the rect. of ~~your Petn~~ the Petition signed by yourself, and the Councillors and Members of the St Peters Band of Indns. respecting certain resolutions brought before the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba in regard to the St Peters Reserve ~~land~~ ~~question~~ particularly legal occupation of land on; and in reply I beg to inform you that the terms of the Treaty will be strictly ~~adhered to~~ carried out.

I am &c

AB

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

40100

Copy

No. 17065.

Manitoba Supt.
Office of the Inspector
Winnipeg 1st June 1887.

Sir:-

I have the honor to report for your information that Chief William Prince of the St. Peters Band complains of trespass being committed on the Reserve by the Halfbreeds formerly members of his Band who have withdrawn from Treaty last year, although they were informed when making application for Discharge from Treaty that they would have to leave the Reserve immediately on being discharged, the majority are still living there, and make improvement on the lots occupied by them, and destroy the timber. They are determined to remain

The Honorable
E. Dewdney
Indn. Comnr.
Regina

on

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

40100

on their lot, and defy the Agent or the Department to remove them therefrom, especially since a Resolution has been passed by the Legislature here relative to the half breed (herein Enclosed)

The Chief apprehends some trouble in consequence of that, and is very anxious to see you and requests you to be good enough to visit them as soon as possible

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
(Sgd) L. J. Arthur Leveque
for the Inspector of Ind.n Agencies

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

40100

In your reply refer to
C 2665

Also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, June 6th 1887

Returned

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of a letter received from the Winnipeg Office, relative to the half-breeds who have withdrawn from Treaty, but who are still residents of Indian Reserves.

The resolution referred to in enclosed letter states, that owing to the fact that these halfbreeds who have withdrawn were in posession of their several holdings before they agreed to receive Treaty, that they be invested with full posession of

The Right Honble
The Sup^t General
of Indian affairs
Ottawa
Ont

their

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

their lands in the same manner as white settlers were treated under the manitoba act, and it was resolved that an address be passed by the house praying that His Excellency the Governor General be pleased to direct that in dealing with said Indians due regard be had to above fact, and that others leaving Treaty may be confirmed in the lands at present occupied by them.

The Commissioner thinks it advisable that he should comply with the request of Chief William Prince, and visit these Indians; but before doing so, would request to be informed as to what action the Department considers should be taken in the matter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obd't Servant
Hayter Reed
Asst Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 2

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 17th June, 1887.

SECRETARY'S JUN 14 1887 BRANCH

Keep file for me H.C.R.

Reference to be returned

Memorandum.

With reference to the Petition from Chief William Prince and Councillors William D. Harper, ~~William Prince~~ John Prince, William Green and Hah-twa-kah-kee-kee-toot of the St. Peters Indian Reserve in the Province of Manitoba, the undersigned begs to report:—

1st That no Petition has yet reached this Dept. from the Legislature of Manitoba in ~~respect~~ relation to the matter referred to in the Petition from the above parties.

2nd

To the Honble
the Privy Council
of Canada

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

2nd That on the 21st June 1876 instructions were sent to the Indian Supt. at Winnipeg to notify all parties who had withdrawn from Treaty and accepted Half-breed scrip to remove from the Reserves and that Officers were informed that in the event of the Parties refusing or neglecting so to do, proceedings should be taken for their removal under the provisions of the Indian Act; and quite recently the attention of the Indian Supt. was again called to the instructions sent him in this matter on receipt of a similar Petition addressed to the undersigned by the Chief and Councillors of the St. Peters Band, and the Chief and Councillors were simultaneously informed that the terms of the Treaty made with them would be strictly carried out.

3rd A survey of the boundaries of the Reserve in question

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

question was made some time ago, when the proper posts were put in place.

4th The question of the occupation of lands within the said Reserve by parties other than Treaty Indians who purchased the same before & after the date of the Treaty made with the Indians in 1871, is receiving the careful attention of the Govt.

Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646½

SECRETARY'S
JUN 14 1887
BRANCH

Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Commrs. for
Can. & the N.W.T.
Regina N.W.T.

June 15th 87.

Sir/ With reference to the letter from your Office of the 6th inst. transmitting a copy of a letter from the Indian Office at Winnipeg relative to the Half-breeds who have withdrawn from Treaty but who are still resident on Indian Reserves, I beg to inform you that I think it would be well for you to comply with the wish of Chief William Prince by visiting the St. Peters Reserve and interviewing the Indians in respect to this matter.

I would state for your guidance that on the 21st June 1886 instructions were sent by direction of the Minister to Mr McColl, Inspector

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Inspector of Indian Agencies
& Reserves, at Winnipeg,
to notify all parties
who had withdrawn
from Treaty and accepted
Half-breed scrip to
leave the Reserves forthwith,
and should they refuse
or neglect to do so,
that legal proceedings
should be taken for
their immediate removal
under the provisions
of the Indian Act.

A. Lake, Sc.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. Form 1.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All Messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

40374

SIR GEO. STEPHEN Bart., President.
W. C. VAN HORNE, Vice-President. CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.
B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

NO.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK.
Wn 11	Jc	mR	25 Coll 198

JUN 20 1887

Time 5 02 P June 17 1887

From Regina NWT

To L Vankoughnet

Have received several requests to visit St Peters reserve and settle some disputes have you any instructions re this band or any other in Manitoba

E Dewdney
Coll

prompt despatch send reply to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

COPY OF TELEGRAM SENT.

June 17 7

Hon E. Dewdney
Regina N.W.T.
Telegram received ask to see instructions to McColl about ejectment from Reserves of those who have taken Scrip

L. Vankoughnet

Chief Dept in Aff.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 27th June 1887.

Prepare Rept. to Council

Memorandum

The undersigned begs to submit herewith copy of a despatch of the 7th Instant from His Honour the Lt. Governor of Manitoba, enclosing three Addresses passed by the Legislature of that Province, one of which is in respect to the alleged claims of certain parties, who were formerly connected with Treaties in the Province, but who have withdrawn therefrom and accepted Halfbreed Scrip, to continue in possession of the lands occupied by them in the Reserves; also in respect to the rights of other parties

To the Right Honourable
Sir John Macdonald.
G.C.B.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

parties assigned previously to the transfer of the country on the 15th July 1870 to lands within the tracts subsequently allotted as Indian Reserves.

The undersigned begs with reference to the first matter to refer the Superintendent General to a proposed report to the Honorable the Privy Council dated the 17th Instant prepared for his signature and which is before him (the draft of which will be found in the accompanying file); and he may add that the Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North-West Territories stated in a letter of the 6th Instant that he proposed visiting the Indian Reserves in Manitoba with a view to confer with the Indians in respect to the lands within the Reserves occupied by parties who have left the Treaty, and on the 15th Instant he was informed in reply that it would appear to be proper for him to visit the Reserves, and on the 17th Instant the Indian Commissioner replied by wire that he had received

2 annual

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

several requests to visit the St Peters Reserve. It is, therefore, assumed that he has gone or will go shortly on this mission.

As regards the second subject referred to in the address from the Legislature of Manitoba, the undersigned begs to remind the Superintendent General that the papers in respect to the question as to the rights of parties who allege that they acquired a title to the lands occupied by them within the Reserve before the date of the transfer, as well as the question of the title of other parties to lands situated within the St Peters Reserve were left with the Superintendent General, who informed the undersigned that he intended to bring the same under the consideration of the Honorable the Privy Council

A. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Superintendent
of Indian Affairs

3e

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
[redacted] 1024.
also to the date of this letter.

40891

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 11 1887

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Regina, 7th July, 1887.

I have the honor to inform you that, in accordance with your wish, and at the request of the St. Peter's Band of Indians, I held a meeting with them on their Reserve, on the 30th ultimo.

As you are aware, there has been for some years a serious land complication on this Reserve, brought about by a combination of circumstances so varied and intricate that the Department has been unable to arrive at a speedy and satisfactory settlement of the question.

The determination of a number of Half-breeds who withdrew from the Treaty last Fall, to occupy their old holdings on the Reserve, after having been notified

The Right Hon.
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

CORRESPONDENCE
JUL 20 1887

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4446-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10891

notified when they took their scrip that they would not be allowed to remain, has opened up the whole land question, and the Indians feel very strongly on the matter, and I found them much excited.

They complain that no action is taken to eject the trespassers, although the Agent had stated to them that this would be done. On enquiry at the Manitoba Office, how the matter stood, I found that no action had been taken on your letter of the 21st June 1886, Mr. McColl stating that Mr. Aikins had informed him that as the Supt. General had given no authority to any party to represent him, as required by the provisions of the Indian Act, in case of ejectment, he would advise that I see Mr. Aikins before doing anything; this I did, and received the same advice.

Mr. Aikins stated that, with the requisite authority, and an example made of one or two of the Half-breeds, whose position was clearly that of a trespasser, would result in all the Half-breeds who had

taken

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10891

taken scrip, and who were still on the Reserve, leaving.

This would settle one class of trespassers, but would still leave the older grievances as they are.

These I would recommend should be taken up without delay.

The Chief, when addressing me on the subject, stated that they claimed the land inside of the exterior lines of the survey, and they would not give up one inch of it, "that they would lay down "their lives on the highway by the white "man, before they would give it up."

They expressed much disappointment that I was unable to settle these matters for them at once, but after showing them how unreasonable that was, and how impossible it would be for me, or anyone else, to settle in a moment land difficulties which had been going on for years, they appreciated the situation.

I informed them that I had come down at their request, to enquire into their troubles, and make myself

acquainted

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10891

acquainted with the facts, as far as they were able to give them to me; that after I had heard what they had to say, I should make up my mind what to recommend to the Department; that I could tell them nothing then, but as soon as I received a reply from Ottawa, I would send for the Chief and some of his Head-men, and consult further with them.

I informed them that I was aware there was a number of claims of different classes on the Reserve, some brought about by the Indians themselves, they having sold claims which they now repudiated, and I asked them if there were not some people who had holdings on the Reserve, who they must admit, had a right to be there. This embarrassed them a little, but they ultimately gave me about twenty names of that class, but they added, "these occupied the land "before the transfer, and at the time of "the treaty, the Commissioner stated these "men can live here, but when they leave

"or

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

40891

"or sell, they must sell to the Gov-
-ernment, and it was agreed that they
"should remain as long as they did
"not trouble the Indians; some of these
" have sold to white men, and they
"come and trouble the Indians."

I would suggest that authority be given, in writing, by the Supt. General to act in these cases of ejectment of Half-breeds who took scrip last Fall, and who are still on the Reserve.

After these cases are disposed of, the other class of trespassers should be proceeded against, and those against whom there is the least doubt be first ejected. The party entrusted with this, should take the Chief and Councillors into his confidence, and consult with them. They will then see that the Government is taking active steps to help them; and I am sure the leading Indians will assist the Govern-
-ment, and take a sensible view of the situation.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
L. Vankoughnet
Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 18 July 1887.

Draft
14-7-87

CORRESPONDENCE
JUL 19 1887
BRANCH

Memorandum.

With reference to the despatch of the 7th Instno from His Honour the Lieut. Govr. of Manitoba and the Address passed by the Sixth Legislature of that Province respecting parties other than Indians resident in the Indian Reserves at Fairford and St. Peters, the undersigned begs to report that the Address refers to two classes of residents within those Reserves:-

1st. to Half-breeds who have withdrawn, under section

To the Honble
the Privy Council
of Canada

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

section 13 of the Indian Act, from their connection with the Treaty made with the Indians and to which they and others were parties and have accepted Half-breed land scrip, and on whose behalf the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba prays that they be allowed for reasons stated therein and this petition to retain the holdings formerly occupied by them upon the said Reserves.

2nd To grant to certain parties who never were connected with the Treaty but who it is alleged were in peaceable possession of lands in the Parish of St. Peters, having obtained the same according to the custom formerly in practice in the Settlement but who cannot obtain Patents for said lands owing to the character of their tenure thereof

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

thereof but which according to existing custom was fully recognized and respected by all parties.

The Address recommends that the occupants preferred to of said lands who were in peaceable possession at the time of the transfer on the 15th July 1870 & at the time the survey of said lands was effected, may receive Patents for the lands that they were then in peaceable possession of at the date above mentioned.

The undersigned begs to report, with reference to the class of persons first above referred to, that inasmuch as by their severing their connection with the Treaty they forfeited all their rights to money and land claimable under the Treaty and, have received Half-breed land scrip in lieu thereof, and inasmuch as the Indians remaining

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

remaining in the Treaty
are alone ~~the~~ legally
entitled to the lands within
the Reserve, he cannot
recommend for favourable
consideration the prayer
on behalf of those parties
contained in the Petition.

And with regard
to the class of occupants
of lands last referred
to in the Petition from
the said Legislature,
the undersigned begs
to state, that he has had
the case of these parties
under his consideration,
and it has also been under
the consideration of the
Dept. of the Interior. A
Commission was appointed
to investigate these matters,
and it has reported on the
several cases, and their report
is being considered and
it is hoped that a decision
will be arrived at such as
will enable the Dept. to
deal with the various cases
on their respective merits.

Dept. Genl. of Ind. Affs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4646/2

HON. E. DEWDNEY,
Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and N. W. T.,
Regina, N. W. T.,

1.024

July 21 1887.

Approved,
R S Good
Deputy Minister.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Inst, relative to the Half breeds who have recd. scrip and are in illegal occupation of land on the St Peters Reserve; and I have to request that You will be good enough to state who You would recommend the Supt. Genl. to authorize to act for him in the matter of the ejectment of the trespassers in question from the Reserve; and Mr. McColl should be called upon to explain why he did not inform the Dept. of the advice given him by Mr. Aikins as to the action necessary to be taken.

I have &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

11237

17432

Duplicate

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 29 1887

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'CY
JUN 25 1887
WINNIPEG, MAN.

No 2757.

Clandeboye
22nd June 1887.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge your favor No 17,177 referring to a petition from the St Peters Indians, in re certain resolutions brought before the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba & in regard to what steps had been taken in regard to parties occupying illegally land in the St Peters Reserve &c.

I beg to state that I notified all the parties to leave, the Reserve, & as per instruction and would have ejected them, if it had not been that Mr Aikins L.C. informed me in your presence, that I should be liable for damages if I did so, unless I received ~~authority~~ from the Superintendent General

E. McColl Esq.
Insp Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

41207

General, and it was understood at the time that I was to wait for such authority, which I have never received.

The great trouble is that most of the Halfbreeds who went out of treaty are living on disputed lands, which may be patented, others are living with their parents.

In my favor No. 2659 I enclosed a sheet of foolscap with my signature on it, requesting you to be kind enough to have it filled up for the eviction of Charles Mayo, so that there would be no legal squibble in the matter, but it has never been returned to me.

I still await the warrant as I have no copy of eviction papers

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

A. McMuckle.

Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

41207

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 23 1887

Manitoba Superintendency.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 19th July 1887.

In your Reply refer to No. 17,432 also to the date of this letter.

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH
JUL 27 1887

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th ultimo, relative to a petition from the St Peters Indians, having reference to certain Resolutions brought before the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba in regard to parties occupying illegally land on the St Peters Indian Reserve; and in reply I beg to enclose herewith for your information a copy of

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

of a letter from Wm Indian
Agent Muckle reporting what
steps have been taken to give
effect to the instructions received
to eject from the Reserve the
parties who left the Treaty
and took Scrip.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
E. McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies.
per L. Vankoughnet

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1199

41325

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 19 July 1887 –

File with Council return RS 26 July 87

Noted HCR

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. JUL 26 1887

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration a Petition from Chief William Prince, and Councillors, William D. Harper, John Prince, William Green and Mah-twa-Rah-Kee-Keetoot of the St Peters Indian Reserve in the Province of Manitoba, praying for adherence to Treaty obligations

The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs to whom the Petition was referred states

That no Petition has yet

To the Honorable
The Superintendent Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

reached his Department from the Legislature of Manitoba in relation to the matter referred to in the Petition from the above parties.

2nd That on the 21st June 1886 instructions were sent to the Indian Superintendent at Winnipeg to notify all parties who had withdrawn from Treaty and accepted Half Breed Scrip to remove from the Reserve, and that officer was informed that in the event of these parties refusing or neglecting so to do, proceedings should be taken for their removal under the provisions of the Indian Act; and quite recently on receipt of a similar Petition addressed to the Superintendent General of Indian affairs by the Chief

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and Councillors of the St Peters Band, the attention of the Indian Superintendent was again called to the instructions Deuh him in this matter and the Chief and Councillors were simultaneously informed that the terms of the Treaty made with them would be strictly carried out.

3rd A Survey of the boundaries of the Reserve in question was made some time ago, when the proper posts were put in place.

4th The question of the occupation of lands with the said Reserve by parties other than Treaty Indians who purchased the same before or after the date of the Treaty made with the Indians in 1871 is receiving the careful attention of the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Government.

The Committee recommend that Your Excellency be moved to forward a copy of this Minute to the Chief of the Band of the St Peter Indians in answer to the Petition addressed to Your Excellency.

All which is respectfully submitted for Your Excellency's approval

John J. McGee
Clerk Privy Council

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN
JUL 28 1887

William Thomas Jr.
John Stevenson Jr.
Peter Prince
Alex Prince
Henry Hope
Wm Stevenson
John Tate
Thos Smith
David Prince
Charles Turner
John Star
George Thickpot
Wm Henderson
Thos Harper
Joseph Morseve
George Sanderson
George Sutherland
Joseph Vincent
James Fiddler
John Thomas
Norton West
George Spence
John H Prince
Alex Sabiston
Joseph Thomas
Parier George
Angnes Prince
Charles Pratt
Thomas Bear Senr
George Trundle
Wm Child Junr
Henry Fiddler
Thos Chief
George Ogge
Antoin Flett

Henry Henkenbonk
James Williams
John James Rear
Adolphas Cameron
John Prince Junr
Henry Prince Senr
James Smith
Charles Flett
Thos Harper
Patten
Thos Williams
Wm R Stevenson
Abraham Thomas
Gilbert Smith
Isaiah Cook
Ben Smith
David Thomas
John Flett
Isaac Thomas
Alex Cochrane
Robert Sanderson
Rodrick Stevenson
John Johnston
John Flett
Peter Stevenson
Thomas Spence
Mechell Cadodo
George Sutherland
William Bear
Thomas Bear
William Prince
David Sinclair
Richard Chief
Francis Henderson
Joseph Spence

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

John Spence
Charles Williams
Joseph Ratt
Gilbert Smith Junr
Thomas Morrewe
Henry George Settee
John Prince
John Harper
George Prince
Magens Harper
Philipe Thomas
Peter Jacob Smith
old Catefish
Alex Star
Thos Star
George Managway
John Peter
Joseph Monkman
John Monkman
Jeremiah Johnston
Colin Johnston
George Stevenson
Jacob Thomas
Henry Kennedy
Thos Kennedy
George Sutherland Senr
James Stevenson
Peter Bear
Fridrick Prince
Joseph Thomas
H George Thomas
William Sinclair
Alex Fiddler
Thos Fiddler
James Johnston

William Bear Junr
Albert Settee
John Thomas junr
Livie Stranger
James York Settee
Isaac Asham
William Asham
Alexander Spence
John Prisain
Hector West
Joseph Prince
Francis Sinclair
Andrew Sinclair
John James Flett
Simion Thomas
Albert Fiddler
Wm Mcleorster
Charles Smith
Thom Robeson
James Favel
Baptiste Prince
James Prince
Joseph Managway
Philipe Tate
William Smith
Joseph Robeson
Charles Trundle
George Flett
Albert Bear
Alexander Thomas

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

41338

May 27th/887
St Peter
Reserve

To The Hon Sir John A. McDonald
Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs Ottawa

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. JUL 28 1887

Sir

We the undersigned Chief and Council and band learn from the proceedings of the local House 1st that they have Reselved to petition to His Excellency the Governor General of the Dominion on behalf of those parties who has Gone out of the treaty last year that the Goverment will Grant free to all those Indians who have left the treaty and who are still living on the land which was set aside in the Reserve for them and to those Indians who may desire to adopt the Custom of white men that they recive the same number of acres of land alloted per head according to the Indian Treaty

2nd We your humbly Petitioners firmily belive your Goverment cannot reasonably breake your own law which we are Guided and Protected by let those who has Gone out of the treaty live on their Scrips or buy land from the Goverment as white men do according to the Manitoba act but not in the reserve

3rd We your petitioners has ever respected and loyally adheared to the stipulation of the treaty to the best of our understanding and to the advancement of our band do feel assured your Goverment will protect us according to our Just rights and to take steps shortly to settle

No action appears to be necessary on this petition we own office fact that H. E. the Govr Genl was recommended to forward to Chief Wm Prince and sent the copy of the D.C. of 19 July last RS

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

settle the reserve for this long vexed question has already almost caused very grave trouble

also to remove the Iron posts to the boundary of the reserve 4th all lands bought after the transfer by none treaty or white men being null and void according to the treaty with with your goverment we claim those lands as a part and portion of our Reserve as those who purchased from Treaty parties bought those lots in spite of our protests and went against our agreement in the articles of Treaty 1871

5th we the Chief and Council and band do hereby petition your Government to take steps at once to remove all parties who took the scrip and regected the Treaty money but who are still a source of trouble and anxiety to our band as they are still living and tresspassing on our Reserve being encouraged by white men to resist our Chief and Council

we your children who are under the protecting care of your Superintendency beg that this our prayer may be heard and respected for our rights

Signed

Chief William Prince

Councillor Wm D. Harper

" John x their Prince

" William x Green

" Mah-twa x Kah-kee-kee-toot

marks

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
[redacted] No. 1,024.
Also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 30 1887

4646/3

Regina, 26th July, 1887.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 21st instant, relative to trespassers on St. Peter's Reserve, and their ejectment therefrom; I have the honor to inform the Department that the Commissioner recommends that Mr. Inspector McColl be authorized to act for the Supt. General in the matter.

The Commissioner has communicated with Mr. McColl, relative to his apparent omission in advising the Department of the course that should have been pursued in the matter.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
D. L. Macleod
for Commissioners.

The Right Hon.
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 2

E. McColl Esqr
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

17432

~~July~~ Augt 1887

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 19th inst enclosing a Copy of a letter from Mr Agent Mickle reporting what steps have been taken to give effect to the instructions to eject from the Res the parties who left the Treaty & took Scrip and in reply I have to inform you that the Indian Comr for Man & the Nwt has been requested to take certain steps in this matter of which you will be advised in due course

To Chief Clerk

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUG 6 1887

Immediate
Return
RJ
6 Aug 87

Ottawa, 2nd August 1887.

My dear Mr. Vankoughnet:—

Will you agree to Mr. Commissioner Dewdney's recommendation that McColl should be authorized to act for the Supt. General in the matter of the ejectment of trespassers from the St. Peters Reserve?

The Commissioner writes under date the 26th Ultimo recommending this course, and saying that he has written to

Dear Sinclair/
See no objection to Mr Dewdney's recommendation being given effect to but the authorisation for McColl to act should be signed by the Superintendent General
Yours Sincerely
Aug 3

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to Mr. McColl pointing out his apparent omission to advise the Department of the course that should have been pursued by him under the advice given him by Mr. Atkins as to the action necessary to be taken to that end.

Very truly yours,
A. Sinclair

L. Vankoughnet Esqre
Cottage City
Mass.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 2

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 1st August, 1887.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 26 1887

Reply

Memorandum.

The undersigned has the honour to report for the information of the Supt. General of Indian Affairs that on the 21st Ultimo the Indian Comms. for Manitoba & the N. W. Territories was requested to recommend to the Supt. General a fit and proper person to act for him in the matter of the ejectment of trespassers who are in illegal occupation of land on the St. Peters Reserve, and that in reply the Indian Comms. under date

To the Right Honourable
Sir John Macdonald G.C.B.
Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

date the 26th July recommends that Inspector McCall be authorized to act in that capacity.

The undersigned has the honour to submit this recommendation for the approval of the Supt. General.

R. Sinclair

for the Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

8 aug 1859.

L. Vankoughnet
recommending
that Inspectors be call
be authorized to act
in matter of ejectment
of trespassers on
St Peters Reserve.

9794

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

41708

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 31 1887

St Peters Reserve. 1887
August 9th

Sir John A McDonald
The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs Ottawa

Sir

We the Chief and Council & band have had the honor of reciving a Certified Copy of a report from the privy Council approed by his Excellency the Govenor general of Canada on the 19th July 1887

Stateing that on June 21st 1886 instruction were sent to the Superintendent at Winnipeg to notify all parties who had withdrawn from Treaty to remove from the Reserve but they refuse to do so thay want Saw to drive out from the Reserve

We therefore call on your Department to settle our Reserve at once according the Treaty in 1871 Treaty in 1871 says no white man should buye Sand from an Indian from this date anny body should buye or sell and no person should recive patents so we protect against anny person reciveing the same we your petitioners beg that this our petitioners be taken into Consideration and our Reserve settled at once

sign William Prince Chief
Wm D Harper Councillor
Wm Green Do John Prince Do
Mahtwakahkaketout Do

Ack recept
Ack and Sent Thank
RO 13 Aug 87

Ack Form E
16-8-87
DWG

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

787 C.

42171

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 23rd August 1887.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 30 1887

The Committee of Council have had under consideration a Despatch dated 7th July 1887 from the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, transmitting with other papers an address passed by the Sixth Legislature of that Province, respecting certain parties other than Indians, resident in the Indian Reserves at Fairford and St. Peters-

The Superintendent General

of

To the Honorable
The Supt. General of
Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of Indian Affairs to whom the above was referred, reports that the said Address refers to two classes of residents within those Reserves:-

1st To Half-Breeds who have withdrawn, under Section 3 of the Indian Act, from their connection with the Treaty made with the Indians and to which they and others were parties, and have accepted Half-Breed Land Certificates, and on whose behalf the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba prays that they be allowed, for reasons stated in the petition, to retain the holdings formerly occupied by them upon the said Reserves.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Reserves-

2.dly To certain parties who never were connected with the Treaty but who it is alleged were in peaceable possession of lands in the Parish of St. Peters, having obtained the same according to the customs formerly in practice in the settlement, but who cannot obtain Patents for said lands owing to the character of their tenure thereof, which however according to existing customs, was fully recognized and respected by all parties.

The Minister states that the Address recommends that the occupants referred

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

referred to of said lands who were in peaceable possession at the time of the transfer on the 15th July 1870. or at the time of the survey of said lands was effected, may receive Patents for the lands that they were then in peaceable possession of at the date above mentioned.

The Minister represents with reference to the class of persons first above referred to, that inasmuch as by their severing their connection with the Treaty they forfeited all their rights to money and land claimable under the Treaty and have received Half-Breed land Scrip in lieu thereof.

and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and, inasmuch as the Indians remaining in the Treaty are alone legally entitled to the lands within the reserves, he, the Minister, cannot recommend for favorable consideration the prayer on behalf of these parties.

The Minister further represents with regard to the class of occupants of lands last referred to in the petition from the said Legislature, that he has had the case of these parties under his consideration and that it has also been under

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

under the consideration of the Minister of the Interior, and further, that a Commission was appointed to investigate these matters, and it has reported on the several cases; that this report is being considered and it is hoped that a decision will be arrived at such as will enable the Minister to deal with the various cases on their respective merits -

The Committee concur in the foregoing and advise that the Secretary of State be authorized to

communicate

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

communicate the substance
hereof to the Lieutenant Governor
of Manitoba for the in-
formation of his Government.

John J. McGee

Clerk. Privy Council

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
265.
Also to the date of this letter.

CORRESPONDENCE SEP 20 1887 BRANCH

12556
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 17 1887

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Regina, 13th September, 1887.

Sir,

Referring to prior correspondence on the subject-matter of Half-breeds trespassing upon St. Peter's Reserve, I have the honor to inform you that advice has been received from Wm. Indian Agent Muckle, to the effect that the Chief and Council of the St. Peter's Band desire to have one Charles Mayo, who is alleged to be trespassing upon their Reserve, and to be causing much trouble, made an example of, and evicted.

As Mr. Inspector McColl may not be back for some time, and it is very desirable that action should be taken in the matter, I would recommend that my Assistant,

Mr. Reed,

The Right Hon.
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

LM +

42556

Mr. Reed, be authorized to act under section 22 of the Indian Act, in such manner as may be necessary.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
E. Dewdney
Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4646/2

HON. E. DEWDNEY,
Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and N. W. T.,
Regina, N. W. T.,

Sept. 20 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant relative to the trespassing by Half Breeds on the St Peters Ind. Reserve, and in reply I beg to inform you that Mr. Hayter Reed, Asst. Ind. Comm., is hereby deputed to act under section 22 of the Indian Act in the case of Charles Grayo who is reported to be trespassing on that Reserve or in any other case of ejectment that may arise from any of the Reserves in Manitoba, Keewatin or the North West Territories.

I have &c.

Approved,
Deputy Minister.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DA

42677

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 19 1887

LETTER NO. .....

REFERENCE NO. 72512.

Ottawa, 16th September, 1887.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that your memorandum of the 8th March last upon a report of the Minister of the Interior dated the 24th January, respecting the claims of parties other than Treaty Indians to land within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, has recently been considered by the Minister of the Interior, who in the meantime has ordered that patents be issued immediately to those claimants whose title is not disputed by you.

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

The

☞ Address your reply as follows: To the Secretary of the Dep.t of the Interior Ottawa.

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

☞ Write legibly your full name and address.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The other questions involved will receive his further consideration, and will again be brought to the attention of Council.

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

Deputy of the
Minister of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OCT 6 1887

42987

To the Hon
Sir John A. McDonald
Superintendant General of
Indians affairs

CORRESPONDENCE
OCT 12 1887
BRANCH

Sir we beg to make recourse to you & do hope you will take steps shortly to settle the Land Question for we do assure you that the state of affairs are getting worse, for example Charles Mayo is not only striking Women but taking possession of a Women's Byer or stable

we have some time ago asked agent Muckle to do something in the matter & after he noted down the particulars of the case he said he would write to Governor Dewdney on the matter in Question & whatever reply he received he would act accordingly.

Signed on Behalf of
St Peters Band
Chief William Prince
Coun W. D. Harper
" John Prince
" William Green
" Mah-twa-kah-ka-ka-toot
mark

St Peters Reserve
30 Sept 1887

Dr McNeill 'Ack receipt and
2 Send copy to Indn Comr in Con
with letter addd to him on 30th
ultimo
RD 11 Oct 87

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4646/2

HON. E. DEWDNEY,
Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and N. W. T.,
Regina, N. W. T.,

Oct. 17 1887.

Sir,

~~I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the~~ In connection with the letter addressed to you by the Dept. on the 20th ult., I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from the Chief and Councillors of the St Peters Band of Indns relative to the case of Charles Mayo and other trespassers on their Reserve.

I have &c.

Chief Wm Prince.
St Peters,
Man:

Oct. 17 1887.

Chief,

I have to ack: the rect. of the letter addressed by yourself and Councillors of the St Peters Band to the Dept. on the 30th ult, in further reference to

Approved,
RS
Deputy Minister.
30 Sept. 1887

RS

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

to the case of Wm
Mays and other
trespassers on the St.
Peters Reserve; and
in reply I have to
inform you that
a copy of your letter
has been sent to
the Indn Comr. Regina,
for his action in
the matter.

I am &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No. 265.

43107

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

Regina, 5th October 1887.

4.646/2.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo, deputing me to act under section 22 of the Indian Act, in the case of Charles Mayo, or in any other case of ejectment from any Reserve in Manitoba, Keewatin, or the North-West Territories; and in connection therewith, to suggest for the consideration of the Department, the propriety of extending the power deputed to me, to act on behalf of the Supt. General as to the various other descriptions of trespass mentioned in the Act.

It will in fact be well for the Department to consider whether it would not be for the interest of the Indians and the Department, to have such change in the law, as would

The Right Hon.
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Mr Stewart
For consideration of the
Deputy Minister RD
10 Oct 87

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr McNeill Ack & say
he is hereby deputed to
act for the Supt Genl by per-
forming the duties assigned
to the Supt Genl in respect
of trespasses committed on the
Indian Reserves in
the N.W.T. or on
any of said Reserves
as described in
Sec. 23, 25 Subsections
2 & 3 & Sec. 28 (Will
sign letter)
[illegible]

Dec 10

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

would give, with regard to such matters, power of action to the Indian Agents, since, in some cases of trespass, the offender would be away before communication could be held with this Office, to say nothing of Ottawa.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Hayter Reed
Asst. Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

43559

18,373

Duplicate

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NOV 9 1887

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY. WINNIPEG, MAN. OCT 22 1887

No 2946

Indian Office
Clandeboye
20th Oct 1887.

Sir.

I have the honor of informing you that, Mrs Jno Edmond Stevinson complains that Charles Mayo has taken her byre, which is situated on the north chain of Lot No 11 St Peters Parish, which Mrs Stevinson states was never sold to Mayo but belongs to Roderick Stevinson her son, & which land was left to the boy, by his grand mother Mrs Edmond Stevinson

The byres are now wanted by Mrs John. Stevinson to put her cattle in, and Mayo wont allow it — Mayo claims the land under several heads, but I consider he ought to be made an example of, and evicted at once, before the cold weather sets in.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McLuckle.
Indian Agent

E. McColl Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

43558

Manitoba Superintendency.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 29th Oct. 1887.

In your Reply refer to No. 78,553
also to the date of this letter.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your consideration and instructions in the matter a copy of a letter from Wm. Agent Muckle reporting that Mr. Jno. Edmond Stevenson complains that Charles Mayo has taken her lyre, which is situated on the North chain of Lot No 11, St Peters Parish.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
E McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

The Honorable
The Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.
Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646 2

E. McColl Esqr
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

18373

Nov 7 1887

Deputy Minister
See memo. under (4-11-87)

Sir,

I have to ask the return of your letter of the 29th ultimo Enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr Agt Nuttall reporting that Mrs John Edmonds Stevenson complains that Chas Mayo has taken her byre on the north chain of Lot No 11 St Peters Res and in reply I have to inform you that the Indian Comr on May 4 the N.W.T. was advised of this alleged trespass on the 17th ult and that he has since informed the Dept that the Chief & Councillors of the St Peters Band have been advised by him that action in the matter will be taken at

7 Town

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. Form 1

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All Messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

67

44370

SIR GEO. STEPHEN, Bart., President.
W. C. VAN HORNE, Vice-President. CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

NO.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK
94	Road	31 B Collect	

Time 3:30p Dec 5 1887

From Winnipeg 5

To L Vankoughnet

Referring your letter four six four six September twenty aikens wishes to know if Superintendent General himself has authorised me to act under section twenty two as it is necessary

Hayter Reed

To secure prompt despatch send reply to

COR. SPARKS AND ELGIN STREETS

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. FORM 2

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

ALL MESSAGES TAKEN BY THIS COMPANY

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 1000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance.

SIR GEORGE STEPHEN, Bart., President.

W. C. VAN HORNE, Vice-President.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TELEGRAPH

ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

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.

CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.

J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.

HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP.

SENT NO.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	TIME SENT.	TIME FILED.	CHECK.

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

(9)

To 188

authority of the above law as has been done in every similar case of trespass on Indian Reserves under advice from Department of Justice.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. Form 2

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph.

ALL MESSAGES TAKEN BY THIS COMPANY

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 1000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance.

SIR GEORGE STEPHEN, Bart., President.
W. C. VAN HORNE, Vice-President.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TELEGRAPH

CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.

ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

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.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

Sent No.	Sent By	Rec'd By	Time Sent.	Time Filed.	Check.

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

To Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Office
Winnipeg Man.

5th Dec. 1887.

See subsection twenty eight of section seven Interpretation Act of eighteen sixty seven which provides that a deputy may do whatever his principal is authorized to do. Your authorization was made under the authority

(S.)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4646/2

Hayter Reed, Esq
~~HON. E. DEWDNEY~~,
Asst. Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and N. W. T.,
Regina, N. W. T.,

265

Decr 14 1887

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th October last; and in reply I beg to inform you that you are hereby deputed to act for the Supt. Genl. of Indn. Affairs by performing the duties assigned to him, the Supt. Genl., in respect of trespasses committed on the Indian Reserves in the N.W. Territories or on any of ~~the Indian Reserves~~, as described in Sections 23 & 25 & Sub sections 2 & 3, of ~~and~~ Secn. 26 and Secn. 28 of the Indian Act, 43 Vic Chap 28, Sec 1.

I have &c.

Deputy Minister,
Please see if I have quoted the sections correctly
N. W. Indn

Approved,
Deputy Minister.

Correct

88 Copy.

44459

Forend:

List of claims in Schedule A., accompanying Report of Commissioners investigating claims in the Parish of St. Peter, which have been disposed of 25th Novr. 1887.

Lot No.	Name of patentee &c.
4	Patented to Christiana Christianson Scrip issued.
22	" William Thomas "
43	" James Bird "
62	" Narcisse Chatelaine "
53	" Fredk. C. Mercer "
S. 7 chs. 55	" John Clemons "
69	" Saml. G. Emerson "
Part of 91	" Thos. Truthwaite Sr. Scrip issued
79	" Thomas Peebles "
96	" James Monkman "
102	" do "
105	" George Ballendine "
114 & 115	" John L. L. Smith "

26 Nov. '87
(Signed) W. M. G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

44459

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 17 1887

LETTER NO.

REFERENCE NO. 7252

Ottawa 16th December, 1887.

Sir,

I am directed to send you, herewith enclosed, for your information a copy of a list of certain lots in the Parish of St. Peter, which have been patented.

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

P. B. Douglas
Assistant Secretary.

The Deputy of the
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

1 Enclosure

Address your reply as follows: To the Secretary of the Dep't of the Interior Ottawa

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
No. 265.
Also to the date of this letter.

45130

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, 9th January, 1888.

Sir,

In connection with my recent visit to the St. Peter's Reserve, under-taken for the purpose of ejecting trespassers; I have the honor to state that the duty was one beset with many difficulties, which con-fronted me at every step, in connection with each case.

My first task was to gather all necessary information to make each case sufficiently clear, and substantiating the claim of the Indians to the land trespassed upon, so that, in the event of an appeal being had to a court of law by any of those against whom pro-ceedings were being taken, no doubt would

The Hon.
The Commissioner
of Indian Affairs,
Regina.

12

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

15130

would exist in the mind of the Department, as to its cause.

Upon obtaining all this evidence, and submitting the same to the legal opinion of Mr. J. A. M. Aikins, Barrister, of Winnipeg, he decided that it would be more advisable to have all such evidence attested by affidavits from the different parties from whom the information was being obtained. I therefore had to make further visits to the Reserve, with this object in view. I selected one each, of three kinds of trespassers, as test cases; for I felt that if it were shown to these parties that they were illegally in possession of land within the Reserve, and they were either summarily evicted, or acknowledged themselves to be trespassers, much time and expense would thereby be saved in the eviction of the balance. The cases were:-

1st.- Where a person, at one time an In-dian, subsequently left the Treaty

as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

45130

would exist in the mind of the Department, as to its cause.

Upon obtaining all this evidence, and submitting the same to the legal opinion of Mr. J. A. M. Aikins, Barrister, of Winnipeg, he decided that it would be more advisable to have all such evidence attested by affidavits from the different parties from whom the information was being obtained. I therefore had to make further visits to the Reserve, with this object in view. I selected one each, of three Kinds of trespassers, as test. cases; for I felt that if it were shown to these parties that they were illegally in possession of land within the Reserve, and they were either summarily evicted, or acknowledged themselves to be trespassers, much time and expense would thereby be saved in the eviction of the balance. The cases were:-

1st. Where a person, at one time an In-
-dian, subsequently left the Treaty

as

12

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

45130

as a Half-breed, never having been in possession of any particular portion of the Reserve, but simply residing upon it with others, remained upon it after receiving such discharge as a Half-breed.

2nd.– Where a white man claimed, through his marriage to an Indian woman who held land while an Indian, (having inherited it from Indians who held it prior to the Treaty), but who subsequently left the Treaty as a Half-breed.

3rd.– Where persons had always been the possessors of the land on which they had resided, but left the Treaty as Half-breeds, and still continue to retain possession.

Having done everything to the satisfaction of Mr. Aikins, I then issued my warrant, as empowered by the Indian Act, and in company with the Sheriff, visited one Isaac Irving, a trespasser under the 1st head – this man I could not see; Charles Mayo,

a

1~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

45130

a trespasser under the 2nd head, and Robert Howrie, a trespasser under the 3rd head.

I felt it was best to take the Sheriff, rather than entrust this im-portant proceeding to any other, as the Indians apparently were of the belief that the Government, owing to previous threats and promises made by various parties, which were never acted upon, never intended evicting these trespassers.

Owing to the extreme in-clemency of the weather, I decided not to allow the warrants to be executed, and turn women and children out into the cold, provided those against whom they were issued, signed an agreement to leave early in the coming spring.

I took the Chief and Councillors into my confidence, and had them work with me in the matter; and my action as to the extension of time wherein to leave the Reserve, met

with

12

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY

with the Chiefs approval. They were greatly pleased at the Government taking active measures to end this long standing grievance.

I gave every facility to those who considered they had just claims to the property, to lay them before Mr. Aitkins, who would advise them in the matter; and stated that the Government did not wish to proceed in any case, unless the law was clearly on the side of the Indians. This fact did much towards satisfying them that the Government was only acting in accordance with its Treaty-obligations with the Indians, and strongly supported by law, and consequently not taking any unfair advantages in the matter.

Prior to leaving, I gave the Indian Agent a list of names of trespassers against whom he was, as fast as possible, to obtain evidence as to their being ~~trespassers~~ such, and to submit it to me.

I

12

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

15130

I am now confident that when the time comes for these people to leave, there will not be that trouble which was anticipated- & threats of such as Mayo, to resist eviction, at all hazards, will not be carried out.

A further visit to the Reserve will be necessary at some later date, to advance the balance of these cases, and get them into proper shape; but as much time as at first expended, will be unnecessary, now that the whole matter is more perfectly comprehended.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Hayter Reed
Asst. Commissioner.

12

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Duplicate

19514/5

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 19 1888

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY.
MAR 15 1888
WINNIPEG. MAN.

46751

Indian Office

Clandeboye

12th March 1888

No. 3163

Sir

I have the honor to refer to your favor No 19372 of the 21st ultimo. Enclosing an Extract from the Morning Call re the St Peters Reserve.

I beg to state that in the whole Extract there is only one truth — that is that the Selkirk people would like to see the Reserve opened up and the present occupiers removed a most short-sighted policy, as the thousands of dollars of annuity money paid yearly, goes almost all into the pockets of its merchants, also the thousands of dollars earned by the St Peters people as oarsmen, boatmen, hunters & fishermen is spent there and if it had not been for the Indian trade, Selkirk would have been no better than Emerson and other bankrupt towns now Selkirk can make the proud boast that

E. Dr. Cole Esq
Supt. Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that there has never been a
business failure there. 16751

As the celebrated chief Poquis
was dead some years before the
Dominion Government got possession
of Manitoba, it is something quite
new to me, that he was the prime
mover in securing a treaty between
the Government and the St Peters
Band of Indians

In regard to a white man
winning a suit against the Dominion
Government in regard to land in St
Peters I beg to say that I never heard of
any such suit. I also have not been
informed that the Halfbreeds who
withdrew from treaty in 1886, are to receive
free homesteads, but I most distinctly
state that all of them were told most
distinctly before they received their discharge
that they would have to give up all
claims to land and other improvements
within the Reserve if they withdrew
from treaty, and they all understood
this although the Scrip buyers who
were interested in their giving up their
treaty told them otherwise and by them
they were guided.

It is wonderful how much one
learns from Newspaper extracts at
times I was quite ignorant until I
saw the extract you enclosed to me
that every five members of an Indian
Band received six hundred and
forty acres - or a mile square

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

while the fact is they receive thirty two or one hundred and sixty acres to every five persons 46751

There is no destitution amongst my Indians, they have the privilege of selling dead wood they never had a better year for fishing nor a year when they could sell their fish to better advantage, they have more Gold eyes and perch than they know what to do with as they have glutted the market.

Numbers of the young men are off at cord wood shanties where they are doing well. The people have received good prices for their Hay and altogether the extract has caused a good deal of amusement to myself and many of the Indians to whom I have read it

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servt

A. M. Muckle.

Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

46751

Manitoba Superintendency.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 19 1888

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 15th March 1888

CORRESPONDENCE
MAR 21 1888
BRANCH

In your Rep. No. 19515 also to the date of this letter.

Sir,

I have the honor to state for your information that on the 21st ultimo a communication (copy enclosed) dated St Peters Reserve 20th of February was published in "The Morning Call" here, which I forwarded to the Agent Muckle, and beg to enclose herewith his report thereon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Inspt of Ind Agencies.

The Honorable
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

46751

...itoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 15th March 1888

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 15 1888

CORRESPONDENCE MAR 21 1888 BRANCH

In your Rep... No. 1951 ... also to the ... letter.

The St. Peter's Indians.

St. Peters, Feb. 20.—Ever since the days of the celebrated Indian chief Peguis, under whose control a large portion of the land along the Red river was held, and who was the prime mover in securing a treaty between the St Peter's Indians and the Dominion Government, there has been a feeling of discontent among the tribe above mentioned, of which merely by alleged encroachment on the Indians upon prorogative rights. In one instance at least, the [illegible] come to a test between thn white man and the Dominion Government and Indian, the first named winning the suit and taking up his residence among the Indians. Last summer a large number of the Indians purchased their freedom and are now no longer treaty Indians. In April, it is said, these people will have to vacate the homes founded by their forefathers and held by them for a great many years. In lieu of the vacation of this property they are to receive a free homestead. As the time approaches for these people to move they begin to explain that matters have been misrepresented and seem anxious to remain where they are. Selkirk people are anxious to see the entire band vacate the reserve and so open up this beautiful section of country for settlement. The present allotment of land is one square mile for every five persons. A very large number of Indians are in very destitute circumstances. Certain restrictions have been placed upon them in the sale of wood which deprive them of their sole means of revenue, excepting in cases where they smuggle in wood in the midnight hours, which is done daily. Fish are very scarce in the Red river owing to the severity of the weat...

acting & let G... 22 Mar ...

...ave the honor to state for ...nation that on the 21st ...communication (copy enclosed) dated St Peters Reserve 20th of February was published in "The Morning Call" here, which I forwarded to Mr Agent Muckle, and beg to enclose herewith his report thereon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Eric Coll
Inspt of Ind Agencies

The Honorable
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

48301

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 18 1888

Winnipeg 14 May 1888

CORRESPONDENCE MAY 23 1888 BRANCH

Sir

I beg to call your attention to the fact. That I and my wife and children have been actually thrown out of my house on Lots 11 and 12 in the Parish of St. Peters Manitoba by the Sheriff of the Eastern Judicial District of the Province of Manitoba acting (as stated by the said Sheriff under a Warrant issued by Mr Hayter Reid. an Indian Commissioner When I and my family were dispossessed by the said Sheriff my family were sick one Child was removed while in her bed and was confined to her bed for sometime before and since. Now my wife is a member of St Peters Band of Indians in receipt of her annual annuity.

Mr McNeill Sir Wife having been a member of the St Peters Band and drawing annuity Pres him Dr Right to land in the Reserve

Mr Inspector Mr Hayter Reid Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

48301

I purchased the claim of one Ellen Clements to the aforsaid lands and premises and paid her therefor after the said Ellen Clements had withdrawn from Treaty. I was told by the Agent a Mr Muckle that if I would build him about that he would see that I would have no trouble about this property I refused to do so and I suppose ~~the~~ I have been dispossessed in consequence of such refusal.

I beg to ask you to cause an investigation of this matter and I claim to be entitled to remain on any land in the said reserve so long as my wife is in receipt of annuity. If for no other reason

I am Sir
Yours Respectfully

The Superintendent General of Indian affairs
Ottawa
Ont

Charles Edwin Mays
Seeknk P.O
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

48419

Manitoba:

County of

Selkirk

TO WIT:

In the matter of Caroline Mayo nee Sutherland

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 23 1888

I Charles E. Mayo of the Parish of St Peters in the County of Lisgar Farmer do solemnly declare

That nine years ago I married Caroline Sutherland daughter of Geo. Sutherland who was at that time and is now a resident of the said Parish of St. Peters residing upon Lot 18. in the said Parish. the said George Sutherland and his family were then and are now in receipt of Indian annuity.

That my wife Caroline Mayo nee Sutherland is now and has since my said marriage been in receipt of Indian annuity annually.

That on or about one year ago last January. one Mr Muckle Indian Agent for the Indian Reserve of St Peters wanted me to build a boat for him saying If I would do so he would see that I would not be troubled about the possession of Lots 11 & 12 which I purchased about Three years ago from Ellen Clements who had withdrawn from Treaty. That on or about the forth of May A.D. 1888. The Sheriff of the Eastern Judicial District of Manitoba dispossessed me under a warrant (as stated by him) issued by one Hayter Reid. and when so evicted I and my family were sick one child had to remound in her bed and has since as well as before been confined to her bed. my wife is still an Indian and has not withdrawn.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Act respecting Extra-Judicial Oaths."

Declared *before me at the* City *of* Winnipeg *in the County of* Selkirk *this* 14th *day of* May *A.D. 1888*

Charles Edwin Mayo

[signature]

A Commissioner in B.R., &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

174625

S.t. Peters South 48588
April 13th 1888.

Manitoba

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR RECEIVED APR 20 1888 OTTAWA

The Petition of the undersigned humbly sheweth

That we the loyal inhabitants in the parish of S.t. Peters to redress our grievances before the constituted Authorities of the Dominion that our rights & priviliges has been treated with contumely

That your petitioners have been undergoin great expences and lose of time and that is money as we have undertaking the must important land question to be solved or settled to the benefit and to the satisfaction of the old settles claims in S.t. Peters

That your petitioners request your Government to respect our rights, titles of every description, as we have bought the land claims long before the transfer to the Dominion of Canada

That it is the opinion of your Sir petitioners that it is injurious to us as well as the public interest as it affects the interests of the public because we cannot do any thing in the way of prosperity or to any land transactions between man and man

That your humbel petitioners request your government to consider the validity of our claims as we are the aborigines of the soile that we gave up the Treaty proved as half breeds entitled to participate the rights an preveliges, as British subjects

That your petitioners have made applications time after time to the effort to procure patents which has been in abeyance o[illegible] dissatisfaction

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

That your petitioners pray your Government
to examine the following Documents and espies relative
to the said rights and titles we believe it is the honor and
dignity of the exalted nation to perform their obligations
as a Governing body

That your petitioners will always be ready to request your
honorable body in behalf of the said rights

And your humble petitioners bound in duty
will ever pray for.

(Signed) John Sandison

your petitioners Notify
your Government that it is
in accordance to the wish of
the enfranchise or constituted
body of the people in Alberta
to get their rights respected

x

Samuel Sandison
Richard Sandison
John D. Sandison
John N. Smith
Robert Howie
William Cochrane
John Cochrane

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Copy

174625

The Administration of Lord, Page 303

Dufferin in Canada, 48588

Governor General Sir John Young to Bishop Tach

Ottawa Feb. 16 1870

My Dear Lord Bishop. — I am anxious to express to you before you set out the deep sence of obligation which I feel is due to you for giving up your residence at Rom. leaving the great & interesting affairs in which you were engaged there. and undertaking at this inclement season the long voyage across the Atlantic & a long jarney across this continent, for the purpose of rendering service to Her Majestys Government, and engaging in a mission in the cause of peace & civilization. Lord Granville was anxious to avail himself of your valuable assistance from the outset, & I am heartily glad that you have proved willeng to afford it so promptly and generously. you are fully in possession of the views of my Government, & the Imperial Government. as I informed you, is earnest in the desire to see the North-West territory united to the Dominion on equitable conditions, I need not attempt to furnish you with any instructions for your guidance, beyound those contained in the telegraphic message sent me by Lord Granville on the part of the British Cabinet, in the proclamation which I drew up in accordance whith that message. and in the letters which I addressed to Governor Mc Tavish. your vicar General, Mr. Smith. In this last letter I wrote: "all who have complaints to make or wishes to express. to address themselves to me as Her Majestys Representative, and you may state, with the utmost confidence, that the Imperial Government has no intention of acting otherwise or permitting others to act otherwise then in perfect good faith towards the ~~inhabitants~~ inhabitants of the Red River District and of the North-West.

The people [illegible] that respect and attention will

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

that title to every discription of property will be carefully guarded and ~~that~~ that all the franchises which have subsisted or which the people may prove themselves qualified to exercise shall be duly continued or liberally confirmed.

In declaring the desire and determination of Her Majesty's cabinet you may safely use the terms of the ancient formula that right shall be done in all cases

I wish you my dear Lord Bishop, a safe journey and success in your benevolent mission

Believe me with all respect.

Faithfully yours

Signed / Right Rev. Bishop Taché. (Signed.) John Young.

The above letter constitute the validity of our claims or titles to every discription of property our rights has been treated with contumely this long time, we think it is high time that the Dominion authorities should take the matter into consideration.

Has the promises in the above Document been fulfilled, not yet with as natives of St. Peters Settlement now called Indian Reservation since confideration or after the Treaty was made

We would moreover sujest the Hudson's Bay so called rights has been settled to the satisfaction in their favour there title has been secured in the Dominion Land Office in Winnipeg when in equity we are entitled to get patents from the Crown

The documents we send or the copies we send will explain the validity of our titles in every

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

174625

48588

above 50 years in the parish of St. Peters in fact we were the pioneers of civilization we have built a Stone Church in St. Peters partly by the aid of the English Church Missionery Society we think it is very important or essential to respect the first pioneers of civilation & christianization time would fail to enumerate all the actions that has been made by the first Settlers in St. peters the following written answer will explain itself and the date

---

Copy

No. 5254

Indian Office

1882

Winnipeg 27th October

Sirs/

In reply to your joint telegram of the

2d the instant asking if patents for your claims before expiration of appointed time by the Dominion Department can be procure.

I have to inform you that your names being in the pay sheets are file in this office as Treaty Indians you cannot get Patents.

I am Sirs

Your Obedient Servant

J. Dewdney

Indian Commissioner

To John Sandison

and Baptist Cook

Cooks Landing

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646

Dept of Indian affairs
Ottawa 13th 86

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your of the 8th Instant, enclosing a petition received from John Sanderson and others of the parish of St Peters stating forth certain grievances relative to the tenure of their lands and praying that the Dominion Government may seek measures to be taken as result in their being allowed to remain in the peaceable possession of the same

In reply I have to inform you that a proclamation will shortly be published in the Canada Gazette apprising parties interested of the provisions of the act passed last session for the final settlement of all claims in Manitoba by occupancy under the act 53 Vict: Chap 3 under which the time for filing their claims to land is limited to the 30th April 1882, and all claims made before the first of may 1882 but which the claimants or claimants shall not before the expiration of six months after the said date, have established to the satisfaction of the minister of the Interior shall be barred as fully and effectually as if such claims had not been made

It is therefore incumbent upon the parties to the petition or any other claiming lands within the Parish of St Peters about which their doubts

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

174625

48588

doubts as to their right to the same to file their claims in the Dominion Lands Office at Winnipeg before the 1st of May 1882 in order that due consideration may be given thereto.

I am &c

(Signed) L Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt.
Genl of Indian Affairs

The said Baptist Cook in the copy he is dead this last winter but he has left a widow and children in the place or in their house where they have been located

(Signed) John Sinclair Capt.

Part of Selkirk is within St Peters
Colville Landing and Raymond is within St Peters
that there will be no misunderstanding about the different names of the Map in St Peters

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

48588

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 30 1888

LETTER NO.

REFERENCE NO. 174623.

Ottawa. 26th May. 1888.

Sir,

I have the honor to transfer to you a letter received here from Mr. A. W. Ross, M.P., together with a petition therewith enclosed from certain settlers in the parish of St. Peter's with reference to their claims to lands in that parish. I am looking into the matter & am unable to come to any other conclusion than that the complaint has reference to lands within

L. Vankoughnet, Esq.,
Deputy Supt. General
of Indian affairs,
Ottawa.

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

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

☞ Write legibly your full name and address.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

within the St. Peter's
Indian Reserve. I have
informed Mr. Ross
that the matter has
been transferred to
you.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

John R. Hall
Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646/2 Chas. Edwin Mayo
Selkirk P.O.
Man.

For the Deputy's signature.

May 28th 1888

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 14th inst. stating that you have been ~~dispossessed~~ married to an Indian woman being a White man ejected from Lots 11 & 12 on the Indian Reserve in the Parish of St Peters Manitoba; and in reply I have to inform you that the fact of your wife having been a member of the St Peters Band and of her drawing annuity gives you no right to land in the Reserve.

I am

E. McColl
Inspr of Indian agencies
Winnipeg
Man

CORRESPONDENCE
MAY 29 1888
BRANCH

Over

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

May 28th 1888

Sir,

I have to inform you that the Dept is in receipt of a letter from one Chas. Edwin Mays a White man married to an Indian woman stating that he has been ejected from certain lots in the St Peters Reserve, and that Ind. Agent Muckle promised him that if he would build him a boat he would see that he would have no trouble about retaining possession of land in the Reserve; and I have to request that you will investigate and report on this statement as to the matter

I am

The D.M.'s signature.

MB

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/2

Robt. Watson, Esq. M.P.
Portage la Prairie,
Man:

~~May~~ June 2nd 1888.

Sir,

I have the honor to ack: the rect. of your letter of the 22nd Inst, with its enclosure, relative to the Ejectment of Chas. Edwin Mayo from land forming part of the St Peters Indn Reserve; and in reply I beg to inform you that Mayo being a white man can have no claim on any acct. to land in an Indn Reserve.

The Inspector of Indn Agencies at Winnipeg has

CORRESPONDENCE ★ BRANCH ★ JUN 4 1888

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

has, however, been instructed to enquire into Mayo's allegation that Mr. Agent Buckle made him certain promises if he would build him a boat.

I have &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

No 3241

48707

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 4 1888

265
Copy

Indian Office
Claudeboye
8th May 1888.

Sir

I have the honor of informing you that the Sheriff evicted Charles Mays from Lot Number eleven in the St Peters Indian Reserve, as per warrant issued by Mr Asst Commissioner Reed.

I beg to state that as Mays had said that he would never be taken out of the house alive, and that he would shoot the first man who dared to touch him, I advised the Sheriff to go fully prepared for any emergency, he therefore took three constables with him, and before he could get into the house the door

The Hon^r had
the Indian Commis^r
Regina
N.W.T.

6

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

lead to be battered down as Mayo and family could not open it.

Mayo and family and two loads of household furniture etc. were taken outside the Reserve, but as Mayo threatened to come back again, I placed a man in charge of the buildings with instructions for him to allow Mayo to take away his private property which was outside the house, and which the Sheriff and myself did not consider necessary to remove.

Would you kindly instruct me in regard to what I am to do with the houses and lots, such as Mayo and others who have left the Reserve shall I hand them over to the Chief?

I am glad to be able to inform you that almost all the Half-breeds whom they saw how Mayo was treated, have

left.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

left the reserve, but there may be a few who will have to be evicted of which I will notify you.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Sgd) A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

48707

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 4 1888

No. 265.

Office of the
Indian Commissioner
North-West Territories,
Regina, 30th May, 1888.

4646 3/

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the information of the Department, a copy of a letter from Mr. Indian Agent Muckle, in which he reports the eviction of Charles Mayo, a trespasser upon the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, and describes the effect of such proceeding upon other Half-breeds, similarly situated.

The Agent, I beg to inform you, has been instructed to consult with the Chief and Councillors, as to what should be done with the property taken from trespassers, and to report the result to me.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
T. Powe
Commissioner.

The Right Hon.
The Supt. General,
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4.646/2

A. W. Ross Esq. M.P.
Winnipeg. Man.

June 8 1888.

Sir,

I have the honor to ack: the recd: of your letter of the 19th ~~ult.~~ April last enclosing a Petition from certain ~~[illegible]~~ inhabitants of the Parish of St Peters, Manitoba, in reference to lands claimed by them; and in reply I beg to inform you that as the parties so claiming lands in the St Peters Indn Reserve went out of Treaty and took landscrip as Half breeds, they cannot be allowed to retain the lands previously occupied by them in the Reserve as such lands form part of the said Reserve and all land therein is the property of the Band that is ~~[illegible]~~ still remaining in Treaty.

I have

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH JUN 9 1888

AB

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

48842

Denver. May 16. 1881.

A. W. Ross Esqr. M. I.

Sir,

I had a verbal notification to day from Mr. Agent Muckle to leave the Reserve a week from now, having withdrawn from the Treaty. I wrote to you a year ago ~~this~~ Spring setting forth fully how I stand with regard to Lob so. I considered it unprivate

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

private property, My father
deceased James Whistance
having purchased the same
from the late Chief Pe-
guis, All we to be de-
prived of our private
holdings thus summarily,
that is no way of settling
Matters, You will kindly
see the Dept, & do all you
to have me rightest, Hoping
you will see to this at
once.

Yours
Your humble Servt,
Murdoch Whistance

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

48841

Return

SECRETARY'S BRANCH JUN 13 1888

Vancouver DC
June 5th 88

Sir

I now write you according to your request when I met you in the Ante room of the Council Chamber previous to my departure from Ottawa

What I requested is that no further steps be taken for the removal of the parties claiming to be bona fide settlers on St Peters Reserve. The Indian Agent for this Reserve has given these people notice to move at once. Many of them claim to have been in possession of their lands previous to the Reserve being made and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

48841



and they have made improvements on their holdings some of them being of a very substantial character. Some of them claim they either purchased from the chief Pepis or purchased from those who thus got their title

It would be manifestly unjust to thus summarily eject these people, and notwithstanding the fact that an examination was made by officers of your Department I hold that the Department is thus do not thoroughly understand or appreciate the situation

Right Hon
Sir John A Macdonald
GCB
Ottawa

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obt Servt
Ann Ross

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646½

A. W. Ross, Esq., M.P.
Vancouver, B.C.

June 14th 88.

SECRETARY'S
JUN 14 1888
BRANCH

Sir,

I am directed by the D. G. of I. A. to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 5th inst. respecting the alleged claims of certain Half-breeds who have accepted scrip and who formerly were members of the St. Peters Band to lands ~~occupied by them~~ previously to their taking scrip held by them on the St. Peters Reserve.

In reply I beg to refer you

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

you to a letter
sent to your
address at
Winnipeg on the
4th inst., in which
you were informed
that as the
parties claiming
the lands in
question went
out of treaty
and took land
as Half-breeds
they could
not be allowed
to retain the
lands previously
occupied by them
on the Reserve
as such lands
formed part
of said Reserve
and all the land
therein is the
property

or scrip

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

property of the Band,
that is to say,
of those still
remaining in treaty.

Above, &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

48968

20327

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 14 1888

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY. JUN 11 1888 WINNIPEG, MAN.

No. 3279

Indian Office
Clandeboye
31st May 1888.

Sir.

I have the honor of informing you that Isaac Thomas a member of the St Peters Band of Indians came to me, & informed me that a Bailiff William Sutherland came and ordered him off the Lot he is living on, which is Lot number 26 in the Parish of St Peters, & for which Hon Dr Schultz has received a patent.

The Doctor has sold the lot to Mrs Hannah Marsh, who formerly took treaty as Hannah Cochrane, and wants to give over the lot.

The lot is registered as having been bought on the 13th Dec 1872, from one Charles Stevenson a treaty man, who died in 78 or 79. — This is all I know about the lot. Isaac Thomas states that he knows that the lot was bought after the transfer, and that there are parties who can prove it. — He also states that the Chief and Council some seven years ago told him

E. McColl Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ago told him to go and build, and take the lot which he did, as he considered it was part of the St Peters Indian Reserve

He state that his principal witness is off somewhere north, but will be in this summer

Isaac Thomas considers his improvements, taking into consideration the land he has cleared (a little over two acres) with his house, and fencing to be worth ($100^{00}/_{100}$) one hundred Dollars, which is not unreasonable, but I think that it might be taken into consideration that Thomas knew that the lot was claimed by Dr Schultz before he settled on it, therefore if Dr Schultz title is good, he would hardly be entitled to the above amount.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A McMicken.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3619)

File 4646-3	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1885 - 1888
File 4646-3B	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1902
File 4646-4	Clandeboye Agency - Report and extensive schedules of land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1887
File 4646-5	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1891

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646-3B

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT BLACK

VOLUME

FROM

TO

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For Records Use

FILE NO. 4646-3B

BLACK

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 362?, File 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

INSIDE (Cover)

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

REGULATIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Records indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other offices an opportunity of using it.
3. Records must be notified whenever a file is passed direct to another Division.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Records.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Blue Slips will not be attached to files without notification to Records.
11. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
12. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3618, File 160-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4646

Special

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1895.

125 30

I. A. N. Provencher

Ind. Conr.

Winnipeg

24 Mch. 3 Apl.

Submits certain questions as to rights of Half-breeds of St Peters to withdraw from their Band while members of their families continue to participate in the annuities.

See endorsation under

4 Dec '89 Let

No 3. B

ACTION.

Jan 3. Lett to Chief N. Prince
" " " Indn Comr Reed
19/24 mar Let from Chief Prince. 19 Sept.
28 " " to Do
28 " " to Ind Comr
" Encl. —
21/26 mar Let from Ind. Comr. 15 Feby Let to M Mackenzie
31/31 Mar " " Auditor Genl 2/12 Mch Let from Deputy Int.
Apl. 14 Ltr to do 13/16 Mch " Dept of Int.
12/20 apl Let from Ind. Comr 20 " Chlet to do
May Let to Mr Hedgecock " Let to A. McBurgess
23/24 Apl Let from Auditor Genl 16/16 Mch " from Deputy Int.
May 9. Ltr to do 21/24 " Let from L. McDowell
6/7 " Let from do 22/26 " " Sekenis Cuzzy to
16 May Chlet to do 2nd Apl Let to Dept Interior
2/2 Mch Let from A. McKenzie " (with Dr. Co's)
2 " " to do 3rd Apl Let (w encl) to Culver Rutherford
2 " " " Simpson
5 June Let from L. McCord. 19/21 " Let from L. McDowell
6 June Let from J. A. McKenzie. 8 Apl. Ltr to do
10 June, Ltr to do 24 " " from Sekenis to
19/21 June Let from Kynnis Simpson 6/9 " Let from Jackson to
24th Ltr to Dept. of Justice with enclosures
27 June Let from do
2 July Let from do
5th " Chlet to do
7/10 Encl Let from
11/
22nd Apl Let to Dept Interior
14/17 " " " "
26 Mch " " "

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3619, File 126,6-35)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

PERDUE & ROBINSON,
Barristers, Attorneys, &c.
[illegible]PEG, MANITOBA.
W. E. PERDUE. THOS. ROBINSON.

OFFICES, OVER BANK OF MONTREAL.

Winnipeg, Man., SEPT 19TH '88 188

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT
OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
OTTAWA.
ONT.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 25 1888

DEAR SIR,

LOT 95 ST PETERS RESERVE.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE ABOVE LOT HAS BEEN PATENTED. WE SHOULD BE MUCH OBLIGED IF YOU COULD ~~GIVE~~ INFORM US UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES THE CROWN PARTED WITH ITS INTEREST IN THIS LOT AND TOOK IT OUT OF THE RESERVE. THE REASON WE ASK IS BECAUSE A QUESTION HAS ARISEN AS TO THE RIGHT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ST ANDREWS TO TAX IT.

ACCORDING TO OUR MUNICIPAL ~~MAN~~ ACT ALL LANDS HELD IN TRUST [illegible]RIBE OR BODY OF INDIANS ARE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION, BUT [illegible]EFIT WOULD NOT ACCRUE ~~TO~~ BH AS THE CROWN HAS PARTED WITH [illegible]EST IN THE LOT IN QUESTION.

YOURS TRULY

Perdue & Robinson

RANCH 1888

[illegible] 14th 1882 Date of Patent to Joseph [illegible] Sr
[illegible] Act & say that this [illegible] was advised by the Dept of the [illegible] that Mr Jos. Monkman Sr [illegible] his claim to a Patent for the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs

To D. M.

Ottawa, Oct. 3. 1888

There has been no Patent issued from this Dept: for lot 95 St: Peters Reserve. The undersigned thinks it might be well to enquire if the Dept. of Interior has issued Patent for this lot.

CORRESPONDENCE OCT 5 1888

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646/3

Messrs Perdue & Robinson.
Barristers &c.
Winnipeg, Man.

Oct. 10 1885.

Gentlemen,

I have to ack. the rec. of your letter of the 19th ult. relative to Lot No. 95 St Peters Ind. Reserve; and in reply beg to inform You that this Dept. advised the Dept. of the Interior that Mr. Joseph Monkman Sr. had proved his claim to a Patent for the Lot in question as required by the Proclamation of the 13th Nov. 1880 requiring parties to prove their claims to lands within the Reserve.

For particulars of the evidence furnished by Mr. Monkman You should apply to the Dept. of the Interior. Lands

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
No. 265
Also to the date of this letter.

55439

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 18 1889

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, 14th February 1889

Sir

I have the honor to inform yo
that I have just returned from
Winnipeg where among other matt
I was occupied with hearing the
complaints of the St Peters Reser
Indians.

They express themselves grat
for the action taken with regard
the eviction of trespassers upon th
Reserve, but complained that so
of these had returned. This compla
however, investigation showed to ha
no other foundation than the fact
that one or two had been back occa
-sionally as visitors.

The Honorable
The Superintendent Gen.
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont.

The rea

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

55439

The real and burning grievance appears to be, the presence upon the Reserve of other than Treaty Indians, who have settled themselves upon lands the possession of which the Indians dispute with them.

This matter has already been under the consideration of the Department but apparently no action has been taken.

I may point out that the presence of strangers, brought about in this way, is a source of constant annoy-ance to the agent, who has always to be on the alert to prevent trespass by them on the disputed, and other lands of the Reserve.

The Indians are not only sore about their presence, but the matter is used as a lever by mischievous outsiders, to move them to discontent, and until settled constant trouble may be expected with the bands.

I beg to recommend that some settlement of the matter be arrived at without evitable delay and am of opinion that if necessary it would be advisable for the Government to make

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

55439

to make some sacrifice rather than allow the feeling about it manifested by the Indians to remain unallayed.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
[signature]
Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 123

55875

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. MAR 7 1889

CORRESPONDENCE MAR 8 1889 BRANCH

To the Right Honorable
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Sir I had the pleasure of meeting the Indian Commissioner of Regina in the Indian Office at Claudeboye, (I think on the 8 Ultima) and urged him to settle all the disputed lands in St Peters Indian Reserve, for I fear often it will cause very grave Trouble, hence in his reply by letter he says he will do so as soon as possible but I hear since of one Patent to be granted which I think cannot be legally done, if I am rightly informed, considering the many misunderstandings that cause so much Trouble, I only wish you would do me the favour in paying my Fare down to Ottawa, & back again, so that I might tell you all I know about the Matter.

Also do accept of my many thanks, for the very kind letter you sent me from Regina dated 20 July 1887 relative to the disturbance that took place in St Peters Indian Reserve

I am Sir
your obedient
& humble servant

Chief Henry Prince

St Peters
2 March 1889

Mr Macneill Act 450 there is no necessity for him to visit Ottawa that the Indian Comr. for Man. & the N.W.T. is now here and this land matters will be arranged as soon as possible (Dwell sign letter)
A. R. Mch

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

55-875

Chief Henry Prince.
St Peters Indn Reserve
Clandeboye, Man:

March 12 1889.

D. M. with copy

Chief,

I have by direction of the Supt Genl to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 2nd Inst, requesting that your expenses to Ottawa and return to St Peters may be paid by the Dept. so that you may consult the Dept. with respect to the land disputes and other matters affecting your Band; and in reply I beg to inform you that there is no necessity for you to visit Ottawa.

The Indn Comr. for Man & the N. W. T. is now here and the land matters will be arranged as soon

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Soon as possible.

I [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule. 6.

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 221. and pages of evidence 39.	1.	Charlotte Hodgins, (nee Mc Dougall)	Claimed by purchase in 1875 from her father Wm. Stevenson an Indian of St. Peter's Band who occupied the Lot at date of Treaty and claimed to reside thereon, up to the time of his death in 1877. Claimant has lived on the Lot since date of purchase and has thereon the following improvements, House 15X18, Log. sided and shingled, Log Stable 12x20 thatched, 9 acres cultivated partly fenced value about $600.00

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
U. O. 35016 and pages of evidence 87.	60.	Narcisse Chatelaine	Claimed through Andrew Spence a Treaty Indian who had a house on the Lot at date of Treaty. Claimant has improvements worth about $250.00

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sch! C. cont'd

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M. A. 2513 and pages of evidence 73. 74.	71.	George Ballendine St. Andrews.	Claimed through James Ballendine who had the walls of a House on the lot at date of Treaty, but no improvements, being at that time and since a resident of St. Andrews. His brother John has been living on it for several years, and has the following improvements, Dwelling House, Stable and about 5 acres under cultivation value about $300 xx "

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

SCH: C. cont'd.

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 848 6319 3284 W.O. 35642 and pages of evidence 60.61. 84. 76. 19. 20	N½ 3 chns. of 88 Sly 1 chain of 89. 130 In sched "B" p. 15 in name of P.R. Young 145 S. E. Qr. Sec. In sched. "D" p. 3 in name of Chas Rusk. N.E. Qr. Sec. In sched. "D" p. 4 in name of Peter R. Young	Murdoch McIvor	The Northerly 3 chains of Lot 88 is claimed by purchase in 1875 through Baptiste Parisien an Indian of the St. Peter's Band who was living on Lot at date of Treaty. The Southerly 1 chain of 89 claimed through Edward Kipling also an Indian who was living on the Lot at date of Treaty, date of purchase 1875. Claimant has made the following improvements, about 25 acres cleared cultivated and fenced, Double House 25×30 and 18×40 Log. Sided and Shingled. Two Stables 40×20 and 20×20, Log & Shingled, Store House 20×20, Milk House 12×15, Value about $3500 xx/11

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37594

Sch: C. cont'd

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 35050.	113	John G. Smith	Purchased from John Prince an Indian of St. Peter's Band in 1874. Claimant has thereon the following improvements, a House, Stable and about 5 acres cultivated worth about $300.00

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Style No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M. A. 283. and pages of evidence 62. to 64.	243.	Wm. Cochrane.	unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty. Wm. Cochrane the Claimant moved from his own Lot at West Selkirk about the year 1879, to this Lot where he has been living since the date mentioned. Claimant has thereon the following improvements, House 18×20. Stable 14×20. Storehouse 14×16 all Log buildings Shingled, about 5 acres cultivated. Value about $750 xx

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3

SECRETARY'S
MAY 31 1899
BRANCH

Enclosure

The Indian Commr.,
Regina, N.W.T.

~~May~~ June 1st 99.

Sir,

I beg to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 29th ult. reporting the action taken by you on the letter of instructions of the 2[illegible]th Mar. last in regard to the proposed eviction of trespassers from the St. Peters Indian Reserve and the settlement of claims for compensation in connection with the same within the limits recommended by the late Commission.

The contents of your letter have been noted and are satisfactory

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

satisfactory. In accordance with the suggestion contained therein in respect to the case of Murdock McAdam, which appears to call for special treatment, I enclose herein a letter of authorization addressed ~~to~~ W. Indian Agent Claudebaye A. M. Muckle, deputing him to act in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Act of 1887 in holding a council of the St. Peters Band, and, if it will be granted, in obtaining a surrender from them of the land described in your letter as that to which McAdam is entitled, on the condition that ~~it~~ the same be sold to him and the money received therefrom

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

therefrom to be
invested for the
benefit of the St. Peters
Band.

With reference to
the residence of Wm.
Cochrane and others
within the mile
square which was
surrendered by the
St. Peters Band some
years ago as it was
supposed it would
be required in connection
with the Town site
of Selkirk and that
it would be in the
interests of the Band
that the same should
be divided into Town
lots and sold for their
benefit, I think that
it would be well
to notify these parties
that they are trespassers
upon

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

upon the land in
question and that
the Dept. will not
consider itself bound
to recognize any claims
for improvements
that they may have
made or that they may make
~~for improvements thereon,~~
~~or to preemption~~
as the same were
made without authority.
Nor will it recognize any
preemptive right in respect
of such unauthorised occupation
I have, &c.

A. J. N. Muckle, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Clandeboye, Man.

~~May~~ June 1 – 89.

Sir/

I beg to inform
you ~~that~~ you are
hereby authorized to
cause a meeting of Council
of the male members
of

Copy placed with M. McFoor papers.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

139.441

Schedule D

59146

Title No.	Lot No.	Claimants	Remarks
W. O 35014 page evidence 50	135	Henry Cockran Piquis	Henry Cockran is a farmer who lives on Lot 104 – he purchased this land from Joe Monkman Sr as a wood lot & has to depend upon it for his firewood & might as well be evicted from off the Reserve as loose this Lot.
M. a 1956 page evidence 22. 42 & 43	84 & N½ 166	mrs a Sinclair nee Jane Harper	Lot 84 is not a wood lot Mrs Sinclair received this land from her father Thos Harper a Half-breed who never received Treaty & who bought these lots long before the transfer & left them to his daughter who only received the Patents after her marriage to an Indian. although they had been applied for previously. I think Lot N½ 166 some years ago one Philip Monkman cut a large amount of cord-wood on this lot which was seized but on his paying stumpage it was relased since when it has not been interfered with. as Mrs Sinclair sold this Lot she has no interest in it now.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule D

59146

Title No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
M. a 848 pages evidence 19 - 20	145 & Sly 1 69/100 chs	Wm Leash Pequis	Lot 145 was bought by Wm Leash before transfer. after the transfer he sold part of Lot 145 to Peter R. Young & part to Murdock McIvor - both white men - P. R. Young sold his part to McIvor so that now McIvor owns the whole lot. as there is a great quantity of dry wood on this Lot it has been very difficult to prevent people from cutting (both Indians & others) Last winter McIvor was allowed 30 cords for his own use. He could not live on his farm without having a wood lot -
M. a 6319 page evidence 19. 20	145 Nly 4 chs	Peter R Young St Andrews	
M: a 6320	148	Jas Monkman Pequis	Mr Monkman bought this before the transfer. has had wood cut on this Lot seized & sold several times & could not live on his farm without a wood lot.
M. O 34.233 page evidence 22	165 & part 166	Philip Monkman	165 he received through his wife from her father Thos Harper a non-Treaty man who bought before the Transfer. Had a great deal of trouble some years ago with Monkman "re" cutting wood on this lot.

-continued next pg.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule D.

59146

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
			Lot 165 continued wood was seized + sometimes sold + sometimes stumpage was paid – Part Lot 166. See remarks on Mrs A. Sinclairs claim to this lot (Schedule D. pg 91) Mrs Sinclair is sister-in-law to Monkman
M.A 6323 page evidence 42+43	Sly 3 Chs 167	Robert Harper (Who?)	Harper received this Lot from his father who bought Thos Harper a non-treaty man before the Treaty – Never have had any trouble whatsoever with Harper. Has up to now been able to secure enough wood off the lot he lives on (No. 83) + which is patented Even the Indians have nothing to say against this man and it would be a great hardship to deprive him of it.
M.A 613	233	Edward Thomas Dymwor	Edward Thomas never claimed this Lot. There is some fraud about it – His lot is part of 235 and I do not see how he could live on farm (Lot 34) without some wood land. as there is almost no wood on his farm now

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146

Schedule B

Tyle No	Lot No.	Claimant	
M.A	2	Hon John Norquay	Occupied by Robt Nourie a half-breed.
2.220	8	" " "	✓ Occupied by Jas Smith a Treaty man.
W.O	16	Alfred Boyd Winnipeg	✓ Occupied by Jas Stevenson a Treaty man.
35.049	and 194	" "	✓ Occupied by Alfred Sibiston a Treaty man
M a 16	19	Adam Kennedy " "	✓ Adam Kennedy a Treaty man occupied by his son also a Treaty man
M.a 14	20	James Johnston	✓ James Johnston a Treaty man (dead) occupied by his sons Colin + Malcolm Johnston ✓ Treaty Indians
W.O. 35.043	28 part 234	A.G.B. Bannatyne	✓ (Lot 28) occupied by Thomas Pratt a Treaty Indian (Lot 234) unoccupied
M. A 6.301	42	Jas Stevenson	✓ Jas Stevenson a Treaty man not occupying Lot. He has a patent for this lot
M. A 868 & pages of evidence 4/5	45	Peter R. Young Lower Fort Garry	✓ Occupied by Isaac Asham a a Treaty man
W.O 35.259 sly 1 page of evidence 46 re Sol 50	44 2 chas ✓ 50 ✓ 64 ✓ 186 +½	George Black Selkirk or assignees Kew & Stobart	Lot 44 unoccupied Lot 50

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146

Schedule B

Style No	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
W.O 34910 MA 6302 + page of evidence 46 +	50	S.L. Bedson Stoney Mountain	occupied by Wm Prince " " Fred Prince and " " Alex Thomas all Treaty men
W.O 35020 MA 6303 + page of evidence 86	51	David Young M.D. Selkirk	occupied by Widow Rose a Treaty woman
W.O 14.202 + pages of evidence 26 to 28	63	Jos Monkman Sr	unoccupied
MA 6305	66 and 185	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	Lot 66 occupied by Widow Favel a Treaty woman Lot 185 occupied by the Roman Catholic mission
MA 6306 × 6344	68	Thos Taylor	unoccupied
MA 6307	74 part of	Ellis W. Hyman	occupied by magnus Harper a Treaty man.
MA 6310	106	Jas Gunn St Andrews	unoccupied
MA 6311	107	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	unoccupied
	108 + part 117		unoccupied
MA 2141 W.O. 35051 + pages of evidence 67 to 71	109	Charles Bird Pequis	unoccupied

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule B — 59146

Style No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
M.A 6312	112	Wm Whiteway Montreal (A.B. to service)	✓ unoccupied
W.O. 35015 + page of evidence 72	116	Henry George Biriston St Clements	✓ Unoccupied
MA 6.313 W.O 35044	114	a. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	
M.A 65	120	Jos. Monkman Sr.	(120) occupied by Wm Henderson. Treaty man never claimed by Jos Monkman
"	121	" " "	✓ claimed by one Burnett —
"	134 + part 135	" " "	(121) occupied by William Mon- -magnay a Treaty man -
"	85	" " "	✓ (134+135) occupied by william
	151	" " "	Greyeyes & Wm Gruen Treaty
	152		men —
"	63		✓ (85) occupied by Jos. Monkman
	163		Snr. -
"	195	" " "	✓ (151) occupied by Thos Macklin
	197		a Treaty man.
			✓ (152) unoccupied
			✓ (63) unoccupied
			✓ (163) occupied by Chas Stett a
			Treaty man
			✓ (195) occupied by
			Jas Tidder Sr
			" " Jnr
			✓ + Henry . all Treaty men
			✓ (197) occupied by Adam Cockran
			Treaty man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule B

Style No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
M.A 6314 & page evidence 46	130	Peter R. Young St Andrews	occupied by Geo Thickfoot a Treaty man
M.A 6315	133	John Hamlin Burnell San Francisco Cal	occupied by Treaty man
W.O. 35013 & page evidence 53	137	Jas Colclough Selkirk	occupied by Treaty man
M.A 6317	136	Jas. Monkman	" " " "
6312	150	"	" " " "
m.a 6318	139	John Hamlin Burnell San Francisco Cal.	" " " "
W.O 35409 & pages evidence 44 & 45	143 & 144	Geo Kingsbury Clandeboye	" " " "
			" " " "
W.O. 34949 & pages of evidence 40 & 41	157	Laurence Moncrieff Selkirk	" " " "
m.a 6322 & pages evidence 37 & 38	158	Thos. Truthwaite Lower Fort Garry	" " " "
m.a 6324	146	" " "	" " " "
W.O 34965	160	Thos Flett (dead) St Andrews	occupied by Thos Flett a Treaty man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule B.

59146

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
W. O. 34233 & page evidence 21	164	Jos Monkman Sr. (should be junior)	occupied by Treaty man
M. a 2166 & page evidence 22. 42 & 43	S 2 chs 166 & wly 4 chs 167	Alex Mc Auley Clandeboye	unoccupied "
M. a 2442 & pages evidence 65 & 66	141	Baptiste Cook Selkirk	occupied by Treaty man
M. a 6325	182	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	" " "
M. a 3605 & page evidence 48	184	S. G. Emerson Belleville Ont.	by R. C. Mission
M. a. 6.326	184	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	" " Treaty man
M. a. 6.324	190	" " " "	" " " "
M. a. 27. 89 & pages evidence 49	191	Geo Tate Selkirk	" " " "
M. a 6328 & page evidence 24	195	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	" " " men

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule B

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
m. a 6329 page evidence 24	part 195	W. J. Porter Lower Fort Garry	occupied by Treaty man
m.a. 6330	197	Ellis W. Hyman London ont	" " " "
6331 page evidence 24			
m.a 6332		" "	" " " "
6333		" "	
m.a 6334	part 201	Michael O'Rourke Prince Albert	" " " "
m.a 6335	203	Albert Robillard Clandeboye	unoccupied
m.a 6336	part 204	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	unoccupied
m.a 6353	209	" " " "	unoccupied
m.a 6334	221	" " " "	occupied by Treaty man
m.a 92	222	Hon John Shultz	" " " "
W.O 35.045	225	A. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	" " " "
W.O. 35.046	226	" " " "	" " " "
m.a 2382 4 page evidence 18	228	Hugh Prichard St Pauls	" " " "
m.a 6339	229	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	unoccupied

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule B

59146

Title No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
M. a 6340	part 232	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	unoccupied
M. a 6346 in part of evidence 47	R 233	Sarah Spencer St Andrews	"
W. O 35047	part 234	A. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	"
M. a 6341	part 235	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont.	"
M. a 3944	234	Francis Haynes Selkirk	"
W. O 34951 & pages evidence 13 to 17		Thos Omand	Lot 233 was owned by Thos Omand a white man
M. a 6342	238	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont	unoccupied
M. a 6343	part 239	" " "	"
W. O 34952 page of evidence 52	242	Jane Grey	"
M. a 4218 pages of evidences 55 & 56	point opposite Lots 16 & 17	A. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	"
M. a 6349	Sugar Island	Hon. Thos. Howard Winnipeg	"
M. a 6348		Wm Cockran	Wm Cockran is living on Lot 243
M. a 6351		Thos Flett St Andrews	I do not understand what Thos Flett claims

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule B

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks
M. A 6344 + page evidence 90		Jacob Spence St Clements	This man claims 50 acres of land between Cooks Creek & the Red River within the Reserve + which is unoccupied
W. O 35.058		J. H. Burnell San Francisco Cal.	I do not understand what J. H. Burnell claims

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

59146

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 8 1889

No 3703

Indian Office
Clandeboye
11th June 1889

Sir.

265 I have the honor to enclose as per your favor of the 24th ultimo. list of claims which came before the commission appointed to settle disputed lands in St Peters Reserve. showing if the claim-ants are living on the lots claimed. or whether such lots are unoccupied etc.

In regard to Schedule D. I may say that there will be a great cry out from the actual settlers who live in the Reserve if their wood lots are taken from them; and of course they will go to law about it. as it would be almost an impossibility for them to live on their farms. during the Winter without wood.

Lot 84 is not a wood lot and lot no 233 is claimed either by Dr Shultz or Mr Chester Glass

I have the honor to be
Sir.
your obedt Servt
Sgt A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commissioner
Regina
N. W. T.

4th Jl.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

59146

Claudeboye
30th May 1889

Sir,

I herewith beg to inform you that I have removed from lot number one hundred and thirteen, within the St Peter's Indian Reserve, and this is to request that you will forward the fifty dollars, you promised me, as soon as possible.

(sgd) James McLennan.

A. McKinley Esq
Indian Agent
Claudeboye
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy.

59146

St Peters Reserve
May 14th 1889

Provided I can obtain a good title to the northerly three chains of lot number eighty eight and the southerly one chain of lot eighty nine of the St Peters Reserve I agree to pay for the same at the rate of three dollars per acre. Also I would pay the same price for the southerly seventy three links of lot 88 now used as a road way.

(sgd) Murdoch McIver.

Witness
(sgd) A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent.

I herewith certify that this is a correct copy of agreement.

(sgd) A. M. Muckle.
Indian Agent.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 8 1889

Copy

Selkirk
May 14th 1889

We and each of us hereby on receipt of Two hundred dollars renounce all claims right and title in and to lot number one in St Peters Reserve and the buildings outbuildings fences and improvements thereon and agree to sign and execute any papers that may be required of us in connection therewith and also will have any person or persons on the land evicted therefrom.

(sgd) H. B. Hodgins
her
Charlotte × Hodgins
mark

Witness
(sgd) A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent.
(sgd) Leta. M. M. Muckle

I hereuth certify that this is a correct copy of agreement.

(sgd) A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146

Copy.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUL 8 1889

No 3400

Indian Office
Clandeboye
3rd June 1889

Sir,

I have the honor of informing you that as per instructions, accompanied by Constable Peebles I personally notified all trespassers on the St Peters Indian Reserve to leave, and I beg to state that the tenant who is living on lot No 1, and which was claimed by A. B. Hodgins and his wife Charlotte is to leave on the nineteenth instant, and as per enclosed agreement Hodgins and his wife are to receive the sum of two hundred dollars on giving up possession.

Wm James Wilson (Lot No 36) to whom I was to offer fifty dollars, on her giving up possession, sold her improvements with some pigs and implements to Miles Cochrane, a treaty man, for one hundred dollars, and he is now residing on, and has possession of, said lot.

Wm Wilson and family have left the reserve.

Narcisse Chatelain's lot No 60 I have handed over to a treaty man named

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commissioner
Regina

Thomas

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Thomas Spence, a young married man who is now in possession.

Lot No 113 which was claimed by one John. L. Smith, but which was occupied by his brother in law, James McLennan, and whose house was on the public highway, and who I found had about two hundred dollars worth of improvements on the lot, and as he thought it was a great hardship for him to be removed without any recompense, as he considered he was an innocent party in the transaction of trespassing, I considered it would be more expedient and economical to make him an offer of something for his improvements. I therefore offered him fifty dollars which he after a few days accepted. He has left the lot and I have placed Thomas Harper, a treaty man, in possession.

$50 to be paid

I beg to enclose you certified copy of agreement signed by H. B. Hodgins and his wife, also one from Murdoch McIver about which nothing has been done as yet.

I also send copy of request from James McLennan to me for the sum of $50.00, I do not think that it will be necessary to have any evictions as the people are all going

I have etc:

(sgd) A. M. Muckle.
Indian Agent.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146

In your reply refer to
No. 265.
Also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 8 1889

4.646/3.

Return 8-7-89

Regina, 3rd July, 1889.

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your letter of the 1st ultimo, and with reference to it, and prior correspondence, to transmit a copy of a report from Mr. Agent Muckle, dated the 3rd ultimo, showing how my instructions to him, relative to cases in schedule C, which the Department, in its letter of the 28th march last, empowered me to deal with, had been carried out.

The Department will observe that Jas. McLennan has applied for payment of the sum of $50, promised him as compensation for leaving lot No. 113.

This lot, in Departments schedule C, appears as the property of John L. Smith, but was found in possession of J. McLennan, his brother-in-law.

With

The Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146

With regard to Mc Ivor's claim, the Department will observe that nothing definite has been done; but the Agent is watching a favourable opportunity to get the Indians to consent to the proposal already reported.

With regard to lot 71, my instructions were to put a treaty-man into occupation.

The Department will notice that these claims have been arranged at considerably less cost than would have been incurred, had the recommendations of the Commission been carried into effect with respect to them

The claims comprised in schedue "B" of the Commission's report, have taken me somewhat by surprise, as I heard nothing of them from the Indians in Council, or the Agent, when I was enquiring into their grievances of this nature.

Against the allowance of these claims, the Commission reported, and the Minister concurred.

The Minister, I understand, did not concur in the Commission's favourable inclination towards the claims comprised in schedule "D".

I communicated with the Agent, relative to them, and transmitted his report, showing which of the claims in schedules B and D, are now occupied, and containing any observations

bearing

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146

bearing on them, which he was invited to make.

Since these trespassers will doubtless resist any attempt to evict them, I will be glad to be advised whether the Department authorizes me to proceed against them, and to incur the cost of a test-case, after having taken legal advice on the matter.

7. The supineness of the Indians, indicated by their failure to present the names of any of these classes of trespassers to me, as among those they desire to have removed, leads to the suggestion that possibly, after further enquiry, it might seem to me advisable to suggest to the Department the propriety of a compromise with regard to them, provided no expense be entailed thereby.

Ethel on 59,332

I enclose a copy of a report from the Agent, dated the 21st ultimo, which shows the result of my negotiations with the municipality of St. Andrews, relative to the up-Keep of roads within the reserve.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Hayter Reed
Commissioner.

13

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

59146

bearing on them, which he was invited to make.

Since these trespassers will doubtless resist any attempt to evict them, I will be glad to be advised whether the Department authorizes me to proceed against them, and to incur the cost of a test-case, after having taken legal advice on the matter.

The supineness of the Indians, indicated by their failure to present the names of any of these classes of trespassers to me, as among those they desire to have removed, leads to the suggestion that possibly, after further enquiry, it might seem to me advisable to suggest to the Department the propriety of a compromise with regard to them, provided no expense be entailed thereby.

I enclose a copy of a report from the Agent, dated the 21st ultimo, which shows the result of my negotiations with the municipality of St. Andrews, relative to the up-keep of roads within the reserve.

Extract on 59,332

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Hayter Reed
Commissioner.

13

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3

The Md Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

SECY'S BRANCH,
JUL 15 1889
WRITTEN

Return W.C.C.
See under

Sir—

With ref. to yr. letter of the 3rd inst transmitting reports &c from Agt Muckle in regard to the removal of trespassers from the St Peter's Ind. Res, I beg to say that your communication is not so clear as to enable me to give you the advice asked for as to incurring "the cost of a test case".

~~I find~~ On looking over the papers I find that by the Dep't's letter of the 28th Mar last, which reopened the subject & appears to have been the result of a conference had by you

(Typed July 16th 1889 A.C.S.)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with the Dy S. G., ~~that~~
you were only
authorized to deal
with the cases of
trespass comprised
in schedule "C"; &,
~~until you had~~
excepting yr. letter
of the 3rd inst, no
mention was made
in the correspondence
which has passed
between you & the
Dept since the 28th
Mar. of cases included
in the other schedules.
In view of this I shd.
be glad to be informed
under what authority
you are dealing
~~with~~ with the cases
in schedule "B", which
you state have taken
you "somewhat by
surprise"; & those in
schedule "D", & in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

what manner you
have been instructed
to proceed. It is
necessary that I shd.
have this information
before giving any
advice as to a
test case; & I shd.
also be informed
under what schedule
the test case you
refer to wd. come.

I note that
Mr Jas. McLennan, one
of the ~~claimants~~ trespassers
has removed & applied
for the compensation
for his improvements
offered him; but it
will be necessary
before payment is
made for you to
forward the original
application for payment
from Mr McLennan,
approved by the Agent. The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

same course must
be followed in
all such cases.

I have

Nick's draft

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
No. 265.
Also to the date of this letter.

50888

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 27 1889

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

4,646/3.

Regina, 22nd July, 1889.

Sir,

In the absence of the Commissioner, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant; and to inform you that it was not intended, when writing to ask authority to incur the cost of a "test case", to convey the impression that any action had been taken, relative to trespassers classed under schedules D and B, beyond getting the report, enclosed in letter of even No., of 3rd instant, which was merely obtained with the view to showing the Department the present circumstances of the claims in question, in order that it might be in a better position to decide relative to the necessity for, or advisability of taking the suggested action. The only action taken, so far, relative

to

The Deputy
Supt. General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/3.

to trespassers, has been that authorized in the Department's letter of 28th. march last, referring to schedule C, and giving notice, as instructed in the Department's letter of 1st. ultimo, to parties within the mile square, that they are trespassers, and no claim made by them will be recognized.

The Commissioner's idea was, I understand, in the first instance, to make a test case, under schedule B.

The original application for payment, made by Mr. McLennan, approved by the Agent, will be obtained, and forwarded, and a like course pursued in similar cases.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
A. Vankoughnet.
Asst. Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3

The Dy M of the Interior
Ottawa

SEOY'S BRANCH,
JUL 26 1889
WRITTEN

Sir-

Referring to the letter from yr. Dep't of the 17th Nov., last, in regard to the claim of Mr. Edward Thomas to land on the St Peter's Reserve, & to the letter of the 11th inst asking for a reply in the matter, I have the honor to inform you that, as the Dy S.G. ~~has the quest~~ & the Ind. Comr ~~are~~ have been dealing with the claims to land on the St Peter's Res, ~~it is impossible~~ the case of Mr Ed. Thomas cannot now be taken up singly & disposed of, but will have to await the return of the Dy S.G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3

The Md Comr
Regina
N.W.T.

SECY'S BRANCH,
JUL 27 1889
WRITTEN

Sir -

I have the honor to ack the rect of the letter from yr. Office of the 22nd inst in regard to the removal of trespassers from the St Peter's Res; & in reply I beg to say that the subject of the removal of the trespassers ~~under~~ included in schedules "B" & "D" will be taken up on the return of the Dy S. G. to Ottawa. In the meantime, of course, you will dispose of the cases in schedule "C"

Glane

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4

205787

St. Peters 1 May 1869

60824

To the Hon

Minister of the Interior

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 3 1889

Sir In the Meeting to day it was resolved, to ask you, to protect our Reserve from the River, East, & West, to the Boundrie lines, for we are aware that Mr James Taylor & others, are at work to get all the Old Claims recognized, hence fearing the Two Miles, from the River, East, & West, may be look upon as private property, We your Children in the Name of the Queen, plead of you to favour the request of the undersigned, for it is a Matter of very great Importance to us in many Instances such as our places of Worship, & Schools &c &c

Signed Chief Henry Prince
William Henderson
Thomas Smith

Indians

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4

LETTER No. 205-787.
REFERENCE No. 725-19.

60824

Ottawa, 2nd September 1889.

☞ Address your reply as follows
To the Secretary of the
Dep.t of the Interior Ottawa.

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

☞ Write legibly your full name
and address.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. SEP 3 1889

Sir,

I am directed to transfer to your Department the letter of Chief Henry Prince, William Henderson and Thomas Smith dated the 1st May last, asking that the St. Peter Reserve be protected from the River, East and West to the boundary line.

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

Lyndwode Pereira
Assistant Secretary.

The Acting Deputy
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

S.B. 10 Sept 89

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs

To Acting D. M.

Ottawa, 1889

The letter from Chief Henry Prince Wm Henderson & Thomas White of 1st May 89 transferred from Dept. of Interior appears to refer to the Bands in the St Peters Parish of St Peters lying within the Indian Reserve to which Schedules A. B. C and D on this File refer and on which action is being taken by the Dept. I therefore respectfully recommend that answer be made to Chief Henry Prince to the effect that the claims of parties on or to any portions of the St Peters Reserve as submitted by the Commission ~~of inquiry~~ are now before the Dept. and that with especial regard to the interests of the ~~St Peters~~ Indians of the St Peters band, that action which appears to be just and right in each particular case will be taken.

(Vide letter from Dept. to Commr. Reed of 28th March 89)

S. Bray

Rubby

Do Mr McNeil to ask Chief the meaning of this Memo 10.9.89

R19

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3

CORRESPONDENCE SEP 24 1889 BRANCH

The Indian Commr.,
Regina, N.W.T.

SECY'S BRANCH,
SEP 24 1889
WRITTEN

Encl.
Registered

Sir/

With further reference to your letter of the 3rd July last enclosing correspondence had with Mr. Indian Agent Muckle showing how your instructions to him relative to cases in ~~the~~ schedule "C" had been carried out, I beg to inform you:-

1st That a cheque for the sum of $50 in compensation for the improvements vacated by the present tenant of lot 113 is enclosed herewith, the same being drawn in favor of

Mr.

Chu
25220
24/9/89

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr. Jas. McLennan, who was ~~is~~ the last occupant of said lot; but before it is given to him the Agent should assure himself that Mr. McLennan is the right party to whom to deliver it, as the lot appears to have been formerly occupied by Mr. John D. Smith

2nd I note what you state with regard to Mr. McLeod's claim.

3rd Also your remarks respecting lot 71 are noted.

4th With respect to the claims under schedule "B," I have to state that all these claims were disallowed both by the Dept. of the Interior and by this Dept. In the Report of the Minister of the Interior on this subject

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

subject it is stated
in respect to these claims
under schedule "R":-

"This schedule comprises
" by far the largest number
" of claims, but in view
" of the fact that the
" lands were unoccupied
" and unimproved at the
" date of the Treaty, and
" they are claimed by Indians
" or Half-breeds who have
" since been admitted to
" Treaty and are receiving
" annuities, or by persons
" claiming through such
" Indians or Half-breeds,
" the undersigned concurs
" with the views of the
" Commrs. and recommends
" that the claims in this
" schedule be rejected."

In reporting in
connection with this
matter to the S.G. of I.A.,

I

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

d state as follows:-

"As respects the "
claims included in schedule "
"B", which also accompanied "
the Report of the Minister "
of the Interior, no remark "
is called for, as the Dept. "
of the Interior recognizes "
the fact that such "
claims are untenable."

You will therefore observe that any parties who may be in occupation of lands included in schedule "B" are regarded by both Depts. as trespassers and they should be dealt with by you as such.

5th As respects the claims comprised in schedule "D", you are correct in your view that the Supt. Genl. did not concur in the Commrs. favorable inclination towards

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

towards the claimants;
but I understood at
the date of our conference
with the Minr. and Dy.
Minr. of the Interior in
this matter that compensation
was to be made by the Dept of the Interior to
parties who should be
deprived of wood lots
included in that
schedule by giving them
other lands outside
of the Reserve. You
had better therefore
not for the present
interfere with the
occupancy by parties
whose claims under
schedule "C" have been
recognized by the Dept.
with wood lots in
schedule "D."

As respects the
situation of a test case
after having taken legal
advice in the matter
in

Schedule "D"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in regard to claims
in schedule "B" and
if necessary in schedule
"C", I think that if
it is considered advisable
to do so, you may
proceed after consulting
with Mr. Aikens in
the matter.

You are altogether
mistaken as to the
supineness of the Indians
as indicated by their
failure to present the
names of any of these
classes of trespassers
to me as among those
they desired to have
removed. The Indians
have for years been
urging the Dept. to
remove all parties
other than members of
the Band from their
Reserve who were in
occupation

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

occupation of lands; and they probably concluded that you were to deal with the occupants in schedules "B" and "D" as well as with those in schedule "C", and therefore did not specially present those names to your notice, there being no question as to the illegality of their occupancy of the lands in question inasmuch as so far as the claimants under schedule "B" are concerned their only so-called title was derived from Indians or from the purchasers from Indians after the date of the Treaty.

I observe in Mr. McLennan's letter to you of the 3rd June last

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

last, which accompanied your letter, that $200 ought to be paid to Mrs. L. B. Hodgins on his vacating ~~the~~ lot No 1 in the St. Peters Reserve and the buildings, &c., thereon situated. You will of course advise the Dept. of the date at which a cheque for this amount should be sent.

I have, &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

Selkirk, May 17th 1889.

We and each of us hereby on receipt of two hundred dollars renounce all claim, right and tile in and to lot number one in St.Peter's Reserve and the buildings, outbuildings, fences and improvements thereon and agree to sign and execute any papers that may be required of us in connection therewith and also will have any person or persons on the land evicted therefrom.

Approved as recorded Indian Agent

(sgd) H.B.Hodgins

Charlotte her x mark Hodgins

Witness

(sgd) A.M.Muckle,

Indian Agent

Leta M.M.Muckle.

Certified a true Copy
Rinclair

Original sent to Inspr McLeod on 9th Sept '92 as per his letter of 3rd Sept '92 and reply thereto RL

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
No. 265
Also to the date of this letter.

62511

OFFICE OF THE
Indian Commissioner,
NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, 2nd November 1889

Ch let A to Mr Reed 12th Nov 89

1. Sheetut - to prepare Ch in favor of H. B. Hodgins for $300.00
2. To Corresp. Dee Br to enclose Ch to Br Comr Reed

333 m

4646/3

Sir

I have the honor to refer to my letter of even number of 3rd July last, under cover of which was transmitted a copy of a report from Mr. Agent Muckle dated 3rd of June, showing how my instructions relative to cases of trespassers on the St Peters Reserve, comprised in schedule C, had been dealt with.

In Departments letter of 16th July last it is stated, that when compensation has been awarded, the original application for payment, approved by the Agent, must be

The Deputy of the
Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont.

transmitted

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

62611

transmitted, and I beg therefore to forward herewith the original of the agreement signed by A.B. Hodgins and his wife Charlotte, to renounce all claim to Lot No. 1 upon receipt of compensation from the Department to the amount of $700 00/100

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Hayter Reed
Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In your reply refer to
No. 265
Also to the date of this letter.

62815

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 13 1889

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

ACCOUNTANT
NOV 13 1889
BRANCH

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, 9th November 1889

Sir

I have the honor to enclose herewith receipt in duplicate, signed by Mr James McLellan, for $30.00, accepted by him as compensation for abandoning all claim to Lot 113 in St Peter's Reserve, and the improvements thereon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Hayter Reed
Commissioner

Deputy of the
Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont.

6

HR-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

63427

Duplicate Copy.

MANITOBA INDIAN SUP. NOV 25 1889 WINNIPEG, MAN.

St Peters Indian Reserve
11th Nov 1889

To the Right Hon
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Sir

Again we beg to lay before your consideration our most Important Grievances (namely) some of the patents Lots, and the original Boundary of our Reserve which we ready to protest. If put to the test. Trust you will take action, in the matter, as soon as possible, for it will be the only means of bringing peace, and unity between us, and non treaty Residents and non-residents

Syd Chief Henry Prince
Thomas Smith
Ma twa his x mark ka-ke stoot
William Henderson
John his x mark Thomas acting Com

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

25.267

63427

Duplicate

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 5 1889
MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT.
NOV 25 1889
WINNIPEG, MAN.

No 3835.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
20th Nov 1889

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a communication from the Chief, and Council of the St Peters Band of Indians addressed to the Superintendent General of Indians Affairs in regard to the boundary of the Reserve and some of the patented lots.

This is their old cry of wanting their Reserve square, also that some of the patented lots, had no right to be patented, as they were bought after the treaty they say; and what they mean is they say "they can prove this"

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. M. Muckle.
Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

63427

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 5 1889

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to
No. 25,267
also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 30th *Nov.* 1889.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter, dated the 20th instant, from Mr. Agent Muckle covering a communication addressed by the Chief and Councillors of the St. Peters Band, to the Honorable the Superintendent Genl of Indian Affairs, regarding the boundary of the Reserve and some of the patented lots therein.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

E. McColl

Inspector of Ind. Agencies.

L. Vankoughnet Esqr
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Mr McLean

Ottawa, 14 Dec 1889

Please state what Lots have been patented in the St Peters Ind. Reserve. Man.

2 Return to Technical Branch

for D.M.

To Chief Surveyor

LAND BRANCH DEC 16 1889

To Mr Sinclair:

The only Patent issued by this Dept for land on the St Peters Res. covers lot No 246. to Roderick N. McLennan dated 6 Sept 1887.

To Cyber

16 Dec 89

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 8 ld

63727

St Peters Indian Reserve 11 November 1889

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS DEC 16 1889

To the Right Hon

Superintendant General
of Indian Affairs

Sir

Again we beg to lay before your Consideration our most important grievances (Namely) some of the Patent Lots, and the Original Boundries of our Reserve, which we are ready to protest if put the test, trust you will take action in the matter as soon as possible, for it will be the only means of bringing peace, and unity between us, & nontreaty Residents, & none Residents

Chief Henry Prince
Thomas Smith
Ma-twa-Ka-Ke-stoot
William Henderson

N. B.

{ This was delivered to Agent Muckle on the 18 November 1889 }

CORRESPONDENCE DEC 31 1889 BRANCH

CORRESPONDENCE DEC 26 1889 BRANCH

Copied 3/1/90 awk

Corrce Br Wm M Conn Reed
Enclose Copy of above letter & refer him to previous instructions sent him in the matter

(B) Ack & say this has been done -

Dsn 26
1889

2nd to Wag

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

4,646

Hayter Reed, Esq.
Indian Comm.
Regina. N.W.T.

January 3rd 1890.

Sir,

Referring to my letter of the 24 Sept. last and previous correspondce in the matter of ~~trespassers~~ of the removal of trespassers from the St Peters Indian Reserve, ~~copy~~ I enclose copy of a letter from Chief Henry Prince and others dated 11th Nov. last representing further alleged grievances relating to ~~the land~~ Patented Lots on their Reserve and the original boundaries of the Reserve.

I am

Chief

AD
A.N. Mon
S.B.
Waa [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Chief Henry Prince
St Peters Reserve
Claudeboye P.O.
Man:

Jany 3rd, 1850.

Chief,

I have to ack. the rec. of a letter ~~on~~ of the 11th Nov. last signed by yourself and others of the St Peters Band relating ~~pres~~ to further grievances in respect of the Lots on and boundaries of your Reserve: and in reply I beg to inform you that a copy of your letter ~~has~~ been sent to the Indn. Comr. for Mark the N.W. Territories, Regina.

I am &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

66281

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 24 1890

St Peters Indian Reserve
March 19th 1890

Return 24 March 90

To
The Honorable
Edgar Dewdeney
Minister of The Interior.

CORRESPONDENCE MAR 26 1890 BRANCH

Sir

In pursuance with the voice and interests of our Band. I once more send to you direct, for the consideration of our petition. we are unwilling to encumber your precious time with any long details of our complaints. Frequent informations on the same subject has been forwarded to the Indian office at Clandebroye, but still there are no results as to the final ejectment of all Tresspassors living in our Reserve. Many lots situated in our Reserve that were never improved or settled on, since the Treaty & which we consider & claim as a part of our Reserve, Non Treaty parties are allowed to cut & sale cord wood on these lots, by hundreds of cords, without

Correct Branch 1 Ack and Say that the Subject of Their Letter will be conveyed to the Indian Comr 2. Send copy to Indian Comr in connection with previous correspondence on re 25 March 90

Regrd

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

66281

any protest from the Agent.
New buildings have been erected on land a part & portion of our Reserve by Duncan McLean & Thomas Sinclair, both Non Treaty persons, although these persons living in the neighbourhood of the Indian Agent & who had been notified of these encroachments, they went on building & finished these buildings & are now living in them.
As I am unwilling to make any false statements, to your government, in regards to the Agencey of Alexander M. Muckle Esqr labouring under the same difficulties as a Tresspasser, having built on land situated in our Reserve after the Transfer we have no faith in him to work in our behalf in the matter of disputed claims.
We Indians of the St Peters Band unitain in our prayer that you may long & spared in the administeration of our affairs.

signed
Henry his x mark Prince Chief
Councillor William his x mark Henderson

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA
Poor - Copy.

66622

2 letters

Auditor General's Office

Ottawa, March 31st. 1890 188

Aut

See underalso

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 31 1890

ACCOUNTANT APR 3 1890 BRANCH

CORRESPONDENCE APR 8 1890 BRANCH

Sir,

Kindly explain the payment of $50 to Jas. McLennan, on Sept 24th last, for "improvements vacated on Lot 113 St.Peter's Reserve", as per cheque 25220, Indians of Manitoba & North West Territories- General Expenses voucher 35 for Manitoba Superintendency.

I have the honor to be, Sir

Your obedient servant

J. McDougall

Auditor General

Mr McKerle

Say that this Compensation was given for improvements made by Jas McLennan (a white man) on land within the limits of the St Peters Res.

L. Vankoughnet Esq.

Deputy Supt General

Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

4646/3.

J. Lorne McDougall Esq.
Auditor General
Ottawa

April 14, 1890.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 2 inst. asking for explanation re payment of $50. to James McLennan for "improvements erected on Lot 113, St. Peters Reserve," I have the honor to inform you that the payment was to compensate Mr. McLennan, a Halfbreed, for improvements made by him on land within the limits of the St. Peters Indian Reserve.

I have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Auditor General's Office

Ottawa, April 23rd. 1890 188

Acct - Mgr Dun 24/4/90

ACCOUNTANT
MAY 3 1890
BRANCH.

67437

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 14th inst, regarding the payment of $50 to Jas. McLennan for improvements vacated on Lot 113, St.Peter's Reserve, I beg to ask how the value of the improvements was arrived at, and who the valuator was.

I have also to ask how Mr. McLennan came to occupy such land within the limits of St.Peter's Reserve, and if the occupation thereof did not make him a trespasser on the Reserve in question.

I have the honor to be, Sir

Your Obedient Servant

H. M. Dunyall

Auditor General

L. Vankoughnet Esq.

Deputy Supt General

Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Continuously. These persons altho' not held to be entitled to patents were recommend for compensation for their improvements.

DCS
6/5/90.

[illegible]
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CORRESPONDENCE
MAY 6 1890
BRANCH

Memo.

Mr McCherry Inform the Auditor that the value of the Improvements on Lot 113 was arrived at by the Commission appted to investigate the claims of persons living on the St Peter Res. - Say that the case of Jas McLellan fell within those dealt with under a Schedule Marked "C" wh consists of ~~that~~ such persons as had acquired rights from Indians subsequent to date of Treaty wh had been Excessive

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

46 46 3
RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

J. Lorne McDougall Esq.
Auditor Genl
Ottawa

May 9, 1890.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 23rd ult, I have the honor to inform you that the value of the improvements on Lot 113, St Peters Reserve, was arrived at by the Commission appointed to investigate the claims of persons living on that Reserve.

The case of Jas. McLellan fell within those dealt with under a schedule marked "C", which consisted of such persons as had acquired rights from Indts subsequent to date of Treaty & wh. rights had been exercised continuously.

These

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

These persons although not
found to be entitled to
patents were recommended
for compensation for
their improvements.

I have &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Capt BD

Ottawa, 18 Feb 1885

To write the Deputy Minister of the Interior and request him to be good enough to furnish this Dept. with a detailed Statement shewing to whom and in what land & what Letters Patent issued covering land on the St. Peters Indian Reserve under Report of Messrs McColl & Whitcher Commrs. dated June 2nd 1885.

WDD

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH
76193
9/10 mil
Answer required

4646

A. M. Burgess Esq.
D.M. of ~~[illegible]~~ Interior
Ottawa

Feby 23rd 1891.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to furnish this Dept. with a detailed Statement shewing to whom, when and for what parcels, Letters Patent issued cover land on the St. Peters Indian Reserve and the Report of Messrs. McColl and Whitcher, Commrs., dated the 2nd June 1888.

I have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Vol.

76193

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 10 1891

List of lands included in Schedule a. (claims which are recommended for patent) of report of Commissioners on claims in St. Peters Indian Reserve for which patents have issued.

Parish Lot No.	Name.	Date of Patent.
4	Christiana Christianson	27 Oct., 1887
10	Joseph Moore and Margaret Moore	26 June 1888
22	William Thomas	27 Oct., 1887
43	James Bird	do
62	Narcisse Chatelaine	do
53	Fredk. C. Mercer	do
Sly 7 chs of 55	John Clemons	31 Oct., 1887
69	Sml. G. Emerson	27 Oct., 1887
Part of 91 Betn. Road & River	Thos. Truthwaite Sr.	do
Part of 91 Betn. Road & Rear of lot	Joseph Monkman Jr.	22 Feby, 1888
Part of 90.	Henry Thomas	13 Augt. 1888
Part of 90.	Joseph Monkman Jr.	22 Feby. 1888
~~of 79~~ 79	Thos. Peebles	27 Oct., 1887.
N. 2 chs. of 81	Duncan McArthur and John Farquhar Bain Trustees Est. of B. R. Ross	15 Mar., 1888
96	James Monkman	31 Oct., 1887
102	do	do
104	Henry Cochrane	14 Feby, 1888
105	George Ballendine	31 Oct., 1887
114	John L. L. Smith	27 Oct., 1887
115		
224	Josiah T. Robarts	21 May. 1888.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

76193

Letter No. 257874.
Reference No. 56819.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 10 1891

Department of the Interior,

☞ 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.

LAND BRANCH
MAR 12 1891

Ottawa, 9th March, 1891. 18

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, No. 4646, asking that you be furnished with a detailed statement saying to whom, when and for what parcels letters-patent issued covering lands in the St. Peters Indian Reserve, under the report of Messrs. McColl and Whitcher, Commissioners, dated the 2nd June, 1885, and to enclose herewith a list of lands included in schedule "A" of the report in question, for which patents have issued. Of the different schedules of which the report of the said Commission consists, the one lettered "A" is the only one the patents for the lands mentioned in which have issued.

Enc.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lyman M. Pereira

Assistant Secretary.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

Manitoba Superintendency. 76564

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 24 1891

In your Reply refer to No. 29849 also to the date of this letter

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg, 21st March 1891

Survey Branch

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that, the following enquiries is solicited by Mr Agent Muckle, in regard to Lots No 2. 4. 7. and 14 of the St Peters Reserve which have been Patented. Whether they run to the Red River, or do they stop at what is known as the Slough.

LAND BRANCH APR 3 1891

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E. McColl
Inspt of Ind Agencies
p. L. T. Arthur Lévêque

p. Van Koughnet Esq
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

29771

76465

Duplicate

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY
MAR
16
1891
WINNIPEG, MAN.

No 5210.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
12th March 1891

Sir

I have the honor at the request of Mr Joseph Monkman Sr, to ask for information in regard to his Lot No 121.

This lot was bought before the transfer by Dr Schultz, and was given by him to Mr Monkman.

He wants to cut wood on this lot for sale, and would like an answer as to whether he can do so at once.

This is the lot on which Mr Colborn got out wood last winter which was seized and released by the Dept after the Thomas case was settled.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. McBuckle.
Indian Agent

E. McColl Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Manitoba Superintendency, 76465

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg 16th March 1891.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 21 1891

In your Reply refer to No. 29.771 also to the date of this letter.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your consideration and instruction in the matter a letter, dated the 12th instant, from Mr Agent Muckle, asking for information regarding Lot No 121 in the St Peters Reserve, which was given Mr Joseph Monkman Sr by Dr Schultz, who bought it before the transfer.

Mr Monkman wishes to cut wood on this lot, for sale.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

E. McColl

Inspr of Indn Agencies.

for C. Arthur Lévêque

LAND BRANCH MAR 24 1891

L. Vankoughnet Esqr.
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa - Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Duplicate

33674

88860

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 29 1892

MAR 21 1892

No 579

Indian Office
Clandeboye.
16 march 1892

Sir

I have the honor to inform you, that, Mr Bannatyne is having the lines of Lots 224 & 225 St Peters Parish run by Mr Vaughan D.L.S.

Have these lots been patented & what shall I do in the matter

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obdt. svt.
A. McKellar
Ind Agent

E McColl Esq.
Insp Ind agencies
Winnipeg
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

88860

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 33.674 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 21st Mch. 1892.

To Land Branch
Br Inspector
Mch 26/92

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter from Mr. Agent Muckle stating that "Mr. Bannatyne is having the lines of Lots No. 224 & 225 St Peters Parish run by Mr. Vaughn D.L.S., and as I am not aware that said Lots have been patented, I beg respectfully to be instructed what answer I will give Mr. Muckle -

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedt. servt.

Ewan Cole
Inspt. of Ind. Agencies

L. Vankoughnet Esq
Deputy Sec pt. Genl.
of Ind. Affairs.
Ottawa.

224 Patented

LAND BRANCH MAR 30 1892

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 26 1892

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs,

To D.P.I.

Ottawa, 30 March 1892

Lot 224 of Potato Mission has been Patented. Lot 225 is not shown Patented on the Plan, and the exact position cannot be given without Nos 1 & 2 of this file which are at the Justice Dept.

D. Ader

J.D.W.

J.W. Stewart had Nos 1 & 2 better withdraw from Justice of this file from Justice Dept for getting to be returned after done with

Mch 30 1892

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To D. Fri

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 31. Mch 1892

Correspondence Mr McColl's Ack Inspr Letter in terms of this memo AD Mch 31/92

With reference to letter from Mr Inspector McColl of the 21st inst. the undersigned begs to report that Lot 224. St Peters Reserve was Patented on the 21. May 1888 to Josiah T. Roberts. Lot 225. has not been patented. It was reported on by Messrs McColl and Whitcher Commissioners under Schedule B. "claims not entertained" as follows-

" Lot 225. Claimant A. G. B. Bannatyne -
" Winnipeg. Claimed through Wm Beer
" who sold to John McLeod in 1872 from
" whom Claimant acquired it in 1874.
" Claimant has not occupied or improved
" it."

W. A. Ider

CORRESPONDENCE
MAR 31 1892
BRANCH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

~~MEMORANDUM~~

To Corr. Branch, Department of Indian Affairs,

CORRESPONDENCE APR 6 1891 BRANCH

Ottawa, 3 April 1891

Ack. Mr. McColl's letter of the 16th. ult. & refer him to the recommendation made by the Commissioners respecting the claims of parties included in Schedule B of the Commissioner's Report which includes Lot No. 121 & which recommendation reads as follows A "Schedule "B comprises claims held by Indians "or Halfbreeds who have been "admitted to Treaty & are "receiving annuities, or persons "claiming through those parties; "or that were unoccupied & "unimproved at date of Treaty, "& which cannot therefore under "the Commission be entertained."

B

(2) To Survey Branch Please see memo. under

RS for DM

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

84324

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'S OFFICE NOV 2 1891
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NOV 17 1891

Duplicate

32278

No 8524.

Indian Office
Clandeboye
6th Nov 1891.

Sir

I have the honor of informing you that during my absence with Mr Inspt Macrae at Lake Winnipeg one Thomas Thomas a Halfbreed who was excled from off the St Peters Reserve some years ago has returned, and is now again occupying lot No 219

Thomas Thomas does this at the instigation of a Mr Robinson of Winnipeg, who you may remember as a scrip buyer.

Am I authorized to have him removed.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A.L. Muckle.
Indian Agent

E. McColl. Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

84324

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NOV 17 1891

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 32278 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 14th Nov. 1891.

CORRESPONDENCE NOV 26 BRANCH

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith, for your consideration and instructions thereon, a letter from Mr. Agent Muckle stating that a half breed named Thomas Thomas, who was evicted from the St Peters Reserve some years ago, took advantage of his (Mr. Muckles) absence to return, and is now occupying lot No 219.

Mr. Muckle wishes to know whether he has authority to have him removed -

Corrse Mr Ack & say he is authorized under the provisions of Section 23 of the Indian Act on Compliance to Chief Commissioner & on proof of the fact to his satisfaction of Thomas Thomas his warrant for the arrest of the Commissioner prescribed by said Act

Nov 17/91

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

[signature]
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

The Deputy of the
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~A. M. Burgess Esq.~~
Acting Deputy Minister
of the Interior

Draft

4,646 3

SECY'S BRANCH,
NOV 27 1891
WRITTEN

Immediate

Sir,

I beg to request that you will be good enough to forward to me at your earliest convenience the joint report of Messrs Whitcher, of your Department, and McCall, of this Department, on the claims to lands by others than Indians within the St Peter's Reserve.

Yr Obt Svt

AA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Immediate

4646/3

E. Mc. Coll. Esq.
Inspector of Indn. Agencies
Winnipeg.
Man:

32.278

Nov. 30th 1891.

Sir,

I have to ack. the rect. of your letter of the 14th. Inst, enclosing a letter from Mr. Agent Muckle reporting that a Half breed named Thomas Thomas who was evicted from the St Peters Reserve some years ago has returned to and is occupying Lot No. 219 on, that Reserve; and in reply I beg to inform you that you are hereby deputed and authorized under the provisions of

Section

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Section 23 of the Indn. Act
~~on complaint made~~
~~to you and~~ on view
or on proof of the fact on oath made before you or
~~of the fact~~
to your satisfaction to
issue your Warrant
for the arrest and
trial and if convicted
committal of the said
Thomas Thomas in the
manner prescribed
by the section of the act
aforesaid.

Yours &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Geo Ballendine's claim to Lot 71 St Peters was considered by Messrs McColl and Whitcher and was placed in list of Claims under Schedule C. which Schedule "shows claims acquired from Indians (or Half Breeds taking Treaty) subsequent to date of Treaty, and which since they have been so acquired have been continuously occupied and cultivated by the claimants, who have made considerable improvements thereon, but although under the terms of the Commission are not entitled to Patents yet we consider are deserving of the most favourable consideration from the Government for compensation in Scrip or otherwise for the improvements, estimates of the value of which are given in the Schedule."

The following is a copy of the entry in Schedule C. which refers to the above lot.

Lot 71 George Ballendine St Andrews. Claimed through Joseph Ballendine who had the walls of a house on the lot at date of Treaty but no improvements, being at that time and since a resident of St Andrews.

His brother John has been living on it for several years, and has the following improvements Dwelling House, Stable and about 5 acres under cultivation value about $500.00

Over

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The following is a copy of the evidence taken by Commissioners McColl and Whitcher regarding Lot No 71, which evidence is to be found on pages 73 and 74 of their Report.

No 71 Joseph Parisien, of the St Peters Band of Indians, being duly sworn said,

I know this lot and was living beside it the year of the Treaty, at the date of Treaty I was living on lot 55 with my father. The walls of a house were up, and the poles for the roofing were lying beside the building which was not finished until several years afterwards. James Ballendine was the owner of the lot at the date of the Treaty but he was not living on it nor was there any portion of it under cultivation that year. He used to come down and put up his tent on it while making hay. He was a resident and so was his brother George of the Parish of St Andrews.

John Parisien of the St Peters Band of Indians being duly sworn, said,

I know Lot 70 claimed by Geo Ballendine. The walls of a house were up at the date of Treaty, but I do not know whether anyone was living on the lot at that time or not. Sometimes Geo. Ballendine or James Ballendine used to come down and live on it [illegible] tent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

while working at the House. There was no portion of this lot either enclosed or under cultivation at the time of Treaty. Several years after Treaty, John Ballendine another brother who now occupies the lot finished the house and put about four acres of land under cultivation"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 /3.

W. J. Robinson, Esq.
P.O. Box 753.
Winnipeg, Man:

January 16, 1892.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 23rd ult. addressed to the Dept. of the Interior and which has been transferred to this Dept., I have to inform you that Geo: Ballendine's claim to a Patent for Lot 71, which forms part of the St Peters Indian Reserve was disallowed by the Commrs who were appointed to investigate claims to lands by Non Treaty Indians on the Reserve; and this Dept cannot consequently issue

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

issue Patent to him or
recognize his claim to
the Lot.

Jones.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

CORRESPONDENCE
JAN 19 1892
BRANCH

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 18 1892

Jan 18/92

85879

Winnipeg 14th Jan. 1892

Sir

Re Lot 71 St Peters Parish

I am in receipt of a letter from the Secretary Dept. of Interior dated the 8th inst. informing me that my letter to him of the 23rd ultimo on the subject of Lot 71 in the Parish of St Peters, has been transferred to your Department —

Not having received any reply from your Department in this connection as well as in other cases — I have concluded that the messenger has not reached your Department as yet with the letters in question — in all probality he has fell into the hands of a hostile Band and met the usual fate — "Scalped"

I may tell you just now that if the subject of St Peters Lands does not receive some attention during the ensuing session of Parliament it will not be any fault of mine — The public will know how far the present policy of your Department should be supported.

I shall expect from you an acknowledgement that my correspondence has been received by your Department

I am Sir
Your obet Sot
W J Robinson
627 Portage Ave
Winnipeg
Man

The Deputy
Superintendent General
Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont

Immediate
Correspondence Br Ack & Defer M R Letter
to him of the 16 Inst. in respect to
Lot 71 St Peters Reserve 1 so
with Regard to his threat to have
from the Matter Respecting Land
Claim

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.
Immediate

4646/3

W. J. Robinson, Esq.
629 Portage Avenue.
Winnipeg, Man.

January 19th, 1892.

Sir,

I have to ask the
ref. of your letter of
the 14th inst. respecting
the application of Geo.
Ballendine for a
Patent covering Lot 71,
St. Peters Indian Reserve;
and in reply thereto
refer you to my letter
of the 16th inst. in the
matter.

With regard to your
threat to have matters
respecting land claims
on the St. Peters Reserve
brought before the attention

7

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

of Parliament, I may state that this Dept has an apprehension as to the result so far as it is concerned of such action on your or any other persons part.

Yours

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Shall this information be given. S.S. Yes. [illegible] Jany 27/92

87144

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JAN 27 1892

Winnipeg 19th Jan 1892

Sir

Re Lot 71 Parish of St Peters Manitoba

In reply to your letter to 4646 3 dated 16th instant — You state that "George Ballendine's claim to Lot 71 "was disallowed by the Commissioners "who were appointed to investigate "Claims to lands by others than "Indians in the Reserve."

May I ask you for the date of the appointment of the Commissioners referred to, together with the names of the persons composing said Commission as well as the date of their report effecting the claim of Mr George Ballendine to the Lot in question? I may say that as far as my client is concerned he is not aware of any commission being appointed to take evidence in this matter — nor has he ever had an opportunity to appear before any person duly appointed to take evidence regarding his Lot.

I am Sir
Your obt Sot.
W. J. Robinson
627 Portage Ave.
Winnipeg
Man

The Deputy Superintendent General
Indian affairs
Ottawa
Ont

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Memorandum

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Actg S.M. Ottawa, 28th Jany 1892

Messrs E. McColl and A. H. Whitcher were by Order in Council of 17th March 1885 appointed Commissioners to investigate claims to land St Peters Reserve. The above named Commissioners reported the result of their investigation on all claims including that of Mr Geo Ballendine to Lot 71, said report bearing date the 2nd June 1885.

Copy Bruce Robinson
ack Jan 28 1892
letter to Mr Ballendine
and Jan 28 1892
Effect

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH JAN 28 1892

J. E. Stewart

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURNED
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

4646[3] W. J. Robinson. Esq.
627 Portage Ave
Winnipeg
Man.

Silby 31 July 1892

Sir,

In reply to the enquiries made in your letter of the 19th Inst. I have to inform you that Messrs E. McColl and A. H. Witcher were by Order in Council of the 17th March 1885 appointed Commissioners to investigate claims to land in the St Peter's Reserve. These Commissioners reported the result of their investigations into all claims, including that of Mr. George Ballendine to Lot 71, and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and the report in
question bears date
the 2nd June 1885.

Yours &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 12 1892

87663

Winnipeg 8th Feb 1892

St Peters Parish land claims

It appears to me that any further delay in this matter is only loss of time without hope of anything being done on your part — to decide or to assist in deciding this disputed land claim.

Acting for and on behalf of Mr Ballendine I have instructed my solicitor to take such steps as he may consider judicious in bringing this case before a proper Tribunal so that he may have Mr Ballendines title property determined.

Now I wish to ask you, If you will forward to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands here for the inspection of my solicitor the file in connection with Lot 71 in the Parish of St. Peters Manitoba?

This is a matter of very great interest and I trust my request will be complied with.

The Deputy
Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont.

I am Sir
Yours truly
W. J. Robinson
627 Portage Ave.
Winnipeg
Man.

CORRESPONDENCE
FEB 13 1892
BRANCH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SAFETY FILM

4646 3/4

W. J. Robinson Esq.
627 Portage Ave
Winnipeg
Man.

Feby 19 1892

Sir,

I have to ack the rect. of your letter of the 8th Inst., in further reference to Wm Geo Ballendine's claim to land in the Parish of St Peter's, Man. and requesting that the file of papers in connection with Lot 71 Pas in the above Parish may be sent to the Commr of Dom Lands at Winnipeg for inspection by your solicitor; and in reply I beg to refer you to the letter

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

letter addressed to
you on the 16th Ulto
respecting this Lot;
and I have to
inform you that
your request cannot
be complied with
as Mr Ballendine's
claim has been
disallowed.

Yours &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

88103

DEPARTMENT 189-

Winnipeg 22nd Feb 1892

Sir

Re Lot 71 Parish St Peters No 4646 3

In reply say I quite understand your letter of the 16th instant and I may say the announcement of the decision of an informal commission disallowing Mr Ballendine's claim to Lot 71 Parish does not in any way interfere with his Title thereto — But I am surprised at your action or rather inaction in this matter. If your decision is just and legal you need not refuse to secure the file asked for — because it will be examined and your decision questioned by the usual proceedings

I am Sir
Your Obedt Servt
A J Pepper

Deputy
Superintendent General
Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont

Reply

Informal decision as informal was the lowest as the lowest and Make Grant Poplar Point Winnipeg respecting Lot 71 known as the Grosseilliers

CORRESPONDENCE FEB 29 1892 BRANCH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

4646/3B

W. J. Robinson Esq.
627 Portage Avenue.
Winnipeg. Man:

March 1st 1892.

Sir,

I have to ack: the rect. of your letter of the 22nd ult: and in reply thereto to inform you that the Commission which you describe as informal was as formal in character as the law could make it, and its decision respecting Lot 71 in the Parish of St. Peters having been confirmed by the Government, the question of Mr. George Ballendine's claim will not be reopened, nor will the papers be forwarded as requested by you to the Court of Private Lands.

I am &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

E. McColl Esqr
Inspector of
Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

33674

April 6th 1892

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 21st ultimo Enclosing a letter from Mr Agent Muckle, stating that Mr Bannatyne is having the lines of Lots No 224 & 225, St Peters Parish, run by Mr Vaughn P.L.S and asking for instructions in the matter; and in reply I have to inform you that Lot 224 was patented on the 21st May 1888 to Josiah T. Robarts. & Lot 225 has not been patented. This lot was reported on by ~~Messrs McColl~~ yourself and Mr Whitcher, Commissioner under Schedule B "Claims not Entertained"

as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

as follows - "Lot 225 Claimant
A G B Bannatyne Winnipeg "
claimed through William "
Beer who sold to John "
McLeod in 1872 from whom "
claimant acquired it in 1874"
claimant has not occupied "
or improved it."

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

4646[3]

E. Dn Coll. Esq.
Supt. of Indian Affairs
Winnipeg.
Man.

29,771

April 8 1891

Sir,

I have to ack. the rec't. of your letter of the 16th ulto, with enclosure, relative to Lot No 121, St Peters Reserve; and in reply I have to refer you to the recommendation made by the Comm^rs respecting the claims of parties included in Schedule B of the Commissioners Report, which includes Lot 121, & which recommendation reads as follows:—

(Here copy from memo under marked passage A to B.)

Your o.c.

To Survey Branch

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

91312

Hans Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. McAikins Q.C. H. H. Culver Q.C.
George Patterson. A. J. McCleneghan.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Street

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 11 1892

Winnipeg, Man. June 8th-92 189

Corres Branch Immediate
Ack and pay that the Deputy Supt. Gen. Ind. Affairs
Kind for original agreement required a
certified copy only having been received from
Agent Muckle in whose possession the original
will be found
Afford
11 June 92

L. Vankoughnet, Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir,

In the evidence given in the case of Harry Hodgins and Charlotte Hodgins for improperly occupying Lot number One (1) in St. Peters Indian Reserve a dispute arose about whether the signatures of H. B. Hodgins and his wife Charlotte Hodgins were genuine in the original document. The following is a copy of the Agreement :

Selkirk May 17th 1889

"We and each of us hereby on receipt of Two hundred dollars "renounce all claim right and title in and to lot number one "in the St. Peters Reserve and the buildings, out-buildings, "fences and improvements thereon and agree to sign and execute "any papers that may be required of us, in connection there-"with, and also will have any person or persons on the land "evicted therefrom.

(Sgd) H. B. Hodgins
her
Charlotte Hodgins
mark

Witness
A. M. Muckle Indian Agent
(Sgd) Leta M. M. Muckle

"I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of Agreement.
(Sgd) A. M. Muckle, Indian Agent.

CORRESPONDENCE JUN 1 1892 BRANCH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

91312

Atkins Culver Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. M. Atkins Q.C. W. H. Culver Q.C.
George Patterson. A. V. McCleneghan.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Street

Winnipeg, Man. 189

-2-

L. W.

In order to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion on all points in this case Mr. McColl has reserved his decision until he has had an opportunity of seeing the original document which is stated by Mr. Muckle the Indian Agent to be on file in your Department. Would you kindly have the original forwarded to me without delay so that all the cases may be concluded.

Yours truly.

Atkins Culver & Co

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, File 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

Messrs Aikins Culver & Co
Barristers &c
Winnipeg
Man

Exd.

Immediate

June 22 1892

Gentlemen,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 8th instant asking ~~to be furnished~~ that the original agreement made by Harry Hodgins & his wife Charlotte Hodgins with respect to Lot 1 in the St Peters Res may be sent to Mr Inspector McColl as a dispute has arisen as to the genuineness of the signatures of Hodgins and his wife and in reply I have to inform you that the Dept regrets that it cannot send the original agreement, a certified copy only having been recd from Mr Agent Muckle in whose possession the original will no doubt be found

Your obt Servt

R S Adm

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

93991

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 6 1892

Manitoba Superintendency,

In your reply refer to
No. 35645
also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 3rd September 1892

Sir,

I have the honour to report for your information that the Agents here for the Department of Justice, in a letter dated the 31st ultimo requested me to ask you to be kind enough to cause a search to be made, for the Original Agreement made with H, and C, Hodgins respecting Lot No 1 St Peters Reserve.

In this connection I beg to inform you that in the month of June last I was requested by these Gentlemen to enquire about this agreement: and in a letter from the Indian Commissioner Office dated the 19th July last I was informed as follows:- "I

Deputy Supt General
Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"I find that in a letter of even number, November 7th 1889, the Commissioner says to the Department". – "In Department's letter, number 4646^{3} of the 15th July last, it is stated that "when compensation has been awarded, the "original application for payment, approved "by the Agent, must be transmitted, and I beg "therefore to forward herewith the original of "the agreement, signed by H. B. Hodgins and "his wife Charlotte, to renounce all claim to "Lot No. 1. upon receipt of compensation from "the Department, to the amount of $200.00;" – and this information was communicated to them in a letter dated the 25th July, being a reply to their enquiries.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Emecoll
Inspt. of Indian Agencies
p. L. Arthur Lévêque

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

[redacted] TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

E McCole Esq
Inspector of
Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Ans'd
Immediate

September 9 1892

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 3rd inst stating that you have been requested by the Agts of the Dept of Inst'ce in Winnipeg to obtain the Original agreement made with H and C Hodgins respecting Lot No 1 St Peters Res and in reply I beg to enclose the Agreement referred to which should be returned to the Dept as soon as possible

Yours obt Sert

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MANITOBA SUPERINTENDENCY

Office of the Inspector

Winnipeg, December 1st 1892.

IN THE MATTER of the Complaint of Chief Asham of the Indians of St Peter's Band against Charlotte Hodgins and Harry Hodgins for improperly occupying Lot Number One (1) of St Peters Indian Reserve.

96717

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS DEC 9 1892

D. BRANON DEC 12 1892

I have delayed giving my decision in this matter in consequence of the uncertainty raised by the evidence as to the execution of an Agreement dated May 17th 1889, whereby Harry B.Hodgins and Charlotte Hodgins apparently agreed on the receipt of Two hundred dollars to renounce all claims and right and title to Lot Number One of St Peter's Reserve and buildings and improvements etc. thereon, and to execute any papers that might be required in connection therewith. Since that date I have had the opportunity to peruse what purports to be the original Agreement, and have read Statutory Declarations made by the two witnesses to that Agreement, namely, L.M.M.Muckle and A.M.Muckle, verifying the signatures of Harry Hodgins and Charlotte Hodgins. Charlotte Hodgins admits the execution of such an Agreement, but states that she never received the money. Harry Hodgins disputes its execution giving certain particulars in his evidence concerning it, but this discrepancy may be accounted for on the ground mentioned by himself, namely, that he was drunk.

It appears further from the evidence that the Two hundred Dollars agreed to be paid was paid to the husband Harry Hodgins and he does not seem to have given any of it to Mrs Hodgins. It appears to me however, that the question of the Agreement and of the payment of the moneys mentioned therein cannot seriously effect the question as to whether Charlotte Hodgins and Harry Hodgin are properly occupying Lot Number One in St Peter's Indian Reserv

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The evidence does not disclose that at the time of the Transfer, William Stephenson was in actual possession and occupation of that Lot in any manner as to give him a title to it under the Manitoba Act, and even if he were in possession at the time of the transfer it appears from the evidence that he took Treaty and took it un - til he died, about the year 1875. The date of the Deed is September 1875, at which date apparently he was living and living as a Treaty Indian. In other cases heard by me at the same time as this, at St Peter's Indian Reserve, I have expressed the opinion that by becoming Treaty Indians, the persons occupying lots at the time of the transfer in the Reserve, surrendered them to the Crown and would consequently cease to have any claim to them as their property, under the Manitoba Act. When the Deed was executed, it seems to me that William Stephenson, the father of Charlotte Hodgins, had no disposable interest in the lot, consequently could not by that deed convey anything to his daughter Charlotte McDougall or Charlotte Hodgins. It further appears from the evidence that Charlotte Hodgins married a white man, that is to say, a man n who was not an Indian and had in him no Indian blood.

On considering the whole case, I have decided to issue my warrant for the removal of Charlotte Hodgins and Harry Hodgins from the Reserve.

I have the honour
to be, Sir,
Your obt Servt
E. Dewdney
I.C.I.A.

The Deputy of
The Superintendent
of Indian affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To the Deputy Minister of Indian Affairs, Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 14th Decr 1892

I concur
A. Van Koughnet
DM
Decr 15/92

In the case of Charlotte and Harry Hodgins it appears to me that the facts of the case warrant the action announced by Insp McColl as about to be taken by him to eject them from Lot 1 of the St Peter's Reserve, and I beg to recommend that the course which was about to be taken by him on 1st Decr — and which, probably, has since been taken — may be approved. A Charlotte Hodgins acquired any title which she claimed in the lot from Stevenson, a treaty Indian, in 1875: by his acceptance of treaty in that year the lot he occupied became part of the Reserve and he could not therefore convey it. Charlotte & Harry Hodgins received $200.— as compensation for such title in the land as they may have had and for their improvements thereon and they agreed to vacate the premises which they have not done. It does not appear that Charlotte Hodgins'

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Corr^ce Branch

Ack Insp^r McColl's communication of 1st Decr and inform him of the approval of the Dy Minr.

RS for DM

Dec 15/92

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH DEC 15 1 92

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To .....

Department of Indian Affairs,

.....

Ottawa, ... 189...

alleged claim can be revived because her husband failed to account to her for the $200. paid by the Department.

Inspector McColl should return the original receipt and agreement sent to him on 9th Sept. last

A. Sinclair

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3

RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

E. McColl Esq.
Inspr of Indn Agencies
Winnipeg
Man.

ANSWER REQUIRED

Decr 20 1892

Sir,

I have to ack. the rect. of your ~~letter~~ report dated the 1st Inst. on the subject of the complaint against Charlotte Hodgins & Harry Hodgins for improperly occupying Lot 1, St Peter's Indian Reserve; and in reply I beg to state that the course which you propose to adopt in the matter is approved of, as

(Here copy from memo under A to B.)

You will be good enough to return the original receipt & agreement sent to you on the 9th Sept last

Yours &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

97103

62511

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS DEC 1891

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPTCY. WINNIPEG, MAN. SEP 13 1892

Selkirk May 17th 1889

~~We hereby for our offices agree~~ We and each of us hereby on receipt of Two Hundred dollars renounce all claim right & title in and to the ~~lot~~ number One in St Peters Reserve and the buildings outbuildings fences and improvements thereon and agree to sign and execute any papers that may be required of us in connection therewith and also will have any person or persons on the land evicted therefrom

Approved Indian Agent

H B Hodgins

Charlotte her mark Hodgins

Witness.

A. M. Muckle.

Indian Agent

Leta M. M. Muckle

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

97295

Letter No. 313351.
Reference No. 170189.

Department of the Interior,

☞ 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, 21st December, 1892. 18

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS DEC 22

Rupby

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 24th ultimo, Ref..4646 B, stating that your Department concurs in the recommendation that Edward Thomas receive a patent for certain land in St. Peters Reserve, but that the quantity of the land is to be limited to 21 acres, I am directed to inform you that this recommendation will be acted upon and the Commissioner of Dominion Lands has been advised that Thomas is to have a survey made of the land covered by his improvements.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lawrence Vankoughnet

Assistant Secretary.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

464

LAND BRANCH
AUG 4 1898

174049

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 2 1898

Cor Portage Ave
Winnipeg 26th July 1898

Sir

Re Lot 71 St Peter's Parish
Manitoba

The above lot was patented to Mr John Ballendine in 1897
Ballendine was removed from this lot by the Agent (Indian) some years ago. and a Treaty Indian or rather a Treaty Half Breed was placed in the house.
The Indian Commissioner last fall after I had notified him of the issue of the Letters Patent for said lot - undertook ~~If~~ to have Mr Ballendines proper vacated If the Treaty man would be permitted to remain therein until Spring 98. This I assented to Mr Ballendine being working on the Cross Nest Pass & Railway construction & without prejudice
Now the Treaty man is still in the house and refuses to go out unless Ballendine says him
Strange to say the

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

174049

2

Indian Commissioner
now tells me that in
as much as the Band
insists upon the
Treaty man remain
ing where he is
(in Ballindines Hon
aa Lot 71) — he —
the Commission must
defend him the Treaty
man!

Now I need not tell
you that in as much
as the Lot is Patented
the Treaty man has
no right there and
as he is your Ward
I will expect that
you will remove him
at once.

I am Sir
Yours
W J Robinson

P.S. If not better let
the Band run the Com-
missioner?

W J R

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Department of Indian Affairs.

Ottawa, 189

Ld

Write to Mr. Robinson & say that the whole question as to patents for lands on the St. Peter's Reserve is before the Dept. of the Interior & until a decision is arrived at the matter referred to by him cannot be dealt with

J. D. M. Lean

Records

Transfer let. to Interior Dept

LAND BRANCH AUG 12 1898

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-3A
Red

174767

627 Portage Ave
Winnipeg 17th Aug 98

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 23 1898

Sir Re Lot 71 St Peters
4646/3 A

In your letter of the 13th inst. you refer to Lot 21 in same Parish. and then go on to say that the whole question as to Patents &c — You evidently overlook my letter entirely and your letter must surely be intended for some of your other correspondents

I have told you that Lot 71 is Patented and a Treaty Half Breed and member of St Peters Band is occupying the house and as he is your ward I ask you to remove or cause him to remove on the Reserve in any event he must get off Ballendines Land.

I expect you to give this

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

174767

a little more attention than your letter of the 13th instant would indicate. I feel sure when you read my letter of the 26th ult. and papers of the 13th inst - You will not wonder at my taking that which bears some evidence of neglect on your part and I trust you will take such steps as will control your word,

On the general question of the land matter I wish we may have something to say later on.

I am Sir
Yours
Ed J Robinson

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SAFETY FILM

4646/3b-

Ottawa 25th August 1898-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 17th Instant asking the Department to remove a Treaty Half-Breed and member of St.Peter's Band, from Lot 71 Parish of St.Peter, which has been patented and does not, therefore, form a part of the Reserve, I beg to inform you that the Department has no power to cause the removal of the Indian referred to.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

W.J.Robinson,Esq.,
627 Portage Avenue,
Winnipeg-Man.-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-3B

175247

Winnipeg 5th Sept: 98

Portage Ave,

Re Lot 71 Parish of St Peters
Patented to John Ballendine
and Wm Smith a Treaty Indian

In reply to your letter of the
25th ultimo Can it be possible
to believe that you have no
control over your Ward? I
for one does not believe it
Your Agent placed him
upon this lot although I
notified him not to do so,
now If he had power to
so place him - he must
have power to undo his
wrongfull act. Do you
not think so yourself?
You quite understand
that If you instruct your
agent to say to Smith
Go to another place that
hence do so. I think it
very indiscreet to place my
Client in a position that he
must come in Contact with
this man Smith. I trust you
will wake up in this matter
least we proceede to Eject the
Indian Department.

The Secretary
Dept of Indian Affairs
Ottawa Ont.

I am Sir
Your Ob't Servt
W J R Johnson

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/3b-

Ottawa 13th September 1898-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 5th Instant in relation to Lot 71 Parish of St.Peter,I beg to inform you that the Department is not aware that its Agent placed William Smith,a Treaty Indian,in occupation of this Lot, but even is such action were taken by the Agent,the Department is not responsible for his wrongful act.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

W.J.Robinson,Esq.,
627 Portage Avenue,
Winnipeg.
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

COPY File 4646/3B-

(No III/28) Office of the
Indian Commissioner,
for Manitoba and the North
West Territories.
Winnipeg 24th April 1899-

Sir-

I beg to submit the following case for the favourable consideration of the Department:

In 1892 Mr.ex-Agent Muckle,of the Clandeboye Agency,was instructed by the then Indian Commissioner to place Indians of the St.Peter's Band on vacant disputed Lots within the Reserve,and Robert Flett,a member of the Band,was placed in occupation of Lot No 71,that was claimed by Mr.George Ballendine,and instructed to build and make improvements on said Lot before the 31st July 1892. Upon learning this,Mr.Ballendine wrote Mr.Muckle as follows:- " This is to notify you that I am the owner of Lot " 71 D.L.S. in the Parish of St.Peter's and that I shall " treat Robert Flett or any person found thereon as a " trespasser."

On the 16th August 1897 Mr.W.J.Robinson,of this City,wrote my predecessor,for Mr.John Ballendine,stating that the latter had obtained Letters Patent for the above Lot,Recorded in the Department of the Interior on 30th July 1897 in letter 102 - Folio 446 - covering Lot 71 - 46 51/100 acres -,and requesting that steps be taken to have the Indian who was in possession of this Lot removed and Mr.Ballendine's chattels which were made use of by him made good to Ballendine.

Mr.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr.A.Macdonald,of this office,was sent to St.Peter's Reserve,and in company with Councillors Flett and Harper,he called on the occupant of the Lot,one Robert Smith an Indian of the Band,and notified him that he would have to remove therefrom. Smith made no objection to leaving the property,but asked to be allowed to occupy the building with his wife and child until the 1st May last,by which time he expected to have another house built on another Lot,to which Mr.Ballendine consented. Smith has since removed from Lot 71,but requested to be compensated for his improvements,consisting of a log hut 14 X 12 feet 6½ feet walls,well floored,good door and two windows,which Mr.McDonald valued at $35.00-

Some time afterwards Thomas Hope (also a Treaty Indian) father-in-law of Robert Smith,visited this Office and put in a claim for compensation to the amount of $15. for the same building,which is now in possession of Mr. John Ballendine.

As it appeared that there were two claimants for compensation for the same property,I instructed Mr.Inspector McColl to enquire again into this matter,and I beg to quote Mr.McColl's report on the result of his enquiries viz:- " While at Selkirk on the 26th Instant (January '99) " I saw Mr.Thomas Hope who stated to me the same as he did " to Mr.A.Macdonald; I also saw Robert Smith,his son-in-law, " who informed me that he had no claim on Lot 71 St.Peter's " Parish. I would,therefore,recommend that Thomas Hope be " paid fifteen dollars for his improvements on said Lot " which was patented by the Government."

The reference by Mr.McColl to statements made by Hope to Mr.A.McDonald at a previous enquiry,is that he (Hope) had purchased the house some years ago from one Pahskoo for the sum of $15.00 which he paid in cash. From the time of the purchase until last Spring his son-in-law Robert Smith,occupied the house off and on with the consent of his father-in-law,and whenever Hope visited Peguis

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Peguis he made it his home,or more properly,camped in it.

The above statement was made in the presence of the Councillors who corroborated it.

Thomas Hope is a Catechist of the Church of England and for some years his station has been near the mouth of the Red River.

It is evident from the foregoing that Thomas Hope is the proprietor of the house in question,and under the circumstances I consider that he is entitled to compensation. I,therefore,approve of Mr.McCol's recommendation and beg to enclose herewith a Voucher in favour of Hope for $15.00,which I trust will be paid.

Your obedient servant

D.Laird,

Indian Commissioner.-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 3. May 1892

Law Clerk
Cr. H. M. Lee
J. M. Lee

Sec.

In view of Commrs report recommendation in regard to claim by Thos. Hope for improvements on lot 71 St Peters, which has been patented by Interior Dept. I think payment should be made if funds available

W. A. Ore

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3614, File 2666-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646-3B.

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 3rd May, 1899.

Memorandum:

The claim mentioned in the Hon. David Laird's letter of 24th ultimo is I consider a claim by the Indian, Thomas Hope, against the Government as represented by the Interior Department; and I think his claim should properly be forwarded by this Department to that Department. In order to avoid the possibility of the claim being presented to both Departments it might be well to adhere to the strict course, although the claim is so small that there is some reason to urge that it might be paid out of any available funds at the disposal of this Department in orderto avoid unnecessary correspondence between the two Departments.

LAND BRANCH
MAY 3 1899

Law Clerk.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/3B-

Ottawa 4th May 1899-

Sir-

I beg to enclose a letter from the Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg in relation to a claim by an Indian named Thomas Hope against the Government, as represented by your Department for improvements on a Lot patented by your Department in the Parish of St.Peter's, Manitoba.

I understand the Law Clerk of your Dept. is dealing with the St. Peter's claims

Your obedient servant

E.D. McLean

Secretary-

W.A.D.

The Secretary

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa.,

Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3B

Immediate

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

231156

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 28 July 1902.

In your reply refer to
No. III/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.





Sir,

Referring to official letter of the 24th.April I899 and to the voucher (No.457) enclosed therein in favour of Thomas Hope,amounting to $I5.oo for compensation for a house on Lot 7I St.Peter's Parish which he had to abandon on account of the Lot in question having been patented to Mr. John Ballendine,will you kindly inform me whether Hope's claim has received the favourable consideration of the Department,and if so,to what address the cheque was sent. I may add that Hope does not appear to have received any compensation as he has revived his claim.

Your obedient servant,

J.B. Lash

Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/3 B

Ex'd.

Ottawa ,1st August, 1902.

Sir,

I shall be glad to receive a reply , at your earliest convenience, to official letter of the 4th May 1899 regarding the claim made ~~made~~ by the Indian Thomas Hope ,for improvements on a lot patented by your Department in the Parish of St Peters . I may add that the Indian Commissioner has again written this Department asking whether the matter of the claim has been adjusted.

I enclose herewith an account from the Indian for the amount claimed , $15.00, which apparently was omitted ~~when~~ to be sent you, when you were previously written to in the matter.

Your obedient servant.

Secretary.

The Secretary.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

715235

183874

Vote No. 11

Clandeboye Agency.

Treaty No. 1

231721

457

6

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

To Thomas Hope.

DATE.	SERVICE.	AMOUNT.
1899.		
April 24th.	To compensation for building erected on Lot 71 ST.Peter's Parish, which was afterwards patented to Mr John Ballendine.	15.00
	This Indian was placed in possession of the above disputed lot several years ago by the Indian Agent under instructions of the Indian Commissioner, but the Lot was subsequently patented to Mr John Ballendine, and Hope was removed therefrom, and he now claims compensation to the amount of $15.00, which he paid for the building.	
	Address,- c/o The Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg.	
	Fifteen 00/100 Dollars, Total.....	$15.00.

I Hereby Certify that this Voucher is correct, ~~that the material has been supplied, the work performed,~~ and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

APPROVED,
D Laird
Commissioner.

E. McCoy
Inspector ~~Agent~~

Form No. 13a.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 3B

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUG 14 1902

231721

Ref. to No. 715235 on 140012

LAND BRANCH. AUG14 1902

Ottawa. 13th August, 1902

6

Sir,

I am directed to return, herewith, the account for $15.00 covering a claim to compensation made for that amount by an Indian named Thomas Hope for a building which it is alleged was erected on Lot No. 71 in the Parish of St. Peters, and was owned by him when this Lot was patented by this Department to Mr. John Ballendine, and to inform you that it is not considered that such a claim should be paid by this Department even if it is one which should be settled. According to the letter of the 24th April, 1899, which the Indian Commissioner addressed to the Secretary of your Department, and which the latter forwarded to this Department under cover of his letter of the 4th May, 1899, Ref. "4646 3B" of your Department, Mr. Ballendine formally notified the Indian Agent at St. Peters that the Lot in question belonged to him - Mr. Ballendine - and I am to state that if your Department through that official placed any person upon the Lot in question after receiving such a notice all responsibility for any claim resulting from that action rests upon your Department and should be settled by your Department. The Lot in question did belong to Mr. Ballendine and

the

S. Stewart, Esq.,
Assistant Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the position taken by him in the notice referred to, that any person whom he found thereon would be treated by him as a trespasser, is correct. Clearly the claim to which the enclosed account relates is a matter solely for the consideration of your Department.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

O. J. Keyes.
Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lair. Dept. of Int. Aug. 1902

Mr. Sheraton

Mr. Kerr's letter of 13th inst. re application for surrender of portion of Sarcee Reserve, with plan.

The Superintendent General has under consideration the question of surrendering portions of the Sarcee Reserve, referred to in the letter of Mr. Kerr, but is not prepared to do so at present. Please return the plan to this office, but-

[illegible] Indian Office

[illegible] Department

[illegible] Office

[illegible] Department

[illegible] Office

[illegible] Department

[illegible]

4646/3B

Exd.

Ottawa 21st August 1902-

ACCOUNTANT'S
AUG22 1902
BRANCH

Sir-

In reply to letter of [illegible], No 111-28 relative to claim of Thomas Hope, amounting to $15.00 for compensation for a house on Lot 71, St. Peter's Parish, I beg to enclose, for your information copy of a communication received in this matter from the Department of the Interior.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant
J. D. McLEAN
Secretary.

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646. 3B

Office of the

232329

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 27 Aug. 1902.

In your reply refer to
No. III/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

To Acct. & Pay
Com. Lands

ACCOUNTANTS SEP 3 1902 BRANCH.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. SEP 2 1902

Sir,

4646/3B.

In reply to your letter of the 21st. instant enclosing copy of a letter from the Department of the Interior, relative to claim of Thomas Hope for compensation for a house on Lot 71, St. Peter's Parish, I beg to state that I agree with the Secretary of that Department that the claim referred to is solely for the consideration of this Department, inasmuch as Indians were placed by the Indian Agent on that disputed lot by instructions of the Indian Commissioner and told to make improvements thereon. In this connection I beg to refer you to my letter of the 24th. April 1899, of even number, giving full particulars of the case.

LAND BRANCH. SEP 2 1902

59
Pay
RJD
Wasch

Has the cheque been sent 8-9-02

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird
Indian Commissioner.

ACCOUNTANTS SEP 8 1902 BRANCH.

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-3B)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3619)

-File 4646-3	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1885 - 1888
-File 4646-3B	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1902
File 4646-4	Clandeboye Agency - Report and extensive schedules of land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1887
File 4646-5	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1891

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 4 BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE

VOLUME

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4646 4

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
REFERRED TO	BY	LAND CLAIMS	DATE	PA OR BF		Date	C.R. Use

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3619, File 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3019, File 466(-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

MEMO.

No. 4646 4

Department of Indian Affairs.

190

4646 ofld

Copies of schedules to accompany report of Commissioners on Claims

Peters Res.

12-5-30

BLACK

4646-4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6323 and pages of evidence 42. 43.	Skyschaims 167.	Robert Harper.	Held as a wood Lot at date of Treaty, at which time there were no improvements on the Lot.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule. D.

Syle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W. O. 35014 and pages of Evidence 50.	135.	Henry Cochrane Jr.	Claimed and held only as a wood Lot by Claimant and the persons through whom he claimed it.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37594

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 1956 and pages of Evidence 22. 42. 43.	84 N.½ of 166.	Mrs A. Sinclair nee Jane Harper.	Lot 84 has been patented to this Claimant and the part of Lot 166, appears to have been used as a wood Lot in connection therewith.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M. A. 848 and pages of Evidence 19. 20.	145 S4y 1 68/100 Chas.	Wm. Leask. In sched. C b.f. in name of Murdock McIvor	Claimed by him solely as a wood Lot in connection with Lot 100, which he occupied and received patent for.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6319 and pages of evidence 1920.	145 Mly 4 chns	Peter R. Young St. Andrews. In Sect. C p. 4 in name of Murdock McIver	Claimed through Wm. Leask who held it solely as a wood Lot in connection with Lot 100 on which he lived and received patent for. P. R. Young is a non-resident but the title to the above is now vested in an actual and bona fide settler, Murdock McIver and is used as a wood Lot by him in connection with his farm on the West side of River.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Style No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6320.	148	James Monkman.	Claimed and held solely as a wood Lot. No improvements thereon.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
U. O 34233. and proes of Evidence 22.	165. ?part of 166.	Philip Monkman.	Claimed as a wood Lot being his wife's portion of her father's (Thos. Harper) estate. Lot 165 only to be recommended.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6323 and pages of evidence 42.43.	Skyachain 167.	Robert Harper.	Held as a wood lot at date of Treaty, at which time there were no improvements on the Lot.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 oed

copies of Schedule accompanying
Report of Comrs of
claims re Lake Peter

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 1828 and pages of Evidence 79. 80.	36.	James Wilson	Claimed through John Sinclair an Indian of St-Peters Band, who was living on the Lot-at-date of Treaty.- Claimant has resided on the Lot since 1876. and has the following improvements 9 or 10 acres cultivated and fenced Log House 15×16 Shingled. Log House 15×18 thatched, milk House and an old byre value about- $5.00 ××

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 35016. and pages of Evidence 87.	60	Narcisse Chatellaine Jr.	Claimed through Andrew Spence a Treaty Indian who had a house on the Lot at date of Treaty.. Claimant has improvements worth about $ 250.xx

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sch. C. cont'd

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 25-13 and pages of evidence 73.74.	71	George Ballendine St-Andrews.	Claimed through James Ballendine who had the walls of a house on the Lot at date of Treaty but no improvements, being at that time and since a resident of St-Andrews.- His brother John has been living on it for several years, and has the following improvements Dwelling House, Stable and about 5 acres under cultivation value about $ 500.xx

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 848 6319 3284 W.O. 35642 and pages of Evidence 60.61. 84. 76 19. 20	Nly 3 chs of 88 Sly 1 chn of 89 130 145	Murdock McIvor	The northerly 3. chains of Lot-88 is claimed by purchaser in 1875 through Baptiste Parisien an Indian of the St-Peters Band who was living on Lot-at-date of Treaty.- The Southerly 1 chain of 89 claimed through Edward Kipling also an Indian who was living on the Lot-at-date of Treaty date of purchase 1875.- Claimant has made the following improvements, about-25 acres cleared cultivated and fenced. Double House 25x30 and 18x40. Log. sided & shingled. Two stables 40x20 and 20x20. Log & shingled. Storehouse 20x20 milkhouse 12x15. Value about- $ 3,500.00, xx

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sch. C. cont'd

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 35-05-0	113.	John. G Smith	Purchased from John Prince an Indian of St. Peters Band in 1874. Claimant has thereon the following improvements. a House, stable and about 5 acres cultivated worth about $300,xx

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 283. and pages of Evidence 62. to 64.	243.	Wm. Cochrane.	Unoccupied and unimproved, at date of Treaty. Wm. Cochrane. the claimant moved from his own Lot at West Selkirk about the year 1879. to this Lot where he has been living since the date mentioned. Claimant has thereon the following improvements House 18 x 30 Stable 14 x 20. Store house 14 x 16 all log buildings Shingled, about 5 acres. cultivated value about $750 xx.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

13941

SCHEDULE C

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 221 and pages of evidence 34.	1	Charlotte Hodgins (nee McDougall)	Claimed by purchase in 1875 from her father Wm Stevenson an Indian of St Peters Band who occupied the Lot at date of Treaty and continued to reside thereon up to the time of his death in 1877. - Claimant has lived on the Lot since date of purchase and has thereon the following improvements. House 15 x 18. Log. sided and shingled. Log Stable 12 x 20. Thatched. 9 acres cultivated partly fenced value about $ 600.00

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule B.

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant,	Remarks.
No. 1, 2220	2, 8,	Hon: John Norquay,	Lot No. 2 was occupied at date of Treaty by Wm. Johnstone an Indian of the St. Peter's Band and up to the time of his death in 1874. Lot No. 8, enquiry failed to shew that this Lot was occupied at date of Treaty, an Indian of the name of James Smith is now living on the Lot having been there for about a year.

Wm Johnson claims for 2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37594

File No	Lot No	Claimant,	Remarks.
W. O. 35049	16 and 194.	Alfred Boyd Winnipeg	Purchased from Alex. Cochrane, John Flett and Wm Hy. Rince in 1873, 1874, and 1875 respectively. Indians of the St. Peter's Band. Claimant never occupied nor improved the Lot.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.a. 16	19	Adam Kennedy	Treaty Indians of St. Peter's Band residing on the Lot at date of Treaty.
M.a. 17.	20.	James Johnstone	Treaty Indians of St. Peter's Band residing on this Lot at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Syle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.C. 35043	28 & part 234.	As. S. B. Bannatyne	Purchased in 1875 from Robert Bear an Indian of the St. Peter's Band who was living on No. 28 at the date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Folio No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6301	42.	James Stevenson	Claimant is a member of the St. Peter's Band of Indians and was residing on the Lot at date of Treaty.
M.A. 868 and pages of evidence 75	45.	Peter R. Young Lower Fort Garry.	There is no evidence to shew that the persons through whom this Lot is claimed ever occupied or improved it. Nor has the Claimant done so.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sylvester	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O 35259 and page of Evidence 46 re Lot 50	44 sly 2 chns. 58 67. 186.	Geo. Black, Selkirk or assignees Kew & Stobart,	Claimed through Wm. Bear, John Hooper and Andrew Spence, Indians of the St. Peters Band by purchase in 1874. Claimant never occupied the lands nor made any improvements on them.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 34910 M.A.6302 and pages of evidence 46	50	S. L. Bedson Stoney Mountain	Claimed through Francois Vaigent or Roy an Indian of the St. Peter's Band who was residing on the Lot at date of Treaty. Claimant never occupied nor improved the Lot.
W.O. 35020 M.A.6303 and pages of evidence 86	51.	David Young M. D. Selkirk	Claimed through Thomas Bear a member of the St. Peter's Band of Indians who was residing on the Lot at date of Treaty. Claimant never occupied nor improved the Lot.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

SCH: B. cont'd

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
U.O. 17202 and pages of evidence 26 to 28	63.	Joseph Markman.	The weight of Testimony shews that there was no one occupying the Lot or had any improvements thereon at-date of Treaty.
M.A. 6305	66 and 185.	Ellis U. Hyman London, Ont.	Claimed through Angus Prince an Indian of St. Peter's who was living on No. 66 at-date of Treaty and using No. 185 as a wood Lot. Claimant never occupied nor improved these Lots.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 6306 & 6307	68.	Thomas Taylor	Purchased by Claimant from Thomas & Samuel Cook, Treaty Indians who were residing on the Lot at the date of the Treaty. Claimant never lived on the Lot nor improved it.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Page No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 6307	Part of 77	Ellis W. Haymun London. Ont.	Claimed through John Badger a member of the St. Peter's Band of Indians. Claimant never occupied nor improved the Lot.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant	
M.A. 6310	106.	James Gunn St. Andrews,	Purchased from Henry Prince an Indian in 1867. Claimant never occupied nor improved it.
M.A. 6311	107 108 Pt part of 117	Ellis W. Hayman London, Ont:	Claimed through David Prince an Indian of the St. Peter's Band. Claimant never occupied nor improved the Lot.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

		Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 2171 I.O. 35051 and pages of evidence 67 to 71	109	Charles Bird St. Andrews.	Claimed through Jacob Smith who had no improvements nor occupied this Lot at date of Treaty. Claimant removed from the lot 3 or 4 years ago taking the buildings to another place on account of high water.
M.A. 6312	112.	Wm Whiteway Montreal	Purchased from an Indian, unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37594

		Claimant:	Remarks.
W.O. 35015 and pages of evidence 72,	116.	Henry Geo. Burston St: Clements.	Purchased from John Prince an Indian, Unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty and since.
M.A.6313 W.O.35044	117	A.Cs. B. Barrnatyne Winnipeg	Claimed by purchase from Wm. Hy. Prince an Indian in Oct: 1871. Claimant never occupied the Lot nor improved it, nor did any one else.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37504

Sch: B cont'd 14.

Fyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 65.	120	Joseph Monkman Sr.	Not claimed by Monkman was included in List by mistake Evidence on pages 24 and 25.
"	121	" "	unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty being
"	134 + part of		held as wood lots.
"	135		Evidence re 135 on pages 50.
"	85	" "	Patented
"	151		
"	152		
"	63	" "	See his application, fyle 17202. Evidence on pages 26 to 28.
"	163	" "	Are not now claimed by Monkmans, unoccupied and
"	195		unimproved or purchased from Indians. Re 195 & 197
"	197		see Ellis W. Hyman's claims.
			Evidence on pages 24.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 6314 and page of evidence 76.	130	Peter R. Young St. Andrews, Inclosed "C" p. 4 in name of Murdock McIvor.	Claimed through Wm Leask who purchased from two Indians after date of Treaty. unoccupied and unimproved by Claimant or those through whom he claims it.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sylo No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6315	133.	John Hamlyn Bunnell San Francisco California	Purchased in 1874 from Wm. Greyeyes an Indian of the St. Peter's Band, Claimant never occupied the Lot.
W.O. 35013 and page of evidence 53.	137.	James Colclough Selkirk	Claimed by purchase in 1873 through Edward Thomas, a half breed, who held it solely as a wood lot, who never occupied it nor improved it, nor has Claimant.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sept. No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.C. 6317	136	James Monkman	Claimed and held solely as wood Lots, no improvements thereon. We have "recommended" for him Lot 148. as a wood Lot;
6320	150		

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sch. No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.a. 6318	139.	John Hamlyn Bunnell, San Francisco California	Purchased from Wm. Green an Indian of the St. Peter's Band in Dec. 1873. unoccupied at date of Treaty. No improvements.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
W. O. 35409 and pages of evidence 44.45	143 144	George Kingsbury Clandeboye	Claimed through Joseph Parisien and Frances Rose, both members of the St. Peter's Band of Indians by purchase in 1873. No improvements by Parisien. Rose appears to have occupied at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Treaty No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
No. 0. 34959 and pages of Evidence 40. 41	157.	Laurence Moncrieff St. Andrews.	Statement as to occupancy at date of Treaty not sustained by evidence. Claimant himself is a resident of St. Andrews and has never occupied nor improved the Loand.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Triple No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6322 and pages of evidence 37738	158	Thos. Truthwaite St Andrews.	used as a wood Lot. The evidence of Claimant is not sustained by his alleged tenant- Peter George- a Treaty Indian who lived thereon at date of Treaty.
M.A. 6324	176	Thos. Truthwaite St Andrews.	Claimed and held as a wood Lot. Claimant never occupied nor improved it. Neither did Harper through whom he claims.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 34965	160.	Thos. Flett. St. Andrews	Claimed by purchase in 1867 from Henry Prince an Indian, unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 34233 and pages of Evidence 21.	164	Joseph Montemans Sr.	Claimed and used solely as a wood lot. no improvements thereon. He has already received patents for his wood lots on East side of River

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

31534

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 2166 and pages of evidence 22.42.43.	S 2 chains 166 & N½ 4 chns 167	Alex. McAuley Winnipeg.	Claimed by purchase in 1875. Through Thomas & Robert Harper Half Breed settlers on west side of River who used them as wood Lots, Claimant never occupied nor improved the Land.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFE

37594

Style No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 2442 and pages of evidence 65, 66,	171	Baptiste Cook	Is an Indian of the St. Peter's Band
M.A. 6325	182	Ellis V. Heyman London, Ont:	Claimed through Wm Bear an Indian of the St. Peter's Band who used it as a wood Lot. Claimant never occupied the Lot nor improved it.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 3605 and pages of evidence 78.	184.	S. G. Emerson Belleville Ont.	Claimed through Jos. Norquay who used it solely as a wood lot; No improvements thereon at date of Treaty.
M.A. 6326	187.	Ellis W. Hyrman London Ont.	Claimed through Joseph Cameron an Indian who resided on the Lot, at date of Treaty. Claimant never occupied the Lot - nor improved it;

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Syle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6327	190	Ellis W. Hayman London. Ont:	Claimed through Wm Cook a member of the St. Peter's Band of Indians who lived on the Lot at date of Treaty. No occupation or improvements by Claimant.
M.A. 2789 and pages of evidence 49.	191	George Tait Selkirk	Claimed through Baptiste Le Clair an Indian of St. Peter's Band. Held only as a wood Lot; no improvements

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Folio No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6328 and pages of evidence 24.	195	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont:	Claimed through Geo. Irvine (or Irving) an Indian of St. Peter's Band. No occupation or improvements by Claimant.
M.A. 6329 and pages of evidence 24.	Part of 195	Wm J. Porter Lower Fort Garry.	Purchased in 1874 from Geo. Irvine a member of St. Peter's Band of Indians who was living on the Lot at the date of Treaty. Claimant never occupied the Lot.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Type No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6330 & 6331 and pages of evidence 24	197.	Ellis W. Hayman London, Ont.	Claimed through Adam Cochrane an Indian of St. Peter's Band, who was living on the Lot at date of Treaty, Claimant never occupied the Lot nor improved it.
M.A. 6332 & 6333.	198.	Ellis W. Hayman London, Ont.	Claimed through Alex Cochrane an Indian of St Peters Band, who was living on the Lot at date of Treaty. No occupation or improvements by claimant.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Style No	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M. A. 6334	Part of 201.	Michael O'Rourke	Purchased from Saml Stevenson an Indian of St. Peter's Band in 1874. Claimant made no improvements of any value and abandoned the Lot and went to Prince Albert about two years ago.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6335	203.	Albert Robillard	Claimant is an Indian of the St. Peter's Band. No improvements on the Lot at date of Treaty.
M.A. 6336	Part of 204.	Ellis W. Hyman London. Ont.	Claimed through Alex. Kennedy an Indian of St. Peter's Band, who was living on the Lot at date of Treaty. Unoccupied and unimproved by Claimant.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6353	209	Ellis W. Hyman London Ont:	Claimed through Duncan Traverse (or Traveller) an Indian of St. Peter's Band who was living on Lot-at-date of Treaty. Claimant never occupied nor improved the Lot.
M.A. 6337	221	Ellis W. Hyman London, Ont:	Claimed through James Settee a member of the St: Peter's Band of Indians who lived upon the Lot and cultivated a small portion of it. Claimant never occupied the Lot nor improved it.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 92	222	Hon: John Schultz	Purchased from Albert Settee an Indian of St. Peters Band in the year 1874. Claimant never lived on Lot nor improved it.
W.O. 35045	225	A. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	Claimed through Wm Bear who sold to John McLeod in 1872 from whom Claimant acquired it in 1874. Claimant has not occupied it or improved it.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Title No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 35046	226	A. & B. Bannatyne Winnipeg.	Claimed through James Letleo Jr. an Indian of the St. Peter's Band by purchase in 1872. Claimant never occupied nor improved the Lot.
M.A. 2382 and pages of evidence 18.	228	Hugh Pritchard St. Paul.	Claimed by purchase in 1876. from Wm. Thomas a half-breed, who never occupied nor improved it- using it solely as a wood Lot. No occupation nor improvements by Claimant-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant;	Remarks.
M.A. 6339	229	Ellis W. Hyman London, Ont:	Claimed through Chas. Stevenson an Indian, No improvements never occupied by him or by Claimant.
M.A. 6340	Part of 232.	Ellis W. Hyman London, Ont;	Claimed through John Flett an Indian of St. Peters Band who was living on the Lot with his father-in-law Antoine Kennedy at date of Treaty. Claimant never occupied the Lot nor improved it;

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Syle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 6346 and pages of evidence 47.	233.	Sarah Spencer Lt. Andrews	unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty or subsequently.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37594

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 35047	Part of 234.	A. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	Claimed through James Smith an Indian of the St. Peters Band by purchase in 1873. Claimant has not occupied or improved the Lot.
M.A. 6341	Part of 235.	Ellis W. Hyman. London. Ont.	Claimed through Alex. Fielding a member of the St. Peters Band of Indians. Unoccupied and unimproved by Fielding or by Claimant.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sch: B. cont'd

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 3974 W.O. 34951 and pages of evidence 13 & 17.	237.	Frances Haynes Selkirk Thomas Omand.	Mrs Omand, second wife of Claimant - Omand and mother of Claimant - Haynes, and Widow of Wm. Sandison, (or Sanders) appears to be the only person (if any) who occupied in any way the Lot at date of Treaty. Both She and her first husband (Sandison) were Indians. There are no improvements of any value on the Lot;

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sch: B. cont'd

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 6342	238	Ellis W. Hyman London. Ont:	Claimed through George Spence an Indian of the St Peters Band. Claimant never occupied the Lot nor improved it;
M.A. 6343.	Part of 239.	Ellis W. Hyman London, Ont:	Claimed through an Indian James Bird, not occupied nor improved either by Claimant or Bird from whom the Land was purchased.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
W.C. 34952 and pages of evidence 52.	242.	Jane Grey	Claimant received her commutation of annuities last July (1884) and was a member of the St. Peter's Band of Indians as well as her father, John Sinclair who died in 1884 and through whom she claims the Lot;

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 4218 and pages of evidence 55. 56.	Point opposite 1 to 17.	A. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	The result of the investigation of this case and the evidence taken shew that there were no improvements on this Land at date of Treaty, nor was it occupied at that time. Claimant has never occupied it nor has he made any improvements thereon.
M.A. 6349.	Sugar Island	Thomas Howard Winnipeg	Purchased from an Indian Henry Prince. No improvements unoccupied at date of Treaty. Claimant never lived on it nor improved it.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Syle No	Lot No	Claimant.	Remarks.
M. A. 6348		Wm Cochrane	"Portion of land lying North of Parish Survey on West Bank" Only used as a wood and Hay Lot, alleged to have been purchased from Henry Prince an Indian in the year 1867. No improvement at date of Treaty.
M.A. 6351		Thomas Flett St. Andrews	"Portion of Land on East-Bank of River lying north of Parish Survey" (See D. L. S. Vaughan's sketch with claim papers.) Alleged to have been purchased from Henry Prince an Indian in the year 1867, and used as a hay Lot, unoccupied. No improvements at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Kyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 6344 and pages of evidence 90.		Jacob Spence St. Clements	"That part of the point between Red River and Cook's Creek and between" North line of Lot 235 and North line of Lot 245 prolonged. Claimant never occupied the land but his brother George a treaty Indian was living on it at date of Treaty, Claimant was living on it at date of Treaty. Claimant was living on his lot at St Clements at said date.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

Type No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
U.C. 35058		J. H. Burnell San Francisco California	"21 chains North of Parish Survey on West side of River" unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty and since.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37594

—Schedule A.—

Page No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M. A, 1927 and Pages of Evidence 8, to 12,	4.	Olaf Christianson	Claimant actually occupied this lot and made improvements on it in 1869, but absented himself temporarily working for Thos. Fruthwaite for about a couple of years, to earn money to enable him to go on with his improvements on the lot, and resumed occupancy of it in the Spring of 1872, since which time he has continued to reside upon and cultivate it, and has thereon the following improvements; 12 acres fenced and cultivated, Log House 21x16 - 2 Storehouses 14x16 each, Stable 16x16 and a grist mill with two run of stones. The improvements are worth about $2500.00. Evidence on Pages 8, to 12,
	Pt 4 Disposed	Christiana Christianson	

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37504

Syle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 17807	10	Ceasar Moore	occupied by Claimant a Half-Breed at date of Treaty, Claimant died about a year ago. His widow still living on the Lot.
W.O 19984 and pages of evidence 48.	22. Patt Def issued	Wm Thomas	Claimant (a Half-Breed, who took Treaty but gave it up) (and received half breed grant) was living upon and cultivating the Lot at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

V

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 22667 and pages of evidence 85. (A.A. 151)	43. Parks Spinney	James Bird	Claimant a Half Breed, was residing upon and cultivating the Lot at date of Treaty. ✓

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6304 and pages of evidence 88.	62. Ptf issued Pat'o	Narcisse Chatelaine	Claimant a Half-Breed was residing upon and cultivating the Lot at date of Treaty. ✓
M.A. 1958	65.	Mary Norquay (widow of Henry)	Claimant's husband occupied the Lot at the date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sale No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 35416 and pages of evidence 1.	53. S. Simcoe Sat'd	Fred'k C. Mercer	Claimed by purchase from Donald Cumming a Half-Breed, who occupied and cultivated it at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37594

Sch: A. cont.d 6.

Fyle No.	Lot: No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 357 and pages of evidence 3. to 6.	55.	John Clemons	Evidence of actual occupancy by Claimant at date of Treaty, of the southerly seven chains, satisfactory, Northerly 3 chains purchased from Wm. Prince an Indian of St. Peter's Band in 1872, and enclosed and cultivated ever since by Claimant in connection with the remainder of Lot.
	D'p issued 5th 7 chs part		

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Treaty No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M. A, 3605 and pages of evidence 77.	69 Pat.d	L. G. Emerson Belleville, Ont.	Claimed through Joseph Norgway a Half-Breed who was living upon the Lot and cultivating it at date of Treaty. ✓

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

V

37594

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant	Remarks.
M.A. 5992, and pages of evidence 31,636.	Part of 91 Patt. Sch issued.	Thos. Truthwaite Sr. St. Andrews	"From Highway to River" occupied by Claimant at date of Treaty.
M.A. 6309 and pages of evidence 31,636.	Part of 91.	Jos. Monkman Jr.	"From Highway to Rear" occupied by Claimant at date of Treaty in connection with Lot 90.
M.A. 1640 and pages of evidence 31,636.	90	Jos. Monkman Jr.	Claimant a Half-Breed occupied the Lot at date of Treaty, together with part of Lot 91. The improvements on this Lot are worth about - $1500 cy

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sch: A, cont'd

37594

V

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant;	Remarks.
U.O. 10520 and pages of evidence 89.	79. Sch issued Pat.	Thos Peebles.	Claimed through Philip Monkman a Half-breed who occupied the Lot at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lyle No.	Lot: No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 6308	Sly 2 chains 81.	Alex. McAulay Winnipeg.	Claimed through Thos. Harper a Half-Breed who occupied the Lot at date of Treaty. Harper sold to Philip Monkman, who sold to Murdock McLeod, who sold to John McLeod, who sold to Claimant. Claimed in 1907 by Robt Harper
	Sly 2 chns. 71.	Estate of Barney Ross Claimed Award. 95 1875 1884	Claimed through Thos. Harper a Half-Breed who occupied the Lot at date of Treaty. Ross purchased from Wm Harper (in 1873) who inherited from his late father Thos. Harper.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Syle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
W.O. 17177	96 Sch issued Patt	James Monkman	Claimant a Half Breed occupied the Lot at date of Treaty.
W.O. 17207 and pages of evidence 83,	102, Sch issued Patt	James Monkman	Claimant a Half Breed occupied the Lot at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

V

SCH: A. cont'd

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 193 and pages of evidence 51.	104	Henry Cochrane Jr.	Claimed through Joseph Monkman Jr. a Half Breed who occupied the Lot at date of Treaty. Since purchased in 1876 claimant has been residing upon and cultivating the Lot.
M.A. 2579½ and pages of evidence 81. 82.	105	George Ballendine St Andrews	Cultivated by Claimants Agent, Joseph Monkman at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
M.A. 212. and pages of Evidence 54.	115 and 114	John Lee Lewis Smith	occupied and cultivated by claimant at date of Treaty. ✓
	D/p issued Pat[d]		

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File No.	Lot No.	Claimant.	Remarks.
U.O. 35058 and pages of evidence 24, 25 (M.a.65)	120	J. H. Burnell San Francisco California	Claimed through one Muckle whose tenant a French Half-Breed was living on the Lot at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Tyle No.	Lot No.	Claimant,	Remarks.
W.O. 35042 and pages of evidence 57 to 59½	224	A. G. B. Bannatyne Winnipeg	The conclusion arrived at from consideration of the evidence and other information obtained regarding this Lot is that Wm Adshead through whom the claim is made occupied the Lot at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

37504

Made Dr 1885

On a Report dated 24th January 1887 from the Minister of the Interior, submitting that by the treaty made and concluded on the 3d August 1871 between Her Majesty and the Chippewa and Swampy Cree tribes of Indians at Lower Fort Garry on the Red River, known as Treaty No 1. the said Indians ceded, released, surrendered and yielded up to Her Majesty all the lands included within limits described in the said Treaty, Her Majesty undertaking to lay aside and reserve for the sole and exclusive use of the Indians certain tracts such as would "furnish 160 acres for each "family of five, or in that proportion for "larger or smaller families," "it being under-"stood, however, that if at the date of the "execution of this Treaty, there are any

Gen'l of Indian Affairs for Report of Jan'y Mund 5/81

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

within the bounds of any cannot re-
"for 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."

The Minister observes that a correspondence commenced with the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs in the month of March 1874 with a view of taking such steps as might be necessary to quiet the titles of persons other than Indians, in actual occupation of lands within the St Peters Indian Reserve, which was one of the reserves provided for by Treaty No 1., and as the result of this correspondence, Messrs E. McColl, Inspector of Indian Agencies, representing the Department of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

Poor - Cop

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

within the bounds of any ceded ter-
"for 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."

The Minister observes that a correspondence commenced with the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs in the month of March 1874 with a view of taking such steps as might be necessary to quiet the titles of persons other than Indians, in actual occupation of lands within the St Peters Indian Reserve, which was one of the reserves provided for by Treaty No 1., and as the result of this correspondence, Messrs E. McColl, Inspector of Indian Agencies, representing the Department of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

er, Agent of

Affairs, and Arthur Pinkney, representing
Dominion ent of the Interior, were appointed
a Commission to make the necessary
investigation and report. This ~~necessary~~
investigation was commenced in January
1885 and during the season of 1885 an
exhaustive enquiry was made into all
of the claims preferred to lands within
the Reserve by others than Indians, and
the several lots were visited in order to as-
certain from personal observation the nature
extent and value of the improvements, if
any, made thereon. The claims were duly
reported upon in detail by the Com-
missioners, were divided into classes in
accordance with the several Schedules
hereto attached, and the conclusions
arrived at may be briefly summarized
as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SAFETY FILM

as for

Schedule A.

residents within the reserve claims of actual Indians at the date of the Treaty, ... claims have been satisfactorily established, and in respect of which the Commissioners consider it their duty under the terms of their Commission, to recommend the issue of patents.

Schedule B. comprises claims made by Indians or half breeds who have been admitted to treaty and are receiving annuities, or by persons claiming through those parties, and also claims to lots which were unoccupied and unimproved at the date of the Treaty, which could not under the terms of the Commission be entertained.

Schedule C. includes claims acquired

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

acquired from Indians (or half breeds
taking treaty) subsequent to the date
of the Treaty, and which, since they
were so acquired have been continuously
occupied and cultivated by the
claimants who have made considerable
improvements thereon. Under the terms
of the Commission, the claims of this
class, could not strictly speaking, be
recommended for patent, but the
Commissioners submitted that the
claimants are deserving of the most
favorable consideration from the
Government for compensation in some
form for their improvements, estimates
of the value of which are given in
the Schedule. In regard to the case of
Murdoch McIvor, one of the claimants
of this class, the Commissioners recommend
the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the issue of a patent, and state that owing to the benefits accruing to the Band by his example as an industrious practical farmer and trader the Indians have expressed their willingness to surrender their right to the land in order to enable the Government to issue a patent to him.

Schedule D. is a list of lots on the East side of the Red River which have been used as wood lots by persons who have been, since the date of the Treaty in continuous occupation of farm lots mentioned in Schedule A. on the West side of the river or those claiming through them. The Commissioners represent that these wood lots have always been recognized by the Indians and settlers

as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

as part of the property of the respective claimants and that they are amicably persuadable to them in the performance of their homestead operations. The Commissioners further state that, in view of any possible objection which might be made by the Indians to the granting of patents for these wood lots, the authorities of the Church Missionary Society have intimated their willingness to sell to the Government, for the benefit of the Indians at about $5. per acre, all the lands patented to them in connection with the St Peters Mission subject to the reservation of small portions around the Church buildings. This arrangement the Commissioners felt assured would be satisfactory to the Indians as furnishing an

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

an equivalent for the wood lots and the Commissioners accordingly recommended that patents issue to the several claimants under this head for the respective wood lots claimed by them.

The Minister represents that on the 22d June last the Commissioners addressed a letter to him, having reference to the offer of the Church Missionary Society above referred to, in which they state that since this recommendation was made, a number of half-breeds who were taking treaty in the St Peters Indian Reserve had withdrawn in order to obtain Half-Breed Scrip, thereby greatly increasing the area of land to be divided among those remaining, and the Commissioners, under

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

under the circumstances submitted that there was no longer any reason for considering the question of acquiring the additional lands mentioned, there being sufficient land after deducting the claims recommended in their report to satisfy the requirements of the Treaty.

Upon the several classes of claims covered by the Schedules A. B. C. and D. herewith, the Minister offers the following observations and recommendations:-

Schedule A. The claimants under this head are clearly entitled to patents for the lands of which they were in actual occupation at the date of the making of ~~the~~ Treaty, N°. 1. viz: the 3d. August 1871: the Minister further finds that they were all in actual, peaceable

and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and undisturbed occupation of the respective lots at the date of the transfer of Manitoba to Canada, viz: the 15th July 1870; and he recommends that authority be granted for the issue of patents to them under the Manitoba Act, each patent carrying with it the right to commutation of the hay and common privilege in the manner provided by the regulations of the Department of the Interior in that behalf.

Schedule B. This Schedule comprises by far the largest number of claims, but in view of the fact that the lands were unoccupied and unimproved at the date of the Treaty, and that they are claimed by Indians or half breeds who have since been admitted to treaty and are receiving annuities, or by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by persons claiming through such Indians or half-breeds, the Minister concurs with the views of the Commissioners, and recommends that the claims in this Schedule be rejected.

Schedule C. In regard to the claims included in this Schedule, being claims of persons who took up their lots subsequent to the date of the Treaty, the Minister is very strongly of the opinion that as the claimant in each instance is at the present time and has for many years, been actually residing upon and cultivating the lot which appears opposite his name, and has as is shewn by the report of the Commissioners substantial and valuable improvements thereon, it would be a great hardship were he compelled

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to remove even if he were paid the value which the Commissioners have placed upon his improvements. The Minister states that upon enquiry it is found that 282 half-breeds, including women and Children, residing within the St Peters Indian Reservation and ranked as Indians on the pay-list of the Department of Indian Affairs, withdrew from the Treaty during the year ending 6th July 1886, in order that such of them as were born at the time of the transfer might be enabled to receive Scrip as half breeds. Taking the basis laid down in the Treaty of 160 acres of land for each family of five, the area of land within the reservation to which under the treaty the Indians would be strictly entitled has

(?)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

has thereby been reduced by about 9,000 acres or 56 lots of 160 acres each. The Minister thinks therefore that steps should be taken to obtain the consent of the Indians to the issuing of patents to all the claimants mentioned in Schedule C. affecting an area of 586 6/10 acres, and he is also of opinion that it will not be necessary to make up to the Indians the area of land by which their reservation will thus have been reduced.

Schedule D. With respect to the claims embraced in this Schedule affecting an area of 467 8/10 acres, the Minister thinks that the same rule should be applied as in the claims of Schedule C. as recommended by the Commissioners. These claimants built their houses and farmed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

farmed on the west side of the river,
where there is little or no timber, depend-
ing upon the lands claimed and
used by them on the east side of
the river for their supply of firewood
and other necessary timber. Claimants of this
class in the other parts of Manitoba
were recognized and have invariably
been confirmed in their holdings by
the Department of the Interior; that is
to say, wherever claimants residing on
the west side of the river have been
able to show that they, in good
faith held wood lots for the purposes
mentioned on the east side of the
river, opposite to their farms and farm
buildings and that their rights of
ownership in such wood lots were
recognized and respected by their
neighbours

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

neighbours, patents for the said wood lots have been issued to them: The Minister states that he is strongly of the opinion that the several Claimants mentioned in this Schedule are entitled to be dealt with in this manner and he recommends accordingly, subject however to the condition that the lots on the east side of the river thus to be granted to them shall be in substitution of the outer two miles or scrip in lieu thereof, as the case may be, to which they would be entitled under the provisions of the Manitoba Act in commutation of the hay and common privilege.

The Committee concur in the foregoing observations and recommendations of the Minister of the Interior and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and submit the same for Your
Excellency's approval.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3619)

-File 4646-3	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1885 - 1888
-File 4646-3B	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1902
- File 4646-4	Clandeboye Agency - Report and extensive schedules of land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1887
File 4646-5	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on St. Peter's Reserve. 1888 - 1891

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 S- BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE CLAIMS

VOLUME

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4646-5

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By		Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For C.R. Use

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3614, file 161,6-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

Dec 16-10-92

No. 4646 9 Dec
No 5

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

St Peters Res

Claim of Indians
Thomas to Vol. 22 St Peters

No changed from
4646 No 5 to No 5A
as There was no No 5
10 Nov 1906

MEMO	ACTION.	ACTION.—Continued.
	24 June Ltr to Justice Dept.	See 94751
	24 July - from Atkins & c	
	24 July - fm Justice Dept.	
	24 July - fm do	
	10 July - - do	
	11 July Ltr fr D. Simpson	
	11 July - to do	
	22 - Ltr fm do	
	24 July Ltr to do	
	24 July - fm do	
	3 Sept Ltr. fm Justice Dept.	
	8 Sept - fm do	
	25 Sept Ltr fm D. M. Simpson	
	29 Jany 91 Tel to E. M. Cole	
	31 Jan. Ltr. from do	
	31 Jan - fm Justice Dept.	
	14 Feb. 91 Ltr to do	
	27 " - Ltr fm do	
	13 Mar Ltr to do	
	16 " - fm Atkins & c.	
	23 " - fm do	
	26 " - fm Atkins & c.	
	3 Apl Ltr to do	
	3 Apl - fm Stewart Campbell & Thom	
	6 Apl - fm Atkins & C.	
	9 " - fm do	
	22 Apl " to Interior Dept.	
	9 July - fm Justice Dept.	
	14 Aug - fm D. J Robinson	
	17 Aug Ltr to do	
	22 " - to do	
	11 Oct Ltr fm W. J. Robinson	

125/30

BLACK
4646-5

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Original on ~~4646/5a~~

Extract

Letter dated Indian Department
Jany. 25th 1888

+ + +

I find from a letter to me from your Dept. of the 16th Ult. enclosing a copy of a list of certain lots in the Parish of St. Peters which have been patented that a lot numbered 22 would appear to have been patented to a Mr William Thomas as included in Schedule aforesaid.

Should this be the case the Patent would seem to have issued to him in error and is, therefore, liable to cancellation. Should the Patent not have already issued, would you kindly stay the issue of the same until the question of Mr. Thomas' title thereto is decided.

I have &c

(sg) L.V.K.

A.M. Burgess Esq.
Deputy Minister
of the Interior
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Map

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

10163

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS 23 1888

LETTER NO. 161075

REFERENCE NO. 140024

Returned

Ottawa. 21st June, 1888.

Sir,

Referring to the concluding paragraph of your letter of the 28th Jany last, I am directed to inform you that patent had issued previous to the receipt of your letter to William Thomas for lot 22 St. Peter, and had been fowarded to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Winnipeg for delivery, but it was found on enquiry that the delivery had not taken place. The patent has been returned, and is now in the Department awaiting your action towards having

L. Vankoughnet, Esq.,
Deputy Supt Genl
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

☞ Address your reply as follows
To the Secretary of the
Dep.t of the Interior Ottawa.

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

☞ Write legibly your full name and address.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

having the same cancelled, if you deem it necessary that such action should be taken.

I have the honour to be.

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lpd de Pereira

Acting Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

having the same cancelled, if you deem it necessary that such action should be taken.

I have the honour to be.

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lyndwode Pereira

Acting Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4,646²

A. M. Burgess, Esq
D. M. of the Interior
Ottawa

4th July '88

Sir—

I beg to act the rec't of yr. letter of the 21st ~~[illegible]~~ ultimo referring to my letter of the 28th Jany. last, in connection with which you inform me that the patent which had previously issued to Wm Thomas for Lot 22 in the St Peter's Res. has been returned by the Commissioner of Indian Lands at Winnipeg & is awaiting ~~what~~ my action towards

SECRETARY'S BRANCH ..... 2 R 1888

AA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

having the same
cancelled.

In reply I
beg to inform
you that under
the provisions
of Sec. 19 of
Cap 43, R. S.
of Canada, the
aforesaid Wm
Dumas is not
intitled to a
patent for the
lot in question,
as he ~~became entitled to the land~~ was a
member of the
Band to which
the St Peter's
Res was
allotted, & during the
improvements made
thereon by him
were made when
he was an
Indian. and although
they were made

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

previously to the selection of the Res. in question in which the land claimed by him ~~is~~ was afterwards included ~~situated~~ yet under the provisions of the clause of the act above quoted he was only entitled to the same privileges in respect to such land as an Indian enjoys under a location ~~ticket~~ titee, & having subsequently withdrawn from treaty to accept half-breed scrip ~~the privileges which he cd.~~ any claim on his part ~~in respect~~ to the plot of land was

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

abrogated by
such withdrawal ~~action~~
~~on his part~~,
& the land with
the improvements
thereon remained ~~became~~
the property ~~in~~
~~his withdrawal~~
~~from Treaty~~ of
the Band who
own the Res.
and as such it could not be
alienated the same being forbidden by Sec 38 of the Act above quoted
In view of these
facts I have
to request that
the patent to
Wm Thomas for
the Lot in
question be
cancelled

I have

KODAK SAFETY FILM

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

49642 1024

Duplicate

Indian Office
Glandeboye
June 30th 1888

No. 3318

Sir

I have the honor to enclose in triplicate an account from Constable Peebles who acted as Sheriff with me in evicting trespassers from off the S Peters Indian Reserve and which I have certified to.

I beg to state that all those who went out of treaty as half-breeds are now removed from the Reserve with the exception of those who are living on the land which was surrendered to the Department by the S Peters Band & which as yet I have received no instructions to remove occupants there from

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A. M. Muckle.
Indian Agent

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

JWB

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

49945

INDIAN AFFAIRS. DEPARTMENT OF
JUL 21 1888

LETTER No. 181077.
REFERENCE No. 140024.

Return

Ottawa. 20th July, 1888.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant, requesting, for the reasons therein set forth, that the patent which has been issued in favour of William Thomas for Lot No. 22 in the Parish of St. Peter's be cancelled, I am directed to inform you that the Lot in question is included in the Schedule A of the Joint report of Commissioners Whitcher and McColl

☞ Address your reply as follows To the Secretary of the Dept. of the Interior Ottawa.

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

☞ Write legibly your full name and address.

L. Vankoughnet, Esq.,
Deputy Supt. Genl. of
Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Mc Coll on the St. Peters
Claims.

In a Memorandum addressed on the 8th March, 1887, to the Right Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald you stated that you were of opinion that all the claims mentioned in the Report above referred to were, with the exception of that of Mr. John Clemons, perfectly admissable, and on the strength of your statement the late Minister of the Interior sanctioned the issuing of patents, with the single exception mentioned, to the several claimants

for

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

40945

for the lands covered by the Schedule referred to.

In order to accede to your request for the cancellation of the patent in question, it will be necessary to take steps under Section 57, Chapter 54 of the Revised Statutes of Canada to void this patent by the authority of the proper Court of the Province of Manitoba, and the required action to accomplish this will have to be taken by your Department.

I am to add that the Acting Minister of the Interior cannot

under

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

under the existing circumstances of the case pursue any other course in the matter than that now mentioned.

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

Lyndwode Pereira
For the Assistant Secretary.

46446-2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646

P. Sedgewick Esq
Solicitor ~~for~~ of D. A.
Ottawa

2. ~~Aug~~ '88

Sir —

I beg to forward herewith file no. 4646 of this Dept which contains correspondence relative to inter alia a patent issued in 1887 by the Dept of the Interior to one William Thomas, who was formerly a member of the St Peters Band of Indians but who withdrew from treaty & accepted Half breed scrip. This Dept is of opinion that the patent issued to Thomas shd. be cancelled for the following reasons:

Thomas was in possession of the above

SECRETARY'S AUG 1 1888 BRANCH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Lot before the
Indian Treaty No. 1 was
~~[illegible]~~ made, bis Aug 3d - 1871, ~~but~~ and
the land in question
was subsequently included in
the Res. & Thomas
became a member
of the St Peter's
Band at the date of the Treaty.
It wd. appear
therefore that Thomas'
privileges in respect
of the said land
wd. only be the
same as those
enjoyed by an
Indian holding land in
the Reserve under location
ticket - see Sec. 19
of the Ind Act. R.S.
Cap 43. Consequently
he had no right
to the fee in the
land on his ~~[illegible]~~
withdrawing from treaty,
as the said land

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

remained part of the
Res. & under Sec. 38
of the Act above
quoted, it Can not
be alienated thereof
without a surrender
being made by the
Band, & further
Thomas
having ceased to
be an Indian
& being no longer
therefore a member
of the St. Peters
Band has
no right to even
the use of the
piece of
land in question
In consideration
of the above
circumstances
it is thought that
the patent to Thomas
shd. be voided
under Sec. 57
as having been issued in error
Cap 54. R. S. the
S.G. of P.A. being
the applicant.
The correspondence

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

in this matter
on the file now
sent will be
found under
dates of the
9th Dec - letter
from the Dep't of the Interior,
25th Jany - letter from
this Dep't to Dep't of Interior,
21st June - letter from
the Dep't of the Interior,
4th Aug - letter to
Dep't of the Interior,
20th Aug - letter from
the Dep't of the Interior.
I have the
honor to request
that you will favor
me with yr. opinion
in respect to this
matter.

I have

4646
File with Dof
2.8.88

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Ag. 646/88
Encl

87854

Ottawa August 3d 1888

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. 6 1888

CORRESPONDENCE AUG 7 1888 BRANCH

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS 1888

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 2d inst. (no. 4646) in which you ask the opinion of the Solicitor of Indian Affairs with respect to the remedy open to your department in the case of a patent issued in error to one William Thomas, I have the honour to state that it is doubtful at least whether under the circumstances detailed by you proceedings can be taken under section 57 of the Dominion Lands Act for the cancellation or voiding of the patent in question, the lands which it purports to convey not being Dominion

L. Vankoughnet Esq
Depy. Supt. Gen of Indian Affrs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

Wm McNeill Immediate

Ack and say that - referring to the concluding paragraph of his letter the Dept will be glad of the Dy Lieu of Justice will be good enough to take such proceedings as may be necessary to void the Patent issued in error to Wm Thomas formerly an Indian of the St Peters Band

RS
7 Aug 88

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

2

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CANADA

Ottawa 188

union lands, and, as they are not Indian lands within the meaning of The Indian Act, the remedy provided by section 53 of that Act is not applicable either.

Independently of Statute, however, upon proper proceedings being taken at the instance of the Attorney General of Canada a judgment may be obtained avoiding the patent in question, and, if you so desire, I shall be glad to give instructions for the institution of such proceedings. I have the honour to be

Sir,
Your obedient servant
Geo. B. Fraser
Ka Actg. D. M. J.

Papers returned

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

Immediate

646/88

4646

R. Ledyard Esq.
Deputy Minister of Justice
Ottawa

Aug. 9th 1888.

Sir,

Referring to the concluding paragraph of your letter of the 3rd inst, I have the honor to inform you that this Dept will be glad if you will be good enough to take such proceedings as may be necessary to void the Patent issued in error to Wm Thomas, formerly an Indian of the Oka Band.

I have &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

D.2833
Enclo

52847

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 22 1888

Return

Dep^t. of Justice
Ottawa 19th. Novr. 1888

Sir.

Reg^d to Wm Thomas.

I have the honor to enclose herewith a letter dated the 12th. instant, and addressed to the Atty. Genl. of Canada, by the above named Defendant, and have to request that after perusal I will return it to me with such instructions respecting same as may be considered necessary. At the same time please inform me of the Post office address of the Indian Agent at the S^t. Peter's Reserve

Yr obd^t. Servant.
Geo. L. B. Fraser
Actg D.M.J.

The
Deputy Sup^t.
of Indian affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 No 3

SECRETARY'S
NOV 26 1888
BRANCH

The Dy Minr.
of Justice.

Nov. 27- 88.

Encl'

Sir/

Referring to your letter of the 19th inst. in regard to the action brought by the Crown against Wm Thomas in respect of a patent erroneously issued to him for a certain piece of land in the St. Peters Reserve, I beg to inform you ~~with regard to~~ in connection with Mr. Wm. Thomas' letter of the 12th inst., which accompanied your letter, as respects his first statement that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that when he entered into treaty with the Federal Govt. it was his right and title to the soil of British North America that he gave up and not his right and title to lot No 22 in the Parish of St. Peters,— that when Mr Thomas agreed to accept of the treaty the land claimed by him, being said lot No 22, became under the law part and parcel of the St. Peters Reserve, it having been included in and surrounded by said Reserve, and

that lot formed part of the territory the title to which was extinguished by the said treaty

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and Dr. Thomas' privileges in respect of the parcel of land referred to ~~as~~ the same as an Indian would enjoy ~~such a location title~~. who held land in a Reserve under a location title (See sec. 19 of the Indian Act).

And as respects Dr Thomas', second, third and fourth statements regarding the manner in which the Selkirk Treaty affected the St. Peters Indian Reserve and therefore the piece of land in dispute, when Treaty No 1 was made with the Indians owning the country surrendered thereby among the other

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

other stipulations
in that Treaty
the St. Peters Reserve
was allotted to the
Band of which
Henry Prince at the time
called "Diskookemen"
was Chief, and
was accepted by
that Band as
their Reserve, and
it has always been
treated and regarded
by the Dept. as
an Indian Reserve
and the land therein
as the common
property of the
above Band and
not the property
of ~~private~~ individual members of the Band

As respects
the fifth statement
contained in Mr.
Thomas

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Thomas' letter, this
Dept. does not
dispute the fact
that he was in
possession of said
lot No 22 before
the Treaty above
referred to was
made; but the
point maintained
is, that when he
became a Treaty
Indian by accepting
the terms and
conditions of Treaty
No 1 his land
under the section
of the Act above
quoted became
part and parcel
of the Indian Reserve
of St. Peters and he
had only the
same privileges as
respects said land
as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

as any other member
of the Band, viz.
the right of occupation
thereof so long as
he remained a
Treaty Indian, but
on his withdrawing
from Treaty and
taking Halfbreed
scrip he as well
as any other former
members of the Band who followed a
like course ceased
to have any interest
in the lands
belonging to the
Reserve of the Band,
and the land formerly
occupied by him
remained the
common property
of the Band who
own the Reserve.

I return
the letter of
Mr.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr. Thomas herewith,
and in reply to the
enquiry contained
in your letter beg
to inform you that
the Post Office address
of the Agent at
the St Peters Reserve
is A. M. Muckle, Esq.
Indian Agent, Clandeboye,
Man.

I have, &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

68580

T. D. Form 2

[illegible]ANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S TELEGRAPH.

All Messages taken by this Company are subject to the following Terms:

It is agreed [illegible]en the sender of the following message and this Compa[illegible]at said Company shall not be liable for damages arising f[illegible] failure to transmit or deliver, or from any error in the t[illegible]mission or delivery of an unrepeated telegram, whether happening from the negligence of its servants or otherwise, or for delays from interruption in the working of its lines, for errors in cipher 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 ex[illegible] payment of one-half the regular rate, and in that case [illegible] 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 usual charges for repeated messages, viz—One per cent. for any distance not exceeding 1000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.



This Company shall not be liable for the act or omission of any other Company, but will endeavour 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 thereof. 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 telegram for transmission. No employee of the Company shall vary the foregoing.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B. C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

SENT NO.	SENT BY	REC'D	TIME SENT	TIME FILED.	CHECK.

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

2nd June 1910

To Wymss Simpson
Sault Ste Marie
O.

Mr Aikens, Barrister, Winnipeg, wires your evidence wanted in Indian case St Peter's Res. Please proceed there & interview Mr Aikens.

AR

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

68656

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S TELEGRAPH

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Man. Telegraphs.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 6 1890

Ra 88

No.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK.
81	Ca	Cn	12 paid Rush

Time 4 20 N June 5 1890

From Winnipeg 5

To L Vankoughnet
Dept of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Wymiss Simpson not arrived aikens desirous knowing when he left for Winnipeg

E McColl

Answ'd June 5/90
Aikins should telegraph Sault Ste Marie for advice re Simpson's departure for Winnipeg. Earned him to leave same day
informed
Cor Sparks & Elgin Sts.
HK

TO SECURE PROMPT DISPATCH SEND REPLY TO

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

68657

T. D. Form 1.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S TELEGRAPH

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Man. Telegraphs.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PEARLE, Supt., Toronto.

No.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK.
12	Ca	R	21 DH Pass

Time 8.32 June 6 1896

From Winnipeg Man 6

To L Van Koughnet

Deputy Supt, Genl
Indian Affrs
Ottawa

Queen v Thomas Evidence has been closed & case argued Judge would not allow adjournment for evidence of Simpson Judgment reserved.

J A M Aikins

Corrce Bo Ack Embodying this telegram in letter which I will sign

Jun 7/90 AH

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO
Cor Sparks & Elgin Sts.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

4646-5

J. A. M. Aikins Esq
Barrister &c
Winnipeg
Man

June 10, 90

No 2 of this file
Returned to Indian Dept.
10-6-90

Sir;

I beg to ack the rect of your telegram of the 6th inst which reads as follows "Queen v8 Thomas, "Evidence has been "closed and case "argued Judge would "not allow adjournment "for Evidence of Simpson "judgment reserved".

AB

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

69072

Sault Ste Marie
19th June 90

L. Vankoughnet Esq.
Indian Deptmt
Ottawa

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH JUN 23 1890 DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Sir,
I have the honor to inform you that in complaince with your telegram dated the 2nd inst I at once proceeded to Winnipeg — where I interviewed the firm of Messrs Aikens Barristers &c — who I have no doubt reported to you on the subject —
I now enclose a/c of my expenses, and I shall esteem it a great favor if you will kindly forward cheque for amount by return mail, as I am leaving Sault Ste Marie for some time I will a home until 1st ~~inst~~ prox & want the amt before leaving

I am Sir
Your obledt Servant
Wemyss M Simpson

To Chief Clerk
& Acctnt
For Report on Mr Simpson's Charge for moving Exps
JD
June 21/90

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sault Ste Marie, June 19/90

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 21 1890

Department of Indian Affairs.

69072

Ottawa -

To W. M. Simpson Dr.

To mileage from Sault Ste Marie
to Winnipeg and Return.
1450 Miles @ 10¢ $ 145.00
10 Days Hotel Bill. 3.00 30.00

$ 175.00

Correct Branch
Immediate

Enclose one copy
hereof to Labor of Indian affairs and
request him to inform Dept
what amt she be pd Mr Simpson
Say RR fare to and from
WP from Sault Ste Marie
is $59.40 RS
23/6/90

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

40470

R. Sedgewick Esq
D M of Justice
Ottawa

618

June 24, 90

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith an acct amounting to $175.00 from Mr Weymes Mr Simpson, of Sault Ste Marie, for travelling expenses to and from Winnipeg as a witness, though not regularly subpoenaed, in the case of the Queen vs Thomas and I have to request that you will be good enough to infer the Dept what amt should be paid Mr Simpson the Railway fare ~~fair~~ from Sault Ste Marie to Winnipeg & return is $59.40

Over

Mandeale
who was formerly joint Comr with Sir Adams Archibald in negotiating Treaty No 1 with the Indds.
A H

"Answer required"
"Answer required"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Aikins, Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. M. Aikins Q.C. W. H. Culver Q.C.
George Patterson A. V. McCleneghan
A. McLeod.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Street.

Winnipeg, Man June 9th-90 189

Messrs O'Connor, Hogg & Balderson,
Barristers &c.,
Ottawa, Ont.

69421

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 2 1890

Dear Sirs :-

Queen & Thomas

The trial of this case has concluded. When the pleadings were being read we discovered that the defence which was sent with the Brief was not the amended defence which was filed consequently we were somewhat embarrassed for the time being; however, fortunately there was nothing which much altered the line which we had intended to pursue. As stated in your letter of 27th ultimo all the facts almost which are said to have constituted error in the information were before the Commissioners when they made their report. We called the two Commissioners as witnesses and they showed that they acted upon a letter written by Vankoughnet on the 27th of March 1885 in reply to a letter signed by Mr. McColl for the Commissioners written to Mr. Vankoughnet which is as follows :"With regard to the class of claims to lands within the limits of the St. Peters Indian Reserve, by non-treaty people, to be investigated by the Commission appointed for the purpose I have the honor to respectfully request that you will kindly inform me for the guidance of the Commissioners whether or not those half-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Aikins, Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. M. Aikins, Q.C. W. H. Culver, Q.C.
George Patterson. A. V. McCleneghan.
A. McLeod.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Street

Winnipeg, Man 189

breeds who had been in actual occupation of the lands within the St. Peter's Reserve at the date of Treaty on the 3rd of August 1871 and had been admitted into the Treaty at that time but were subsequently "allowed to withdraw therefrom on refunding all annuity money received by them under the said Treaty or suffering a corresponding reduction in the quantity of any land or scrip which such half-breeds as such were entitled to receive from the Government" according to the 14th Section of the Indian Act have any right to the lands occupied by them within the Reserve at the date of Treaty If it is decided that those half-breeds have no claim to said lands a large number of otherwise complicated cases can easily be settled The instructions for the guidance of the Commission are very clear and most satisfactory in every other respect". The reply, as will be seen on the file of the Department, was advised by the Department of Justice that half-breeds referred to as withdrawing under Section 14 of the Indian Act 1880 were not by the mere fact of being admitted to the Treaty deprived of any rights acquired to them previous to the Treaty. The Commissioners were thus misled because the facts of the Thomas case were not within the facts stated for an opinion to the Department of Justice and upon which the Commissioners were advised. As a matter of fact Thomas took the Treaty

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Aikins, Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. M. Aikins Q.C. W. H. Culver Q.C.
George Patterson. A. V. McCleneghan
A. McLeod.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Street.

Winnipeg, Man. 189

annuity for four years, 1871, 1872, 1873 and 1874, but toward the end of 1874 returned the annuity for that year. He never paid back the other annuities. The Commissioners further state that they assumed that he had paid back his annuities because he had obtained scrip as a half-breed head of family and that if he had not returned his annuity he had suffered a reduction in the amount of his scrip; that they did not enquire particularly into it. Of course it appeared in evidence that he had not suffered a reduction in the amount of his scrip but that he had been paid in full the amount of $160.00 as provided by the Statute. The affidavit of Thomas which was put in as an Exhibit to the Commission showed that in his application for scrip he stated that he had returned the annuities paid him and on that assumption I presume the Department issued the scrip so that where the real error was made was in the issue of the scrip without a return of the annuities on the misstatement of Thomas. Another mistake was made by the Commissioners in assuming that it was under the Act of 1880 Thomas withdrew from Treaty whereas as a matter of fact if there was any withdrawal at all he had withdrawn years before the Act of 1880 and that at the time of the Commission the Act of 1880 was repealed by the Statute of 1884. All the Statutes were referred to. The Act of 1874 37 Vic. Cap.21 p.142, Sections 9 & 10 extending certain Acts to Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Aikins, Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. M. Aikins, Q.C. W. H. Culver, Q.C.
George Patterson. A. V. McCleneghan.
A. McLeod.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Street.

Winnipeg, Man. 189

itoba 31 Vic. Cap.42 (1868), Sections 6 to 26 and some following sections, Sections 8 and 15 were particularly referred to. 39 Vic. Cap.18 (1876) Sec.3 sub-sec.E which was amended in 1879 p.274. Section 10 of the Act of '76 being the same as 19 of the Revised Statutes. The Indian Act of 1880 Cap.28 Sec.13 amended in 1885. Revised Statutes of Canada 43 etc. The half-breed Act of 1874 ~~is~~ 37 Vic. Cap.20. The Indian Act of 1874 is very clear as to who are Indians and provides that any person coming within the meaning of the previous Statute and who had taken Treaty was an Indian etc. Our contention was that Thomas had become an Indian and all his rights in any separate property which he claimed were by virtue of the Treaty ceded to the Government and thereafter held in trust for the St. Peters Band. We showed in the evidence that this land had never subsequently been surrendered, consequently under the Statute could not be conveyed to any individual and that the mere fact of his desiring to withdraw later from Treaty would not place him in any better position than if he continued in it as having accepted once the terms and provisions of the Treaty and having had the benefit of it he could not go back to his original position, in any event not without paying back all the annuities. Evidence was given by him that before he accepted an annuity he asked the Agent Wemyss

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Aikins, Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. M. Aikins Q.C. W. H. Culver Q.C.
George Patterson. A. V. McCleneghan.
A. McLeod.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Stre't.

Winnipeg, Man. 189

Simpson if by taking it he would waive any of his rights to his private property and he was assured by Simpson that he would not. The Judge seemed inclined to take this into consideration and to hold that he never intended to become an Indian or to divest himself of his half-breed rights. We had not Simpson here to contradict this although we telegraphed for him several times and the Judge would not allow the case to be adjourned. We cited the Ontario authorities on the question of setting aside the Patent and the case of Attorney General & Fonseca in our own Court which as you are aware was reversed in the Supreme Court on the point that error had not been clearly made out. The Judge seems to be quite clear in his view that the error which we mentioned was clearly made out but he also seemed inclined to think that Thomas was entitled to his Patent in any event but it might be it was not his duty to decide that question but as there had been inadvertence that the whole matter should be re-opened for the consideration of the Department. Judgment was reserved.

Your letter in this matter together with copy of the evidence was not received until this afternoon after the case had been terminated. It appears that sufficient stamps had not been put upon it and some how or another it was delayedin the Winnipeg Post Offic

Yours truly,

Aikins, Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

D. 2133 Encls

60585

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 10 1890

Dep.t of Justice
Ottawa 7th July 1890

Returned

Sir,

Queen vs Thomas.

Referring to your letter of the 24th ultimo, enclosing an account of W.H. Simpson of Sault Ste Marie for mileage & expenses & attendance at Winnipeg as a witness in the above case, I have the honour to state that I am informed that Mr. Simpson did not arrive in Winnipeg till after the case had been tried, & did not give any evidence. Under the circumstances, & as he was requested by & thro' the Dep.t of Indian affairs, the amount to be paid were to be a matter of arrangement between

The Deputy Supt.
Indian affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

69585

between Mr. Simpson & the Department, as respects the time occupied by him on the trip & the amount of his expenses. In no case should he be paid more than his actual fare. The time charged for by Mr. Simpson, 10 days, seems to be excessive as the case was disposed of before he arrived. A/c rep^d

I am Sir,
Yr. Obd^t. Servant,
Neb Hagerich
D.M.J.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Wemyss M. Simpson Esq
Sault Ste Marie Ont
Ottawa 11, July 1890

CORRESPONDENCE
JUL 10 1890
BRANCH

Draft

required by the Auditor General
Ans. reqd
Isaac Ka..

Sir

I have the honor to ack the receipt of your letter of the 19th ulto Enclosing an account against this Dept of $175.00 for Mileage and Hotel Expenses in Winnipeg incurred in connection with the case The Queen vs Thomas, and I am to inform you that the account in its present shape cannot be paid. The Dept can only pay your railway fare and actual Expenses while engaged as a witness.

The Dept is informed that you did not arrive in Winnipeg until after the case had been tried and did not ~~therefore~~ give any Evidence: it appears therefore that the time charged for —10 days— is Excessive. May I request you to be good enough to furnish an amended acct supported by a voucher for your hotel Expenses which will be

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

W. H. PLUMMER & Co
GENERAL MERCHANTS.
SAULT STE MARIE ONT.

Sault Ste Marie Ont.

69981

July 15th 1890

Return
RP
22 July 90

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 22 1890

L. Vankoughnet Esq.
Deputy Minister of Affairs
Ottawa.

To Chief Clerk
For Action
FR July 18/90

Sir, I have your letter of 11th inst in which you state the Department cannot pay my a/c of 175.00 charged for trip to Winnipeg return —

I notice also you say I can only be allowed my railway fare & hotel Expenses. the latter disbursement to be supported by voucher;

In reply I beg to state that I recd a telegram from you on 2nd June, as follows.

"Mr Aikens Barrister Winnipeg wires your Evidence wanted in Indian Case St Peters reserve. please proceed there and interview Mr Aikens" On receipt of above. I immediately made arrangements for leaving & took first steamer. & duly reported to Mr. Aikins who stated the case had been tried, and the ferrie advised me that I was intitled to a mileage of 10c per mile

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Corrce Br ack and regret
that the Dept is advised by
the Dept of Justice that
in no case can more
than actual fare and
hotel Expenses be
paid RS for DM

22 July 90

COPY
JUL 22 1890
BRANCH



Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

W.H. PLUMMER & Co
GENERAL MERCHANTS,
SAULT STE MARIE, ONT.

Sault Ste. Marie Ont. 69981

189

V

and my hotel Expenses. I certainly cannot leave my business here in the interests of the Department & employ an Agent to look my men & property, and accept for such services, my fare & Hotel disbursements - and I am advised the customary allowance is 10c per mile - I will procure a voucher for Hotel fare as Early as possible $3.00 per day is not Excessive at Winnipeg & along line - meantime I will thank you to forward cheque for the mileage, and leave the Hotel bill with me I can procure the voucher

I have the honor
to be Sir
Your obed. Servant

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646

Wemyss M. Simpson Esq.
Sault Ste Marie.
Ontario

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

July. 24, 1890.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Inst. in further reference to the matter of your appeal against this Dept. for mileage and hotel expenses incurred in connection with the case of the Queen vs Thomas: and in reply I regret to be obliged to inform you that this Dept. is advised by the Dept of Justice that in no case can more than the actual fare and hotel expenses be paid. I have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

W. H. PLUMMER & Co
GENERAL MERCHANTS,
SAULT STE M

Sault Ste Marie, Ont.

70315

Reference
No. 4646,

Jany 29 1890

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 1 1890

L Vankoughnet Esq
Depty Minister Jaffairs
Ottawa,

Dear Sir, I have yours of 24th inst in which you quote the ~~Deptmt~~ decision of the Deptmt of justice regarding my a/c.

I beg to remind you this trip was an exceptional case I acted promptly on receipt of your message, and before leaving had to engage a competent agent to look after my affairs during my absense.

The message did not state what were the services required, or the remuneration I was to receive therefor, this I left to the Deptmt. Had you however stated that I was to proceed to Winnipeg, and that I would be paid only my expenses I would not have obeyed the telegram

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Sault Ste Marie, Ont.

189

W. H. PLUMMER & CO. GENERAL MERCHANTS. SAULT STE. MARIE

N/ telegram, Is it fair to ask me to take the trip referred to, and at a personal loss. ?. I must decline accepting the amount you state you wish to pay. and beg you to reconsider the subject and forward Cheque for amt of a/c.

Oblige

Your obed. Servant.

Wemyss. M Simpson

H P

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

IN REPLY REFER TO
4646
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

Ottawa.

R.Sedgewick,Esq.,
Dy.Minister of Justice.

SECY'S BRANCH,
SEP 3 1890
WRITTEN

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 7th July last respecting the acct.rendered by Mr.W.M.Simpson,of Sault Ste Marie,for mileage expenses for attendance at Winnipeg as a witness in the case of the Queen vs.Thomas,I beg to inform you that Mr.Simpson was advised by letter of the 24th of the same month of the advice given of this Dept.by you in respect to the amount that should be paid him,and on the 29th of July he replied stating the reasons why he considered he was entitled to the amount of the acct.as rendered by him and declining to accept the amt.tendered him by this Dept.in accordance with your opinion.I forward Mr.Simpson's letter above referred to together with the other papers in the matter as that gentleman has asked that the Dept.re-consider the question of paying him the amt.of his acct.

Will you be good enough to inform me of the conclusion arrived at by you after perusing Mr.Simpson's letter.

I have,&c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

D. 2833
Enclos.

71263

Department of Justice

Ottawa 8th Septr. 1890

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 10 1890

Return
Sept 11 90

Sir,

Queen vs Thomas

Referring to your letter of the 3rd instant respecting the account rendered by Mr. W. M. Simpson of Sault Ste Marie for attendance at Winnipeg as a witness in the above case, I have the honour to state, as mentioned in my letter of the 7th July last, that Mr. Simpson did not arrive in Winnipeg till after the case was tried and did not give any evidence in the case. Under the circumstances and as he was requested to go to Winnipeg by the Dept. of Indian Affairs, the amount to be paid him would be

To Chief Clerk to prepare statement which would be forwarded by Wright Chief Clerk for Mr. Simpson based on this opinion

The Deputy Supt. of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

71263

be a matter of arrangement between Mr. Simpson and Your Department, as respects the time occupied by him and the amount of his expenses.

Under the Tariff Mr Simpson is entitled to be paid $1.50 a day for each day necessarily absent from home as a witness, and also to be paid his travelling expenses according to the sums reasonably and actually expended, but in no case to exceed 20¢ per mile one way. Strictly speaking he is not entitled to Hotel Allowance but only to the $1.50 above mentioned. I think the settlement of the account is a matter of arrangement between Mr. Simpson and your Department - after satisfying

1 Yourself

1

2

= 10¢ per mile each way

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

71263

Yourself as to the time which under the circumstances, Mr Simpson was necessarily absent from home in consequence of being re-quested to proceed to Win-nipeg as a Witness

Papers returned

I am Sir,

Yr obdt. Servant,

A. Powell

P. D. M. J.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

Cheque to Wm Simpson 19 Sept '90

Approved & Handed Dwn

3th Sept 1890

Memorandum

To the Deputy Minister of Indian Affairs

The account rendered by Mr Wm Simpson was for

1400 miles travel at 10¢	$145.00
10 d/s hotel Expenses @ $3	30.00
	$175.00

This was considered Excessive and Messrs O'Connor & Hogg who had charge of the case on which Mr Simpson was required as a witness thought he should be paid actual Railway fare 59.40

Conduct money 10 d/s @ $1.	10.00
Maintenance 10 d/s @ $3	30.00
	$99.40

The Dept of Justice decided - 7th July - that Mr Simpson should "in no case" be paid more than his actual fare 59.40 and that as regarded time and amount of Expenses the matter was one of arrangement between the Dept and Mr Simpson but it was considered that the time charged for by Mr Simpson (10 days) was Excessive. The time occupied in a journey from

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

and back
Sault Ste Marie to Winnipeg via
Sudbury is 106 hours, or four
days and 10 hours. and
two days rest at Winnipeg
would give Mr Simpson six
days and a fraction - or
seven days instead of ten
From this point of view the
account would appear to be
Railway fare $07.40
Sevendays at $10.- 70.00
$129.40

The Dept of Justice now thinks
$1.50 per day for each day he was
necessarily absent
Say 7 days @ $1.50 10.50
and .20¢ per mile - one way
From Sault Ste Marie to
Winnipeg 1.180 miles @ .20¢ 236.00
$246.50
If Simpson's a/c was 175.00
by paying which Dept will save $ 71.50
as compared with the amount
- which, - under the last
ruling, - he should be paid

R Sinclair

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Sault Ste Marie
Dec 23/90

71702

Sir I have the honor to
acknowledge receipt
of your letter of the
19th Inst. Enclosing Cheque
No 756 for $175.00 in
full of claims.

Your Ob't Servt

L. VanKoughnet Esq.
Deputy Supt Genl of
Indian Affairs.
Ottawa

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 25 1890

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

KODAK SAFETY FI

Department of the Interior.

Ottawa, 22 January 1891

MEMO.

Dear Mr Burgess

I see that there is an impression in Winnipeg that the decision of the Exchequer Court in the case of Regina V. Thomas will have the effect of throwing open the remainder of the St Peters Indian Reserve - Should not this mistake be authoritatively contradicted?

Yrs J K McK

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Private :

Enc :

Ottawa, 23rd Jan., 1891.

My dear Minister,

Do you not think that Mr. Vankoughnet should take steps to have this report contradicted, otherwise grave complications may arise.

Yours faithfully,

A. M. Burgess

The Hon. E. Dewdney,
Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Mr. Vankoughnet.
Do you understand this - if so please act -

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

T. D. Form 2

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S TELEGRAPH.

All Messages taken by this Company are subject to the following Terms:

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP.

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 the negligence of its servants or otherwise, or for delays from interruption in the working of its lines, for errors in cipher 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 usual charges for repeated messages, viz—One per cent. for any distance not exceeding 1000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.

This Company shall not be liable for the act or omission of any other Company, but will endeavour 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 thereof. 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 telegram for transmission. No employee of the Company shall vary the foregoing.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B. C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

SENT NO.	SENT BY	REC'D	TIME SENT	TIME FILED.	CHECK.

Send the following Message, subject to the above terms, which are hereby agreed to:

23 January 1891

To Lucas Cole
Winnipeg

Contradict in public papers statement that ~~the~~ decision in Regina vs Thomas will throw open St Peter's Res. for settlement. The judgment does not in any way affect the land in the Res.

L. V.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4643 3

E M Coll by
Insp of I A & R
Winnipeg
Man

Immediate

Sir—

Having ~~been informed~~ observed in the public press ~~that there was an~~ the statement ~~impression in~~ Winnipeg that the decision of the Exchequer Court in the case of Regina vs Thomas would have the effect of throwing open the St Peters Reserve generally for white settlement, I wired you yesterday as follows:

(Copy tel under)

Tam

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Man. DOES NOT APPLY.

Reg. F. Press 26-1-91

The Decision in the Thomas Case Will Not Affect Land in St. Peters.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

SIR,—Will you kindly contradict the statement made in the public press that the decision in Regina vs. Thomas will throw open the St. Peter's Indian Reserve for settlement, as the judgement in that case does not in any way affect the land in that reserve.

E. McCALL.
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Winnipeg, Jan. 23rd, 1891.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

75201

Manitoba Superintendency,

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg 29th January 1891

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JAN 31 1891

In your Reply refer to
No. 29179
also to the date of this letter.

Sub Ley

SIR.

4646 3

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th instant, confirming your telegram of the 23rd instant in the case of Regina Vs. Thomas; and in reply I beg to inform you that a copy of the Winnipeg Free Press of the 26th instant contradicting the statement made in public papers in the matter had been sent to your address.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Eric Coll
Inspt of Indian Agencies

L. Vankoughnet Esqr
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

2832

75151

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 31 1891

IN THE EXCHEQUER COURT OF CANADA.

The Queen on the information of the Attorney General,

and Plaintiff:

William Thomas,

Defendant.

This information is brought to annul letters patent issued on the 27th of October, 1887, in favor of the defendant for lot numbered 22 in the Parish of Saint Peter and Province of Manitoba.

The ground, upon which the cancellation of the patent is sought, is briefly, that the defendant is not, as at the time when it was issued he was supposed to be, entitled to the lot in question under the Manitoba Act and its amendments. (33 Vic.c.3. sec.32. ss.4 and 38 Vic.c.52.s.1) and that therefore it was issued through error and improvidence within the meaning of the 57th section of The Revised Statutes Chapter 54.

It is admitted that the defendant is a half-breed, and it appears from the evidence that he has during all his life lived after the manner of white men, and never according to the mode and habits of life of the indian. He is by trade and occupation a carpenter and farmer. For many years he was a warden of the Church at Saint Peter, and on several ...ions he has been a representative from that Church to ...d. After the transfer of Rupert's Land and the ...st Territory to Canada, and before the Treaty to ...ference will be made, he was appointed a Ju...

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

the Peace.

It is also clear that since the year 1864, when for the sum of seventy five dollars he purchased the lot in question from one Robert Sandison he has been in undisturbed occupancy thereof, and that on the 15th of July 1870, the date of the transfer, he was in actual peaceable possession of the same. This is not denied, but it is said that by participating in the gratuity given to certain Chippewa and Swampy Cree Indians in 1871, under a Treaty made with them at Lower Fort Garry on the 3rd of August of that year, and in the annuities payable thereunder the defendant lost his status as a half-breed, and forfeited his right to the lot and letters patent in question.

The defendant admits that in 1871,1872, 1873 and 1874 he received for himself, his wife and two daughters, the annuity of three dollars for each person payable under the Treaty, and it appears that he shared in the gratuity given when the Treaty was concluded. He says however that before taking any money under the Treaty he asked Mr.Simpson, the commissioner acting for Her Majesty, if by taking the same he would interfere with his private property, and that Mr. Simpson told him he would not, and that when in 1874, he learned for the first time that by the acceptance of such annuities he would deprive himself of his rights as a half-breed he returned the amount paid to him in that year and that since he has not taken any money under the Treaty and that the Crown has recognized his rights as a half-breed by the issue to him in October 1876, of half-breed scrip.

The enquiry is I think somewhat narrowed by the fact that none of the Statutes of the Dominion relating to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

indians and indian affairs were in force in Manitoba prior to 1874, when by 37 Victoria c.21 certain provisions of 31 Victoria c.42, and of 32 & 33 Victoria c.6, were extended to that Province. It may be admitted that if in 1874, and thereafter the defendant had participated in the annuities payable under the Treaty, he would have brought himself within the definition of an indian contained in the Acts mentioned. (31Vic.c.42.s.15 and 37 Vic.c.21.s.8), and that he could not subsequently have regained his status of a half-breed except in accordance with the law or practice in that behalf for the time being in force.

The first question to be decided is:- Did the defendant by participating in the gratuity and annuities mentioned make an election and renounce the status and personal condition of a half-breed and acquire that of an indian ? Unexplained his conduct would no doubt raise the presumption that he had done so, but looking at all the circumstances of the case it does not appear to me that such was at any time his intention. We have seen that he was careful before taking any money under the Treaty to enquire of the commissioner whether his acceptance would prejudice his position in respect of his private property, and that when in 1874 he realized the true state of the case he returned the annuity then lately paid to him, and that in 1876 his status as a half-breed head of a family was formally recognized by the Crown. It is said that Mr.Simpson could not bind the Crown by any such assurance as that alleged to have been given to the defendant. Possibly not, and yet it may be right and proper to weigh the defendant's acts in the light of such assurance. But take it that the defendant's

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

status from the day he received his first payment under the Treaty, until he returned the last must be deemed to be that of an indian, the further question presents itself:- By virtue of what law did he forfeit his interest in the homestead that he had purchased and on which with his wife and family he was residing. The only answer suggested in reply to that enquiry is that such is the effect of the 19th section of The Indian Act (R.S.C.c 43) whereby it is amongst other things provided that every indian in the Province of Manitoba who has previously to the selection of a reserve possession of a plot of land included in or surrounded by a reserve, upon which he has made permanent improvements, shall have in respect thereof the same privileges as are enjoyed by an indian who holds under a location titl But that provision was first enacted in 1876 by 39 Vic.c.18 s.10, and cannot I think be construed to deprive the defendant of any rights of property theretofore acquired seeing that there is no pretence that he was at that time an indian or liable to be considered or treated as an indian within the meaning of the statute.

Mr.Aiken for the plaintiff upon the authority of the cases cited further contended that although the defendant might be found to be entitled to the letters patent issued to him, they should be set aside because the Minister of the Interior acted in ignorance of the fact that the defendant had not refunded the forty eight dollars paid to him under the Treaty in the years 1871,1872 and 1873. It seems that this fact was not, as it should have been, brought to the attention of the Minister either in 1876, when half-breed scrip was issued in favor of defendant, or in 1887, when

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

claim to Lot 22 was disposed of. This issue is not however raised by the pleadings, and it is not necessary to decide it or to consider how far the earlier cases referred to have been modified by Fonseca v. The Attorney General (17 S.C.R.612) in which the 57th section of the Revised Statutes chapter 54 has been so recently and fully considered. On the issues presented by the pleadings the defendant is I think entitled to succeed.

The information is dismissed with costs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

D. 2833
Enclos.
File with papers
re

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
75151
FEB 1891
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 31 1891

Dept. of Justice
Ottawa 30th. Jany 1891

Sir,

Queen vs Thomas

I have the honour to send you herewith a copy of the Judgment of Mr Justice Burbidge in the above case recently delivered in the Exchequer Court

I will be glad if after perusal of the Judgment you will consider the advisability of taking an appeal therefrom and advise me of your views in the matter

I am Sir,
Yr obdt. Servant,
[signature]
D.M.J.

The
Deputy Supt.
of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646

R. Sedgewick Esq.
Deputy Min. Justice.

SECY'S BRANCH,
FEB 14 1891
WRITTEN.

Draft

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ult., and of the copy enclosed therein of the Judgment of Mr. Justice Burbidge in the case of the Queen vs Thomas, in connection wherewith you ask~~ed~~ ~~me~~ to be favored with my views after perusal of the documents.

In reply I beg to submit the following statements in respect to this case:

It appears that Wm Thomas, the party against whom the suit was entered, became a party to the Treaty of the 3rd Aug. 1891 otherwise known as Treaty No. 1 made with "the Chippewa and Swampy free tribes of Indians inhabitants of the country within the limits therein described"; that he, with the other Indians who were interested in that Treaty and parties

thereto

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

at the date thereof
thereto, received a gratuity of $12.00;
that he continued to participate
in the annuities and other ad-
vantages secured to the Indians
by said Treaty; that in the
year 1874 he received annuity,
but subsequently refunded that year's annuity
on the
supposition that if he con-
tinued to receive it, he
would forfeit his rights as a
Halfbreed and that if he did
not receive annuity he would be
entitled to those rights. In
1876 he filed an affidavit
with the Dept of the Interior
that he had refunded all
the annuity money received
by him as a Treaty Indi-
an: whereas he had only
refunded the annuity re-
ceived for 1874. The Dept
of the Interior, presuming
that the statement made in
his affidavit was true,
issued Halfbreed scrip
to him.

There

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

There would not appear to have been any law in force prior to the passage, in the year 1880, of the Act 43 Vic., Cap. 18, Sec. 14, under which a Halfbreed who had become a party to an Indian Treaty, and thereby a Treaty Indian, could withdraw therefrom and resume his status of a Halfbreed. Wm Thomas assumed that he did so in 1874 when withdraw from Treaty & resume his Halfbreed status he returned the annuity for that year, or, as falsely stated in his affidavit, he had done if he returned all annuity money received by him as a Treaty Indian: but I fail to find that there was any law in force previous to that above quoted under which such an act on the part of an Indian would enfranchise him or restore him to his status of a Halfbreed.

9 Cab 20

In

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In 1887 Wm Thomas was granted, by the Dept of the Interior, Letters Patent for lot 22 in the Parish of St. Peters, Manitoba, being the lot in dispute and which, it appears to me, the following facts shew was included in the St. Peters Indian Reserve & was never surrendered by the Band to be otherwise disposed of:-

In 1871, when the Treaty, to which the said Wm Thomas was a party, was negotiated, the Indians who were parties thereto — and of course the said Wm Thomas among them — conveyed to the Crown all lands lying within certain bounds, described in the said Treaty, reserving therefrom certain tracts, which are also described therein ~~in the Treaty~~, which were reserved "for the sole and exclusive use of the Indians". Among these tracts thus reserved was the Reserve commonly known

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

known as that of St. Peters; and in that Reserve was included the land patented, in 1887, to the said Wm Thomas.

The grounds on which said Wm Thomas claimed a patent, and upon which one was evidently granted to him by the Dep't of the Interior, were that he was in possession of the land in dispute before the Treaty was made. Admitting that such was the case it is submitted that by Wm Thomas' becoming a party to the Treaty, and thereby agreeing, among other things, to the St. Peters' Reserve being set apart "for the sole and exclusive use of the Indians" and as said Reserve included among other land therein, the parcel of land which has been patented to said Wm Thomas

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Thomas, he merged his interest in that land in that of the Band generally for whom the tract in the Parish of St. Peters was reserved; and that, as the Treaty referred to contains no reservation of any portion of the said St. Peters Reserve in favour of any individual Indians, that no part of the Reserve could be alienated therefrom unless a formal surrender of the part ~~to be alienated~~ to its being alienated was previously made by the Band: and no surrender of the land patented to Wm Thomas was ever so made previous to or subsequently to the Treaty

It is further submitted that the clause in the Treaty which reads as follows:

"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 re-

served

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

reserved by any Band, Her Magesty 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" did not apply to any Indian who was a party to the Treaty; and that therefore that clause did not apply to the said Wm Thomas and that he could not claim patent for the said land under its provisions.

It is submitted whether the above considerations, with such others as may occur to you are sufficient to warrant an appeal being made from the adverse Judgment delivered by the Hon. Justice Burbidge in this matter.

~~I have &c.~~

As in considering this question you may require to refer to ~~the~~ some of the papers on file in this Dept relative thereto I enclose File 4646 No. 3 - The other Nos. of the file containing papers in re have already been sent to you I have &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Encs

75912

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 27 1891

Reference
Docket No. 2833 188

Letter Book
No.
Page

Ottawa. Feby 25th 1891

Sir,

The Queen vs Thomas

I have the honour to return herewith the files of your department relating to this matter and, with reference to your letter of the 14th inst, I beg to state that I cannot advise an appeal from the judgment pronounced by Judge Burbidge. The position taken by the judge that the 19th section of the Indian Act cannot be construed to deprive the defendant of any rights of property ~~therefore~~ acquired before the provisions of that section first became law in 1876 is I think correct, and is fatal to the case of the Crown. You will observe that

The Deputy Minister
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that the attention of this department was not called to the date of Thomas's withdrawal from the treaty when the matter was first referred here for advice. Aside from the statutory provision referred to, I do not think that the mere fact that a half breed was a party to a treaty would have the effect of depriving him of such an interest in ~~the~~ land as Thomas admittedly had in the land in question by virtue of the Manitoba Act.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obt servant
[illegible]
D.M.G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Office of Stewart, Chrysler & Lewis.
Barristers, Ottawa.

$277.15

Queen vs. Thomas.

Received this 23rd March 1891 through the Department of Justice cheque No.4144 of Department of Indian Affairs payable to our order for two hundred and seventy seven dollars and fifteen cents, being taxed costs of successful defendant against the Crown herein.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 30 1891

In Duplicate

Stewart Chrysler & Lewis

Agents for Defendants Solicitors.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

76868

Aikins, Culver, Patterson & McCleneghan.
Barristers &c.
J. A. M. Aikins Q.C. W. H. Culver Q.C.
[illegible]ge Patterson. A. V. McCleneghan.
A. McLeod. J. Pitblado.

Over Imperial Bank.
Main Street.

Winnipeg, Man. April 3 1891

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 6 1891

Dept of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Dear Sir

Re Lit 18 St Paul 9/32725

We are in receipt of your favor of 31st March enclosing cheque for Seventeen dollars amount of our fees for services herein as per state

Yours Obt Servt
Aikins Culv

Survey Bch
See Under
J.G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646 3

RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

A. M. Burgess Esq.
Dy Minister
of the Interior.
Ottawa

170189

April 22nd 1891

Sir,

Adverting to my letter of the 2nd Inst in reply to yours of the 18th ultº in the matter of the claim of Edward Thomas to certain land in the St Peters Indian Reserve, I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of a letter dated the 8th Inst from Wm Levegue of the Winnipeg Office in which he gives such information as he could obtain in the matter

LYND BRANCH APR 24 1891

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

matter

from the papers in
connection with the
investigation held
by Messrs McColl
& Witcher in 1885
respecting claims
to land within the
St Peter's Reserve,
viz that no ~~such~~ claim to such Lot
as that referred to by
Wm Robinson was
examined by them.

You will observe
that the matter is to
be brought before Wm
Dupr McColl on his
return to Winnipeg
and when that Gentleman
is heard from you
will be further advised)

Yours &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

No

Dept. of Justice
Ottawa 9th July 1891

D 2[illegible]33

I hereby certify that Messrs O'Connor Hogg & Balderson are entitled to the sum of $ 24.80 for professional services & disbursements as per enclosed a/c in Atty Genl vs Thomas

Please send me cheque in their favor for transmission to them

[signature]
Dy Ming Justice

$ 24.80

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3619, file 4646-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BLACK

FILE NO. 4646-4

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE CLAIMS

VOLUME

FROM

TO

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For C.R. Use
CRA	25	Rey	22-11-62				

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
RECORDS CENTRE

4646-4

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 474/4-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

4646-6

125|30

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

No. 4646 6

Correspondence on the subject of claims to lands on the St Peters Res.

1892

ACTION.

3 Marshall to E. McColl
29/30 Sept Let from do
4 May " " do
6/2 Memo Let from Asst Sec.
4 June " to E. McColl
— 10. encls.
15/8 June Let from E. McColl
to Secretary
28 " " —
— 10. encls. —
3/6 Aug Let from W.J. Robinson
12 " " to do.
17 " " " E. McColl
21 Aug Let from do
22 " " to W.J. Robinson.
29 Sept " from do
6 Sept Let to do

ACTION.

BLACK

6 Sept Let to E. McColl
13/14 " " " Sept from Secretary
" " " E. McColl
6 Dec " " do & encls
18 Dec " " " E. McColl

5/15 Feb Let from Dept of Interior
18 Feb., " to E. McColl, with
Enclosure.
Febl Let from Dept of Indian Affairs
21 April Let E. McColl
21 April Let to Hon. W.
2 May Let from E. McColl
2 May Let to Hon.

1-9-92
4 9 92
20-4-93
12-5-93
13-6-93
7-1-96

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 19 1881

26.143

Indian Office,

No. 2689

Winnipeg, 13th January 1881

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo, No. 2549, informing me that it has been intimated to the Department that several parties have squatted and improved on Lots in the Town Plot of Selkirk, the land comprised in which, was surrendered by the St Peters Band to be sold for their benefit, and directing me to obtain the following particulars in respect to the matter and forward the same to

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Your

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

your Department; - Names and occupations of the squatters, Lots occupied, improvements made, dates of entry upon the Lots, and to report also what rent should, in my opinion, be charged the parties for the lands occupied by them from the date they entered upon the same, and to further report upon the advisability of bringing the Lots within the Town plot in question, or any of them into the market.

In reply I beg to state for your information that, on the 3rd instant, I proceeded to Selkirk and there secured the services of Mr A.H. Vaughan D.L.S. who with myself traced out the Southerly boundry of the Reserve on the East side of the Red River

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Office,

No.

Winnipeg, 188

to and across the Town Plot of Selkirk and found there were no squatters on, nor improvements made upon any of the Lots within that part of the Town Plot situated North of the Southern Boundary of that Reserve.

On Lot No 246 of Mr Vaughan's survey of 1873. Parish of St Peters East side of the Red River the Hudsons Bay Company. Claim six hundred

1. feet square, fronting on the Lagoon where Vessels are now laid up for the winter. Value of improvements, in buildings at present Erected, $2000.00

On part of Lot No 245, one Cornelius Johnson, a Treaty Indian, has squatted

2. and claims four chains in breadth by two Miles in depth says he has been

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

been in possession for four years. has dwelling house and stable. valued at $40.00

one acre of land improved 15.00

$55.00

On part of the same lot. No 245. Baptiste Cook. Treaty Indian. Claims four chains frontage by two miles in depth. has been in possession four years; has house and stable valued at — $40.00

improvements on land 20.00

$60.00

On lot N°244. same survey. one John Sanderson. Treaty Indian. Claims four chains by two miles deep. states he has been in possession of the same one year previous to Treaty N°1. of 1870. has three houses, one occupied by himself, one by his son, who is married, and one by his daughter who is

3.

"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Office,

No.

Winnipeg, 188

is also married. Value of house $120.00

Value land improvements 30.00
$150.00

4 — On Lot N° 243 William Cochrane Half Breed, Claims four chains frontage by two Miles in depth has his buildings and improvements on the East side of Cooks Creek, has been in possession since 1856, bought his claim from the late Chief Pequis, filed his papers in the Dominion Lands office here.

Buildings Valued at $300.00

Land improvements 20.00
$320.00

5 John Cochrane Treaty Indian (son of the above) claims and occupies three chains frontage by two Miles in depth, of the same Lot (N° 243) says he has been in occupation for twelve Years.

Value

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Value of buildings	$200.00
land improvements	45.00
	$245.00

One John Sinclair, Treaty Indian, has squatted on part of parish Lot same survey. No. 242. Claims two chains wide by two miles in depth, has been in occupation for three years.

Value of house & stable	$75.00
land improvements valued at	10.00
	$85.00

The above is a correct statement as near as could be obtained from the parties in occupation of the above named Lots.

I may further state for your information that my reasons for employing Mr Vaughan to accompany me in this work was that I was informed at the Lands Office here that that Gentleman was the person who surveyed the Lots in the parish of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Office,

No.

Winnipeg, 188

of St Peters in 1873. which Lots were subsequently surrendered by the St Peters Band. in 1875. to the Dominion Government to be sold for their benefit. I therefore considered him the most competent person to trace out the dividing lines between the Lots in question.

With reference to the last paragraph of your letter directing me to report upon the advisability of bringing the Lots within the Town plot in question, or any of them, into the market. I am of opinion that it would be advisable to bring all the Lots within the Town plot in question into the market. 1st. It would to a very large extent disabuse the idea that the St Peters

7

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

St Peters Band are impressed with, that is the Government obtained the surrender of the Lots in question for the benefit of the Government alone, and that no benefit will accrue to them from such surrender.

2nd I am of opinion that wood has been, and I think is now; plundered from those Lots for traffic, were they sold immediately for the benefit of the Indians to whom the Reserve belongs. I am satisfied it would to a great extent stop the clamoring of many members of the Band who suppose they have the right to cut and remove the wood from off those Lots, thereby denuding them of the timber and thus depreciating the value of them.

8 I.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I herewith enclose copy of Mr Vaughan's report to me relative to the Lots in the Town Plot in question, and in reference to the Settlers and improvements we found on the Parish Lots in St Peters, surrendered to the Government in 1875.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Alex. P. Graham
Indian Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

Selkirk 7th January 1881

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 18 1881

James F. Graham Esq.
Indian Superintendent
Winnipeg

Sir

I have to report that with reference to the information required from you by the Indian Department respecting squatters and trespassers upon lots that are within the Town plot of Selkirk upon the East side of Red River, and which is situate upon that part of the Indian Reserve which was surrendered in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy five by the St Peters Band of Indians to Our Sovereign Lady the Queen,

That in order to ascertain the exact location of the lots within the boundaries of the said Town plot it was necessary to trace the Southerly boundary of the Reserve, and having accompanied you to the said Reserve I traced the Southerly boundary from the post established upon the East bank of Red River to and across the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the Town Plot of Selkirk and found there were no squatters or trespassers upon any of the lots within that part of the Town Plot which is situate within the boundaries of the Indian Reserve.

I found however that upon the part of the said tract surrendered to Her Majesty the Queen which is situate between the Red River and Cooks Creek, a number of persons have settled, and one settler has also settled upon the East side of the Creek but they are all outside of the Town plot.

I made an inspection of the lands and premises claimed by the said settlers, and so far as can be ascertained without making an actual survey the improvements are as follows.

Hon Hudsons Bay Company
part of Lot 24. Parish of St Peters
Six hundred feet square fronting on the Lagoon where Vessels are laid up for the winter. Value of improvement in building $2000.00

Cornelius Johnson Treaty Indian
Claims four Chains in breadth by two

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

two Miles in depth being part of
No 245. been in possession four years
House and stable valued at $40.00
improvement on land 15.00
$55.00

Baptiste Cook Treaty Indian
Claims four Chains wide two miles deep
in possession six months being part
of lot 245. House worth $40.00
improvement on land 20.00
$60.00

John Sanderson Treaty Indian
Claims four chains by two miles deep Lot
244. being in possession since one year
previous to Treaty No 1 1870. Three houses
one occupied by himself, one by his son
who is married and another by his daughter
who is also married. Value of Houses &c $120.00
improved land 30.00
$150.00

William Cochrane Non Treaty.
Claims four chains wide by two miles
deep. Lies East side of Creek possession
since 1856. bought of Chief Peguis filed
his papers in Land Office at Winnipeg.
part of parish Lot N° 243
House and Stables Value 300.00
two acres cleared 20.00
$320.00

John

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

John Cochrane Treaty Indian
Claims three chains by two Miles
deep. part of Lot No 243 occupied
twelve years. Value of house &c $200.00
4 improvements on land 45.00
$245.00

John Sinclair Treaty Indian
Claims two chains by two Miles deep
5 occupied three years. believed to be
part of Lot 242 Value of house &c $75.00
improved land 10.00
$85.00

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
(Sgd) A. H. Vaughan D.L.S.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

25419

James Graham Esq
Indian Supt
Winnipeg
Manitoba
January 28th 81

Sir/ In reply to your letter of the 13 Instant relative to lots in the Townplot of Selkirk I have to inform you that it is not considered advisable to throw the same on the market at present as it is by no means certain that the Pacific Railway will not run in that direction and if such be the case it will greatly enhance the value of the property

In the event of the Indians of the St. Peters Reserve expressing any dissatisfaction at the lands in the Townplot not being sold immediately you should explain this fact to them and inform them that it is in their interest that the Dept. delays selling the same

You should have posters printed & put up in the most conspicuous places in Selkirk and its

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

its vicinity ~~where~~ warning parties against settling upon any of the lots within that Town plot and stating that the Dept. will recognize no pre emption claims on account of any such settlement.

J. M. [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Office,

No 2773

Winnipeg, 9th February 1881

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th Ultimo, No 25419, relative to Lots in the Townplot of Selkirk, an informing me that it is not considered advisable to throw the same on the market for sale at present.

I beg to state for Your information that the instruction contained in the last paragraph of your letter has been carried out.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Jas. J. Graham
Indian Superintendent

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Muncedine
Chief

Thursday 3 [illegible] 82

The Petition of the undersigned
Chiefs and members of the Band of the
Muskrats of Lake Nipigon &
Lac Seul Reserve

That your Petitioners are Chiefs
[illegible] Indians
[illegible] Treaty
Chief Henry Prudeau in the year
of our Lord 1869 [illegible]
transfer to the Dominion Government
[illegible]

That your petitioners have made
[illegible]
application in the year 1874
but no answer has been made
by the Dominion authorities of
the Indian department probab
ly because we have been misle
d or treaty broke

That your petitioners have
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

another thing your petitioners have been under the english institutions that we have never been treated as minors prior to the transfer to to the Dominion of Canada

That your petitioners pray to participate in the priveliges of a British subjects

your petitioners are aware of your policy as an exalted nation to civelize the Indians. or to the elevation of the Indian population that it is the earnest expectation of your petitioners to consider the validity of our claims

John Sanderson

Baptist Cook

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - C

KODAK SAFETY

I hereby certify that the
bearer, Mr John Sandison,
is the husband of the
daughter of one Mr Malette
who used to be in this
Indian Settlement.

Mr Malette was spoken
of as lately a soldier in the
British army, & as one who
had been in action in
the Peninsular wars.

Abraham Cowley.

Dynevor,
Lisgar,
8th Feby, 1881.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor -

(No 2)

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. FEB 10 1882

536

St Laurent

Mr Mallet and I we was engaged our self to be soldier in the year 1805 - and we were in the armay about 5 years in the regement of canadian Fensibls and we had our discharged in the year 1812 and sionce that is about 69 years since we had our discharged since M Mallet died it will be 5 years in month of may

Joseph Laverdure

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

Immediate

4646

Messrs
John Sandieson
& Baptist Cook
Selkirk East
Man.

For further correspondence
Re Claims of certain persons
to land at St Peters Reserve
file 3863

Feb: 16th 1882.

Sirs,

I have to ack: the rect. of your letter of the 5th Inst on the subject of the Petition of yourselves and others of the Parish of St. Peters, praying that such measures may be taken by the Dominion Govt. as will admit of ~~you~~ the petitioners remaining ~~the~~ in ~~the~~ peaceable possession of lands held by them.

In reply I beg to enclose copy of a letter addressed to Mr. E. McColl, Inspector of Indn. Agencies, on the 13th Nov. ~~[illegible]~~ 1880 in respect to the matter. From this letter you will observe that ~~your~~ the claims should be filed in the Dominion Lands Office

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Office at Winnipeg before
the 1st May 1882, and that the claims
must be fully
established to the satisfaction
of the Minister of the Interior
before the expiration of six
months from that date, or
they will be barred as fully
and effectually as if
such claims had not
been made.

Dawson.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

28305

Copy

Clandeboye
8th June 1884

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. APR 12 1886

Sir

I beg to inform you that in answer to of yours dated 27 Feby last That Indian owners Settled on the land Surendered by your Band to the Government need not be disturbed in their occupation until the land would be sold when the then value of the improvements would be added to that of the land and the Indian owner compensated therefore

Your case would be included in that category

I am
Sir
Your obedt servt
Rettlebuckle
Indian agent

Mr John Sandison
Wynover P.O.
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

28305

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 12 1886

Feby 1882

Sirs

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th Inst. on the subject of the Petition of — yourselves and others of the parish of St Peters praying that such measures may be taken by the Dominion Government as will admit of the petitioners remaining in peaceable possession of lands held by them —

In reply I beg to enclose copy of a letter addressed to Wm McColl Inspector of Indian Agencies on the 13th Nov 1880 in respect to the matter From this letter you will observe

Respt
John Sandison
& Baptist Cook
Selkirk Postmaster

observe that the claims should be fyled in the Dominion Land office at Winnipeg before the 1st May 1882 and that the claims must be fully established to the satisfaction of the minister of the Interior before the expiration of Six months from that date or they will be barred as fully and effectually if such claims had not been made

I Sir
Your Obedt Servant
L Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt Genl
of Indian affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No. 5254

Indan Office

winnipeg 27th 1882

28305

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 12 1886

Sir

In riply to your Joint telegam of the 24th Instant asking if patents for your claims before expration of appointed time by the Damion Deprteant can be proaill

I have to Inform you that yours names being in the pay shut au file in this Office as Treaty Indians you cannot get Patents

Jam Sir

Your Obedient Searvent

J Dwony Intain

Commissioner

To John Sandison
and Baptist Cook
Colville Landing

Copy

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Manitoba

2830

Selkerk & S.t Peters April 2[illegible]

Return

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 12 1886

The petition of the undersigned [illegible] Shew
That we the residents or claiments of the said Selkerk
East & S.t Peters parish halfbreeds pray your Governm
to recognize our just claims, claims which have been bought
prior ~~to transfer~~ to the transfer to the Dominion of
the Canada

That your petitioners are no longer Indians but free m
and British Subjects your petitioners are the aborigines of
the soil our fathers and the majority of the people of
S.t Peters now called S.t Peters reserve but before the confede
ation known by the name of the Indian settlement you are
aware of the polacy of the Indian depertment, that your petit
are notified to leave there homs and improvements before the
first of may the reason we give up the treaty is to particip
the ~~important~~ preveliges of a British Subjects

You are aware of the Manitoba Act sum of us ma
applications for patents for our claims applicable to the said
we send you the copies realitive to the said claims we have
anticipated a change to take place in the future

That your petitioners make an effort to emmancipate the pe
of S.t Peters from the treaty or indian Government & also from
Indian depertment without freedom no man can prosp
er

That your petitioners claim the freedom of speech liberty of
Coscience equality on civil rights confered to us by the Brit
sh constution, we would moreover sugest the magna charta
the redress of existing grievances &c &c — British Laws
enacted Ano, Dom, 15 1215

No free man shall be taken or imprisoned dessused or
ut lawed or banished or anys destroyed &c we will not d
any man eether justice or right

That your petitioners are aware of your intigrity and abi
solve our just rights & claims and property
and your petitioners bound and duty will

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-

A. M. Burgess, Esq.
Deputy Minister
of the Interior,
Ottawa

SECRETARY'S
APR 14 1888
BRANCH

April 13th 1888

Sir,

I forward herewith copy of a petition recd. from John Sanderson Sr., Richard Sanderson, James Cook, & John James Sanderson, dated at Selkirk & St Peters the 2nd Instant, asking the Govt to recognize their just claims in respect of lands alleged to have been given them previous to the transfer of the country to the Dominion of Canada.

Will you be good enough to inform me whether all or any of the parties who have signed the petition have received patents for the lands claimed by them. and whether any of them have received half breed Scrip.

Yours &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

29078

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

CORRESPONDENCE
MAY 10 1886
BRANCH

CORRESPONDENCE
MAY 7 1886
BRANCH

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO
LETTER NO. .....
FILE NO. 9016 Ma.

Ottawa, 4th May, 1886.

Sir,

I am directed by the Minister of the Interior to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th ultimo, Ref. 46462, and to inform you that Letters Patent have not yet issued for any land in the Parish of St. Peters to John Sandison, Sr., Richard Sandison, James Cook, or John James Sandison and that the above names do not appear on the lists of persons so far received here who have applied to participate in the Half Breed Grant.

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

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

P. B. Douglas
Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646

E. McColl, Esq.
Inspector of Ind. Agencies
Winnipeg, Man.

May 13th

Sir,

I enclose for your report in the matter copy of a Petition from John Sandison Sr, Rich Sandison, James Cook and John James Sandison dated at Selkirk and St Peters the 2nd ult., asking the Govt. to recognize their claims in respect of lands alleged to have been purchased by them previous to the transfer of the Country to the Dominion of Canada.

I am &c.

A.M. Burgess, Esq.
Deputy Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

May 13 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to ack. the rect. of

Your

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

Your letter of the 4th Instant, relative to the alleged claim of John Sandison, Sr., Richard Sandison, James Cook and John James Sandison to land in the Parish of St Peters; and I beg to inform You that Mr McColl, Insp. of Indn. Agencies, Winnipeg, has been asked for a report in the matter.

I have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

29830

Manitoba Superintendency.

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg May 25th 1886

In your Reply refer to
No. 13947
also to the date of this letter.

Returned

SIR,

4646

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant enclosing a petition from John Sandison Sr, Richard Sandison, James Cook and John James Sandison asking the Government to recognize their claims in respect to certain alleged to have been purchased by them previous to the transfer of the Country to the Dominion of Canada, and how to explain thereon as requested that their petition, as well as all other papers have been withdrawn

The Right Honorable
The Superintendent
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

I have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

from Treaty either in St Peters, or in any other Reserve within this Superintendency in accordance with a Circular letter, dated the 18th of December 1886 Received from Commissioner Dewdney wherein he informs me that the Superintendent General decided that the "Half Breeds who, having been members of Indian Bands, withdrawn from Treaty and take Scrip as Half Breeds, cannot be allowed to locate their Scrip on the Lands occupied by them when Indians, or any other Lands within Indian Reserves, that they have no right to remain on the Reserves, and that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

29830

that they should be notified to remove therefrom as soon as they withdraw from Treaty". The contents of this circular were communicated to the different Indian agents for the information of those parties who wished to withdraw from Treaty. I also informed each applicant of the same before granting him him a certificate of discharge from Treaty.

I find that the lands claimed by the Gondicons and Cook in consequence of alleged purchases made before the Transfer by them are included within the Town Plat

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

29830

Plat of East Selkirk which had been surrendered to the Government by the Band on the 11th of August 1875, and consequently the claims of those parties to their holdings within the Reserve cannot possibly be recognized on any ground whatever.

But I find in a letter dated 13th of January 1881, no. 2,689 that the late Superintendent, James H. Graham forwarded your Department in accordance with your instructions a report on the improvements made by the Squatters on the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

29830

the land surrendered for the said Town Plat wherein he valued the improvements made by John Sandison, his son, and son-in-law at $150.00 which amount has never been paid although I consider they are entitled to compensation for their improvements made on lands within the reserve subsequently alienated from them.

I would respectfully recommend that the different Indian agents be instructed to notify all parties who have withdrawn from Treaty to remove at once from the reserves

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Reserves, and those parties who either refuse or neglect to leave, that legal proceedings be taken immediately for their removal therefrom.

I am convinced from the complaints made to me by the Indians with regard to this matter that unless those parties who have withdrawn from Treaty are promptly removed from the Reserves that trouble, dissatisfaction and complications will be engendered among the Bands interested.

I have the honor to be
Right Hon. Sir
Your obt Servt
Edgar Dewdney

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

4646½

Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, 8th June, 1886.

Memorandum:—

The undersigned begs to report that on the 12th April last a Petition was received from John Landison, Richard Landison, James Cook and John James Landison, who were formerly members of the St. Peters Band of Indians in Manitoba, asking the Government to recognize their just claims to lands purchased by them previously to the transfer to the Dominion of Canada of the country. A letter was addressed on the 15th April to the Department of the Interior enclosing a copy of the Petition in question and enquiring whether all or any of the [illegible] who signed the

To the Right Honourable
Sir John Macdonald G.C.B.
Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

&c &c &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

the same had received Patents for the lands claimed by them and whether any of them had received Half-breed scrip. A letter, dated the 4th Ultimo, was received from the Department of the Interior stating that Letter Patent had not yet issued for any land in the Parish of St. Peters to the aforesaid parties and that their names do not appear on the lists of persons so far received by that Department who had applied to participate in Half breed scrip.

On the 13th instant a copy of the Petition was forwarded to Mr Inspector McCall, Winnipeg, and he was instructed to report on the matter. This Mr McCall has done by letter of the 25th Ultimo, in which he states that the lands referred to by the parties he finds are within that portion of the Town plat

(2)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

plot of Selkirk which being required to complete the Town plat the Indians of the St. Peters Reserve were asked to surrender and did surrender on the 11th August 1875, and that the parties referred to had made improvements on some of the lands included in said tract to the value of $150.00, which Mr. McColl thinks should be paid them.

File 2544/19

The undersigned begs to state that none of the land included in the tract surrendered by the Indians for Town plat purposes has been sold; and that the practice in regard to Indian improvements on lands in Ontario which have been surrendered is to charge those lands with the value of the same when they are sold and to then pay the Indians with the money received at the sale from the purchasers of the land.

The

(3.)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

The Department has no money wherewith to defray the charges for any improvements on this land unless it should be regarded as a special case and the money advanced from the Appropriation for Indian purposes in Manitoba and the North West Territories, to be recouped hereafter; but, as there are other Indians who have similar claims within the tract, the Department must be prepared, if it takes this course in the case of the present Indian petitioners, to receive applications from other claimants of similar statements in that Town Plat.

It will be observed from Mr McColl's letter that he recommends that former members of Indian Bands who have withdrawn from Treaty, and taken Half-Breed scrip should be notified to at once leave the Reserve, as complications

(4.) and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

and difficulties will inevitably occur with the members of the various Bands if these parties are not removed from the Reserves. He states that complaints have been made to him by the Indians in respect to the continuance on the Reserves of these parties and that all those who took Half-breed scrip were duly notified that they were to remove from the Reserve as soon as they did so, in accordance with instructions sent Mr. Dewdney by direction of the Superintendent General.

It would appear from the tenor of Mr. McColl's report, though he does not say so in as many words, that the petitions above referred to have taken Half-breed scrip.

The undersigned is of the opinion that all those who have received scrip should be removed from the Reserves as recommended by the Inspector; but, at the same

(5.) time

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

time, he does not see that the parties whose claim to improvements in East Selkirk is referred to in Mr. McColl's letter have forfeited the compensation due them for the same by the fact of their having taken such scrip, as these improvements were made by them when they were Indians and members of the Band and many years ago when the Government found it convenient to disturb them in the occupation of the same and to appropriate the land for Town plot purposes, and the claimants should in the opinion of the undersigned be paid for their improvements either at once or as soon as the lands are brought into the market and sold. It seems rather hard to keep them longer out of the money due them on account of these improvements, and possibly the

(6)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

the Superintendent General might see his way to approve of payment for the same being advanced from the General Appropriation for Manitoba and the North West Territories. The whole amount to be paid † would be $3595.00 and interest thereon at 6% per cent from the 13th January 1884, when the valuation was made.

† to 5 Indian Claimants

E. Dewdney
Dy. Supt. General of
Indian Affairs.

(7.)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646

E. D. Cole Esq.
Inspector of
Indian Agencies
& Reserves.
Winnipeg, Man.

SECRETARY'S
JUN 17 1886
BRANCH

June 21— 1886

Sir, With reference to your letter of the 25th Ultimo, No 13547, relative to the petition from John Sanderson Sr., Richard Sanderson, James Cook, & John James Sanderson requesting the Govt. to recognize their claims to lands alleged to have been purchased by them previous to the transfer of the country to the Dominion of Canada, I have to inform you that as these parties have withdrawn from Treaty & taken Scrip as Halfbreeds they cannot be allowed to remain in the Indian Res. & they & others similarly situated should be removed from the Reserves if they will not

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

consent to go without that course being taken

As respects the improvements of the Sandisons & Cooks upon the lands within the Townplot of East Selkirk which was surrendered to the Government in August 1875, the Supt Genl. directs that payment for the same shall be made them. You do not state whether the parties are still in occupation of the lands in question. It is assumed that they are & therefore of course the payment for their improvements cannot be made them until they remove therefrom. Payment to be made at the rate at which the improvements were valued by Surveyor Vaughn as appears in Mr Supt Grahams' letter of the 13th of Jany. 1881

You may give effect to the instructions of the Supt Genl. respecting the removal from the Reserves of the Halfbreeds, who have taken Scrip ~~from the Reserves by~~ by instructing the various Indian Agents to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

to notify them to remove at once, & should they refuse or neglect to do so proceedings should be taken immediately for their removal under the provisions of the Indian Act. As soon as you have advised me of the removal of the parties who have claims for improvements in East Selkirk, & of the amounts to be paid each of them I shall have a cheque prepared for the amount due them on account of their improvements & forwarded the same to you.

I am &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

32750

Winnipeg August 26th 1886

E. McColl Esqr
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg.

Copy

Dear Sir,

Yesterday I called upon the Superintendent General about procuring the Authority for Mr Muckle or some other person here to Sign the warrant of ejectment of trespassers on the Indian Reserves.

He deemed it advisable to wait till his return to Ottawa. I think you had better communicate with the Department at Ottawa in order that this may not be overlooked.

Yours truly
J. A.M. Aikins

Sgt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

32750

Winnipeg 17th August 1886

E. McColl Esqr
Inspector of Indian Agencies
Winnipeg.

Copy

Dear Sir,

Re. Trespassers on Indian Reserves.

We are in receipt of a File relating to trespasses on a certain portion of St Peters reserve. From the papers other than the letter of Mr Muckle dated 31st July it would appear that the lands in question were surrendered to the Crown and not in the reserve. Mr Muckle states that they are residents on that part of the reserve between Red River & Cooks Creek. Is it not possible to obtain a more particular discription of the Land on which each of the trespassers is respectively resident. It also seems Mr Muckle has signed blank Warrants for removal. Has the 23rd Section of the Statute been complied with. Has a complaint been made and proved to the satisfaction of the Superintendent General or Officer thereunto deputed by him. Has Mr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I

Mr Muckle been deputed or authorized by the Superintendent General to issue the Warrant.-

Yours Sincerely
Aikins Culver & Hamilton

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

14830

Duplicate 32750

No 2421

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'CY
AUG 12 1886
WINNIPEG, MAN.

Clandeboye
31st July 1886

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge your favor of the 21st inst. No 14,459, and I beg to state that Cornelius Johnston, John Sanderson and Bapt Cook reside on that part of the St Peters Reserve which lies between the Red River, and Cooks Creek, which as far as I can see is not part of the Selkirk plot John Richard Sanderson has left the Reserve; the rest have not.

The forms with my signature on, I wished filled up, (and a copy sent to me) so that in future I could fill them up myself, and so forward them direct to the Sheriff.

I also desired Mrs Muckle who I left in charge of my office, to request you to forward the forms against Samuel Cook, Cornelius Johnston, and John Johnston to the Sheriff, for him to act upon, as per the Indian Act, which she forgot to do

If these men are made an example of the rest will leave I think

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

A.M. Muckle.

Indian Agent

E. McColl. Esq.

Inspt Indian Agencies

Winnipeg

Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 2414

Duplicate

Clandeboye 32750

14820

July 10th 1886

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'CY. WINNIPEG, MAN. JUL 19 1886

Sir

I have the honor to report that (1) Samuel Cook (2) Cornelius Johnston and one (3) John Sandison have absolutely refused to leave the Reservation though having gone out of the Treaty & been duly notified by me according to my instruction. Having no form of Warrant suitable to the occasion I beg to forward enclosed requesting that they be filled in as necessary and returned with such instructions as will meet the case

I am Sir
Yours respectly
Ammunic Rle
P.R.J.T.M.

E. McColl Esq
Inspect. Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Manitoba

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

32750

Manitoba Superintendency.

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg 10th September 1886

In your Reply refer to
No. 14875
also to the date of this letter.

4646/2

SIR.

Referring to your letter of the 21st of June last, relative to the matter of John Sandison & Richard Sandison James Cook &c. Half Breeds of the S. Peters Indian Reserve, who have withdrawn from Treaty, I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with your instructions I informed the above named parties through Mr Agent Muckle that as they have withdrawn from Treaty and taken scrip as Halfbreeds, they cannot be allowed to remain in the Reserve and they and other similarly situated should be removed from the reserve if they will not consent to go without that course being taken, but they absolutely refused to leave, as you will observe in referring to Mr Muckle's letter dated the 10th July last

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

32750

last (herewith enclosed;) I then consulted Mr J. A. M. Aikins. who requested me to ascertain the exact location of their residence. whether the leave on the reserve. or on the East Selkirk plot, and on making enquiries from Mr Mucklis, I communicated his reply (copy herewith enclosed dated the 31st of July last) to Mr Aikens, and I herewith enclose for your informations two communications from him on the matter

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
E. McColl
Inspector of Ind Agencies
for Lt. Arthur Ewegee

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Deputy Minister

Ottawa, 29 — 9 — 1886

Re. John Sanderson Jr. Richard Sanderson James Cook &c of St Peters' Reserve who have withdrawn from Treaty.

I hg to state that I can not find any plan pay sheet or other document that shews on what lots these parties reside & if on the Reserve proper or the surrendered portion of the Reserve I understand that No 1 of this file was sent to Mr McColl & from ~~thence~~ hence to the Interior it might throw some light on the matter. perhaps Mr Stewart might see this file. if it cannot be sent here.

W. S. Hush

Mr Burgess informed me that he would return No 1 of this file in a day or two S.S.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M 9016 A

Copy

Selkirk & St. Peters
April 2nd 1886.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
APR 16 1886
OTTAWA

The petition of the undersigned ~~hereby~~ sheweth that we the residents or claimants of the said Selkirk East and St. Peters Parish half-breeds pray your Government ~~to~~ recognise our just claims, claims which have been ~~bo~~ought prior to the transfer to the Dominion of Canada.

That your petitioners are no longer Indians but free men and British subjects your petitioners are the aborigines of the soil our fathers and the majority of the people of ~~the~~ St. Peters now called St. Peters Reserve but before the Confederation Known by the name of the Indian Settlement. You are aware of the policy of the Indian Department that your petitioners are notified to leave their homes and improvements before the first of May. The reason we give up the Treaty is to participate the privileges of British subjects.

You are aware of the Manitoba act some of us made applications for patents for our claims applicable to the said act We sent you the copies relative to the said claims we have anticipated a change to take place in the future.

That your petitioners make an effort to emancipate the people of St. Peters from the Treaty or Indian Government

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Government and also from the Indian Department without freedom no man can prosper.

That your petitioners claim the freedom of speech liberty of conscience equality in civil rights conferred to us by the British Constitution. We would moreover suggest the magna charta the redress of existing grievances &c &c.

British Laws enacted Anno Domini 15. 12-15.

No free man shall be taken or imprisoned dissised or out lawed or banished or any destroyed &c &c we will not deny to any man either justice or right.

That your petitioners are aware of your integrity and abilities to solve our just rights & claims and property.

And your petitioners bound and duty will ever pray &c

(signed) X John Sandison Sr
Richard Sandison
James Cook
John James Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 4646/2
ALSO [illegible] DATE OF THIS LETTER

Give him the contents of memos of 24 & 30 apl

M 9016 A

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

DEPT OF THE INTERIOR RECEIVED APR 16 1886 OTTAWA

Ottawa, 15th April, 1886.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith copy of a petition received from John Sandison Sr., Richard Sandison, James Cook, and John James Sandison, dated at Selkirk and St. Peters the 2nd Instant, asking the Government to recognize their just claims in respect of lands alleged to have been purchased by them previous to the transfer of the country to the Dominion of Canada.

Will you be good enough to inform me whether all or any of the parties who have signed the

Pat B'le

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister
of the Interior,
Ottawa.

x

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M 3016 A

the petition have received patents for the lands claimed by them, and whether any of them have received Half-breed scrip.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obt servant

A Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt Genl.

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

28/4/86

One Charles James Cook
got land
There are in Poplar
Point, one James Sanderson
& John H. Sanderson
who got land.
In St Andrews one
James Sandison got
land & patent issued
No Richard Sanderson
nor Sandison. I
do not think the parties
who have signed the
petition ever proved their
claims as halfbreeds,
and having no parents
names it is not
easy to identify them
JH

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.a. 9016

No patent has issued for any land in the parish of St. Peters to
John Sandison Sr.
Richd. Sandison
James Cook or
John James Sandison

24 Apl. '86 [illegible]

Above names do not appear on the lists of persons so far recd. here who have applied to participate in the H. Breed Grant

W.C.

30. 4. 86.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

J. J.

Department of the Interior
Ottawa, 4th May 1886

No. MA 9016.

Sir,

I am directed by the Minister of the Interior to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th ult., Ref 4646-6 and to inform you that no Letters-Patent have issued for any land in the Parish of St. Peters to John Sanderson Sr., Richard Sanderson, James Cook, or John James Sanderson and that the above names do not appear on the lists of persons so far received here who have applied to participate in the Half Breed Grant.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
P. B. DOUGLAS,
Assistant Secretary

Draft
J.G.R.
15/5/86
Approved.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 4646
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

~~1891 E~~

M 9299 A

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

DEPT OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
MAY
15
1886
OTTAWA

Ottawa 13th May 1886

3398
+
3235

M 9299 A

M 9299 A

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, relative to the alleged claim of John Laudiron & Richard Laudiron, James Cook and John James Laudiron to land in the Parish of St Peters; and I beg to inform you that Wm McColl, Inspector of Indian Agencies, Winnipeg has been asked for a report on the matter.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
A. MacKougall
Deputy of the Supt. Genl
of Indian Affairs

A. M. Burgess Esqr
Deputy Minister
of the Interior.
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

copy.

No. 4646.

Dept. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa 13/80.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 3rd Instant, enclosing a petition received from John Sandison and others of the Parish of St. Peters stating forth certain grievances relative to the tenure of their lands and praying that the Dominion Government cause such measures to be taken as results in their being allowed to remain in the peaceable possession of the same.

In reply I have to inform you that a proclamation will shortly be published in the Canada Gazette appris-ing parties interested of the provisions of the Act passed last Session for the final settlement-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

settlement of all claims in Manitoba by occupancy under the act. 5-3 Vic. Cap. 3 under which the time for filing their claims to land is limited to the 30th April 1882. and all claims made before the first of May 1882. but which the claimants shall not before the expiration of six months after the said date, have established to the satisfaction of the minister of the Interior shall be barred as fully and effectually as if such claims had not been made

It is therefore incumbent upon the parties to the petition or any other claiming lands within the Parish of St Peters about which their doubts as to their right to the same to file their claims

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in the Dominion Lands Office at Winnipeg before the 1st of May 1882 in order that due consideration may be given thereto.

I am, &c.

(Sgd) L Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs.

The said Baptist-Cook, in the copy he is dead this last winter, but he has left a widow and children in the place or in their house where they have been located.

(Sgd) John Sanderson, copyist

Part of Selkirk is within St Peters. Colville Landing and Weymouth is within St-Peters, that there will be no misunderstanding about the different names of his place in St Peters.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 174625.

copy.

The Administration of Lord Dufferin. In Canada Governor General.

Page 303

Sir John Young to Bishop Taché.

Ottawa, Feb. 16. 1870.

My dear Lord Bishop.

I am anxious to express to you before you set out, the deep sense of obligation which I feel is due to you for giving up your residence at Rome. leaving the great & interesting affairs, in which you were engaged there, and undertaking at this inclement season the long voyage across the Atlantic & a long journey across this Continent, for the purpose of rendering service to Her Majesty's Government, and engaging in a mission in the cause of peace & civilization.

Lord

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lord Granville was anxious to avail himself of your valuable assistance from the outset. & I am heartily glad that you have proved willing to afford it so promptly and generously you are fully in possession of the views of my Govern.-ment & the Imperial Govern.-ment, as I informed you, is earnest in the desire to see the North West territory united to the Dominion on equitable conditions. I need not attempt to furnish you with any instructions for your guidance beyond those contained in the telegraphic message sent-me by Lord Granville on the part of the British Cabinet, in the proclamation which I drew up in accordance with that message and in the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the letters which I addressed to Governor Mc Tavish, you a Vicar General, Mr. Smith, in this last letter I wrote, all who have complaints to make or wishes to express, to address themselves to me as Her Majesty's Repre-sentative, and you may state, with the utmost confidence, that the Imperial Government has no intention of acting otherwise or permitting others to act otherwise than in perfect good faith towards the inhabitants of the Red River District and of the North West.

The people may rely that respect and attention will be extended to the different religious persuasions that title to every discription of property will be carefully guarded and that all the

-franchises

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

franchises which have subsisted or which the people may prove themselves qualified to exercise shall be duly continued or liberally conferred.

In declaring the desire and determination of Her Majesty's Cabinet, you may safely use the terms of the ancient formula that right shall be done in all cases.

I wish you my dear Lord Bishop a safe journey and success in your benevolent mission.

Believe me,
with all respect,
(sd) Faithfully yours,
John Young.

Right Rev. Bishop Taché.

The above letter constitute the validity of our claims or titles to every description

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

discruption of property, our rights has been treated with contumely this long time. we think it is high time that the Dominion authorities should take the matter into consideration.

Has the promises in the above document been fulfilled not yet with us as natives of St Peters settlement now called Indian Reservation confederation or after the treaty was made.

We would moreover suggest the Hudson's Bay so called right has been settled to the satisfaction in their favour. their title has been secured in the Dominion land Office in Winnipeg when in equity we are entitled to get patents from the crown.

The documents we send

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

send or the copies we send will explain the validity of our titles in every shape some of us have resided above fifty years 50 years in the Parish of St. Peters in fact we were the pioneers of civilization. we have built a stone church in St. Peters partly by the aid of the English Church missionary society. we think it is very important or essential to suggest the first pioneers of civilization & christianization. time would fail to enumerate all the actions that has been made by the first settlers in St. Peters. the following written answer will explain ideally and the dates.

~~copy~~

~~No. 5-2 6-4~~

~~Indian Office.~~
Winnipeg

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 5-25-4.

Indian Office
Winnipeg 27th October, 1884

Sirs,

In reply to your joint-telegram of the 24th instant-enquiring if patents for your claims before expiration of appointed time, by the Dominion Department-can be procured.

I have to inform you that your names being on the pay sheets are filed in this office as Treaty Indians, you cannot get patents.

I am, Sirs,
your obedient servant,
(Sgd) E. Dewdney
Indian Commissioner

To John Sanderson
& Baptist Cook
Cotwille Landing.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

copy.

No 174625.

St. Peters South.
April. 13th 1888.
Manitoba

The Petition of the undersigned
humbly sheweth.

That we the loyal inhabi-
tants in the parish of St.
Peters to redress our grievances
before the constituted Author-
ities of the Dominion that
our rights & privileges has
been treated with contumely
That your petitioners have
been undergoing great expenses
and loss of time and that
is money as we have under-
taking the most important
land question to be solved
or settled to the benefit and
to the satisfaction of the old
Settlers claims in St. Peters.

That your petitioners request
your

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

your Government to respect our rights, titles, of every discription, as we have brought the land claims long before the Transfer to the Dominion of Canada.

That it is the opinion of your said petitioners that it is injurious to us as well as the public interest as it effects the interests of the public because we cannot do any thing in the way of prosperity or to any land transactions between man and man.

That your humble petitioners request your Government to consider the validity of our claims as were the aborigines of the soil that we gave up the Treaty proved us half breeds entitled to participate the rights and privileges, as British subjects

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

subjects.

That your petitioners have made applications time after time to the effect to procure patents which has been in abeyance or to the dissatisfaction of your petitioners.

That your petitioners pray your Government to examine the following documents and copies relative to the said rights and titles we believe it is the honor and dignity of the exalted nation to perform their obligations as a governing body.

That your petitioners will always be ready to request your honorable body in behalf of the said rights.

And your humble petitioners

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

petitioners bound in duty
will ever pray for

Signed. John Sandison
" Samuel Sandison
" Richard Sandison
. John G. Sandison
" John W. Smith
. Robert Harris
. William Cochrane
. John Cochrane.

your petitioners
notify your Govern
.ment that it is
in accordance to
the wish of the
enfranchise or
constituent body
of the people in
it Relate to get
their rights respected.

dian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

petitioners bound in duty
will ever pray for

Signed. John Sandison
" Samuel Sandison.
" Richard Sandison
. John G. Sandison
" John W. Smith
. Robert Harris
. William Cochrane
. John Cochrane.

your petitioners
notify your Govern
.ment that it is
in accordance to
the wish of the
enfranchise or
constituent body
of the people in
it Relate to get
their rights respected.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy.

No. 174625.

House of Commons.
April 19th 1888.

Sir,

I enclose herewith a petition from some of the settlers in the Parish of St Peter.

Will you please give the matter your earnest consideration and advise me of results of your investigation

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant.
(sgd) A. Ross.

Hon. Thos. White.
Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

R.C.

VI

Interior

Ottawa 26th May, 1888.

Sir,

174625 I have the honor to transfer to you a letter received here from Mr. A.W. Ross, M.P., together with a petition therewith enclosed from certain settlers in the parish of St. Peter with reference to their claims to lands in that parish.

On looking into the matter I am unable to come to any other conclusion than that the complaint has reference to lands within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve. I have informed Mr. Ross that the matter has been transferred to you.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

JOHN R. HALL.
Secretary.

L. Vankoughnet, Esq
Deputy Supt. General Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lot 244 St. Peters -
Land vacant.
No previous papers on file re Mr. Sandison's claim to above lot.
No reference made to this lot in report of Messrs. Commrs. Whitcher & McColl.

J. M. C.

14/5/91.

Set up file 088447 on 138939

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.B.

(Copy)

Selkirk Man May 11th 1891

To the Hon. Mr. Ross

Member of Parliament.

Sir,

The public of St Peters would request you to use your influence to secure the old settlers claim that is the non Treaty people.

The $240 scrip allotted to my daughter Mary by right which has been disallowed this long time. The said scrip, has been applied for by me when I revoked the Treaty dated A. D. 1886. Another thing we have witnesses to prove the validity to the said claim. The claim of the Red River Lot of Number 244, 4 chains by 2 miles long I have made improvements and buildings before the transfer I was the only man that made improvements on the East side of the Colville Landing as for the rest of the people they came after the transfer to the Dominion of Canada we have witnesses to prove the validity of our claim.

The dates of some of the documents I insert in the following

Copy. 4646. Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa 13th May, 1880

Indian Office

Winnipeg 27th Oct. 1882

Sir,

In reply to your joint telegram of the 24th instant asking if patents for your claims before expiration of appointed time by the Dominion Department can be procured.

I

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

I have to inform you that your names being in the pay sheets in file in this office as Treaty Indians you cannot get patents.

I am, Sirs,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) E. Dewdney

.Indian Commissioner

To John Sandison

Baptists Cook

Colville Landing

Dear Sir

Please examine the above dates The Dominion authorities has made a guarantee to respect our claims that is if we revoke the Treaty. I have been loyal to the interest of the Conservative Government during the late Election as you are aware of. We would request you to reciprocate our kindness the non Treaty people Whither St. Peters further down has some legal claim in accordance to the Manitoba Act will you be so kind as to answer this letter

Believe with respects

Your friend

(Sgd) John Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

MEMORANDUM.

To The Deputy Minister of the Interior

Department of the Interior.

Ottawa, 15th May 1891

~~QUERY.~~ ~~ANSWER.~~

Memo.

Re claims referred to in Mr. John Sandison's letter of the 11th Inst. to Mr. A. W. Ross, M.P.

a

1° Claim of Mary Sandison to participate in the Man. Supply: Half Breed Grant of Scrip.

The evidence in support of this claim was submitted by John Sandison, father of claimant, on the 1st Dec: 1890, & as application was made subsequent to the ~~15~~ 1st May, 1886, the date fixed by O. in C. of 20th Apl: 1885, within which evidence in support of such claims had to be filed, the claim in question was not entertained. In Mr. Goulets ~~m~~ report dated the 13th Dec. last in this case attention

Extract re Claim of Mary Sandison made attached to Reg 25272 MC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

Department of the Interior.

To.....

Ottawa, ... 188

QUERY.	ANSWER.

is called to the fact that the applicant is a member of the St. Peters Band of Indians (File 252727).

2° Claim of John Sandison to Lot 244 St. Peters.

This Lot is within the St. Peters Indian Reserve. ~~Mr. A. W. Ross, M.P., was told~~ You were informed by letter of the 26th May '88 - ~~on file 174625~~ - in reference to a petition you ~~he~~ had filed in this Dept. signed by John Sandison & others in regard to their claims to lands (which lands are not described therein) in the St. Peters Indian Reserve, that the said petition as well as ~~his~~ your letter had been transferred to the Dept. of Indian Affairs. The records further show that the said Lot 244 was applied for, with certain

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

Department of the Interior,

To.....

Ottawa, ... 188

QUERY.	ANSWER.
other lots, by the Mining, Smelting Co. of Winnipeg" application was ed as such lots lands. (Ref: 18844	"International & Manufacturing" that their not entertain are Indian on 13893)

Respectfully

VDC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

y.

Ref. 174325.

Ottawa, 16th May, 1891.

Dear Mr. Ross,

I return enclosed Mr. John Sandison's letter which you left with me a short time ago, and in regard to the two claims mentioned by Mr. Sandison I beg to state as follows:-

1st. Claim of Mary Sandison to patticipate in the Manitoba Supplementary Half-breed Grant of scrip.

The evidence in support of this claim was submitted by John Sandison, father of the claimant, on the 1st of December, 1890, and as application was made subsequent to the 1st of May, 1886, the date fixed by Order in Council of the 20th of April, 1885, within which evidence in support of such claims had to be filed, the claim in question was not entertained. In Mr. Goulet's report dated the 13th Dec-

Extract made and attached to Rg 25272.

A. W. Ross, Esq., M.P.,

House of Commons,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

emberlast, in this case attention is called to the fact that the applicant is a member of the St. Peters Band of Indians (File 252727). That alone would

2nd, ~~Claim of John Sandison to Lot 244 St. Peters~~ invalidate it

This Lot is within the St. Peters Indian Reserve . You were informed by letter of the 26th May, 1888, in reference to a petition you had filed in this Department signed by John Sandison and others in regard to their claims to lands (which lands are not described therein) in the St. Peters Indian Reserve, that the said petition as well as your letter had been transferred to the Department of Indian Affairs.

I can only say that this Department has no authority to deal with lands in an Indian Reserve.

Spd. A. M. Burgess

Yours sincerely,

D. M. I.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

A.B.Y.

Copy. No. 267391.

East Selkirk, June 20th, 1891.

Dear Sir,

I duly received the answer from the Dominion authorities by your influence and I thank you for the kindness you have favoured me in accordance to my wish. I would moreover suggest the said Lot 224, St Peters, said Lot which I claim before the Reserve was made by the Federal Government the claims we purchase and improvements that has been made prior to the transfer to the Dominion of Canada we would request you to press to the authorities to issue a patent Lot,244, St. Peters in my favour.

A.W. Ross, Esq.,M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Yours truly friend,
(Sgd.) John Sandison.

As for Mary's scrip I have made the application immediately in the Indian Office the same time when I revoked the Treaty before Mr. Goulet Half-breed Commissioner.

The mistake that has been made by the Govern - meny Officials in Winnipeg we are not responsible that is about the said scrip of ~~$2,40~~ 240., that is the amount allotted to her by right another thing she is not taking Treaty money since five years ago when I gave up the Treaty she was working in the West

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A.B.Y.

West and she is alive yet to this day I would request your Honour to make an effort to secure the said claims.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) John Sandison.

A.W.Ross, Esq., M.P.,

House of Commons,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

P. 2.

M. M.

Ref: 267391
on
174625.

Dept: of the Interior
Ottawa, 19th July, 1891

with file 252727
Copy for Commissioner's information and action. Copy sent to Com. with copy of Sandison's letter
Draft and file 252727
6.7.91 C.C.
15/7/91
appd.
A.M.G.

Dear ~~Mr. Ross~~, Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th ultimo, enclosing a further letter from Mr. John Sandison dated the 20th ultimo, which latter is returned to you herewith enclosed, and to inform you that ~~I have asked~~ Mr. Goulet, of the Commissioner's office, has been asked to report as to the statement made therein in regard to Miss Mary Sandison's claim to participate in the Manitoba Supplementary Half Breed grant of Scrip.

As you were advised by letter of the 16th may last, Lot No 244, St. Peters, being within and forming part of the St. Peters Indian Reserve, this Department has

A. W. Ross, Esq.,
M. P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

no authority to
deal with Mrs. Sau-
dison's alleged
claim thereto.

Yours ~~truly~~ truly

LYNDWODE PEREIRA.

~~Assistant~~ Secretary

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

57714

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

ROBT. D. RICHARDSON, Law Stationer and Printer, Winnipeg.

Manitoba,

County of Lisgor

TO WIT:

In the matter of the application of John Sandison for patent to lot number two hundred and forty four in the Parish of St Peters in the County of Lisgor -

I, John Sandison ——— of the Parish of St Peters ——— in the County of Lisgor Farmer do solemnly declare

1st I am the applicant in this matter

2nd I am the owner of lot number two hundred and forty four in the said Parish of St Peters in the County of Lisgor and Province of Manitoba and I am at present in the actual peaceable possession of the said lot of land

3d I went into possession of the said lot of land in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty six or it may have been one year before that time and have remained continuously so in possession since that time -

4th At the time I went into possession as aforesaid I erected on the said lot a good comfortable dwelling house and barn. and I have resided in the said house with my family and have occupied the barn with my cattle from that time up to the present - I was in actual peaceable and undisturbed possession of the said property on and prior to the fifteenth July 1870 - and I have cultivated a portion of the said land during the time - 5th I do not take treaty money now and know of no claim adverse to mine to the said land or land.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Act passed in the thirty seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for the suppression of Voluntary and Extra-Judicial Oaths."

Declared before me at the City *of* Winnipeg *in the County of* ~~Lisgor~~ Selkirk ——— *this* 7th *day of* April — *A.D. 1886*

John Sandison

A Dawson

A Commissioner in B. R., &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Glass & Glass.
BARRISTERS &c.
Offices.
469 Main Street Winnipeg
DAVID GLASS, Q.C. CHESTER GLASS.

SOLICITORS FOR THE CITY OF WINNIPEG AND OTHER CORPORATIONS.

Winnipeg, Man. 30 Apl 1886

Re application of John Sandison for patent to lot 244 St Peters

Dear Sirs/ We beg herewith to inclose Declaration of John Sandison proving his title to above land & to make formal application to the Government for a Patent to the same. If further proofs are required we will be happy to furnish them

Glass & Glass
Solicitors for said Sandison.

H. C. Smith Esq
Can Dom Lands
Winnipeg

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

280033

Messrs Glass & Glass
Barristers &c, Winnipeg

Gentlemen.

With reference to your letter of 30th ult covering an application from John Sanderson for letters patent for lot No. 244 in the Parish of St Peters I am directed by the Comr to inform you that as he is at present advised a Half Breed withdrawing from Indian Treaty cannot ~~then~~ claim title in lands occupied by him prior to their being incorporated in an Indian Reserve.

The Commr has communicated with the Minister on the subject of this and similar claims and until he receives final instructions as to the course to be adopted ~~in~~ Mr Sanderson's claim, for the reasons aforesaid, will have to remain in abeyance.

18/5/86

appd

D26617
25/5/86

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

280033

I think a list of claims to lands by Indians who have come out of treaty should be made. & this put on such list. This is one of a class of claims which probably in the near future will require considerable attention

11/8/86

W. P.

Done: Lu 18/8/86

Mr Fortier to please note this. I keep record as suggested. You might put a small memo book in the pamphlet

280033

Memo by Supdt Pearce.

Nothing can be done in this matter.

File No 57714.
19:7:87

W.P.

File 4/5/90

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

57714

280033

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
NOV 18 1927
WINNIPEG
CANADA
OTTAWA

In the matter of the claim of John Sandison to Lot No 244 St Peters & the extention of it on the piece of Land laying between Cooks Creek & the Red River, the said John Sandison being sworn says:—

My address is Selkirk East I am now 64 years of age or about, I lived in Manitoba for the past 60 years, & I have lived in St Peters for the past 50 years, I used to live first on a lot about half mile south of the Church of St Peters on the same side as this No 244, but as the lots were not numbered at that time, I mean before 1870, I do not know the number, I sold it to James Settee Long before 1870, I was afterward in the missionary service for five years, and in about August 1868, I took possession of this piece of land now No 244 and its extention to Red River, where I grubbed land to about two acres on Red River and in about May 1869 I built my house 13 x 15 feet on it in logs, which I finished in May 1870 & I began to live on lot in 1869, while working on it & in spring 1870 I went in the house to live with my family where I lived for 15 years, having during that time built an addition of 12 feet, I had also a stable & good garden, when I was living on this part of my land not included in No 244. Mr Vaughn the Dominion Land Surveyor made the first

survey

Sent to H.D. & re considered along with report of Messrs Fletcher & McCall which probably embraces this Lab. 20.11.91

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

survey of St Peters Parish, I was still living there, it is only afterward that I went to live on the east side of Cooks Creek where I am living for the past six years, and it is only since about three years I perceived, by seeing the map at Wm James Taylor + at the Dominion lands office, that my lot was only shown on said map to be to Cooks Creek, while it should have been to the ~~River~~ Red River, and it is why I claimed said piece of land ~~on~~ fronting opposite said N° 244 from Cooks ~~Creek~~ to Red River, I applied for it before now — I have on it a house 16 x 25 feet + stable 14 x 13 feet + a good garden on N° 244 + my son Richard has on the extention for about 10 years, his house is 10 x 12 feet + a stable + garden as said before this is on the ~~pre~~ bottom Cooks Creek + Red River

Sworn before me at
Winnipeg this 11 Nov 1891 } John Sandison

R Goulet

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

280033

No. 209624
Ref. 57714

Department of the Interior.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF DOMINION LANDS,

Winnipeg, Man., 24th November 1891

RECEIVED THE NOV 27 1891 OTTAWA

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

☞ Write legibly your full name and address.

☞ Address your reply to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, Winnipeg.

McColl

See 13944

Enclosure

Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith for the consideration and decision of the Minister File No 57714 of this Office relating to the claim of John Sandison to lot No 244 in the Parish of St Peters. As it is probable that this lot is included amongst those reported upon by Messrs Whitcher and McColl, I am to suggest that Mr Sandison's application shall be considered along with the other cases in that Parish and be disposed of in like manner

I have the honor tobe

Sir,

Your obedient servant

R. A. Sutton
Asst. Secretary

The Secretary

Department of the Interior,

OTTAWA.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of the Interior,

Dominion Lands Office,

Ottawa, ... 188

MEMO.

Mr Hall

Please refer papes to Indian Dept & say to Smith no reference made to this claim in McColl & Whitcher's report, and I am doubtful whether we have any power to deal with ~~this~~ it.

A. M. B. H.

4.2.92.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

P.

DUPLICATE

Letter No. 230033

Reference No. 174635

Department of the Interior,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
FEB 10 1892

☞ 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, 5th February, 1892. 18

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 24th November last, No. 209624, Ref. 57714, in reference to Lot 244 in the Parish of St. Peters, I am directed to inform you that there is no reference in the report of Messrs. Whitcher and McColl of the alleged claim of John Sandison to this lot, and the Deputy Minister is therefore doubtful whether this Department has any power to deal with it. In the meantime the papers have been referred to the Department of Indian Affairs.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

LYNDWODE PEREIRA.

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,
Dominion Lands Board,
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

290214

89251

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
MAR 30 1892
OTTAWA

East Selkirk
Manitoba
March 15/92

A. W. Ross Esq. M.P.
House of Commons
Ottawa -

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 11 1892

Dear Sir

Enclosed I send you copy of a letter I received from Secy of the Comm.r of Dom. Lands at Winnipeg relative to my land claim - Several years ago Mr. McCaul the Indian Comm.r or Supt. of Indian Affairs at Winnipeg made a Report in my case (after investigation of the claim) to the Department at Ottawa advising or recommending that I be paid for my improvements (which he valued at about $25) if the claim was not allowed for a Patent - this Report is in the Department at Ottawa of Indian Affairs - Would you kindly see about it & have it decided on one way or another whether I am to have the Patent or not - if not then I suppose I shall be paid at once for my

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

290214

improvements - I would be
you to give this matter you
immediate attention & have
a decided answer one way
or another - I have not been
taking treaty since 1886 & if
I cannot get a Patent for the
land it will be advisable
for me to get the value of
my improvements & throw
up the land & purchase or
preserve another Homestead
that I can get the Patent
of without any doubt or
further trouble - if I have
date the value of the improv
I ought to be entitled to
receive interest on the amo
recommended to be paid
me in the Report from the
date of that Report to the
date - Trusting the matter
will receive your immediate
& prompt attention & that I
shall hear from you very
soon & awaiting same

I am Yours very sincerely

John Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

89719

34.021

No 5770

Indian Office
Clandeboye
11th April 1892.

Sir

33.327

I have the honor in answer to your favor of the 22nd Feby, with copy of a declaration dated 11th November 91. from Mr. John Sanderson, relative to his alleged claim to Lot No 244 in the Parish of St Peters, to state that I have made enquiries, and that said declaration, is as far as I can find out according to facts.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt.
A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent

E M Coll Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies.
Winnipeg.
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

89719

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 25 1892

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 34.021 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 22nd April 1892

Return

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th February last enclosing copy of a declaration from John Sandison relative to his alleged claim as regards Lot 244, in the Parish of St Peters; and, in reply beg to enclose herewith a letter from Mr Agent Muckle on the subject, and to say that

Correspondence
APR 26 1892

The Deputy
Supt. General
of Ind. Affairs.
Ottawa.

Correspondence Mr Wm Rop
M.P. in terms of this letter
(B) Act Kong
Ahl 25/92

4646-6

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that while the statements of Mr. Sandison in his declaration may be absolutely true, as represented in the enclosed letter from Mr. Agent Smeele, still Mr. Sandison was informed by myself in this office before witnesses, that he would have to relinquish all claims to the lands within the St. Peters Reserve, as well as the improvements thereon, and the interest he held in common with the band in the cattle received from the Government, or the issue therefrom, before I could grant his application for withdrawal from treaty, or to participate in halfbreed scrip, and to all these conditions he fully and unreservedly agreed to, and has never

2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

89719

never denied the facts in my presence, consequently I consider that he has no legal right to the land he claims-

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedt. servt.
Enneccoll
Inspt. of Ind. Agencies

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6

E. McL. Coll. Esq.
Inspector of Mdn. Agencies
Winnipeg, Man.

34.021

~~April~~ 3rd 1892.

Sir,

I have to ack: the rect. of your letter of the 22nd ~~Jul~~ enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. Agent Muckle relative to Mr. John Sanderson's alleged claim to Lot No. 244, in the Parish of St Peters; & in reply I beg to inform you that Mr. A. W. Ross, M.S. has been advised in the terms of your letter.

Yours

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646/6

RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

A. W. Ross, Esq. Mrs.
House of Commons.
Ottawa.

~~April~~ May 2 1892.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 29th ult. enclosing a communication from Mr. John Sandison of East Selkirk asking to be paid the value of improvements on land (Lot No. 244) in the St. Peters Indian Reserve; ~~and in reply~~, I beg to inform you that I am advised by Mr. E. McColl, Inspr. of Indn. Agencies at Winnipeg, that while the statements in Mr. Sandison's declaration

may

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

may be absolutely true, still Mr. Sandison was informed by him in his, the Inspectors Office, before witnesses that he would have to relinquish all claims to the lands within the St. Peters Reserve as well as the improvements thereon and the interest which he held in common with the Brand on the cattle received from the Government or the issue therefrom before his application ~~could be granted or be be allowed~~ to withdraw from Treaty or to participate in Half-breed scrip could be allowed; and that to all these conditions Mr. Sandison fully and unreservedly agreed and has never denied the facts in ~~my~~ Mr. McColl presence. ~~and that Consequently Mr. McColl considers that he has no legal right to the land in question~~ Mr Sandison has consequently or to compensation for the improvements

Jamie

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

89930

Manitoba Superintendency,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 30 1892

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 34.086 *also to the date of this letter.*

Rubby

Winnipeg, April 26th 1892

Sir,

4646/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr. John Gondison respecting an alleged claim for improvement on land occupied by him in the Pt Peter's Indian Reserve, and calling my attention to your letter of the 18th of February last asking a Report on this matter, and in reply, I beg to

The Deputy Supt General of Indian Affairs Ottawa

inform

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

inform you that on the 2nd instant I replied to the letter referred to.

I have the honor
to be, Sir;
Your obedient Servant
Emmett
I.B.A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

90079 90079

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. MAY 7 1892

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your Reply refer to No. 34.178 also to the date of this letter.

Return

Winnipeg, May 4th 1892

Sir,

Rubby

4646-6

In further reference to your letter of the 21st ultimo, and its enclosure from John Sandison to A.A. Ross Esq M.P., I have the honor to inform you that I never, to the best of my recollection, recommended to the Department that John Sandison be paid $250. for his improvements on the lot referred to, but as will be seen on reference

The Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ontario

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

90079

13947 to my letter of the 25th of May 1886, that I referred to a letter dated the 13th of January 1881 No. 2.689 forwarded by the late Acting Superintendent Graham to the Department according to instructions, a valuation of the improvements made by John Sandison, his son, and son-in-law on lot 244, amounting to $150, and said that "I considered they were entitled to compensation for their improvements made on lands within the reserve which had been alienated from them" for a town plot.

In a letter received in reply dated the 21st of June 1886, I was informed that "the improvements of Sandison and Cooks upon the lands within the Town-plot of

4446/n

cost

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

East Selkirk" would be paid for whenever they removed from the reserve, but not otherwise, and the contents of this letter was sent to Mr Muckle on the 25th of the same month for the information of the parties interested, but as they refused to leave the reserve payment was never afterwards recommended nor given them for these improvements.

Mr Sundison is mistaken in saying I investigated his claims or recommended $250 for his improvements. The valuation was made before I had anything to do with the office, by Mr Surveyor Vaughn.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obt Servt
Emscall
T. T. A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

MEMORANDUM.

To Deputy Minister

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 3rd June 1892.

The land claimed by Wm Sandison, River Lot No. 244, is within the surrendered portion of the St Peter Ind. Reserve, but no portion of it has ~~not~~ been subdivided into town lots. The subdivision into town lots of the Town Plot of Selkirk extends from the South to ~~about~~ nearly half way across Lot 245, the next lot South of the lot claimed by Wm Sandison.

Saml Bray

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

61

4646 6

Ewecke, Esq
I.D.A. & R.
Winnipeg

SEC'Y'S BRANCH,
JUN 4 - 1892
WRITTEN.

Sir—

Ref'g to yr. letter of the 4th ult. & previous correspondence in regard to the claim of John Sandison on account of improvements owned or claimed by him on Lot no. 244, which formerly ~~comprised~~ comprised part of the St Peter's Ind. Res., but was surrendered some years ago together with other land as a proposed addition to the townplot of Selkirk, I beg to inform you that the position of Mr Sandison's matter as understood by the Dept is as follows:

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Mr Sandison is a
member of the St Peter's
Band. He or his predecessors
occupied the lot in
question & improved the
before it was severed from the Reserve.
same. Mr Sandison still
continues in occupation
of the lot & of the improvements
thereon, notwithstanding that
it has been surrendered by the
St Peter's Band. He claims
that he shd. be compensated
for the improvements, & undertakes
upon being so pd. to
abandon the property.
There difficulty in the
way of thus settling with
Mr Sandison, so far as this
Dept is concerned, consists
in the fact that the
Dept has no funds at
its command for the
purpose of paying Indians
for improvements made
upon surrendered lands.
Consequently unless

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Parliament voted specially an amt to cover Mr Sandison's claim ~~&~~ payment ed. not be made until the land on which the improvements are situated had been disposed of and the value of the improvements, as well as the purchase money, or a portion thereof, rec'd from the purchaser.

It is with a view to ascertaining from you whether the matter is ~~as above stated~~ correctly as above stated set forth that I address this letter to you, as it is impossible to gather from Mr Sandison's communications to the Dep't what his claim exactly consists of. He seems in some of his communications to claim a right to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

enfranchisement & to be given the land as an enfranchised Indian; while in other ~~communications~~ he appears to only claim the value of the improvements on the land. Of course, as you are aware, the present law does not contemplate the enfranchisement of any of the Indians in Manitoba or the N.W.Ts. Consequently, if Mr Sandison's claim is to be enfranchised & to receive a patent for his land, it cannot possibly be entertained; but, on the other hand, he wd. appear to have an equitable right to be pd. for his improvements, & possibly this might be managed by obtaining a special note from Park for the purpose, if he wd. be satisfied with this settlement of his claim.

Robbert

If would be well to state in replying to this letter whether there are any other similar claims in respect of the land surrendered at the same time that Mr Sanderson was ceded.

X. Mitchell regard to Mr Sanderson's improvements on lot 244 please refer this declaration enclosed in letter to you of 18 Feby last & state whether there are any other improvements than those therein described.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Pub by
Draft

Hon. E. Dewdney
Supt. General of
Indian Affairs

Ent.
Ent.

4646 6/4

SECY'S BRANCH,
JUN 28 1892
WRITTEN.

Dear Mr. Dewdney,

I return herewith ~~file~~ a letter addressed to you by A. W. Ross Esq. M. P. on the 2nd inst., together with the papers enclosed therein, which, you will observe, Mr. Ross asked to have returned to him.

The Mr. John Sandison referred to (who is also put down as Sanderson in the papers on file in the Dept.) is one of the trespassers on the St. Peters Res. He is not an Indian, but a halfbreed who withdrew with his family

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

from Treaty in 1886.

Mr McCall was instructed some time ago to take action for the removal of these trespassers, and was authorized, upon proof, to issue his warrant for their ejectment, under the provisions of the Indian Act.

Mr McCall was subsequently empowered to employ the Agents of the Dept of Justice in Winnipeg to advise him in the matter. He has held an investigation and presented a report to the Dept in the matter.

He dealt summarily with most of the cases; but in five of them he ~~dealt~~ delayed carrying into execution his judgment until they were submitted to the Dept.

see file 84368

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I ~~have~~ went carefully through the report of the investigation and the evidence taken in the different cases, and I ~~have~~ wrote Mr. Call ~~yesterday~~ approving of his decisions in the five reserved cases, ~~which~~ decisions ~~were~~ came to after, of course, taking advice from the officers of the Dept. of Justice

One of the five cases was that of John Sanderson - the person referred to by Mr. Ross. ——— Mr. McCall closes his judgment in that case with the following words:-

"My opinion being as
" stated, I know no other
" course than to issue my
" Warrant for the removal
" of Mr. Sanderson from the
" Lot, but I will give him

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

an opportunity of making "
any application he desires"
to the Department of "
Indian Affairs and "
to the Government for"
a license to remain on "
the Reserve and for "
some compensation "
for value of the im- "
provements which he"
has placed upon the "
Lot."

Mr Sanderson has al- (£200. or £250.)
ready made application for Compensation for
his improvements, and Mr
Call in a report already
made recommended that
he should be paid for
them; but, as you know,
the Dept has no funds from
which to pay for the same
The only way in which they
could be paid for would be
by obtaining from Parl[t]
a special vote for the
purpose. Mr Sanderson has not been heard from
since Mr McColl's resignation was given.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Man,

Selkirk [illegible] May 16th 1892

90056

Dear Sir

In accordance to the rights of a British subject is to give up the Treaty to be influenced and his property to be carefully guarded property of every discription we have made applications dated 1882 although we were Treaty people nevertheless just to prove the Government and to ascertain the priviliges or no priviliges so which would accrue therefrom in the future, in the parish of St Peters, another thing we think or believe that we have freedom of speech liberty of conciense &c. any reder of the Red River history are aware of the old settlers claims, prior to the transfor to the Dominion of Canada the copies and papers will explain itself

A. N. Ross Esq. M.P. Yours Truly
House of Commons John Sanderson
Yours friend

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I gave up the Treaty dated 1886
the following copy made by the
Indian Agent Mr Muckle
will give you seem information
about my land in question
Mr McCaul, are aware that
I am entitled for compensation
as I have a reliable witness
and a man of high standing
also a Notary Public living in
Selkirk I would request the
Federal authorities to send the money
by mail no less than two hundred Dollars ($ 200) or $ 250

John Sandison
East Selkirk
Man.

T. A. W. Ross, M.P.
House of Commons
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

copy

Clandeboye
8th June 1884

90986

Sir

I beg to inform you that in answer to of yours dated 27th Feby last that Indian owners settled on the land surrendered by your Band to the Government need not be disturbed in their occupation until the land would be sold when the then value of the improvements would be added to that of the land and the Indian owner compensated therefore

Your case would be included in that category

Mr John Sandison

I am
Sir
Your obedt Servt.
Dynover P.O. A. McMuckle.
Man. Indian agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Office of the Inspector of Indian Agencies,

Winnipeg, Man., 21st June 1886

90286

cot rate

Vol. 13th Jan. 1881 Mr. Nicholson

Supt. Graham's

report on same - [illegible]

to McCaul -

Letter ~~from Dept.~~

from McCaul to Muckle

with copy letter from

Dept. dated 21st June

1886 -

in wch they say that

the Vol. would be

paid on their leaving

& would.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 2 1892
Manitoba

Selkirk, 16th May, 1892

90986

Dear Sir

I am at a loss to understand the Deputy Sup. General of Indian Affairs Ottawa dated May 2d 1892 in reference to my claim patent or compensation I have fulfilled my agreement with the Government or to Mr McColl Inspector of the Indian agencies Winnipeg - my claims said Inspector did say to me to leave my place or land. My reply was no I want my land as I am weary to be under your vassela-ge this long time you understand that Mr McColl and I have a wittness and before God although I have left one of my improvements after my revocation out said Treaty in the parish of St Peters I am liveing Tot. 244 Selkirk East formerly St Peters what thy call the ceded mile squ. that is the place I have bought paid and improvements before the transfer in accordance to the Manitoba Act, and ratified by the imperial Act.

As for the aliged cattele mitioned I did not receive any the live stoke I had after my revocation out of the Treaty Henry Prince ex Chief and William Prince another ex chief the said two chiefs can testify the same I am ready to refute the statements made by the local Indian Department

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

99086

The Federal authorities are aware that we are the pioneers of civelegation our expectation is to be treated in accordence to humanity The people or the public are not incouraging any oppression or to the British nation transactions has been made time after time before the transfer without any trouble because the people paid their way without any written agreement I send you sum of the oregenal doccuments relative to our said claims no Treaty Community would revoke the Treaty without securing their Rights Lots besides the scrips hereafter

The muntualy propele are loyal and were loyal before confederation and after confederation we have been under the tender mercies of the Indian Government this long time I would humbly request your legeslative Councils to consider the numerous treaty Children who are deprived of their rights and annuities and education time would fail me to inumerate the disadvantages accrewing therefrom next time I will be able to give you more information I thank you for the kindness you have conferred to me the efforts you have made in our behalf

Youre Truly
John Sandison
Y dan friend

A W Ross Esq. M.P.
House of Commons.
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 2 1892

Ottawa, June 2nd. 1892

Sir,

I enclose herewith letters from Mr. John Sandison in reference to his claim. Will you kindly look into the matter yourself personally and see what can be done in the way of carrying out the views of Mr. Sandison if possible. I trust something may be done to settle this matter.

Please return correspondence enclosed after looking into the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Hon. E. Dewdney,
Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

4646/6 This Comment is taken up until after the session. GP

Ottawa, 28th June, 1892

Dear Mr.Dewdney:-

I return herewith a letter addressed to you by A.W.Ross,Esq.,M.P.,on the 2nd instant,together with the papers enclosed therein,which,you will observe,Mr. Ross asked to have returned to him.

The Mr.John Sandison referred to (who is also put down as Sanderson in the papers on file in the Department)is one of the trespassers on the St.Peter's Reserve. He is not an Indian,but a half-breed who withdrew with his family from Treaty in 1886.

Mr.McColl was instructed some time ago to take action for the removal of these trespassers,and was authorized,upon proof,to issue his warrant for their ejectment under the provisions of the Indian Act. Mr. McColl was subsequently empowered to employ the Agents

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the Department of Justice in Winnipeg to advise him in the matter. He has held an investigation and presented a report to the Department in the matter.

He dealt summarily with most of the cases;but in five of them he delayed carrying into execution his judgments until they were submitted to the Department.

I went carefully through the report of the investigation and the evidence taken in the different cases,and I wrote McColl yesterday approving of his decisions in the five reserved cases,which decisions were come to after,of course,taking advice from the Agents of the Department of Justice.

One of the cases was that of John Sanderson - the the person referred to by Mr.Ross. Mr.McColl closes his judgment in that case with the following words:-

"My opinion being as stated I have no other course than to issue my Warrant for the removal of Mr.Sanderson from the Lot,but I will give him an opportunity of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

making any application he desires to the Department of Indian Affairs and to the Government for a license to remain on the Reserve and for some compensation for value of the improvements which he has placed upon the Lot.

Mr.Sandison has already made application for compensation($200 or $250)for his improvements,and McColl in a report previously made recommended that he should be paid for them;but,as you know,the Department has no funds from which to pay for the same. The only way in which they could be paid for would be by obtaining from Parliament a special vote for the purpose. Mr.Sanderson has not been heard from since Mr.McColl's judgment was given.

Yours sincerely

Hon. E. Dewdney,

Supt.General of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

J.

92.

Ottawa, 2nd July, 1902.

Dear Ross,

I am not quite sure if I answered your letter of the 2nd ultimo enclosing a communication from Mr. John Sandison, of Selkirk, in connection with his claim to land in the St Peter's Reserve, or ~~for~~ to compensation for improvements thereon. I merely write now to say that we are looking into this matter, and that as soon as a decision has been come to you will be communicated with.

92 A.W. Ross Sandison after Session

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) Edmonds

A. W. Ross, Esq., M. P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of the Interior,

Dominion Lands Office,

Ottawa, 12 July 188

MEMO.

R Sinclair, Esq.

Memo. The Minister decided about 10 days ago to take this up after the Session - and I return it. Perhaps you have since heard from Sanderson.

A Chisholm

File with papers and return RD 12 July 90

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

y.

For Mr. Sinclair
I suppose these should be
fyled. A Chisholm
19. 7. 92

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN
JUL 19 1892

Ottawa, 18th July, 1892.

My dear Mr. Ross,

In further reference to the claims of Mr. John Sandison, of Selkirk, about which you wrote me on the 2nd instant, I beg now to state that if he has any crop on the land upon which he has squatted in the St. Peter's Reserve, and will avail himself of the opportunity given him to apply for permission to ~~xxxxxx~~ remain say for another yearon the Reserve so as to utilize his crop he will be allowed to do so.

With regard to his request for compensation for improvements made , if there are any such improvements and they can be sold for his benefit the proceeds will be handed to him, but as far as

A. W. Ross, Esq., M. P.,

Winnipeg,

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

as the Department is concerned it has no funds from which his claim for compensation could be met.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

Sgd [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Rec'd

As Mr. Ross appears to have been misinformed in regard to the Cop-Gaudissement go. inform Mr. Ross & McColl. EP

Winnipeg Manitoba

July 23rd 1892.

Dear Mr. Dewdney

Mr. A. W. Ross M.P. has shown me your letter of the 18th instant with regard to allowing John Gaudison of St Peters reserve to remain on the land upon which he has squatted for another year provided he will avail himself of the opportunity

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ity given him to apply for permission to remain there for the period of time mentioned.

There was no such opportunity given him to my knowledge. He had no crop in the ground at the time I took action in the matter at St Peters, but before issuing my warrant for his ejectment from the Reserve, I referred his case to Your Department, and I was informed that there was no reason why he should not be treated the same as those whom I issued my warrant for their removal. Consequently on the 6th ultimo I handed Mr. Agent Machray my warrant for Lovedays ejectment to be executed one month from that date. I therefore cannot see how I can interfere in the matter now, and besides if he is permitted to remain on the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

reserve for another
Year, the other Tres-
passers whom I
issued warrants for
their removal from
the Reserve since
claim the same pre-
vilege, and the
whole question will
be reopened again
and all the expense
and labor in connec-
tion with the proceed-
ings in the matter of
the ejectment of those
parties will be thrown
away.

John Pendleton ad-
mitted during my en-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

quiry that he was told by myself, he would have to surrender all claims to the lands he occupied if he obtained H.B. scrip, but that he answered he would not remain any longer under the vassalage of the Indian Department, as he wanted to be a free man, and therefore he deserves no special sympathy.

In 1878, my predecessor James F. Graham was asked by the Department

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to value Sundisons improvement, and Mr Graham got Surveyor Vaughan to give an estimate of the valuation of the improvements on John Sundison's lot which was valued at $150. I understand that Sundison wants $250 for his improvements, and upon the payment of this sum he says he will relinquish all claims to the lot in question as he intends to go West as a Baptist Missionary, he having recently left the Episcopal church and joined that denomination.

Awaiting Your further instruction in the matter

Believe me

Dear Mr Dewdney

Yours Sincerely

E. McColl

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ottawa, August 1st, 1892.

My Dear Ross,

With reference to my letter to you of the 18th ultimo, I think you must have been misinformed in regard to the Sandison matter. From information which I have received it would appear that Sandison had no crop in the ground at the time Mr. McColl took action, but before issuing the warrant for his ejectment from the Reserve his case was referred to the Department, who informed him that there was no reason why Sandison should not be treated the same as others against whom similar warrants for their removal from the Reserve had been issued, consequently, on the 6th of July, Mr. McColl handed Mr. Agent Muckle a warrant for Sandison's ejectment, to be executed one month from that date, therefore it is difficult now to see how we can interfere in the matter ; besides, as it is pointed out that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Ottawa, August 1st, 1892.

Exd.

My Dear McColl,

With reference to your letter of the 23rd ultimo, I have written Ross to say that I don't see how we can interfere in the Sandison matter now. When I wrote to him on the 18th ultimo I understood that Sandison had a crop, and it would have been rather hard to have removed him without permitting him to save and utilize his crop ; but evidently from your letter he has no crop.

Yours sincerely,

(8[illegible]) [illegible]

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of
Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Don't register but place with papers in re Spat by — Exd. [illegible]

Toronto Globe 3. 6. 92

Winnipeg, June 2.—(Special.)—Indian Inspector McColl sat at a commission yesterday in South St. Peter's School to hear and determine the grievances of all the Indians who recently withdrew from the treaty and are still living within the reserve. They have been given notice by the Government to leave, but they claim the land they live on. A number of the cases were disposed of and the Indians ordered to leave forthwith.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

93159

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 1892

6/8

Winnipeg 2nd August 1892

Sir

Re William Cochrane's claim
to S.E. Lot 243 St Peter's
Parish Manitoba

On Examining the correspondence in this case I find that an objection is urged by your Department as a reason why Letters Patent should not be issued in favor of the said applicant for at the date of the Survey by the Dominion Government the person then occupying the said Lot was a Half breed, — is I think not a matter for your consideration - but rather whether occupied the land in question at the date of the Transfer (15th day July 1870) ? At the Investigation lately held in connection with certain claims

The Deputy
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa
Ont

RECEIVED
AUG 8 1892
BRANDON

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

93159

of persons residing on the Indian Reserve — It was shewn That Iolen Cochrane son of the applicant was occupying the said Lot for and on behalf of William Cochrane his father — now at that date Iolen Cochrane was not in receipt of annuity as an Indian — So that William Cochranes Title under the Manitoba Act was complete. If in 1871 Iolen Cochrane accepted annuity ~~this~~ so doing could not in any way effect William Cochranes Title then confirmed by Statute

It was also stated by Henry Prince under oath at the said investigation that he sold to William Cochrane a strip of land and marked the width of the same on trees on the East Bank of the Red River long prior to the transfer, corresponding with this claim. So that it cannot be justly said that Mr. Wm Cochrane has been endeavouring to obtain a Patent for land in the said Parish to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

93159

which he is not justly entitled —

In view of the fact that the investigation was held by your Department and conducted in a manner very unfair to the people interested — inasmuch that an opportunity was not allowed them to put in evidence to sustain their claims to the land occupied by them.

The notices were served on some of them on Saturday afternoon from 1 o'clock to 10 P.M. and others on Monday for an investigation to be held on the following Tuesday — and then the wording of the notices in question were such as to lead them to understand that no evidence would be received

I need not say more ~~that~~ than that it ~~has~~ was in the usual order with every-thing relating to the claims of these people

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to the lands to which they are justly entitled —

The most one sided affair I ever attended — a disgrace to the Department of Indian affairs.

No good can be attained by holding such investigations — only exciting the people to no purpose and nothing gained —

I trust you will meet this question fairly and not put it off by evading the issue. This claimant is poor and the action of your Department has made him so — and yet you seek to rob him of his land by shielding yourself behind an authority you never had. This claimant has good and valid title under the Manitoba Act and you simply say no — yet the evidence sustains him.

I am Sir
Yours Truly
W. J. Robinson
627 Portage ave
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

9359 93593

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUG 20 1892

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 35494 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 17th August 1892

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant enclosing for my report in the matter copy of a letter from Mr W. J. Robinson with further reference to the alleged claim of William Cochrane Sr to certain land in St Peters Parish; and in reply I beg to report that Wm Cochrane Sr claims to Lot No 743 St Peters Indian Reserve was investigated and deal with by the Commissioners appointed for that purpose in 1885, and their conclusions were set in schedule B of their joint reports of the 1st of June of that year, and the evidence taken infer that Wm Cochrane

4.6116 6

20.8.92

Mr McNeill - Please inform Mr Robinson in accord with this Memo

CORRESPONDENCE AUG 20 1892 BRANCH

The
Deputy Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

93593

Cochrane S. has no claim whatever to the Lot in question

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
E McCall
Inspt of Indian Agencies
p. S. Arthur Lévêque

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 6

W. J. Robinson Esq.
627 Portage Ave
Winnipeg.
Man.

Exd.

Aug 22nd 1892

Sir,

With further reference to your letter of the 2nd Inst I beg to inform you that I am advised by Mr Supt McColl that the alleged claim of William Cochrane Sr to certain land in St Peter's Parish was investigated by the Commrs appointed for that purpose in 1885 - and their conclusions were set forth in Schedule B of their joint report of the 1st June of that year. The evidence taken going to prove that Mr Cochrane had no claim whatever

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to the land in
question

Yours &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 1 1892

Ottawa Aug 29th 1892

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 22nd instant No 4646 6 you refer to the report of the Commission (of which Mr Supt McColl was one) of 1885. This report on the part of your Department abandoned and no investigation held in the months of May and June last at that investigation I was present and in my opinion sufficient evidence was adduced on behalf of Wm Cochrane to establish his right to the land in question although as I have stated in previous correspondence on this subject the notice calling the investigation was served on Mr Cochrane on Saturday evening - to attend an investigation on the following Tuesday at 9 a.m. - If in such short notice and to a person who has no idea of what constitutes a right under the Manitoba Act evidence sufficient to cause - the Solicitor on behalf of

Mr Deputy
Superintendent General
Indian Affairs
Ottawa Ont.

Rec'd Aug 31 1892
Answered Sept 1 1892
Commissioner McColl
Re Cochrane's claim
Under Manitoba Act
Requests that he may be allowed to be present when witnesses are examined by Mr McColl

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

Poor - Copy.

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of your Department to ask
Mr Supt McCall to reserve for
further consideration. it is not
-possible for me then to say that
if a reasonable opportunity was
given a much stronger case
could be made out. I have
complained of the manner
in which this investigation
was conducted. and you do
not say one word by way of
an explanation. but I have
no doubt but you have
your officer who held the same
that his action has been approv-
ed. but I will not say any
more on this investigation now
but will have it brought be-
fore other authority at the proper
time - Now I wish to say if
the evidence (although very im-
perfectly taken out) was sub-
mitted to the Law Officers of the
Crown I am sure your Depart-
ment would not treat Mr Mc
Cochrane in this shameful
manner. I do not believe

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

93922

that the evidence was ever submitted to that Department whose duty it is to advise upon such cases.

Will you consent to have the cases of Wm Cochrane submitted to the Exchequer Court in such a way as will be as inexpensive as possible and without delay. In View of the Judgement in the Wm Thomas Case in R Lot 22 St Peters Parish I think these cases should be removed entirely from your officials here. ~~entirely~~

It is a duty you owe not only to the Indians (if any) but to the Public and we all want this question properly settled and not by deception. If one life was taken in Connection with this disputed matter your Department would not be blameless.

You know not what a feeling exists among those people over this matter

I am Sir
Your &c.
W. J. Robinson
627 Portage Ave
Winnipeg.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-6

W. J. Robinson Esq.
627 Portage Ave.
Winnipeg.
Man.

Sept 4 1892

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 29th ult. in the matter of Wm Cochrane's alleged claim to certain land in St. Peter's Parish, Manitoba, I have to inform you that this case was referred by Mr McColl for decision and after consideration of the evidence this Dept advised Mr McColl that Wm Cochrane could not be considered as having any right upon the Reserve.

Cochrane's

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Cochrane's
Testimonial evidence
seems complete and
he had the same time
to prepare his case as
had the other claimants

Yours &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

Exd.

Ottawa, March 28th, 1893/

My Dear McColl,

The enclosed letter from Mr. John Sanderson was sent me by Mr. A. W. Ross, M.P. I wish you would report whether this man Sandison has left the Reserve yet, and whether he has any just claim for improvements.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) L. Vankoughnet.

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Copy.

Ottawa, March 28th, 1893.

My Dear Ross,

I am in receipt of Mr. John Sanderson's letter of the 6th instant, addressed to you, relative to compensation for improvements which he claims is due him by the Government.

I don't know whether Mr. Sanderson has removed from St. Peter's Reserve, but I am writing to Mr. McColl to-day to ascertain, and also to report to me whether Mr. Sanderson has any just claim for improvements. When I hear from the Inspector I shall againcommunicate with you.

Yours sincerely,
(Sgd) L. W. D.

A. W. Ross, Esq., M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Selkirk East March 6th/93

Dear Sir

I take the opertunity to write you a short letter to request your honour to send me the letter dated, 1892 relative to my improvements alloted to me by the Federal authorities, to the above date and long before the said date from the local Indian Department although I bought the land and made improvements before the transfer to the Dominion of Canada, the investigation took place in the year 1892 inspector Wm. E. McColl, Esq. said before the meeting that John Sandison was entitled of one hundred and fifty dollars the said one hundred and fifty dollars that was the valuation of my improvements made by Wm McColl I think I have enough witnesses to prove

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

you are aware of the circoms-
-tances of a poor man like me
nevertheless I am working hard
to make my living to the best of my
ability

I would moreover request you
-r honourable body to investigate the
actions of Mr McColl inspector in
reference to the said commpens-
-ation in my favour as I want
to know if he has don any thing
to the above information or compl
aent I would moreover request your
honourable body for information
by the first opertunity

Yours Truly

A. W. Ross, Esq.
M. P.
House of Com.
Ottawa, Canada

John Sandison
your friend

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Please have necessary action taken to carry out Mr McCalls [illegible] of pay $150. on receipt of [illegible] from [illegible] Reserve [illegible]

Winnipeg Manitoba
April 6th 1893.

Dear Mr Daly

I reply to the enquiries contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo enclosing one from Mr John Gandison to Mr A. McRoss M.P., I have the honor to inform you that Gandison and his family, are still living on the Indian Reserve at St Peters, or on that part of it surrendered

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 18 1893

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to the Government a
surveyor of years ago
for a town plot.
In my letter to the De-
partment of the 4th of
May last no. 34.178
I gave a statement of
particulars relative to
Dandiano's claims.
In his letter to me
Andrews, he states that
I said he was entitled
to $150.00 for his im-
provements on his lot,
He is mistaken in
this for I only said
that that was the
amount his improve-
ments were valued at
by the Surveyor Dayton
in 1880. I think that
this estimate is a fair
and reasonable one
and I would re-
commend that that
amount be paid him
in full compensa-
tion for all the im-
provements made
by himself and fam-
ily on 244 when
the said lands were
legally alienated from
him by the Surrende
or referred to for a
town plot, but that
this amount be not
paid him until
he and family have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the Reserve, and abandons all Claims to said Lot No. 244.

Mr Sundison and Son called at my office this morning and they inform me that they are going to leave the Reserve in a week and take up Homesteads on Catfish Creek near Fort Alexander. They say if $150.00 is paid them for their improvements on this Lot in St Peters they will not trouble the Government any more about any Claim

Yours very truly Enc Cobb

P.S. I mention Surname as Sundison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Encl.

WITH CHEQUE. OTTAWA, 20th April, 1893.

Sir,

With reference to your letter addressed to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs on the 6th. Inst. I enclose herewith Cheque No 5761 for the sum of $150 in favour of John Sandison, in compensation for his improvements on the St Peters Reserve.

The Cheque must not be handed or sent to Sandison until he vacates the Reserve, and he must be made to understand that the same is in full payment and satisfaction of all claims which he may have inconnection with the St Peters Reserve.

Your obedient servant

Deputy of the Sup:Gen:
of Indian Affairs.

E.McColl, Esq.
Inspector of Indian Agencies
WINNIPEG/ Man:

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

101733

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 9 1893

Indian Office
Winnipeg 5th May 1893.

We the undersigned Half breeds who had been admitted into Treaty No. 1. as members of the St Peters Band of Indians, but voluntarily withdrew therefrom in 1886 in order to participate in the Half breed Scrip granted by the Government in compensation of all claims under treaty stipulations, hereby on payment of the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars (150.00) to John Sandison by the Department of Indian Affairs, the receipt for which amount is hereby acknowledged by us, relinquish and surrender all claims to any lands and improvements made on said reserve or that portion of it surrendered to the Government for a town plot at East Selkirk.

Witness

L. T. Arthur Lévêque

x John Sandison
x John J Sandison
x Josiah his x mark Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

101733

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to No. 38191 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 6th May 1893

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 9 1893

ACCOUNTANTS MAY 12 1893 BRANCH

Sir,

Rec'd Landsh

4.646

With reference to your letter of the 20th ultimo enclosing a cheque in favor of John Sandison in compensation for his improvements on the St Peter's Reserve, I have the honor to inform you that the same was handed to him upon his signing the enclosed paper relinquishing all claims to St Peter's Reserve.

OCCRESPONDENCE BRANCH MAY 13 1893

Mr McNeill Inform Mr McColl that his letter does not state whether John Sandison had vacated the Reserve before the cheque for $50.00 was handed to him as such were the instructions of the Dept

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

for Dm

E McColl
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

The Deputy of the
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

13/5/93.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646 /6

Draft

Fwd.

LAND BRANCH
MAY 16 1893

38 I.P.

OTTAWA, 18th May, 1893

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th Inst; enclosing a document signed by John Sandison, John J. Sandison and Josiah Sandison relinquishing all claims to lands and improvements on the St Peter's Reserve; and in reply I beg to call your attention to the fact that you have omitted to state whether John Sandison vacated the Reserve in accordance with instructions contained in my letter of the 20th Ulto. before the Cheque ~~xxx~~ for $150 was handed to him.

Your obedient servant

Deputy of the Sup:Gen:
of Indian Affairs.

E.McColl, Esq.
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
WINNIPEG, Man.

Ass. Mgr

Land Br

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

102111

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 22 1893

In your reply refer to No. 38254 also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 18th May 1893

Rt by / Exd.

4646.6

Sir,

I have the honour in reply to your letter of the 15th May instant in the matter of John Sandison to inform you that on the 4th instant Mr Agent Muckle visited the St Peters Reserve, accompanied by John Sandison who then handed him over his house, on which he boarded up the door and windows.

He and his family, his sons and their families have left the Reserve.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Emmerson

Inspector of Indian Agencies

The Deputy Supt General of Indian Affairs Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

To Mr McCole
To enclose ck with letter.

MEMORANDUM.

(1) Acct

Department of Indian Affairs,

ACCOUNTANTS APR 17 1893 BRANCH

Ottawa, 12th April 1893

File with paper

See Sup't General's instructions on letter under from Mr Inspector McCole, dated 6th inst, and state in the cheque that the same is in full payment & ~~full~~ satisfaction of all claims of Sandison in connection with the St Peter's Reserve.

No 150 - 5761

(2) Cor Br.

Write Mr McCole enclosing cheque in favor of Sandison in compensation for his improvements on the St Peter's Reserve & inform McCole that cheque is not to be handed or sent to Sandison until he vacates Reserve, & that the same is in full payment & satisfaction of all claims of the said Sandison in connection with the St Peter's Reserve.

CORRESPONDENCE APR 19 1893 BRANCH

D. M.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

"...reply ...retary ...tment of the Interior, Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

acct

FM. 126264

LETTER

FILE 252727.

Department of the Interior, 4646 6

Ottawa. 10th April, 1895.

ACCOUNTANTS APR 13 1895 BRANCH

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 10 1895

Sir,

I have the honour by direction to inform you that an application has been made by Mary Sandison, daughter of John Sandison and Margaret Mallet, to share in the North-West Half-breed grant of scrip, and that it has been decided to allow her claim and to issue scrip in satisfaction thereof to the amount of $240, upon her fyling here her certificate of discharge from Treaty, or upon her being declared by the proper officer of your Department to have ceased to be an Indian within the meaning of the Act.

In this connection, I am to quote the following extract from Mr. Goulet's report on the case:-

"What might interfere somewhat with that, is "the fact that she never was discharged from Treaty, "but as according to letter from Mr. McColl of 30th of "last month, it is shown she did not draw treaty since "spring of 1886 and that it is a sure thing that she "lived out of any Indian Reserve for more than five "years, I believe according to the rules of the Indian "Department that having been out so long, she does not "require to be discharged, being in reality so by the "fact of having lived out of any reserve for more than "five years."

live in a foreign country

No.

I am to add that the Department will await a reply to this letter before the decision arrived at in this case is communicated to the applicant.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lewis de Pereira

Assistant Secretary.

The Deputy Superintendent-
General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646 6 Mcl

...reply
...etary
...ment of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM.

127669 FILE 252727.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 16th May, 1895.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 1895

Acct

Sir,

Referring to my letter to you of the 10th ultimo, respecting the claim to Half-breed scrip of Mary Sandison, daughter of John Sandison and Margaret Mallet, I have the honour by direction to request that you will be good enough to advise the Department of the action which has been taken, or which it is proposed to take, in this matter.

I may add that Mr. A. W. Ross, M.P., is pressing on behalf of Mr. John Sandison for a settlement of this case.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lynwode Pereira

Assistant Secretary.

The Deputy Superintendent-
General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-6 red

L

LETTER

FILE 252727

...r reply
...Secretary
...rtment of the Interior,
Ottawa."
...t write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

Department of the Interior, 130844

Ottawa, 12th August, 1895.

Immediate
ADM

OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 13 1895

Sir,

I have the honour, by direction, to refer you to the letters of the 10th April and 16th May last, respecting the application of Mary Sandison for Half- breed scrip, to neither of which letters has any reply been received.

As the applicant ~~ion~~ is ~~presented~~ pressing for a decision in the matter, I am to request that the case may receive the attention of your Department at the earliest convenient moment.

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

Lindsay Pereira
Assistant Secretary.

D. C. Scott, Esq.,
Acting Deputy
Superintendent General of
Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa 19th December, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that this Department regrets exceedingly that so long a delay should have occurred in answering your letter of the 10th April last, relative to the application of Mary Sandison to share in the North West half-breed grant of Scrip, and in explanation I may say that considerable difficulty has been found in tracing the family of John Sandison (or Sanderson), the father of Mary. It appears however that the whole family, with the exception of the daughter Mary, were discharged from Treaty in 1886, and although Mary has not been paid any annuity since that year, and may not have been living on any Indian Reserve since that time, these facts alone do not affect her status as an Indian, unless it can be shewn that during such absence she resided in a foreign country, for five years continuously, without the consent of the Superintendent General. Clause 10 of the Indian Act provides that, in such an event, the Indian shall cease to be a member of the Band to which he or she formerly belonged or can be or she become a member of any other Band without the

A.M. Burgess, Esqr.,
Deputy Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

the consent of that Band and the approval of the Superintendent General. Under the circumstances it would appear to be impossible to grant a discharge from Treaty to Mary Sandison or Sanderson.

Your obedient servant.

Acting Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-6

Address your reply "The Secretary Department of the Interior, Ottawa."
If you write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM. 135941

LETTER

FILE 252727.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 3rd January, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JAN 7 1896

Sir,

Referring to the concluding portion of Mr. Scott's letter of the 19th ultimo, Ref. 4646/6, I have the honour by direction to inquire whether upon ~~Mrs.~~ Mary Sandison or Sanderson making application therefor to the Indian Commissioner in the usual way, she will be granted a certificate of discharge from Treaty; and to state that, if so, the interested persons will be informed that upon her obtaining such certificate and fyling it here, her claim to Half-breed scrip will be submitted for consideration.

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

Lyndwode Pereira
Assistant Secretary.

The Deputy Superintendent-
General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6

252727

Ottawa 8th January, 1896.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 3rd instant, with further reference to the application of Mary Sandison or Sanderson to be allowed to participate in the half-breed grant of Scrip ,I beg to inform you that upon this woman making aplication to the Indian Commissioner, in the usual way, she will be granted a certificate of discharge from Treaty unless she should prove to have forfeited her status as an Indian. Mr McColl has been requested to advise her accordingly.

Your obedient servant.

Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

A.M.Burgess, Esqr.,
Deputy Minister,
of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646/6

Ottawa 8th January, 1896.

Sir,

This Department has been informed by the Department of the Interior , that application has been made by Mary Sandison or Sanderson , daughter of John Sandison and Margaret Mallet, to share in the North West Half-breed grant of Scrip , and that with a view to a proper consideration of this application it will be necessary for this woman to file a certificate of discharge from Treaty . You might therefore inform her that upon her making application therefor to the Indian Commissioner, in the usual way , she will be granted the necessary discharge .

I might add that the whole of John Sandison's family would xxxx appear to have been discharged from Treaty , in 1886 , with the exception of the daughter Mary , and she has not been paid any annuity since that year, The fact of her not having received annuity would not however affect her status as an Indian , and unless it can be shewn that she has forfeited her claims by five years residence continuously in a foreign country , there would appear to be no reason why she should not receive a discharge from Treaty ,if she so desires.

E.McColl, Esqr.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg, Man.

Your obedient servant.
Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y. JUL 15 1896 WINNIPEG, MAN.

Duplicate

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y. MAY 7 1896 WINNIPEG, MAN.

143311

1/216

Vote

Agency CLANDEBOYE AGENCY.

Treaty No. 1

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

MANITOBA SUPERINTENDENCY,

No 946

To Mary Sandison Maple Creek assa

DATE. 1896		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.	
April	29	To arrears due for 1886.87.88.89.90.91.92.93.94 and 1895. Ten years @ $5.00 per year	50	00
		No 360 St Peters Band.		
		add. Miss Mary Sandison Maple Creek assa.		
		Ex. S.J.Ah		
		TOTAL	$50	00

Approved,

S. Arthur Lévêque Inspector

Certified correct,

A. McMurdle Agent.

NOTE.—It is particularly requested that the number of the Vote under which the supplies named in the Voucher were purchased may be quoted on the upper right hand corner hereof, and that only such items shall be inserted herein as are properly chargeable to the vote quoted.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

143311 4646-6 066

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 15th July 1896

In your reply refer to
No. 46961
also to the date of this letter.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 20 1896

ACCOUNTANTS
JUL 20 1896
BRANTFORD

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith for your consideration and payment Voucher N° 9446 in duplicate in favour of Mary Sandison, amounting to $50.00 being arrears of annuity due her from 1886 to 1895, inclusive. This woman took treaty with her father John Sandison N° 360 family of the S. Peters Band, and was discharge therefrom on the 13th instant by the Indian Commissioner

6939

By Minister

Payment recommended

29/7/96

30/7/96

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

J. Arthur Lévêque
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

The Deputy of the
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

712 W

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

Winnipeg, 23rd April 1896

In your reply refer to No. 46254 also to the date of this letter.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE APR 25 1896 REGINA ASSA.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith for your consideration and approval, the application in duplicate of Mary Sandison for to be discharged from Treaty.

Mary Sandison took treaty with her father John Sandison or Sanderson No. 360 of the S. Peters Band of Indians, he received his discharge from treaty in 1886. Arrears are due Mary Sandison for ten years, and a Voucher in her favour will be issue.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Enn Cox

Inspector of Indian Agencies

Paid by Ck 6939 (1895-96) F 4646-6 old

The Indian Commissioner Regina N.W.S.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Selkirk April 6th 1896

Dear Sir

I would respectfully request your honor to lay my request before the Dominion authorities that I wish to buy [illegible] acres of Land within mile square or Lot 244 that was the number of my Lot as I have sugested before the Indian agent Mr Meckle no doubt the Dominion authorities will give instructions to the said agent that is my earnest expectation as I do not intend to take a homestade in a rural district as I am geting to old to open a big farm as I am unable to procure the farming implements nevertheless I can raise a garden as I am a gardener trusting you will not ~~relax~~ relax to ~~do~~ act in my behalf. the Dominion authorities are aware that I have more right to buy the said Lot (244)

A. W. Ross Esq. Mr Yours Truly John Sandision
Your Friend

House of Com.
Ottawa

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
APR 14 1896
OTTAWA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

5084-

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa 9th May 1896-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 6th Ultimo addressed to A.W.Ross,Esq.,applying for permission to purchase two or thre acres of land within the Mile Square,St. Peter's Reserve,I beg to inform you that the land referred to is not at present in the marketfor sale. When it is considered advisable to bring the same into the market,you will then have an opportunity to purchase.

Your obedient servant

(SGD) HAYTER REED

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs-

Mr. John Sanderson

Selkirk-

Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

712 W.

29th April, 6

Enclosure.

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 23rd Instant, No. 46,254 and application of Mary Sandison, No. 36 St. Peter's Reserve, for discharge from Treaty; I would say that an informal application on behalf of this woman was made in 1900 by one James Taylor, but after forms had been sent him was never carried further. Before the present application can be gone any further with, there are certain matters connected therewith which require explanation and correction, vizt:--

(1) The statement that the father, John Sandison or Sanderson was discharged from Treaty in 1886, there being no registration of any such name among those to whom discharges have been granted. The nearest approach thereto is an application from one John Saunders which was, in April 1892, referred to you and upon which you reported unfavourably.

(2) The jurat of the declaration (Sec. 2) is not signed by the Justice of the Peace before whom the declarations are made. This should have been noticed in passing the papers through your office.

(3) The statement of the woman's means of support as "housekeeping" is, in view of the fact that she is not a married woman, too indefinite to be satisfactory and fuller information is required on this point.

(4) Applicants reasons for desiring to withdraw from treaty in view of the fact that she cannot now receive Half-breed scrip unless her application for same was fyled with the Department of the Interior prior to 1st January 1894.

The

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
W i n n i p e g,
M a n.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The papers are returned herewith.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

for Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK

CLANDEBOYE AGENCY.

712 ½

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'S
APR 23 1896
WINNIPEG, MAN.

I, Mary Sandison do solemnly declare—

That I am the applicant for discharge from Treaty whose name is mentioned in the answers to the foregoing questions.

That the said answers are true; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the "Act respecting extra-judicial Oaths."

Declared before me at Maple Creek this 26th day of March A.D. 1896

Arthur Okell J.P.

her
Mary Sandison
mark

We, William H Craig of Maple Creek and George Caron of Maple Creek do solemnly declare—

That we personally know Mary Sandison whose names are subscribed to the above declaration.

That to the best of our knowledge and belief the answers given to the foregoing questions, the same having been read over to us, are true and correct in every particular.

And we make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the "Act respecting extra-judicial Oaths."

Declared before me at Maple Creek this 26th day of March A.D. 1896

Arthur Okell J.P.

Wm H Craig
Geo Caron

×

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPPLY
JUL 4 1896
WINNIPEG, MAN.

Full answers are required to the following questions by applicants for discharge from Treaty.

Applicant's Name Mary Sandison

Date and Place of Birth September 1855 Oxford House (north)

Father's Name John Sandison

His Nationality English Halfbreed

Mother's Name Marguerite Mullette

Her Nationality French Halfbreed

Band to which applicant belongs St Peters

Number of Ticket 369

Years for which applicant has drawn Treaty-money, stating where paid each year My father received the treaty in 1886 and I presume drew treaty money for me. I have drawn none myself

If Married, to whom, and when Not married

Names and date of Birth of all applicant's living children, if any [illegible]

Names and date of Birth and Death of all applicant's deceased children, if any None

Present place of residence Maple Creek N. W. T.

Means of Support House keeping

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

150291

No 712 W.

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Regina. 13th July, 1896.

Discharge from Treaty.

To whom it may concern:-

This is to certify that MARY SANDISON, a halfbreed admitted in the Indian Treaty and paid with No 360 of the St. PETER'S BAND in the MANITOBA SUPERINTENDENCY, having applied to withdraw from the said Treaty under Section 13 of the Indian Act as amended by Section 1, 51 Victoria, Cap 22, and fully complied with the provisions thereof, is hereby allowed to withdraw from the said Treaty.

A. E. Forget

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

for Manitoba & N.W.T.,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

150291

Form C.
46.867

Manitoba Superintendency,

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg, July 7th 1896.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUL 9 1896
REGINA ASSA.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 29th April last, relative to the application of Mary Sandison No 360 St Peters Reserve for discharge from Treaty; and in reply I beg to inform you that her father John Sandison his wife and one son were discharged from treaty by me on the 8th of March 1886. and his application was duly forwarded to the Department and approved of. From enquiry made I am informed in regard to her occupation of house keeper that she has been for several years engaged by Mr. W. H. Craig of Maple Creek N.W.T. as the house keeper on his ranche, Mr Agent Mackie informs me also that she would be better out of treaty than in, as she has been so long in the North West Territory and not likely to ever return to her Reserve,

The Indian
Commissioner
Regina N.W.T.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

150291

712 W.

13th July, 6

Encl

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 7th Instant, No. 46,867, I enclose herewith a certificate of discharge from Treaty in favour of Mary Sanderson No. 360 of the St. Peter's Band, and would ask you to be good enough to see that it reaches her.

Mr. Agent Muckle should be instructed to note the discharge.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

150291

713 W.

15th July,

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 7th Instant, No. 46,867- re Mary Sandison, I observe that no application has been sent in in this case, the sheets accompanying your letter being merely the declarations of Miss Sandison and the witnesses, with the list of questions on the back.

Please forward her application on the proper form.

With reference to the statement that the father of the applicant was discharged by you on 8th March 1886, I can find no trace of such discharge in our register and would ask you to kindly quote the number of the discharge.

Yours truly,

for Commissioner.

E. McColl, Esq.,
Winnipeg,
Man.

ANSWER REQUIRED.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

712 W

150291

Form C.
No. 46.976

Manitoba Superintendency,

Office of the Inspector,

Winnipeg, July 18th 1896

712 W

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 15th instant re Mary Sandison; and in reply I beg to inform you that as no copy of the application for discharge from Treaty was kept here Mr Agent Mucklow has been requested to obtain and forward without delay the paper asked for by you. As regards the applicant's father, I may say that he was discharged by me on the 8th March 1886. with his family, and the application forwarded to the Department at Ottawa, It was not customary to number the discharges then,

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
JUL 20 1896
REGINA ASSA

The Commissioner
Indian Affairs
Regina

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Inspector of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

150291

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'S OFF. WINNIPEG, MAN. NOV 20 1896

To the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for Manitoba and the North-West Territories.

I, Mary Sandison a Half-breed, admitted into the Treaty with the St Peters Band of Indians, and paid as No. 360 desire to withdraw from the said Treaty, under the provisions of Section thirteen of "The Indian Act, 1888" as amended, and hereby signify my intention of so doing by signing this application in the presence of two witnesses this Second day of November A.D. 1896

her
Mary X Sandison
Mark

Witnesses—
J. G. Mutrie
Wm H Crey

We, Joseph Thomson Mutrie and William Henry Craig of Maple Creek N.W.T. do hereby certify that the above application is made by Mary Sandison who is a Half-breed, to withdraw from Treaty, was signed by the said Mary Sandison in our presence, and that we are the subscribing witnesses thereto.

Sworn before me at Maple Creek this 2nd day of November A.D. 1896
Arthur Otell
A Justice of the Peace in & for The North West Territories

J. G. Mutrie
Wm H Crey

Form No. 81

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

150291 712 W

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to
No. 48035
also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, 20th November 1896

COMMISSIONER'S NOV 1896 REGINA ASSA

Sir,—

712 W

With further reference to your letter of the 15th July last relative to Mary Sandison discharge from Treaty I have the honour to enclose herewith, her application in duplicate, which papers should have accompanied my letter of the 7th July last.

46,867

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Ernest Coll
Inspector of Ind Agencies

The
Indian Commissioner
Regina
N.W.T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

In your reply refer to
No. 712 W.
also to the date of this letter.

Address your reply to
"The Indian Commissioner,
Regina, N. W. T."

Office of the

150291

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
DEC 27 1896

Regina, 23rd November, *189* 6

ACCOUNTANT
NOV 30
BRANCH

Enclosure.

Sir:-

I beg to advise that on the 13th July last I issued a certificate of discharge in favour of a Half-breed named Mary Sandison, No. 360 of the St. Peter's Band, Manitoba Superintendency.

The papers connected with the case I now forward herewith. The delay was owing to the omission of the Winnipeg office to send in the application for discharge in the first instance. Only the second sheets were sent and some delay occurred in securing the application in proper form.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Commissioner.

Referred for approval of Deputy Minister

The Deputy of,
The Superintendent General,
of Indian Affairs,
O t t a w a.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Encl.

150291

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, 11th December, 1893.

712 W.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, enclosing the papers in connection with the ~~discharx~~ certificate of discharge issued by you in favour of Mary Sandison (a hay-breed), No 360, of the St Peter's Band ; and in reply I beg to inform you that your action is approved of.

Your obedient servant.

(SGD) HAYTER REED

Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

154986

East. Selkirk, Man, April 2. 1897

APR 12 1897

Dear Sir,

I would respectfully request your honor to give me the liberty to make a garden to put down seed this comming Spring Lot (244) that is the numer of my said Lot where I was evected from by the late Tory administration your liberal Government are aware of the circomstances regarding the evections that has been inflicted against poor people although aborigines inhabitants. the reason I request your liberality to give me liberty to farm my improvements because this comming high water will flood my gardin where I live at present your Government are aware of the ingustice and tarany and opression that was inflicted against us by the late Government said Lot (244) is within the mile squair please respectfully answer my communication if possible

Yours Truly
John Sandison

7 2 5 - 1 x

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-6 old

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

17/4/57

Where we hear

Is this Indian?

If so what about it?

Jas

[illegible]

12-15-97

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor

Ford.

4646/6

Draft

Ottawa, 13th April, 1897.

Sir,-

In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, addressed to the Minister, asking to be placed in possession of lot 244, St. Peter's Indian Reserve, I beg to inform you that as you were compensated for your improvements on this lot, it is regretted that nothing can be done in the direction indicated by you.

Your obedient servant,

for J. D. McLean

Acting Secretary.

Mr. John Sandison,

East Selkirk, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

5084-

Ottawa 14th April 1897-

Sir-

I beg to inform you that an application has been received to purchase a portion of land within the Mile Square St. Peter's Reserve, and I have to ask that you will be good enough to inform the Department whether there is any reason why theundisposed of Lots included in Surrender made in 1875, namely, Lots 236 to 246 inclusive, should not be placed in the market.

Your obedient servant

Sd. J. D. McLean

Acting Secretary-

E. McColl, Ezq-

Inspector of Indian Agencies-

Winnipeg-

Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

ral.

4646-6 old

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

156054

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 7 1897

Ottawa, 6th May, 1897.

5284

Memo. for Acting Secretary.

Respecting the application of John Sandison, of East Selkirk, Man., to purchase 5 acres of land on Lot 244, St. Peter's Reserve, the Minister directs that Mr. Forget be written to in the matter and asked to have a valuation furnished the Department. The Minister is disposed to favourably consider Mr. Sandison's application.

LAND BRANCH
MAY 8 1897

J. A. Smart

Private Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

~~5084-~~ 4646 6

Ottawa 11th May 1897-

Sir-

An application has been received from Mr. John Sandison of East Selkirk, Manitoba, to purchase 5 acres of land on Lot 244 St. Peter's Indian Reserve, and I am directed by the Minister to request you to obtain and furnish the Department with a valuation of this piece of land.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Acting Secretary-

Sam Lo
WAD

A.E.Forget, Esq-

Indian Commissioner,

Regina-

N.W.T.-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-6 red

Address Reply
"The Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM. 160566 LETTER.....

FILE 252727.

Department of the Interior,

ACCOUNTANTS AUG 23 1897 BRANCH. ACCOUNTANT

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUG 21 1897

Ottawa, 19th August, 1897.

Sir,

Referring to Mr. Reed's letter to this Department of the 8th January, 1896, Ref. 4646/6, I am directed to request you to advise me of the result of your correspondence with the Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Mr. John Sandison, of East Selkirk, Manitoba, the father of Mary Sandison, whose claim to Half-breed scrip cannot be finally disposed of until her certificate of discharge from Treaty, which, Mr. Sandison says, has been issued, has been fyled here, has recently written to the Minister in this matter.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Exd

6/6

252727

Ottawa, 1st Sept. 1897.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 19th Ultimo, I beg to transmit herewith a copy of the certificate of discharge from Treaty issued to Mary Sandison on the 13th July, 1896, and to state that the original was sent by the Indian Commissioner on that date to Mr Inspector McColl for transmission to her.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of the Interior.
Ottawa,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

87 & 92

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 14th March 1895

MEMO. To T. Rothwell Esq.

I send you with this file 4646-6 containing correspondence on the subject of claim of John Sandison to lot 244 St. Peters.

S. Stewart

17/3/98

S. Stewart Esq Indn Dept Ref Q'y The other day when you were in my office I was certain that I saw file 174625 of this Dept attached to this file. Did you detach it? Please reply & send this file back to me. T.G. Rothwell

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

168785

Page 305 } ~~Copy~~ Governor General Sir
Sir John Young
to Bishop Tache

History of the administration of the Earl of Dufferin }

Ottawa Feb 16 1870.

46E105

Part of the copy of a letter adressed to Bishop Tache. The people may rely that respect and attention will be extended to the different religious persuasions that title to every description of property will be carefully guarded and that all the franchises which have ~~which~~ subsisted or which the people may prove themselves qualified to exercise shall be duly continued or liberaly conferred. In declaring the desire and determination of Her Majesty's Cabinet, you may safely use ~~use~~ the terms of the ancient formula that right shall be done in all cases. &c &c

(Signed) John Young.

Right Rev. Bishop Tache }

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6).

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - C

Dear Sir East Selkirk Feb. 4th 1898

I would respectfully request your hon. to give me the satisfaction or to give me the information regarding my rights that is about Lot (244) St. peters as I have requested your liberal government to give me the chance to purchase 2 or 3 acares of land in said Lot 244 in front of the Red River the reason I say I have a right because I have held the said Lot 244 in the parish of St peters prior to the transfer to the Dominion of Canada but under the circumstancis I was compeled to sale the improvements as I could not do better under the then existing authorities which it was very unjust you are aware of the late Torry administration how things was so crucked I send you the copy from the imperial British cabinet you will see the part of a copy of a letter adressed to the late right Rev. Bishop Tache, by Sir. John Young, Governor General of Canada

Rec'd 1/3/98 R

I would moreover respectfuly pray your Hon. to consider my claim for the sum $50 fifty Dollars for compensation to the said damages caused by the Railway Co. that is according to the Indian Act

(Signed) John Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Address reply
"The Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

BB 3 168735 LETTER 464105

FILE 288544

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 22nd 18th March, 1898.

DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 30 1898

INDIAN BRANCH MAR 28 1898

Sir,

I am directed to transfer, herewith, a letter which was received here upon the 28th ultimo from Mr. John Sandison, with regard to several matters which have been the subject of correspondence between him and the Department of Indian Affairs for many years.

I am also to return, herewith, two of the files, No. 174625 of this Department, and No. 4646 No. 6, of your Department, which relate to the same subject and which you sent over to this Department several months ago with a number of other files relating to the unsettled claims to lands within the Parish of St. Peters which are being considered here at present.

The Deputy Minister promised Mr. F.W.Colcleugh of East Selkirk, who saw him some days ago with regard to Mr. Sandison's claim, that it would receive prompt consideration, and I am to request you to prepare immediately, for the Deputy Minister's signature, a letter to Mr. Colcleugh setting out the present position of this case.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa,

Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

Ottawa 23rd March 1898-

Sir-

In regard to the claim of Mr.John Sandison in respect to the property on the St.Peter's Indian Reserve, Province of Manitoba,about which you saw me some days ago, I beg to say that,as promised,I have had this matter looked into and find that Mr.Sandison was an occupant of Lot 244 on the St.Peter's Reserve,which Lot,along with others adjoining it,was surrendered by the Indians on the 7th August 1875 to be sold for their benefit as a Town site.

It appears that Sandison was one of the trespassers on this Reserve,being a half-breed who withdrew with his family from Treaty in 1886.

After a very considerable amount of correspondence through Mr.Inspector McColl of Winnipeg,it was finally decided in April 1893 to allow Mr.Sandison the sum of $150.00 in full compensation for his improvements on the Reserve and on the 5th May 1893 he,along with John S. Sandison and Josiah Sandison,signed a document stating that they were half-breeds,who had been admitted into Treaty as members of the St.Peters Band of Indians,but voluntarily withdrew therefrom in 1886,in order to participate in the half breed scrip,granted by the Government in compensation of all claims under Treaty stipulations and admitted the receipt of payment of the sum of $150.00 and

F.W.Colcleugh,Esq-
East Selkirk,
Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and relinquished all claims to any lands and improvements made on this Reserve or the portion of it surrendered to the Government for a Townplot at East Selkirk.

In view, therefore, of the fact that compensation was made to Mr. Sandison for improvements on the Reserve and the claim thus finally disposed of, it is not possible to re-open this matter.

I may say that Mr. Sandison has made application to purchase five acres of this Lot upon which are situate the improvements above referred to and the question of disposition of the same is under consideration.

Your obedient servant

(Sgd) J. D. McLean
Acting Deputy Minister
~~Secretary~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Please prepare a letter in case of this for F.W. Colebrook

Eastern Selkirk Feb. 4th 98

F.W. [illegible] Esqr
Mayo
Selkirk

Dear Sir

I would respectfully request your liberality to convey our sentiment before the Dominion House of Commonse at Ottawa. That it is our duty to tooke after our interest as natives of the contry as I am af age to know about my rights as I had no voice during the revocation of the Treaty made by my parents in the year 1886 not since the above date I did participate the Treaty money to this day I therefore respectfully humbly request you Hon day my complents before the Lisbal authorities Josiah Sandis

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor -

Mr Goodeve

476492

DIEU ET MON DROIT CANADA

DEPT OF THE INTERIOR JUN 3 1898 OTTAWA

House of Commons

Ottawa 31st 1898 189

JUN 4 1898 RECEIVED

James A. Smart Esquire
Dep. Minister Interior
Ottawa

464085

Dear Sir

I beg to enclose herewith a short letter from Mr John Sanderson of East Selkirk. You doubtless will remember me, leaving with you early last Feby, a communication from the same gentleman, in which, amongst other requests, he asked to be allowed to purchase an acre or so of the lot on which he now resides. — If you can arrange this matter to suit him — I would be much pleased, and it would be a good stroke of P. Policy as well. — — If you would be good enough to consider this matter and announce your decision either by letter addressed to him at Selkirk P.O. or to me at 139 Albert St Ottawa. I will be obliged

I have the honor to remain
Dear Sir
Your Obedient Servant
F. W. Colclough

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

Poor - Copy.

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 6 Red

LETTER

Address your reply "To the Secretary Department of the Interior Ottawa."
Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

MEB 172821 FILE 476492.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 24th June, 1898.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 25 1898

LAND BRANCH JUN 27 1898

Enc.

Sir,

Referring to the Departmental letter of the ~~18~~ 22th March last, 464105 on 288544, I am directed to enclose you herewith Fyle 476492 of this Department, embracing futther communications from Mr. F. W. Colcleugh and Mr. John Sandison in regard to the latter's claim.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

J. D. McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646/6-

EXC.

Ottawa 28th June 1898-

Sir-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st Ultimo addressed to the Deputy Minister of the Interior, enclosing a communication from John Sandison in relation to his claim respecting property on the St. Peters Reserve and in reply beg to enclose copy of a letter addressed you on the 23rd March last in this matter, which I take from your letter, you have not received.

In regard to Mr. Sandison's desire to purchase a piece of land on this Reserve, I have to request that you will kindly ask him to communicate with Mr. Indian Commissioner Forget of Winnipeg, who has been asked to make a valuation of the piece of land applied for by Mr. Sandison.

A.N. Mn

Your obedient servant

A. N. M[illegible]

WAO

ASST. SECRET

F.W. Colcleugh, Esq.,

Selkirk,

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 6 Red

Office of the

181809

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 7 Mch. 1899. 189

INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 11 1899
DEPARTMENT OF

4646/6

Sir,

BRANCH
MAR 13 1899

Referring to the last paragraph of your letter of the 23rd.March 1898,addressed to Mr.F.W.Colcleugh, of East Selkirk, stating that the Department had under consideration the application of Mr.John Sandison to purchase five acres of land on Lot 244 on the St. Peter's Reserve, which was surrendered by the Indians to the Government for a Townplot at East Selkirk,I beg to state that Mr.Sandison called recently at this office and requested to be informed as to the decision arrived at by the Department. As this question appears to have been dealt with by the Department direct,I am not in a position to advise Mr.Sandison in the matter, and I would be glad if you would tell me what answer to give him.

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

Ottawa 14th March 1899-

Sir-

Referring to your letter of the 7th Instant, No 128/28, regarding the application of Mr. John Sanderson, to purchase 5 acres of land on Lot 244 St. Peter's Reserve, I beg to refer you to Letter addressed your predecessor on the 11th May 1897, in which he was requested, by direction of the Minister, to obtain and furnish the Department with a valuation of the five acres of land which Mr. Sandison desired to purchase.

I have, therefore, to request that you will obtain this valuation and forward same to the Department, when the question of sale of property applied for by Mr. Sandison will receive due consideration.

I have the honour to be

Sir-

Your obedient servant

D. O. McLEAN

Secretart-

Jom L
WAO

The. Hon. David Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

~~Regina~~, Winnipeg

~~N.W.T.~~.- Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 6

182319

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories.

Winnipeg, 23 Mch. 1899. 189

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 28 1899

4,646/6.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the I4th.instant,regarding the application of Mr.John Sandison to purchase five acres of land on Lot No.244,St.Peter's Reserve,I beg to state that the file of papers from the late Regina Office relating to this matter cannot be found here, and therefore I am unable to refer to Department's letter of the IIth.May I897 quoted in your letter, as to the valuation of the land which Mr.Sandison desires to purchase. Mr.Inspector McColl places the valuation of the land surrendered for a townplot at five dollars ($5.oo) per acre,provided the purchasers buy the whole of a lot, but in the case of Mr.Sandison, he suggests that ten dollars ($I0.oo) per acre be charged for the five acres desired, as he would be selecting the best portion of the lot, and have the benefit of the land improvements for which he has already received compensation from the Department.

I agree with Mr.McColl in this matter and would recommend that $I0.oo per acre be charged Mr.Sandison for the five acres in question.

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646/6-

MEMORANDUM

To the Secretary:-

Ottawa 29th March 1899-

In regard to letter of the 23rd Instant from the Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg in relation to the application of Mr. John Sandison to purchase five acres of land on Lot 244 St. ~~Regis~~ Peters Reserve, which Lot is included within the tract surrendered in 1875 to the Crown by the St. Peter's Band of Indians to be sold for their benefit, I beg to refer to Mr. McKenna's Memo of the 6th May 1897 and in view of the Commissioner's report to recommend that Mr. Sandison be allowed to acquire the five acres applied for at the rate of $10.00 per ~~ac~~ acre, upon his furnishing a description sufficient for identification of the five acres on the Plan of St. Peter's Reserve in the Department.

LAND BRANCH APR 6 1899

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

Ottawa 7th April 1899-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 23rd Ultimo,No 128/28,in relation to the application of Mr.John Sandison to purchase five acres of Lot 244 St.Peter's Reserve,I am directed to inform you that you may allow Mr.Sandison to purchase the five acres applied for by him at the rate of $10.00 per acre,upon his furnishing within one year a description by metes and bounds,sufficient for identification of the land purchased,on the Plan of the St.Peter's Reserve.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant

E.D.McLEAN

Secretary-

The Hon.David Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg,

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

182765

East. Selkirk April 3d 1899.

To the Hon.
W. F. d. Laurier
Prime Minister
of the Dominion

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APR 8 1899

Dear Sir

The petition of the under-signed humbly sheweth that your petitionor respectfuly request your Hon. to urge your Government to give me the privelige to pourchase 5 acares Lot 244 withen the mile squair south of St. peters - St. peters Indian Reservation said Reservation - before the transfer was called S.T. peters Indian Settlement the Chief of S.T. peters Pigwes and his son Henry Prince, have sold Land preour to the transfer to the Dominion of Canada, under the authority of the then exesting authorities by the name of the Hudsons Bay Company.

your petitionor was oblige to relinquise all claim Lot (244) in the so called Indian Reserve of S.T. peters The late Conservative Government, was bound to evi-ct me out of my possession ancy way

your petitionor was well aware the unjust act taken by the late authorities of the Dominion. when the surrender to the Government took place we ware told to go down further outside of the mile squaer we then left our homs and improvements commencing to build and to cultivate land shoon after we had to revoke the Treaty dated 1886 again we were told to leave our locations we then came to our Lot (244) expecting to get patents for our land but without success although the manitoba Act declairs anny person who had peacable possession was entitled of a patent also the British cabinet was ratifed by Her. Majestees Government. dated 1870 our reghts has been treated with contumely this long time

(Signed) John Sandison.

Should the Federal authoreties refuse to Sanction said petition I will refund the $150 one hundred and fifty dollars to the Department

that is if the if the Dominion Gov. will gaarantee to issue a patent in my favour

J. Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

Ottawa 8th April 1899-

Sir-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 3rd Instant, addressed to the Prime Minister and which has been transferred to this Department, in relation to your desire to purchase five acres on Lot 244 St. Peter's Indian Reserve and in reply to inform you that the Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg was instructed yesterday to allow you to purchase the five acres applied for at the rate of $10.00 per acre, upon your furnishing, at your own expense, a description of the land by metes and bounds sufficient for identification of the property on the Plan of St. Peter's Reserve.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

John Sandison, Esq.,
East Selkirk,
Man.-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-6

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

185035 Winnipeg, 30 May 1899. 189

185035

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

4646/6

LAND BRANCH
JUN 3 1899

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 7th.ultimo, I beg to state that the Chief and some of the Councillors of the St.Peter's Band are doubtful as to the exact western boundary of the land known as the "Mile Square" which was surrendered by the Indians to the Government for a Townplot at East Selkirk, and I would be glad if you would kindly have this plot of land marked in red on the enclosed plan of the reserve, so that it can be conveniently identified.

Lots 236 to 246 inclusive surrendered 7 Aug. 1875. marked as requested 5 June 99 T.D.G.

Kindly return the plan as soon as convenient.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

SECRETARY TO THE INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

N.B. 5.6.99
An incorrect line was run as a trial line between lots 234 and 235 to connect the re-survey of the rear line with that of the River front. This line run is not the boundary of the surrendered portion nor is it the correct line between lots 234 and 235.
T.D.G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

Dxd

Ottawa, 5th June, 1899-

Sir,

In accordance with your request of the 30h Ultimo, No. 128 /28, I beg to return herewith, the plan with the land known as the "Mile Square" located thereon. The land, as you will observe, consists of Lots 236 to 246 inclusive, which were surrendered 7th August, 1875.

It would, perhaps, be well to note that a line run somewhere near the boundary between Lots 234 & 235, by Mr. Green in the recent survey, was simply a trial line, and is not the boundary between the said two Lots, and, of course, should not be mistaken for the boundary of the "Mile Square".

J.D.

war

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

The Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

East Selkirk June 20th 1899

The Prime Minister of the [redacted]

DEPT OF THE INTERIOR
CORRESPONDENCE
JUN. 20. 1899
REGISTRY

186004

Dear. Sir.

I would respectfully inform your Hon. that in compliance with instructions given from the department Lot 244 in the parish of St. Peters otherwise called Indian Reserve that said Lot [redacted] had been surveyed by a legal surveyor 2 weeks ago also a discription of the Land by metes and bounds sufficient for identification of the property on the plan of St. Peters's Reserve. all on my expenses.

I did send the ($ 50 00) fefty Dollars to the Indean office in Winnepeg, to satisfy demands of the department no doubt you have seen the money and all the papers relative said Lot 244 I would humbly pray your Hon. to answer my humbel communication.

(Signed) John Sandison.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

186442

524526

In case your Government's refusal to sanction or in other words to give me the privilege to purchase said Lot 24 in the parish of S. Peters from the Red River or Red River in accordance to my agreement with your government as I have all the documents relative to said agreement to said Land I should think the government has a right to pay the Surveyor any how because the Indian department authorized me to get Mr Bouchatte to survey said Lot 24 in the parish of S. Peters C. John never made improvements or never locate nuther to purchase land and yet he is living within said Mile Square and no word said about him by our Government

I and John Cochrane where residing said River or Red River when the Mile Square was surrendered this will throw some light in your way

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3680, File 1/4-5)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

523686
4646(6)

524526

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
CORRESPONDENCE
JUL 3 1899
REGISTRATION BRANCH
OTTAWA

East Selkirk June 1899

186442

Dear Sir

I am at a loss to understand the answer sent me by the Indian Department regarding the Land Lot 244 in the parish of St. Peters, from the River front said locality has been surrendered by the St. Peters Band of Indians which I send the copy as I have the original written by Mr Muckle the then Indian agent at the time said copy or letter will explain itself said Reseserve or mile squaer has been surrendered from the Red River. the time of the Revision of the Treaty said Lot 244 I have bought and paid in accordance to then regulations made by the then existing authorities prior to the transfer to the Dominion of Cannada also I have made improvements fefore the Dominion government took the contry I have witness to prove the only one thing I have to say I had to remove further down because I hd no peace with the treaty people after the surrender of the mile squair from the River truth is always truth When I first made an application to pourchase said lot I did mention the said Lot 244 from the River another thing I got instructions from the Indian Department to get a legal surveyer Mr Bouchette I have undergoing a big expences this long time I was told said departm after the said Lot would be surveyed that I would send the money to pay for th 5 acers at $ 10 00 per acre which did send the $50 00 to the Indian office said lot was disputed before that time I took the ($50 00) fifty wolt to the Indian office the Department in Win as I have said in the above after the sur it would be all right please answer shortly so that I may know what steps to take

(Signed) John Sandison

LAND BRANCH
JUL 6 1899

Dear Sir

I regret to inform your Hon. that if your Government do not pay any attention to my request or to invaledate my right to purchase Land from the R Red River where I first made improvements before the transfer I do not want to purchase Land from the Department in other locality

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646/6 old.

Ottawa 7th July 1899-

Sir-

I beg to enclose copy of a communication from Mr.John Sandison,with reference to the portion of Lot 244 St.Peter's Reserve,which you were instructed,by letter of the 7th April last,to allow him to purchase at the rate of $10.00 per acre,upon furnishing a Plan thereof,and beg to request that you will kindly favour the Department with a report in the matter.

Your obedient servant

J.D. McLEAN

Secretary-

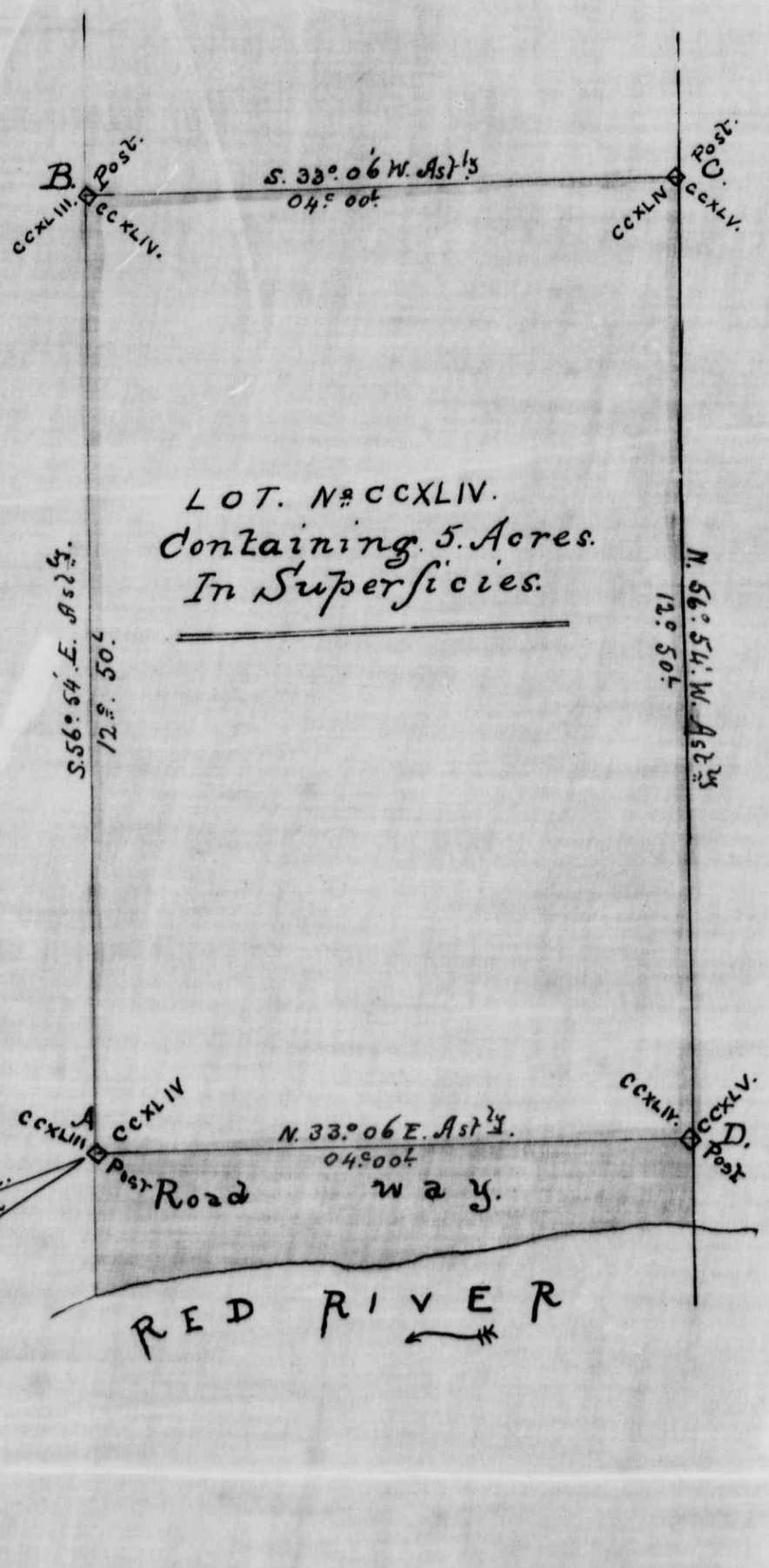
The Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg, Man.-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

187053



PLAN
of Part of Lot Nº 244.
On East Side of
RED RIVER.

Scale 2. Chs to 1. Inch.

Surveyed by
C. J. Bouchette
D. L. S.

Reference { — 5. Acres inclosed within Lot Nº 244.

Selkirk West
11th June 1899.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4/46-1)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

187053

I28/28

--Copy--

Selkirk West.

IIth.June I899.

John Sanderson, Esquire.

Farmer.

Sir,

I beg to transmit to you the plan of survey of part of Lot No.244, St.Peter's Parish, situate on the East side of the Red River, containing(5 A) five acres in superfices, as per annexed plan, also the metes and bounds of said lot, viz:- Commencing at the North Western corner of said Lot as at A. on the annexed plan, between Lots Nos.243 and 244 according to the settlement belt survey. From thence I ran the division line between said lots on the bearing S.56 degrees 54 E. Astronomically, the distance of (I2 c.50 L) twelve chains and fifty links, where I planted a post for the N.Eastern corner of said Lot as at B.on the annexed plan. From thence on the bearing S.33 degrees 06 W. ast'ly the distance of (04 c.00 L) four chains being the perpendicular breadth of said Lot, where I planted a post for the S.Eastern corner of said Lot, as at C. on the annexed plan. From thence on the bearing N.56 degrees 54 West ast'ly and parallel to A.B. the distance of (I2 c.50 L) twelve chains and fifty links, where I planted a post for the S.Western corner of said Lot as at D. on the annexed plan. From thence again on the bearing N. 33 degrees 06 E. ast'ly and parallel

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

187053

to B.C. the distance of (04 c.00 L) four chains to the point of commencement at A. on the annexed plan, where I terminated the survey of part of Lot No.244, containing (5 A) five acres in superfices.

I beg to remain, Sir,

Your most obedient,

sgd. C.J. Bouchette.

D.L. Surveyor.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-6 old

187053

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

Winnipeg, 12 July 1899. 189

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

4646/8 Old.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 15 1899

LAND BRANCH
JUL 18 1899

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 7th. instant, I beg to state that Mr. John Sandison was advised in accordance with your letter of the 7th. April last that the Department would allow him to purchase a portion of Lot 244 St. Peter's Reserve, on the terms mentioned. Shortly afterwards Mr. Sandison called at this office and offered the purchase money for the five acres of land he desired to acquire, but I refused to accept it until he would file a plan thereof, and warned him to be careful not to survey outside of the land surrendered as the Indians had previously reported that Mr. Sandison was making improvements on land which they claimed as part of their reserve, and to discontinue all operations thereon.

He then employed the late Mr. Surveyor Bouchette to make the necessary survey and he transmitted to this office the plan with a cheque for $50.00, the price of the land, but it was found that, as stated by the Indians, the land laid out is not situated within what is known as the "Mile Square", but lies between Cook's Creek and the Red River which still forms part of the reserve. I made enquiries from Mr. Bouchette to ascertain the exact location of the land surveyed and he informed

The Secretary
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

informed me that according to the description of the "Mile Square" furnished him by this office, Mr. Sandison had certainly made him survey outside of it. I therefore advised Mr. Sandison accordingly, returning the plan and the $50.00 remitted, and notifying him to cease all operations in the way of buildings, improvements, &c., on the land in question, and to have a similar area surveyed on Lot 244 in the "Mile Square", if he still desired to purchase land in that locality. I have heard nothing direct from Mr. Sandison since.

I herewith enclose a copy of Mr. Bouchette's report and plan of survey.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6

MEMORANDUM.

Ottawa, I8th July, I899-

To Mr. Orr.

In reply to your enquiry on I87 053, I have to say that it evidently was the intention that the Peninsula and Islands in front of Lots 236 to 246 inclusive, in the St. Peter's Reserve, should have been included in the Surrender, as a margin in a letter from Surveyor General J.S. Dennis, of I3th July, I875, says as follows:-

"Lots 236 to 246 both inclusive, in the Parish " of St. Peter, together with the Peninsulas and Islands in "the Red River, in front of the said Lots".

This description was not followed in the Surrender. The Lots only are mentioned, and reference is made to an attached Plan.

The ~~attached~~ referred to Plan shews that the Peninsula and Islands referred to, are coloured blue, in common with the said Lots. I think very little importance should be attached to this point, and I am of the opinion that the Peninsulas and Islands referred to were intentionally not included in the Surrender., consequently the 5 Acres surveyed by Mr. Bouchette at the request of Mr. Sanderson, supposing it to be a portion of Lot 244, is situated in unsurrendered land.

S. Bray

Chief Surveyor-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

187212

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

Winnipeg, 23 June 1899. 189

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Registered.

Sir,

Referring to the piece of land which you desire to purchase from the Department in the "Mile Square" St.Peter's Parish, I beg to say that the report and plan of survey prepared by Mr.Surveyor Bouchette for you has been received,but I regret to state that the 5 acres of land he surveyed for you are not situated in the "Mile Square", but lie West of it in the St. Peter's Reserve. As this land has not been surrendered by the Indians and still forms part of the Reserve it cannot be sold to you. I have therefore to request you to kindly cease all operations in the way of buildings,improvements, &c. on the land surveyed by Mr.Bouchette, and have a similar area surveyed on Lot 244 lying within the "Mile Square", if you still desire to purchase land in this locality.

The land known as the "Mile Square" consists of Lots 236 to 248 inclusive, and Cook's Creek is the Western boundary. Consequently the land betweer the Red River and Cook's Creek forms part of the St.Peter's Reserve.

I herewith return the surveyor's report and plan, as well as your cheque for $50.00.

Please see Mr.Bouchette in the matter.

Yours truly,

J.B. Lash

Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

Mr.John Sandison,
East Selkirk.
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

187212

No. 4646/6-

East Selkirk July 12th 1899

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. JUL 19 1899

Sir W. W. Laurer Prime Minister of the Women

Dear Sir-

In reply to a letter dated 27 June /99 In compliance with instructions from the federal and also from the local Indian Department at Winnipeg I have don every thing to satisfy the Dominion Government in accordance to my agreement with your Government and I there fore send you the description that is papers regarding Lot 244 in the paresh of S.t. peters

I went up to Winnipeg on the 31st. of May to pay for the land I took the $ 50 00 fefty Dollars but the secretary refused to take the money untill the Land would be surveyed by Mr Bouchette and after that I would send the money to the Indian office by mail I did according to instructions it cost me very much this long time Said $ 50 00 has been in the Indian office for sum time and all the papers in reference to said claim of land

As for Mr Bouchatte surveyor he is diad about a week after the survey he made therefore he cannot write to the Department but you will see his papers it is not long since I send the papers to explain itself

I would humbly pray your Hon. to press or urge your subordinate officials to satisfy the demandes of the said agreement

Signed John Sandison.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

E3u.

Ottawa 20th July 1899-

Sir-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th Instant, addressed to the Premier, and which has been transferred to this Department, in regard to land situate on Lot 244 of the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, which the Department decided to allow you to purchase some time ago.

I may say that a report in this matter has been received from the Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg, in which he points out that the portion of land, containing 5 acres, which you had surveyed, is not situated within the limits of Lot 244 and consequently it could not be disposed of.

The Plan forwarded under cover of your letter shows the five acres surveyed by Mr. Surveyor Bouchette to be situate on the Red River, between it and Cook's Creek, which portion of land still forms a part of the Indian Reserve.

As indicated in letter addressed you by the Indian Commissioner, it will be necessary to have a survey made of five acres within the limits of Lot 244, which you may desire to purchase.

Your obedient servant

S. STEWART

Secretary-

John Sandison, Esq.,
East Selkirk,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

88490

Office of the

Inspector of Indian Agencies,

LAKE WINNIPEG INSPECTORATE,

In your reply refer to

No......

Also to the date of this letter.

Winnipeg, Man., May 6th *1899*

Ref......*letter, No.*.....*of the*.....

Wm. Richard Sandison

Sir,

I am in receipt of yours of the 2nd Inst. and have to inform you that the Department does not wish to sell such a small quantity of land as you want to purchase namely one acre.

Yours Truly

Ernest Cook

Inspector.

This document will through sum light regarding the mile square because Richard Sandison has made an appecation for from the River. not from the creek John Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sir. Wd.
Laurier
Prime
Minister
of the Dom.
of Canada

188490

East Selkirk Aug. 14th 1899

Dear Sir.

I take the opertunity to let you know your Hon. that in compliance with instructions geven to me by the Indian department I have performed in every way to satisfy the demands of my agreement with the Dominion authorities I regret to say but without sucess I I send your Hon. the 2 copies relative to the surrender of the mile squair besides I have witnesses to prove when the mile squair was surrendered it was from the Red River front I was there myself

Sir I have undergoing a great expencis to get the Lot 244 the so called S. t. Peters Indian Reserve. your petitioner not only occupied but bought legaly also made improvments before the Transfer to the Dominion of Canada. your pititioner hubly pray your Hon. to urge your subordinates to respect the agreement signed by your officials of the department time would fail me to enumerate all the inactments made by the imperial and the Dominion authorities dated 1870 property of every description to be carefuly guarded irrespective of creed or nationality did said guarantee been fulfilled

Sir I would respectfuly request your Hon. to investigate said dispute regarding the mile squair no doubt Mr Muckle will be abele to give you the information regarding my grievances

I would moreover request your Hon. to urge your subordinats to send me the map of the survey made by the late Mr Boushatte as your officials did not send me the description of the land by metes and bounds sufficient for identification on the plan of the S. t. Peters

the papers I want cost itself $ 5 00 five Dollars itself without the survey

another thing I would request you to let me know about where I am leveing as you will see the following

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

88490

Dear Sir I would inform your Hon. that I was told by the then Indian Agent Wm Muckle to build my House above the Indian Reserve Boundry-line when I was evicted from my hom Lot 244 that in compliance I have made considerable improvements on Lot 11 S.t. Clements that is the name of the place I am locating at present no doubt the Homestade inspector has given the authorities about my application for the 10 acars for my service as a volanteer on as a guarde under cornal Bennes Depuly governor under the Hon. Mcdugal staying at pambna or across the Boundry I did the service to be loyal to Her Majisty the Queen of Great Britton because I heard the Queens proclaemation read at Lower Fort garry. I did not ask the 10 acres but he the Government inspector asked me if I would be Satesfied with the 10 acres I then said yeas I would be satisfied

Your Hombel petitionor would pray your Hon. to give me the liberty to claim 10 or 5 acres and to give me a patent to the said Lot 11 your petitionor will not wish to trouble himself about the Lot 244 in the parish of St. Peters your petitionor have been loyal during your candaleon and I would expect to be treated in accordance your Hum. Petitonor pray your Government consider my humbel petition.

Yours Truly

John Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

88490

Copy

Clandeboye
8th June 1884

Sir

I beg to inform you that in answer to of yours dated 27th Feb. last Indian owners settled on the land surrendered by our Band to the Government need not be disturbed in their occupation until the land would be sold when the then value of the improvements would be aded to that of the ~~[illegible]~~ Indian owner compensated therefore your case would be included in in that category

I am Sir your obed. t. Ser.
A. McNickle
Indian Agent

Wm John Sandison
Wynover Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

Ottawa 23rd August 1899-

Sir-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th Instant,addressed to the Prime Minister,in regard to land on the St.Peter's Reserve,and,in accordance with request made therein,I beg to return you herewith the Plan made by Mr. Surveyor Bouchette,shewing the five acres which you desire to purchase,as well as the description of the surveyor by metes and bounds.

I may say,as regards the other matters referred to in your letter,a copy thereof has been forwarded to the Indian Commissioner for his report thereon.

It would be well,in future,if you would kindly address any communication in connection with the land on the St. Peter's Reserve to the Hon.Mr.Laird,Indian Commissioner,Winnipeg,which will greatly facilitate dealing therewith .

Your obedient servant

J.D.McLEAN

Secretary-

John Sandison,Esq..
East Selkirk,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6-

Ottawa 23rd August 1899-

Sir-

I beg to enclose copy of a communication received from Mr.John Sandison,and accompanying documents,and to ask that you will kindly favour the Department with your views thereon.

I may say that,in accordance with Mr.Sandison's request,Mr.Surveyor Bouchette's plan and description of portion of Lot 244 St.Peter's Reserve have been forwarded direct to him.

Your obedient servant

J.D. McLEAN

Secretary-

The Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Office of the

188928 4 646-6 old

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 30 Aug. 1899. 189

LAND BRANCH
SEP 5 1899

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 22 1899

4646/6

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 23rd.instant, with enclosures from Mr.John Sandison, I can only say that I regret that Mr.Sandison cannot acquire the piece of land that he had surveyed on the St.Peter's Reserve, on account of its being situated outside of the land surrendered for a town-plot; but he is solely responsible for his mistake. Before the survey was made it had been reported that he was making improvements on the land which he wished to purchase and the Indians claimed that this land was outside of the "Mile Square". This was brought to the notice of Mr.Sandison and he was told to be careful not to survey land that had not been surrendered,but, as he states in his letter to The Right Hon.Sir Wilfrid Laurier, he said that he knew where the limits of the "Square Mile" were as he was there himself". We have not on file here the tracing which accompanied the surrender, but as Lot 244 as well as the other lots surrendered for the town-plot do not extend between Cook's Creek, and the Red River, according to the survey, it is assumed that it was not the intention to include the peninsula, where Mr.Sandison surveyed and wishes to purchase.

With regard to Mr.Sandison's statements of his alleged purchase

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

 188928

purchase of the lot in question and the improvements made thereon before the transfer, I beg to state that this matter was fully investigated by Mr. Inspector McColl as will be seen by reference to the evidence transmitted to the Department
84,710 on the 13th. June 1892, the receipt of which was acknowledged
84,368 by Department's letter of the 27th. of the same month - with the result that a warrant was issued for his removal from the
4646/6 Lot. On the 20th. April 1893, cheque No. 5761 for the sum of $150.00 in favour of Sandison was sent to Mr. McColl in compensation for his improvements on the St. Peter's Reserve, on condition that he vacate the reserve, which he did. He was then made to understand that the same was in full payment and satisfaction of all claims which he might have in connection with the St. Peter's Reserve.

It will be seen from the foregoing that Sandison has no claim whatever against the Department.

With regard to his claim to Lot 71 St. Clements, as this Lot appears to be outside of the Indian Reserve, Mr. Sandison should apply to the Agent of Dominion Lands here, who will no doubt be in a position to give him satisfaction.

With regard to the document transmitted from Mr. McColl to Richard Sandison, I beg to say that as Mr. McColl is absent on his tour of inspection, I cannot ascertain whether Sandison applied for land on the peninsula or within the "Mile Square"; but it would appear that Mr. McColl, was under the impression, that it was in the "Mile Square".

As regards the letter addressed by Mr. ex-Agent Muckle, I do not see that it throws any light on the subject. This letter was written to Sandison when he was a member of the St. Peter's Band, and it was not the intention that it would

apply

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

188928

apply to his case after his withdrawal from Treaty. In any case he has since been paid in full for his improvements.

Trusting these explanations will be satisfactory.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ottawa 19th September 1899-

Sir-

In further reference to your letter of the 14th Ultimo,addressed to the Premier,in regard to land on the St.Peters Reserve,I beg to inform you that a report has been received from the Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg,in which it is stated that before the survey of the piece of land desired by you,on this Reserve,was made it had been reported that you were making improvements thereon,which land the Indians claim was situate outside of the"mile square". This fact was brought to your notice andyou were told not to survey land that had not been surrendered

In regard to your statement of alleged purchase of the Lot in question and the improvements made thereon, being No 244 of the Reserve,before the Transfer,I beg to say that this question was fully investigated by Mr.Inspector McColl some years ago,with the result that a warrant was issued for your removal from the Lot. On the 20th April 1893,a Cheque for the sum of $150.00,in your favour,was sent to Mr.Inspector McColl,in compensation for your improvements on the St.Peters Reserve,on condition that you vacated the same,which you did. It is reported that you were then made to understand that the same was in full payment and satisfaction of all claims which you might have in connection with the St.Peters Reserve.

In view of the above facts,it is considered that you

John Sandison,Esq.,
East Selkirk,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

you have no claim whatever against the Department.

In regard to your claim to Lot No 71 St.Clements I beg to state that,as this Lot is situate outside of the Indian Reserve,you should apply to the Agent of the Dominion Lands at Winnipeg,who will,no doubt,be able to give you satisfaction.

For any further information you may desire in connection with land on the St.Peters Reserve,you will kindly communicate with the Honourable David Laird,Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/6

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA.

Ottawa, 22nd July, 1899.

Dear Sir,-

Friends of Mr.C.J.Bouchette, D.L.S., who recently made a survey of a lot on the St.Peter's Reserve for John Sanderson, are anxious to obtain some news regarding the date of his death, which they understand occurred recently.

I shall be glad if you can furnish some information on this point.

Yours truly,

D. J. Stewart

J.B.Lash Esq.,
Indian Office,
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-6

Office of the

189691

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories,

Winnipeg, 25 Sept. 1899. 189

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 1899

In your reply refer to
No. 128/28
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

4646/6

LAND BRANCH SEP 28 1899

Sir,

In further reference to your letter of the 23rd ultimo, with enclosures from Mr. John Sandison, relative to the land in the St. Peter's Reserve surrendered for a town-plot, I beg to state that Mr. Sandison called at this office again in reference to the matter and insists in saying that the land situated between Cook's Creek and the Red River has also been surrendered, and nothing will convince him to the contrary but the description given in the original surrender.

I would therefore request to be furnished with a copy of the original surrender as well as of the plan accompanying it.

Your obedient servant,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 6

Ottawa, 29th September, 1899.

Sir,

In compliance with request contained in your letter of the 25th Instant, No. 128 - 28, I beg to enclose copy of Surrender of the Mile Square in the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, as well as copy of Plan attached thereto.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

Hon. David Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg,

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 6 copy?

209935

MAR 6 1901

Clandeboye
8th June 1884

Sir.

I beg to inform you that in answer to of yours dated 27th Feby last, that Indian owners settled on the land surrendered by your Band to the Government need not be disturbed in their occupation until the land would be sold, when the then value of the improvements would be added to that of the land and the Indian owner compensated therefor

Your case would be included in that category.

I am
Sir
Your obedt Servt.
A. McMuckle.
Indian Agent

Mr John Sanderson.
Dynevor P.O.
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

The | East Selkirk Feb. 26th 1901 Man.

LAND BRANCH MAR 8 1901

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAR 1901

Dear Sir

I The undersigned do respectfuly pitition your Hon. to consider the validity of the Cook family also to the Cochrane family as I am requested by the said parties to to act as the power of attorney on their behalf or their respective righ for compensation for their improvements your humble pitition were the first Neighbours to said parties mentioned to the ab I would respectfuly pray your Government to satisfy the s parties interested Mr. George Cook, Son of the late Baptist Cook made an application since last year before the Indian Comm Commissioner but it has been in abeyance this long time and so is Henry Cochrane and the rest of the family

Your humble pititionor would therefore expect your fa favorable consideration to the parties named

I have written to our represetative Hon. — McCreary to the same effect no doubt your Hon. have seen my communic on to said member in parliment

Your pititionor believe ($150) one hundred dollars compensati the Cook family would be satisfactory althoug it would exsu ud more because the House was all lumber besides cul elevation your Hon. are aware dureing the Torry administra peaseable people were evicted from their homes under the ity of the Indian department which your pititionors consider pression inflicted by said Government.

Send the doccument signed by the then Indian Agent — Buckle signed by his own hand relative to said rights it is the expectation of your pititionor to answer my request to your Hon. or to comply said pitition is the expectation of your humble pititionor

y part
vements
pensated
mo ($150)
red dollars

John Sandison

Your pititionor will ever pray for

(Signed) John Sandison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Ottawa 11th March 1901-

I beg to enclose copy of a communication received from Mr.John Sandison, in regard to a claim [redacted] by the Cook and Cochrane families for compensation for improvements on the St.Peter's Reserve, and to ask that you will kindly have the matter looked into and favour the Department with a report thereon.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

Hon.David Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg,

Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646-1 BLACK

FILE NO. 4646

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S JAS. MONKMAN'S CLAIM

VOLUME

FROM

TO

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Item	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For C.R. Use

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 464/-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 444/-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

Sept-3-95

Ltr 15-5-97.

No. 4646 11-7

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

St Peters.

Jas Boukmans Claim.

ACTION.

ACTION.—*Continued.*

7A attached

BLACK

125/30

4646-7

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646--7

Copy.

Peguis Post Office,
January 8th, 1895.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 26th, in which you state that the Indian title to Lot 14[illegible] St. Peter's was not extinguished till subsequent to the signing of the Treaty.

I beg to state as a whole their title was not extinguished till the signing of the Treaty, which is a proof that the Chief had the same competent jurisdiction on private sales prior to the signing of the Treaty to the Dominion Government. That is exactly my argument, and bears out my application. I don't ask for any title to one inch of land purchased after the signing of the Treaty, neither do I ask any favor, I only ask that a patent be issued for said Lot No. 141 St. Peter's being private property by purchase before the signing of the Treaty, in accordance with the laws and regulations of the land before Confederation. You state that this Treaty the Department has to strictly observe. I beg to state that your Department is fully aware of the fact that the corporation of the town of Selkirk has for many years past extended their boundary to Lot No. 16 into the Indian Reservation, and the said corporation have enforced their municipal laws.

The municipal clerk of St. Andrew's Council say that he has been authorized by a prominent official of the Indian Department, Ottawa, to enforce the **Municipal Act** through the St. Peter's Indian Reservation, which said Municipal Council has done by assessing, taxing, and selling patented and unpatented lands very much against the feelings of the Chief Council and Band, though they claim that they have repeatedly stated their grievence before the officials of your Department at Ottawa.

Your Department is aware of the fact that there was land purchased in the St. Peter's Indian Reservation after the signing of the Treaty from men drawing annuity, and was investigated into by the investigating commissioners years ago, and your Department has supported the action of said purchaser up to the present day against the crys of the Chief and Council, which they claim is entirely contrary to their Treaty.

And again you state that the Indians, not having formally signified their relinquishment of the land. In the year 1846 the Hudson Bay Company, being then the Government of the land, sent land surveyors down to their [illegible] the Indian settlement or Chief Peguis settlement, with instructions run two lines from the Red River two miles into the interior, one to be run at the southern boundary of the Pequis settlement, and the other to be run as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

as a side line for the Chief's property. Base lines were started from these lines, in selling to the purchasers years afterwards, and the said side line is recognised to-day as the side line of said property. The Hudson Bay Company authorized Chief Pequis to sell the lands north of the line run at the southern boundary of his settlement at a price set down by the H. B. Co. at £1"0"0 sterling for one chain's breadth running two miles into the interior. And one Judge Tom of the Hudson Bay Company gave to Chief Pequis a document in the form of a deed of sale, of which he gave a copy to all purchasers shewing the amount of land sold to each purchaser. The document read as follows : By a line running parallel to and two miles from the Red River, &c., &c., there is same on file in your Department taken by the commissioners for which they gave receipt at the investigation. This privilege was given to Chief Pequis by the Hudson's Bay Company in the form of a pension for the active part he took with his Indians in defence of the Hudson's Bay Company and the Selkirl settlers at the fight of the Seven Oaks when Governor Simple met his death.

The land in question sold by Chief Pequis was measured with a proper surveyor's chain, and stakes were driven into the ground at the time of punchase, shewing the boundary of road and every purchaser's holdings.

When the Dominion Government surveyors laid out the settlement belt the original boundary of every land owner's property in St. Peter's Parish was respected at our wood lots as well as our farming land. All holdings, stake claims, &c., &c., were regognized in the Bill of Rights before the beginning of any Treaty in Manitoba. I claim that I am rightly and justly entitled to a patent from the Crown for Lot. No. 148 St. Peter's, and will not interfere with the signing of the Treaty. Because the Commissioner Wm Simpson was made aware of the fact by letter in the presence of several prominent gentlemen before the signing of the Treaty. That there was private property in that section of country which was about to be made into an Indian Reserve. That there were residents, owners of land, who had no intention to participate in Treaty. And the commissioners acknowledge the receipt of the letter, which is a proof that he was not ignorant of our holding before the signing of the Treaty. And the Commissioner embodied into the Treaty a clause reserving to Her Majesty certain right, &c., &c. I claim, apart from all other arguments, such clause is sufficient to grant to us our rights and patents to our property, and not interfering with the Treaty. In the case Queen vs Thomas, Exchequer Court, from evidence furnished in the Court His Honour Chief Burbidge felt satisfied that there had been some clear understanding on the subject that he did not wish to detain the Court any longer than necessary, as Mr. Simpson had amply time given him to appear

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

appear before the Court.

And again you state that the Commissioners' recommendation which you have cited could not be carried out. In the case Queen vs Thomas, Exchequor Court, after His Honour and the Court tested and examined the authority, jurisdiction, and the ability of said commissioners, the Court arrived at the conclusion that the commissioners had competent jurisdiction to investigate. And His Honour Chief Justice Burbidge honoured the commissioners by rendering a verdict in Thomas ' favour, as they had done at their investigations.

The commissioners, seeing and understanding our position, considered the absurdity of having to build on our wood lots only one ston~~é~~ thro~~ugh~~ across the Red River, opposite to our other property. We did not intend to build and improve said wood lots, for we wanted to protect and save the wood for fuel, building material, and fence rails. They, knowing our position, being surrounded by the Indian Reserve on all sides, seeing it was utterly impossible for us to live without intruding on the Indian Reservation, and would be deprived them of their rights, which would be an everlasting trouble to your Department. Our property purchased before the transfer has always been respected by the Indians.

There was a seizure made by one Wm Anderson, Timber Inspector, Winnipeg, in Philip Monkman's case, and your Department saw fit to release said seizure. With the rulings that the property in question was not considered a portion of the Indian Reserve but the property of the applicant. Two years afterwards there was another seizure made (through a little personal spite against Philip Monkman on the same property that was released before) without any official authority, ignoring he previous release. Though made acquainted with the fact that has caused all this trouble and expense, and hard telling where it will be ended. Your Government felt so satisfied that the inner two miles was private property and not included into the Treaty that they allowed all the St. Peter's Treaty residents to vote both for the Dominion and local representatives, returning Doctor Schultz twice and Thomas Howard once.

The St. Peter's Treaty party felt so satisfied that their purchased property was not included into their Treaty, because the Commissioner, Mr. Simpson, had so distinctly explained that the Queen had no intention to take anything from them, but to give to them in addition to their one hundred and sixty acres to each family of five.

Mostly every Treaty land owner sold their River lots in St. Peter's to speculators, and the late Archdeacon Cowley and Thomas Howard, seeing how they were selling their property in ignorance, after consulting certain Dominion officials were authorized

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

authorized to petition the Dominion Parliament,

praying that their inner two miles ~~max~~ be enclosed into their Reserve. That Petition was sent to Ottawa very largely signed by calling publick meetings. That was done for the purpose ~~of~~ defrauding land speculators.

If the Government saw fit to protect the Indians in that way against land speculators, it is very unjust for the Government to make the innocent suffer for unjust doing of another.

From the evidence given above your Department will understand that it is not our intention to interfere with the rights of the Indians under Treaty. And we would again ask your Department to reconsider our applications and issue patents for our wood lots.* All coming under the same clause purchases before the transfer. And your humbel servant will ever pray.

*: Nos, 21, 148, 164

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your humble servant,
Jas. Monkman.

To the
Hon. Thos. M. Daly,
Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

P. S. Authorize Dr. Orton to attend to this at Ottawa.

J. M.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646--NO. 7

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, March 15th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter addressed by Mr. James Monkman to the Minister of the Interior, and transferred by him to this Department.

The reason for sending it to you is because upon examination it appears to be a continuation of correspondence between your Department and Mr. Monkman, and to be a discussion of questions which come within the province of your department and not of this.

I beg, however, to point out, with regard to wood lot No. 148, referred to by Mr. Monkman, and which, as you are aware, is one of the lots classified under Schedule D by the Commissioners in their report of 1885, that although this Department appears to have resisted their recommendation and its conditional endorsement by the Minister of the Interior, its views are now changed, and it is desirous that patents should be issued for the lots referred to.

Reference to your letter No. 72,512, of 7th instant, shews the opinion of your Department to be that the issue to claimants in Schedule D of

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Interior,
Ottawa.

N.C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

of patents for their lots on west side of the river, and of scrip in connection therewith, has finally disposed of their claims to wood lots, and that is how the matter stands at present.

This Department, in order to avoid the possibility of confliction, has not replied to Mr. Wonkman's letter, but leaves your department to do so.

Your obedient servant,

/ Sgd / Hayter Reed.

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

6

Address your reply
"To the Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."
Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM.

LETTER

FILE 353392.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 1st June, 1895.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 12th April last, stating that Dr. Orton, who interested himself on your behalf in this matter while in Ottawa a short time ago, informed you that he had been told by some official here that scrip had been issued in lieu of your claim to Lot No. 148, St. Peter's, I am directed to say that your contention that the said lot is part of the "common right" in connection with your land on the west side of the river, and, therefore, should be patented to you, is not tenable for the reason that your said land on the west side has been patented and scrip issued in commutation of any right in connection therewith, which finally disposes of your claim to Lot 148 in St. Peter's Indian Reserve.

I am to add that there has evidently been some misunderstanding in connection with the explanation which, you state, Dr. Orton gave you in this matter, as no scrip has issued in lieu of the said lot, neither is it proposed, nor is it possible, to do so.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

James Monkman, Esq.,
Pequis,
Man.

LYNDWODE PEREIRA
Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

156264

Regina Post Office
April 27th 1897

MAY 12 1897

J. A. Macdonnell M.P.
House of Commons
Ottawa

Sir

This is a question that I wish to bring before the notices of the Government Through you as the representative of this Constituency. and I beg of you to Carefully consider the grievance of the old montreaty residentes of this Reserve. Caused by the late Norquay Government by enforcing the Municipal act inside the boundrys of this St. Peters Indian Reservation. When at that time there was only very few Patents issued

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

You are aware that the Municipal Act was made to suit the Country for home-steaders outside Reserves But in this Reserve where the Montreal residents have had to solely depend upon and await for the decisions of the Department of the Interior with regards to the issue of Patents to our property by the Dominion Government having appointed Commissioners to Investigate into the land titles of 62 Peters The Municipal Council of St. Andrews ignored the Commissioners Investigation and sold Patented and unpat

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

unpatented lands in St Peters at these Tax sales and issued deeds to land speculators and when the Department saw fit to issue Patents after keeping the land claiments in suspense for a great numbers of years the Tax purchaser in several cases became the owner of said lands

For instances in the Case Queen vs Thomas Exchequer Court. Thomas lot had been sold and deeded for Taxes to one Mr Akins Upg several years before the Government saw fit to make that property a test case

Another instances one Jane

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Harper Married a treaty
Indian she becoming a
Member of the band by
getting her annuity. Her
Father at his death left
her a piece of land and it
has been sold for Taxes.
And is inside the boundry
of her Reserve in st Peter.
The Municipal act reads that
land owndly parties drawing
annuity outside the boundry
of there Reserve is liable for Taxes.
June 1880 School Trustees
vs. Ratepayers of Peters
Chief Justice Wood's one
his rulings that the Provincial
School act had no jurisdiction
inside the boundry of the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

St Peters Indian Reservation
and he dismissed the Case.
Every Case of wood seizure
that has come before the Court
by residents of this Reserve
was not tried by the Manitoba
act. we were always Compelled
to abide by the rulings of the
Dominion statutes and
had to pay our dues accordingly
If our property purchased
before the Transfer did not
belong to us untill a Patent
was issued from the Crown.
I cannot understand how
the Municipal Council of St Andrews
Could Collect Taxes from unpatented
lands in this Reserve as they have
been doing heretofore

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Under the circumstances while the non treaty residentes are quite willing to pay our Taxes being surounded by the Reserve property on the West. North and East and by the corporation of Selkirk to the South and not in any way joining on to the Municipality of St Andrews. Could not your Government see fit so to Legislate so to Enforce the advance Indian act into this Reservation so that all Taxable property could be made payable through the Local Indian Agent into the Government Treasury I have no hesitation in saying that before many Years past over our heads there would be

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

more improvement in the next five years then there has been within the last ten years. Because there has been a general dissatisfaction which has been detrimental to the progress of this Reserve.

Because the treaty and non-treaty residents claim that they have been and are imposed upon by outsiders by advantage taken through the late Provincial Government Legislating & enforcing the Municipal act into this Reserve.

Another instance Lot No 109 at Peters has been in dispute for a great Number of years And I understand your

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

8

Government has seen fit to recommend the issue of a Patent to said lot. That lot has been sold for Taxes and bought in by said Municipollity. And Mrs Bird will have to buy her own lot with interest since 1888. I claim this is an injust ices to the land owners, and also puting the Commissioner and Dominion authorities to defiance. There is several instances of the same character in this Parish

Trusting that the Government will see fit to take this matter into favourable consideration in behalf of the resident of the Reserve

I am Sir
Your obt. servt
Jas Monkman

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646/7-

For Mr. Smart 13/5/97

MEMORANDUM

Ottawa 13th May 1897-

The matters referred to in letter from Mr. Monkman come mainly within the purview of the ~~xxxxxx~~ Department of the Interior and, as I understand Mr. Rothwell is looking into certain questions in connection with the St. Peter's Reserve, I think this might be referred to him.

W. Ader

Rec'd 15/5/97 from D.M. J.G.R.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, 17th May, 1897.

Memorandum :- 4646 No.7.
Indian Department.
To the Deputy Minister.

The main question with which Mr. Monkman deals in his letter of the 27th ultimo, to Mr. John A. Macdonell M.P., is one as to the right of the Municipality, in which the lands within the St. Peters Indian Reserve is situated, to sell, under provisions of the Manitoba Municipal Act, any of such lands which are claimed by non-treaty residents of the reserve, and I presume by whites who live outside of the Reserve, but for which this Department has not yet issued letters-patent.

You will see at once that this question is one of grave importance, and one therefore, upon which you should be advised by the Minister or Deputy Minister of Justice.

With regard to those long standing claims of certain white settlers, and non-treaty half-breeds tocertain lots within this Indian Reserve, I have to report that before the commencement of the Session, I considered the claim of Mrs. Annie Bird, referred to by Mr. Minkman, and decided that it was one which warranted the issue of letters-patent to her, under the Manitoba Act for the lot claimed. I so reported to the Minister, and he approved of my recommendation, but I little thought when I was ~~xxxx~~ giving this poor woman the benefit of every doubt, that the land she claimed had been already "sold for taxes and brought in by the Municipality."

I have the files, relative to several other claims to lands within this Reserve, which have been referred to me by the Minister for consideration, but I have been so pressed with other work that for that reason alone it has been quite out of the question to complete my action with any of them.

But I have already made a hurried perusal of a mass of correspondence relating to the claims to lands in St. Peters generally, and the conclusion I have arrived at is that before I take the responsibility of recommend~~xxxx~~ing action with regard to any one of those claims a mode of settlement of all the claims will have to be decided upon.

For upwards of twelve years it has been acknowledged by this Department that there were a number of claims to lands within the boundaries of this reserve which should be granted to the respective claimants, or their legal representatives, and the Minister of the Interior, for the time being, acknowleged the correctness of this postion. On the other

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

other hand the Indian Department in upholding the rights of the Indians, in this Reserve, under their Treaty, took the ground that the claims I have referred to could not be settled as suggested by the Department, without infringing upon the rights of the Indians, and violating the conditions of treaty, and each Minister, who was Superintendent General of Indian Affiars, upheld that view.

Two commissioners consisting of a representative from each Department, have been sent out to settle these claims, and have reported, but as yet many claims are practically where they were twelve years ago.

At the very first possible moment I mean to go into the whole matter thoroughly, but it is utterly impossible to do so until after prorogation.

I think that a copy of Mr. Monkman's letter should be referred to the Deputy Minister of Justice, and that he should be asked to advise you as to the right of the Municipal authorities to tax any unpatented lands within this Reserve and to sell the same for arrears of taxes.

I also think that Mr. Macdonell M.P., might be advised that you have referred the subject of Mr. Monkman's letter to the Deputy Minister of Justice, and also that all unsettled claims to lands within the St. Peters Indian Reserve will be considered and finally dealt with during the present year.

If you concur in this, please send this memo, to the Secretary to have the necessary letters prepared.

T. G. Rothwell

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

y. 4646 (7).

Ottawa, 20th May, 1897.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 5th instant enclosing one from Mr. James Monkman, of Peguis, I beg to say that I am referring the matter to the Deputy Minister of Justice in order that we may be advised as to the right of the Municipal authorities to tax any unpatented lands within the St. Peters Indian Reserve and to sell the same for arrears of taxes. When I hear from him you will be advised of his decision.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) Jno. A. Smart

Deputy Minister.

John A. Macdonell, Esq., M. P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

428513

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
MAY 31 1897
OTTAWA

Copy.

Peguis Post Office,

April 27th, 1897.

J.A.Macdonnell M.P.,

House of Commons,

Ottawa.

Sir,

This is a question that I wish to bring before the notice of the Government through you as the representative of this constituency, and I beg of you to carefully consider the grievance of the old nontreaty residents of this Reserve caused by the late Norquay Govt by enforcing the Municipal Act inside the boundary of this St.Peters Indian Reservation. When there was only very few patents issued you are aware that the Municipal Act was made to suit the country for homesteaders, outside Reserves. But in this Reserve where the nontreaty residents have had to solely depend upon and await for the decisions of the Department of the Interior with regard to the issue of patents for our property by the Dominion Government having appointed Commissioner to investigate into the land titles of St. Peters.

The Municipal Council of St.Andrews ignored the Commissioners investigation and sold patented and unpatented lands in St.Peters at their Tax Sales and issued Deeds to land speculators and when the Department saw fit to issue a patent after keeping the land claimant in suspense for a great number of years the Tax purchaser in several cases became the owner of said property.

For instance in the case Queen vs Thomas, Exchequer Court - Thomas lot had been sold and deeded for taxes to one Mr.Akins Wpg., several years before the Govern ment saw fit to make that property a test case. Another instance one Jane Harper marrying a treaty Indian became a member of the band by getting her annuity. Her father at his death left her a piece of property and it has been s

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

428513

for taxes and is inside the boundary of her Reserve.

The Municipal Act states that lands owned by parties drawing annuity outside the boundary of their Reserve is liable for taxes. June 1880 School Trustees vs Rate-payers St.Peters. Chief Justice Wood gave his ruling that the Provincial School Act had no jurisdiction inside the boundary of the St.Peters Indian Reservation. And he dismissed the case. Know Sir every case of wood seizure that has come before the Courts by residents of this Reserve was not tried by the Manitoba Act. We were always compelled to abide by the rulings of the Dominion Statutes and had to pay our dues accordingly. If our property purchased before the Transfer did not belong to us until a Patent was issued from the Crown, I cannot understand how the Municipal Council of St.Andrews could collect taxes from unpatented lands in this Reserve as they have been doing heretofore.

Under the circumstances while we are quite willing to pay our taxes being surrounded by the Reserve proper on the West, North and East, and by the corporation of Selkirk to the South and not in any way joining on to the Municipality of St.Andrews, could not your Government see fit so to legislate to enforce the advance Indian Act into this Reservation so that all taxable property could be made payable through the Local Indian Agent into the Government. Treasury. I have no hesitation in saying that if this Reserve was put under the Advance Indian Act that there would be more improvements in the next five years than there has been within the last ten years because there is a general dissatisfaction which has been detrimental to the progress of this Reserve. Because the treaty and non-treaty residents claim that they have been and are imposed upon by outsiders. Advantage taken through the late Provincial Government legislation by enforcing the Municipal Act into the Reserve. Another instance, Lot No.109, St. Peter

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

428513

Peters has been in dispute for a great number of years, and I understand your Government has seen fit to recommend the issue of a Patent to said lot. That lot has been sold for taxes and bought in by said Municipality, and Mrs.Bird will have to buy her own lots with interest since 1888. I claim this is an injustice to the land owners, and also putting the commissioners and Dominion authorities to defiance. There is several instances of the same character in this Parish.

Trusting that the Government will see fit to take this matter into favourable consideration in behalf of the residents of the Reserve,

I am, Sir,

Your obed. servant,

'Sd' Jas.Monkman.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

428513

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
MAY 31 1897
OTTAWA.

Copy.

Regina P.O.,
May 1st, 1897.

W.F.MacCreary,

Dear Mac,

I fancy that in copying my last letter to you the other day I got mixed up in the dates in the case. School Trustees vs Ratepayers, Chief Justice gave his ruling in June 1880 and Mrs.Bird's land was sold for taxes the year 1888.

Yours very truly,
'Sd' Jas.Monkman.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

428513

DEPT OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
MAY 31 1897

Winnipeg Man 19th May, 1897 189

Dear Sir,

Enclosed I beg to hand you the original, and also a type-written copy of a letter received a few days ago from James Monkman, of St.Peters, whom you will remember as having acted as Purveyor for the Ballot boxes during the last Election, from the far north down to Selkirk.

Enclos.

I might say that I discussed this question briefly with the Minister while here, and he pointed out the difficulties of moving in the Indian Reserve, so that I do not think we would be able to get at the matter in that way; but the action I think you should advise would be to preclude the Municipalities from taxing any lands within that Reserve, no matter whether they belong to white settlers or not, or whether patented or unpatented. I think the law should be amended so as to make all lands within the Reserve come within the Indian Advancement Act, and be subject to the laws, rules and regulations made by the Chief in Council of the Band. A number of lands have been sold for taxes in there, and as you know that is a great hardship. These people never get the benefit of any Municipal improvements; in fact, being in the Municipality has been a detriment to them right through.

I

John A.Macdonald Esq., M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

428513

Winnipeg Man 189

I wish you would take this up and thrash it out thoroughly with the Deputy Minister, or with the Head of Indian Affairs, and let me know what you think of the subject.

I may write you again in the matter should any new points arise.

Yours very truly,

Jos. W. Bury

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7-

Ottawa 21st May 1897-

Sir-

I beg to submit File No 4646/7 of this Department and to ask that you will be good enough to advise this Dept as to the right of the Municipal authorities to tax any unpatented land within the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, and to sell the same for arrears of taxes.

Your obedient servant

J.D. McLEAN

Acting Secretary-

E.L.Newcombe,Esq-

Deputy Minister of Justice-

Ottawa-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-7

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 8 1898

510/97

175235

Ottawa, 7th September 1898

Mr Reed. Carefully look into this matter. Prepare reply

Jno. Lee

LAND BRANCH SEP 10 1898

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 21st May 1897 (464617) in which you ask me to advise your Department as to the right of the municipal authorities to tax any unpatented land within the St Peters Indian Reserve and to sell the same for arrears of taxes, I beg to state as follows:-

I find that a somewhat similar point was referred to this Department by Mr Reed, the late Deputy Superintendent General, on the 17th February, 1896, the lands then in question being within the boundary of the reserve but not really, except perhaps as to one parcel, forming part of it. They apparently all belonged to non-treaty men, and indeed, with the exception of the one parcel referred to, had been patented to their owners. As to the patented lands, I stated in my letter of the 12th May, 1896, that I saw no reason to doubt that the municipalities within whose limits they were situate had power to impose taxes upon them, but that they probably had not that power in the case of the unpatented parcel. It was not necessary then to decide that point because the question was raised at the instance of the Council of the Band, which submitted that any taxes imposed should be imposed

The Secretary,

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

imposed by it and enure to the benefit of the Band,and it appeared to me that whether or not the muncipalities could impose taxes the Council of the Band had certainly no power to do so.

The lands to which you refer in your letter now under answer are also,it appears,unpatented,but in order to a proper consideration of the question submitted,I shall require some further information with respect to them.

You say that the lands are within the reserve,but I should like to know whether by this you mean that they form part of the reserve or merely that they are within the boundaries of the reserve like those mentioned in Mr Reed's letter of 17th February,1896.

Upon receipt of your letter,I wrote to the Department of the Interior asking for information as to the nature of the title or claim of the occupants of these lands; and,if their claim was under the Manitoba Act,whether it was under the 1st,2nd or 3rd of the subsections of Section 2 of Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes. I was informed in reply that all claims to lands in St Peter's Reserve were made under the provisions of the 3rd subsection of said section 2,that is the provision entitling to letters patent persons who were in undisturbed occupancy prior to and in actual peaceable possession on the 15th July,1870.

Will you please inform me whether the lands in question are claimed under this section,and whether the Department admits the validity of the claims. If they are not so claimed, are they claimed at all,and,if so,under what circumstances and is the validity of the claims to them admitted?

I am,Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E Newcombe

Deputy Minister of Justice.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646/7-

For D.M.

MEMORANDUM

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR RECEIVED SEP 16 1898 OTTAWA

To the Secretary-

PAT. BCH. SEP 15 1898 RECEIVED

Ottawa, 14th September 1898-

I am unable to give the information desired in letter of the 7th from the Deputy Minister of Justice, as all the papers in connection with claims to land on the St. Peters Reserve have been transferred to the Department of the Interior, which Department, I understand, is dealing therewith.

Mr Goodeve
Leave Cook
up the papers
and to Indian Dept

4646/7 W. Wilder
taken away
if I had it not with me
now
JR

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7-

MEMORANDUM.

Ottawa, 28th July, 1903-

To the Deputy Minister,

The letter referred to by Mrs. Sinclair, is on File 4646/II, herewith.

The question submitted by Mrs. Sinclair, as to the right of the Municipal authorities to tax unpatented land within the St. Peter's Reserve, was referred to the Department of Justice on the 21st of May, 1897, and that Department wrote on the 7th September, 1898, for further information which was not given, owing to the file of papers in the matter (4646/7) having been mislaid.

Possibly it might be well to have the legal question referred to, passed on by the Law Clerk. -

W. A. Dee

I think the information asked for of the Dept of Justice should be supplied & the matter dealt with of that dept. [illegible] -

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7-

Ottawa 7th June 1904-

Sir,

Referring to your letter ofthe 7th September 1898,No.510-97-asking for further information in regard to the question of the right of the Municipal authorities to tax any unpatented lands within the St.Peters Indian Reserve in the Province of Manitoba I beg to say that claimsto patents for certain lands in the Reserve have been made to the Interior Department under the Manitoba Act as you have been advised by thatDepartment .

I may say in this connection that for upwards of 19 years it has been acknowledged by the Interior Department that there were a number of claims to lands within the boundaries of this Reserve which should be granted to the respective claimants or their legal representatives,and the Minister of the Interior for the time being acknowledged the correctness of this position. On the other hand,this Department in upholding the rights of the Indians in this Reserve under their treaty took the ground that the claims referred to could not be settled as suggested by the Interior Department without infringing upon the rights of the Indians and violating the conditions

E.L.Newcombe,Esq-
Deputy Minister of Justice-
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

conditions of treaty. Two Commissioners consisting in each case of a representative from each Department have been sent out to settle these claims and have reported, but as yet many claims are practically where they were 19 years ago.

The unpatented lands in question are those situate within the boundaries of the St.Peters Reserve including all claimed as forming part of the Reserve by this Department whether claims have been made therefor to the Interior Department or not.

I shall be pleased, therefore to be advised at your early convenience as to the right of the Municipal authorities to tax any unpatented land within the limits of the St.Peters Reserve and to sell the same for arrears of taxes.

Your obedient servant,

Frank Pedley

Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

HEAP & HEAP,
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
Notaries Public &c.

JAMES HEAP. FRED HEAP, M. A., L. L. B.

LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE 42.

277173

SOLICITORS FOR--
Dominion Bank, Selkirk Branch.
The Rural Municipality of St. Clements
The Rural Municipality of Gimli.
The Rural Municipality of St. Andrews.
The Town of Selkirk.

Selkirk, Man., June 27th, 1905.

JUN 1905

The Superintendent of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa,

Ont.

Sir:-

BRANCH. JUL 4 1905

Re lot 165 St. Peters Parish (claimed by P. Monkman)
Re lot 243 St. Peters Parish(claimed by the executors of John Cochrane)
Re lot 63 St. Peters Parish (claimed by J. Monkman).

We have several times, on behalf of the above-named claimants, and others, applied for Patents, to the Department of the Interior, for the above and other lands, in St. Peters Parish, under the provisions of The Manitoba Act. That Department has declined to deal, with these claims, on the ground of the land, in question, being part of an Indian reserve, and refer us to your Department, stating that the general question, of whether this ground shall be adhered to, as an answer to all claims, for patents, within the Reserve, must first be disposed of, by your Department, before the Department of the Interior, will investigate the merits of any particular claim.

The Reserve, we understand was formed, in the year 1873 or 1874, and if our clients were then entitled, under the provisions of The Manitoba Act, to a Patent, by virtue of actual occupation and possession, on July 15th, 1870, we submit, that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

HEAP & HEAP,
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
Notaries Public &c.

JAMES H[illegible] FRED HEAP, M. A., L. L. B.

LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE 42.

277173

SOLICITORS FOR--
Dominion Bank, Selkirk Branch.
The Rural Municipality of St. Clements
The Rural Municipality of Gimli.
The Rural Municipality of St. Andrews.
The Town of Selkirk.

Selkirk, Man., ... 190

their rights would not be affected, by the formation of the Reserve.

We will be glad, if you will look into this matter, and let us hear from you, as to same, at your early convenience.

Thanking you in anticipation,

We are,

Yours respectfully,

Heap & Heap

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7.

Mr Bray -

Ottawa, 10th July, 1905.

Gentlemen,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo relating to lots Nos. 165, 243 and 63, situated within the limits of the St. Peters Indian Reserve, Man., and to inform you that the question is being looked into, and you will be further advised.

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

Messrs. Heap & Heap,
Barristers, &c.,
Selkirk, Man.

Lot 243 is sold - sale No. 12

63. — 145.95 acres
165 - 36.45 "
243 83.30 "

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4646/7.

Memo. Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, 15th August, 1905.

The Deputy Supt. General,-

With reference to the application made by Messrs. Heap & Heap, Solicitors, Selkirk, Man., that the claims made for Lots Nos. 63, 165 and 243, comprised within the St. Peters Indian Reserve, Man., be taken into consideration by the Department, I beg to state that the Commission appointed to investigate these claims by the respective Departments, Interior and Indian Affairs, reported under date of the 2nd June, 1885.

In accordance with the said report a large number of claims were dealt with. Among the claims that have not been dealt with are to be found the three in question.

Lot No. 63 is reported as being claimed by Jos. Monkman. The result of the investigation, the Commission stated, was to the effect that the weight of testimony shows that there was no one occupying the lot, or had any improvements thereon at the date of treaty. This claim is under schedule B.

The then Deputy Minister of the Interior stated in his report as follows:-

"Schedule B comprises claims made by Indians
" or half-breeds who have been admitted to treaty and are
" receiving annuities, or by persons claiming through those
" parties, and also claims to lots which were unoccupied
" and unimproved at the date of the treaty, which could not
" under the terms of the Commission be entertained."

Agreed

It would, therefore, appear that this claim should not now be entertained by the Department.

Lot No. 165 contains 145. 95 acres. It was

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

was claimed by Philip Monkman as a wood-lot. It was then recommended by the Commission that this lot, which is in schedule D, should be patented to the holders who were actual residents and occupants of farm lots on the west side of the river, at the date of the treaty, and had continued as such. It would, therefore, appear that this claim has a very good foundation.

Lot No. 243 contains 83.30 acres. It is included within the portion of the St. Peters Indian reserve surrendered many years ago. It was sold 4th February, 1903, to Skuli Hansoon. If absolutely necessary, the sale may of course be cancelled.

This claim comes under the head of schedule C. The Commission recommended that no grants of land be made to these claimants, but they should be paid for the improvements they had on their respective claims. Wm. Cochrane was the claimant of No. 243, and his improvements consisted of buildings and five acres cultivated were valued at $750.

It does not appear that any payment was ever made to Cochrane or his heirs. Probably the buildings have, before this, becomre worthless from age. It would, therefore, be unfair to attempt to collect from the pruchaser any sum on account of the said buildings. The claim, if entertained, would require to be paid by the Department from a special vote or fund.

The adjusting of these claims may be the source of loss and serious annoyance to the Indians of St. Peters Reserve. It would appear to be reasonable to set aside all the claims on the plea that they are now, through lapse of time, considered to be elapsed.

I beg to submit for your consideration whether, under the circumstances, these claims are to be entertained by the Department.

L. Bray
Chief Surveyor.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7.

Ottawa, 30th August, 1905.

Gentlemen,-

With further reference to your letter of the 27th June last relating to certain claims to lands included in the St. Peter's Indian reserve, Man., I beg to inform you that Lot. No.63 was reported, by the Commission appointed to investigate these claims in 1885, as being then claimed by Jos. Monkman. This lot is placed in the schedule of claims made by Indians or half-breeds who had been admitted to Treaty, and were receiving annuities, or by persons claiming through these parties, and also claims to lands which were unoccupied and unimproved at the date of the Treaty. This claim cannot now be entertained.

Lot No. 165 was claimed by Philip Monkman as a wood lot. It was then recommended by the Commission that certain wood lots should be patented to the holders who were actual residents and occupants of farm lots on the West side of the river at the date of the Treaty, and had continued as such. It will be necessary for your clients to obtain and file in this Department satisfactory evidence on the said points. The evidence should be in the form of statutory declarations.

J. B.

Messrs. Heap & Heap,
Solicitors, &c.,
Selkirk, Man.

Lot

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lot No. 243 was surrendered some years ago, and has recently been sold by this Department. There appears to have been some improvements on this lot consisting of buildings, and about five acres of cultivated land. The Department will not admit any claim for any land in this lot. In order that a claim may be entertained for the value of improvements, it will be necessary that your clients should make a careful inquiry, and report the facts in full, supported by statutory declarations.

I have to request you to be good enough to communicate with the Hon. David Laird, Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg, Man., to whom you should submit the evidence you may obtain before sending it to the Department, and with Mr. Jas. A. Lewis, Indian Agent, Selkirk, Man.

Your obedient servant,

Signed J. D. McLean.

Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7.

Ex'd.

Ottawa, 30th August, 1905.

Sir,-

Messrs. Heap & Heap, Solicitors, &c., Selkirk, Man., have preferred claims to lots Nos. 63, 165 and 343, in the St. Peter's Indian reserve, Man.

The Department will not entertain any claim to lot No. 63. These gentlemen have been requested to communicate with you and Mr. Jas. A. Lewis, Indian Agent at Selkirk, in connection with claims to the other two mentioned lots. When these gentlemen are ready with their evidence, etc., which they should first submit to you, I shall feel obliged if you will give me your advice in connection with the said claims.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. D. McLean.

Secretary.

Hon. David Laird,

Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER — WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL NAME AND ADDRESS

4646-7

M.C.

Department of the Interior

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA"

Canada.

Refer to No 140085.

283440

Ottawa, November 4th, 1905.

Sir,

Adverting to the claim to Lot No. 63 in the St. Peters Indian Reserve which was made by Mr. Joseph Monkman who assigned it to Mr. R.J.Whitla, I am directed to inform you that it has been decided, upon re-consideration of the case, in view of the fact that Mr. Monkman's claim to the Lot was recommended by the Agent of Dominion Landw, which recommendation was afterwards approved by the Department of Justice, and as such Lot does not appear to be available owing to the fact that it forms part of an Indian Reserve, to permit Mr. Whitla, who purchased the said Lot in 1880 upon the strength of its having been recommended for patent by the local Agent of Dominion Lands, to purchase in satisfaction of his claim to the parcel in question an unoccupied and unimproved quarter section at $1.00 per acre in the Province of Manitoba, Alberta or Saskatchewan out of an even-numbered section open to homestead entry, upon his filing here a Quit Claim Deed to the Crown of all his rights and interest in such Lot.

Your obedient servant,

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, NOV 7 1905 SURVEYS.

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7.

Ottawa, ~~8th~~ 9th November, 1905.

Sir,-

With reference to my letter of the 30th August last, and previous correspondence, I beg to state that a communication has been received from the Department of the Interior to the effect that it has been decided by that Department, in view of the fact that Mr. Monkman's claim to Lot No. 63, in the St. Peters' Indian reserve, Man., was recommended by the Agent of Dominion Lands which recommendation was approved by the Department of Justice, and that this lot does not appear to be available owing to the fact that it forms part of an Indian reserve, to permit Mr. R.J. Whitla, to whom Mr. Monkman assigned his claim, and who purchased the said lot in 1880 upon the strength of its having been recommended for patent by the Local Agent of Dominion Lands, to purchase in satisfaction of his claim to the lot in question an unoccupied and unimproved quarter section at $1.00 per acre in the Provinces of Manitoba, Alberta or Saskatchewan, out of an even numbered section open to homestead entry, upon his filing in that Department a Quit Claim Deed to the Crown of all rights and interest in the said lot.

Form L
S.B.
WAD

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

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

[illegible]

Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7.

Ex'd.

Ottawa, 9th November, 1905.

Gentlemen,-

With reference to my letter of the 30th August last, and previous correspondence, I beg to state that a communication has been received from the Department of the Interior to the effect that it has been decided by that Department, in view of the fact that Mr. Monkman's claim to Lot. No. 68, in the St. Peters Indian reserve, Man., was recommended by the Agent of Dominion Lands which recommendation was approved by the Department of Justice, and that this lot does not appear to be available owing to the fact that it forms part of an Indian reserve, to permit Mr. R.J. Whitla, to whom Mr. Jos. Monkman assigned his claim, and who purchased the said lot in 1880 upon the strength of its having been recommended for patent by the Local Agent of Dominion Lands, to purchase in satisfaction of his claim to the lot in question an unoccupied and unimproved quarter section at $1.00 per acre in the Provinces of Manitoba, Alberta or Saskatchewan, out of an even numbered section open to homestead entry, upon his filing in that Department a Quit Claim Deed to the Crown of all his rights and interest in the said lot.

Your obedient servant,

Messrs. Heap and Heap,
Solicitors, &c.,
Selkirk, Man.

J. D. McLEAN
Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 7

HEAP & HEAP,
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
Notaries Public, &c.

JAMES HEAP. FRED HEAP, M. A., L. L. B.

LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE 42.

SOLICITORS FOR--
Dominion Bank, Selkirk Branch.
The Rural Municipality of St. Clements.
The Rural Municipality of Gimli.
The Rural Municipality of St. Andrews.
The Town of Selkirk.

Selkirk, Man., Nov. 14, 1905.

283897

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 17 1905
SURVEYS

The Secretary,

The Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, Ont.

Sir:- Re your reference No. 4646/7. as to Lot No. 63 St. Peter's Parish.

We have your favor of the 9th inst.

Mr. Whitla's interest being assigned to our client, we presume that the privilege your letter mentions, (namely of buying a Quarter Section at $1.00 per acre) will be available to the latter, upon the filing of a proper Quit Claim Deed with you.

Please let us hear from you as to this, and oblige,

Yours respectfully

LAND BRANCH.
NOV 17 1905

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
NOV 17 1905
SURVEYS.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/7.

Ex. a.

Ottawa, 18th November, 1905.

Gentlemen,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant relating to the claim of Mr. R.J. Whitla to Lot No. 63, in the St. Peters Indian reserve, and to request you to be good enough to communicate and arrange this matter with the Department of the Interior. This Department appears now to have no further interest in the matter.

Your obedient servant,

[illegible]

Secretary.

Messrs. Heap & Heap,
Barristers, &c.,
Selkirk, Man.

Form 10
S.B.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-7)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 & BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE

VOLUME

FROM

TO

LAND CLAIMS

REFERRED TO	BY	REFERENCE	DATE	DISPOSAL PA OR BF			FOR C.R. USE

FILE NO. 4646

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3720, File 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3420, File 466-2)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

Ind. C. 6.7-95
Com. 12 & 95
Ord. 9-9-95

No. 4646 8

ACTION.

ACTION.—*Continued.*

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

1895

125/30

BLACK
4646-8

St Peters Res

3/5 ap

Letter from Interior Dept. with papers relating to claim of Mrs Annie Bird to Lot 609 in Parish of St Peters.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

J.R. Copy. 125948 377134.

West Selkirk, Man. March, 20th, 1895.

To the

Secretary of Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, Ont.

Sir,

Some considerable time ago Annie Monkman, now Annie Bird, made application to your department for a patent for lot 109 of the Parish of St. Peters, which she purchased about fifteen years ago.

We find upon making inquiry of the first purchaser from the Chief in Council- Joseph Donald- that he bought the land from Henry Prince some time during the winter of 1866 & 1867. Donald sold to William McCorrister the following year and McCorrister sold to David Sanders in March 1870. When McCorrister sold to David Sanders in March 1870 he went down to the reserve with Sanders and obtained a Deed in Sanders' name from the Chief in Council for this property. When Donald bought the land he paid the Indians for it and this money has never been returned to him or any one claiming under him. Mrs. Bird purchased from her brother, Albert Monkman, who obtained his title from one Jacob Smith, Smith purchasing from Tacitus Struthers, and he purchasing from Sanders. William McCorrister is dead but Joseph Donald who now resides at Humbug Bay on Lake Winnipeg, and David Sanders

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sanders who purchased from McCorrister and got the Deed from the Chief in Council is still alive.

Albert Monkman brother of Annie Bird and from whom the latter bought, is now in the United States and Mrs. Bird in unable to find his address so that it is impossible for her to produce the deed from the Chief in Coucil to Sanders, but conclusive evidence of its issue can be obtained.

We understand that when the Commission on these affairs sat in 1871 that evidence was taken to the effect that an Indian was in possession at the t time but whether evidence was taken to show how this Indian happened to be in possession or not I cannot say. However the parties interested can show beyond a doubt that the Indian who occupied the house on this property for short dates during a couple of winters, only occupied it on permission from Albert Monkman and never made any claim to the property, and in fact he did not belong to the Peguis reserve at all but came from Fort Alexander. This Indian, John Spence by name, has since died but has one son living, but this son has never made a claim in any way for the property and in fact does not know anything about it. Now if his father had any claim to the property you may be sure the son would also know something about it, but he knows nothing about it whatever.

The Chief and Council were paid for the lot in the winter of 1866 & 1867, Mrs. Bird paid $325.00. for this lot and as she is now in poor circumstances and has a large family to support, you willreadily

see

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

K SAFETY ▲ FILM +

see that it is nothing but fair that she should have the property which she has paid for so well, rather than have it turned over to those who have already been paid for it.

Mrs. Bird has a large number of friends and sisters living in this vicinity who could assist her to some extent if she was near them. I would be greatly obliged if you would take this matter up and give it your careful attention and let me hear from you at as early a date as possible as Mrs. Bird would like to build a house on the property and make a ~~house~~ home for herself and family.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(sgd) J.C.Elliott

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Address your reply
"To the Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."
Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

C. 125948

LETTER 377134.
FILE 140071.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa. 3rd April, 1885.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo, written on behalf of Mrs. Bird, presumably the wife or widow of Charles Bird, claiming a patent for Lot No. 109 in the Parish of St. Peters, and to say in reply that the two Commissioners appointed to investigate certain claims by others than Indians to lands within the Parish of St. Peters, in their report to this Department included this Lot in schedule "B" as being claimed by Charles Bird, which schedule "comprises claims held by Indians or Half-breeds "who have been admitted to treaty and who received "annuities or persons claiming through those parties, "or that were unoccupied and unimproved at the date "of treaty, and which cannot therefore under the "Commission be entertained. "

This Lot, I am to state, is within the Reserve for the St. Peters Indians and is their property. A copy of your letter has been forwarded to the Department of Indian Affairs.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

LYNDWODE PEREIRA

Assistant Secretary.

J. C. Elliott, Esq.,
West Selkirk,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646--8

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, April 10th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 377,134, of 3rd instant, transmitting copy of one from Mr. J. C. Elliott, Barrister, of West Selkirk, relative to a claim made by Mrs. A. Bird to Lot No. 109, in the Parish of St. Peter's, and of your reply to the same, the nature of which has been noted.

140,071

In this connectionmay I request to be informed when I may expect to be advised of the result of the further enquiries you were kind enough to promise to make relative to the extinction of claims mentioned in Schedule D., attached to the Joint Commissioners' report.

Your obedient servant,

(sgd) Hayter Reed

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

John R. Hall, Esq.,

Secretary

Department of Interior,

Ottawa.

HC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

As to your reply
"To the Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM. 5

LETTER.

FILE. 140071.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 7th June, 1895.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 18th April last, concerning Mrs. Bird's claim to a patent for Lot No. 108 in the Parish of St. Peters, I am directed to inform you that as the evidence under oath which was received respecting this lot by the Commissioners appointed to investigate claims in St. Peter's Indian Reserve (which evidence was given by James Bird, father of Charles Bird, James Monkman, Henry Prince, Joseph Prince, William Prince and Joseph Parisien), shows that the lot in question was unoccupied and unimproved at the date of the Treaty, the decision of the said Commissioners that the claim to this lot could not be entertained, cannot be altered.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

LYNDWODE PEREIRA

Assistant Secretary.

F. C. Elliott, Esq.,
West Selkirk, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646--8

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, July 13th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, transmitting File (herewith returned) covering statutory declarations intended to establish Mrs. Bird's claim to a patent for Lot No. 109, Parish of St. Peter's, and requesting an expression of my views on the subject ; and in reply to inform you as follows.

140,071

The Department is of opinion that there are very grave objections to re-opening claims which were disposed of by the Commissioners, but yet would not feel justified in carrying such objection so far as to perpetrate any injustice which the evidence produced before them might have led them into inadvertently committing.

The Department thinks, however, that before receiving any fresh evidence that may now be offered, excellent reason should be required for the failure to have produced it before the Commissioners.

In the case in point it is observed that Mr. W. C. Elliott, who is acting for Mrs. Bird, asserts in his letter to your Department of 18th April last that he finds that practically no evidence was taken on behalf of Mrs. Bird, as she did not then understand what the Commission meant, and was only represented

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

represented by her husband, who knew but very little of the circumstances connected with this Lot, &c.

This statement, on the face of it, seems to have a decided element of weakness, for after making all allowance for the possible ignorance of people of the class to which Mrs. Bird belongs, relative to such matters, it seems hardly credible that they should have appeared before the Commission and yet remained in ignorance of what it meant ; and in this connection, ~~H~~ there is noticed on your File a Memorandum dated 16th April 1885, to the effect that Mr. Osler, on behalf of Charles Bird, objected to any evidence being received or taken by the Commission in reference to Lot 109 as to occupation or improvements at the time of the Treaty with the St. Peter's Band, as he claimed the same under the Manitoba Act.

If, as this Memorandum appears to suggest, it can be shewn that the Birds had full opportunity to adduce evidence in support of their claim, but disputed the jurisdiction of the Commissioners and refused or neglected to establish their claim, it seems to the Department very questionable whether, at this distance of time, they should be allowed to attempt to do so.

From the statutory declarations now filed it would seem that ~~an~~ a fairly good <u>prima facie</u> case is made out on behalf of Mrs. Bird, but whether sufficiently strong, when taken in comparison with the evidence upon which the Commissioners came to their

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

their conclusion to overcome the objections to re-opening the case, this Department not being in possession of the evidence last referred to, is not in a position to judge of, but it observes from your letter to Mr. Elliott of the 7th ultimo that a number of witnesses were examined by the Commissioners relative to the claim. Should you, however, after full consideration of the whole case, come to the conclusion that a refusal to re-open it would constitute an act of injustice, this Department will not object to its being re-opened, always provided that in case of your Department deciding to admit the claim, and to issue a patent, the Indians be given other lands in lieu of the Lot patented to Mrs. Bird.

Your obedient servant,

Sgd. L. Vankoughnet

Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-8 Ind

Address your reply
"The Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM.

LETTER.

130434

FILE. 140071.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 25th July, 1895.

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 27 1895

Sir,

Adverting to your letter of the 13th instant, Ref. 4646-8, I have the honour by direction to inform you that it is proposed to refer the evidence, both that taken before the Commissioners and that now fyled, respecting Mrs. Bird's claim to a patent for Lot No. 109, Parish of St. Peters, to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, who will be instructed to summon the interested persons before him, so that cross examination may be had to clear up the points of difference between the claims as now presented.

I am, however, to state that before this can be done, it will be necessary to detach from fyle No. 72512 the evidence which bears on the case in question; and as this fyle was sent to your Department in connection with certain claims in the St. Peters Indian Reserve, I am to request you to forward it to this Department, in order that the necessary papers it includes may be transmitted to the Commissioner. The said fyle will be returned to you when the purpose for which it is required has been carried out.

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

Lyndwode Pereira
Assistant Secretary.

The Deputy Superintendent-
General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/8

Ottawa 29th July 1895

140071

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th Instant; and, in compliance with the request made therein, I send herewith your File No 72 .512, respecting Mrs Bird's claim to a Patent for Lot 109 Parish of St Peters Manitoba.

Your obedient servant,

Acting Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

A.M. Burgess Esq.,
Deputy Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Address your reply
"The Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM.

LETTER.....

FILE. 140071.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 22 1895
RECEIVED

Department of the Interior,

4646

Ottawa, 19th August, 1895.

131172

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 29th ultimo, Ref. 4646-8, enclosing fyle of this Department No. 72,512, I have the honour by direction to inform you that the fyle which should have been asked for in my letter of the 25th ultimo to the Deputy Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs was fyle No. 140,539, which was sent to your Department in connection with certain claims in the St. Peter's Indian Reserve at the same time as the fyle first mentioned; and I am, therefore, to request you to forward the said fyle 140,539 to this Department, which fyle will be returned to you as soon as the purpose for which it is required has been carried out.

ENC. Fyle No. 72,512 is returned to you herewith.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

The Acting Deputy Superintendent- Your obedient servant,

General of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

4646-8

To Com B

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 189

Please inform Interior Dept. that all the files in connection with Claims St Peters Reserve belonging to that Dept which were loaned to the Dept are returned herewith, file 140839 however not being one of them, and that the Dept. is obliged for the privilege of looking through these papers, and will, if necessary should ever ask for a further loan of them documents.

DC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

46,468

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa 23rd August 1895.

With Dept.of Interior

Fyles Nos.47598., I40 0I0., /40018.,& I3944I.,

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the I9th Inst, requesting that fyle No. I40,539 of your Department respecting the St.Peters Reserve Land claims be returned to you; and in reply I beg to inform you that all the papers loaned to this Department by you in connection with these claims are returned herewith; but you will observe that fyle No. I40,539 is not amongst them.

We are much obliged to you for the privilege of looking through these papers; and should we again require them, I shall be glad if you will kindly let us have a further loan of them.

Dcd

Your Obedient Servant

Acting Deputy Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs

The Deputy Minister of Interior,

Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Address your reply to "The Secretary Department of the Interior, Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

FM.

LETTER

181654

FILE 325959.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 6th September, 1895.

4646 8 pcd

Sir,

I have the honour by direction to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, Ref. 46,468, returning all the fyles of this Department forwarded to you respecting claims in the St. Peter's Indian Reserve, and to refer you, in this connection, to the Deputy Minister's memorandum to the Deputy Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs of the 13th July last, endorsed on the Departmental memorandum of the 9th of that month, respecting the claim of Mr. Murdock McIvor to certain land inthe above mentioned Reserve, fyle 325959, which fyle, in case Mr. Reed may not have arrived at a decision on this claim, is again sent you herewith, together with fyles Nos. 72,512, 140,018, and 139,441.

ENCLS.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lyndwode Pereira

Assistant Secretary.

The Acting Superintendent-
General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

154332

J.R. 3 Copy. 140071-

Report approved (sd) C.S.

Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, 27th February, 1897.

Memorandum;-

To the Minister,

As I have come to the conclusion upon all the evidence attached to this file that Mrs. Bird is entitled to a patent, under the Manitoba Act, for Lot No. 109 in the Parish of St. Peters, and as the claim has been previously decided against her, I deem it necessary to set out the facts fully, and to give the reasons for my conclusion at length.

The point upon which Mrs. Bird's claim stands or falls is;- when did Jacob Smith commence the possession of Lot No. 109, which ended in his building the house which he and his wife occupied for several years? Was it before, or after, the date of the "Transfer," the 15th July, 1870? That he did occupy the lot, build a house on it and live with his wife in it afterwards is not denied.

Mrs. Bird's husband, Charles Bird, deceased, first claimed this lot, as his own, by permission of his wife, under the Manitoba Act, and although it may now appear that he did not own the lot in his own right, the declarations which he filed in May, 1882, would have been accepted and patent issued to him, had the lot not been in the St. Peters, and had it not been incorrectly assumed that Jacob Smith and those through whom he claimed were "Treaty" half-breeds or Indians.

The claim was therefore, included with the

claims

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

claims to lands in St. Peters which were investigated in 1885, by Messrs. McColl & Whitcher.

Charles Bird was absent "out west", during the Rebellion, when the Commissioners held their investigation and although his solicitor, on his behalf, objected to the claim being considered, except as a claim under the Manitoba Act, the Commissioners took evidence with regard to it. With the exception of James Bird, Mrs. Bird's father-in-law, and James Monkman, one of her brothers--who clearly knew very little about the claim-the witnesses examined were all Indians, and the decision was;- "That the Claim was held at time of Treaty by a Half-breed or Indian who receives an annuity and cannot therefore be entertained."

For the purpose of showing how incorrect this decision was I may here state the chain of title from Henry Prince, Chief of the Peguis Indians to Mrs. Bird.

Prince sold the lot to Joseph Donald in 1866-67 for "twenty shillings per chain" the "usual value" and" "full market price of the land at that time." Donald sold it to William McCorrister. McCorrister sold to David Sanders, Sanders sold to Joseph Monkman, jr., a brother of Mrs. Bird, Monkman having purchased for his brother-in-law Jacob Smith handed land over to him. Smith sold to Albert Monkman, another brother of Mrs. Bird, who sold to her. Not one of those persons except Prince was a "Treaty" Indian or "Treaty " Half-breed. Mr. McColl discovered this to be the case-when it does not appear--vide Commissioner Smith's Report of the 3rd December, 1895, Ref. 393330.

Mrs. Bird was a half-breed allottee, and she sold the lands allotted to her for $325.00 or $350.00 to one Alec. McDonald, and gave that amount to

her

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

her brother Albert Monkman, for Lot No. 109, and the improvements on it, which included the house built by Smith. Mrs. Bird purchased in 1879.

Mrs. Bird -- according to her own evidence-- occupied the lot but a short time after she bought it in 1879, namely, the summer of that year, and the next summer; "she left it because she got married." She went away from the Lot from 1880 to the spring of 1895, when her husband having died she built a new house on the lot and with her children, resumed actual possession.

In June, 1895, Mr. Elliott, as Solicitor for Mrs Bird filed a number of declarations in support of Mrs. Bird's claim to the lot and shortly afterwards the Deputy Minister, after consulting the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, referred these declarations and all other papers on file, to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, who upon the 10th October, 1895, heard evidence in support of Mrs. Bird's claim.

Since the 23rd instant I have repeatedly gone very carefully over the transcript of such evidence and compared the statements then made by the several witnesses with the statements contained in their respective declarations--filed by Mr. Elliott in June, 1895, and although the "evidence " afforded thereby is certainly very indefinite and unsatisfactory in its character as stated by Commissioner Smith in his report of the 3rd December, 1895, there is a clear desire on the part of each witness to tell the truth, and although several of the witnesses are relatives of Mrs. Bird, the evidence is free from any apparent intention of swearing positively to dates, to make her claim good. With one exception her witnesses write their own names, and all appear to be intelligent and honest.

Although

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Although I consider this evidence shews conclusively that Donald bought this land in 1866-67 or 1867 and that Sanders, if not Jacob Smith, was in possession of it prior to the 15th July, 1870, and that he drew timber on it, to build a house which he did not build but which Smith did, I have come to the conclusion that as the burden of proof is upon Mrs. Bird to establish her claim, and not upon the Department to refute it, the evidence up to this point was not sufficient to permit ofthe claim being allowed, by the Commissioner under the Manitoba Act, and to that extent I agree with the view expressed by Commissioner Smith in his report.

But I do not agree with him that the declaration which was made by the Indian Agent Mr. Muckle, on the 25th October, 1895, fifteen days after Commissioner Smith heard the evidence referred to, "fully clears up all doubt."

Mr. Muckle's declaration was made after he had perused the transcript of evidence and declarations (which were sent to him for that purpose) and he thereby stated, that he lived with Joseph Monkman in 1870 and part of 1871; that no house was on the lot then although there were some logs upon it, though he did not know who placed them there, and that it was not until the summer of 1872 that Jacob Smith built "a small shanty on it."

The Commissioner clearly accepted these statements as absolutely correct, and the Deputy Minister appears to have taken the same view when he examined the papers before he wrote to Mr. Elliott upon the 9th instant. I do not, and, in my opinion, if the declarations filed in June, 1895, and the evidence taken before the Commissioner in October following do not establish the year when Smith commenced occupying the Lot as 1869-70 they certainly fix it no later than 1870-71. No doubt 1872

appears

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

appears to be the year when Smith built according to the evidence of James Bird, in 1885, but it is also clear he knew very little--if anything-about the facts at all.

However, Mr. Muckle submitted a report with his declaration, and that report completely destroys any value his declaration might otherwise have. I never heard of him until I read these documents, and as I read them before I read Mr. Elliott's letter of the 9th December last, the grave charge thereby made against him had nothing to do with my impression that he considered it his duty to do all he could to defeat this claim, instead of his utmost to find out what Mrs. Bird's rights were. That impression came to me, when I first read his report on the 24th instant, and I shall be only too glad to be shewn that I am not correct in it.

The third paragraph of his report is devoted to discrediting the evidence Mrs. Bird gave before the Commissioner . The attempt is a complete failure. His criticism only corroborates the truth of the statements referred to.

The first statement referred to is "she states that she owned the land ever since she could remember, and that she is now thirty-five years of age."

Now, although, the transcript of Mrs. Bird's evidence does make her say that she owned the land ever since she could remember, it requires but little examination to see that what she did say was "known" not "owned" the lot. A few lines under this statement she says that she knew the land when Smith was on it and that she was then about ten years old. Again on the second page of her evidence she says "I bought the land in 1879." If Smith was on the land in 1870, and I am satisfied he was, and Mrs. Bird was 10 years old ten, she was 19 years old

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

when she bought the lot-- the age Mr. Muckle gives to prove this statement of Mrs. Bird is incorrect.

The next "incorrect" statement, Mrs. Bird is credited with, is that she said;-"her grand- mother lived upon the lot." This statement is not to be found in her evidence. The grandmother and grandchild referred to in her evidence may have been at Monkman's, but that was not Lot 109, although it was in St. Peters; and, being at Monkman's does nor necessarily mean that the grandmother lived there, or on the lot. Mr. Muckle tried by the next paragraph of his report to make a point against Mrs. Bird, because a plan which Vaughan D.L.S. made in 1874 from survey "done a year or two previous," shews no house on Lot 109; overlooking that even according to his own evidence, 1872 was the year when Smith built on the lot.

The certificate of Smith's marriage which Mr. Muckle obtained after much effort, is however strong evidence against Mrs. Bird's claim, and would be conclusive, if by other evidence it was certain Smith was married when he bought the lot, and built his house. But the evidence upon this point is very contradictory.

I cannot pass Mr. Muckle's report and declaration without first referring to two things, first that he did not make them hastily, but after he had an opportunity of reading carefully the evidence taken by the Commissioner fifteen days previously; and, second, that I consider the tone of his own report gives much weight to the grave charge made against him by Mr. Elliott, on page 2 of his letter of the 9th December last, to Commissioner Smith. I consider Mr. Elliott should be called upon to establish the charge, and that if Mr.

Muckle

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Muckle is proved guilty of influencing William Harper ~~or~~ any one else against giving evidence in support of Mrs. Bird's claim he deserves severe censure.

The Commissioner did not forward the transcript of the evidence taken on the 10th October, 1895, Mr. Muckle's declaration and report, nor his own report until the 3rd December following, having delayed doing so to permit the claimant to furnish further evidence. Upon the 7th of the same month such evidence was furnished and consisted of two new declarations, which Mr. Elliott had filed with him, one of which was made by an old Hudson Bay employee, named John Tulloch, a Scotchman, whose claim, under the Manitoba Act, to Lot No. 110, St. Peters, the Department recognized in 1881, vide, Ref. 412693, herewith. Read in connection with the evidence Tulloch submitted in 1881, in support of his claim to a patent for his own lot, No. 110 his declaration of the 6th December, 1895, is I consider conclusive evidence that Smith built his house in 1870. It is certain from the evidence before referred to that it was in the fall of 1869, 1870, or 1871, that Smith obtained the lot from his brother-in-law Joseph Monkman, and that Monkman bought the lot from Sanders- for Smith. Tulloch's declaration satisfies me that it was the fall of the year, 1869, these transactions took place.

Commissioner Smith did not, however, take this view and reported (Ref.383494) that he was not inclined, because of the lapse of time, to place absolute reliance in Tulloch's statements. Had he read the declaration in connection with Tulloch's evidence, of 1881 re. Lot 110, I think he would have decided differently.

Clearly the Deputy Minister, when writing to Mr. Elliott upon the 9th instant, ignored this declaration and also Tulloch's second declaration of the 27th August last,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

last, which was filed here, upon the 1st September last, and the declaration of James Sandison and Henry Smith, which were filed upon the 27th January, 1896, as in that letter it is stated that "all the evidence in support of the claim is of a very indefinite and unsatisfactory character", ~~&~~except of course Mr. Muckle's.

These declarations should, however, I think be accepted, and if accepted they clear away all doubt as to Mrs. Bird's right to a patent for Lot No. 109.

The conclusion I have arrived at, after reading all the declarations &c., repeatedly, is that Sanders commenced to occupy this land in 1869 ~~and to occupy this land in 1869~~ and to build a house on it, that for the reason given by him, that his wife didn't like the place he sold his improvements and the lot to Joseph Monkman who bought it for Jacob Smith, in the Fall of 1869, that Monkman handed it over immediately to Smith, who went into actual possession of and worked on the lot that fall; built his house the following year; lived in the house before he was married; brought his wife there after he was married and lived there for at least four years--probably nearer six-before he sold the lot to Albert Monkman.

In other words I consider that there has never been disturbed possession of the lot since Prince sold it to Donald for "the full market price" at that time, and that the occupation commenced by Sanders was clearly prior to the date of the Transfer and was continued by Smith for several years afterwards. This view is supported by the declarations of Henry Smith, and declaration of James Sandison, of the 10th January, 1896, but I consider it is also supported by the evidence considered by Commissioner Smith.

Believing this I recommend issue of patent to Mrs. Annie Bird, in her own right under the Manitoba Act, for

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

for Lot No. 109, St. Peters.

It also appears to me that the Indians never made any ~~xxx~~ objection to Prince's sale of the land to Donald, nor any serious claim to the lot since that date -- 1866-67 -- and that as Mrs. Bird was able to resume occupation of the lot in 1895 and to build a new house on it, after an absence of about fifteen years, they recognize her right to the lot.

I regret that this report is so long, but the peculiar nature of the evidence -- particularly that given by Mr. Muckle the charge made by Mr. Elliott against him and the fact that my report is contraty to that of Commissioner Smith, and to the decision conveyed to Mr. Elliott by the Deputy Minister's letter of the 9th instant will I trust be considered a sufficient reason for my action in setting out fully all material facts for your consideration.

I have added a summary of all the evidence, except Muckle's and Tulloch's.

(sgd) T.G.Rothwell.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

G.P.

LETTER

FILE 140071.

154332

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 18th March, 1897.

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAR 22 1897

LAND BRANCH
22 1897

Sir,

With reference to Lot No. 109 in the Parish of St. Peters, claimed by Mrs. Annie Bird, I am directed to enclose you herewith a copy of a report made by Mr. T. G. Rothwell, Law Clerk of this Department, on the 27th ultimo, which report has been approved by the Minister, and a patent for the lot in question in Mrs. Bird's name is now in course of preparation.

Encl.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lyndwode Pereira

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-8)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

-File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
- File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
- File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-9)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 9 BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE LAND CLAIMS CLMND6BOYE

VOLUME

FROM

TO

REFERRED TO	REFERENCE	DISPOSAL	FOR C.R. USE

FILE NO. 4646 9

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 4646-9)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 251/6-4)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

Dft 21-5-95
Ltr 30-7-95
J.C. 31-7-95
Ltr 22-3-97

No 4646 7-9

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

W.O.

Clandeboye

21 May.

Re Chas. Bird's claim to Lot-109 St Peters Parish.

ACTION.

ACTION.—*Continued.*

BLACK

125/30.

4646-9

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-9)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

127765

Duplicate

Winnipeg, May 18th 1895

Forwarded for the information of the Department, and instructions in the matter.

Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Not seen in the claim No 9248.

I I.C. Instruct to Evict under the Act.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 21 1895

Indian Office
CLANDEBOYE AGENCY.
May 1895

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that Mr Charles Bird a non treaty man has moved on to lot No 109, St Peters Parish, & claims that he is going to get a patent for it, or at least his wife Anna Bird nee Monkmen, who claims that she bought the Lot before the transfer

They inform me that they are acting under instructions received from their lawyer Mr Elliott of Selkirk.

Shall I evict them?

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent

E. McColl Esq
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-9)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646--9

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, May 25th, 1895.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of letter transmitted by you on 18th instant, in which Mr. Agent Muckle reports that Mr. Charles Bird, who is not in Treaty, has moved on to Lot No. 109, claiming that his wife, Anna Bird, bought the Lot before transfer, and is going to get a patent for it ; and in reply to inform you that as the Lot referred to was included among those in Schedule B. attached by the Commissioners to their report of 1885, and is said to have been claimed by one Charles Bird, of St. Andrews, through Jacob Smith, "who had no improvements nor occupied this Lot at date of Treaty", the Department does not know of the slightest justification for Mr. Bird's expectation that the Lot will be patented to his wife, and unless you have any fresh information since the report referred to was made, tending to shew that there is any better ground for claiming it than produced before the Commission, Mr. Bird should be ordered to remove, and in case of failure to obey such mandate, he should be summarily evicted under the provisions of the Indian Act.

7268

Your obedient servant,

/ Lyl / Hayter Reed.

Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

E. McColl, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba

HHL.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-9)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Selkirk July 27/95

Chapter Lord E. 4646-9 130525

Deputy Minister Red

Indian Dept

Ottawa

D.J.C.

Dear Sir

I beg to draw your attention to a Claim made by Mrs Bird for a Patent for Lot 109. Parish of St Peters, Mr Elliot Solicitor of this Town has Submitted very important evidence to the Interior Dept. on this matter, evidence which is to my mind Conclusive so far as Mrs Bird being intitled to Patent is Concerned I would therefore ask that you would Kindly See the evidence Submitted And give the Case your favorable Consideration this is an important Case at the present time

Yours truly

Jas H Bradbury

Selkirk

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-9)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646--9

4646--9

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, August 5th, 1895.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo ; and in reply to inform you that the claim of Mrs. Bird for patent for Lot within the St. Peter's Reserve is one with which this Department is not primarily concerned, but in reply to a communication from the Department of the Interior this Department has informed it that it will not stand in the way of any action which can be shewn to be necessary in order to meet the needs of justice.

Your obedient servant,

Sgd D. C. Scott.

Acty Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

George H. Bradbury, Esq.,
Selkirk,
Manitoba.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-9)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 10 BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE LAND CLAIMS

VOLUME

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4646 10

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By						For C.R. Use

125/30

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 1647-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

ACTION.

ACTION — *Continued.*

4646 No 10

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

12 5/30

Geo Kingsbury.

Claim to land
on St Peters Res.
Manitoba

BLACK
4646-10

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

140521

Extract from report of Agent A. M. Muckle Enclosed in letter from Inspector E. McColl dated 23th Feby. 1884 Original on 4466

Clandeboye
14th Feby. 1884

Sir,

I have the honor of enclosing as per instructions a list of persons other than Indians belonging to the St Peters Band of Indians who are on unpatented lands on that Reserve &c. &c.

Sgd. A. M. Muckle
Indian Agent

Schedule of lots bought before the transfer unpatented with value of improvements if any

184 F. E. Emerson a whiteman bought this lot from Joseph Norquay a half breed, who bought it from Henry Prince before the transfer. No improvements.

~~Schedule of lots bought after the transfer, where the owners are living on and improving the same.~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Schedule
List of lots sold after the transfer by Half Breeds, who afterwards took the treaty.

114 3 Joseph Parisean sold this lot in 1872 to Taylor & Westman who sold it to George Kingsbury. He held the lot under a Regnis title, with no improvements. Some time after Parisean sold this lot; he joined the St Peters Band and took the treaty.

1144 Francis Rose held this lot under a Regnis title, & sold it in 1873 to Geo Kingsbury. There was a log house on the lot - with a small garden worth about $150. Some time after Francis Rose sold this lot he joined the St Peters Band & took the treaty.
Both these men Parisean and Rose were Half breeds.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

140521

Schedule B

Fyle No	Sol. No	Claimant	Remarks
W. O. 35-409 & pages of evidence 44. 45	143 & 144	George Kingsbury Clandeboye	Claimed through Joseph Parisien and Francis Ross both members of the St. Peter's Band of Indians, by purchase in 1873. No improvements by Parisien. Ross appears to have occupied at date of Treaty.
W. A. 3605 & pages of evidence 76	184	S. G. Emerson Belleville, Ont.	Claimed through Joseph Norgnay who used it solely as a wood lot. No improvements thereon at date of Treaty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

140521

Extract Original on 4646 1A

Winnipeg, Manitoba
June 9th 1885.

Sir.

In accordance with the instructions received from our respective Departments to investigate certain Claims by others than Indians to Lands within the Parish of St Peters, we have the honour to report that all the cases (130 in number) have been investigated

+ + +

The conclusions arrived at are briefly summarized in the following Schedules hereunto attached, viz:-

+ + +

Schedule B. 144 persons, comprises Claims held by Indians or half-breeds who have been admitted to Treaty, and on receiving Annuities, or persons claiming through those parties, or that were occupied and improved at date of Treaty, and which cannot therefore under the Commission be entertained.

+ + +

(Sgd) E. McColl
A. G. Hotchkiss
Commissioners

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M. 140521

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. MAY 1 1896

Ottawa, 27th April, 1896.

File

140141, 159857.

My dear Reed,

Mr. Hugh Armstrong called recently to see me in regard to these cases, but I had to inform him that the papers had all been transferred to you. I offered to go over with him and see you, and he was to have returned the following day for that purpose, but I have not seen him since and think he must have left the city. Please look at these papers, and if you find anything on the files of which you would like to have a copy, retain it, and return the originals to me.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Bryce

D.M.I.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,
Deputy of the
Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

140821

Ottawa 30th April 1896-

Dear Burgess-

In reply to your letter of the 27th Instant enclosing papers respecting the claim to Lots Nos 143 and 144 St. Peter's Indian Reserve, I beg to inform you that, as these Lots were claimed through Joseph Parisian and Francis Ross, both Members of the St. Peter's Band of Indians, by purchase in 1873, they come within the class of claims referred to in Schedule "B" of the report of Messrs McColl and Whicher, which includes the claims held by Indians or Half Breeds who had been admitted to Treaty and were receiving annuities, or persons claiming through those parties; or that were unoccupied and unimproved at date of Treaty and which were, therefore, not entertained by the Commission.

I return the papers and regret that nothing can be done by this Department in the direction of issuing Patents for these Lots.

Yours truly-

Hayter Reed

A. M. Burgess, Esq-
Deputy Minister of the Interior-
Ottawa-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa, May 7th, 1896.

Dear Mr. Burgess,

Referring to your letter of the 27th ultimo, about lands in St. Peter's Reserve, Lots 143 and 144, relative to which Mr. Hugh Armstrong interviewed you, and my reply of 30th ultimo, I transmit letter to the late Minister from Mr. E. Osler, and copy of reply to the same, which have apparently been transferred to this Department in error, since the matter would seem to belong to your Department.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) HAYTER REED

A. M. Burgess, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Memo for J.

By instruction of the Deputy Minister

Letter, no. 140521. from Mr E. Osler

to the late Minister, dated 23rd apl. 1896

re Lots 143. 144. 184. within St Peter's

Reserve,

also copy of acknowledgment, no. 11 52

sent back to Dept. of Int[illegible], on

the ground that matt[illegible] [illegible]ms them.

A.C.

6/5/96.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-10)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 II BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE

VOLUME

FROM

TO

4646 II

FILE NO.

LAND CLAIMS

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To		Remarks	Date	Particulars		Date	For C.R. Use

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4/4.6-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

Ldsl 27-4-97
" 21-5-97

No. 4646 ½ 11

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

189

Jane Sinclair

Re her claim to lot 84 St Peters Res (Clandeboye)

ACTION.

12.5.30

ACTION.— *Continued.*

11A attached

BLACK
4646-11

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

TELEPHONE 19. P. O. BOX 1017.

ELLIOTT & McCREARY,
BARRISTERS,
ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, ETC.

G. A. ELLIOTT. W. F. McCREARY.

Office: Bannatyne Block, over Canadian Bank of Commerce.
387 MAIN STREET.

155708

Winnipeg, April 9th, 1897 189

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 27 1897

Mrs.Jane Sinclair,

Dynevor, P.O., Man.

Dear Madame:-

You are doubtless aware that Mr.Duncan McLean is now the owner of the whole of River Lot 84 St.Peters, he having had to purchase the same from Mr.Morris in effecting a settlement with him. You will therefore, so far as you are concerned, permit no act of waste upon the property nor allow any timber fences or buildings to be removed in any way, otherwise, you will be held to account for same. You will understand that you have no authority over this property in any way, or the timber, buildings or fences thereon and must not interfere with same in any way.

Yours truly,

Jas. Elliott

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

155708

April 26th 1897

Dyslevor & Co
Man

Dear Sir

I have been wishing to ask you about a bit of property which i had in St Peters Indain Reserve which was sold for taxes by the Municipality of St Andrews before i married i was an non treaty and i had this land from my father and i was taxed for it then i got in to the treaty 4 years after i married so the Indain Agent Mr A Muckle told me that i was foolish for paying taxes when i was married to a treaty man the day you married a treaty man your property became Indain property so i did not pay taxes then my land was sold for tax and just now i am told that it is no moor my property and i hope that you

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ETY ▲ FILM +■

will kindly tell me if the Municipality of St Andrews really has a right or power to tax my property or not i am poor i have no means to go to a loyar for help soi thought i would ask you and i trust you to tell me I am sending the letter i got telling me it was no moor mine and i beg you to kindly help me you will greatly Oblige me Please let me no as soon as possable

yours Respectfully
Jane Sinclair

PS

i got married the year 1880 and i did not get treaty until the year 1884 and i prayed tax till the year 1886

address
Mrs Andrew Sinclair
Dynevor PO man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/11-

Ottawa 30th April 1897-

Sir-

I beg to enclose copy of a letter addressed to the Premier by Mrs. Sinclair in relation to River Lot 84 St. Peter's Reserve, also copy of a letter addressed her by Mr. George A. Elliott, Barrister of Winnipeg and have to ask that you will obtain a report in this matter as early as possible from Mr. Agent Muckle and forward the same to the Department.

Your obedient servant

A. D. McLEAN

Acting Secretary-

E. McColl, Esq-

Inspector of Indian Agencies & Reserves-

Winnipeg-

Man-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

49,327

156589

Duplicate

MANITOBA INDIAN SUPT'Y. MAY 17 1897 WINNIPEG, MAN.

No 7906.

Indian Office
CLANDEBOYE AGENCY.
11th May 1897

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge your favor of the 4th inst with enclosures from Mrs Jane Sinclair in regard to Lot No 84 St Peters Parish.

I beg to inform you that Mrs Sinclair's received Lot No 84, from her father Thomas Harper he was a halfbreed, who never took treaty, she sold four chains of the lot to a white man Duncan McLean, & kept one chain, which as she states was sold for taxes by the Municipality of St Andrews.

I beg to say that her statement in regard as to what she states, I said to her is untrue; I never told her any thing of the sort, I advised her the same as I have all other non treaty persons who own land inside the reserve, & who spoke to me about it, to pay their taxes; & if they thought the Municipality's had no rights, they could do so under protest.

The real fact of the case is that Mrs Sinclair like

E McColl Esq.
Inspt Indian Agencies
Winnipeg
Man

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

like many other non treaty persons in St Peters thought that as their land was inside an Indian Reserve, that they had no right to pay taxes, to any Municipality, and they allowed the taxes to accumulate, until their places were sold under the Municipal laws of the Province: under this law there is a certain time given, to the owners to redeem their land; but by this time the taxes, etc have become such an amount, that the owners of the land could not raise the money to redeem them, and so the land became the property of speculaters in Winnipeg; most of whom would be glad to get the amount of money they have paid back, & get rid of the land.

Mrs Sinclair has known for some years that the land she speaks of, was claimed by a Mr Morris of Winnipeg, he must have bought it six or seven years ago, but as far as I can find out made no effort to redeem it.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

A. McLeod

Indian Agent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

156589 4646-11

Red

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 21 1897

Manitoba Superintendency,

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR,

In your reply refer to
No. 49327
also to the date of this letter

Winnipeg, 17th May 1897.

4646/11

Sir,—

LAND BRANCH MAY 20 1897

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, with enclosures; and in reply beg to enclose herewith, as requested, a report, dated the 11th instant, from Mr Agent Muckle relative to River Lot 84 St Peter's Reserve, claimed by Mrs Jane Sinclair.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Enn Call

Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Pay to Dept Jacket
no power to [illegible]
on file 4646-7

The Deputy of
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4646-11

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 2 1899

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North West Territories.

Winnipeg, 29 May 1899. 189

In your reply refer to
No. 128/29
and date of this letter and address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

185036

4848/II
49,327

Sir,

Referring to Department's letter of the 30th. April 1897 with enclosures, addressed to Mr. Inspector McColl, and to Mr. ex-Agent Muckle's letter of the 11th. May, transmitted to the Department by Mr. McColl under cover of official letter of the 17th. of the same month, in relation to River Lot No. 84 St. Peter's Reserve, formerly owned by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair, née Jane Harper, and which has been sold for arrears of taxes, I beg to report that the Chief and Councillors have again brought up this question on behalf of Mrs. Sinclair, claiming that the Municipality of St. Andrews had no power to impose taxes on lands owned by an Indian, and asking the assistance of the Department to have the property restored to her.

Will you kindly favour me with a copy of the Department's reply to Mrs. Sinclair, in order that I may reply to the Council strictly in accordance with the decision of the Department in this matter.

Your obedient servant,

J. B. Lash

SECRETARY TO THE INDIAN COMMISSIONER

The Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of Indian Affairs.

Ind Convrs Ct ~~Ottawa~~, 128/28 of 29th May 1899

4646

185036

Re Rev. lot 84 St Peters Reserve formerly owned by Mrs Andrew Sinclair and which has been sold for arrears of taxes. Asks for copies of correspondence of Dept with Mrs Sinclair in order that the council may know the Dept's decision in re.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

259157

July. 15. 1903
Dynamo P.O.

Mr Lipton

802212 Dear Sir

I have
writen to you before Inquiring
if the Municipality of St andrews
had a right to tax my property
and sale it and I never got
an answear now I beg you
to give me an answear as I
have waited so patienty
for an answear I feel as if
I had a right to an answear
the last letter I got was dated
2nd September: 1898: No: of
letter was. 4646/11a- I would
like to hear from you as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

259157

Soon as you can as there are parties settleing down on it

when I first wrote I told you that I got my treaty the year 1884 but since that first letter I got my treaty money right back to the year 1880 that is the year I got married hoping to hear from you as soon as possably

yours respectfully
Mrs Andrew Nicolais
"Dynevor P.O.
Man

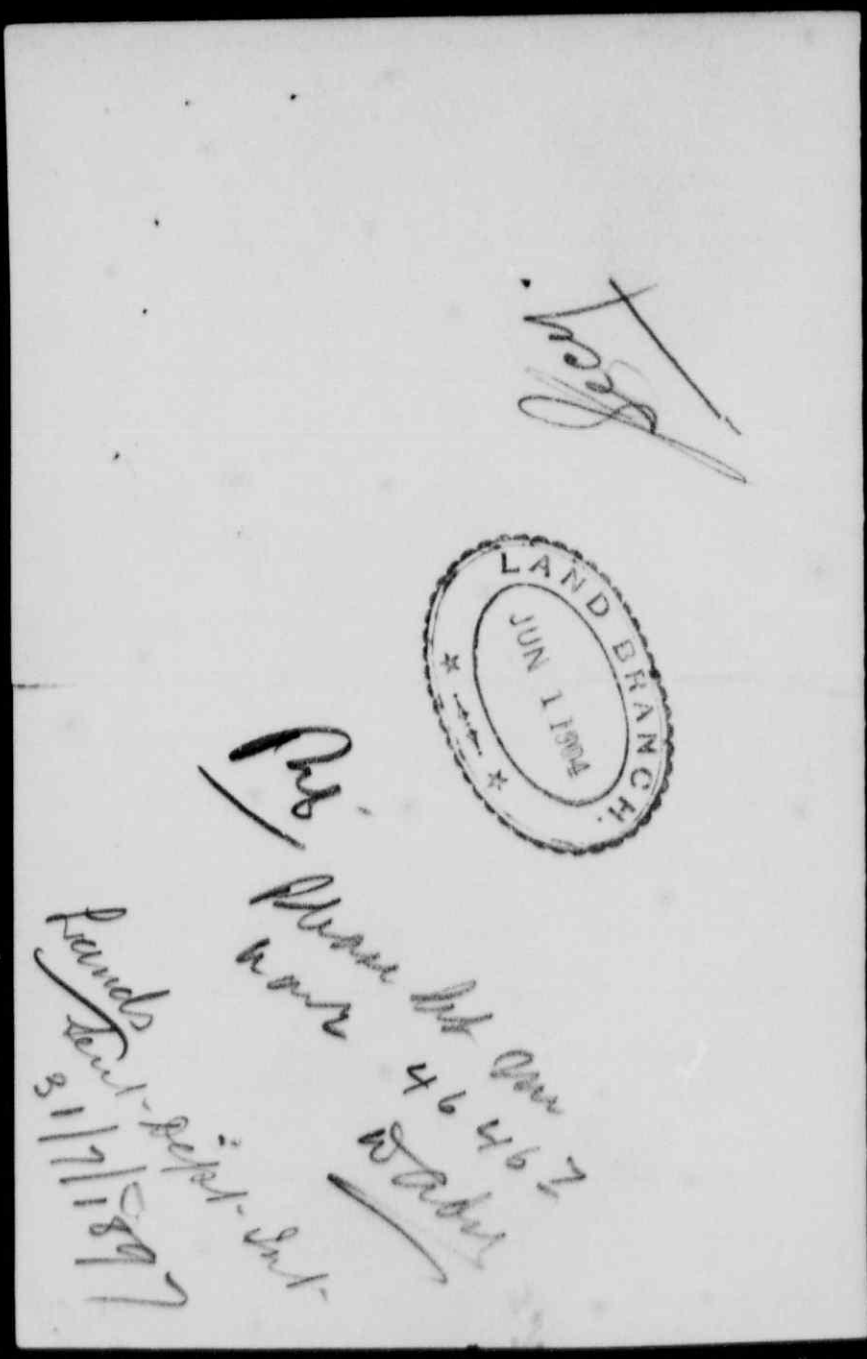
Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

LAND BRANCH
JUN 1 1904

Reg.
Please let me
have 46467
Wabes

Lands
Sent-Dept-Int-
31/7/1897



Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/11-

Ottawa 1st June 1904-

Madam,

In reply to your letter of the 15th July last, asking as to power of the Municipality of St. Andrews to tax your property which appears to be River Lot 84, St. Peters Reserve, I beg to say that as this lot was patented years ago by the Department of the Interior, I am not aware of any reason why it could not be taxed.

Yours obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.

Mrs. Andrew Sinclair-

Dynevor P.O.

Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-11)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

-File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
- File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
- File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
- File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
- File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
-File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 12 BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE

VOLUME

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4646 12

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	LAND CLAIMS		By		Re	For C.R. Use

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3720, File 466-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 466,6-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

Rd. 7-3-98.
" 14 6 98
Rd 24-6-98.

MEMO.

No. 4646 No 12

Department of Indian Affairs.

189

Dept of Interior

Re Lot 157 St Peters Parish.

BLACK

125/30

4646-12

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Address your reply
"The Secretary
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa."

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

Write legibly your full name and address.

If you reply to this letter quote the file number.

LETTER 463966

BB 167879 FILE 140129

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 3rd March, 1898.

INDIA
MAR 5 1898

Sir,

I am directed to enclose, herewith, a copy of a statutory declaration upon which and a deed from Roderick Campbell to Andrew Mowat, and another deed from Mowat to Laurence Moncrieff, the latter claims title under the Manitoba Act to part of Lot No. 157 in the Parish of St. Peters.

AND BR H
MAR 7 1898

The claim though classed by Messrs. Whitcher & McColl, in Class "B" in their report on the claims to lands in St. Peters, appears to be a good one, but before any definite action is taken here with regard to it the Indians will be given an opportunity of putting in writing their objections to a decision in favour of Mr: Moncrieff.

Enc.

If Mr. Campbell built a house upon this land and resided in it at the date of the Transfer and for several years prior thereto it is clearly a good claim under the Manitoba Act.

I am, therefore, to request you to bring this matter to the immediate attention of the local Indian Agent so that he may submit the matter to the Indians with the least possible delay.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Assistant Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

167879 BB

(Copy)

In the matter of the application of Lawrence Moncrieff for the issue of Letters-Patent to him of the Southerly three chains and twenty-five links of Parish Lot No. 157 in the Parish of Saint Peters in the Province of Manitoba under the Act 33 Vic. Cap. 3, Sec. 32, and amendment thereto.

We, Murdoch Reid and Thomas Kipping-- both farmers in the Parish of Saint Clements in the Province of Manitoba do solemnly declare :-

That we have known the lands the subject of this application for the past twenty five or thirty years.

That the said lands were purchased by one Roderick Campbell of and from the late Edward Kipping on or about the year A.D. 1865, and was owned and occupied by the said Roderick Campbell up to the year A.D. 1874 when he sold the same to one Andrew Mowatt of the Parish of Saint Andrews.

That the aforesaid Roderick Campbell built a dwelling on the said lands size 16 x 18 and was in peaceable possession and undisturbed occupancy of the said house and lands on the 15th July, A.D.1870, and for four or five years prior to that date.

That we do not know of and have never heard of any adverse claimants to said lands.

And we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Act passed in the thirty-seventh year

of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

167879

of Her Majesty's reign intituled "An Act for the suppression of Voluntary and Extra Judicial Oaths"

Declared at Selkirk this
Sixteenth day of January,
A.D. 1885, before me
'Sd' F.W.Colcleugh
J.P.

'Sd' Murdoch Reid

'Sd' Thos his X mark Kipping

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 464-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Encl.

4646/12

Ottawa 8th March 1898-

Sir-

I beg to inform you that a communication has been received from the Department of the Interior to the effect that one Lawrence Moncreiff has made application for the issue of Patent to him for the Southerly 3 chains and 25 links of Parish Lot No 157 in the Parish of St. Peters,under the Act 33 Vic,Cap 3,Sec 32 and amendment thereto,a copy of ~~said~~ Which application is herewith enclosed.

It is stated by the Interior Department that this claim,although classed by Messrs Whitcher and McColl in Class "B" in their report on claims to lands in St. Peters,appears to be a good one,but before any definite action is taken with regard to it,the Indians would be given an opportunity of putting in writing their objections to a decision in favour of Mr.Moncreiff.

You will be good enough,therefore,to bring this matter before the St.Peters Band at the earliest possible moment and advise the Department as to the action taken by them on this claim.

W.D.D

Your obedient servant

D.C. McLEAN

Secretary-

A.E.Forget,Esq-
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg-
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

171935 4646-12

Red.

FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
WINNIPEG JUN 9 1898
INDIAN COMMISSIONER.

-Copy-

Indian Office,
Winnipeg, 26th. May 1898.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 13 1898

LAND BRANCH JUN 15 1898

Sir,

In reply to correspondence from the Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, No. 4646-12, dated the 8th. March last, with declaration of Murdoch Reid and Thomas Kippling attached in reference to the application of Lawrence Moncrieff for issue of Letters Patent of the Southerly 3 chains and 25 links of parish lot No. 157, in the Parish of St. Peter's, in the Province of Manitoba, I have to report that I met the Chief, Henry Prince, Councillors John Flett, W. D. Harper and William Sinclair, and a large number of the members of the Band at the Chief's house on the 18th. and 20th. instant when I placed the letter and declaration before them, when they brought the following parties forward from whose statements they consider they have the strongest reasons for objecting to the issue of Letters Patent for the portion of the lot in question, which they consider part of their reserve.

No. 95, Charles Flett, a Treaty Indian of the St. Peter's Band, makes the following statement.

I was three or four years old when the late Edward Kippling adopted me as his son, he purchased Lot 157 or the land in

The Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg. Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

171935

in question (five chains frontage) from the late Chief Peguis. I lived with the late Edward Kippling and his wife till the Spring of 1870, when I entered the employ of the Hudson's Bay Company and continued in their service about five years, 1876. During my absence Mr. Kippling died. The first year after my return to the Reserve myself and family lived with Mrs. Edward Kippling, Widow, on the West side of the Red River, immediately opposite the land in question. The following summer Mrs. Kippling told me to build a house for myself on Lot No. 157, which I did, this was about the year 1877. At the time I put up my house there was no building on the Lot nor any appearance of there ever having been any. I have lived on the Lot ever since and have made a number of improvements on it. I got married while in the employ of the Hudson's Bay Company. I have had eleven children, four are now living.

Upon my return home and after serving about five years with the Hudson's Bay Company, Mrs. Kippling informed me that her husband had sold a part of the land to Roderick Campbell, but after considering the matter over he concluded that he had not been allowed sufficient for it and gave Mr. Campbell a horse instead, which cancelled the sale, and paid the small account he owed him.

Mrs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

171935

Mrs.Thomas Williams,No.425,widow, a Treaty woman of the St.Peter's Band, makes the following statement,viz:- I have resided along side of the land now in dispute for over thirty years, and I am positive there never was a house or building of any description put up on Lot No 157 prior to the one erected by Charles Flett,the adopted son of the late Edward Kippling, and I know that he and his family have occupied the land ever since.

No 105,William Grey-Eyes,Senior, a Treaty Indian of the St.Peter's Band, makes the following statement: I have lived on the St.Peter's Reserve all my life,I am now sixty years of age. As long as I can remember I have seen the Lot in question nearly every week and I can say truthfully that no building of any description was ever built on it before the one erected by Charles Flett.

Joseph Monkman, a settler at Devil's Creek makes the following statement: I was living on the present St.Peter's Indian Reserve when the late Edward Kippling was alive. I then occupied the adjoining Lot No.90,opposite No.157, which belonged to the late Edward Kippling. Mr.Roderick Campbell informed me he had bought a portion of it from the late Edward Kippling. Mr.Kippling also told me he had done so,but intended giving a horse in place of what he had received

on

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

171935

on the land. I afterwards saw Mr. Roderick Campbell in possession of the horse Mr.Kippling spoke of giving, and I believe the bargain was so settled. I am positive Mr.Roderick Campbell never built a house or occupied Lot No.157, and that Charles Flett,the adopted son of the late Edward Kippling,was the first person who built on it;upon going on the lot he and his family lived in a tent which I often saw through the woods.

No.332,William Robert Stevenson, a Treaty Indian of St.Peter's Band, makes the following statement: I know the land in dispute as Lot No.157 for the last thirty years. I am positive no house or building of any kind or any improvements were made on it prior to the building Charles Flett put up,now about 20 years ago.

Mr.Joseph Monkman,Senior,a settler in the St. Peter's Parish,makes the following statement: I am now 88 years of age, and have lived on what is now called the Parish of St.Peter's for over forty years. I do not remember ever having seen a house on Lot No.157,which I know, before the one built by Charles Flett, the present occupant.

No.123,Councillor W.D.Harper,a Treaty Indian of the St.Peter's Band, states: I know Charles Flett and the Lot he now occupies,No.157,I am positive he is the only party who ever built a house

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

171935

house on it. I am now 48 years of age. I also know the Commissioners threw out this claim. I was in the employ of Mr. Roderick Campbell in 1868 and 1870, and I am positive he had no house on Lot No. 157 in those years.

Chief Henry Prince, No. 251, makes the following statement; I know Lot No. 157 and I am aware that Edward Kippling got the land from my late father. And I am positive and can truthfully say that there was no house erected on it prior to the one built by No. 95, Charles Flett of the St. Peter's Band, and the adopted son of the late Edward Kippling.

Yours respectfully,

A. McDonald.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

AK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

4646/12-

Ottawa 16th June 1898-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 3rd March last, No 140,129 in relation to a claim under the Manitoba Act to part of Lot 157 Parish of St.Peter's,I beg to enclose copy of a letter addressed the Indian Commissioner at Winnipeg by the local Agent which,I think,gives the information you desire in this matter.

Your obedient servant

Sd. J D McLean

Secretary-

Jom L
iwao

The Secretary-,

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646-12

Red.

Letter 478401

BB 172275 File 1401

"...s your reply
...o the Secretary
Department of the Interior
Ottawa."
Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to this letter quote its file number.

Department of the Interior,

Copy for Mr. McLean,
Secretary
Indian Department.

Ottawa, 21st June, 1898

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 24 1898

LAND BRANCH JUN 26 1898

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 8th March, last and previous correspondence between yourself and this Department concerning the claim of Mr. L. Moncrieff to Lot No. 157 in the Parish of St. Peters I am directed to enclose, herewith, a copy of a report of an interview of the Indian Agent at Winnipeg with Chief Henry Prince, Councillors John Flett, W.D.Harper and William Sinclair, and a large number of the members of the Indian Band of St. Peters, by which you will see that it is not possible for this Department to recognize the claim of Mr. Moncrieff to this Lot or to any part of it. However, I am to add that all claims to lands in St. Peters will be further considered at an early date and that you will then be written to again concerning this matter.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

F. Heap, Esq. M.A., L.L.B.,
Barrister,
Selkirk,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-12)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BLACK

FILE NO. 4646 13

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE LAND CLAIMS

VOLUME

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4646 13

REFERRED TO	REFERENCE		DATE	A OR BF	BY	DISPOSAL	FOR C.R. USE
			125/30				

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3[illegible], File [illegible])

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (R.G. 10, Volume 3[illegible], File [illegible])

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

MEMO.

Note
File 4646 13 is
now attached
hereto.
13/12/6

44

No. 4646

No 13

Department of Indian Affairs.

190

Dept of Interior

Copy of letter from
John George Kennedy
re his claim to lot 4
2 mile limit - near
west - Selkirk -

BLACK
125/30
4646-13

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum from register.

Letter No. 197484 - received 25 Apl 1900
From Dept of Interior - dated 23 apl 1900
With copy of letter from John George Kennedy relative to his claim to lot No. 4 - 2 mile limit - near west Selkirk, willed to him by his father - St Peters Reserve

File 4646 13 charged as having been sent to Dept of Interior on 26th April 1900. and not returned to this Dept with the other St Peters files.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 7 ok File

258759

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS MAY 20 1904

Extract from letter of Mr. James Monkman,

Peguis, Man,. May 7th, 1904.

Lafyde

" On my way down from Selkirk this evening, 3.35 p. M., I met on the road Mr. Simmons and one of the St. Andrews Municipal Councillors, Mr. Wm. McRae. In conversation with them they told me that they were down seeing a bridge that had been lifted by high water. Mr. Simmons claimed that he and two councillors with the acting Chief had the full authority to surrender the main highway over to the Municipality of St. Andrews. When T. M. Daly was Minister of the Interior he authorized Mr. E. McColl to post notices and have the band at a public meeting to have their consent by a vote before the C. P. R. could lay their track to the Cold Storage Lot 4, St. Peters, Dec. 1901, The Municipal Council of St. Andrews advertised several lots in St. Peters reservation for tax sale. Mr. McCreary filed protests against the sale of said lands on the ground that these sales were illegal. Records will show that David Mills, Minister of the Interior, Sir Jas. McDonald, Minister of Justice, Sir Oliver Mowat, Minister of Justice and Chief Justice Woods of Winnipeg ruled against the Norquay Legislature He stated, I fail to find by the Dominion Statutes that the Provincial Government has any right to legislate inside the

boundary

LAND BRANCH MAY 21 1904

S.M. Please see my memo of 28th July 1903 Dodds

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

258759

boundary of an Indian Reservation which has been set aside by Her Majesty for a certain purpose. All the above mentioned Ministers gave their rulings against the intrusion of the Municipality into the Indian Reservation and in consequence of the same rulings the Chief and Councillors at different years turned the municipal pathmasters off from the main highway in St. Peters and the Municipal Council refused to take action against the Chief and Councillors, yet the Municipal Councillors still continued to collect taxes and also the commutation money without pathmasters and sold families out of house and home, which is a great grievance and hardship to the few non-treaty residents of the reserve.

Mr. McCreary promised to have grievance rectified and have the grieved parties returned to their homes. I might state, Sir, that I am also one of the grieved parties in this parish. My lands were sold and the council have applied for torants title. Mr. McCreary made defence for me through Thos. H. Johnston, Solicitor, Winnipeg, He succeeded in making or rather having justices produce give his rulings making the Municipality the Plaintiffs, so to prove their jurisdiction inside the boundary of an Indian Reserve without a proper surrender by the Chief Councillors and Band, required by the Dominion Statutes. I claim that Indian Agent Simmons' action is in favour of the Municipality and against our interests. Trusting that you will carefully consider the grievance-"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/13

Re Indian

Ottawa, November 13, 1906.

Call up

Sir,-

I have to ask that you will kindly favour the Department with a copy of your communication of the 23rd of April, 1900, and copy of letter referred to therein from Mr. John Kennedy, relative to his claim to lot No. 4 in the Two Mile Limit, near west Selkirk, St. Peter's Reserve.

Your obedient Servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.

To the Secretary

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Feb 22nd
1900

Hon. Laurier
Ottawa

556364

Dear Sir

Without wishing to trespass upon your valuable time permit me to ask your honorable Consideration of a Subject which to me is of urgent necessity namely the question of a parcel of land I claim [illegible] In Manitoba that is In St Peters [illegible] near West Selkirk It is In [illegible] of the Reserve I want to find how I stand about the land this parcel of land was willed to ~~my~~ me by my father before the transfer that he had bought and paid for

9.—

302098

and all the prope[illegible] was willed to me [illegible] In P. Alberts when my father died so the prope[illegible] is all squandered by my sisters they did not know I had the well

Secondly

I have occupied the place and born and brought up at the same place I have found the place year after year so this is an important thing for ~~the~~ me and it is a small matter for you to consider

Third there is plenty that are dissatisfied

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

about the same thing the government should make provisions that parcel of land was giving to the late Chief Pegus from Lord Selkirk and our fathers bought this land from Pegus long long before the Transfer my lot is no 4 2 mile limit River front I ask your honor to grant me a patent for this parcel of land this lot is about one mile from West Selkirk

forth another grievance I claim a grant of land in 1885

I was was Sworn to do Service In that Rebellion I was away when the Commission was out I made my application through Col. Sproat and never got a Reply there is a mistake some where a mistake of the officials not me they did not Record my name on the pay sheet that is not my fault I have 2 Reliable to man verify my Statement

fifth I think it is a little enough for the government to give my Rights now dear Lourier I work hard for you on your Election you should favor my application awaiting for an early Reply

Your Humble Servant
John George Kennedy
P. Alberts Birson P.A.

Indian Affairs. (RC 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

197481

4646

Address [illegible] reply
"T[illegible] Secretary
[illegible]ent of the Interior,
Ottawa."
Do not write about more than one subject in the same letter.
Write legibly your full name and address.
If you reply to the letter quote its file number.

FM.

LETTER

FILE 556364.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 23rd April, 1900.

3/5/15

Mr. McLean

302098

Sir,

I am directed to refer to you herewith, for the necessary action, a letter dated the 22nd February last to the Right Hon. Sir Wilfred Laurier, by whom it has been transferred to this Department, from Mr. John George Kennedy, respecting his claim to certain land in St. Peter's Indian Reserve; and to inform you that Mr. Kennedy, in a subsequent letter dated the 14th ultimo, made the following statements in regard to such claim:-

"I call your attention of a claim which I "own in St. Peters Manitoba willed to my name from my "father before the Transfer land he bought and paid for "is lot No. 4 2 mile limit near West Selkirk which the "Government since surveyed that as a Reserve. I can "prove to the Will. I ask your honour to take the "matter into consdderation."

I am further to say that an extract has been made of that portion of Mr. Kennedy's letter first referred to which relates to his claim to military bounty, which claim will be referred to the Department of Militia & Defence.

1 Enc.

Your obedient servant,

P. G. Keyes

Secretary.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4646/13-

On my general report on file 13944! No action on this claim can be taken pending consideration & decision that report. J.G.R. 8/5/90

MEMORANDUM

To the Secretary-

DEPT OF THE INTERIOR CORRESPONDENCE MAY 8 1900 ADMINISTRATION BRANCH OTTAWA

Ottawa 3rd May 1900-

In regard to letter from the Secretary of the Interior Department, enclosing a communication from Mr. John George Kennedy, as to claim to certain lands in the St.Peters Indian Reserve, I beg to state that the papers in connection with claims to land on this Reserve were, some time ago, transferred to the Interior Department and, I understand, are before Mr.Rothwell

I think this File should be also transferred to the Interior Department for Mr Rothwell's consideration.

W. A. Ider

Mr Rothwell

Mr Henry

Have ~~you~~ we had any direct correspondence with Kennedy about this lot? If not can you locate the lot? Perhaps there are no previous papers in the lot. If you cannot ~~any~~ locate the lot the Goodeve can do so from his records.

J.G. Rothwell 8/5/1900

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-13)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 14

FILE NO. 4646 14 BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

VOLUME

FROM

TO

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S RESERVE

LAND CLAIMS

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
REFERRED TO	BY	REMARKS	DATE	PA	B	DI	FOR C.R. USE

FILE NO.

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, File 664-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

MEMO.

No. 4646 No 14

Department of Indian Affairs.

190

St Peters.

Appn of W. R. Stevenson
to purchase lot 70
St Peters Res.

BLACK

12-5-30

4646-14

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

MEMO.

No. 4646 No 14

Department of Indian Affairs.

190

St Peters.

Appn of W. R. Stevenson
to purchase lot 70
St Peters Res.

BLACK

12-5-30

4646-14

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

COPY.

232031

17th July, 1902.

Agent Dom. Lands,
Winnipeg.

Dear Sir,

Re lot No. 70, St. Peters

Mr. W.R. Stevenson applies to purchase lot 70, Parish of St. Peters. He is and has been living upon the land for some years back and has improvements.

If he can purchase please let me know price per acre and terms.

Yours truly,
J. M. Sutherland
P.O. Box 739,
Winnipeg.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA"
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

LAND BRANCH
AUG 26 1902
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

Refer to No.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 23 1902

232031

Ottawa, August 20th, 1902.

Copy for Dept. of Indian Affairs with copy of application.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge your letter of the 4th instant, Ref. 175995, covering a copy of an application from W.R. Stevenson to purchase lot 70, St. Peters, and to say that this application has been referred to the Department of Indian Affairs, and that you will be further communicated with on the subject in due course.

Your obedient servant,

P. G. KEYES,

Secretary.

The Agent of Dominion Lands,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Mr Vary
Is this Sch. Jab. of Record?
Wades

Mr Orr This lot is at present a part of the Reserve. I am not aware however if all the disputed claims to lots in the Reserve have been finally dealt with.
Saml Bray
28 Aug 1902

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/14-

Exd.

Ottawa 29th August 1902-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 17th Ultimo addressed to the Agent of Dominion Lands, Winnipeg, making application, on behalf of Mr. W. [illegible]. Stevenson, to purchase Lot 70 Parish of St. Peter [illegible], I beg to say that as this Lot forms a portion of the St. Peter's Indian Reserve and has not been surrendered by the Indians to be disposed of for their benefit, it is not in the market.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary-

W.A.D

J.M.Sutherland, Esq.,
P.O.Box 739,
Winnipeg,
Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

4646 14

243895

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 6 1903

Refer to No. 785923

Ottawa 4th June, 1903.

Sir,

Upon the 20th August last, a copy of my letter of that date with which was enclosed a copy of an application made to the Agent of Dominion Lands at Winnipeg by Mr. W.R.Stevenson to purchase Lot No. 70 St. Peters was mailed to you. No acknowledg - ment of that letter or reply to it has received here.

LAND BRANCH
JUN 9 1903

By letter dated the 27th ultimo, the Agent asks whether you have advised this Department with regard to the application in question, or not.

I am, therefore, to ask you to let me know whether the Lot in question may be sold to Mr. Stevenson, or not, and if not to state the reason of re - fusal .

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

D.C.Keyes
Secretary.

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

4646/14-

Encl.

OTTAWA, 10th JUNE, 1903-

Sir-

In reply to your letter of the 4th Instant No 785 923, I beg to say that on the 29th August last Mr. J.M. Sutherland, of Winnipeg, was advised, in reply to letter addressed the Dominion Lands Agent, Winnipeg, making application, on behalf of Mr. W.R. Stevenson to purchase Lot 70, Parish of St, Peters, that as this Lot formed a portion of the St. Peter's Indian Reserve and had not been surrendered by the Indians to be disposed of for their benefit, it was not in the market.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

SECRETARY.

The Secretary,
Dept. of the Interior,
Ottawa.-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 14

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
"TO THE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA."
DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER.
WRITE LEGIBLY YOUR FULL
NAME AND ADDRESS.

245392

Ind. Ref. 4646/14

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

Refer to No. 785923

Ottawa, 8th July, 19 03.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that a letter has been received here from the Assistant Agent of Dominion Lands at Winnipeg, with reference to your letter of the 10th ultimo, in which he - the asst Agent - draws attention to the fact that no Mr. Sutherland has been connected with that office for over three years. It is evident, however, from your letter of the 10th ultimo that the ~~letter~~ land to which it relates - Lot No. 70 in the Parish of St. Peters - is not for sale, and the Assistant Agent has been so advised by a copy of this letter.

LAND BRANCH

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Secretary
Department of Indan Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646-14)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3620)

File 4646-6	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding land claims on the St. Peter's Reserve, especially that of Mr. John Sandison. 1881 - 1901
File 4646-7	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. James Monkman. 1895 - 1905
File 4646-8	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Annie Bird. 1895 - 1897
File 4646-9	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Charles Bird. 1895
File 4646-10	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding claims to land on the St. Peter's Reserve. 1884 - 1896
File 4646-11	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Andrew Sinclair. 1897 - 1904
File 4646-12	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. Lawrence Moncreiff. 1898
File 4646-13	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. John George Kennedy. 1900 - 1906
File 4646-14	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to land on the St. Peter's Reserve by Mr. W. R. Stevenson. 1902 - 1903
File 4646 X	Clandeboye Agency - Correspondence regarding a claim to lots 47, 48 and 49 of St. Peter's Reserve by Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver. 1914 - 1919

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4646 X BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

VOLUME

SUBJECT ST. PETER'S LOTS 47, 48 + 49

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4646 X

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	Particulars		Date	For C.R. Use
		ST. PETER'S PARISH					

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 7920, file 474/6 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

X

No. 4646

Department of Indian Affairs.

Feb 1914

St. Peters

Lots 47. 48 & 49, S. Peters Parish.

BLACK

125/33

4646 X

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

PLEASE ADVISE ME
W. W. C.

Land Patents Branch
Sat
JAN 17 1914
Dept. of Interior

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
JAN 16 1914
MINISTER'S OFFICE

11962.

House of Commons

OTTAWA January 14, 1914.

Hon. W. J. Roche, M.D.,

Minister of the Interior,

O T T A W A.

454787

Dear Doctor,

I am in receipt this morning of a letter from Mr. W. J. Robinson, who has been very much interested in the old Parish of St. Peters, which he and others claim was improperly included in St. Peters Indian Reserve. In fact, Chief Justice Howell practically admits this in his report. He informs me that he saw you in Winnipeg and that you promised to submit this matter to the Justice Department as to whether the Parish of St. Peters is within that part of the County in which the Indian title was extinguished at the date of the transfer of that part of Ruperts Land comprising Manitoba to the Dominion of Canada. If so, would not lands held by the several people in the said Parish become freehold? This is a vexed question, and one that I think ought to be settled by the Justice Department before the St. Peters matter is entirely wiped off the slate.

Yours faithfully,

Geo H Bradbury

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

mc

Ref. 139441 No.2

Department of the Interior,

LAND PATENTS BRANCH.

Ottawa, 23rd January, 1914.

MEMORANDUM:-

Re St. Peters Indian Reserve. 454787

I beg to return Ref. 11962, and to say that there is a copy of Mr. Chief Justice Howell's report on File No. 139441 No.2, from which report I beg to quote the following extracts :-

"At the time of the treaty and for several years prior thereto Henry Prince was Chief of the Band. He was preceded by his father, Chief Peguis, who held that position for a very long time and was a man of great force. He claimed and asserted the right to sell and convey the lands in the Indian Settlement of St. Peters, but whether he claimed this right as Sovereign or through rights acquired from Lord Selkirk under his purchase from the Hudson's Bay Company, or from that Company, does not appear. It is, however, clear that for very many years, and up to his death, he did assert this right and the people in this country seem to have admitted his right and the most of the people, whether pure Indian, Half Breed or White, who at the date of the transfer to Canada occupied or claimed rights to lands within this Reserve, did so by purchase, either directly or through others, from Peguis, the most of whom had a written memorandum or conveyance from him. These papers were commonly called "Peguis deeds," some of which were confirmed by deeds from Chief Prince above referred to."

"It seems to me clear that the Manitoba Act applies to Indians, Halfbreeds and Whie men alike, and that if an Indian proved possession and title sufficient to come within Section 32 of the Act and amendments he is entitled to a patent, notwithstanding the purity of his aboriginal blood. See Totten V Watson, 15 U. C. R. 392.

"The mere setting aside of a tract of land for an Indian reserve by the treaty could not deprive any person of a statutory right to any lands which he then had in any portion of the Reserve."

The principles laid down by the Commissioner, as indicated in the above extracts from his report, governed his recommendations and all such recommendations were carried out. If, however, it is proposed to submit to the Department

W. W. Cory, Esq., C. M. G.,

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of Justice for advice any particular question arising out of the report above referred to, I think the further action in the matter should be taken by the Department of Indian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

M. V. Cote

Controller.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

McKERCHAR & MORRISEY
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
and Notaries.
D. W. McKerchar. W. S. Morrisey.

TELEPHONE MAIN 1073.
CABLE ADDRESS
"CHARTER" WINNIPEG
CODE WESTERN UNION

P.O. Box 1221
SUITES 413 To 416
Union Bank Chambers.
COR. MAIN ST. AND WILLIAM AVE.

Winnipeg, Man. 17th January 1914.

DEPUTY MINISTER
JAN 22 1914
Interior

11991.

A.N.O. Cole
PLEASE ADVISE ME
W. W. C.

Land Patents Branch
JAN 23 1914
Dept. of Interior

The Honoutable Minister of the Interior,

O T T A W A.

454787

Sir:-

Re Lots 47, 48 & 49, Parish of St.Peterse.

Referring to the interview which Mr. W.J. Robinson and the Writer had with you when you were in Winnipeg about two weeks ago, we beg to state that we have been engaged in the meantime in gathering evidence for the purpose of establishing the claim of Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver to the above lands.

You will remember that you instructed us to obtain all the evidence possible in the matter and that upon receipt of same you would immediately place the matter before the Minister of Justice for his opinion as to whether it constitutes a proper case for the decisionmof the Exchequer Court. This case to be taken as a test case for the purpose of ascertaining whether lands in the Parish of St. Peters should be considered made part of the Indian Reserve, the said Parish of St.Peters being in that part of the country in which the Indian Title had been extinguished prior to the 15th July, 1870.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

McKERCHAR & MORRISEY
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
and Notaries.
D. W. McKerchar. W. S. Morrisey.

TELEPHONE MAIN 1073.
CABLE ADDRESS:
"CHARTER" WINNIPEG.
CODE WESTERN UNION

P.O. Box 1221
SUITES 413 TO 416
Union Bank Chambers.
COR. MAIN ST. AND WILLIAM AVE.
Winnipeg, Man. 17th January 1914.

Our client, Mrs. Oliver, claims title as the sole surviving heir of her father, the late Thomas Taylor, The said Thomas Taylor claims title through parties who were in peaceable possession of the said lands at the time of the transfer under the terms of the "Manitoba Act" (see section 32, sub-section 3) which states that all titles by occupancy with the sanction and under the license and authority of the Hudsons Bay Company up to the 8th day of March, 1869 of land under that part of the Province in which the Indian title has been extinguished shall, if required, by the owner, be converted into an estate in freehold by grant from the Crown.

We are in a position to prove title in Mrs. Oliver under the provisions of this Act.

We might also call your attention to the fact that the Manitoba Act has the force and effect of an Imperial Statute under and by virtue of the British North America Act 1871, and that the Parliament of Canada has no power to repeal or alter the provisions of the said Manitoba Act. (See Section 6, British N. America Act 1871).

We have not yet quite completed our file of evidence consisting of Statutory Declarations etc., but we notice by the papers that it is proposed to appoint a new commission

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MC KERCHAR & MORRISEY
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors, and Notaries.
D. W. McKerchar. W. S. Morrisey.

TELEPHONE MAIN 1073.
CABLE ADDRESS: "CHARTER" WINNIPEG. CODE WESTERN UNION

P.O. Box 1221
SUITES 413 TO 416
Union Bank Chambers.
COR. MAIN ST. AND WILLIAM AVE.
Winnipeg, Man. 17th January 1914.

to be composed of Judge Robson & Judge Locke, to enquire into the matters in dispute in respect of the St. Peters Indian Reserve.

Our object in writing you at the present time is to call your attention forcibly to the fact that the lots above mentioned, and all other lands in the Parish of St. Peters, are not a part of the Indian Reserve, and cannot be a part of the Indian Reserve, and that this ought to be made clear at the time the Commission is appointed. The former Commission composed of the present Chief Justice of the Province of Manitoba, when appointed to deal with the Indian Reserve, presumed to deal with this and other lands in the Parish of St Paters which he had no right to do.

It is a matter of history that the Parish of St. Peters is a part of that tract of land in the Province of Manitoba in which the Indian Title had been extinguished, prior to the 15th July, 1870, the date of transfer.

We might also point out that when the matter was up before the said Chief Justice the people who owned lands in the said Parish of St. Peters, assuming that it was no part of the Indian Reserve, did not take the trouble to appear before the Chief Justice to press their claims,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

McKERCHAR & MORRISEY
Barristers, Attorneys, Solicitors,
and Notaries.
D. W. McKerchar. W. S. Morrisey.

TELEPHONE MAIN 1073.
CABLE ADDRESS:
"CHARTER" WINNIPEG.
CODE WESTERN UNION

P.O. Box 1221
SUITES 413 To 416
Union Bank Chambers.
COR. MAIN ST. AND WILLIAM AVE.
Winnipeg, Man. 17th January 1914.

and in any event, we submit that any finding that the Chief Justice might have made was altogether without authority.

Our reason for writing now is that we do not wish to have these lands confounded with the Indian Reserve.

Would you kindly let us have your views on the matter and oblige

Yours truly,

McKERCHAR & MORRISEY.

Per...

WSM/EBC.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ref. 139441 No2

mc Copy

Department of the Interior,

LAND PATENTS BRANCH,

Ottawa, 23rd January, 1914 191

MEMORANDUM:- Re St. peters Indian Reserve.

I beg to return Ref. 11962, and to say that there is a copy of Mr. Chief Justice Howell's report on File No. 139441 No.2, from which report I beg to quote the following extracts :-

"At the time of the treaty and for several years "prior thereto Henry Prince was Chief of the Band. He was preceded by his father,Chief Peguis, who held that position for a very long time and was a man of great force. He claimd and asserted the right to sell and convey the lands in the Indian Settlement of St. peters, but whether he claimed this right as Sovereign or through rights acquired from Lord Selkirk under his purchase from the Hudson's Bay Company, or from that Company,does not appear. It is,however, clear that for very many years, and up to his death, he did assert this right and the people in this country seem to have admitted his right and the most of the people, whether pure Indian, Halfbreed or White, who at the date of the transfer to Canada occupied or claimed rights to lands within this Reserve, did so by purchase, either directly or through others from Peguis, the most of whom had a written memorandum or conveyance from him. These papers were commonly called "Peguis deeds", some of which were confirmed by deeds from Chief Prince above referred to."

" It seems to me clear that the Manitoba Act applies to Indians, Halfbreeds and White men alike, and that if an Indian proved possession and title sufficient to come within Section 32 of the Act and amendments he is entitled to a patent, notwithstanding the purity of his aboriginal blood. See Totten V Watson, 15 U. C. R. 392."

"The mere setting aside of a tract of land for an Indian Reserve by the Treaty could not deprive any person of a statutory right to any lands which he then had in any portion of the Reserve."

The principles laid down by the Commissioner,as indicated in the above abstracta from his report,governed his recommendations and all such recommendations were carried out. If, however, it is porposed to submit to the Department of Justice for advice any particular question arising out of the report above referred to, I think the further action in the matter should be taken by the Department of Indian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

N.O.Coté,
Controller.

W. W. Cory,Esq., C. M. G.,
Department of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

mc Ref. 139441 No.2

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
RECEIVED
FEB 2 1914
MINISTER'S OFFICE

Department of the Interior,

LAND PATENTS BRANCH,

Ottawa, 28th January, 1914

MEMORANDUM:- Re St. Peters Indian Reserve. 454787

I beg to return Ref. 11991, and to refer you to my memorandum of the 23rd instant, attached to your Ref. 11962, copy of which memorandum is also attached hereto, relating to the same subject.

If it is proposed to submit the matter to the Minister of Justice for his opinion as to whether it should be referred to the Exchequor Court for decision, I think such action should be taken by the Department of Indian Affairs.

In this connection I beg to quote the following from part of Section 22, R. S. C. 1906, Chap. 99, under which all claims under the Manitoba Act which were not extablished before the 1st May, 1886, are barred :-

"Provided that such claim to a grant from the "Crown is barred as fully and effectually as if it had not been made, if the claimant in respect thereof did not establish his claim before the first day of November , one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, or, if the claim had not before the last mentioned date been referred to the Commissioners under the following provisions of this Part. R. S. c. 48, s. 2."

In this connection the following paragraph from your Ref. above referred to, is quoted :-

"We might also call your attention to the fact that the Manitoba Act has the force of an Imperial Statute under and by virtue of the British North America Act, 1871, and that the Parliament of Canada has no power to repeal or alter the provisions of the said Manitoba Act. (See section 6, British America Act, 1871)."

In

W. W. Cory , Esq., C. M. G.,

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In dealing with this question it would be well, I think, to bear in mind the judgment of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council which was delivered on the 12th December, 1888, in connection with the appeal of the St. Catherines Milling and Lumber Company vs the Queen, which was practically to the effect that under the Royal Proclamation issued by His Majesty King George 111 on the 17th October, 1763, in favour of all Indian tribes then living under the sovereignty and protection of the British Crown, the Indians of this Country have no legal title to the lands which they have occupied -- the terms of such Royal Proclamation showing "That the tenure of the Indians was a personal and usufructuary right dependent upon the goodwill of the sovereign"

Respectfully submitted,

N. O. Coté

Controller.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

February 5, 1914.

Sir,-

I beg to inclose file of correspondence No. 4646/X. in connection with claim made by Messrs.,McKerchar & Morrisey, on behalf of Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver, for lots 47. 48 and 49 in the Parish of St. Peters. in compliance with promise made by the Minister as to submission of claim to your Department.

I would point out that these lands were included within the limits of the St. Peters Indian reserve, and Letters Patent have been issued to individual members of the Band therefor.

Your obedient Servant,

W.M.

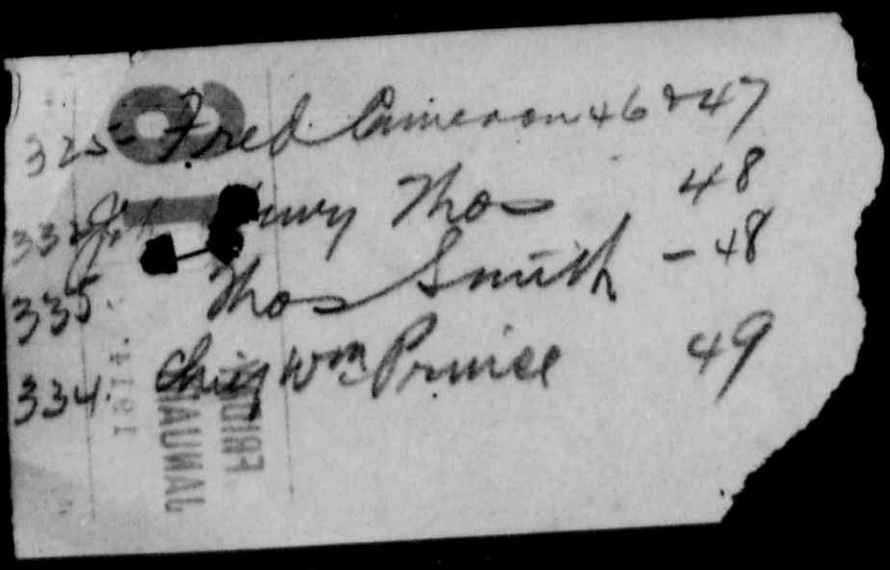
Deputy Superintendent General.

The Deputy Minister of Justice,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA



Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646 X

February 5, 1914.

Gentlemen,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, in regard to claim of Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver to lots 47, 48 and 49 in the Parish of St. Peters and in reply to say that the papers have been submitted to the Deputy Minister of Justice.

Your obedient Servant,

Duncan C Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

Messrs. McKercher & Morrisey,
Barristers, etc.,
Union Bank Chambers,
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

J.C.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 5 1914

Ottawa March 9th, 1914.

462599

Please address reply to
Deputy Minister of Justice

232-14.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th ultimo, upon the subject of the claim made by Messrs. McKerchar & Morrisey, Barristers, on behalf of Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver for lots 47, 48 and 49 in the Parish of St. Peters.

In reply I beg to state that apparently the solicitors of Mrs. Oliver take the ground that the Parliament of Canada had no authority to pass legislation limiting in any way the rights of occupiers of land conferred by the provisions of section 32 of the Manitoba Act and that therefore the provisions of section 22 of the Manitoba Supplementary Provisions Act, Cap. 99 R.S. 1906, limiting the time for presenting and establishing their claims ~~was~~ are ultra vires in view of the Imperial Act the British North America Act, 1871, section 6 which provides that it shall not be competent for the Parliament of Canada to alter the provisions of the Manitoba Act, 33 Vic. Chapter 3 (Canada) in which is contained said section 32 providing for the quieting of titles &c. The contention put forward is that the Act of the Parliament of Canada limiting the time within which applications under sub-sections 3 & 4 of ~~the~~ said section 32 could be made, and passed for the first time in 1880 (Cap. 7 43 Vic.)

The Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

was

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

was beyond the power of Parliament. While I ~~am free~~ to admit that the question is not free from doubt, the government should take the position that such legislation was within the powers of Parliament, but that the claimant should, if he desires, be given an opportunity to establish his claim in the courts, and that if he presents a petition of right the question of recommending a fiat will be considered by the Minister of Justice.

Papers returned.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. Newcombe.

D.M.J.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

F. 4646/X.

June 9, 1914.

Gentlemen,-

Referring to letter addressed you on the 5th of February last, in regard to claim of Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Oliver to lots 47. 48 and 49 in the Parish of St. Peters, I beg to say that the papers in this matter were referred to the ~~Deputy Minister~~ Dept of Justice, ~~and~~ have to inform you it is considered that the Act of the Parliament of Canada, limiting the time within which applications under subsections 3 and 4 of section 32 could be made, passed in 1880, was within the powers of Parliament, but that ~~if~~ the claimant desires, she may be given an opportunity to establish her claim in the Courts.

Upon your submitting a petition of right to the Minister of Justice, the question of recommending a fiat will be considered.

Your obedient Servant,

W.W.C. H.C.S.

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

Messrs. McKerchar & Morrisey,
Barristers, etc.,
Union Bank Chambers,
Winnipeg, Man.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10

4646 X

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 21 1919
RECORDS

Ottawa 15th May 191 9

523280

Dear Mr Scott;

Referring to the petition of right presented by Mrs E.A. Oliver of Winnipeg claiming a declaration of title in Lots 47, 48 and 49 of the Parish of St Peters in Manitoba, and that the patents thereto issued by the Crown should be cancelled, I may say that upon submitting the petition to the Acting Minister of Justice for his recommendation for a fiat some discussion arose, and he questioned the advisability of permitting the matter to be litigated. Further consideration was however deferred for the purpose of ascertaining whether there be other patents subject to the like attack, and whether a decision in this case would therefore govern a number of others or would be of importance only for the particular case in hand. You will perceive that what the Minister wishes to ascertain is the extent to which an adverse decision would affect the Government in relation to its proceedings generally for the disposition of land in the Parish of St Peters, and it is for the purpose of obtaining such information upon that question as you can give me that I am now submitting the matter to you.

LANDS BRANCH
MAY 22 1919

Yours very truly,

E. Lucas

D.M.J.

D.C. Scott, Esq., F.R.S.C.,
Deputy Superintendent of
Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4646/X

EXD

Ottawa, May 22, 1919.

Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, in regard to Petition of Right presented by Mrs. E. A. Oliver, of Winnipeg, claiming a declaration of title in lots 47, 48 and 49, of the Parish of St. Peter, in Manitoba, and that the patents thereto issued by the Crown should be cancelled. In reply I would say that the question of ownership of these lots was dealt with by Chief Justice Howell, who submitted a report in regard thereto stating that there was no evidence of possession or occupation at the transfer, and that he would not allow the claim made by the Estate of the late Thomas Taylor.

In view of Chief Justice Howell's report, these lands along with the other lands on the St. Peters reserve for which claims were not allowed, were surveyed and allotted to individual Indians, and letters patent issued by this Department for the lots in question as follows:-

Lot 47, patented to Frederick Cameron of the St. Peters Indian Reserve on the 11th of December, 1908;

The south two-thirds of lot 48, patented to John Henry Thomas of the St. Peters Indian reserve on the 11th of December, 1908;

The north one-third of lot 48 patented to Thomas Smith of the St. Peters Indian reserve on the 12th of December, 1908.

Lot 49, patented to Chief William Prince, of the St. Peters Indian reserve on the 12th of December, 1908.

It

The Deputy Minister of Justice,

O t t a w a.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

It would appear that in case of the granting of a Petition of Right and an adverse decision obtained, it might possibly affect the action taken by this Department in the issue of Crown Grants for lands the claims to which were not allowed by Chief Justice Howell.

Your obedient Servant,

J. D. McLean

Assistant Deputy & Secretary.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

4646 X

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 30 1919
RECORDS

F.P.V.

EXD.

Ottawa, May 28, 1919.

PLEASE ADDRESS JUSTICE
THE DEPUTY MINISTER
OTTAWA

File

C. 738.

Petition of Right of Mrs. E. A. Oliver.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant with respect to the above Petition of Right, and am referring the matter to the Minister of Justice.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. Stuart Edwards

Secretary.

The Assistant Deputy Minister,
Department of Indian Affairs,
O t t a w a.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

DEPARTMENT OF
NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

Memorandum:

(280520
Met on 62-29
Aug. 1906
4646 X
15/5/19

M-1 2M Pads 2-49 P-1717

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3620, file 4646 X)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - (

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BLACK

FILE NO. 4676

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

VOLUME

SUBJECT RETURN OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MAN. + N.W.T. 1875

FROM

TO

4676 FILE NO.

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL		
Referred To	B		Date	A OR BF	Date	For C.R. Use

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 1,676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

Sa. No 2672.
1875
Reported to Dy Supt for [illegible] office.
J. Macdonald

The Accountant will please prepare Cheque in favor of the teacher of the Norway House (or Rossville) School for Salary for 2 qr ended 30th Sept '75 at £300 ⁰⁰ p. ann.
L.M.

[illegible]
to Dy Superintendent
Ind Affairs
D.S.
Wm. Mc Neill
Secretary

No. 4676 See No 5452.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

4676

Revd E. Wood &
A Sutherland
Secs W. M. Society
Toronto
Ont

8/
9/Apl

Return of attendance at schools in Rossville, Crooked Turn, Jacksons Bay, & Berens River in Manitoba, and beyond the Western Boundary at White Fish Lake, Victoria, Woodville (Pigeon Lake) and Morleyville (Bow River) and drawing attention to the O.C. granting assistance to Schools in Manitoba & the N. W. Territories.

✓ Acft 13th April
✓ 12/Oct 2 Sept Return Rossville Mission Schools.

ACTION.

125/1-13

BLACK

✓ 29/Oct let from Rev. E. Wood.
✓ 29/Nov Cheque let to Lt Col Jas Provencher
✓ 9 Nov " let to Rev E Wood
✓ 10 " let to Rev E Wood
✓ 29/Nov " from Coms Provencher — w. receipt
✓ 13/Dec

Cert 89 { Credit Cheque No 47. issued Nov 9th 1875
✓ 18th Dec Lett to Rev E. Wood
~~acft~~ ~~Let from~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
APR 9 1875
OTTAWA

2572

Toronto, April 8th 1875.

Sir,

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council having agreed to give assistance to Indian Schools in Manitoba, and the North-West, we have the honor to forward the following Statements:— The Rev. George Young, of Winnipeg, having recently visited these Missions, he reports as follows:—

*Rossville, (Norway House,)	90	Scholars
Crooked Turn, 7 miles fm. Ross.e	50	"
Jackson's Bay, (Oxford House,)	40	"
+Berens River,	30	" in Summer
	240	

* authorized G.O.C. 21 oct/73

for which [illegible]

Beyond the Western Boundary of Manitoba the Rev. George McDougall, now in Ontario on a visit, reports,—

White Fish Lake,	80	Scholars
Victoria,	58	"
Woodville, (Pigeon Lake,)	30	"
Morleyville, (Bow River,)	40	
	188	

The Missions to which these Schools are attached

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

attached have been maintained at great expense. Rossville and Oxford House have been established Sixty-six years. have been established Sixty-six years. at the former place alone there have been registered One Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Baptisms, up to Jany. 1st 1875.

We have the honor to remain,

Sir, Your Most Obedient Servants,

E. Wood.
A. Sutherland
General Secretaries of the
Methodist Missionary Society,
Canada.

The Honorable D. Laird,
Minister of the Interior,
&c. &c. &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

When is the O.C.
authorizing these schools?
DAC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

11467/615

The Revd E. Wood &
" " A. Sutherland
Secretarys W. M. Society
Toronto
Ont

Ottawa, 13 April/75

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Supt Gen of I. A. to ack the receipt of your letter of the 8 inst, containing statements respecting certain Indian Schools in the N.W. Territories furnished to you by the Revd Geo Young & the Revd Geo McDougall.

The Supt Gen desires me to inform you that of the eight Schools mentioned in your letter, there are only two viz: that at Norway House & Berens River to which the Govt has promised to extend assistance & that in the case of these schools the Govt aid can only be given on the receipt of satisfactory certificates shewing that the average attendance has been not less than twenty five.

It will also be necessary that the certificates should shew the date from which the Schools have been in actual

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

actual operation, subsequent of course, to that of the Orders in Council establishing the Schools viz: the 23rd Oct 1873.

I may observe moreover, that all the Schools referred to in your letter are outside the County covered by the said Treaties as yet made, & that the Minister thinks it will not be in the power of the Govt as a general rule, to extend aid to Schools outside the Treaty limits, as the Schools which the Govt are bound to assist within these limits will probably in a short time ~~be more than sufficient~~ to absorb all the funds available for such purposes.

As regards the Schools however referred to in the Order in Council above mentioned, the promised Govt aid will be granted on your furnishing the Certificates required by the Order in Council ~~above~~ referred to.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Rossville Mission **INDIAN SCHOOL,** Crooked Turn June 15th 1875

BOYS.	READING BOOK. 1	2	3	4	5	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Writing.	REMARKS.
1 Joseph Boiley from	1	to	3	"	"	"	A.	W.	about 14 years old A very smart boy
2 Elijah Sinclair "	1	to 2	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
3 Alexander Fidlar "	1	to	3	"	"	"	A.	W.	
4 Alexander Budd "	1	to 2	"	"	"	"	"	"	
5 Alexander Stevenson "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Away most of Winter
6 Solomon Budd "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
7 George Thaddeus "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
8 Joseph Wiseaux "	1	to 2	"	"	"	"	"	"	
9 Edmund Stevenson "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
10 Joseph Daniel "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Away most of Winter
11 Alexander Stevenson "	1	to 2	"	"	"	"	"	"	
12 Abel Papanekis "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
13 William Papanekis "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
14 Elijah Bowes "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
15 Joseph Evarett "	1	to	3	"	"	"	A.	W.	about 15 years old A very smart boy
16 Joseph Bradburn "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Average attendance
17 John Richard Boiley "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	8 daily for 9 months
18 Thomas Fidlar "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	of the year.
At the close of the year	1st Bk	2nd B	3rd B	–	–	–	Arith	Writ	For 3 months during
There are in	11.	4.	3.	–	–	–	3.	4.	the summer the people were away from their homes to the fisheries with their children

GIRLS.	READING BOOK. 1	2	3	4	5	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Writing	REMARKS.
1 Margaret Budd From	"	2	to	4	"	"	A.	W.	
2 Mary M. Sinclair "	1	to	3	"	"	"	A.	W.	
3 Annie Thomas "	1	"	3	"	"	"	A.	W.	
4 Susan Rose "	"	2	to	4	"	"	A.	W.	
5 Maria Stevenson "	"	2	to 3	"	"	"	A	W.	
6 Eliza Kennedy "	[illegible]	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Away most of winter
7 Jane Budd "	1	to	3	"	"	"	"	W.	
8 Lucy Papanekis "	"	2 to	3	"	"	"	"	W.	
9 Maria Papanekis "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
10 Jane Papanekis "	1	to 2	"	"	"	"	"	"	
11 Betsy Alder "	1	to	3	"	"	"	"	W.	
12 Maggie Evarett "	1	to	"	4	"	"	A.	W.	Best writer
13 Maria Thaddeus "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
14 Betsy Thaddeus "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
15 Martha Stevenson "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
16 Juliett Bowes "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Average attendance
At the close of the year	1st Bk	2nd B	3rd B	4th B	–	–	Arith	Writ	10 daily for 9 months
There are in	5.	2.	6.	3.	–	–	6.	9.	of the year.
									For 3 months during the summer the people were away from their homes with their children fishing.

Missionary. John H. Ruttan

Teacher. John C. Sinclair

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Crooked Turn School
Roseville Mission

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Roseville Mission — INDIAN SCHOOL, Roseville 17 June — 1875

BOYS.	READING BOOK. 1	2	3	4	5	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Writing.	REMARKS.
1 David Rundell From	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
2 Daniel Wakemuseaps "	"	"	3 to New Test.			"	A.	W.	
3 William Petuskeno "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
4 Jeremiah Rundell "	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
5 Jimmock Mackowão "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
6 Abel Soquatum "	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	W.	
7 George Soquatum "	1 to 2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
8 Thomas Soquatum "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
9 James Meno "	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
10 Thomas Meno "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
11 James Cochrane "	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
12 Joseph Paul "	"	"	3 to New Test.			"	A.	W.	
13 William Stevenson "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A	W	clever boy.
14 Felix Meerdo "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
15 Samuel Hamilton "	"	"	3 to New Tes.			"	A.	W.	
16 Benjamin Balfour "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	clever boy.
17 Arthur Cochrane "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
18 Joseph Papanekis "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
19 Thomas Mamanowatum "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
20 James Jibeault "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
21 Timothy Jibeault "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
22 George Sinclair "	"	"	3 to New Test.			"	A	W.	
23 William Sinclair "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	W.	

GIRLS.	READING BOOK. 1	2	3	4	5	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Writing.	REMARKS.
1 Mary Jane Rundell From	"	"	3 to New	Test.		"	A.	W.	
2 Jane Mary Rundell "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
3 Sophia Badger "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
4 Sarah J. Badger "	"	"	"	"	5 to 6 Test.	"	A.	W.	
5 Maria Elizabeth Badger "	"	2 to 3		"	"	"	"	W.	
6 Adelaide Mackowão "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
7 Sarah Soulier "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
8 Mary Jane Soquatum "	"	"	3 to New	Test.		"	A.	W.	
9 Mary Jane Meno "	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
10 Mary Cochrane "	"	"	3 to New	Test.		"	A.	W.	
11 Sarah Murdo "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
12 Ellen Cochrane "	"	"	3 to New	Test.		"	A.	W.	
13 Jane Cochrane "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
14 Sarah Grieve "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
15 Victoria Paul "	"	"	3 to New	Test.		"	A.	W.	
16 Mary Jane Paulette "	"	"	"	"	5 to 6	Test.	A.	W.	
17 Ellen Roostatas "	"	2 to 3		"	"	"	"	W.	
18 Jane Cochrane "	"	"	3 to New	Test.		"	A.	W.	
19 Mary Budd "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
20 Jane Hoderew "	"	2 to 3		"	"	"	"	W.	
21 Susanna Wesley "	"	"	3 to New	Test.		"	A.	W.	
22 Mary Wesley Missionary. "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
23 Caroline Wesley Teacher. "	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	W.	

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Rossville Mission **INDIAN SCHOOL,** Rossville June 1st 1875 continued

BOYS.	READING BOOK. 1	2	3	4	5	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Writing.	REMARKS.
24 John Sinclair Sr.	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
25 George Gibb "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
26 Amos McLeay "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
27 Paulsite Rostalac "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
28 George Rostalac "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
29 Henry Stevenson "	"	"	3 to New Test.			"	A.	W.	
30 John Halcrow "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
31 Robert Sutter "	1 to 2		"	"	"	"	"	W.	
32 George Sutter "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
33 Charles Thomas Johnston "	1 to 2		"	"	"	"	"	W.	
At the close of the year	1st B. 13	2nd B. 7	3rd B. 1	New Test. —		Arith. 12	Writ. 20		
There are in									

Average attendance 20 daily.

GIRLS.	READING BOOK. 1	2	3	4	5	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Writing	REMARKS.
24 Betsy Cochrane Sr.	"	"	"	"	5 to Old Test.		A.	W.	
25 Susie Manamonatum "	"	"	3	"	"	"	A.	W.	
26 Priscilla Moodie "	"	"	"	"	5 to Old Test.		A.	W.	
27 Eliza Moodie "	"	"	3 to New Test.			"	A.	W.	
28 Adelaide Papanekis "	"	"	3 "	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
29 Susannah Papanekis "	1 to 2		"	"	"	"	"	W.	
30 Jane Papanekis "	"	"	3 to	New	Test.	"	A	W.	
31 Victoria Frazer "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	W.	
32 Christianna Jibeault "	"	"	3 to	New	Test.	"	"	W.	
33 Ellen Johnstone "	"	"	3	N.	T.	"	A.	W.	
34 Mary Ann Johnston "	1 to 2		"	"	"	"	"	"	
35 Nancy Johnston "	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
36 Mary Sinclair "	"	"	"	"	5 to Old Test.		A.	W.	
37 Ellen McLeay "	1 to 2		"	"	"	"	"	W.	
38 Margaret McLeay "	"	"	3 to	New	Test.	"	"	W	
At the close of the year	1st B. 7	2nd B. 4	3rd B. 5	— New Test. 17	Old Test. 5		Arith. 20	Writ. 30	
There are in									

Average attendance 26 daily - The school is kept the whole year. Vacations one week Christmas one week Easter two weeks the last of July and first of August

Missionary. John McPherran

Teacher. Peter Badger.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA
OCT 20
1875

Toronto, Oct. 20th 1875.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Receipts for Payments on Day-Schools, and for Present Elgin Industrial School for the Quarter ending September 30th 1875. The return from Present Elgin was also accompanied by two from Norway House, and stated that the School at the latter place has been given to Grassy Narrows, where the people join in considerable numbers; Peter Bay is our Teacher and Assistant.

I am, Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
E. Wood,
General Sec'y. of Methodist Miss'y. Society, Canada Conference.

The Honorable D. Laird,
Minister of the Interior,
&c. &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~Inform Dr Wood that~~ ~~Where forwarded~~ Check for Teacher of School at Norway House has been ~~Dr Wood to~~ forwarded to the Ind Comr at Winnipeg ~~be informed~~ that there is no provision for a Salary to the Teacher of the School as packed Turner of wh. he also enclosed a Return - that the matter will however be brought under the notice of the S. G. on his return -

RW

Nov 6

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4676

Revd. D Wood.
Toronto.

Nov. 10 1875.

Revd. Sir,

With reference to the Returns from the Rossville and Crooked Turn Mission Schools dated 15th & 17th June last respectively and recd. at this Dept. on 12th ult: I have to inform you that a Cheque to pay the Salary of the Teacher of the first mentioned school has been forwarded to the Indian Comm. at Winnipeg -

~~There is~~ No provision for a Salary to the Teacher of the School at Crooked Turn, the matter will however be brought under the notice of the Supt. Genl. of I. A. on his return to Ottawa.

I.L.

L.W.

Alm

has made

Salaries [illegible]
Supt Genl [illegible]
[illegible]
S. Allen

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEC 13 1875
OTTAWA.

Indian Commissioners Office
Winnipeg. 29th Novr. 1875

Should not the purport of this letter be communicated to Dr Wood?
D.S.G.I.N.
R.S. 14/12/75

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th inst. No 4676. enclosing a cheque. No 47. in favour of Peter Badger. for Seventy Five Dollars: in payment of his Salary as teacher of the Norway House School for the quarter ended the

To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the 30th of September 1875.

Though the Cheque is
endorsed and the receipt
signed by Mr Peter Badger
"who happened to call at
the Office when the same
was received," he informed
me that he had ceased to
be School teacher at Norway
House since June Last, and
the person, whose name, I
have not yet had time to
ascertain, has taken his place.

For this reason, I have
kept the money to be paid
to whom it may belong as
soon as I will have the
necessary information.

The quarters Salary covered
by this Cheque being Expired

by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by nearly two months.
The communication with
Norway House being slow
and far apart. I have thou-
-ght better to keep the amount
instead of returning the
cheque to Ottawa, so as to
be able to pay it at first
demand.

I will have the honor
to advise you of my future
action in this matter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

A McKenney
Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Convey to Rev Dr Wood in Can with let to him of 10 ulto the information that Mr Peter Badger has not taught school at Norway House (Rossville) since June last. and that Chk for Teacher's salary for last Qr is in Mr Provencher's hands for transmission whenever that Gentleman is informed of the new Teacher's name

DK
Decr 14/13

4676

B. Acctt

CANADA

4676

Rev. E. Wood.
Toronto.

Dec. 18th 1875.

Sir,

In connection with my letter of the 10th inst., in which you were informed that a Cheque to pay the salary of the Teacher of the Rossville Mission School had been forwarded to Mr. Indian Commr. Provencher, I have now to inform you that Mr. Peter Badger has not taught that School since June last, and upon Mr. Provencher being advised of the new Teacher's name the Cheque will be transmitted.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4676)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 4719 217/1-2 BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT Manitoba. Proposed Changes re Administration of Appropriations for the Indians

VOLUME

FROM 1875

TO

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For Records Use

INSIDE (Cover)

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

REGULATIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Records indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other offices an opportunity of using it.
3. Records must be notified whenever a file is passed direct to another Division.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Records.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Blue Slips will not be attached to files without notification to Records.
11. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
12. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3623, File 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to submit, for the consideration of the Minister of the Interior the following remarks upon the subject of the Expenditure of Indian Funds in the Province of Manitoba by the Indian Commissioner for that Province - to shew in what respect he considers the method of conducting that Expenditure at present to be objectionable, and to suggest the change which should, in his judgment, be adopted with the view —

1st Of limiting the amount ~~of~~ which the Indian Commissioner must have the Entire disposal to the sum necessary for the payment of the annuities, and

2nd Of Enabling the Department to Control such Expenditure as may be necessary on Indian account in Manitoba.

Under the System followed by the Indian Office letters of Credit in favor of the Indian Commissioner at Fort Garry issue at the Commencement of Each fiscal year for the amounts required to Enable him to pay annuities, to purchase Provision for the use of the Indians assembled to receive

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

receive payment thereof to purchase ammunition, twine, cattle, seeds, grain and such agricultural implements and tools as he may consider it proper to supply under the terms of the treaties.

The aggregate amount of the credits opened in favor of the Commissioner for the purposes above mentioned does not fall far short of $100,000.— in the first quarter of each year and it should be remembered that this large sum is for the time being almost entirely under the control of the Commissioner and might, if he were so disposed, be converted to his own use by the simple act of drawing cheques in his own favor for the different sums placed at his credit.

The purchase of the provision agricultural implements, tools &c is effected by the Commissioner who deal with such firms in Fort Garry as he may choose to employ for the purpose of providing the articles— the invoices for which are sent to the Commissioner and paid by him from the moneys at his credit before they are submitted to the Department

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department for approval, and the latter is thus deprived of the proper opportunity to investigate the nature of the purchases for which it has already paid and of determining whether or not the prices demanded for the goods supplied were fair and equitable or otherwise.

Past Experience has shewn that the arrangements Entered into for the supply of articles required under the treaties have not always been Satisfactory, and that there is room for doubt that Proper care has always been taken to ascertain that the Prices Paid for goods furnished were the lowest for which such goods could fairly be obtained, and it has frequently happened that accounts - fully discharged - have been sent into the Dept as vouchers which upon Examination were found to have been overpaid or underpaid in consequence of Errors in Computation which the Commissioner had failed to detect

Under the present System which permits the Control of Expenditure to pass from the

Department

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department to an Officer at a distance there is always the possibility of Expense being incurred which would not have received the sanction of the Department but which it is found to be difficult to repudiate after Payment of the accounts for such Expense has been made by the Commissioner

To remedy the objectionable features above mentioned it will only be necessary to discontinue the practice of the Establishment of Credits in favor of the Commissioner, and, instead, to have Credits Established in favor of the Deputy of the Minister, to forbid the Payment of any account by the Commissioner and to instruct him to forward the invoices and accounts for all his purchases to the Department, he having first checked the different items and certified them receipt by him and marked plainly on Each account the number of the treaty under which the different purchases have been made

After Examination and

approval

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

approval at Head Quarters the accounts would be discharged by the issue of official Cheques drawn against the Credits established in favor of the Deputy Ministers in the name of the several persons from whom goods were obtained. By this means the Dept would be enabled to exercise a proper degree of supervision over the Expenditure and would be in a position to prohibit, if necessary, the payment of any account which might require explanation or for which there sufficient warrant or authority did not exist.

Objection might be made to this manner of paying accounts on the ground of unnecessary delay - but it is not apparent that immediate payment follows the purchases even under the present system, and even if the objection were to a certain extent valid it must be remembered that the purchases are extensive and that any dealer or merchant would be quite willing to wait thirty days for payment in lieu of making the usual deduction

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

deduction of a certain per-
-centage for cash.

The Commissioner might be allowed to have a standing credit of say $1000.- to meet expenses of a purely con-
-tingent nature, but he should be strictly forbidden to pay any account, however small, himself, and should be warned that this prohibition extends not only to purchases for indians but also to those for the office.

There would however be no objection to his paying the wages of the office messenger, but all accounts for purchases of all kinds, and for repairs, furniture, fuel, & rent, should be sent to the department each week for payment, as also should the periodical accounts of the Commissioner and the assistant commissioners for travelling or other expenses

month (?) ✓ 2

All this would, of course, entail a great deal of labor at Head Quarters but it is believed that the results would be so far beneficial as to amply compensate for any additional trouble which such a change would occasion

Rob Sinclair
2. Apl 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Tobo - Kia flour powder & Shot twine, pork, Cattle, Agt. Implements & Pemmican.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No 4719

Draft

Dept of the Interior
Indian Office
22 April 1875

J. A. N. Provencher Esq
Indian Commissioner
Fort Garry. Man

Sir.

On the 1st July next the undermentioned changes in the sytem of Expending the Funds appropriated for Indian Purposes in Manitoba will take effect and will remain in force thereafter until they are officially altered or countermanded

1. The abandonment of the present system of Establishing accountable credits in your name with the Bank at Fort Garry and

2. The discontinuance of the present system of paying accounts for indian supplies &c by cheques drawn at Fort Garry.

3 Credits will, in future, be Established in favor of the Dept of the Minister of the Interior, and will be exhausted by cheques drawn at Ottawa on the Merchants Bank at Fort Garry.

4 All invoices and accounts for articles purchased by

approved by
Mr Lord
in Cont Pay
[illegible]

put by
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

you, either under
tender or otherwise,
will, after 1st July next,
be sent to Ottawa for
examination, allowance,
and payment.

Those accounts will in-
-clude such as are for
provisions and presents,
Agricultural implements,
tools, cattle, seed
grain, ammunition
and twine, Office &
other Expences, such as
furniture, repairs, fuel,
Stationery, rent, wages,
your own and assistants
Travelling Expences and,
in short, for every ~~item~~
item of Expenditure
incurred for the Indians
in your Superintendency
Except such as are specified
in the closing paragraph
of this letter.

5 You will mark on each
such account or invoice
the number of the treaty
in accordance with
which the articles
enumerated were
furnished and you
will certify, at the
foot of each account,
that the goods charged
for were received by you
and that the prices
are

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

are Correct.

6 You will be careful to see that articles intended for distribution under different treaties are not charged in the same account, but that each separate account shall refer to one treaty only

You will transmit the accounts to Ottawa, with a schedule of those for each of the Treaties 1. 2 and 3, on the 8th, 15th, 22nd and last day of Each month, and should it happen that in any week no accounts shall have been received by you for payment, you will advise the Dept, with the first accounts sent in thereafter, that on such and such dates no accounts were forwarded for payment.

7 It is desired that accounts shall be rendered for payment with the least possible delay after purchases have been made, and I am to impress on you the necessity for insisting on the prompt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

you have included, in this requisition, articles for Treaty No 4 respecting which you have had no instructions.

10 It is not understood why, if supplies for Treaty No 4 are not included, such a number of implements should be required, particularly when it is remembered that the bulk of them must be intended for distribution under No 3.

11 In inviting tenders it will be necessary to limit the quantities asked for in such a manner that the legislative appropriations for specific purposes may not be overdrawn

12 This last is a very important point - and a copy of the Bill of Supply for 1875-6 is Enclosed herewith in order that you may be guided as to the amount to be expended on Indian account in Manitoba during the next fiscal year for such supplies as you will be required to purchase.

13 It is remarked that you have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

have not invited
tenders for the supply of
carpenters' tools: this forms a
considerable item of
expenditure and I am
to inquire if the omission
to do so was accidental.

14. You will not be re-
-quired to accept the
lowest tender in [illegible] case,
but, in discriminating
between one and another,
will be expected to take
into account the quality
as well as the price
of the goods offered,
and never to sacrifice
the former to the latter
consideration.

15. When the awards are
finally made you
will forward the
tenders to Ottawa,—
retaining Copies to
be fyled for reference
in your Office;— and
with the tenders, You
will send a schedule
in this form.—

No of Tender	Flour	Pork	Tobo	Tea	Powder	Shot	Twine	Plows	Harrows	Hoes	Spades	Axes	Remarks
1	3.00												No 1 accepted
2	3.25												
3	3.37												
1		27.											
2		29.50											No 2 accepted
3		31.											
1			.40										
2			.45										
3			.50										No 3 accepted

and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and so on and giving the reasons which led to the acceptance of a tender other than the lowest, should such action be necessary.

16 Dl

The sum of $600.— will be placed at your disposal for such expenses, (of a purely contingent nature) as you may be called on to meet: it must be distinctly understood, however, that this sum is not to be used in the payment of accounts for articles hereinbefore enumerated

67 You will render a statement of its expenditure quarterly, and will take care always to apply for an additional sum before that in hand is exhausted. From the funds thus placed at your disposal you will, when necessary, extend aid to indigent sick or aged Indians, pay such small gratuities as you may be called on to give from time to time, and make such other payments as need not be referred for approval to Headquarters.

Dl

It is considered that $2000.- a year will be amply sufficient to cover every possible contingent expense and you will carefully not exceed the expenditure of $500.- per quarter without having first obtained authority for so doing.

Approved
D.L.
24/4/75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 22
1875

Indian Commissioners Office

Winnipeg May 7th 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 22nd April no 4719 mentioning changes in the System of expending the funds appropriated for Indian purposes in Manitoba, that will come in force the 1st of July next, and I beg to be allowed to make the following observations and to give the required information on the divers points referred to in your said communication.

To the Honorable
the Minister of
the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The system of payment by the deputy minister at Ottawa as mentioned in the four first paragraphs of your letter, though applied without inconvenience for some articles, will have, on other cases, the effect of affecting the expenses, for the following reasons

The Indians generally called themselves for many articles and cattle that had to be given to them, purchases are not generally made in advance, because we knew that by paying cash for them we could have them at a reduced price and save the expenses of food and keep-

The cheapest cattle is imported here from the States, generally by strangers who leave the country as soon as they have disposed of their Stock. Evidently those parties cannot wait five or six

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

six weeks for the payment of goods sold to the Department.

I have already mentioned in my letter of the 10th March, that in some cases, provisions had to be bought in the Interior, their small quantity not allowing the transportation from Winnipeg without heavy freighting expenses far larger than the difference in the original prices of the goods — In many of these places, all goods had to be paid, at the Hudson's Bay posts, by cheques on the Bank at Winnipeg, and to other parties, in cash.

These traders or merchants of the Interior could not and would not wait so long for their money, and formal orders have been given to all the Hudsons

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Hudson's Bay posts not to deliver an article to any of the government officials unless it is paid for -

Under the new system, all provisions to be supplied to the Indians in the Interior, whatever might be their quantity, will have to be sent from Winnipeg and freighted at the expense of the office, even when it is needed in the Interior -

In connection with the travelling expenses, I may be allowed to call your attention to the fact that they represent sometimes from two to three hundred dollars of Cash disbursements, and that,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that they would be a serious inconvenience, if they could not be covered before two or three months.

5. I have always been careful to mention in my quarterly Statement, against what treaty, and what item of the parliamentary grant each account had to be charged, and the same system will be followed.

6. There seems to be an error in this paragraph, concerning the transmission of the accounts to Ottawa "with a schedule of them for each of the Treaties 1, 2 and 3, on the 8th 15th 22nd and last day of each month;"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

dividing the month in four units when there are only three heads mentioned and when I have had yet no instructions concerning the Treaty no 4—

7. The accounts will be transmitted to Ottawa as soon as they will have been approved of, according to the 6th paragraph of your instructions—

8. With reference to the tenders asked for by the Department, I may bring to your knowledge the fact that, in the absence of particular instructions on this subject, I gave to understand to the tendering parties that the money would be paid on the delivery of the articles,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +■

articles, according to the practice
followed to this time. Without
this understanding I have
reason to believe that the prices
would have been different=

This condition was expressed
plainly, in the tender of the
Hudson's Bay Company, and
if it is not mentioned in the
others, it is because the parties
had no idea that the present
system would be changed=

7= These tenders were only
for Treaties 1, 2 and 3 as far
as they concern the implements
and cattle; part of the provisions
will be available for Treaty,
no 4, for the following reason=
After the Tenders were advertised, I heard of a large

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

large quantity of Pemican to be had from the Boundary Commission, on favorable terms. as there is no probability of getting any quantity of this article in the Nest nest Summer, I thought that it would be advantageous to secure a quantity, large enough to meet all the requirements of the case, though I had no instructions to that effect-

10- The requirements of Treaties no 1, 2 & 3 are put down as follows in our estimates included in letter dated the 11th January

				Total
Treaties	3	2	1-	
Ploughs	25	50	70	145
Harrows	50	50	70	170
Hoes	400	200	800	1400
Spades	200	200	800	1200
Axes	200	100	500	800

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

11– As I had the honor to mention in my letter of the 22d of August last, particular care has been taken not to exceed the Legislative appropriations; as no communication had been received, concerning those appropriations when the tenders were asked, I could only be guided by the estimates that I had reason to believe to have been accepted, as I had no information to the contrary–

The expenses for the articles advertised for, now stand as follows, compared with the said estimates and the appropriations in the bill of supply mentioned. a copy of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

which was included in your communication —

	Prices according Tenders	Estimate	appropriation
Provisions for 4 Treaties	$3575	$21.000	$21.000
Implements Treaties 1 2 no 3	$4172.50	$15.175 $11.300	$10.000 $10.000

12— Great attention will be given to the amount appropriated by Parliament, but as I had the honor to mention to you in my letter of the 22d of August last and 11th January last, this rule can only be applied in so far as this Office is made acquainted with the expenses that might be incurred outside of its control.

13— Tenders were not invited for tools because very limited

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

quantity, and of such a variety that it cannot be bought by contract, will be given outside of Treaty no 4. and I had instructions to take any action in this respect-

14- In awarding the tenders as you will see by the special report on this matter, good quality has been secured for the provisions, and best quality for the implements.

15- A full report will soon be addressed to you about the tenders received and awarded for the supplies above mentioned, with the reasons that prevented me from accepting in some cases the lowest tenders-

16- The sum of $ 500 will cover the expenses of purely contingent nature, as all accounts are paid separately, especially

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

specially for travelling expenses.

17— This sum of $500, will be accounted for, as far as possible, in your instructions, though it might lead to some errors if I was not shown what payments to be made from this amount, without being referred to the headquarters.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

servant

J. A. Provencher

Indian Commr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Branch
30th May 1875

Memorandum,

Mr Provencher concurs, generally, in the arrangements with regard to the Manitoba Indian Expenditure which it is proposed to bring into Effect on the 1st July next Evening - but he also points out where, in his opinion, the course to be pursued will affect injuriously the interests of the Dept: by necessitating a larger Expenditure on account of payment not being made at once - he thinks that because the accounts are to be sent to Ottawa that much delay in their payment may ensue and that traders and others, taking advantage of this circumstance, will charge higher rates for such supplies as they may furnish.

This last objection can apply only to transient traders - or cattle dealers but so far as I have hitherto noticed in going over the accounts, the Cattle purchased have been bought from farmers resident in the neighborhood and from traders living at Fort Garry.

However this may be there is no reason

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

obly, if a saving of several hundred dollars could be effected by the payment of cash to a transient trader for Cattle furnished, the Voucher should not telegraph for the precise amount required and the funds might be at his disposal in half an hour. If however, he should ever be called upon to have recourse to the telegraph it would be necessary that he should be ask for the exact amount needed for each purchase, neither more nor less; and to send on the receipted accounts for such purchase to Ottawa with those to be ~~sent~~ submitted for approval and payment week by week.

As for the objection that the goods required to be purchased in the interior from the H. B. Co. must be paid for by cheques on the Bank of Winnipeg I am of opinion the the Honble Coy would if requested to do so by the Dept not hesitate to issue orders to any or all of its factors in the North West to furnish supplies to the Indian Commissioner, and that the Coy would receive the payment for such supplies at its cost at Fort Garry. The system of duplicate accounts might be adopted — the factors in the interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

might be instructed to send to the Company's Agent at Fort Garry a duplicate of any account for supplies furnished and the latter could be instructed to receive payment, at Fort Garry, from the Indian Commissioner as soon as he had received the necessary funds from Ottawa.

It appears to be absurd to suppose either that the H. B. Co. or any Merchant in Manitoba would hesitate to trust the Government for the space of two or three weeks until accounts could be sent to the Dept and funds returned to pay those accts.

With regard to travelling Expenses it is just the same: no delay of two or three months in paying those Expenses need ever occur: while Navigation is open communication with Ottawa can be had in ten days and in winter the Comr is not required to travel

The Commissioner evidently does not understand the meaning of paragraph 6 of the letter of instns of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of 22nd April; he seems to suppose that he is to send in accounts for payment pertaining to Treaty No 1 on the 8th of the month. — No 2 on the 15th — No 3 on the 22nd. and does not see how — as he is yet uninstructed how — as he is yet uninstructed with respect to No 4 he is to comply with his instructions by sending in for payment on the last day of the month, accounts pertaining to that Treaty.

The Commissioner should be informed that he will be required to transmit to Ottawa for examination and payment all the unpaid accounts in his hands on either of the dates named — whether such accounts are for treaty No 1. 2. or 3 taking care only to mark each account plainly with the treaty to which it is to be charged; and where there is more than one a/c belonging to any one treaty, to place all a/c's for any one of the treaties together and accompany them with a schedule embracing the whole number of such accounts and shewing their aggregate amount

Rob Pelly
30 May 75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. tender	Flour per Brl	Pork per Brl 200 lbs	Tobacco per lbs	Tea per lbs	Powder per lbs	Shot per lbs	Twine per lbs	Hoes each	Axes each	Knives each	Spades each	Axes each	Remarks
1	$3												Tender Accepted
2	$2.50												
3	2.75												
6	3.50												
7	2.55												
10	2.65												
13	2.62½												
14	2.90												
15	2.50												
16	2.50												
17	2.75												
1		28.00											
2		27.00											
3		28.00											
7		28.00											
13		26.50											
14		28.00											
15		28.00											
16		24.50											Tender accepted
1			52										
2			51										
3			58										
7			58										Tender accepted
8			50										
13			50										
14			65										
15			53										
16			55.50										
17			45										
1				44									
2				43									
3				43½									
6				40									
7				45									Tender accepted
8				42									
13				42									
14				49									
15				37½									
16				35.50									
2					20								
6					36								
9					~~40~~ 26								

| | | |

2									28.00 ✓				Tender accepted
6									23.00 ✓				
11									21. & 24½ ~~30.00~~				
12									32.00 ✓				
15									24.00 ✓				
16									25.00 ✓				
2										13.00 ✓			Tender accepted
4										15.00 ✓			
5										17.00 ✓			
11										10.25 ✓			
12										10.00 ✓			
15										9.50 ✓			
16										15.00 ✓			
18										11-12-~~25~~ 75 ✓			
2											1.40 ✓		
9											1.23 ✓		
11											1.10½ ✓		
12											1.25 ✓		
15											32.00 ✓		
16											1.00 ✓		Tender accepted
2												1.00 ✓	Tender accepted
9												91½ ✓	
11												85½ ✓	
15												82 ✓	
16												1.25 ✓	
2													1.25
9													1.10½ ✓
11													85½ ✓
12													1.25 ✓
15													90½ ✓
16													85.90 ✓ Tender accepted

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MAY 22
1875
OTTAWA.

Indian Commissioner's Office

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose all the tenders sent to this office, for the supplies required, during the year 1875-76, by the Indian Department.

1– You will see by the schedule prepared in accordance with the 6th paragraph of your communication of the 22d April, no. 4719, that for flour, pork, powder, shot, ploughs, Hoes, and axes, the lowest tender has been accepted, and I have the honor to submit the following reasons why the same was not done for the Tobacco, Tea, Twine, Harrows & Spades.

To The Honorable
the Minister of the Interior
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

2— One tender was sent by Mr. Almon, from Pembina, for Tobacco at 45¢—

No sample accompanied the tender and from private information that I had, I knew that it was slightly damaged

3— The only sample of Tea received by Messrs C. W. Radiger & Bro., and it was found to be the same quality as is generally supplied to the Indians in Manitoba and in the North West Territories—

4— The barrows offered by Messrs McMicken & Taylor were for the best offered, and as the firm always keep a large stock on hand, any quantity may be supplied at one moments notice—

5— The tenders for spades was awarded to Messrs McMicken & Taylor, because the superiority of the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the article offered by them was more than a compensation for the cents difference over the price mentioned in the tender of Messrs Lehndorff & Co. Messrs Reynolds & Steele could not send any sample at all

6— The tender for furs has been postponed till full information is received from the Indians about the quantities of each variety that they may require.

7— The Hudson's Bay Company were offered to supply these articles offered by them at the lowest price, but they refused, unless they would have the whole contract, and I have

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

have not felt authorized to take that step.

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

J W Provencher
Indian Comm^r

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4719

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Branch
28th May 1875

Memo

I have examined the tenders sent in by Mr Provencher and compared them with the schedule which accompanied them. No doubt the competitive system is a much better method of obtaining Indian Supplies than the somewhat indiscriminate mode of purchase believed to have been pursued in former years.

The tenders appear to have been made in good faith and the Commissioner doubtless exercised a wise discretion in accepting tenders for tobacco, tea Harrows and spades which were not the lowest tenders.

He errs, however, in saying that the lowest tender was accepted for plows.— No. 2 - accepted - is for $28.00 while the prices given in No 11 are from $21.00 to $24.50; in No 15 $24.00; and in No 16. $25.00.

Beyond the fact that the Commissioner has fully complied with his instructions in making this return there does not appear to be anything further in connexion with the subject worthy of remark.

Robt Sinclair
Acct
Ind Br

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4719)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BLACK

FILE NO. 4735

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT TERRITORY CEDED UNDER QU'APPELLE TREATS

VOLUME

FROM

TO

FILE NO. 4735

REFERRED To	BY	REMARKS	DATE	DISPOSAL BY	DISPOSAL By	DISPOSAL Date	For C.R. Use

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3621, File 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3621, File 4[illegible])

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

No. 4735

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
187___

H. Bernard
Dy. Min. of Justice
17/24 April

Enclosing copy of a letter from Col. G.A. French Comr. N.W.M. Police in re territory ceded by Crees and Saulteaux Indians under 2d Appelle Treaty

ACTION.

1141-11

BLACK
4735

4/29/75. Letter to Secr. of Justice.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

(Copy)

No 68.

Head Quarters N.W.M.P.
Dufferin
April 8th 1875

Sir

I have the honor to submit the following matter for your consideration.

I received recently a Copy of a Map published by the Department of the Interior.

On the face of this Map it appears that by a Treaty made with Crees and Saulteaux at the Qu'Appelle the Indian title to lands has been extinguished as far as the Western Slopes of the Cypress Hills.

I think it my duty to inform you that from my experiences in the Cypress Hills, I am satisfied that the Crees and Saulteaux had no exclusive right to the Cypress

For
The Hon The Minister of Justice
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Cypress Hills Country. These Hills extend Eastwardly for fully one Hundred miles from their Western Slopes, a fact of which I think few white men are aware, I certainly was not till I marched through them. This Country is the recognized Hunting ground and War path of the Sioux, Asseniboines and Blackfeet Tribes, and I have reason to fear, that if it should eventually transpire, that these Tribes heard that the Crees and Saulteaux had sold their hunting grounds to Canada it might be productive of an Indian War between the Tribes and possibly of much ill feeling towards Canada.

I think it is to regretted that on the face of an Official Map purporting to show the Country ceded by the Crees there should be plainly shewn two encampments of the Blood Indians (a Branch of the Blackfoot nation): it is well known that the Crees & Blackfeet are ready to fight on the slightest pretext and I fear that if Half-breeds should accidentally or wilfully make known to the Blackfeet that the Crees

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Crees had ceded their Hunting grounds, it would be productive of much mischief.

I beg also to state that I as a representative of the Government am placed in a very awkard predicament: I assured the Sioux Tribes which I met in those regions, that the Government did not want their Hunting Grounds and that if they ever did they would pay for them, and yet a Month later they were virtually sold under their feet.

For my part I do not believe that the Crees have any exclusive right to the Country West & South, of the Elbow of the South Branch of the Saskatchewan, like other Indian Tribes they have pushed West to hunt the Buffalo as these animals were driven Westward, but that would scarcely give them a right to cede a portion of Country to which they had no exclusive claim.

In connection with this Map I beg to state that the line marked as "Route of Mounted Police Force 1874" is for the most part incorrect.

Col. Dr. Anderson

If it was considered advisable to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

mark such a line I think a reference might have been made to me, as being the only person who could possibly have supplied any correct information in the matter

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

sd/ J. A. French

Commissioner

N. W. M. P.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, CANADA

Return to me at once [illegible]

Ottawa 17 April 1875.

Sir,

I am desired by the Honble the Minister of Justice to forward to you for your information a copy of a letter received this day from the Commissioner of the North West Mounted Police Force respecting the land ceded from the Indians at the recent treaty at Qu'Appelle.

I have the honor, to be
Sir
your obedient Servant

H Bernard

The Honble
The Minister of the Interior.

D.M.I. [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4735.

Ottawa, April 27/75.

The Honorable
The Minister of Justice

Sir,

I am desired ~~by the Hon. the Minister of the Int.~~ to state for the information ~~of the Hon. the Minister of Justice~~ that he has read the memo. of the Comr. of the N.W. Mounted Police communicated to him by the Deputy of the Minister of Justice on the 17th. Inst. Referring to the map published by this Dept. indicating the country covered by the Treaty made with the Crees and Saulteaux last year at Fort Qu'Appelle the Comr. observes that he is satisfied that part of the Territory included in the Treaty, namely, ~~viz~~, the Western slopes of the Cypress Hills is not the exclusive property of the Crees and Saulteaux but being the recognized hunting ground of the Blackfeet Sioux and Assiniboine tribes, and he remarks that should these latter tribes learn that their hunting grounds have been ceded, it might be productive of trouble between the tribes and possibly of ill feeling towards Canada.

In reference to this point the Minister would observe that when he and his brother Commissioner Con-

that territory

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

cluded the Treaty at Qu'Appelle with the Cree and Saulteaux Indians they were well aware that the portion of the territory referred to by the Comr was not the exclusive property of these tribes, as, however, they used this territory in common with the other tribes as hunting grounds, it was thought desirable when making the Treaty with them to extinguish their rights, whatever they might be, in this territory, and this is all the Treaty purports to do.

It was intended that when a treaty should be made with the Blackfeet and other Indian tribes referred to lying west of the Cypress Hills for the country actually occupied by them that their rights and claims to this common territory should also be extinguished in a similar manner.

It may be mentioned that the Treaty is signed by one of the Indian Chiefs from the Cypress Hills.

It is hoped that the Comr will be able to make such explanations to ~~them~~ as will prevent any difficulty between

* should [illegible] ~~an occasion occur~~ arise

* should [illegible] the [illegible] arise

* the Blackfeet and other tribes not parties to the Qu'Appelle Treaty

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the tribes already treaty with or any ill feeling towards Canada arising out of the matter.

In reference to the remark of the Comr. that the line marked out on the map as the route of the M. P. Force, ~~on the map above referred to~~ is for the most part incorrect, I may observe that the information on this subject was obtained from the Dept. of Justice, and that there was not, time, even had it been thought desirable to refer the matter to the Comr., as he suggests ought to have been done —

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4735)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
- File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4754

Department of Indian Affairs

192.....

J,C. NELSON D.L.S.

REPORT OF SURVEYS
MADE BY HIM IN TREATIES
4&7 DURING PAST YEAR
1882

BLACK

211/30

4754

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4754 Ottawa Dec 29th 1882

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 3 1883

The Hon the Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Sir.

I have the honor to submit the following report of the survey of the boundaries of Indian Reserves in Treaties 4 and 7, North west Territories, during the past season.

I am happy to have the honor of reporting that these surveys are now so well advanced that any complications likely to arise from a want of knowledge of their location and extent will be avoided.

The following list ~~will~~ shows ~~for~~ what has been done.

(1) Indian Head Reserves	220.0	sq. miles
Muskow-Peetung's Band	58.8	"
Sarcee Reserve	110.0	"
Blood Do.	650.0	"
Peigan Do.	183.4	"
Grazing Do.	95.0	"
Total area surveyed	1317.2	

~~In view of carrying out the above work~~ I prepared for an early commencement last spring by having a

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

a full supply of provisions laid at Fort Qu'Appelle in the fall & stored them during the winter.

I left Ottawa on the 22nd March and arrived in Winnipeg on the 28th.

Owing to snow blockades on the Canadian Pacific Railway between Winnipeg and Brandon I did not reach the latter city till the 14th April.

On account of the depth of snow, and sleighing likely to continue for a few days longer, a bob sled attachment was applied to the wagons as far as Fort Ellice where I arrived on the 19th in time to cross the Assiniboine River on the ice.

At Fort Ellice I met ~~the~~ Chief Jacobler, whose reserve is to be located some distance north of there, on the east side of the River,

His Indian Chief was very anxious that I should visit his reserve and mark out the boundaries for him, I told him that I would go if possible, so he sent down Thomas Spence and a couple of ponies to bring me up, ~~to his place~~, When Spence arrived opposite Fort Ellice the ice was in a very unsafe state for a man to cross even on foot. I therefore had to put off visiting the Jacobler's reserve

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

reserve as it would have caused too serious a delay of the whole party

On the 22nd I left Fort Ellice for Fort Qu'appelle, prairie navigation having fairly opened

This part of the journey westward was achieved under many difficulties. We had very cold weather with frequent rain and snow storms which rendered camping out very disagreeable, if not dangerous to both man and horse after wading all day through deep slow water and slush,

Some of the streams west of Ellice were so high that the waggon-box and cover had to be utilized as a boat to ferry our stuff across. The bridge, built by the Crooked Lake Indians, over ~~the~~ Reed Creek, was carried away by the flood, and I had to strike south to the trail and make a ferry.

We reached Fort Qu'appelle on the 30th April.

I found that the mules had wintered splendidly, at Mr. Andrew McLynes, in the valley of the Qu'appelle. They had been very carefully attended to and were all very fat.

A few days were occupied in getting things ready for work. The carts and harness were overhauled repaired and oiled.

On the 6th May I was obliged

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

obliged to dispense with my cook who claimed to be a professional one at the time of his engagement at Winnipeg. This inconvenience at the time was counterbalanced by the effective service rendered during the season by Thos Clancy, one of the best cooks I have yet seen on the plains.

I then proceeded to the Indian Head and commenced the survey of the reserves for the Bands of Assiniboine, then en route from Fort Walsh

This reserve is situate on the summit and southern slope of a 'height of land', or water shed, which stands across the country from Moose Mountain to the Long or Last Mountain. The prominent hills at the north east corner of the reserve are called the Indian Head,

Starting from the north east corner of this reserve and going south the country for eight miles is thickly wooded with poplar and willow. There are large quantities of poplar suitable for building and fencing purposes. Swamps and ponds are quite numerous and a couple of good sized lakes are passed. The soil is a sandy loam with clay subsoil. The next four

mile

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

miles before reaching the south east corner is over an open undulating plain descending slightly towards the south. ~~The~~ The soil is a clay loam with a few gravel ridges and glacial bowlders.

The southern boundary after leaving the gravel ridges at the south east corner runs over a rich clay loam ~~soil~~ prairie for its entire length of three townships. This country slopes gradually to the south.

The west boundary passes over an open undulating prairie of clay loam with a few low willows. The soil becomes heavier as we ascend the slope

From the north east corner going west along the north boundary the first six miles are partially wooded with groves of poplar and willow, most of the timber along this line is on the reserve; but a good deal of it has been killed by fires. The soil is a black sandy loam with some gravel and a few boulders on the surface. At ten miles a creek flowing north is crossed. There is some fair building and fencing timber in the valleys of this creek and its branches. Two miles further

and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and the line crosses another creek with some poplar on the slopes of its valley. This creek runs north into Swimming Lake a picturesque sheet of water one mile north of the reserve. From this creek to the north west corner the line runs over an open high prairie with some shallow ponds and a few bed willows. The soil is a sandy clay loam.

In my opinion these creeks would be a desirable place to establish one of the Bands for whom the reserve is intended. Another good point would be on the large lake which lies in the north west corner, as shown by the accompanying sketch marked (a) Annexed hereto, the survey of this reserve.

Some of the Indians in the Ocean Man's Band expressed a wish to have their reserve at this lake, which is said to contain large fish. To be saw ducks and geese in myriads on its surface Chickens were very plentiful on the border of the woods.

This part of the country would therefore appear to be an attractive place for these unsettled plain Indians. The soil is of the choicest quality; there is a good proportion

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

proportion of hay grounds, wood, and plenty of water; and the Canadian Pacific Railway is only a few miles to the north.

On the 2nd. May a severe snow storm set in preceded by a high west wind, Fortunately I was camped in a good place for shelter, wood, & grass for the animals. This violent storm was followed by a hard frost; water in a bucket outside my tent froze to the depth of an inch, and the snow drifts were quite solid. I observed that many birds were frozen to death on this occasion

On the 24th the party started for Muskow-Peetung's to complete the survey of the reserve for his Band.

About this time my mules were all lame or more attacked by mange, a pack I first discovered after they swam the Shesapelle River, a few washings with carbolic soap and the application of a mixture of train oil, sulphur and turpentine, completely extirpated these pernicious parasite.

As will be seen by referring to the annexed sketch marked (b) Muskow-Peetung's reserve adjoins Pasquais' on the west

side

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

side and extends up the Qu'appelle River eleven miles,

Although it is desirable to locate the boundaries of the reserves so as to coincide with the legal subdivisions of the Dominion Lands surveys; still, in this case it was not practicable to do so, and at the same time meet the wishes of the Indians who preferred to have the rear or south boundary a straight line as shown by the plan, of the choice land.

Like most of the Qu'appelle district the soil of this reserve is nearly all first class. There are groves of small poplar and clumps of willow, and in the gullies leading into the Qu'appelle Valley there is a considerable supply of good poplar for building fencing purposes, and a few small maples. The bottoms along the river are valuable for the immense quantity of hay which can be cut on the less elevated part of them. The best bottom is at the north west corner of the reserve at the mouth of Prairie Creek nearly opposite Long Valley Creek.

When this survey was completed I received further instructions from you at Qu'appelle

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Qu'Appelle, and in accordance therewith I proceeded to Treaty No. 7

On the 9th June I left Qu'Appelle for Ft Calgary via the Forks of Red Deer River and the Blackfoot Crossing.

From Qu'Appelle to the Point of Woods, thirty, eight miles, the old half breed trail, which I followed, passes over a tract of rich sandy loam with clumps of small poplar and willow, the best timber is north of the road at the Point of Woods, Surface water was plentiful, It is scarce in the fall during dry seasons.

At the Point of Woods we emerge from the bush and descend gradually into the immense valley lying between the height of land already mentioned and the Missouri Plain. This valley is partly drained by the Moose Mountain creek, the Boggy Creek and the Pile of Bones or Wascana River. The head waters of these streams are not far apart, and it might be found practicable to divert the waters of the big Lake, in the Assiniboine Head reserve at the head of Moose Mountain Creek, into

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

into the channel of the Wascana

The soil in this wide valley is generally a clay loam of the best quality. The land on the east side is a stronger clay, especially the tract along the Wascana & Boggy creek, right up to the Valley of the Qu'appelle and west towards the Moose-Jaw Creek

Large tracts of this land are cut up with tetes des vieilles femmes or old wives heads, the name given by the French half breeds to the lumpy prairie, over which travelling is necessarily unpleasantly slow.

From the Moose Jaw Bone creek the soil becomes sandy and light as we follow up Thunder Creek, after crossing the sand hills we enter on a stiff alkaline clay plain with a scarcity of water, which continues till we ascend the Cotean. Then for eight miles the surface of the Cotean is very rough, The soil is of a variable character like that of many other rough rolling plains in the Territories, The hill or ridge tops as a rule are composed of hard arid clay & gravel with boulders.

The soil on the northern slope

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

slopes of the ridges, and in the flats between them is generally of a rich black loam;

The pasturage in the Cotean is very good; ~~and~~

Water is plentiful in grassy ponds, and a few small springs were seen. Ducks were numerous in the alkaline lakes.

From the Cotean to Red Lake the plains are generally composed of alkaline clay with sand and gravel.

There are several prominent ridges and shallow alkaline lakes; the largest sheet of water being Old Wives Lakes which extend far away to the south east.

As Red Lake is approached the general character of the country improves. The soil is a warm clay loam and the presence of an extensive lake as well as numerous small ponds of good water gives this part of the country greater advantages for farming purposes than any other tract we saw since leaving Thunder Creek sixty miles back,

From my camp at Red Lake to Strong Current Creek, seventeen miles the soil is a warm sandy loam with rich herbage, the undulations

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

undulations of the prairie surface are of immense size with gradual slopes for miles,

From Stony Camel creek westward, for thirty seven miles along the trail to River Butte, we cross several well defined ridges running northeast, There are wide level stretches of prairie of good sandy loam & water is plentiful in lakes in the hollows. The pasturage of this country is well adapted for stock raising, and the climate is milder, and the Spring earlier than in Manitoba

From the top of River Butte there is a fine view of the sand hills near the mouth of Stony Creek on a bearing of 315° by the prismatic compass

From River Butte Creek to Stony creek crossing, eight miles & three quarters we a level plain of clay loam soil.

There is a tract of country north west of here on the Saskatchewan which I think will eventually, be one of the most thickly populated districts in the N. W. T., It is a fine level country, with a navigable river flowing through it, with low banks some timber & soil equal to Southern Manitoba

after

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

After crossing Mirey Creek, another small creek is crossed with a few small maples on its banks and good water, and the road ascends the steep escarpment which forms the northern boundary of the plateau to the south.

From the top of this escarpment the waters and wooded bottoms of the South Saskatchewan are in view although they are many miles off. The trail follows the edge of this lofty escarpment for several miles passing several shallow rushy lakes to the left

At noon we halted in a patch of tiles des femmes where we found a little water; at night we camped at some ponds north of the Great Sand Hills sixty six and three quarter miles from the Strong Current Creek.

From this point I struck north of west over a dry open undulating plain to the Forks of Red Deer River where I arrived on the 21st. June. Water was very scarce for the last fifty miles.

I crossed the South Saskatchewan two miles east of the 110° meridian. This crossing was reached by a detour of sixteen miles which was necessary to avoid the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the big coulee, I did not have a portable boat so I employed Mr. Wells who lives at the Forks and runs the mail from Ft. Walsh to Battleford, to ferry us across.

From the Red Deer Forks I struck for the Blackfoot Crossing as straight as circumstances would permit.

The route lay along the level sandy plain south of the Red Deer River, keeping the Middle Sand Hills to the left.

The Middle Sand Hills are a continuous ridge of sandy waste extending along the north side of the Saskatchewan River for nearly thirty miles above the Red Deer Forks.

On the route we saw some clay flats; the grass was short, and cactus & sage bush flourished.

In latitude 50° 49', twenty three miles west of the Forks of Red Deer, I camped in a cactus valley with numerous fresh water springs and alkaline lakes. This valley separates the Middle Sand Hills from a high rolling plain which lies to the north west of them.

I crossed the valley and ascended to the plain where we found good pasture & plenty of water.

For the next Clarke nine miles the country is very rough. It becomes rougher

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

rougher with steep rocky conical hills and deep lakes of good water as we go west. The end of this last stretch brings us to another valley, several miles in width, which separates the hilly country from the Rainy Hills.

The Rainy Hills are about twenty three miles from the Red Deer Forks and immediately south of that river. They cover an area of probably thirty or forty square miles.

The two prominent features of this group are the two hills, which rise to an elevation of about eight hundred feet above Red Deer River. These are named by the Blackfeet the Inner Rainy Hill & the Outer Rainy Hill.

I crossed the summit of the most northern of the two, from which there is a good view of the Great Cairn, or Oh-ma-ka-ya-kotop, the long beautiful lake Ah-wy-ka-mistan, or the 'Lake that runs up and down', Masto-wy-okan or the Cross Stones, and the deep cañon Akkao-keeneman, or Dead Lodge Cañon, which is a sight, not likely to be forgotten

From the Rainy Hill to the hills called the Cross Stones, thirty eight miles, the plain are dry, gravelly and water worn, and hardly good even for pasture. The small branches of Sand Hill Creek and Wood or One Tree Creek are

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

16

are crossed.

The Indians informed me that the rains are unusually heavy in this section of the country which would account for the water worn surface of the prairie.

From the Crows Stones the soil slightly improves. It is still very dry and gravelly with rocky hollows and scanty herbage, at a distance of thirty miles we reached Spring Hill. There is good water in the springs a mile north west of this hill, and very good feed for the animals.

From Spring Hill the soil continues to improve. Badger caves are numerous, a rocky depression which is said to extend as far as Red Deer River was crossed. I think its name is Crawling Valley.

We struck Bow River at the Horse Shoe Bend and followed the trail up the left bank to the Cut-off a distance of one hundred and forty four miles from the Red Deer Forks.

From the Cut-off to the Blackfoot Crossing we are upon another system of rocks. The soil is a good sandy clay loam with rich pasture. This part of the country is remarkable, beautiful, especially at the mouth of Crow-foot Creek,

two

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

two miles above the Cut-Off.

Arrived at the Blackfoot Crossing on the 28th June and remained there the following day

I had a friendly conversation with Chief Crowfoot, I told him that I had returned again to this country to make further surveys of Indian Reserves, and that I would possibly survey the reserve for his Band in the fall after completing the survey of the Reserves for the other Tribes of Blackfeet.

Crowfoot remarked that his followers were numerous and that they would require a big piece of land.

I had not seen any of the Blackfeet Indians for three years. They were then in the most destitute condition. They are now comparatively well off and living in comfortable houses, with a fair prospect in view of independence ~~at no further date~~ shortly. These Indians have been well behaved and friendly towards us.

Proceeding to Calgary by the north side of Bow River the road leaves the bottom about three miles above the Blackfoot Crossing and ascends to the plain. The Drifting Sand Hills, Kasapis Ispatsee Kwag, lie to the left of the trail near the shoulder

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

shoulder of the valley. The road descends again into a large bottom at twelve miles, This bottom is three miles long and two and a half mile wide and is unquestionably the finest bottom on the Bow River. A number of Blackfeet with Old Sun their chief have started their farms here; and, like the rest of the Blackfeet they have made good progress for the time they have been at work.

At twenty one miles there is a salt lake on the right of the trail, and at twenty five miles, we cross a small creek flowing out of the depression at Eagle Hill which bears N. 11° E by the prismatic compass

The soil is a sandy loam, and the pasture is good,

At twenty five miles there was water found in a shallow pond, and at thirty miles we cross a ridge with some bleached bones of animals on its summit. This hill is called Carcass or Bloody Head Hill.

Seven miles from Carcass Hill there is a spring on the east side of a shallow lake half a mile north of the trail, several miles of undulating country, of clay loam and we cross the south flank of a big swell or belly of the prairie called Spy Hill, and descend a dry gravelly plain to the Rose or Sharp Hill Creek fifty five miles

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mile from the Blackfoot Crossing.

There is a trail on the south side of Bow River all the way up to Calgary, but the hills are steep, getting into and out of the Coulees. The land is better on the south side, & the river bottoms are remarkably fertile with a good supply of wood on the flats below Pine Coulee.

As we approached the bottom opposite Calgary by the road down the steep hill the mules attached to the buckboard ran away and the driver R. C. Mulligan & myself had a narrow escape. The buckboard was smashed and we were badly bruised.

My party reached Fort Calgary on the 7th July, and proceeded to survey the reserve for the Sarcees on Fish Creek while I made a short exploratory trip to the Mountains.

From Calgary to Morleyville is forty one miles by the north trail over a dry undulating plain of sandy loam with gravel. The more gravelly places are the southern slopes of the Nose and the plateau west of it. [illegible] On the plateau north of the trail there is some excellent land. There are also some river bottoms, on the Bow, that would make splendid

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Stringer

splendid farms, were it not for the detrimental effects of summer frosts which appear to prevail as far east as Calgary; and even there they have occasionally told badly on the crops.

As a stock raising country this tract is hard to surpass.

From Morleyville to the Gap, a distance of seventeen miles over a hilly country with good pasture and patches of pine & poplar, along the Bow River, there are level gravelly benches; and on the south side there is a level gravelly plain up to the mouth of the Kananaskis

At, and below the junction of the Bow River & Kananaskis, there are falls with unlimited water power.

From the Gap the trail follows up the left side of the valley through heavy woods, & crosses some spurs of the Mountains. We passed some groves of very valuable pine timber and some spruce of good dimensions, and camped at an opening eleven miles above the Gap.

The bottom of the valley of Bow River is about a mile wide. The mountains rise up on each side 3000 ~~or 4000~~ feet.

The next fifteen miles over a good trail through brulé brings

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

brings us to a large park at the foot of Cascade Mountain, The pasture is very good,

At Cascade Mountain the valley of Bow River bends to the south west and the valley of the North Fork turns to the north east.

From Cascade Mountain to Grotto Mountain about six miles we saw some good spruce & jack pine. There is much wind-fall & the land is rough & crooked

At Grotto Mountain the valley again bends to the north west & keeps this direction for thirty or forty miles

Opposite Grotto Mountain the big valley extending south towards the Kananaskis contains a lot of valuable timber; and opposite Castle Mountain which is forty miles from the Gap I saw large quantities of spruce, jack pine & tamarac, on the Vermillion River,

From Castle Mountain Park, to the summit of the Kicking Horse Pass, is about thirty two miles, There is a large quantity of spruce pine, & tamarac on the tributary streams.

The timber on Bow River is chiefly, spruce, pine & tamarac

and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and its size varies from two feet in diameter downwards

The largest pine will be found a few miles above the Gap, and above Devils Mountain Park. The best Spruce & Tamarac will be found back near the snow line in the valleys of the Creeks. These valleys contain immense quantities of good timber, but it will be difficult to get it out

On Bow River

The lakes, above the Gap will be of great service for booming & holding saw logs and timber. There are no falls above the mouth of the Kananaskis.

I crossed the Bow River at Morleyville and ran a traverse line from the south east corner of the Stoney Reserve to the block outline at the corner of Township 24 Range 8 west of the 5th P.M. as shown by the accompanying sketch marked (C)

I am of the opinion that this reserve, surveyed by Mr. Patrick any myself four years ago, is not in a suitable locality. Its proximity to the Rocky Mountains exposes the crops to the detrimental influence of summer frosts as attested by experience during the last few years. When the survey was

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

was made many of these Indians
wished to have the reserve at the
Dog Pound or Red Deer River.

The land at the Dog Pound
is very rich, but that at the
Red Deer River would be more
secure from the effects of summer
frosts,

On the 24th July the survey
of the Sarcee reserve was com-
pleted as shown by the annexed
sketch marked (d)

This reserve is situate
south west of Fort Calgary, partly
in the foot hills of the Rockys.
It is watered by Fish Creek and
some branches of the Elbow River.
The soil is remarkably fertile as
shown by the richness of the growth
of pea vine and grass. There is
a good supply of spruce & poplar
timber, There are also large quantities
of dry timber which these Indians
might chop into cord wood and
dispose of to advantage at Fort
Calgary, As the altitude above
sea level is about 3500 feet
summer frosts may therefore
be apprehended on this reserve.

Chief Bulls Head and his
Sarcees are perfectly delighted
with their reserve as now surveyed.
This Band have always considered
the the Elbow as their country, and
their

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Small

their hearts were set on the place they call Ky-aiks-eh which lies between Fish Creek and the Elbow River, and now in the reserve.

The Blood reserve was the next one surveyed,

This large reserve occupies a tract of country lying between and bounded by, the St. Mary's and Belly rivers from their junction below Whoop-Up to an east and west line which forms its south boundary, as shown by the accompanying sketch marked (e). This east and west line lies about nine miles north of the International Boundary.

Commencing near Whoop-Up a careful traverse was made of the St. Mary's River up to the International Boundary.

From the mouth of the St. Mary's River to Lee's Creek or Seck-Kee-ma-appinné, as it is called by the Bloods, the soil is a light dry clay loam with some gravel; the river bottoms are generally narrow, but very fertile; there is no wood but a few straggling poplars and willow; & the pasture is excellent everywhere for winter grazing especially. Outcrops of coal occur in the banks

Some enterprising parties opened a coal bank on the reserve a few miles above Whoop-Up; but when the survey was made they were notified to quit

so

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

so they transferred their operations to the other side of the river where an equally good seam occurs.

The soil becomes better as we work up the river, and at Lee's Creek it is very fertile. There are some good river bottoms between Lee's Creek and the South boundary and a few straggling trees of poplar.

From the south east corner of the reserve, to the St. Mary's River, the south boundary runs over a rolling plain, for twenty three miles & thirty three chains, to the Belly River. The soil is generally a black clay loam and the growth of pea vine and grass is amazing. Thousands of tons of pea vine hay can be cut on the reserve within sight of the line. There is no timber but a small quantity of inferior poplar in the valley of Lee's Creek. Service berries grow in rich profusion on some of the northern slopes of the hills, a few outcrops of sandstone occur on the hill tops. Water is abundant, in lakes and small creeks.

Proceeding with the survey of Belly River from its intersection by the last mentioned boundary, we find good black clay loam which gradually becomes lighter as we recede from the foot hills of the Rocky.

This

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

This magnificent stretch of country along the Belly River, all the way to Fort Kipp, has some large river bottoms which are partially wooded and well suited for the practical purposes of farming, as attested by the successful operations of Mr. Fred Wachter for several years in raising good crops of grain and roots; and by the Indians themselves this season. A man named Cochrane has improvements on the reserve near Stand-off. The great draw back on this reserve is the scarcity of timber, I carefully examined the country along the International Boundary but I have been unable to find timber of considerable economic value, either there, or on the St. Mary's or Belly rivers, on British territory. A supply of timber suitable for the requirements of the Blood Indian Reserve will be found on the Kootenai Lake north of the Boundary; and this is the only timber available on any of the streams above this reserve

On the 18. September I proceeded to survey the reserve for the Peigans on the Old Man's River, leaving a part of the Blood Reserve to be finished later in the season, ~~in case of an early snow fall,~~

This reserve is bounded on the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the north by the 3rd. Base along which it extends for the width of two townships, or twelve miles and twelve chains, as shown by the accompanying Sketch marked (f). It has a depth of two and a half townships.

Commencing at the iron corner on the 3rd. Base I produced a meridian to the South East Corner. For six miles this line runs over an undulating plain of clay loam & gravel with a few shallow ponds. We then ascend to a high rolling plateau called the Ridge between the Rivers, or the Hog's BACK, which extends all the way to the south east corner

s. e. c.

There are large hay meadows north of the big spring by which they are naturally irrigated.

The south east corner rests on the edge of a lofty escarpment overlooking the valley of Kootenai River. This well defined escarpment is the south east limit of the Ridge between the Rivers.

The south boundary runs over a high rolling plain of good clay loam with some gravel ridges. The best land is near the south west corner after descending from the high plain. There is no water on this line except in springs, and at the crossing of Crow Lodge Creek.

Proceeding

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Proceeding northward along the west boundary the soil is a clay loam with some sand and gravel. At a distance of three miles I struck the south west corner of Township 7 Range 28. The meridian exterior between Range 28 and 29 forms the remainder of the west boundary. The soil north of the old Nans River is clay and gravelly, right up to the north boundary of the reserve, which runs along the southern slope of the Porcupine Hills. The pasture is all good

The Indian farms are on the river bottoms of the old Nans River

There is a white settler, by the name of Lee on the reserve, at the mouth of Pincher Creek.

There is no timber on the reserve except some cotton wood on the river bottoms. A supply can be procured from the north fork of the Old Nans River.

The grazing reserve adjoining the Peigan Reserve has been surveyed in conformity with the annexed sketch marked (J)

The area of this tract is nearly five square miles, which also include the Indian Supply Farm, known as Pincher Creek Supply Farm.

The soil is much superior to that of the Peigan Reserve The herbage is of the richest description, and water abundant in the streams

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

streams. The superiority of the soil is accounted for by the topographical fact that a wide valley which has the richest soil in that country extends across the reserve, the choicest part of which it covers.

On the Indian Supply Farm this season I saw the grain crops and they looked splendidly, and ripened well; but the unusually wet period which set in on the 26 September followed by snow storms must have been a hard blow to Mr. Mc. Hugh who was working both night and day to get his grain harvested just as the storms set in.

On the 26th September I had completed the grazing reserve and my party was en route for the Belly River to finish the survey of the Blood Reserve.

On the 28th September one of the most violent storms that I have ever been in that country visited us. I was luckily camped in a place called Captain Jack's Bottom, about six miles below Fort Kipp, on the Belly River, where I remained till the storm was over on the 6th October.

The snow was over two feet deep on the plains, while on the bottoms

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

on Belly River between Fort Kipp and Whoop-Up the depth of snow did not exceed six inches.

Immediately after the storm the weather turned exceedingly fine. The 'Chinook' winds cleared off the snow and in a few days the roads were in a good condition for travel.

On the 12th the work was finished and my party en route for the east viâ the Blackfoot Crossing.

From Fort Macleod to the Blackfoot Crossing there is but little change in the general character of the plains. The soil improves gradually as we go north, and there is a heavier growth of grass. No wood.

The first nineteen miles brings us to Grass Water Lake, and at thirty one miles we reach the Little Bow River. The soil is a light clay loam, usually pretty dry; but this fall we had plenty of water owing to the recent heavy storm. The surface of the country is undulating and we cross some gravelly ridges. Spy Hill and the Black Spring Ridge are seen to the right, eight or ten miles off. There is a considerable tract of good clay loam soil south of the Latter ridge. The pasture is excellent.

The country along the Little Bow River, from the crossing of the road to its mouth, is well adapted for ~~stock~~ grazing

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

grazing purposes. The grasses are rich and cure well in winter. There are tracts of hilly country with rocky Coulées extending back from the river which is only about thirty feet wide, and lies in a deep valley There is no wood till the mouth is reached where we saw some bottoms of cotton wood on the Belly River. Coal occurs in the valley & in several of the coulées

A big valley extending in a northerly direction from the Little Bow River to the Blackfoot Crossing is called by the Indians Say-sapo-Ix-tchetkoom. I named it- Snake Valley on account of the two creeks of that name which empty into it. muddy In this valley there are several lakes and springs and extensive hay flats. As we go north it expands into a wide level prairie of rich clay loam traversed by the road as we approach the Blackfoot crossing. The banks are high and rough where this valley joins the Little Bow, about twelve miles from the road.

From the Little Bow to the High Hills

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

High Hills we cross a level prairie of clay loam for twelve miles and a gradual ascent of a couple of miles further brings us to the summit of this prominent land mark from which there is an expansive view of the surrounding plains and of the Rockies. The pasture is good everywhere

Forty eight miles from Fort Macleod brings us to the springs The country around the springs is very ~~dusty~~ dry with patches of bare sun baked ~~clay~~ clay.

Thirteen miles over a high slightly rolling plain of dry clay with good pasture and we reach Little Snake creek where good water is always found in the coulee,

Here was good water in Snake creek which we cross four & miles from the springs.

There two creeks flow in a north easterly direction into Snake valley already spoken of.

There is now a pretty high range of hills to the north west with some snow on the tops of them. The highest of these hills is called Bostock Butte.

On the high lands west of the trail all the way from Fort Macleod we saw some snow, but there was not any snow to be seen on the high plains east of it. The heavy snow ~~at Fort Stone~~ fall ~~Macleod & that~~ which extended along the eastern slope of the Rockys, taking in Ft Macleod and Calgary, and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and already mentioned was but lightly felt in the vicinity of the Blackfoot Crossing.

Eighteen miles from Little Snake Creek over a clay loam prairie brings us to the Blackfoot Crossing of Bow River. For the last ten miles the prairie is low and level and the soil rich. This low country is at the head of Snake Valley which has here expanded to a width of several miles. This valley is well defined and bounded by ranges of high rolling hills with rich pasture.

The total distance from Fort Macleod is 80 miles over a good road.

On the 22nd October I proceeded with the survey of Bow River with a view of defining the Blackfoot Reserve. This Tribe would be entitled to a tract of land one hundred and twenty miles in length by four miles deep on the north side of the Bow and South Saskatchewan rivers as their share of the permanent reserve for the Blackfeet Bloods and Sarcees. When the time comes for settling this matter the Blackfeet most likely will see the advantage to themselves, ~~as well as to the country~~ if not to the country, of having their reserve laid out as shown by the accompanying sketch, instead of having it as described by the Treaty, the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the object they had in view of excluding half breed and other hunters from occupying the river bottoms being now no longer necessary, by reason of the disappearance from that country, of the buffalo.

Proceeding down the Bow River in a very good four oared boat with bow and stern paddles, for which my thanks are due to Colonel Macleod, I was enabled to make good time on the trip.

From the Blackfoot Crossing to the Cut-Off, twenty eight miles the river is very crooked, the bottoms are composed of light sandy clay loam which produces good crops at the Indian farms; there are benches of cotton-wood & willow, gravel shoals & islands. The depth of water in the channel is not less than two feet; the velocity of the current about four miles an hour. Several exposures of coal having a depth of sixteen feet were observed.

Below the cut-off, as already spoken of, the land is not so good, after we enter the Pleiocen rocks. The soil is now similar to that of the plains west of the Rainy Hills; the river has reaches of several miles, and the current is more sluggish and, consequently, deeper water. There is no wood except a few straggling tree

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

trees of cotton wood. Many coulees with sandstone banks over one hundred feet high extend back from the river, several loose boulders were seen in the channel.

As we approach grassy Island forty four miles farther down the river the country is lower, and the banks ~~of the river~~ only sixty feet high. There is a fine exposure of coal at this point, south of the island and about forty feet under the surface of the prairie.

Below Grassy Island there appears to be a big depression extending across the country towards Belly River. The lowest part of this depression is directly north of Big Bend a few miles west of the 112° meridian.

Fifty three miles from Grassy Island and we pass a place on the river where the fantastic and conical shaped sandstone banks remind us of Dead Lodge Cañon on Red Deer River. The banks at Dead Lodge Cañon are said to be 600 feet high. They are only 200 feet at this place which is called by the Indians awk-pao-tukka, meaning, according to Potts, the interpreter, ground over ground.

Seven miles farther and we pass another large island and at one hundred and forty six miles from the Blackfoot Crossing

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Crossing we reach the mouth of Bow River.

The last twenty miles is through a sandy country, particularly so on the left side where we see hills of blown sand. A small bottom of cotton-wood was passed seven miles above the mouth, the first we had seen since leaving the Cut Off.

From the latter point to the mouth of Bow River, at this stage of water, the current has an average velocity of about two miles per hour. Several rapids occur where the current runs six or seven miles per hour, but these are short and get drowned in a high or moderate pitch of water. I did not find less than two feet of water in the channel. The river varies in width from five to ten chains.

Below the mouth of Bow River ten miles a sand storm was experienced. The wind, which was almost a hurricane from the north, swept the sand in clouds across the river from the sand hills on the north side, affecting our eyes, as we were obliged to speak on. There is another patch of sand hills south west of the fork of Bow & Belly Rivers, and adjoining the latter.

From the mouth of Bow River to Medicine Hat, a distance of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

fifty six miles the South Saskatchewan River flows through lofty banks of sandstone with rough broken coulées. The river bottoms are small and the herbage scanty. The country on both sides is dry and sandy. There is wood sufficient for camping purposes, along the shore. At forty three miles there is a sandy island with some large rough cotton wood trees. For seventeen miles before reaching this island we passed through a cañon with a great number of red conical hills. There are several shallow rapids where we found only three feet of water; and two places there were but two feet in the channel. We saw many coal exposures

From Medicine Hat the river is very crooked as we proceed North. ~~Small~~ Sandy bottoms with cotton wood frequently occur. The country is much higher & rougher on the east side of the river. Twenty four miles brings us to Standing Hill. At thirty-six miles the plains on the west side become high and rolling. These high rolling plains extend across to the Red Deer River. At fifty miles the river turns ~~sharply~~ to the east and some shallow rapids with sharp boulders occur for the next twenty miles through a deep cañon.

When Sand Point is reached - about twenty-miles above the Red Deer Forks. ~~The rocks suddenly~~ ~~[illegible]~~ no more stones were seen in the river till we came to the mouth of

Strong

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Strong Current Creek.

From Medicine Hat to Sand Point there are many swift currents with only eighteen inches of water in the channel, and some boulders were beginning to appear above the surface.

This part of the river is probably less navigable at a low pitch of water than the part between Medicine Hat and the Blackfoot Crossing.

I landed at Strong Current Creek on November 5th; the river was then full of anchor ice.

The three men Mulligan, Cowan, and Reilly, whom I sent overland with the carts from the Blackfoot Crossing arrived the next day and on the 7th the whole party reached Red Lake. I proceeded to Fort Qu'appelle leaving my assistant Mr. David Macoun to bring on the party. From Regina I proceeded to Long or Last Mountain Lake in accordance with your instructions and on the 12th returned & took the train for Fort Qu'appelle.

My party arrived safely at Fort Qu'appelle on 17th; the transport animals, all in admirable condition, were sent on to their old range in the valley at Andrew Klyne's for the winter, and we started for Winnipeg via the stage to Troy-Qu'appelle and thence by rail

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

rail. At Winnipeg my party was all paid off; ~~[illegible]~~ Mr. Macrae remaining in charge of the transport animals and outfit.

The accompanying sketch marked h shows the survey of Fish Creek Farms.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obed[t] Serv[t].
Colum[b]. Nelson O.L.S
Indian Reserve Survey

The Hon[ble]
The Indian Commissioner &c &c &c
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Examination of "Nelson's" Returns of Surveys of Indian Reservations.

Muskowpeetung's Reserve.

Mr. Nelson does not say in what direction the angles were taken: this omission must be supplied before the Plans can be checked.

Without Reverse valueless but not omitted W.A.A.

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting in Book and on Plan.

Pegan Reserve

Page 153 Distance to "Old Mans River", not given.

" 159 " " Coulé not given

" 162 Notes and Plan do not agree.

" 163 " " " " " " as to Pinces Crum

" 163 Distance to Old Mans River not given

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting on Book and Plan.

Indian Head Reserve

Not omitted W.A.A.

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting in Book and on Plan.

Sarcees Reserve

Not omitted W.A.A.

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting to Plan and Book

Pheasant's Rump

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting in Book and on plan.

Copy this Separate

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Continuation of Examination of Indian Reserves Surveys made by J. C. Nelson.

Treaty No 7. N.W.T. Blood Indian Reserve.

It is useless to examine this Reserve without further data; traverse should be shewn on plan
Plan not signed.

This Examination was made by Dr. Mamp Dep of Interior Facom panied Letter 18 Sept 1883 attached
W.A.A.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4754

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To R. Sinclair Esquire

Actg for Deputy Minister Ottawa, 22 " 10 " 1885

Sir

I have the honor to state that in relation to Mr. Nelsons Returns that one Field Book No. 1 contains notes of —

Survey of Ind. Res. at Crooked Lake for the Bands of Kakee sheeway & Chaacachas - Kakee - Wistahaw - O'Soup & Misquito and "no plan" sent in with the notes.

Also Survey of Res. of Part of Yellow Quills Band at Nut Lake (No Plan)

Also Survey of Ind. Res. " " " " " Fishing " (No Plan)

Also " " " " for Standing Buffalo's Band (Sioux) on Jumping Pound creek and Qu'appelle River — — — — (No Plan)

Also Survey of I. R. for Day stars Band in Big Touchwood Hills and No Plan accompanies these notes

Field Book No 2

Also Survey of Grazing Reserve between Pincher Creek & North fork of Kootenai River (No Plan)

This Department should have Plans of all the above with Topography fully laid down and notes on each Plan that they that they have not to go out of the Department to obtain this information, all the returns in Plans should be 4 Ochs to an Inch

See Manual of Survey Page 30 & 39. Int. Dep.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obdt Servt
W. A. Austin Sur. & Chief.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4754

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SURVEY BRANCH
EXAMINED
by W.A.A.
29. 9. 83
OTTAWA CANADA

Examination of Dr. D.L.S. Nelson's
Returns of
Indian Reservation Surveys

Muskowpeetungs Reserve.

Field notes or Plans neither certified or sworn to.
No Index to Field Book.
No Signatures to Plan or Notes.
Starting point of Survey not shewn on Plan.
No numbers or letters at main angles
of Reserve.
No Traverse of River Laid down
No North point, on Plan Nothing
to say if the work was done magnetically
or astronomically.
No Bearings or distances given on plan
The position of the Reserve Undefined.
Plan & Notes not agreeing in every particular.
Area not given in Field Book
These omissions to be fully supplied before the Returns can be checked.
Plan & Field notes to agree

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Peigan Reserve

No Index to Book
No Signature on Plan or in Field Book
No Distances or bearings on Plan
No Numbers of Township, Ranges, or Sections at starting point
No Lines shewing Townships & at start pt.
No Letters or numbers at main angles of Reserve
No North point

Page 153 No distances to Right or Left Bank
" " of Old Mans River
" " 2 Trails omitted on plan
" 159 Coulee shewn on Map at 55 chs west of Post not in Field Book
" 161 There is no jog shewn on Plan to agree with Field Book, but one line shewing the Peigan Reserve and the Grazing Farm with line
" 162 Plan and Notes do not agree
" 163 No measurements to Pincher creek or old Mans River, neither the entrance into or leaving the wooded skirtings
" 164, 165, 166. For 9 miles neither Field notes or Topography in Field Book or Plan.
At N.W. Corner No Township or Range Numbered
" 167, 168, 169, 170. No notes taken or

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Topography on Plan for about 12 Miles. No Traverse of old Mans River on Plan or in Field Book.
The area omitted.

Indian Head Reserve

√ No signature to Plan or Field Book
√ No Lines or Numbers shewing Township
√ outlines ~~shewing~~ on Plan to position Reserve i.e. that it may be placed on the existing maps.
√ On Plan no courses shewn & no distances or bearings given
√ Page 1 Notes and Plan do not agree
√ " 2 " " " " " "
√ " 2 no Ridge shown on plan
√ " 2 no soil mentioned on Plan
√ " 4 1st Mile post not in Notes
√ " 4 Large swamp 25 chs long not shown
| on Plan soil not mentioned
√ " 6 To 3rd mile no Post.
× " 7 (?) Which Bank of Moose Mt. Creek does 8810 intersect
√ " 7 No hill mentioned in Notes E. & W. of 2 mile & no post in notes mentioned
√ " 7 No Ridges shewn East of 3 mile & no post mentioned in notes.
√ " 8 No posts in notes for three miles here

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

✓ Page 8 3rd Mile Ridges mentioned in Notes not shewn on Plan

✓ " 9 No Posts mentioned for 3 miles here

✓ " 10 " " " " " " "

✓ For N.E. Corner shew Township lines Numbers & Sections adjoin if Required in every case

✓ " 12 Goose Mountain Creek not in Notes but on Plan also Large Marsh to west

✓ " 13 Notes & Plan do not agree

✓ " 14 Goose Mountain Creek not mentioned in Field Notes

✓ " 14 Plan & Notes do not agree

✓ " 14 The North West Corner not properly marked, should shew Numbers of Townships & Ranges

" 16 Plan & Notes do not agree

" 17 Near 2nd Mile no Hill in Field Book, no Posts

" 18 2½ Mile Post no Swamp on Plan, no Posts

" 19 No Posts

" 20 Nothing shewn in plan to agree with notes. no Posts in notes. N.W. Corner as stone

Area should be about 220.36 Miles

over

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The Sarcee Reserve.

No signature to Plan or Field Notes
N.E. Corner nothing shewn on Plan to
position this point in connection with
Township surveys. this in fact refers
to all the Corners of the Reserves.
Not a single distance given on Plan
No Bearings.
No North Point
No letters or Numbers at the main Corners
Page 75 Not all agreeing with Notes The stream
crossed 15 chs out of place
" 76 In the 1st mile no notes on Plan, no creek
shewn
" " 2nd mile notes cross Elbow River
twice no River or Island on plan
no Topography of any Kind.
" 77 1st mile no creek shewn, nothing on
plan to agree with field notes.
" 77 2nd mile Fish Creek on Plan none
in Field Book nothing on Plan
agreeing with Field Book.
" 78 S.E. Corner not defined ~~as marked~~
on Plan
1st mile nothing on Plan agreeing with
Field Book no creek on Plan
" 78 2nd mile (as first mile) no creek on
Plan
" 79 1st & 2nd miles nothing on Plan agreeing
with notes. cross Fish creek on

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Plan twice not even mentioned in notes.

Page 80 1st + 2nd Miles Nothing on Plan to agree with notes

81 to 82 for Eleven pages here no notes given except distances and a remark that the lines were formerly run by Wm. Kennedy D.L.S. for Townships Namely Township No. 28 in Ranges 23 & 24 West of 1st Principal Meridian, the Topography where any is shown on plan must have been got elsewhere than from these notes These notes also are in complete

No data in Notes to make up content

Content about 109.725 miles from Plan

Pheasants Rump Reserve

No Index & Field Book

No Signature to plan or Notes

Corners of Reserve not Positioned as aforementioned. Nor Lettered or numbered

No North point to Plan

No Bearings or distances on Plan

Page 5 South of 1st Mile Post Lake out of Place on Plan

" 8 Stream omitted at 60 chs on first mile.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Page 8 2nd mile ½ mile Post omitted on plan.
" 11 Nothing on plan but posts
" 12 " " " " "
" 13 " " " " "

I would here mention that that there are large sections of Plans without any mention of surface
Neither is there any classification of soils as 1st 2nd & 3rd Class

---

Blood Indian Reserve

It is useless to examine this return without further data. The Traverses should all be laid down on plan. and in fact all the returns as regards plans should be made out to a scale of 40 Forty chains to an Inch ~~instead of 160 chains.~~

The Blood Indian Reserve plan is made out at 6 miles to an Inch and no Traverses could be laid down & be correctly checked on such a scale considering the chord distances of some of the Lines.

W. A. Austin
Surveyor & Chf. Draftsman

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4752

A. M. Burgess Esq.
Deputy Minister
of the Interior.
Ottawa

Oct. 25 1883.

Sir,

With reference to
your letter, No 85757, of
the 18th ult., I have
the honor, at the
request of Mr. D. L. Lawson
Nelson, to return the
Plans and Field
Notes received with that
letter, with a view to the
same being handed to
Mr. F. Clayton who it
is understood will
represent Mr. Nelson
while so far as the necessary
Emendations to the
Plans and Field Notes
are concerned.

A Copy of Mr. Deville's
Memorandum on the
Examination of the
Plans and Field Notes
in question is enclosed
for

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

for Mr. Claytons guidance
together with copy of a
mand^m. by Mr. Austin,
Surveyor of this dep^t.,
pointing out some
omissions other than
those noted by Mr. Deville.
I have &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4754 5869

66787

Examination of Mr D L S. Nelson's Returns
of
Indian Reservation Surveys. 11946

Muskowpetungo Reserve.

Field Notes or Plans neither certified or sworn to

No Index to Field Book

No signature to Plan or Notes

Starting point of Survey not shewn on Plan

No Numbers or letters at Main Angles of Reserve

No Traverse of River Laid down

No North Point on Plan Nothing to say if the work was done Magnetically or Astronomically.

No bearings or distances given on Plan

The position of Reserve undefined.

Plan & Notes not agreeing in every particular

Area not given in Field Book

These omissions to be fully supplied before the Returns can be checked.

Plan & Field Notes to agree.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5869

66787

Peigan Reserve

No Index to Book

No Signature on Plan or in Field Book. ✓

No distances or bearings on Plan 11346

No Numbers of Townships, Ranges, or Sections at starting point

✓ No Lines shewing Townships & at starting point

No Letters or Numbers at Main Angles of Reserve

No North point. ✗

Page 158 No distance to Right or Left Bank ✓

" " of old Mans River ✓

" " 2 Trails omitted on plan ✓

" 159 Coulee shewn on Map at 55 Chs: West of post not in Field Books. ✓

" 161 There is no jog shewn on Plan to agree with Field Book. but one line shewing the Peigan Reserve and the Grazing Farm North line

" 162 Plan and Notes do not agree ✓

" 163 No measurements to Pincher Creek or Old mans River, neither the Entrance into or leaving the wooded Skirtings.

(1)

" 164, 165, 166. For 9 Miles neither Field Notes or Topography in Field Book or Plan. At N.W. corner no Township or Range Numbered.

Jnnecessary [illegible] See Meridian Exch ✓ 3rd Bwd Between Regs 28. 29 Dom Lds Surveys

" 167, 168, 169, 170. No notes taken or topography on Plan for about 12 Miles. No Traverse of old Mans River on Plan or in field Book. ✓ The area omitted.

None required See 3rd Base line

Indian

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

66787

Indian Head Reserve.

No signature to Plan or Field Book 1346

No lines or Numbers showing Township outlines on Plan to position Reserve ie. that it may be placed on the Existing Maps.

On plan no courses shown & no distances or bearings given

Page 1 Notes and Plan do not agree. ✓

" 2 " " " " " " ✓

" 2 No Ridge shown on Plan ✓

" 2 No Soil mentioned on Plan ✓

" 4 1st Mile post not in Notes ✓

" 4 Large Swamp 25 Chs: long not shown on Plan, soil not mentioned. ✓

" 6 To 3rd Mile no Post ✓

" 7(?) Which bank of Moose Mt Creek does 88 10 intersect both

" 7 No hill mentioned in Notes E & W of 2 miles & no post in Notes mentioned ✓

" 7 No Ridges shewn East of 3 mile & no post mentioned in Notes. ✓

" 8 No posts in Notes for three Miles here ✓

" 8 3rd Mile Ridges mentioned in Notes not shewn on Plan.

" 9 No Posts mentioned for 3 Miles here ✓

" 10 " " " " " " ✓

For N.E. Corner shew Township lines numbers & Sections adjoin of Reserve in every case

" 12 Moose Mountain Fork not in Notes but

they do not cross the line ✓

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5869
66787

No River or Island on plan no topography of any kind ✓ 11946

Page 77 1st Mile no Creek shown, nothing on plan to agree with field notes.

" ✓77 2nd Mile Fish Creek on Plan none in field Book Nothing on Plan agreeing with Field Book.

" ✓78 S.E. corner not defined on plan. 1st Mile nothing on Plan agreeing with Field Book no Creek on Plan

. ✓ 78 2nd Mile (as first mile) no creek on Plan.

" ✓79 1st & 2nd Miles nothing on Plan agreeing with Notes. Cross Fish Creek on Plan twice not even mentioned in Notes

Page 80 1st & 2nd Miles nothing on Plan to agree with Notes

" 81 — to — 82 for Eleven pages here no notes given Except distances and a remark that the lines were formerly run by Dr. Kennedy D.L.S. for townships namely Townships Nos 23 in Ranges 23rd & 24 West of 5th Principal Meridian, the Topography where any is shewn on plan must have been got elsewhere than from these Notes These Notes also are incomplete

No data in Notes to make up Content

Content about 109,725 Acres from Plan

Pheasant

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5869
66787

but on Plan also large marsh to West

Page 13 Notes & Plan do not agree refer to Notes

" 14 Moose Mountain Creek not mentioned in field Notes. ✓

" 14 Plan & Notes do not agree 11 & 13 ✓

" 14 The North West corner not properly marked should show Numbers of Townships & Ranges.

" 16 Plan & notes do not agree refer to notes

" 17 Near 2nd Mile no Hill in Field Book, no posts

" 18 2nd Mile post no Swamp on Plan, no posts.

" 19 No posts

" ✓ 20 Nothing Shewn on Plan to agree with Notes No posts in notes N.W. corner as above Area should be about 220.36 ½ Miles.

Notes refer to the general face of the Country and not to the Lines —

The Sarcees Reserve

No Signature to Plan or Field Notes ✓

N.E. Corner nothing Shewn on Plan to position this point in connection with Township Surveys this in fact refers to all the corners of the Reserves.

Not a single distance given on Plan ✓

No Bearings ✓

No North Point None required

No letters or Numbers at the Main Corners ✓

Page 15 Not all agreeing with Notes the Stream crossed 15 chs: out of place ✓

" 16 In the 1st Mile no Notes on Plan no creek Shewn

" " 2nd Mile Notes cross Elbow River twice

No

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5869
65787

11946

Pheasants Rump Reserve.

No Index to Field Book ✓

No Signature to plan or Notes ✓

Corners of Reserve not positioned as aforementioned nor lettered or Numbered

No North point to Plan Astronomic

No Bearing or distances on Plan not

Page 5 South of 1st Mile Post Lake out of Place on Plan.

" 8 Stream omitted at 60 chs on first Mile.

✓ 8 2nd Mile ½mile Post omitted on Plan

Nothing on Plan but Posts

" 12 " " " " "

" 13 " " " " "

I must here mention that there are large sections of Plans without any mention of surface Neither is there any Classification of Soils as 1st 2nd & 3rd Classes.

Blood Indian Reserve

It is useless to Examine this Reserve without further data. The Traverse should all be laid down on plan, and in fact all the returns as regards plans should be made out to a Scale of 40 Forty chains to an Inch.

The Blood Indian Reserve plan is made out at 6 Miles to an Inch and no Traverses

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5869

66787

Traverses could be laid down to be correctly checked on such a scale considering the short distances of some of the lines.

11946

/signed/ W. A. Austin
Surveyor & Chief Draftsman.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr Deville's report 5869

66787

Examination of Nelson's Returns of Surveys of Indian Reservation 11946

Muskowpetungs Reserve

Mr Nelson does not say in what direction the angles were taken: this omission must be supplied before the Plans can be checked

Area of Reserve omitted.

Signature wanting in Book and on Plan

Pegan Reserve

Page 153 Distance to old Man's River, not given

" 159 " " Coulé not given

" 162 Notes and Plan do not agree

" 163 " " " " " " " as to

" 163 Distance to old Man's River not given

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting on Book and Plan

Indian Head Reserve

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting in Book and on Plan

Sarcees Reserves

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting in Plan and Book

Pheasants Rump

Area of Reserve omitted

Signature wanting in Book and on Plan

O Omitted Reserve 1700A

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5869
66787

Continuation of Examination of Indian Reserves
Surveys made by J. C. Nelson 11846

Treaty No 7 N.W.T. Blood Indian Reserve

It is useless to Examine this Reserve without further data; Traverse should be shewn on plan.

Plan not signed.

It is unnecessary and impossible to shew Traverse on plan on such a scale

P. C.

Rec'd under cover of a letter from Mr Deville dated 18th Sept. 1883.

—

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.

No. 66787

30.4.84

11946

Ottawa 27th March, 1884.

Sir,

I have the honor, by direction of the Minister of the Interior, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 4754, of the 4th January last; The absence of Mr. Nelson in the North West, prevented certain corrections being made on the plans and notes mentioned in your letter, and they have been detained here awaiting his return. The plans and field notes are now sent you herewith.

Enc.

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

John H. Hall
Secretary.

L. Vankoughnet, Esq.,
Deputy of the
Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Dr Brouillet

Ottawa, April 30 1884

Wrote to Com: Dewdney informing him of the inaccuracies referred to in the Memo of the Surveyor Chief Draughtsman & requesting him to instruct Mr Nelson not to again forward his field Notes &c & Survey to the Dept of the Interior for Examination but to hand them to the Court with a report thereon to be forwarded to the Supt Genl for such action thereon as may be considered advisable and that the Traverse of the Qu'appelle River on tracing cloth with State no. Reserve &c. Dept. &c. Topographical Division &c. &c. &c.

4754

4.7[illegible]4 Office O

30 April 4

Reexamination
of
Mr. Nelson's (O.L.S.) Returns
of Indian Surveys of 1882.

Muskowpeetung's Reserve

No area in Field Book

Eastern Boundary (pages 27, 28 & 29 of Field Book No 2) not plotted on this plan. A pencil note on these pages quoted here "For Topography see West Boundary of Pasquins Reserve." Plans supply on Plan & Field Book

Pages 33 & 34 Notes of West Boundary the Topography and timber of which is not laid down on Plan

From Page 34 & 39 inclusive is the Traverse of the Gee'Appelle River which is not laid down & consequently cannot be checked. As this survey was made prior to Instructions issued from this Dept. Classes on Traverse lines &c Page 40 of the Manual of Survey. Issued by the Dept. of the Interior 1881 governs this work. See Clause end of (Page 40) Neither is there any Topography timber or soil marked along this River on the Plan

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

20

Indian Head Reserve
Correct

The Sarcees Reserve

No Area in Field Book
Page 76 A Creek not on Plan
Notes embracing 12 miles of Lines of Topography shown as run on this Reserve by Mr Nelson – The remaining 36 miles of lines were run by Mr Kennedy of Dominion Lands surveys and do not show any timber or other Topography, but position of Posts, Hills & streams

The Blood Indian Reserve

A note in Field Book No 2 page 97 says "This Reserve has been Changed"
(Sd) J.C.N.
Therefore no Re-Examination is necessary

Pheasants Rump. The Ocean Man Reserve

Page 5. 1st Mile on this [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Pegan Indian Reserve

Page 153 No distance in Field Book to Old Man's River plotted with constant lines on Plan

The Area Omitted on Plan

Some 21 miles of this Reserve has no Topography on it on account of its boundaries having been run by the Dept of the Interior, Land's Surveys.

The Field Notes of Rakeesheway, Chacachas, Rakeewista kaw, Hoop & Musquito not examined as no plans accompany the notes - also Yellow Quill at Nut Lake and at Fishing Lake.

Day Stars Reserve

Standing Buffalo & Grazing Reserve no plans of the above notes.

No Diary has been forwarded with these Field Books & Plans

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4754.

Immediate

The Honble

E. Dewdney
Indn. Comr. for Man & N. W. T.
Regina. N. W. T.

4764

Oct. 1 84.

Sir,

I have the honor to call your attention to my letter of the 20th May last with enclosure respecting Mr. D. L. S. Nelson's surveys of Indn. Reserves in 1882; & to inform you that a sketch shewing the land included in Chief Piapots Old Reserve is wanted at once in connection with the proposed Exchange with the Dept of the Interior for the lands applied for by the Manitoba & N. W. RR Coy to be given them in lieu of those belonging to that Coy taken by this Dept for Piapots' new Reserve. The Sketch should shew also the lands (if any) in Piapots old Reserve to be given the Hudson Bay Coy

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Coy for any land he bought
by that Corporation
which have been included
in Reports present Reserve

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa 9 June 1885

Copy of Examiners Notes made 30th April 1884 retained at the Dept. until Dr. Nelson should be able to correct them at Ottawa, and are now forwarded for correction as the plans are wanted particularly —

Mus Kowpeetungs Reserve

No Area in Field Book

Eastern Boundary (pages 27, 28 & 29 of Field Book No 2) not plotted on this plan. A pencil note on these pages quoted here "For Topography see West Boundary of Pasquais Reserve." Please supply on Plan & in Field Book.

Pages 33 & 34 notes of West Boundary. the Topography and timber is not laid down on plan.

From Page 34 to 39 inclusive is the Traverse of the Quappelle River, the lines of which are not laid down on the plan Dr. Nelson will please supply these with Topography timber & Soil

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

(2)

The Sarcees Reserve

Corrected at Ottawa

No Area in Field Book

Page 76 a creek not on Plan

Notes embracing 12 miles of Lines of Topography shewn as run on this Reserve by Mr. Nelson The remaining 36 miles of Lines run by Mr. Kennedy of Dominion Lands Surveys and do not shew any timber or other Topography but position of Posts Hills & Streams

Pheasants Rump - The Ocean Man

Corrected at Ottawa

Piegans Ind. Reserve

Page 153 no distance in Field Book to Old Man's River plotted with constant lines on plan.

The Area Omitted on Plan -

Some 21 miles of this reserve has no Topography on it on account of its boundaries having been run by the Dept of the Interior. Lands' surveys. If this is the case where the surveys have been performed by the Interior a note to that effect should be put upon the plans describing the same. Also a Note to the Sarcee Plan of like effect.

Stones &c in Pencil the inked in in Field Books and Bearings reduced to read from N. & S. The following plans not as yet received in this office for correction, although the Field notes were forwarded, and are now sent herewith - viz Ka Kee sheway - Chacachas - Kakawis - Ta how - Mosquito - Yellow Quill - Fishing Lake & Nut Lake - Day Star Big Touchwood Hills - Standing Buffalo - Grazing Reserve

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

11/6/85
McN

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Mr McNeill

Ottawa, 11 - 6 - 1885

Please write the Com - N.W.T's and say that the Pheasants Rump the Ocean Man's Reserve, has been corrected here also Indian Head Reserve & the Sarcees Reserve Plans.

The Plans of ~~Kakeeshewaji~~
~~Chacachas~~
~~Kakeewistahaw~~
~~Mingato~~
~~Yellow Quill Fishing Lake~~
" " ~~Nut Lake~~
~~Day Star Big Touchwood Hills~~
~~Standing Buffalo~~

Grazing Reserve has not as yet been received here ~~the Field Notes were sent in March 1884 and the plans have not been received~~ The Examiners notes of the Piegans Reserve & Muskowpeetung Reserve with plans & Field Books are returned to be adjusted accordingly -

Deputy Minister

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA

38635

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
APR 16 1887

50

LETTER NO. .....

REFERENCE NO. 14478 3.

Ottawa, 14th April, 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to request, by direction, that you will be good enough to furnish this Department with a map of Piegan Indian Reserve, shewing the claim of a settler on its west Boundary where it crosses Pincher Creek and Old man's River near the junction of these streams.

The map of a portion of Alberta, issued by this Department in 1882, shews a jog in the west limit of the Reserve

The Deputy
Superintendent-General
of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Re Chief Mountain Piegan Reserve

Re Settlers claim

Re Applications to purchase

Re Applications to lease

Re Timber

Re Stone

Re Coal

Re Mineral Lands

Re Water Powers

Re Sawmills

Re Gristmills

Re Ferries

Re Roads

Re Bridges

Re Trespassers

Re Miscellaneous

Re Leases

Re Licenses

Re Permits

Re Sales

Re Rentals

Re Timber Dues

Re Ground Rents

Re Rents

Re Royalties

Re Seizures

Re Fines

Re Penalties

Re Forfeitures

Re Returns

Re Accounts

Re Vouchers

Re Cheques

Re Drafts

Re Pay Lists

Re Estimates

Re Requisitions

Re Tenders

Re Contracts

Re Agreements

Re Instructions

Re Reports

Notes on Examination of Piegan Ind. Reserve (No. 147.) Survey Returns. Surveyed by John C. Nelson D.L.S. Sept. 1882.

1 Page 1 to 13. The Road Allowance shown on each of these Pages on the East Boundary should be shown on the Pl

2 The East and West road allowances shown on the Plan are omitted in the Field Book; those parts of these Road allowances shown within the Reserve should be shown with dotted (not full) lines or not shown at all.

3 The section numbers noted on the Plan should also be noted in the F. Book

4 Page 30 A road allowance is shown on the West Boundary, included within the Reserve, the whole of the Road allowance on the West Boundary should be shown on both Plan and F. Notes excluded from the Reserve. All the road allowances at Right angles to the boundaries should be shown by full lines outside of the Reserve and ~~on~~ small portions within by dotted lines and the Field Notes made to correspond.

5 Page 14 - A slough is omitted on the Plan.

6 " 15 & 16 The Topography showing a large hill on the Plan is omitted in the Field Notes.

7 The Road Allowance ~~shown~~ on the North Boundary and shown on the Plan should also be shown in the Field

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Notes on Examination of Piegan Ind. Reserve (No. 147.) Survey Returns. Surveyed by John C. Nelson D.L.S. Sept. 1882.

1 Page 1 to 13. The Road Allowance shown on each of these Pages on the East Boundary should be shown on the Pl

2 The East and West road allowances shown on the Plan are omitted in the Field Book; those parts of these Road allowances shown within the Reserve should be shown with dotted (not full) lines or not shown at all.

3 The section numbers noted on the Plan should also be noted in the F. Book

4 Page 30 A road allowance is shown on the West Boundary, included within the Reserve, the whole of the Road allowance on the West Boundary should be shown on both Plan and F. Notes excluded from the Reserve. All the road allowances at Right angles to the boundaries should be shown by full lines outside of the Reserve and ~~on~~ small portions within by dotted lines and the Field Notes made to correspond.

5 Page 14 - A slough is omitted on the Plan.

6 " 15 & 16 The Topography showing a large hill on the Plan is omitted in the Field Notes.

7 The Road Allowance ~~shown~~ on the North Boundary and shown on the Plan should also be shown in the Field

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Field Notes. This Road Allowance should be shown on the Plan produced for a short distance East and West from the corners of the Reserve, similarly to other Road allowances shown on the Plan.

8 The data of triangulations across the different River crossings should be noted in the Field Notes; all are omitted except the crossing noted on Page 1.

9 Page 54 - An error in plotting Rivers at 41.00.

10 A paragraph should be appended to the report explaining why Sections 7 and 18 - Tp. 7. R. 28 W 4 M were excluded from the Reserve.

Ottawa 12th May 1887
S. Bray

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

39240

T. D. Form 1.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All Messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

SIR GEO. STEPHEN Bart., President.
W. C. VAN HORNE, Vice-President. CHAS. R. HOSMER, Manager Telegraphs.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

NO.	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK.
13	O	X	24 Collect 191

Time 701P May 4 1887

From Regina N.W.T 4

To L Vankoughnet

am writing on Leesklees Claim piegan reserve present occupant has offered Indians large amount if they will Compel Government to buy him out

acknd
13-5-87 E. Dewdney
Watt

To secure prompt despatch send reply to
COR. SPARKS AND ELGIN STREETS.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Mr McNeill

Ottawa, 12th May 1887

Please write to Mr Burgess, refer to his letter of 14th ult. and inform him that the Returns of the Survey of the Pregan Indian Reserve ~~have been~~ were received on the 9th inst but ~~have~~ are to be sent back for amendment, when finally approved a copy of the Plan will be sent him.

Also inform him that the Plan shows a "jog" on the West Boundary of the Reserve - and that this "jog" excludes from the Reserve Sections 7 and 18 - Tp. 7. R 28 W of 4th I. M.

A.A.
Deputy Minister

Mr McNeill
See Over

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Piegan Res

39690

Extract

Letter dated Regina 18th May 1887

P.S. I forgot to mention that while holding council with "North Axe", Chief of the Piegans, he made very strong representations to me about acquiring the two sections of land which had been left out of the Reserve, in consequence of Mr. Lee's old claim, at the mouth of Pincher Creek.

He spoke very strongly, and demanded it, stating he would have it. After going into the question with him, I found that the present occupier, Mr. Legrandeau, who has bargained for Mr. Lee's right, but who has not paid for it, was at the bottom of the demand; and "North Axe" admitted that the Frenchman had promised him his mower, house and chickens, and some cows, if he would succeed in getting the Government to buy him out.

(Sgd) E. Dewdney.

Original letter on File 39689

To Mr. Lee

Circle Dept. Letter May 13th 4754 and my telegram.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

e 30 No.

MEMORANDUM

Department of Indian Affairs,

To The Deputy Minister

Ottawa, 30 – 5 – 1887

Re, Sections 7 & 18
Township 7
Range 28 - W of 4th
Initial Meridian

I beg to state that that the above sections on Pincher creek & old man's River are not in the Peigan Indian Reserve, that there is a Jog purposely made by Mr. Nelson when surveying the reserve excluding these sections from the reserve.

W. A. Austin

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4754

SECRETARY'S
MAY 31 1887
BRANCH

With encl[e]

A. M. Burgess Esq;
Deputy of the
Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

June 1st 87.

Sir,

With further reference to your letter of the 14th April respecting the claim of a squatter to land occupied by him in the Vicinity of the Pegan Indian Reserve in the District of Alberta, I beg to inform you that it appears from the plan of that Reserve that Sections 7 and 18 in Township 7 Range 28 West of the 4th Meridian, on Pincher Creek and Old Man's River, are not included in the Pegan Indian Reserve, and that there was a jog purposely made by Mr. Nelson when surveying the Reserve purposely excluding these Sections from the same.

I have recently received a letter from Mr Dewdney

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr. Dewdney in respect to an attempt of one Legrandeau to induce the Chief of the Piegan Indians to insist upon the Dept. acquiring for that Band the two sections of land in question, which had been left out of the Reserve. Enclose a copy of Mr. Dewdney's remarks in the matter

I have, &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To Deputy Minister

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa 31st Dec. 1888

Acknowledged
Note Cons Rec
to report on
this Number
Dec 31

The following "Extract" from Mr Nelson's report of 12 Nov. 1888 - together with correspondence on this File on the same subject (Nos. 38635, 39690 and letter to Mr Burgess of 1st June 87) is respectfully submitted -

"When making the survey "of the Piegan Reserve in 1883, I left "out two sections, 7 and 18, Township "No. 7 Range 28 on the West side, because "Mr Lee and others had settled on them. "Many Chiefs, a Piegan Indian, is said "to have purchased the claim of a "white man who had taken up land "partly in the North half of section 18, and "partly in Section 13, in Range 29. Many "Chiefs' houses are on 13, while nearly "all the land he is cultivating is on 18."

(A sketch of sections 7 & 18 - showing the position of Many Chiefs' houses and clearings accompanies the Report.)

S. Bray

CORRESPONDENCE DEC 31 1888 OTTAWA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Your reply refer to
[redacted]0202
Also to the date of this letter.

56096

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Regina, March 11th 1889

INDIAN AFFAIRS. DEPARTMENT OF
MAR 15 1889

4754

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

56096.

consisted of a fair log house and stable, with a field of about six acres fenced and broken.

Mr Springet obtained his information from Mr Lee who several years ago lived at the mouth of Pincher Creek, opposite to the place now held by "Many Chiefs" and who, it appears, was present when the transaction was completed and saw the horses delivered over to Morisseau by the Indian.

It is not known where Morisseau now is, but he is believed to be somewhere in Montana.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
A. E. Springet
Asst Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4754)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
- File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
- File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

No. 4763

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

Marcus Smith
Ottawa Ont
29 Apl.

Letter to him soliciting his good offices and influence with the Indians of B. C.

ACTION.

BLACK

162/30

4763

29/Apl. Let. to Com: Powell
9/June Let from Com: Powell
23/ June " to Do
25/ Oct " from - do. & encl.
26/ Oct " to Do.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4763

Marcus Smith, Esqr
Deputy of the
Engineer in Chief of the
Pacific Railway Survey.

Ottawa,
April 1875.

Sir,

With reference to the conversation which you had with the Sec. of S.A. last week on the subject of the Indian Tribes in B.C. whom you are likely to meet during ~~the ensuing~~ your operations in that Province this summer in connection with the Pacific Railway I am desired by the Sec. to say that he would be glad to avail himself of your good offices, and of the influence which he is informed you possess among the Indn. ~~Tribes~~ in B.C. to explain to any Tribes with whom you may happen to come into contact the views and feelings of the Canadian Govt. towards them so as to prevent, if possible, any misunderstanding with the Indians and to secure their friendship and good will for the Canadian Govt.

In this view I am desired by the Sec. to transmit to you the accompanying document which you can make such use of as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

as you see fit, reading it
either in whole or in part
to any Band of Indns. you may fall in with
should you think it necessary
so to do.

The St. Gl. is advised
that you have already in
your possession some
presents for distribution
to the Indians, and he
has authorized Dr Powell
the Indn Comr at Victoria, to supply
you, with such further
presents as you may
~~deem necessary for~~
~~that purpose to the extent~~
~~of $~~
require, in the event of the
supply at your disposal
not being found sufficient.

I.

[illegible] you applying to
him for that purpose

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy.

To Marcus Smith. Esqr. C.E. Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway in British Columbia

Greeting —

This is to authorize and request you to convey to any Indian Tribe whom you may meet during — your operations in British Columbia in connection with the Pacific Railway, the assurance of the friendly feeling and goodwill entertained towards them by the Government of the Dominion of Canada and of the earnest desire of that Government to extend towards them the right hand of fellowship and to deal with them in the same honorable spirit which has ever characterized the conduct of their Great Mother the Queen and the Government of Canada towards Her Red Children.

You should also report to the Indians the regret of the Dominion Government that no final arrangements have yet been made as to the lands to be set apart in British Columbia for their use; but that the Government of the Dominion ever since Confederation has been steadily laboring to obtain from the —

Government

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Government of British Columbia a satisfactory settlement of this question.

You will inform the Indians that their Great Mother the Queen and the Government of the Dominion have every confidence that the Indian Tribes of British Columbia will receive in a friendly spirit those who are engaged in surveying their Country for the purposes of the Pacific Railway and that they will afford them every assistance in their power in this Great National Work; a work which it is hoped, will prove a blessing equally to them and to the white inhabitants of the Province.

You are also authorized to give the Indians such Presents as you may have at your disposal in the name of the [Superintendent General of Indian Affairs].

Given under my hand and seal of Office this Twenty-Eighth day of April in the Year of Our Lord 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4763.

Lt. Col. I. W. Powell,
Indn Comr.,
Victoria,
B.C.

April 29th 1875.

Sir,

I enclose for your information a copy of a letter of this day's date addressed to Marcus Smith, Esq., Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, in reference to his communications with any tribes of Indians whom he may meet in B.C.

With regard to the last paragraph in said letter I am desired by the Stl. Gl. of I.A. to instruct you in the event of Mr Smith's applying to you for that purpose, to furnish him with such presents as he may require to the extent of $500.00

approved by Mr Laird
E.A.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 23 1875
OTTAWA.

British Columbia

539
565. B.

Indian Office
Victoria June 9th 1875.

Memorandum enclosed

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (No. 4763 I.B.) of April 29th, enclosing copy of a communication of the same date addressed to Marcus Smith Esqr., relating to the distribution of presents to Indians whom that Gentleman may come in contact with in the Interior of British Columbia.

In reply I have the honor to state that the sum of Five hundred dollars has been placed at

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

at Mr. Smiths' disposal, for the purpose above alluded to.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servt.,

J. P. Powell
Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Not meant as apology
merely exceptional
to conciliate Ind
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum for the consideration of the
Honorable Mr. Laird

In respect to the subject referred to in the enclosed letter. My own experience compels me to deprecate the practice of making presents to Indians indiscriminately - Much jealousy and bad feeling has been created among Indians themselves in this way because all have not been treated alike, and complaints have already been made to this Office which confirm this impression.

Beyond relieving the destitute, granting Indians a feast, and giving some prizes of utility for games etc, in order to celebrate and give prominence to any official visit of my own, I have never myself encouraged any custom of the Kind.

In supplying Indians with agricultural

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

agricultural implements etc. I did not present them because as I informed them, Her Majesty wished to regard the Indians as she did her white subjects, and therefore desired them to help themselves, but as many Tribes were destitute of the means to make a commencement, I had been commissioned to inquire into and relieve as much as possible their wants in this respect. I accordingly would place a certain number of Implements in the hands of the Chief who would be responsible for their safe Keeping, and those of the Tribe who wished to take advantage of this, might at any time obtain the use of any implement by promising to return it safely.

I then informed them, should I perceive that good use were made of these things, I might at some

future

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

future visit supplement their supply by adding some other useful article.

In the Spring, I supplied each Chief with seeds, to be distributed to his people by himself.

In this way I have acquired the friendship of all Chiefs, who I may add highly appreciate their investment with importance and authority, and I have incurred no ill will by not treating all alike.

Even if it were possible to treat all equally as regards presents, an Indian who obtains a gift is never satisfied, and he is much more apt to suspect your motive and harbor desires which can never be appeased than otherwise.

I am fully convinced that this is the correct policy for the Indians of British Columbia, and am of opinion that it should be

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

be continued under one direction.

Mr. Smith suggested that he should give presents as coming directly from myself, but I have begged him not to use my name in the matter, for the reasons above alluded to.

I might further add that the object of this memorandum is not to interfere in any way with arrangements referred to in Mr. Smith's letter, but to acquaint the Honble. Minister with the results of my own experience among various Indian Tribes, an experience which can be fully justified by that of other old residents of this Province.

J. W. Powell,
Indian Commissioner

4763
Ad Mem.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4763

Lt. Col. I. N. Powell.
Indian Comr.,
Victoria,
B.C.

25th June 1875.

Sir,

I am desired by the Lt.Gl. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (5598/5658) of the 9th. Instant reporting that in accordance with the instructions contained in my letter of the 29th. April last you had placed the sum of $500 at the disposal of Mr Marcus Smith to enable him to distribute presents to the Indians with whom he might come in contact during his operations in the interior of British Columbia.

The Lt.Gl. has read your remarks on the general question of the distribution of presents to the Indians and desires me to say that he concurs generally with your views on the subject, and that in authorizing the distribution of presents by Mr Smith he did so merely, as an exceptional thing, and with a view to conciliate the Indians with whom he had to deal.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

COT OCT 1875

Victoria B. C.
August 21st 1875.

Dear Sir,

On my recent journey from Soda Creek across the Chilcoatin country and the Cascade mountains to Bute inlet, I picked up a good deal of information respecting the Indians inhabiting that region which I shall put in form as soon as I have time.

At present I can only state how the goods you sent have been disposed of with a few remarks respecting the same.

The Harness which you sent by express arrived at Soda Creek on the 22nd Inst, and as I could not take it on with me it was left with R. McLeese in charge of our Deputy Surveyor Mr. Glassey.

On arriving at Ristkis he advised me what implements and tools would be most useful to the Indians, and I sent an order to Dr. Foster to supply the same and send them to Soda creek. account herewith amounting to $143.12 which I have paid

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

paid.

I found the blind Chief Eulas and his tribe encamped near Risky's, and ascertaining that they had suffered a good deal from the severity of the late winter I ordered clothing and other necessaries to be sent to Risky's to be distributed among them- account $113.55 which I have paid-

The whole tribe- men, women and children number about 100. I have the name of the head and number of each family. Mr. Risky is very kind to them and has allowed them to cultivate 2 acres of his land, which supplies them with potatoes and other vegetables during part of the winter.

I saw the Chief Alexis at his camp in the Chilcotin valley about 40 miles above Risky's he was apparently in a dying state- there were only his wife and a few old women and children round him- the rest of the tribe were away hunting or had gone to a grand Cultus potlatch, given by the Chief Anniahim near the Blackwater.

This Chief and his tribe lately

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

lately had their headquarters at Lake Nacoontloon, situated between the heads of the Dean and Bella Coola rivers; but they are coming down to the Chilcotin valley and it is probable that if Alexis dies, Annahime will be chosen Chief of the two tribes, though the priests oppose it, and want to put a soft, brainless son of Alexis as Chief, who would be more subservient to the Church. But Annahime is the best man, he was with us three months last year - behaved very well, and watched attentively everything that was going on. he told me he would be glad if some good white people would come and settle near them and teach them how to work and cultivate the land.

I sent him the best uniform, flag, saddle spurs &c &c by one of the surveying parties, telling him that you wished him to be the Styas Tyhee of all the Chilcotins - I am advised that he has received these and is highly pleased.

I gave Alexis supplies of flour, sugar, tea &c, from the survey stores and have since heard that he is recruiting

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

recruiting his health.

I passed within 5 Miles of the camp of Keogh the Chief of the Indians about Tatla Lake - he was away at the Potlache, but his tribe had received presents of clothing &c. from the survey stores of last year. Keogh gave all away to his people, Kept nothing for himself, so I sent him the other suit of uniform, for which his wife sent her son out to thank us.

There is another tribe of Stone Indians to the Northwest of Tatlah Lake which I did not see, but we saw some of them in 1872.

Altogether there are between 500 and 600 people - (men, women and children) speaking the Chilcotin language - which much resembles the Chinese and the Indians have very decided Mongolian features - these are divided into six tribes, each with a chief and several petty chiefs -

I met Father Marshall - one of the priests from Williams Lake Mission, he is a French Jesuit, and as I have before hinted to you these priests are going to create a great deal of trouble by interfering with the

secular

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

secular affairs of the Indians.

This priest has been marking off claims covering the best agricultural land in the Chilcotin Valley, indeed taking the whole of the valley for 15 miles in length. These he has apportioned among the different tribes even including the Stone Indians who are now living 150 Miles farther west, and he has marked out a site for a church. This is sheer madness the Indians cannot live by agriculture alone, they are far more profitably employed both for themselves and the country in hunting and fishing. All that is wanted is a block of arable land subdivided for each family to cultivate a patch of potatoes, and other vegetables and some wheat or grain if they desire, but the women and children alone cultivate the land.

At Alexis creek where the tribe have had undisputed possession of the land from time immemorial - there is a patch of less than an acre cultivated by 14 families - It will be a long time before we see an average of one acre to a family under cultivation - But give them say 5 acres of arable land to a

family

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

family, this would be 500 acres to each tribe of the Chilcotins, but this should be surrounded by a large block of hill ground for pasturing horses and Cattle. These are my views, but however that may be, the Priests have no right to interfere - I find also that they undertake to depose, and appoint Chiefs not according to their fitness to govern, but as they will best subserve Church interests - They also order or at least encourage the brutality of whipping women for various offenses. Father Marchall owned that to me - and said he had the authority of Judge Begbie to do it - which I don't believe. I told him I would report this to you -

Now the most hopeless trait in the Indian character is the degradation of the women, they are the beasts of burden, and are often brutally used by their men, and to whip them is to degrade them still farther -

As I saw only two of the Chiefs, and the Priest had put such absurd notions about the lands into their heads, I did not know what to do with the farming implements and tools, as there are just enough for two locations

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

locations or tribes, whereas the priest has brought five tribes together for land claims. now as it would not do to give implements to one tribe and not to another living alongside of them. I have not delivered any of them, but they are all at Soda Creek as well as the harness. And I think the very best thing you could do would be to call a meeting there or at Riske's, of all the Chilcotin Chiefs and distribute them yourself. I have $129 on hand this would go far to furnish enough for a start for each tribe. If you could have this meeting about the last week in September I could I think be there, and if you could not attend yourself perhaps you could send a Deputy or Seymour could do it.

Yours most truly,
M. Smith.

(Sd)

I. Powell Esqr.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 614
37. C.

British Columbia.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OCT 25 1875
OTTAWA

Indian Commissioner's Office,

Victoria, Octr 7th 1875

Sir:

Referring to your letter No. 4763 I. B. authorizing me to furnish Marcus Smith Esquire Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway with such presents as he may require to the extent of Five hundred dollars, I have now the honor to enclose for your information, a Copy of that Gentleman's Report.

I have not yet been among the Chilcotin Indians of whom Mr. Smith Writes, but considering the progress made in Agriculture by other interior Indians such as the Shuswhaps, I should think his

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c &c
Indian Branch

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his estimate of cultivable land necessary for their future requirements, much too small.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

I. W. Powell

Indian Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4763.
Lt. Col. J. W. Powell,
Indn. Comr.
Victoria
British Columbia.

Ottawa 27th Octr. 1875.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 614, of the 7th. Instant, referring to mine of the 25th June last, and enclosing a copy of a report made to you by Mr Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway giving an account of his journey across the Chilcotin Country, and of the distribution made by him of the presents to the Indians in that region under the authority of my official letter of already referred to.

Sayles
Lay before the Minister on his Return
Sally
Sently Minister
13 Dec.
Sally
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4763)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
- File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
- File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 4767 ~~Duplicate~~ ACTION. ACTION CONTINUED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

INDIAN BRANCH.

1876

~~Certificate~~

1881 Jan 25 Jan 25 Letter from Graham w Encl

Minister of the Interior

4767

2.17.1-11.

BLACK

Memo: to Council re "Outside Promises" Treaties 1 & 2

Treaties 1 & 2 Outside Province

✓	2/13 Dec	Lett from Provencher
✓	15/15 Dec	" " do
✓	26th Dec	" to Provencher
✓	20th Feb	" " Under Sec of State
✓	30 Dec	" from Graham n. Encls
✓	2 Mar	" from Provencher 10 encl.
✓	23 Feb	
✓	6/7 Mch	
✓	March	Check Letter on Form A sent Provencher
✓	21/20 Mch	Ltr from U. Sec of State returning Printed Docs
✓	21 Mch	Addresses handed to Mr Lemoyne to place in Vault
✓	24/30 Apl	80 Ltr from E. Dewdney
✓	8 Jany 81	" to Graham

1881

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

EMO

[illegible] Council
[illegible] remarks on b
low Provinces Supp
[illegible] about 2 bales Sent
of Clothing in her letter of
10th 4/75

L. Macdonald
D. Sup. Gen. of I

DOM
5/8/76

[illegible]

Deputy Min & Sec.

No. 4767 Roll 12

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

Minister of the Interior
27 April

Memo. to Council
re "Outside promises"
Treaties No 1 & 2.

28/April Referred to Council
28 Order in Council 29 April
3/May
7/July Lett to Lt Gov Morris with Copy of O.C.
7/ July Lett to Comr Provencher
8/ July Lett to Lt Gov Morris
12/July Lett to Comr Provencher
14/July from Lt Governor.
18/July Acted
23/July Lett to Hon Lt Gov Morris
23/July Tel " " " "
27/ " Let. from Provencher
29 Aug Let to "

6/Aug Let from Lt Gov. Morris.
2/Sept Tel " do
30/Sept Let from Mr Provencher.
6/Oct Let to Comm Provencher
5/Oct Let from Lt Gov. Morris
18/Oct " to Lt Gov Morris
21/Oct Additions rec'd thro W. J. Christie (p Major Cameron)
22/Oct Receipt Ack'd to Lt Gov. Morris see file 5495.
22 Oct " of adhesions Ack'd to Mr Christie
30 Oct Adhesion sig'd at Rosseau River put'd thro Mr Royal for Cert of Corrs
3/Oct Let Let from Provencher
3/Oct Lett to do
26/Oct 3/Nov Let. from Lt Gov. Morris.
6/Nov " to " " "

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

24th April 1875

Memo:—

The undersigned has the honor to bring under the consideration of H. E. the G. Gl. in Council the very unsatisfactory state of affairs arising out of the so called "outside promises" in connection with the Indian Treaties Nos 1 and 2, concluded, the former on the 3rd Augt 1871, and the latter on the 21st of the same month.

These Treaties were ~~concluded~~ by Mr Comr Simpson ~~with the assistance of~~ assisted by His Honor Lt. Gr. Archibald, and in transmitting the former Treaty Mr Comr Simpson remarks ~~as follows~~, "It was not until "the 3rd of August, or nine days "after the first meeting, that "the basis of arrangement "was arrived at, upon which "is founded the Treaty of "that date. Then, and by "means of mutual con-"cessions, the following "terms were agreed upon "For the cession of the Coun-"try described in the Treaty "referred to, and comprising "the Province of Manitoba, "and certain coun-"try in the North East "thereof, every Indian

was

(1)

H commonly known as the Stone Fort & Manitoba Port Treaties

negotiated

O with the Chippewa and Swampy Cree & other Tribes inhabiting the country ceded

D.F.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

was to receive the sum "~~[illegible]~~
of $3 a year in perpetuity,"
and a Reserve was to be "
set apart for each Band "
of sufficient size to "
allow one hundred & "
sixty acres to each "
family of five persons, "
or in like proportion "
as the family might "
be greater or less than "
five. As each Indian "
settled down upon "
his share of the Reserve "
and commenced the "
cultivation of his land "
he was to receive a plough "
and harrow, Each chief was "
to receive a Cow, and a "
male and 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 receive a dress, a flag, "
and a medal, as marks of "
distinction, and each chief "
with the exception of Oiza- "
weguan, the Chief of the Por- "
tage Band was to receive "
a buggy, or light spring "
waggon, Two Councillors and "
two braves of each Band were "

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

latter omit to point out,
as Lt. Gr. Archibald's printed
despatch has already told
them, that they are giving
up valuable prairie lands,
while the Indians of the
East are surrendering Rock
and muskeg."

In order to make the present position of this matter intelligible the undersigned ~~expects it will be~~ necessary to go at some length into the history of the case, and he thinks it is apparent in view of what has been stated that it is now imperatively necessary for the Govt. to take steps once and forever to dispose of this matter on a basis which will be satisfactory to the Indians interested in Treaties No. 1 and 2.

Before however considering the basis for an equitable settlement of the question it is desirable to contrast the terms of the Indian Treaties Nos 1 & 2 with those of Treaty Number 3.

see A.

has felt obliged

(?)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Nos 1 & 2 were to expect many more benefits than were expressed in those two treaties; and in the meantime they almost accuse the representatives of Canada of obtaining their consents under false pretences."

And on this subject Mr Molyneux St John in his report of the same year observes: —

"Although the demands of the Indians have been of late somewhat more moderate than formerly, they are not content with the terms of the Treaty, and are under the belief that they have been deceived and promised more than they have received."

Again he remarks: —

"Looking to the extraordinary disparity between the terms granted in Treaties Nos 1 and 2 and that at the N.W. Angle I do not entertain the least hope of being able to satisfy the Indians of the former Treaties under the altered condition of affairs.

Not an item granted to the Indians Eastward of the Province will be forgotten by the others, nor will the latter

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by the Govt. was clearly fixed; and those who received it, though maintaining that it was too little, yet understood till last Autumn that it could not be augmented. But in spite of this the representative of the Canadian Govt., at that period, made them many promises, still undetermined as to details, and of which those ~~now~~ interested now claim the fulfilment, with a persistence the greater as their expectation has lasted two years".

They do not perfectly agree as to the nature of these promises, and some chiefs have announced the most exaggerated pretensions on this subject. They think that the Govt. has undertaken to furnish them first Class residences; Clothes of a superior quality, and provisions of their own choice for them ~~selves~~ and their families; but putting aside what is impossible and absurd in these different rumors, it is undoubted that by an interpretation put by the Indns on the words of the Comrs, that they who were present at the Treaties,

Govt

6

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

stock were also purchased by that gentleman and delivered to the Chiefs for whom they were intended. And it is proposed to continue to provide stock for such others as are entitled to receive such animals, under agreements made by the late Lt. Gr. in conjunction with Comr. Simpson, so soon as the local officers of the Dept. are in a position to state that the Chiefs have made arrangements for taking care of them".

Their 'outside promises'

~~repeatedly~~ refused to & partially at least

~~They~~ have also repeatedly been recognized in the official Despatches of Their Honor's Lt. Govrs. Archibald and Morris and in the reports of the Indn. Comrs., and also in the minutes of the N.W. Council.

Referring to this subject Mr. Comr. Provencher remarks under date 31st. Decr. 1873 "As has been frequently advised by all who are engaged with Indian Affairs in this part of the Dominion, there is no doubt that serious misunderstandings exist in the locality of the Treaties concluded in 1871."

when annual report

"The sum of money to be paid by

(4)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"receive a dress, somewhat in-
"ferior 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 be-
"havions was to be under-
"stood to cover all dimen-
"sions for the past."

"On this basis the Treaty
"was signed by myself and
"the several chiefs, on behalf
"of themselves and their
"respective bands, on the
"3rd of August 1871, and on
"the following day the pay-
"ment commenced."

~~It will be observed that~~ of
Of ~~all~~ the matters promised dur-
ing ~~the time~~ the negotiations
~~were being carried on~~ as
~~shown~~ encountered in the above extract
from Mr Comr Simpson's
Despatch, the only ~~condition~~ one
actually embodied in
the Treaty ~~was~~ is the annual
payment of $3.00 ~~in~~
~~perpetuity~~ to each In-
dian in perpetuity.

Of the other things promised

H in addition to the usual ~~one~~ stipulations respecting Reserves & Schools

(2)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~at the Conclusion of the Treaty~~
a Memorandum was ~~signed~~ however subsequently made in the following terms. ~~and signed by the Comrs~~ as containing the things not included in the Treaty which were promised to the Indians.

~~This Memo.m~~ is signed by Messrs Simpson & St John, and also by the His Honor Lt Gr. Archibald and Hon. Jas. McKay, and is as follows:—

"Memorandum of things outside of the Treaty which were promised at the Treaty at the Lower Fort, signed the 3rd. day of August 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 except Yellowquill, 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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

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 Indn Comr. The Buggies to be the property of the Indns to whom they are given.

The above contains our understanding of the terms concluded with the Indians"

sgd Wemyss W. Simpson
" Molyneux St John
" A.G. Archibald
" Jas McKay

Immediately

After the conclusion of the Treaty the Indns claimed from the Comr. payment of the money value of all the articles in the Memdm above referred to and actually declined to receive their first payment because the Comr refused to accede to their request. From that moment to the present these outside promises have been a somr of

(3)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Constant embarrassment to the Dept. and it is to be observed that the O.in.C. passed on 12th Septr 1871 confirming the Treaty concluded on the 3rd August of that year takes no notice whatever of the memoon above referred to. although the letter [illegible] seems to have it may be remarked to [illegible] attached to the original Treaty which it is probable that not reach the Dept until after the O.C. was passed.

The validity of the promises thus made would appear, however, to have been admitted by the then Dy St. Gl. of I.A. In the Report of that officer for the year ending June 30th, 1872 he remarks as follows; "The Treaties made in August, 1871, with the Indians of Manitoba and the N.W. Territories, have during the early part of the last summer been followed by the delivery of the various presents, consisting of light express waggons for the chiefs and councillors of the Bands who were parties to these Treaties, and of clothing, medals, and flags, &c &c, to those principal men. Supplies consisting of 50 ploughs and 50 harrows were purchased, under authority of the Dept., by Comr Simpson, in order to be delivered to such Indians as were prepared to enter upon the cultivation of land, several head of farming

Stock

4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

stock were also purchased by that gentleman and delivered to the Chiefs for whom they were intended. And it is proposed to continue to provide stock for such others as are entitled to receive such animals, under agreements made by the late Lt. Gr. in conjunction with Comr. Simpson, so soon as the local officers of the Dept. are in a position to state that the Chiefs have made arrangements for taking care of them".

Their 'outside promises'

~~repeatedly~~ refused to & partially at least

~~They~~ have also repeatedly been recognized in the official Despatches of Their Honor's Lt. Govrs. Archibald and Morris and in the reports of the Indn. Comrs., and also in the minutes of the N.W. Council.

Referring to this subject Mr. Comr. Provencher remarks under date 31st. Decr. 1873

when annual report

"As has been frequently advised by all who are engaged with Indian Affairs in this part of the Dominion, there is no doubt that serious misunderstandings exist in the locality of the Treaties concluded in 1871."

"The sum of money to be paid by

(4)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by the Govt. was clearly fixed; and those who received it, though maintaining that it was too little, yet understood till last autumn that it could not be augmented. But in spite of this the representative of the Canadian Govt., at that period, made them many promises, still undetermined as to details, and of which those ~~now~~ interested now claim the fulfilment, with a persistence the greater as their expectation has lasted two years".

They do not perfectly agree as to the nature of these promises, and some chiefs have announced the most exaggerated pretensions on this subject. They think that the Govt. has undertaken to furnish them first Class residences; clothes of a superior quality, and provisions of their own choice for them ~~selves~~ and their families; but putting aside what is impossible and absurd in these different rumors, it is undoubted that by an interpretation put by the Indns on the words of the Comrs, that they who were present at the Treaties,

Indn

6

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Nos 1 & 2 were led to expect mo
more benefits than were expre
ssed in those two treaties; and in
the meantime they almost ac-
cuse the representatives of Canada
of obtaining their consent under
false pretences."

And on this subject Dr
Molyneux St John in his report
of the same year observes: —
"Although the demands
of the Indians have been of
late somewhat more moder-
ate than formerly, they
are not content with the
terms of the Treaty, and
are Impressed with the
belief that they have been
deceived and promised more
than they have received."

Again he remarks: —
"Looking to the extra-
ordinary disparity between
the terms granted in Treaties
Nos 1 and 2 and that at the
N.W. Angle I do not entertain
the least hope of being able
to satisfy the Indians of the
former Treaties under the
altered condition of affairs.
For an item granted to
the Indians Eastward the
Province will be forgotten
by the others, nor will the
latter

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

latter omit to point out, as Lt. Gr. Archibald's printed despatch has already told them, that they are giving up valuable prairie lands, while the Indians of the East are surrendering rock and muskeg."

see A.

In order to make the present position of this matter intelligible the undersigned ~~expects it will be necessary~~ has felt obliged to go at some length into the history of the case, and he thinks it is apparent in view of what has been stated that it is now imperatively necessary for the Govt. to take steps once and forever to dispose of this matter on a basis which will ~~would~~ be satisfactory to the Indians interested in Treaties No. 1 and 2.

Before, however, considering the basis for an equitable settlement of the question - it is desirable to contrast the terms of the Indian Treaties Nos. 1 & 2 with those of Treaty Number 3.

(?)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In conclusion the undersigned would respectfully recommend;—

1st, That the written memo attached to Treaty No 1 be considered as part of that Treaty, and of Treaty No 2, and that the Indn Comr be instructed to carry out the promises therein contained insofar as they have not been yet carried out, and that the Comr be advised to inform the Indns that he has been authorized so to do.

2nd, That the Indn Comr ~~should~~ be instructed to inform the Indns parties to Treaties Nos 1 & 2, that, while the Govt cannot admit their claim to anything which is not set forth in the Treaty, and in the Memdm attached thereto, which Treaty is binding alike upon the Govt and upon the Indns, yet, as there seems to have been some misunderstanding between the Indn Comr and the Indns in the matter of Treaties 1 & 2 the ~~the Govt out of good feeling to the Indians and as a matter~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

of benevolence, is willing to raise the annual payment to each Indian under Treaties 14 2 from $3.00 to $5.00 & make an annual payment to each chief ~~of $20.00~~ on the express understanding however, that each chief or other Indian who shall receive such increased annuity or annual payment, shall be held to abandon all claim whatever against the Govt. in connection with the so-called "outside promises".

[illegible] over the above sum of $5.00 of $20.00 and a suit of clothing every three years to each Chief and each Headman. allowing two head men to each Band.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

It seems ~~then~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ clearly made out that these so called 'outside promises', to the extent at least of what is set forth in the Memorandum attached to Treaty No 1 and in the official letter of Mr Com Simpson, are officially sanctioned by that Office, that their fulfilment was from the first and persistently since claimed by the Indians, that such claims have been strongly urged by the Honours Lt Governor Archibald & Morris and by Mr Com Provencher and finally that they have been to a large extent admitted and to some extent carried out by the Indian Dept

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

That the dissatisfaction among the bands of Indians included under Treaties 1 & 2, arising out of the misunderstanding as to the nature and extent of the so-called outside Promises, is deep and widespread, the undersigned had ample means of ascertaining while on his visit to Manitoba last summer. He was informed by deputations from every leading band in the Province; and while some of the complaints were frivolous, they all unreasonable, they all appeared to agree that faith had not been kept with them in regard to the articles promised to be distributed among them. They seemed to be especially aggrieved at the quality of the Medals presented to their Chiefs. With feelings of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

which bestowed the utmost
despatch, they handed out the
several of these medals off
the edges of which the silver
plating had been worn, and
indignantly declared that the
Queen could not know that
they had been thus deceived.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

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 April 1875.

On a Memo: dated 27. April 1875. from the Hon. the Minister of the Interior, bringing under consideration the very unsatisfactory state of affairs arising out of the so called "Outside Promises" in connection with the Indian Treaties, Nos 1 and 2. Manitoba and North West Territories.- concluded, the former on the 3rd August 1871 and the latter on the 21st of the same month, and recommending for the reasons stated:-

1st That the written Memorandum attached to Treaty No 1 be considered as part of that Treaty, and of Treaty No

To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior.
&c., &c., &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 2, and that the Indian Commissioners be instructed to carry out the promises therein contained in so far as they have not yet been carried out, and that the Commissioner be advised to inform the Indians that he has been authorized so to do.

2 That the Indian Commissioner be instructed to inform the Indians parties to treaties Nos 1 and 2, that, while the Government cannot admit their claim to anything which is not set forth in the Treaty and in the Memo: attached thereto, which Treaty is binding alike upon the Government and upon the Indians, yet, as there seems to have been some misunderstanding between the Indian Commissioner and the Indians in the matter of Treaties

/

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1 and 2, the Government out of good feeling to the Indians and as a matter of benevolence, is willing to raise the annual payment to each Indian under Treaties 1 and 2, from $3.00 to $5.00 per annum, and make payment over and above such sum of $5.00 of $20.00 each and every year to each Chief and a suit of Clothing every three years to each Chief and each Headman, allowing two Headmen to each Band, on the express understanding, however, that each Chief or other Indian who shall receive such increased annuity, or Annual payment, shall be held to abandon all claim whatever against the Government in connection with the so So called "Outside Promises," other

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

other than those contained in the Memo: attached to the Treaty.

The Committee submit the foregoing recommendation for your Excellency's approval.

Certified
Wm Kimsinich
Cmo

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr Vankoughnet

Please Report
& file answer

A.M.

Dept of the Interior
27th April 1875

Referred to the
Honorable the Privy
Council
By Command
D. Laird
Minister of the Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Government out of good feeling to the Indians and as a matter of benevolence, is willing to raise the annual payment to each Indian under Treaties 1 and 2 from $3.00 to $5.00 per annum and make ~~an annual~~ payment over and above such sum of $5.00 each and every year to each Chief of $20.00 and a suit of clothing every three years to each Chief and each Headman, allowing two Headmen to each Band, on the express understanding however, that each Chief or other Indian who shall receive such increased annuity or annual payment, shall be held to abandon all claim whatever against the Government in connection with the so-called "outside promises."*

for

*other than those contained in the memorandum attached to the Treaty

D. Laird
M. S. Com.

(171)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No 4767

His Honor
The Lt Governor of the
N. W. Territories
Fort Garry
Man

7th July 1875

Sir

I have the honor to enclose printed Copies of the order of the Gov Genl in Council passed on the 30th April last, on the subject of the so called "Outside Promises" in connection with the Indian Treaties Nos 1 & 2. The substance of which was at the time unofficially Communicated to you.

2. It is important that the decision of the Government on this subject, which has been from the first a source of misunderstanding and dissatisfaction among the Indians affected by the Treaties in question, should be Communicated to them in the most formal & authorative way.

3. In this view I am glad to avail myself of your valuable services in the conduct of the necessary negotiations

D.L.

I claim from you that I ~~claim~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

negotiations with the Indians,
feeling assured that your
official position as Lt Governor
of the North West as well
as your experience in such
matters & your personal
influence with the Indians
will enable you to explain
to them satisfactorily the
action of the ~~Government~~ Council
in this matter, and to secure
their willing acceptance of the
liberal terms now offered them
by the Govt. Dominion

4th. It is left entirely
to your discretion to determine
as to the best mode of
securing the formal acceptance
by the Chiefs of the terms
offered by the Qu'Appelle, but
assuming that you will
think it desirable to obtain such
acceptance over their own
signatures, a Copy of the
Order is sent herewith
specially intended to be
signed by them.

5th. In any case it
will ~~be well~~ probably be
well to hand each Chief
for himself a printed
Copy of the Order.

6th. You are at liberty
to associate with you in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in this duty ~~due~~ (in addition of course to the Ind Comr or his Asst) any gentleman whom from his knowledge of the Indians or of their language you may think likely to be of use to you in the proposed negotiations.

7. It has not been thought necessary to print with the Oni C the Memo: therein referred to as having been attached to the Copy of Treaty No 1: as the promises embodied in that Memo: have for the most part been already carried out. A Copy of the Memo: is however, enclosed for your information and for such further use as may be required

8 The suits of clothing for the Chiefs & Headmen allowed by the Oni C have been forwarded to the Ind Comr Mr Provencher. ~~for your use~~,

For distribution if possible, at the time of ~~[illegible]~~ the interview with each Bench.

9. In connection with the proposed negotiations I am to state that the Surveyor General reports that a doubt has arisen as to whether the Islands in the vicinity of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of Grand Stone Point &
generally in the Southern
part of Lake Winnipeg,
were surrendered by the
Indians when Treaties 1 &
2 were concluded.

3. It is important that
this point should be finally
& authoritatively set at rest
and it is thought that the
present negotiations afford
a favorable opportunity of
so doing. I have therefore
to request that you will
bring the matter under the
notice of the Indians interested
& obtain from them, as in
view of the liberal concessions
which the Govt is now making,
I trust you will have no
difficulty in doing, a formal
surrender of these Islands.

10. In your interviews
with the Indians I should
be glad if you would
explain to them that, on
~~my assumption~~ assuming the office
of Minister of the Interior
my attention was called
by repeated representations
from yourself & from the
Lieut Governor to the discontent
among the ~~Indians~~ arising
out of the "outside Promises"

question

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and that when at Winnipeg last year I gladly availed myself of the opportunity to ascertain the views of the Indians on this question. For that purpose, as the Indians will no doubt remember, I had interviews with several of the Bands and promised them on my return to the seat of Govt to bring the whole subject under the notice of the Gov General the representative of their great Mother the Queen and the Queens Councillors generally.

11th The promise which I then made has been faithfully kept & the result is found in the Oui C which you are to ~~submit~~ to the Indians ~~for their acceptance~~.

formally communicate

12. The terms of the Oui C of the 30th April last speak of the Lieut Govr as the person to carry out the instructions therein contained. It appears to me, however, that no technical objection to your acting in this matter can arise from the wording of the Oui C. in as much as your original ~~Commission~~ Commission

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Commission as a Member of the Indian Board has never been formally superseded.

13th (47) Silver Medals were on the 6th Inst ~~mailed~~ sent to your address by Express. Some of them are intended to replace those of base metal originally issued to the Indian Chiefs interested in Treaties Nos 1 & 2. You will have the goodness to obtain the Medals of base Metal from the parties who received them, giving each Chief one of the new Medals instead & returning the others to the Department. You will also give a new Medal to each Chief who had not previously received one.

14. You will please retain in your [illegible] the Medals intended to be used when negotiating the Treaty (No 5) this season with the Indians on either side of Lake Winnipeg, and hand those intended for Treaty No 3 to Mr Comr Provencher.

15. Each Medal has engraved on it the number and ~~date~~ year of the Treaty to which it relates.

16. A copy of this letter will be forwarded to

Copy to Mr Jr C. Provencher who will be instructed either personally or by his assistant, as you may desire, to cooperate with you in carrying out the wishes of the Govt as contained in this letter —

Copy to Prov who will not be [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767

Department of the Interior
Ottawa 2d July 1875

Lieut Col.
J. A. N. Provencher,
Winnipeg

Sir

I am desired by the Superintendent General to enclose for your information a copy of an Order in Council passed on the 30th April last with a view to the settlement of the difficulties arising out of the so called outside promise in connection with the Indian Treaties No 1 and 2.

I also transmit a copy of a letter of even date with this addressed to the Lieut. Governor of the North West Territories.

The letter to Governor Morris will explain to you fully the views of the Government on this subject and the Capt. Pelly has no doubt that you will appreciate the motives of the policy which has led the Government to avail itself

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

itself of the services of the Lieut Governor in communicating to the Indians its decision ~~interested the views of the Government~~ on this long pending and troublesome question

The Superintendent General feels satisfied that you will ~~[illegible]~~ cordially cooperate with the Lieut Governor in any way he may desire, either personally or through your assistants, in carrying out the wishes of the Government ~~in this matter.~~

~~It was not thought advisable to transmit you a copy of the O.C. officially until measures had been arranged for its being at once conv. formally to the Indians. In order to prevent the possibility of erroneous and probably exaggerated impressions being rec. by the Indians as to the intended action of the Govt. in connection with the outside promises, it was deemed prudent not to communicate the O.C. now provided, until the time had arrived for submitting it formally to the Indians, accompanied by such explanations as may then be given —~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No 4764 AB

His Honor
The Lt Gov of the
N. W. Territories
Fort Garry
Man

8th July 1875

Sir,

A

Referring to my letter of yesterday on the subject of your proposed mission to the Indians of Treaties Nos 1 and 2, I have the honor to inform you that as it is desirable that as far as possible the accounts for Indian Expenditure in Manitoba should be paid by Cheques from Headquarters. You will have the goodness to confer with the Ind Comrs Dr Provencher, in regard to the supplies & provisions which may be required for the Indians during your mission; the Comrs shall send the accounts for the same to Headquarters, when official Cheques will be made out in favor of the parties from whom the purchases were made and sent to the Commissioner.

Copy sent Comrs Provencher 12th July

AB

With respect however, to the private expenses which you

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

you and your associate may find it necessary to incur in holding the interviews in question, you will be pleased to furnish the Department here with a general statement of the same, and an Official Cheque will be sent you to cover the amount.

The waggon which we took with us to Fort Qu'Appelle last year when on the Mission to the Indians will probably be useful to you in your approaching Expedition

I gather indeed from your letters that you have found it necessary to use it on more than one occasion this year in making visits to the Indians at a distance from Fort Garry, and no doubt you will every year have occasion to ~~use it~~ make similar visits. I have therefore to request you to retain the waggon in your possession to be used from time to time as may be necessary in the discharge ~~when making~~ your Official ~~visits~~ to the Indians duties.

holding what add something?

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767

Lt Col
J. A. N. Provencher
Ind Commr
Winnipeg
Man

12th July 1875

Sir,

I am directed by the Supt Genl ~~of~~ to enclose for your information copy of an Extract from a letter addressed by him to His Honor the Lt Gov of the N. W. T. on the subject of the payment of the accounts connected with Indian Expenditure in Manitoba.

8th July 1875
Copy for IA & IB
EA
put away

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memo in re Outside Promises

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL 14 1875
OTTAWA.

N. W.
No. 273.

Government House -
Fort Garry. Manitoba
5th July. 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I was called upon on the 3rd inst by Kay-ta-ki-gan-naas. chief of the Band of Indians beyond Lake Manitoba on the Water-hen River numbering over 100 souls -

He came to complain that the promises made when Treaty No 2. was entered into were not being kept though four years had passed. They wanted cattle to be given, and the other promises of which, you have. so often heard, to be fulfilled -

He also wanted a chiefs coat, flag and medal..

I heard him patiently, and told him I would report what he

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

he said to the Government.-

He then left after thanking me for listening to him.-

I earnestly trust, that this season will not be allowed to pass without steps being taken to settle this long + difficulty, and to secure a more thorough administration of Indian affairs. by the appointment of sub-agents under effective control, and the adoption of other measures.-

I have the honor to be

Sir.

Your obedient servant

Alex. Morris

Lt. G. N. W. T.

pending

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767 I B

His Honor
The Lt Governor of the
N. W. Territories
Fort Garry
Man

15 July 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to ack the receipt of your Despatch (No 273 NW) of the 5th Inst, informing me that you had been waited upon on the 3rd Inst by "Ka-ta-ki-gan-noas", Chief of the Band of Indians beyond Lake Manitoba on the Water Hen River, who complained that, the promises made when Treaty No 2 was concluded had not been fulfilled, and in reply beg to refer you to my letter of 7th Inst on the subject of the "Outside Promises".

Ah

D.L

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memo.

The sum of $21.275.00 was telegraphed to Mr Provencher on 6th instant to Enable the Lt Governor to pay annuities &c for

Treaty No 1	16.870
2	4,405
	$ 21.275

Rec'd Lincoln
acct
Ind Br
21/7/75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767 I B

Copy By Tel

Ottawa
July 23, 75

Lieut Governor Morris
Winnipeg
Manitoba

Treaties one and two require payments in July and August. You might endeavor get consent Indians to leave time in future at option of Government — or later

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767

Ottawa July 23rd 1875

Sir

With reference to my letter of the 7th instant on the subject of your mission to the Indians of Treaties Nos 1 and 2, in connection with the so called "Outside promises" I have the honor to inform you that on the 6th instant Mr Indian Commissioner Provencher was notified that the necessary funds were placed at his disposal to enable him to pay the annuities to the Indians under those Treaties, at the increased rate authorized by the Order in Council of

His Honor

The Lieut Governor

North West Territories

Fort Garry

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the 30th April last.

Three ~~are one or two points in~~ is one point or which it is desirable that you should obtain if possible the sanction of the Indians to a slight modification of the terms of the original Treaties, namely ~~as to~~ the time of paying the annuities.

~~The~~ Treaties no 1 and 2 require that the annuities should be paid in the months of July and August respectively

It is ~~thought~~ believed that it would be in the interests of the Indian if the payments were deferred till the fall of the year, and it would therefore be desirable that the provisions of the Treaties in this respect should be made to correspond with those

of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of Treaty No 3 in which the period of the year at which the payments are to be made is left to be decided from time to time by the Superintendent General

I append a copy of a telegram on this subject sent you this day.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obdt Servant.

David Laird

Minister of the Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 28 1875
OTTAWA

4767

Indian Commissioner's Office
Winnipeg 19th July 1875

Sir

With reference to the order in Council of the 30th April 1875. a copy of which was enclosed in your communication of the 7th instant. No 4767, and of which I have now the honor to acknowledge the receipt. I remark, that by the first paragraph. the written memorandum attached

I. The Honble
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

attached to Treaty No 1
must be considered as
part of that Treaty and
of Treaty No 2. and that
the promises contained then.
-in that have not yet been
fulfilled must be carried
out by the Indian Com-
missioner;

By the Memorandum
above referred to, a copy
of which ~~of which~~ is also
annexed to the said Letter
of the 7th instant, I read
that a Buggy is promised
to each Brave and Councillor,
the number of each Brave and
Councillors not to exceed
two for each Chief.

This provision involving
a large outlay of money.

for

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

for which no provision was made in the estimates proposed by me for this fiscal year. I do not intend to take any action in this matter before having a special authourization for doing so.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

J M Provencher
Indian Commr

This Mount to provide for a good year's estimates - I presume ~~must better~~ endeavor to obtain selection of the Indian Reserve to ~~obtain~~ implement or look under the implement already Sir Jno Jennings in Ireland what Treaty warrants -

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Branch.

Sir

Ottawa,
2nd August 1875.

The Superintendent General has had before him your letter of the 19th ultimo, in which you refer to the first paragraph in the memorandum attached to Treaty No 1, by which a Buggy is promised to each Brave and Councillor, and reporting that, as no provision ~~is being~~ has been made to this year meet the outlay ~~of money~~ necessary for this purpose, ~~that~~ you do not intend to take any action in the matter without receiving special authority so to do.

The Superintendent General desires me to say that

Lieut-Col. J. A. N. Provencher,
Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg
Manitoba.

(1)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

O and he wishes him to say that if the Indians do not themselves bring up the matter it w^d. be well but to call them attention to it, then bring in funds available to purchase the buggies this year

that he approves of the course you propose to take in this matter.

It will be necessary, of course, in the estimates for next year to make provision for the purchase of such Buggies as will be required.

I am to add, ~~however~~, that, as the Superintendent General considers the Buggies ~~to be~~ an quite unnecessary for the Indians ~~Chiefs~~, he would be much pleased if you could succeed in inducing the Chiefs and Councillors who are entitled to receive them to take Agricultural Implements or Tools, or other useful articles, in lieu thereof.

In my letter of ~~the same~~ even date ~~as~~ will this on the subject of your communication of the 19th ult. respecting Tools,

(2)

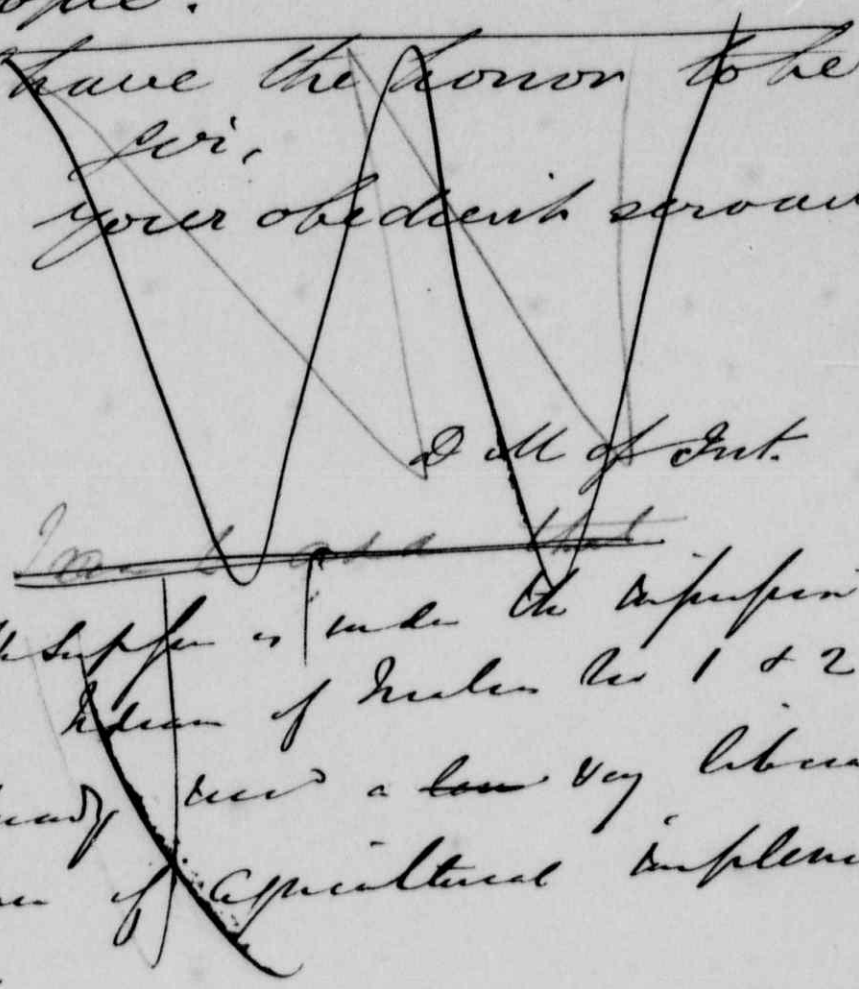
Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Tools, I have referred to this topic.

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

~~D M of Int.~~



~~I am [illegible] that~~

~~The Supper is under the impression that the Indian of Malers No 1 & 2 have already recd a ~~low~~ very liberal allowance of agricultural implements & tools.~~

(3)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Form No. 1.

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connects with [illegible] parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.
OFFICES IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices; Parliament Buildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Battle Brothers, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Bridge St., Chaudiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & O. Upper Depot; Canada Central Depot.

Sent by ..... Rec'd by D

Check 13 DE 36

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 147 Time 7,20 Ottawa, Aug 6 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon D Laird

Returned from Indian reserve obtained written adhesion of princes bound to new arrangements

Morris

Just away
[illegible]

File with Battle lieu [illegible]
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

No 4767

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Form No. 1.

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

OFFICES IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices; Parliament Buildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Hamilton Brothers, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Bridge St., Chaudiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & O. Upper Depot; Canada Central Depot.

Sent by K Rec'd by B

Check 25 pd 60

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Forms No. 1 and 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No 27 Time 9.30 Ottawa Sept 2 187

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon D Laird

Returned this afternoon Obtain written assent of all Sioux bands treaty number two revised terms Indians Saluted me with firearms coming & leaving all Satisfactory

A Morris

tel?

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT
SEP
30
1875
OTTAWA

Indian Commissioners office
Winnipeg 18 September 1875

Sir,

As you have seen by the
report of the various
conferences that have taken
place during the last summer
with the Indians of Treaties
1 and 2, it has been agreed
that each Chief would be
allowed four braves or headmen
instead

To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

instead of two as mentioned
in the Order in Council of the
30th of April last; in conse-
quence, the number of
Councillors Coats and the
other articles of Clothing
will have to be increased
by at least twenty six -

With your authorization,
I could have all these articles,
supplied here in time to
be distributed early this
winter, and the amount
could be charged to the
contingencies account, this

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

item of the appropriations
being fully large enough
to cover all the expenses
of this nature –

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

Servant

I. W. Powell

Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memo.

Wm Provencher's suggestion relative to the payment for the additional articles of clothing under Treaties 1. and 2. to which he refers in his letter of 18th Septr 75 cannot be entertained. ~~There is~~ there is no reason why "Contingencies" should be debited with such an item as Clothing - and there is in fact an appropriation of $5000. for "Clothing and other Items" from which not more than $1000. has yet been taken

Robt Pinclair
4th October 875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

It is assumed from Mr P's letter that Gov Morris and he have promised the Indians interested in ~~the~~ Treaties No 182 (in the matter of the Outside Promises) that 4 suits of Clothing would be allowed - for the Braves or Headmen -

The Minister thinks that, such being the case, the 4 suits must be furnished on this occasion - Mr P should, however, notify the Headmen that the O.S. of the 30th of Apl/75 does not contemplate these suits being given more than once ~~for the~~ in 3 years!

~~If~~ The men wd like to know at what cost Mr P can supply the suits at Fort Gary - If at not more than per cent over the price paid here, Mr P is at liberty to promise them at Fort Gary - the price per suit pd here were

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Please ask & say that inasmuch as the Lt Gov & he appear to have promised the Ind^s interested in Treaties Nos 1 & 2 that 4 instead of 2 suits of clothing should be provided for the headmen of each Chief - in connection with the matter of the outside promises - the Supt Genl will sanction its being done on this occasion - Mr Provencher is however to notify the Headmen and Chiefs that the O.C^o of the 30 Apl last does not contemplate more than three suits being given once every three years - One suit to each Chief & two suits to his headmen -

With regard to Mr P.'s proposition to purchase the extra number of suits required on this occasion for the headmen at Winnipeg - Say that ~~the S.G. would like to know at which cost Mr P. can procure the same there~~ Should the cost not be more than percent over the prices paid in Ottawa he will be at liberty to procure them at Winnipeg - Should the cost exceed that rate the S.G. would like to be informed of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

of the lowest price at wh. they can be purchased at Pt Garn. previously to sanctioning the same

SPK
Oct 5/75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy

No 4767 I B

Lt Col,
J. A. N. Provencher
Ind Comr
Winnipeg
Man

Ottawa, 6th Oct 1875

Sir

I have to ack the receipt of your lett of the 18th Ult, stating that at the several conferences with the Inds of Treaties 1 & 2 it had been agreed that each Chief should be allowed four braves or headmen instead of two as directed by the Oni C of the 30th April last, and that in consequence of this agreement the number of Coats & other articles of clothing will require to be increased by at least twenty six, and requesting authority ~~to~~ for the purchase of the extra clothing at Winnipeg.

With reference to the first paragraph of your lett, the Supt Genl desires me to say that inasmuch as it appears that His Honor the Lt Gov and yourself have promised the Inds interested in

LM

In Blank

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in Treaties 1 & 2 that four instead of two suits of clothing should be given to the headmen of each Chief, in connection with the so called "Outside promises" he will sanction its being done on this occasion.

~~I am to desire you to I am however to desire you to inform the Chiefs and Headmen that the~~ O.C of the 30 April last does not contemplate more than three suits being given once every three years, one suit to each Chief and two suits to his headmen.

With reference to your proposal to purchase at Winnipeg the extra suits required on this occasion for the Headmen ~~at Winnipeg~~ the Supt Genl directs me to inform you that should the cost not be more than 25 per cent over the prices in Ottawa you may purchase them at Winnipeg, but should the cost exceed that rate he would like, before sanctioning their purchase, to be informed of the lowest ~~rate~~ price at which they can be procured at Fort Garry. The Coats cost here $10.00 Ea, and the trousers $2.00 Ea

~~Apart to~~
The Supt Genl trusts known that the Indians have not been led to expect a similar distribution of clothing every year as the ~~[illegible]~~

[illegible] ?

Shown to [illegible]

Coats $10. Each
$2 pants

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RECEIVED
OCT 13
1875
DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA

N. W.
No 303.

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba
5th October 1875.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that in pursuance of your request, that I should meet the Indians of Treaties Nos. 1 & 2 with a view to a revision of the terms thereof and an adjustment of the disputed questions connected therewith I proceeded to the St Peters Reserve on the 5th of August and encamped near the Indians tents

On the 6th I met Chief Pinch and his band, being accompanied by the Honble James McKay, who at my request gave me the benefit of his valuable services and by Mr Provencher.-

I explained to the Indians the terms offered to them by the Government and obtained their written assent thereto endorsed on a parchment copy of the Order in Council of date the 30th April 1875.-

As, however, there are in the bands of Treaties Nos 1 and 2 four Councillors

Honorable
The Minister
of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Councillors viz: two headmen and two braves, we were under the necessity of agreeing that they should continue at that number instead of two as specified in the Report of the Privy Council

We then brought before them your request that the portion of the Reserve embraced in the proposed new Town near the Pacific Railway Crossing should be sold for their benefit, to which they agreed and the formal instrument of surrender would be enclosed to you by the Indian Commissioner.

The Indians living at Kettle Creek asked to have a Reserve assigned them there and I promised to bring their request under your notice..

I did not bring up the question of the Division of the Band into two as my experience with the Portage Band arising from a similar difficulty, led me to fear that complications might arise from the proposal which, might prevent the settlement of the more important matter of the disposal of the open questions relating to the Treaty.

I was therefore of opinion, that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that the division of the Band should be postponed to next year and acted upon that opinion.--

A party of Norway House Indians were present and asked for a Reserve at the Grassy Narrows.

I informed them that one could not be granted at that place and learning from them that the chief at Norway House was about leaving there with a party of Indians to confer with me I engaged three of the Indians present to proceed at once to Norway House and inform the Indians that I would meet them there about the middle of September; I have since learned that they met the Chief after he had left Norway House for Fort Garry and caused him to return

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
Alex. Morris
L. G

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4767

Ottawa, Oct. 19 '75

His Honor
The Lt. Govr. of the
North West
Territories
Fort Garry,
Manitoba

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 313 N.W. of the 5th instant, reporting that accompanied by the Honble. James McKay and Mr Indian Commissioner Provencher, you had on the 5th August last met the Indians of Treaties Nos. 1 and 2 on the Saint Peter's Reserve and obtained their written assent to the terms authorized by the Oils. of the 30th April last and further reporting that you had deemed it advisable to postpone till next year bringing up the question as to the proposed division of the St Peter's band.

Your despatch will be brought under the notice of the Mr. of the Int. on his return to the seat of Government.

I have,
&c.

W. H
Refer to memorial
for return to Ottawa
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Outside Promises

4767

N. J. Christie, Esqr.
Edgar Place,
Brockville,
Ontario.

Ottawa, Oct 22 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, this day per Major Cameron R.A. of the original acceptances, of the terms of the O.in C. of the 30th April last, by the Indians of Treaties Nos. 1 and 2; also of the original of the Treaty concluded last month at Norway House ~~between~~ with the Indians mentioned therein, ~~on the of September last~~, which documents were entrusted to your care by His Honor the Lieut. Govr. of the North West Territories.

I have to thank you for your kindness in taking charge of these important documents and forwarding them to the Department.

3 acceptances
Treaty No

S Ale

Submit to the Minister
with the Ambulances (3) or
his return to Ottawa
S Ale

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL'S OFFICE
OCT 6
100

Manitoba Superintendency

Winnipeg 25 September 1876

No 218

Sir,

With reference to that paragraph of the Memorandum referred to in the Order in Council that promises to each Band a male and female of each kind of animal raised by farmers, I have the honor to inform you that some Bands have expressed the desire of having cattle instead.

They

To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

They can hardly afford now to keep a variety of small animals, but they would find cows very useful to them -

If you please to approve of the granting of their demand, I wish that you would instruct me about the amount or value that may be considered as fairly representing the value or the quantity of these promises that they desire to commute -

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant

J. W. Provencher

acting Superintendent

Some cattle can be given them in lieu of some crimes to perceived - perhaps not made to be made give whole value - Report should be made of what is given [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4767

J. A. N. Provencher Esq.
Actg. Indian Supt.
Winnipeg.
Manitoba.

Oct. 7th 1876.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 25th ult: I have to inform you that the Supt. Genl. has no objection to your giving to such Indian Bands as desire them, cattle in lieu of the smaller animals ~~as does~~ promised by Order in Council. You should however, only give ~~cattle~~ them to such ~~Indians~~ Bands as in your opinion would make good use of, and take care of them.

2. It would be well, if possible, not to give the whole value of the animals promised at ~~present~~ one time.

3. The Supt. Genl. ~~considers~~ thinks that you should yourself be

218

Examined, and Mr of Supt Genl's
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA
Poor - Copy.

be able to estimate what is the proper value of the smaller animals promised.

In dealing with this matter you will be careful to exercise due economy; and forward to the Dept. a Report giving full particulars of the ~~[illegible]~~ to the number & description of Cattle given.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS OTTAWA NOV 3 1876

Government House.
Fort Garry. October 26th 1876.

Sir,

I beg to call your attention to the necessity of making provision, for ~~the~~ fully carrying out, during the coming season, of the revised terms of Treaties No 1 and 2.-

With regard to these, instead of the vague uncertainty of the "open promises", of the Stone Fort Treaty, you have now positive and fixed terms.- When at Lake Manitoba, I met the Bands there last year, to obtain their consent, at your request to the proposed revised terms, one of them asked me

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3687, File 1877)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

me the pointed question "but what
"assurance have we, that the new
"promises will be any better kept
"than the old." I could only give
in reply, my own personal pledge
and that of the Privy Council, but
I regret to say, that another season
has been allowed to pass without
any effort to carry out the new
promises, and I am exposed to
reproaches from the Indians on
this account. I would not
have undertaken the duty, if
I had not supposed, that my
efforts to place these Treaties
on a satisfactory basis, would
have been vigourously supported
by you, and I have now to request,
that prompt measures be taken
to fulfil all the conditions of the
new terms to the very letter.-

Under

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, File 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Under the memorandum attached to Treaty No 1, the Indians are entitled to a plough and a harrow for each settler cultivating the ground, but only a very small proportion of the Indians who are cultivating have, as I have reason to believe, received these implements They are entitled also "to a Bull and Cow" for each Reserve to a "Boar and Sow" and to a "male and female of each kind of animals raised by farmers," when they are ready to receive these last animals.

I propose therefore, that you should procure, from the Acting Superintendent of Indian Affairs for the Manitoba Superintendency, an accurate statement of all cattle and implements already delivered to the Bands, cultivating

the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3631, File 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the soil, together with an estimate of the quantities of cattle, animals, and implements required to fulfil the terms of the revised Treaties, and make provision for their distribution next season.

You will observe, that the terms of the Memorandum which under the order of the Privy Council, is now a part of these Treaties is very wide in its terms, as regards animals under these Specified, "each kind of animal raised by farmers", which I have no doubt must be held to include Stallions and mares. I have now placed the matter fully before you, and I have every confidence that prompt measures will be adopted, to fulfil the Treaty obligations of the Government.

The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3921, File 1767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The conclusion of the Treaties has now so far advanced that in the future, the Indian work of the Council will be mainly confined to administration, but it is essential that that administration should be prompt and effective, and that all promises made to the Indians should be literally fulfilled.-

I have the honor to be.
Sir:
Your obedient servant.
Alex. Morris
L.G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767 d B

His Honor
The Lt Gov of Manitoba
Fort Garry
Manitoba

6th Nov 1876

Sir,

In the absence of the Supt Genl I have the honor to ack the receipt of your Despatch of the 26th ult, No — calling attention to the necessity of making provision for fully carrying out during the Coming season of the revised terms of Treaties 1 & 2 & suggesting that the Acting Ind Supt be requested to furnish a statement of all cattle & implements already delivered to the Bands under those Treaties with an Estimate of the Cattle, Annuals & implements required to carry out the revised terms.

Your

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

SAFETY FILM

your Despth will be brought under the notice of the Supt. Genl. ~~on~~ so soon as he assumes the duties of his Office.

I may add that Mr Provencher has, as you were informed by official letter of the 23rd June last No 6516 IB, already been instructed to furnish the Dept. with the information suggested by you.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The Indian Department

To J. B. Lapointe Dr.

1876

Dec.	2	Po	6 Oxen for St. Peter Reserve @	50.00			300 00
approved	"		4 Cows @	42.00			168 00
J M Provencher acting superintendent					V		$468 00

The Indian Department

To J. B. Lapointe Dr.

1876

Nov.	20	Po	3 Cows for the Roseau Reserve Indians @	42.00			126 00
approved			1 Yoke of oxen @	55.00			110 00
J M Provencher acting superintendent					V		$236 00

The Indian Department

To J. B. Lapointe Dr.

1876

Nov.	22	Po	Two oxen for Portage La Pairie one $50.00 one $30.00 —			$	80 00
approved J M Provencher acting superintendent							

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Recd from [illegible] Winnipeg, 5th December 1876.

The Indian Department

To Andrew Strang Dr.

1876

To 75	Bus.l	Peas	@ 65c	$48.75
200	"	Wheat	85	170.00
100	"	Oats	45	45.00
150	"	Barley	55	82.50
70	"	Indian Corn	75	52.50
			$	398.75

approved
J M Provencher
acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Seed Grain Treaty 3.

H. G. McMICKEN. W. D. TAYLOR.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, 29th Oct 1876

The Indian Department

Bought of **McMICKEN & TAYLOR,**

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

Shelf and Heavy Hardware, Paints, Oils, Putty, Glass, Varnishes, Coal Oil, Lamps, Etc.

Accounts rendered Monthly.

Daily Free Press Steam Print.

To Amount of Account rendered

			$	
To 10 lbs	Carrot	Seed		15 00
To 20 "	Turnip	"		20 00
To 5 "	Onion	"		10 00
To 10 "	Beet	"		5 00
				50 00

Approved
J McDougall
acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

St. Boniface, 2 December 1876.

The Indian Department

To A. Guay Dr.

For freighting of following articles to Gimli, on Lake Winnipeg.

1805 lbs.	Beef		1805
12 Bags	Flour		1200
3 Kegs	Wine & Spirits		310
5 Bags	Pemican		548
			3863

@ $2.00 + $77.26

Approved

J. McKenney

acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Winnipeg, August 21st 1876.

The Indian Department

To Steamer Swallow Dr.

To freight to Lower Fort Garry.

1876				
Aug.	21.	6 Bags Flour 600 lbs		
"	"	3 Barrels Pork 990 "		
"	"	1/2 Chest Tea 67 "		
		1657 @ 20¢ 100 lbs.	3	32

Approved
J. W. Provencher
Acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Main Street, Winnipeg, Nov. 27 1876

M Indian Department Treaty No 1

DEPARTMENT OF THE INT. 15 DEC 76

Interest at 1 per cent. per month on all bills running over 30 ds.

BOUGHT OF **Thornton & Sutherland,**

Wholesale Grocers and Provision Dealers.

Ledger Folio, 221 Terms,

1876

Oct.	26	To	4 Bags	3×	Standard Flour	2 24½	8	98
Nov.	17	"	4 do	3×	do do	2 24½	8	98
"	27	"	4 do	3×	" "	2 24½	8	98
							26	9[illegible]

approved
J W Provencher
Acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

V R
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
13 DEC 76
CANADA
OTTAWA

No. 305

Manitoba Superintendency,
Winnipeg, 2nd December 1876.

22/749/34
66
89
88

Sir,

In accordance with your letter of the 7th October last no. 4767 with regards to the young cattle to be supplied to the Indians instead of the other small animals promised to them by the Treaties, I have the honor to propose the following animals, considered as promised, may be estimated at the following value:

2 pigs @ $6.00 each		$12.00
2 sheeps @ $4.00	"	8.00
2 chickens @ $1.00	"	2.00

To The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the total $22.00 being the amount to which each family cultivating the land might be entitled to under this head, of course, it is not intended to gave each band anything like this amount now a very small proportion only might be allowed every year, or as the Indians may be in need of.

But the settlement of this claim would be more easy and safe if I was informed of your approval of the estimations of the amount of this claim.

I have the honor, to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

J M Provench

Acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Accountant

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
15 DEC 76
CANADA
OTTAWA

No. 308.

Manitoba Superintendency,
Winnipeg, 5th December 1876.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you enclosed, some accounts for your approval and payment.

Treaty No 1

The accounts for cattle are for purchases made in accordance with your letter of the 7th October, last, No. 4767, and represent the value of smaller animals promised to the Indians by the Treaty. 1.

how many?

Younger

To The Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

younger cattle have generally been procured, in this case, as the value and not the quantity only is promised to the Indians. This will enable them to get a greater number.

The only work of the open during the winter is to haul small quantities of firewood and that, they are always able to do; and as they are young, they will improve with the time and last longer; and their low price will allow the Indians to have their number increased.

The account of Dr. A. Grasett for $77.26 is for freight of goods to Gimli, for the relief of the sick.

The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The first trip made by me to St. Peters was caused by the necessity of warning the Indians about the Small pox, and to take some urgent measures to avoid the threatening plague; the second one was to judge of the effect of such measures, - and to meet Dr. Young who had just arrived from Gimli, and was too sick to come to Winnipeg.

The accounts of Messrs. McKickew & Taylor for $50.- and of a. strong for $398.75 are in acordance with your letter of the 11th October last, No. 7113 -

The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The account of the Steamer Swallow, for £ 3.32 is an item that was accidentally omitted when the general account was apportioned according to the proper headings.

I have the honor, to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

J. M. Rousseau

acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To The Accountant Department of the Interior,

Indian Branch Ottawa, 18th Dec 1876

Referred for Report on Mr Provenchers letters of the 2nd and 5th Instant

By order

E. A. Meredith

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior

Copy of Schedule of accounts

Cheques			
	Provisions		
244	Thornton & Sutherland	26.94	
245	Steamer "Swallow"	3.32	30.26
	Contingencies		
246	A. Guay freighting	77.26	
247	J. A. N. Provencher Mag Exps	48.00	125.26
	Seed Grain No 3		
248	McNicken & Taylor	50.00	
249	A Strang	398.75	448.75
	Cattle No 3		
not paid	J. B. Lapointe } Yoke oxen for Portage	80.00	
	do } la Prairie. Treaty 1.	15.00	95.00
	Cattle Treaty No 1		
250	J. B. Lapointe —	236.00	
251	E. Lacours —	20.00	
250	J. B. Lapointe	468.00	
252	G. Jonson	25.00	749.00
			$1,448.27

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Office
19th Decr 1876

Memorandum.

With reference to Acting Supt. Provencher's letters of the 2nd and 5th instant respectively - herewith - and to departmental letters Nos 4767 and 7113 of the 7th and 11th October last respectively to which he refers the undersigned has the honor to report:

1st That in the departmental letter No. 7113 Mr Provencher was authorized to expend, in the purchase of seed grain for the remote bands under Treaty No 3, the sum of $500.00, and that, with his letter of the 5th instant he exhibits accounts shewing an expenditure of $448.75; thus fulfilling his instructions. The accounts in question are correct and may be paid.

$50.00
398.75
$448.75
2nd

In departmental letter No 4767 authority to substitute for the summer animals promised to the Indians of Treaty No. 1 under the Memorandum of "things outside the Treaty" cattle to the amount which would be required to purchase those summer animals was given to Mr Provencher who, in his letter of the 2nd December Estimates for each settler the cost of the summer animals at $22.00. I believe this Estimate to be correct enough for all practical purposes. Assuming that the Pay Sheets of Treaty No 1 for this year represent with tolerable accuracy the numbers of the several bands thereunder, there are - including the Chief - 3,720 persons of whom one in five may be Estimated as a settler cultivating the ground, or the head of a family, therefore 745 persons are each entitled to the value of $22.00, equal to $16,480.00 worth of Cattle in the aggregate.

7.45
22
1480
1480
16.280

DT

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr Provencher should have Estimated not only how much should be given under the "promises" to each settler but how much i.e., what sum would be required to discharge the whole obligation of the Government in this particular in order that some record may be kept here of the gradual discharge of claims supposed to aggregate a certain amount. If the foregoing Estimate is admissible the sum shown by Mr Provencher to have been expended — $749.00 — would extinguish the claims of 34 settlers or heads of families; but Mr Provencher should Estimate much more closely with respect to this matter than he has yet done.

All the accounts enumerated in the schedule sent in by Mr Provencher are correct; but there is an Error in the Entry headed "Cattle Treaty No 3". In the first place the cattle were purchased for and sent to the indians of Portage la Prairie which belongs to Treaty No 1, and, secondly, the undersigned is of opinion that Mr Provencher has already several times been forbidden to purchase additional cattle under that Treaty. If such is the case Mr Lapointe's account should not be paid without further Explanation; but the payment of all the other accounts is recommended.

Respectfully Submitted

Rob Sinclair

Approved — [illegible] — 22/12/76

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767 I B

Lt Col J. A. N. Provencher
Acting Ind Supt
Winnipeg
Man

Ottawa 26 Decr /76

Sir,

I have to ack the rept of your letters of the 2 & 5 Dec, respectively, the accounts transmitted with the latter have been examined & found correct with one exception viz:

"Cattle Treaty No 3

1. These Cattle it appears were purchased for rent to the Indians of Portage la Prairie which comes under Treaty No 1.

2nd. The Supt Genl observes that you have on several occasions been forbidden by the Department to purchase additional Cattle under that Treaty.

3 In view of these Circumstances ~~the Supt Genl cannot authorize~~ the payment of Mr Lapointe a/c of $95.00 without further explanation being given by you.

4 Cheques in payment of

cannot be authorized

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the following a/cs are enclosed herewith viz

Thornton & Sutherland	$26.94
Steamer "Swallow"	3.32
A Guay	77.26
J.A.N. Provencher	48.00
McMicken & Taylor	50.00
A Strang	398.75
J. B. Lapointe	236.00
E. Lacours	20.00
J. B. Lapointe	468.00
G. Jonson	25.00

10

4.5 You should furnish for the information of the Supt Genl an Estimate shewing the number of Indians of Mattis No 1 & 2 ~~persons~~ who are entitled to smaller annuals under the "Outside Promises" also what sum will be required to discharge the whole obligation of the Govt in this particular.

The Dept has Estimated that about 745 persons are ~~each~~ entitled to receive cattle in lieu of the smaller annuals ~~to the value of $22.00 each~~ & it is thought that one Quarter of the aggregate amount might be discharged each year for four years. The total Expenditure under such an Estimate would be $22 × 745 = $16280.00 of

Had it absence of reliable data,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

which 1/4 or $4.070 ~~per~~ ~~[illegible]~~. You should state whether your Estimate agrees with this, and if not in what ~~particular~~ respect it ~~would~~ differs –

[illegible] would be [illegible] fill [illegible] from [illegible] years.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4767 IAB

The Under Sec of State
for Canada
Ottawa

20th Feb 1877

Sir

I am directed by the Supt Genl to transmit herewith three printed Copies of an O.C. of the 30th April 1875, assented to by the Chiefs ~~Council~~ & headmen of the several Bands therein named, on the 23 August & 8th Sept 1875, respectively, & to request that the same may be enrolled in the usual manner in the Office of the Registrar General & returned to this Dept with a Certificate of enrollment endorsed thereon.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FORM A. A

No. [illegible]

V R

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
2 MAR 77
CANADA
OTTAWA

Manitoba Superintendency,

Winnipeg, 30th January 1876

Sir,

I have the honor to send you the Official Receipts, duly signed in duplicate, for the Cheques, of the numbers, and in favor of the parties for the amounts, and services stated below.

These Cheques were enclosed in your letter of the 26th December 1876. No 4767.

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

Jas. F. Graham
For the Acting Superintendent.

To the Honorable,
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

No. of Cheque.	In whose favor drawn.	For what services.	Amount.		Remarks.
244½	Thornton & Sutherland	a/c of 27 Nov. 76 for Flour	$ 26	94	
245	Steamer Swallow	a/c of 4 Aug. 76 for freight	$ 3	32	
246	A. Quay	a/c 2nd Dec. 76 freight to Quinli	$ 77	26	
247	J. A. N. Provencher	travelling Expense two trips St Peters	$ 48	00	
248	McMicken & Taylor	a/c 29 Nov. 76 for Garden Seeds	$ 50	00	
249	Andw Strang	a/c 5th Dec. 76 for Seed Grain	$ 398	75	
250	J. B. Lapointe	a/cs of 20th and 22nd Nov. 76. for Cattle	$ 704	00	
251	E. Lacoms	driving Cattle to St Peters	$ 20	00	
252	G. Johnson	driving Cattle to Portage	$ 25	00	

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fort Yorks 18 Oct 76

Also a Private quantity of Provision Verbally communicated by Mr Dickinson

My dear Sir

I send you this by Short Bear & have to request you to supply his Band with the articles they are entitled to under the Treaty see page 19 of the report of the Minister of the Interior

Yours truly

A Morris

I. A. or Provincial Sec
Supdt of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4767
W. Acct

Return to me
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM. Certificate 327
C.C. No. 174 for $95.-

To D.S.G.S.A. Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 7 March 1877

ANSWER.

Under the circumstances - as explained in Mr Provencher's letter of the 22nd Ultimo there appears to be no reason why Mr Lapoint's a/c for Oxen supplied to Short Bear's band should not now be paid and charged against the "Outside Promises" Authority requested

Rob Sinclair

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RECEIVED
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
6 MAR 77
OTTAWA

Manitoba Superintendency
Winnipeg 22 February
1877

No 426

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 26th December last, no 4767, asking for some explanations on accounts included in my letters of the 2nd and 5th december last, I have the honor to send you the following explanations.

1st The account of Mr. N. B. Lapointe, for cattle supplied to Indians

2 To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indians, of Portage Band, was by mistake charged against the Treaty 3, instead of Treaty 1 -

These cattle were given on demand of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, as shown by his letter enclosed -

10 Oct. 1876

This Band of Short Bear, I am informed, was previously included in the Portage Band, with Yellow Quill as Chief, but has now been separated from it -

As I had no means of ascertaining what quantity of cattle they might have taken with them at the time of their separation, I granted their demand

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

for two oxen, with the intention of charging it, if it was necessary, against the appropriation for cattle given in lieu of smaller animals –

Smaller Animals

2° The amount of these cattle given in lieu of smaller animals, was estimated by me, for next year, at $4000, which is in perfect accordance with the paragraph 6th of your letter, and I have reason to believe that this sum will be sufficient to cover all claims coming under this head –

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant
J. M. Provencher
acting Supt

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Winnipeg, 30th June 1873

The Indian Department

Dr to

Charles McDonald

June 1873 - For a pair of working oxen, with collars, harness, chain, &c - for the Indians of White Mud River $150.00

This sum to be a part of Yellow Sand or Orizawekwana Band & the Band sums to be a brand of the Pulaska Brown Band

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
CANADA

213.

Ottawa 21st March 1877.

Sir,

As requested in your letter of the 20th Ultr., I am directed to return to you, herewith, the three printed copies of an Order in Council of the 30th April 1875, enclosed in your communication, the same having been duly recorded in the Office of the Registrar General of Canada.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
Edouard Langevin
Under Secretary of State

The Deputy of the
Minister of the Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

St Peters Res

20.343

Extract of letter dated Winnipeg April 24th 1880. from Edgar Dewdney To The Right Hon. The Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

Original on 4646

Sir,

. . . . . .

Outside Promises.

The promises made at the time of the Treaty in 1871 and which for some unaccountable reason were not included in the Treaty are now known as "Outside Promises" these do not appear to have been carried out and consequently created great discontent among the Indians, for on the 13th March 1874, a meeting of Indian Commissioners was held at Fort Garry to take into consideration the complaints made by the Indians, and several recommendations were made to the Govt. which if assented to it was believed would put an end to the constant complaints and demands of the Indians.

These recommendations (with the exception of No. 11 which I think was injudicious) if assented to at the time would I have no doubt been satisfactory to the Indians,

but

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

but no action appears to have been taken until the 30th April 1875 when an Order in Council was passed recommending the written Memorandum attached to the Treaty No. 1 be considered as part of the Treaty and of Treaty No. 2 and that the Indian Commissioner be instructed to carry out the instructions therein contained in so far as they had not yet been carried out. and that the Commissioner be advised to inform the Indians that he has been authorized so to do.

This written Memorandum referred to contained the terms concluded with the Indians in 1871 as understood by the Commissioner and some of the Witnesses to the Treaty. but as there is no date attached to it I am not aware whether the Memo. was prepared immediately after the conclusion of the Treaty or in 1875. the Indians contend there were other promises made besides those mentioned.

The Order in Council of 30th April 1875 goes on to state, "that while the Government cannot admit the Indian claim to anything

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

anything which is not set forth in the Treaty and in the Memo: attached thereto which Treaty is binding alike on the Government and upon the Indians yet as there appears to have been some misunderstanding between the Indian Commissioner and the Indians in the matter of Treaties 1 and 2 the Government out of good feeling to the Indians and as a matter of benevolence is willing to raise the Annual Payment to each Indian under Treaties 1 and 2 from 3^{00} to 5^{00} per annum," and some other conditions in regard to clothing in consideration of which the Indians are to abandon all claim whatever against the Government in connection with the so called "Outside Promises" other than those contained in the Memo: attached to the Treaty.

(OC. 21st July 1876 on file 5217)

In 1876 another Order in Council is passed which settles a misunderstanding about the Chief and Headman's Clothing and in the same year Oct 7th a letter is written to I. a. N. Provencher authorizing him to give Cattle in lieu of the smaller animals promised by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by Order in Council Those are the ones promised I presume in the written Memorandum which states that "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.

The letter of Oct 7th goes on to say. "It would be well if possible not to give the whole value of the animals promised at one time."

"The Superintendent General thinks that you should yourself be able to estimate what is the proper value of the animals promised."

This appears to have been a puzzler for no arrangement was come to as to numbers and the Indians are still clamoring for work Cattle.

The Indians on this Reserve have received many things which do not appear to have been promised in the Printed Treaty, in the written Memo: or in any letter that I have seen from the Department, but what they appear to have

wanted

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

wanted most they have had very few of - & that is work Cattle - the number they have received is 13 - 12 of which are alive and there are continual disputes who shall have the use of them.—

I think it would be in the Interest of the Government to give them a few more work Cattle;—they have plenty of Ploughs but very little team for so many Indians.

. . . . . .

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4767

MEMORANDUM.

Department of ~~the Interior~~,

Indian ~~Branch~~, affairs

To Mr Benson

Ottawa, 15 May 1880.

Be good enough to investigate this matter in regard to the outside promises of Treaties 1 & 2 & make a statement as to the number of articles and animals delivered to the Indians & of those still due them under the said outside promises.

[signature] D S E of I Ag

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Agents No.
In your reply refer to
No.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA
INDIAN BRANCH

4767

Ottawa 18

James F. Graham Esq
Indian Supt
Winnipeg Man

January 8th '81

Sir,

I have to request that you will be good enough to forward, with the least possible delay, a statement showing the number of Cattle supplied to the different Bands of Treaties One and two in lieu of the smaller animals which were to be provided for them under ~~the~~ stet Treaty stipulations known as "the Outside promises"

Jam

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

26.350

Original for the Department.

Copy

TREATY No. 2 No.

Received from J. F. Graham Acting Superintendent the undermentioned articles for the use and benefit of the Water Hen Lake Band of Indians.

ARTICLES.	No.	REMARKS.
Oxen	2	The two oxen and three of
Cows	4	these Cows being over and
Bull	1	above what is promised
		in Treaty are hereby
		Accepted as full compensa-
		tions for "Smaller Animals"
		mentioned in Memorandum
		attached to Treaty covering
		the so called "Outside
		Promises"

Date of Delivery 19th April 1879

Signature or Mark of Chief and Headman

Katahkahwaynayaas his x mark Chief

Witness. Onketchhekeeouckowinin his x mark Cannillor

(Sig'd) Angus Murray

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

26.330

Statement of Cattle distributed to the several Bands of Indians under Treaties Nos 1 and 2 from date of Treaty to date 19th January 1881

	Description of Cattle	St. Peters	Broken Head	Fort Alexander	Rossean River	Long Plain	Swan Lake	Sandy Bay	Rutting Mountain	Ebb & Flow Lake	Fairford	Lake St. Martins	Lake Manitoba	Little Saskatchewan	Water Hen Lake	Remarks
1872	Oxen						2	2								
1873	Cows	1														
1874	Oxen								2							
1875	Cows				3				2			1				
	Oxen	2			5											
	Bull								1	1		1				
	Pigs										2					
1876	Cows	4		3	3											
	Bull		1													With reference to the Cattle supplied
	Oxen	8		2	2	2							1			to this date, see statement sent with
1877	Oxen	1	1		1	2			1	2		2	2	2		my letter of 28th May 1878 No 1266
	Cows										1	2		2		
	Bull													1		
	Heifers										1	1	2	2		
		16	2	5	14	4	2	2	6	3	4	7	5	7		
1879	Oxen														2	2 oxen and 3 Cows supplied in
	Cows														4	lieu of smaller animals
	Bull														1	
1880	Oxen	6							2							Supplied by order of Mr Indian
	Harness	* 6														Commissioner Dendney
		6							2						7	
Supplied from date of		16	2	5	14	4	2	2	6	3	4	7	5	7		
Treaty to 31 Dec 1877		22	2	5	14	4	2	2	8	3	4	7	5	7	7	

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Office,

No 2707

Winnipeg, 19th January

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Treaties No 4767, requesting me to forward to your Department at as early a date as possible, a Statement shewing the number of Cattle supplied to the different Bands of Indians under Treaties 1, and 2 and in lieu of the smaller animals which were to be provided for them in the Treaty stipulations known as the "Outside Promises."

I enclose herewith for your information a Statement shewing the number

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Office,

No 2707

Winnipeg, 19th January

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Treaties No 4767, requesting me to forward to your Department at as early a date as possible a statement shewing the number of Cattle supplied to the different Bands of Indians under Treaties 1, and 2 and in lieu of the smaller animals which were to be provided for them in the Treaty stipulations known as the "Outside Promises."

I enclose herewith for your information a statement shewing the number

The Right Honble
The Supt General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

number of Cattle supplied
the several Bands of Indians
Nos 1 and 2, from date of Treaty
date, as near as can be asce
ed from the records formerly,
in this Office.

With regard to the numbe
of Cattle supplied to those Ba
in lieu of the smaller anima
I am not aware that any hav
been given with that view, exce
to the Water Hen Lake Band, Treaty
No 2. who were supplied on the 19
April 1879. with two oxen and three
Cows over and above the number
promised them by Treaty stipula-
tions, those Cattle are supposed
to cover all demands (for that
Band) in full compensation for
the smaller Animals mentioned in
the Memorandum attached to the
Treaty covering the so called

'Outside

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

"Outside Premises," Copy of Vouc
for the same is herewith enclose

As many of those Bands ha
received more Cattle than they
entitled to by Treaty, as shown
the enclosed Statement, it rest w
Your Department to decide wh
they be considered full, or part, Co
pensation for the smaller Animal
mentioned in Memorandum attach
to the Treaty.

I most respectfully request
to be informed what Animals
come under the head of the Small
Animals raised by Farmers, in
the so called "Outside Premises", an
would suggest that the Claims of
the so called "Outside Premises"
be disposed of at as an early da
as possible.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Jas. D. Graham
Indian Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

4767

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian A

Kirkpatrick

Ottawa, 15 Febri

Please look into this ma
in regard to the cattle which
Dept undertook to supply th
Indians of Treaties 1 & 2 w
in lieu of the smaller annu
referred to in the "outside
promises" & inform me
what number of said Cattl
should be given in proport
of the population by the la
~~return~~ of the Indians o
these Treaties.

L.R.

D.L.Go

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4767)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
- File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
- File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
- File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

P. M.

No. 4780

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

James Lenihan
Indian Comr.
3/ap Victoria
1/May B.C.

With Copy of a letter from R. C. Bishop of B. C. containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootnay, Shuswaps Toonara & other Indians of the Mainland.

Ackd - 5/May

ACTION.

BLACK

155/23-1

4780

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

(Copy)

(1)

St. Mary's 23rd March 1875

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OTTAWA MAY 1875

To Mr. J. Lenihan
Indian Commissioner
Victoria

Dear Sir,

Inclosed is the answer of Revd. Father McGuikin to your enquiries about the Indians. I also received an answer from Revd. Father Fouquet concerning the Kootnay Indians, which is as follows—

" 1st the Kootnay Indians are all
" Catholics. 350 or 360 reside on British
" Soil, about 300 reside part of the time on the United States side. one or two hundred resided most of the time on U. S. soil during the past three years, although many if not all were born on British Soil, and have lived there long some having brothers there. they say they are to come back here.

There is also a small band of Shuswaps all Baptized Catholics with two or three under instructions,

I have not yet received information respecting the Fort Shepherds Indians who are said to be all Catholics.

There is no School. I would advise one Boarding School.

About 30 families at least of the Toonara Tribe follow agricultural pursuits on a very limited scale they produce a small amount of wheat, Potatoes and Peas. I do not
" know how many amongst the other tribes.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Tribes follow Agricultural pursuits.
all these Tribes of Kootnay need
assistance in the way of Agricultural
implements, Seeds, tools for building
houses, which they intend to do. also
a Grinding Mill. articles to expensive
for them to buy

I. Morse and Maurice with
their Mother have hundreds of Horses.
every other Indian has from one
to twenty. one Man has 27 head of
Cattle and about 15 others have from
8 to 9 each Have no information from
the other Tribes.

There are no Mechanics nor Labourers
The Kootnay Tribes are very temperate
but Lately some drunk. Chinese and
some Europeans by birth or decent
require watching

There is no Medical assistance
nor Apothecary for hundreds of Miles
except a few patent Medicines. and
the help of Good Samaritans

The Kootnay Indians are very
sensitive upon the land question.
I have not dared yet to speak to
them about it. their numerous
intercourse with the Indians of the
other sides of the Rocky Mountains
who are said to be Liberally treated by
the Dominion Government. as well as
their intercourse with those of the
United States who have Reservations
said to be nearly one hundred Miles
long. the amount of horses and Cattle
they will own have will give to the
Kootenays the impression that they are
right

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I think that the sooner this question is settled the better. as with time it is bound to be more difficult

They are a very Moral Tribe, it is hoped they will increase instead of decreasing. They cultivate small patches of land those patches will be over all the Country as long as there is not regulations on the matter.

I need not say that all the Indians being Catholics they expect their Agent to be of the same faith. and having heard that Mr. Lenihan was a Catholic they have by their Chief Joseph expressed the wish that he would visit them"

You can see by Father Mr. Jukes report the exact number of Catholics in his Mission. I have not yet received Father Grandidier's report but I can say that the Kamloops Shushwaps. Okanagan &c Number also about 2.000 Catholics

Our Missionaries father North at Stuarts Lake, Babine Lake, & St Leods Lake have about the same number of Indians Baptized or under instructions in their Missions. As amongst the Kootnays there is not a Protestant Indian. it is nearly the same in Father Mr. Jukes Missions. And here we have more than 2000 Catholic Indians. and but a few protestants. Rev.d Mr. Good has about 500 at Lytton. is it not right that those numerous Indians should have a Catholic Superintendent. I can assure you that the Catholic Indians

Catholic

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

would be greatly disappointed if the Fed-
-eral Government does not give them a
Catholic Superintendent. They know
already that you came for that purpose
and I do not know what would be
the consequence if they were again
disappointed in their just hopes

Remain Sir.

Yours truly in Christ.

Signed + Louis O.M.J.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy)

St. Joseph's Mission. Williams Lake, B.C.
This Mission extends over nearly the whole of the two Provincial Districts of Lillooet and Cariboo.

Question No. 1. What is the approximate number of Catholics and of those who are now receiving Catholic instruction?

Answer. There are thirteen hundred Catholics and besides these there are Seven hundred receiving at present Catholic instruction and preparing for the Sacrament of Baptism.

Question No 2. State the number of Industrial or other schools now in existence?

Answer. None at all.

Question No. 3. Where do you advise the establishment of schools?

Answer. Industrial Schools at St. Josephs Mission, Williams Lake, and at or near Lillooet.

Question No. 4. What is the number of those who follow agricultural pursuits and what do they produce?

Answer. (1) The Indians of Soda Creek, Williams Lake, Alkali Lake, Dog Creek, Canoe Creek, and the Fountain (in all about 800) raise crops of Wheat, Barley, Oats, potatoes and Garden Vegetables, but not having land enough even these are obliged to spend the greater part of the year in either hunting, fishing, or working for the White settlers in order to procure food and clothing for themselves & families. (The Williams Lake Indians having no land at all, we permit them for the present, to cultivate a portion of the Mission farm.)

(2)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

(2) those of Lillooet, Fort Alexandria, Clinton, Big Bar, Pavilion, Bridge River Lillooet, and Seton, & Anderson Lake, have no farming land, or what they have cannot be cultivated for want of water and hence these raise no other crops than patches of Vegetables. The men and boys of all these Camps understand a good deal about farming, being frequently employed by the farmers of their respective neighborhoods. The entire population of these Camps is about 450.

(3) The Chilcotens number in all about 450. Souls, these are far behind all the other Tribes belonging to this Mission in the knowledge of farming, when we visited them first in the Fall of 1869 we found them for the most part still in their wild state and as the troubles which occurred and the Wrongs that they suffered in 1864 were still fresh in their Memories, they were very slow in adopting the white mans mode of procuring a livelihood. For the past two or three years however a considerable number of them have planted Potatoes, Turnips Carrots &c. but so little skilled in farming operations and totally unprovided with agricultural implements, their progress has been necessarily very slow. I expect that next Spring nearly all of them will cultivate more or less etc. the majority of them have no

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

no other implements than sticks.

Question No. 5. What Tribes should receive assistance in the way of Agricultural Implements Seeds &c ?

Answer. All. But the assistance in both Seeds and implements should be given only after having enquired into the Wants of each Tribe and found out what is most wanted.

Question No. 6. State the number of those who keep Stock in any considerable numbers and where they reside ?

Answer The only way I can answer this question at present is by giving the appoximate number of Stock belonging to each Camp, as follows—

Quesnelle & Fort Alexandria	50 Horses & 5 Horned Cattle	
Soda Creek	100 "	31 " "
Williams Lake	120 "	20 " "
Alkali Lake	250 "	20 " "
Dog Creek	50 "	10 " "
Canoe Creek	250 "	20 " "
Fountain	300 "	25 " "
Seton & Anderson Lakes	100 "	10 " "
Bridge River & Lillooet	100 "	——
Clinton & Big Bar	100 "	——
Pavilion	100 "	——
Chilcoten	350 "	——

Question No. 7 State the appoximate number of Mechanics or Labourers

Answer There are about 500 Labourers but no Mechanics.

Question No. 8 Any suggestion respecting the working of the new Indian Liquor Law?

Answer — I believe that most of the Justices of the Peace and Constables in this section are very negligent in putting this Law into execution. If properly executed it would be most efficient in preventing the sale of liquor to Indians.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Question No. 9. If any Medical assistance is required, when and of what kind?

Answer. Medical assistance is very much required among the Indians many persons die every year for want of it. Hence to prevent this annual loss of life among the Indians a good Physician should reside constantly in this neighborhood and visit each of the Indian Camps at least twice a year. say every Spring and Fall. when sickness is most prevalent among them (such a gentleman would receive considerable practice from the settlers as there is no Doctor nearer here than Cariboo 150 Miles distant) Besides there should be at least two dispensaries in Central parts of Mission say here and at or near Lillooet. where the Indians could obtain Medicine whenever they required it.

Question No 10. any other recommendation or suggestions?

Answer I strongly recommend the passing of a law by which Indians who are lawfully Married may be able to take summary proceedings either by themselves or through the Commissioner of Indian affairs, before a local Justice of the Peace or a County Court Judge. against those who

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

White men or others who by seduction or otherwise induce a married woman to leave her legitimate husband. The Catholic Indians have made enormous sacrifices in giving up their own customs and habits and in adopting the laws of Christianity (this is especially true in all that regards Christian Marriage) hence the law of the land should protect them not only from the wickedness of bad men but also as far as it is possible from the dangers of separation during their lifetime. The woman will become a disgrace to her sex and a plague in Society and the man will very likely become a murderer. The English law in this matter which already exists is too expensive to be within the reach of Indians I trust that this matter will be attended to as soon as possible as the peace of certain localities is likely soon to be disturbed if the whites are allowed to impose upon and disturb the family affairs of the Indians

(2) I take the liberty of recommending the Commissioner to supply the Indians in this section of the Province with Windows for their houses. Windows are exorbitantly dear in this part and sometimes it is impossible to get them at all. Two Windows in each House would add much to the health and comfort of the Indians as well as to the appearance of their houses

(signed) J. W. McGuiken O.M.I.
C. Rector.

St Joseph's Mission
Williams Lake B.C.
9th January 1875.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MAR 1 1875
OTTAWA.

British Columbia
Victoria 3rd April 1875

Sir.

In the month of November last I addressed a letter to His Lordship the Bishop of British Columbia requesting him if he could would kindly furnish me some information respecting the Indians attached to the various Missions on the Mainland. I have now, the honor therefore for your information the reply of His Lordship which contains some very valuable information and suggestions.

It will be observed that the Revd. Father Pongnet reports that the Kootenay Indians are "very sensitive upon the land question".

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obt. servant
James Lenihan
Indian Comr.

Hon. D. Laird
Minister of the Interior
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4780.

James Lenihan, Esqr.
Indian Commissioner,
Victoria,
B.C.

Ottawa.
May 5 1875.

Sir,

I have the honor to ack. the receipt of your letter of the 3rd. ultimo, enclosing a copy of a letter of His Lordship the Bishop of British Columbia in reply to a letter addressed to him, by you in the month of Nov.r last, requesting him ~~to be good enough~~ to give you some information respecting the Indians attached to the various missions on the mainland, and also a copy of a letter from the Revd Mr McGinken giving ~~various~~ a variety of information respecting these Indians.

I am directed by the Sec.y to add that he observes with regret that the attention of the ~~Indian~~ R.C. Clergy appears to have been specially directed to the religious faith of their Indian Superint., a matter which, in his opinion, has nothing whatever to do with the proper

approved by Mr Lenihan
Etc

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

discharge of the duties of
that officer. The only
point where the particular
belief of Indians ~~could~~ could
possibly come into notice
in the Department, would
be, the application of Missions
for aid towards schools;
and in such cases it
has always been the endeavour
of the Department to treat
all upon ~~a like~~ an equal footing,
regardless of the creed of
the ~~Agent~~ Superintendent
~~or Agent~~, or of the applicant.

W H
Returned to
Atty.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4780)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
- File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
- File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
- File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
- File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

No. 4803

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

Order in Council
30 April
4 May

Re murder by Thomas Hardwicke & other American Citizens, of Assiniboine Indians at Cypress Mountain in year 1873.

8 April Lett to Dt Gov N. W. T covering Copy of O in C & memo
3d May Let from Lt Gov ack'g
12 June Receipt of O.C.

ACTION.

BLACK
217/18
4803

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Department of Justice,

Ottawa,

7th April 1874.

Massacre of Indians in British Territory-

By despatch, dated 21st August 1873, Sir Edward Thornton communicated to the Governor General copies of a note from Mr. Fish relative to the murder by Thomas Hardwick and others, American Citizens, of Sixteen Assiniboine Indians at a Trading Post at the Cypress Mountain in British Territory- Mr. Fish invited the attention of Sir E. Thornton to these papers in the hope that he

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

he would lay them before the Canadian authorities for such action as they might see fit to take -

The Department of Interior at Washington communicated these papers to Mr. Fish, as the murderers were beyond the jurisdiction of the Courts of the United States.

The details of the massacre are contained in a letter from the Department of the Interior at Washington of 8th August 1873. in which it was said that six of the murderers were then in Montana Territory and would probably move North of the line into British Territory during the coming winter -

A letter of the 26th July 1873 from the Secretary to the Board of Indian Commissioners (U.S.)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

(U.S.) Borzeman stated that the Assiniaboines have always been firm friends of the Whites refusing repeatedly to make peace with their vastly stronger neighbors, the Sioux and he states that as the parties are all known they can easily be arrested—

The details of the massacre are further given in an extract from the Montana Herald of the 12th June transmitted with the letter from the Secretary of the Board of Indian Commissioners (U.S.). It states that the murderers having lost some horses pursued the Indians until they arrived at a small trading post at Cypress Hills two hundred miles within the British borders— Here they found encamped forty lodges of North Assinaboines who stated that the Crees had

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

had stolen their horses from them, but as they were Assinaboines friends the Whites might have what fight they desired –

At break of day the sixteen or seventeen Whites attacked and effectually wiped out the forty lodges very few escaping –

It is said that these Assinaboines were almost defenceless and that the murderers mutilated their bodies in the most outrageous and disgusting manner –

Cypress Mountain is in British Territory about 170 miles North of Fort Benton –

The names of six of the murderers are given; the other Sioux apparently being unknown –

On the 25. August 1873 Lieutenant Governor Morris enclosed copy of the same

extract

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

extract from the Montana Herald, and this letter having been referred to the Minister of the Interior, he reported recommending the establishment of a Mounted Police Force without loss of time -

By letter of the 26th August Lieutenant Governor Morris transmitted a letter brought by Mr. Edward McKay a respectable Halfbreed from Qu'appelle giving an account of the attack -

It is much the same, that twenty two men, women and children were killed besides burning all their effects and killing their animals - The Americans referred to are those who established a post on Cypress Hills -

Lieutenant Governor Morris sent by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

by Mr. McKay in reply to the Chiefs of the Crees and Saulteaux of the Saskatchewan a letter of friendship and greeting and good will—

On the 19th September Lieutenant Governor Morris transmitted a copy of an affidavit of one Narcisse Lacerte on the subject—He states that he arrived at the spot shortly after the affair and saw the dead bodies of some of the Indians

On the 23rd September Sir Edward Thornton wrote to the Governor General that orders had been sent to the United States Indian and Judicial authorities in Montana Territory to advise the authorities of Manitoba in effecting the arrest of the murderers

The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The action of the Government appears to have been as follows; —

On the 25th September a telegraph was sent from the Minister of Justice to Mr. Gilbert McMicken, Fort Garry, to the effect that the murderers of the Indians at Cypress Hills were at Fort Benton, Montana

That the two witnesses were there also;

That the American Government had instructed their officers to aid and wished him to go there at once - and Governor Morris was instructed to have the information laid and warrant issued in duplicate against Thomas Hardwick and the other murderers of the Indians, and that one should be sent to Mr. McMicken for the purposes of Extradition and to secure all evidence possible -

Mr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Mr McMicken was also informed that the proceedings would be in the usual way by Extradition under order from Washington and that the prisoners were to be taken to Fort Garry for trial

Lieutenant Governor Morris telegraphed in cypher that it would be a difficult and dangerous mission and that the journey would occupy a month: that he would have to arrange for convicting testimony to be brough to Fort Garry and require a sufficient number to prevent rescue of prisoner: and he was informed in reply that the Governor General would apply for Extradition as soon as he knew the names of persons committed for trial and would then see about

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

about an escort—

The report of Mr. McMicken of the 29th. November received here on the 17th December gives a detail of his instructions and of his movements—

That he started with two men as an escort to St Pauls. That he communicated with Assistant Adjutant General Green of the U.S. Army, who persuaded him not to take the trip at that period of the year, and it appeared further that the murderers would have started out on their winter hunt and would probably within the British lines

The result of the communication of Mr. McMicken's information as to the difficulties of proceeding in the arrest of the parties at that period was that on the

30th

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

30th October the Minister of Justice telegraphed to Mr McMicken to postpone the trip until next season but to obtain all information on the point before returning to Fort Garry and to furnish a report with a Statement of expenses.

Mr McMicken reported that there could be no doubt that the American wolfers or traders, were then within British Territory and would be so for the winter. That they were a desperate set of men and numbered from 150 to 200 or upwards, that their operations take them some 100 miles or more within the British Lines: That within our Territory they have posts established and fortified numbering as was variously stated from five to eight or more. He stated that Fort Peck at which the United States

Indian

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Agent would prosecute the matter
is situated on Milk River a Tributary of the
Missouri and in the Spring very easily
visited from Bismark by boat on the Northern
Pacific Railroad, and adds that the mounted
police would be necessary not only to escort the
prisoners from the United States Authorities
on Extradition but for preventing the circulation
of whisky and the carrying out of furs and skins
from the Territory—

April 29th 1875

With reference to the foregoing
statement of facts it became necessary to
determine the course of action which should
be followed in connection with the subject
during the season of 1875 and after due
consideration copies of all papers were placed
in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in the hands of the commissioner of the Mounted Police Force with instructions to ascertain the whereabouts of the parties implicated, and if they were in the supposed Forts at the Bow and Belly Rivers, to cause their arrest.

The commissioner in December last reported that during the season's march he had collected at Cypress Hills and Wood Mountain in the North West Territories affidavits from several persons clearly identifying a number of the parties alleged to be connected with the Massacre, also at Fort Benton in the United States, but that as the ringleader Hardwich and one or two of the chief men connected with it were absent and their return not likely before Winter and the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the season fast drawing to a close and the evidence not being thoroughly complete, and further as he ascertained that during the month of May it is usual for men to meet at Fort Benton – he deemed it prudent not to attempt any arrests recommending that an effort should be made to capture these men at Fort Benton –

The Commissioner in his report of the 8th April instant states that since December he has received further information and that he has further reason to believe that most if not all of these murderers may be apprehended at Fort Benton about the middle or end of May, this year and suggests that the Government appoint an agent to carry out the necessary proceedings

relative /

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

relative to their arrest there and Extradition for trial in Canada.

Upon these facts the undersigned coincides with the commissioner and recommends that an agent be appointed vested with the necessary power to proceed to Fort Benton and placing himself in communication with the American authorities in Montana institute the necessary proceedings for the capture and Extradition of the persons alleged to be connected with the massacre for trial in Canada, that Assistant Commissioner McLeod of the North West Mounted Police be appointed such agent.

The undersigned therefore recommends that His Excellency the Governor General be prayed to call upon Her Majesty's Minister

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Minister at Washington to request the Extradition
of the following persons—

1 Thomas Hardwicke

2 Van Hale
3 John Evans
4 John Harper

5 John McFarlane

6 George Hammond

7 Boyle

8 John Durrel

9 George Bill

~~John Evans~~

10. Desreux or Debrun charged with the crime of murder in the Dominion of Canada and now fugitive from Justice

He also recommends that Her Majesty's Minister should be informed that in the autumn of the year 1873 necessary

inquiries

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

inquiries were set on foot by the Government of Canada with a view to the prosecution of these murderers and that Mr McMicken of Fort Garry then in charge of the matter was in correspondence with the local authorities of the United States in Montana district who are familiar with the circumstances of the case —

It should also be further mentioned that the agent specially charged with the prosecution of the murderers is being sent to Montana for that purpose and requesting that the United States Government will afford the necessary facilities through their officers in that Territory for prosecuting this matter —

The undersigned further recommends

that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that Her Majesty's Minister should be asked to request that the delivery of those fugitives from Justice if the same be ordered for Extradition - should be made at the Boundary Line near Pembina, the necessary expenses of transport in such respect being defrayed by the Government of Canada.

(Signed) T. Fournier

Minister of Justice

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

10 4803

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 April 1875

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OTTAWA MAY 7 1875

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration the Memorandum hereunto annexed, from the Honourable the Minister of Justice having reference to the murder by Thomas Hardwicke and others - American citizens, of sixteen Assiniboine Indians at Cypress Mountain in Canadian Territory in the year 1873. and they respectfully submit their concurrence in the several recommendations made in the said memorandum and advise that the same be approved and acted on -

Certified.

W. A. Himsworth

C.P.C.

To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c., &c., &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4803

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 11 1875
OTTAWA.

Copy. Dr of Justice
DAL

. W.
No. 264

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba.
31st May. 1875

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 8th inst:, enclosing for my information, a copy of an Order in Council, with a copy of the Memorandum therein referred to, on the subject, of the Murder of certain Assiniboine Indians, by American citizens in 1873; and with regard thereto; I beg to call attention to the necessity, which I presume, has, however been attended to, of securing the presence here, of the witnesses necessary to secure the conviction of the offenders, in the event of their being transmitted to Manitoba for trial.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
Alex. Morris
Lt. G. N. W. T.

Communicated
Dr of Justice
Who take out
the matter? pro
re nota
DAL

Honorable
The Minister of the
Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4803)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3621)

-File 4676	Correspondence and records of school attendances in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.
File 4719	Proposed changes in the administration of appropriations for the Indians in Manitoba. 1875
- File 4735	Dufferin, Northwest Territories - Copy of a letter from Colonel G. A. French, Commissioner, Northwest Mounted Police, regarding territory ceded by the Crees and Saulteaux under the Qu'Appelle Treaty. 1875
- File 4754	J. C. Nelson's report of surveys he made during the year in Treaties 4 and 7. 1882
File 4763	Correspondence stemming from a report by Marcus Smith, Deputy of the Engineer in Chief of the Pacific Railway, regarding the Indians of the Chilcotin Country. 1875
- File 4767	Manitoba and Northwest Territories - General correspondence, memoranda and Order in Council regarding outside promises to Treaties 1 and 2. 1875 - 1876
-File 4780	A copy of a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia containing information and suggestions regarding the Kootenay, Shuswap, Toonara and other Indians of the mainlands. 1875
File 4803	Report by T. Fournier, Minister of Justice, on the Cypress Hills massacre of sixteen Assiniboines by Thomas Hardwicks and other American citizens. 1875
File 4816	Kwawkewlth Agency - General correspondence regarding a proposed official and geological visit to Quatsino Sound. 1875

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

No. 4816

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

J. W. Powell
Indian Comr
Victoria
B.C.
26/April
8/May

Transmitting copy of a letter from Mr Edward Stephens requesting that an official visit may be made to the Indians of Quatsino Sound, also memo re proposed visit of Mr Richardson to that place for the purpose of collecting specimens of Coal & fossils: suggests an immediate visitation and that arrangements might be made for Mr Richardson or any others appointed to collect Materials to accompany him.

ACTION.

BLACK

12/May Let to Comr Powell
13/May Duplicate let from do.

4816

156/20-1

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memorandum.

Mr Richardson who has just arrived in this Province for the purpose of prosecuting Geological researches, informs me that he would much like to visit Nakusp Sound if an opportunity were afforded him, in order to obtain Specimens of coal and valuable fossils known to exist in that region. The coal found there is said to be superior to that ~~found~~ at Nanaimo, and apart from the Sound being far more convenient for foreign effort, the importance of showing the existence of superior measures two hundred miles north of the present coal fields, could not be over Estimated, Especially in view of the intention of the Government to collect materials for the Exposition next year. Should you concur in this impression I would recommend an immediate visitation and arrangements could be made for Mr Richardson or any others appointed to collect materials to accompany me. A telegram from you would Enable me to suit the time of departure with the other Engagements of those concerned -

J. W. Powell

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

Victoria B. C.
April 24th 1875.

To Lieut. Col. Powell
Superintendent of Indian Affairs.

Sir.

Having occasion to visit Quatsino Sound situated at the north end of this Island, for the purpose of surveying coal and timber lands in that neighbourhood, and to you as Superintendent of Indian Affairs I would state for your favorable consideration, that the Indians of that place have not been visited for some years by any vessel or party bearing the semblance of any authority calculated to impress them with respect. Occasionally small surveying parties or explorers numerically weak visit the neighbourhood, who are altogether at the mercy of the tribes inhabiting this coast, and I know from experience that at times it is only by hinting at the probability of the quick arrival of a gun boat that they are comparatively kept in awe.

If sir you could make it convenient to visit that part of the Island at an early period, your presence amongst the natives could hardly fail to have a beneficial and moral effect on them and confer a vast benefit on parties whose business may call them to that part of the Coast.

I have the honor to be.
&c. &c. &c.
(S/d) Edward Stephens.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA
MAY 8 1875

509
508. B.

British Columbia
Indian Office
Victoria Apr 26th 1875.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a letter from Mr. Edward Stephens who is about to visit Quatsino Sound, requesting that an official visit may be made to the Indians of that locality, for the purpose of protection, and the encouragement of a friendly feeling with them. When visiting the West Coast last autumn, I was prevented on Afc of a Storm prevailing at the time from calling at Quatsino Sound, but on arriving at Fort Rupert I took the precaution of sending the Indians a written statement of my intention

In attached
rem of Co Powell
E.A.U.

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

intention to visit them this Spring and warning them to do no harm to the Surveyor (A McPatterson) and his attendant who were there at the time.

As the known resources of Quatsino in Coal and timber lands will doubtless soon make it attractive to white settlers, an early visit to the inhabitants who are savages, would I am satisfied be productive of much benefit, and judging from the experience and statements of the Surveyor above referred to, almost necessary to the safety of others who intend sojourning among these natives for the purposes of survey and exploration.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obed.t Serv.t,
I. W. Powell
Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Telegram

Lt Col
J. W. Powell
Indian Co
Victoria (PC)

12 May/75

Visitation to Quatsino Sound approved — Geological Survey should share expense

S A Ch

By order of Inv Board

[illegible] S A Ch

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Telegram

Lt Col
J. W. Powell
Indian Co
Victoria (P.C.)

12 May/75

Visitation to Quatsino Sound approved — Geological Survey should share expense

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 7 1875
OTTAWA.

528
541. B.

British Columbia

Indian Office
Victoria May 18th/75

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the following Telegram of 12th May referring to a proposed visit to Quatsino Sound.

To Lieut. Col. I. W. Powell
Indian Commissioner

Visitation to Quatsino Sound approved. Geological survey should share expenses.

(Sd.) E. A. Meredith

I conferred with Mr. Richardson who informed me, that mean time he

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

he had made all necessary arrangements for exploring another portion of the Island, and it would suit his engagements much better if I could defer the visit until July.

Should nothing occur to prevent we therefore propose to start from here on the 15th of July, and I will send the Indians of Quatsino word to that effect.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servt.
I. W. Powell
Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4816)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4817 — Peigan Agency - Peigan Reserve - Letter from A. Russell, Deputy Minister of the Interior, asking for a tracing of the Mounted Police Farm on the northern boundary of the Reserve. 1883

File 4819 — Surveyor John Nelson's list of unsurveyed reserves in the Northwest Territories. 1883

File 4821 — Clandeboye Agency - Letter instructing Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher to prepare for the Commissioners on half-breed claims, a complete list of all Indians on the St. Peter's and St. Clement's Reserves. 1875

File 4825 — Victoria, British Columbia - Report of the proceedings on Indian Affairs of the Provincial Legislature (newspaper clippings). 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4817)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO.

Mr Sinclair
Dept. 9 Mar 83 R.
Dept. 10 Mar 83.

No. 4817

Department of Indian Affairs,
1883.

Dept of Interior
North West Mounted Police

3 Jany.

Stating that information has been received that No 3 Survey of the Indian Reserve for which the Regina includes, is occupied by Police squatting farms & asking for a Survey of same

8 Jany Ltr to Dept Interior
9 Jan 83 Telegram to Commissioner
18 " " to Lt Routledge

ACTION.

11/6/30

ACTION CONTINUED.

BLACK
4817

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3421, file 4817)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Department of the Interior,

North-West Mounted Police Branch,

Ottawa, 3 January 1883

Reference No. _____

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 1883
4817

Sir

I am informed that the survey made for your Department of the Piegan Indian Reserve near Fort Macleod includes the Mounted Police Farm, which is on the Northern boundary of the Reserve. If such is the case will you be good enough to let me have a tracing of so much of the survey as refers to the Police Farm

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

A. Russell

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior

The
Depty Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4817)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1853

Ottawa, January 9th 1883

Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 8th instant requesting me to furnish a tracing for the information of the Department of the Interior, of so much of the survey of the Indian Reserve as refers to the Mounted Police Barracks on Indian Creek I have the honor to state that it is no part of the Mounted Police barracks or the reserve,

I am

The Right Hon.
The Supt. General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4817)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4853

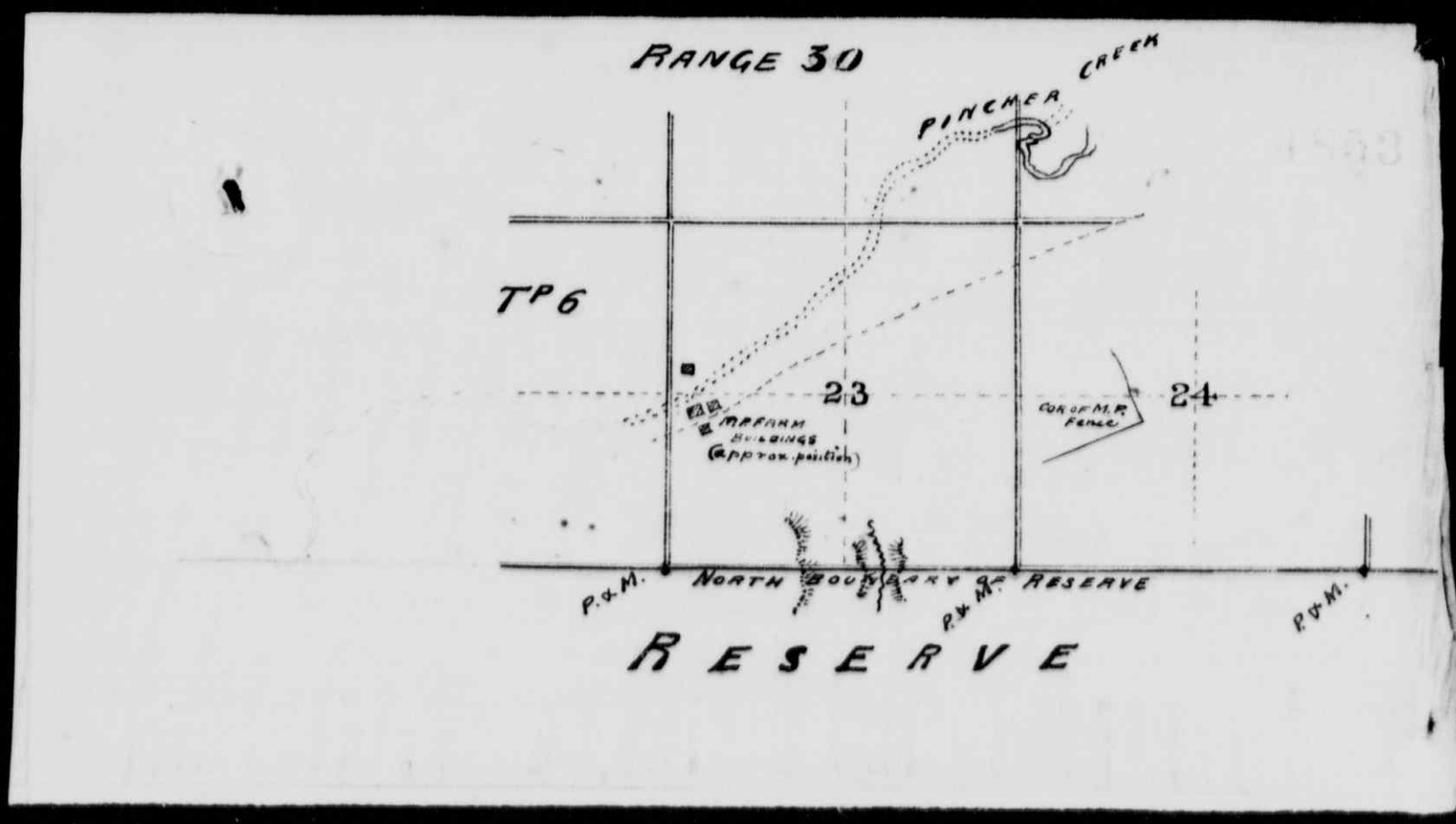
The accompanying sketch shows the approximate position of the Mounted Police farm which lies north of the reserve lately surveyed by me

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obt. Servt.
John C. Nelson O.S.
Indian Res. Surveys

The Right Honorable
The Supt. Genl. Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4817)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA



Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4217)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4817 — Peigan Agency - Peigan Reserve - Letter from A. Russell, Deputy Minister of the Interior, asking for a tracing of the Mounted Police Farm on the northern boundary of the Reserve. 1883

File 4819 — Surveyor John Nelson's list of unsurveyed reserves in the Northwest Territories. 1883

File 4821 — Clandeboye Agency - Letter instructing Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher to prepare for the Commissioners on half-breed claims, a complete list of all Indians on the St. Peter's and St. Clement's Reserves. 1875

File 4825 — Victoria, British Columbia - Report of the proceedings on Indian Affairs of the Provincial Legislature (newspaper clippings). 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4819)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Black
No. 4819

MEMO.

ACTION.

ACTION CONTINUED.

Department of Indian Affairs,

1883.

John Nelson S.S.S

Aylmer

4 Jany

List of unsurveyed Indian Reserves in the Northwest.

17 Jany Ltr to Dewdney with encl

211/30

BLACK

4819

1298

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3691, File 4819)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

KODAK SAFETY FILM

4819

List of some unsurveyed Indian Reserves in the North West Territories

Qu'appelle District

Little Touchwood Hills

Muskow-Equiens Band

File Hills

Little Black Bear
Star Blanket
Okanese
Perpeckis

} Partly surveyed by Mr. Patrick

Fort Ellice

The Gambler's Band
(Part to be cut off reserve of Waywaysutrefed on Bird-tail Creek)

Fort Pelly

The Key
Keesekouse

Long or Last Mountain Lake

2 fishing stations of 320 a. each for Qu'appelle & Touchwood Indians

Little Touchwood Hills

some changes to be made in Large Gordon's Reserve

Bow River

Blackfeet Bands

H. Nelson
D.S.S.

Dr Stewart. File and Submit
Miss Rippenstein to Dy Minister
Please prepare copy RS 17.1.83
RS 4.1.83

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4819)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4819

Edmonton District

Fishing station on Lac la Nonne 320 a

Peepasschuse Band 400 souls
(5 miles south of Edmonton)

Pigeon Lake (approximate nos.)

Cheepastequhan 200 souls

Muddy Bull 150 "

Battle River
Bear's Hills
Peace Hills
} Ermine Skin Bobtail and Sampson 800 souls

Saddle Lake

Little Hunter Band — — 400 souls

New Victoria

Nuskegawatick — — — — 150 souls

Blue Quill — — — — — 150 "

White Fish Lake

Sienne — — — — — 300 souls

Lac la Biche

Peyaysees — — — — — 400 souls

Beaver Lake

Rolls Campbell — — — 300 souls

Long Lake

Keeheewin — — — — — — 250 souls

Angle Lake

Chippewayans — — — — — 150 souls

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4819)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4819

Vermillion River (approx. nos.)

Big Bear - - - - 500 Souls

South of Battleford (Eagle Hills)

Lean Man }
Grisley Bear } Stoneys 500 Souls

Battle River (near Two Ponds)

Sattrause Indians 400 Souls

Carroll River

Fishing station for the Arrow Band
320 a.

Approximate No. of Souls
Equal — 5055
Entitled to 1010 Square Miles

J.O.N.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4819)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Indian Affairs,

To Mr McK

Ottawa, 9th Jany 1883.

Enclose copy of this statement to Mr Dewdney & say that these as well as any other Reserves that it may be necessary to have surveyed for the Indians should be surveyed during the ensuing Summer.

L. Vankoughnet
per J. D. McK

10/1/83
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4819)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4817 — Peigan Agency - Peigan Reserve - Letter from A. Russell, Deputy Minister of the Interior, asking for a tracing of the Mounted Police Farm on the northern boundary of the Reserve. 1883

File 4819 — Surveyor John Nelson's list of unsurveyed reserves in the Northwest Territories. 1883

File 4821 — Clandeboye Agency - Letter instructing Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher to prepare for the Commissioners on half-breed claims, a complete list of all Indians on the St. Peter's and St. Clement's Reserves. 1875

File 4825 — Victoria, British Columbia - Report of the proceedings on Indian Affairs of the Provincial Legislature (newspaper clippings). 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4821)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

No. 4821

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

J. A. A. Provencher
Indian Comr.
Winnipeg
Man.

Letter requesting him to prepare for the Commissioners on Half-breed claims a complete list of all Indians of St Peters & St Clements.

Let to Mr Provencher May 10 ✓
✓ 15 June Let from Comr Provencher.

ACTION.

BLACK
4821

125/3-3

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4821)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4821.

J. A. N. Provencher, Esqr.
Indn Comr.
Winnipeg.
Manitoba.

10th May 1875.

Sir,

I am desired by the St. Gl. of I.A. to inform you that Comrs have recently been appointed by H.E. the Gls. in Council to investigate all claims of halfbreeds or others to lands in the Province of Manitoba, and that for this purpose the Comrs will probably visit Ina. next month.

or occup

To assist the Comrs in their labors (so far as the Indns are concerned) I have to request you to prepare for the Comrs, and to hand to ~~them on their~~ the agent of Dominion lands ~~applying to you for that purpose~~ at Fort Gary, for their inspn, a complete alphabetical list of all the Indns in the parishes of St Peter's & St Clements who have received annuities indicating as far as possible those who are pure Indians and those who are halfbreeds, and also those who live en

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4821)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

tirely by the chase, or partly by the cultivation of land.

A similar list should also be prepared of any other Indns. outside of the above named parishes ~~above indicated~~ who may be claimants of halfbreed lands in the Province.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4821)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 19 1875

Indian Commissioner's Office
Winnipeg 5th June 1875

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th ultimo. No 4821.

Your instructions in reference to the Commissioners, "appointed to investigate the claims of Halfbreeds, and others" visit, to Manitoba, shall be duly attended to.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

J. McDougall
Indian Commr

To the Hon.
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4821)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 4817	Peigan Agency - Peigan Reserve - Letter from A. Russell, Deputy Minister of the Interior, asking for a tracing of the Mounted Police Farm on the northern boundary of the Reserve. 1883
File 4819	Surveyor John Nelson's list of unsurveyed reserves in the Northwest Territories. 1883
File 4821	Clandeboye Agency - Letter instructing Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher to prepare for the Commissioners on half-breed claims, a complete list of all Indians on the St. Peter's and St. Clement's Reserves. 1875
File 4825	Victoria, British Columbia - Report of the proceedings on Indian Affairs of the Provincial Legislature (newspaper clippings). 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BLACK

FILE NO. 4825

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

VOLUME

FROM

TO

SUBJECT REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

4825

FILE NO.

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To			Date				C.R. Use
		129811					

1A 1-102

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file L825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

No. 4825

filed with 3756
3756 is with 3138

ACTION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

BLACK
13
4825

J. W. Powell
Indian Comr.
Victoria
B.C.
26/Apl
11/May

Encloses Report of proceedings of Prov. Assembly, on Indian Affairs.

26/Apl 11/May let from Comr Lenihan
13th May. " to Do.
13th " " Comr Powell
11/May 8/2mt " from Comr Lenihan with copy of B. Colonist of 9th May.
15 June Lett to Comr Lenihan

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

THE DAILY STANDARD.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 1875

FIRST PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

FOURTH SESSION.

TUESDAY, April 20, 1875.

The House met at 2 p.m.

Present, the honorable the Speaker, Hons. the Attorney General, Provincial Secretary, Chief Commissioner, Minister of Finance and Agriculture, Messrs. McCreight, A. R. Robertson, Humphreys, Holbrook, Smith, Robson, Tod, Smithe, Semlin, Robinson, Hughes, W. A. Robertson, Duck, Booth, Tolmie, Brown, Cogan, and Barnston.

PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Hughes rose to correct a report in the STANDARD, in respect of the Indemnity Bill. He made use of the words published, but he said more, and it was calculated to give a wrong impression.

Mr. Smithe also rose to the reports on the same, in the STANDARD and the *Colonist*. He did not know how the latter journal could have reported him so. He felt bound to vote as his district had decided.

FIRE BRIGADE.

Mr. McCreight reported the Lightning Creek Fire Brigade Bill, from select committee.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Mr. Smithe reported from the committee on Indian affairs.

Hon. Attorney General said that three members of the committee were unable to attend, and he feared that the committee had had not obtained all the information required He quite agreed with the humane treatment recommended, and the recommendation in regard to giving the natives on the other side of the Cascades larger quantities of lands Negotiations are still pending, and they were unable to place the report before the House, so far.

Hon. Mr. Beaven stated that he had been unable to attend, having been engaged on other committees. He contended that no one could tell anything about the Indian affairs, without going to the Land Office, and if reports were to be of any value, all the information possible should be obtained.

Mr. Smith said it was very tedious to see honorable gentlemen get up several times, when other honorable gentlemen desired to express their views.

Doctor Tolmie agreed with the remarks of the hon. Attorney General.

Mr. McCreight said that from the correspondence before the Committee, it appeared that the Indians in the upper country should have larger quantities of land as in the other Provinces, but in this he didn't attach any blame to the local Government. In some exceptional instances the quantities of Indian lands were sufficient.

Hon. Attorney General believed in the humane policy. But the demands for large quantities of lands were recently made. There was really no need of discussion on the subject. The Government agreed with the Committee that the Indians should have larger extents of lands. He was glad that the House had taken steps to strengthen the hands of the Government in this respect. Under the old system the Indians were satisfied. The hon. gentleman explained how that the question stood in early times. He saw no reason to differ with the general views of the agent here, and would ask to allow the matter to rest where it did. He would ask to have the report withdrawn, as they might be pressed to grant quantities of 80 acres to the detriment of the Province. This Government had not been consulted before the correspondence had been sent to Lord Carnarvon.

Hon. Mr. Beaven objected to having a person's name on the report without having had an opportunity of being present at the Committee meetings. It is unfair on the face of it. He had been fully engaged on the Committees and had to attend to other public duties.

Hon. Attorney General said that if the report is agreed to the local Government were tied down to grant 80 acres of land to each Indian family. He agreed with the report in the main, but the system in force in the East stood on a wholly different basis is the state of Indian affairs in this Province. The title to lands here has never been recognized as it is in the North-west Provinces. Had they to give eighty acres to the head of each Indian family, then they might say good-bye to immigration.

Mr. A. R. Robertson urged that as members of the Government had not been able to be present at the Committee meetings, that the report be referred back to the Committee. It was a most important matter. Whether the Indian grievances lay with the Government, with the settlers, or with others, he could not say, but they should give eve attention to the matter which was a very serious one. He moved accordingly. Carried.

Mr. Humphreys had hoped that all discussion would had been postponed until after that the report had been printed. He had something to say on this matter

The report of the Supply Bill was adopted. Read a third time and passed.

Hon. Mr Holbrook made a final and urgent appeal against the Qualification and Registration of Voters Bill, and asked that it be withdrawn.

Mr. Humphreys made a lengthy declamation against the third reading, and moved a six months' hoist.

Mr. Smithe spoke the against third reading.

Mr. A. R. Robertson said that during the time the Bill had been before the House he was invariably absent and he could not now vote one way or the other.

Hon. Attorney-General was quite satisfied that the matter should be thoroughly canvassed throughout the country, and he was well satisfied that the Bill would place the various constituencies of the Province on a proper basis. The Bill was fully discussed in committee for several days. The main principle of the measure was to provide against one constituency swamping another. He should be very happy indeed to have the supporters of the Bill handed down to posterity.

Mr. W. A. Robertson also spoke against the bill. He did not agree with some of the opposers that the Bill would disfranchise two-thirds or one-half of the electors; but he believed a large number would be disfranchised by the new machinery. He would, therefore, support the six months' hoist.

Mr. Robson once more spoke against the bill. He believed that two-thirds of the voters would be disfranchised and he could see no better electioneering card that the present bill.

Hear, hear from Hon Attorney-General.

Mr. Brown was opposed to the bill from beginning to end and he would vote against it. If the bill were for the benefit of Victoria City the Bill should be differently framed. If this bill passes it will give dissatisfaction, and disfranchise a large number of voters in the Upper Country.

Doctor Tolmie coincided. They needed more voters and more electors in order that Responsible Government should not be a farce. He would keep to the old bill and vote against the present one.

For the six months' hoist, 7 — SMITHE, BROWN, W. A. ROBERTSON, TOLMIE, HUMPHREYS, HOLBROOK, ROBSON.

Against, 13—Remainder of the House with the exceptio of Messrs. Mara, Hunter, and Smith, who were unavoidably absent. Mr. R. Robertson did not vote for reasons stated.

For the third reading, 13 to 7—same vote.

Report of Auxiliary Bill, providing against Indian and Chinese voters, was adopted.

The final reading passed, Mr. Robson and one or two others objecting.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Daily British Colonist.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 21st, 1875.

L. P. FISHER, 20 and 21 New Merchants' Exchange is our authorized Agent in San Francisco.

Indian Affairs.

Amongst the papers sent down to the House and now before the Select Committee to which the subject was referred, perhaps the most important is the following Report of the Hon. Mr. Laird, Minister of Interior, and concurred in by the Privy Council of Canada:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OTTAWA, Nov. 2nd, 1874.

MEMO.

The undersigned is desirous of bringing under the consideration of the Governor-General in Council the present unsatisfactory state of the Indian Land question in the Province of British Columbia.

In connection with this subject he has had before him various reports and officials documents, among others, a voluminous correspondence of Mr. Indian Commissioner Powell with the Local Government of British Columbia, in reference to the Order in Council of the 24th April last, respecting the Indian Reserves; also, the same Commissioner's report of a visit made by him to the Indian tribes in the interior of British Columbia during the past Summer; and lastly, an able and interesting communication from the Rev. C. F. Grandidier, (a Roman Catholic missionary, residing among the Indians in the Interior) published in the "Standard" newspaper, Victoria, with letters from both the Indian Commissioners and from the Roman Catholic Bishop of British Columbia, commenting on Father Grandidier's communication; all of which reports and letters are herewith submitted.

A cursory glance at these documents, is enough to show that the present state of the Indian land question in our territory West of the Rocky Mountains is most unsatisfactory, and that it is the occasion, not only of great discontent among the aboriginal tribes, but also of serious alarm to the white settlers.

To the Indian, the land question far transcends in importance all others, and its satisfactory adjustment in British Columbia will be the first step towards allaying the wide-spread and growing discontent now existing among the native tribes of that Province.

The adjustment of this important matter is not a little complicated, from the fact that its solution requires the joint action of the Dominion Government and the Government of British Columbia, and involves a possible reference to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

The policy heretofore pursued by the Local Governmont of British Columbia toward the red men in that Province, and the recently expressed views of that Government in the correspondence herewith submitted, fall short of the estimate entertained by the Dominion Government of the reasonable claims of the Indians.

In the very last official communication, under date the 12th ultimo, received through Mr. Commissioner Lenihan, the Provincial Secretary of British Columbia writes as follows:

"In the meantime, I desire to call your attention to the fact that all that is reasonable and just to demand of the Provincial Government is, that the 13th Section of the Terms of Union should be faithfully observed. Should the Dominion Government be of opinion that concessions beyond those provided for in the said Section are necessary, it becomes the duty of that Government to make provision accordingly."

To explain the relative position of the Dominion and Local Governments in relation to this question, it is necessary to remember:—

That, under the operation of the 109th and 146th Sections of the "British North America Act of 1867," all the public lands of the Province of British Columbia are placed under the control of the Local Government;

That, by the 13th Article of the Terms of admission of British Columbia into Confederation it is provided,—

"That the charge of the Indians, and the trusteeship and management of the lands reserved for their use and benefit, should be assumed by the *Dominion Gov*

aborigines of British Columbia the continuance by the Dominion Government of the liberal policy heretofore pursued by the Local Government, seems little short of a mockery of their claims.

The first step taken by the Government of the Dominion in dealing with this subject was the passing of an Order in Council of the 21st March, 1873, recommending that eighty acres of land should be assigned by the Local Government of British Columbia to every Indian family of five persons.

To this recommendation (made in accordance with the general policy heretofore pursued in Old Canada in such matters, but without taking into consideration the bearing of the 13th Clause already referred to, securing a liberal policy for the Indians of British Columbia) the Government of that Province peremptorily declined to accede, alleging that the quantity of land which the Order in Council proposed to assign to the Indians was greatly in excess of what was found to be sufficient by previous local Governments, and the Indian Commissioner was notified that the Government of British Columbia had decided that the land reserved for the Indians should not exceed twenty acres for each head of a family of five persons.

Even this allowance of twenty acres for each head of a family, inadequate as it would have been considered by the Indians, has, by the interpretation lately put by the local authorities on their Order in Council granting it, been very materially reduced. They now hold that that Order in Council was intended to apply to new reserves only and not to the old reserves existing at the time of Union. Such, with the exception of the latter interpretation, was the position of the Indian land question in British Columbia when the duty of administering Indian affairs devolved upon the undersigned in his capacity of Minister of the Interior.

His first step in connection with the subject was to submit a memorandum to Council setting forth the facts of the case and recommending, as under the circumstances was inevitable, that the Order in Council of the 21st March, 1873, assigning eighty acres to each Indian family be rescinded, and that only twenty acres be allowed to each family, but also recommending, *inter alia*, that the Local Government should be invited to reconsider their Indian land policy with a view to co-operate in every way with the Government of the Dominion in satisfying the reasonably demands of the native tribes West of the Rocky Mountains.

This memorandum was approved by the Governor-General in Council on 24th April last.

Mr. Indian Commissioner Powell duly submitted this Order in Council to the British Columbia *Government*, accompanied by such arguments as he could use in favour of the adoption by that Government of a more liberal land policy towards the Indians.

The British Columbia Government, however, appear to be resolved to adhere to their determination not to go beyond the grant of twenty acres to each Indian family, and even that allowance, as already observed, is authoritively declared to be intended not "to effect or unsettle reservations before established but is confined to the cases in which, at the time of Confederation, the original tribes were not provided with land set apart for their exclusive use."

The Indian Commissioner on being officially notified of the views of the Local Government, felt reluctantly obliged to arrest the surveys of the Indian Reserves in the Province—surveys which had been authorized by him, and which were then being proceeded with, on the understanding (sanctioned, as he believed, by the Local Government) that twenty acres of land were to be allowed to each Indian family, whether on the old Reserves or otherwise.

This suspension of the surveys, though under other circumstances a necessary step, is calculated to aggravate the discontent and alarm of the Indians in reference to their treatment by the Government, and will, in a great measure, help to keep open the long pending dispute between the white settlers and the Indians in reference to their respective land claims; disputes which, in the summer of 1873, nearly led to an outbreak of the Indian population of the Province, and to the recurrence of which it was hoped these surveys would put an end.

How universal, deep seated, and intense, the feeling of discontent among the Indians of British Columbia was, previous even to the last decision of the Local Government limiting the 20 acre grant, is unmistakably apparent in Mr. Commissoner Powell's Report of his visit to the native tribes last summer, and in the letters of the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Province, and Father Grandidier.

In this connection Mr. Commissioner Powell does not hesitate to write that—

"If there has not been an Indian War, it is not because there has been no injustice to the Indians, but because the Indians have not been sufficiently united."

These gloomy anticipations are shared, not only by both the Indian Commissioners, but also by the white settlers

in some cases their burial grounds have been thus pre-empted.

2nd. They complain that in consequence of the present state of the law in reference to pastoral land, their cattle and horses are systematically driven away from the open country by the white settlers who have taken leases of pastoral land in the neighbourhood.

All these several grievances have been, for many years past, the subjects of complaint among the Indians. But during the last two or three years they have assumed a more serious aspect than heretofore; partly from the fact that the Indians are now, for the first time, feeling practically the inconvenience of being hemmed in by the white settlers, and prevented from using the land for pastoral purposes; partly because the Indians are only now beginning to understand the value of agriculture and to desire the possession of land for cultivation and partly, it may be, because they have been recently made aware of the liberal land policy extended to the Indians of North-West in recent Treaties, and naturally contrast this treatment with the policy meted out to themselves.

The Indians of British Columbia, especially those in the Interior of the Province, are intelligent and industrious, and likely to turn to good account any farming lands which may be assigned to them. Moreover they already own large herds of horses and cattle, and a liberal allowance of pastoral land is to them a matter of absolute necessity, to enable them to support their stock.

The undersigned feels that the Government of the Dominion cannot be charged with want of liberality in its dealings with the Indians of British Columbia since the admission of that Province into the Union. During the last two years the sum of $54,000 has been voted by Parliament for their benefit; and before the expiration of the current financial year, the whole of that large sum will probably have been expended, either in supporting Indian Schools, making surveys, distributing agricultural implements and seed, or for other objects calculated to promote their material and moral well being.

When it is stated that prior to the admission of British Columbia into the Union the entire annual expenditure of the Local *Government* on the Indians did not exceed, at most, a few hundred dollars; that as Mr. Commissioner Powell states:—

"Money payments by the *Government*, on account of the native race, have been restricted to expenditure incurred by Indian outrages, and no efforts have been put forth with a view to civilizing them; it having been considered that the best mode of treating them was to let them alone."

It cannot be alleged that, in this respect, the *Government* of the Dominion has failed, on its part, to continue towards the Indians of that Province as liberal as that previously pursued by the British Columbia Government.

In laying the foundation of the Indian policy in that Province, on the same permanent and satisfactory basis as in the other portions of the Dominion, the government of the Dominion feel they would not be justified in limiting their efforts to what, under the strict letter of the Terms of Union, they were called upon to do. They feel that a great national question like this, a question involving possibly in the near future an Indian War with all its horrors, should be approached in a very different spirit, and dealt with upon other higher grounds. Actuated by these feelings, the Government of the Dominion in its dealings with the Indians of British Columbia has acted as has been shown, in a spirit of liberality far beyond what the strict terms of the agreement required at its hands; and they confidently trust that on a calm review of the whole subject in all its important bearings, the Government of that Province will be prepared to meet them in a spirit of equal liberality.

The policy foreshadowed in the provisions of the 13th Clause of the British Columbia Terms of Union is plainly inadequate to satisfy the fair and reasonable demands of the Indians.

To satisfy these demands, and to secure the good will of the natives, the Dominion and Local Governments must look beyond the terms of that agreement, and be governed in their conduct towards the

[illegible] that therefore, [illegible] Government should make an earnest appeal to the Government of British Columbia, if they value the peace and prosperity of their Province—if they desire that Canada as a whole should retain the high character she has earned for herself by her just and honorable treatment of the red men of the forest, to reconsider in a spirit of wisdom and patriotism the land grievances of which the Indians of that Province complain, apparently with good reason, and take such measures as may be necessary promptly and effectually to redress them.

In conclusion, the undersigned would recommend that, should the views submitted in this Memorandum be approved

commenting on Father Grandidier's communication; all of which reports and letters are herewith submitted.

A cursory glance at these documents, is enough to show that the present state of the Indian land question in our territory West of the Rocky Mountains is most unsatisfactory, and that it is the occasion, not only of great discontent among the aboriginal tribes, but also of serious alarm to the white settlers.

To the Indian, the land question far transcends in importance all others, and its satisfactory adjustment in British Columbia will be the first step towards allaying the wide-spread and growing discontent now existing among the native tribes of that Province.

The adjustment of this important matter is not a little complicated, from the fact that its solution requires the joint action of the Dominion Government and the Government of British Columbia, and involves a possible reference to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

The policy heretofore pursued by the Local Governmont of British Columbia toward the red men in that Province, and the recently expressed views of that Government in the correspondence herewith submitted, fall short of the estimate entertained by the Dominion Government of the reasonable claims of the Indians.

In the very last official communication, under date the 12th ultimo, received through Mr. Commissioner Lenihan, the Provincial Secretary of British Columbia writes as follows:

"In the meantime, I desire to call your attention to the fact that all that is reasonable and just to demand of the Provincial Government is, that the 13th Section of the Terms of Union should be faithfully observed. Should the Dominion Government be of opinion that concessions beyond those provided for in the said Section are necessary, it becomes the duty of that Government to make provision accordingly."

To explain the relative position of the Dominion and Local Governments in relation to this question, it is necessary to remember:—

That, under the operation of the 109th and 146th Sections of the "British North America Act of 1867," all the public lands of the Province of British Columbia are placed under the control of the Local Government;

That, by the 13th Article of the Terms of admission of British Columbia into Confederation it is provided,—

"That the charge of the Indians, and the trusteeship and management of the lands reserved for their use and benefit, should be assumed by the *Dominion Government*, and a policy *as liberal as that hitherto pursued* by the British Columbia Government should be continued by the Dominion Government after the Union."

And it is further provided,—

"To carry out such policy, tracts of land of such extent as it has hitherto been the practice of the British Columbia Government to appropriate for that purpose, shall from time to time be conveyed from the Local to the Dominion Government, in trust for the use and benefit of the Indians, on application of the Dominion Government; and in case of disagreement between the two governments, respecting the quantity of such tracts of land to be granted, the matter shall be referred for the decision of the Secretary of State for the Colonies."

When the framers of the Terms of admission of British Columbia into the Union inserted this provision, requiring the Dominion Government to pursue a policy *as liberal* towards the Indians as that hitherto pursued by the British Columbia Government, they could hardly have been aware of the marked contrast between the Indian policies which had up to that time, prevailed in Canada and British Columbia respectively.

Whereas in British Columbia, ten acres of land was the maximum allowance for a family of five persons, in old Canada the minimum allowance for such a family was eighty acres; and a similar contrast obtained in regard to grants for education and all other matters connected with the Indians under the respective governments. Read by this light, the insertion of a clause guaranteeing the

stances was inevitable, that the Order in Council of the 21st March, 1873, assigning eighty acres to each Indian family be rescinded, and that only twenty acres be allowed to each family, but also recommending, *inter alia*, that the Local Government should be invited to reconsider their Indian land policy with a view to co-operate in every way with the Government of the Dominion in satisfying the reasonably demands of the native tribes West of the Rocky Mountains.

This memorandum was approved by the Governor-General in Council on 24th April last.

Mr. Indian Commissioner Powell duly submitted this Order in Council to the British Columbia Government, accompanied by such arguments as he could use in favour of the adoption by that Government of a more liberal land policy towards the Indians.

The British Columbia Government, however, appear to be resolved to adhere to their determination not to go beyond the grant of twenty acres to each Indian family, and even that allowance, as already observed, is authoritively declared to be intended not "to effect or unsettle reservations before established but is confined to the cases in which, at the time of Confederation, the original tribes were not provided with land set apart for their exclusive use."

The Indian Commissioner on being officially notified of the views of the Local Government, felt reluctantly obliged to arrest the surveys of the Indian Reserves in the Province—surveys which had been authorized by him, and which were then being proceeded with, on the understanding (sanctioned, as he believed, by the Local Government) that twenty acres of land were to be allowed to each Indian family, whether on the old Reserves or otherwise.

This suspension of the surveys, though under other circumstances a necessary step, is calculated to aggravate the discontent and alarm of the Indians in reference to their treatment by the Government, and will, in a great measure, help to keep open the long pending dispute between the white settlers and the Indians in reference to their respective land claims; disputes which, in the summer of 1873, nearly led to an outbreak of the Indian population of the Province, and to the recurrence of which it was hoped these surveys would put an end.

How universal, deep seated, and intense, the feeling of discontent among the Indians of British Columbia was, previous even to the last decision of the Local Government limiting the 20 acre grant, is unmistakably apparent in Mr. Commissoner Powell's Report of his visit to the native tribes last summer, and in the letters of the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Province, and Father Grandidier.

In this connection Mr. Commissioner Powell does not hesitate to write that—

"If there has not been an Indian War, it is not because there has been no injustice to the Indians, but because the Indians have not been sufficiently united."

These gloomy anticipations are shared, not only by both the Indian Commissioners, but also by the white settlers generally in the Province, and are expressed still more strongly, if possible, in the communication already alluded to, of Father Grandidier and the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Province.

All concur in the opinion that, until the land grievances of which the Indians complain are satisfactorly redressed, no treatment, however liberal or humane in the way of money grants or presents, will avail to secure peace or contentment among them. As an evidence of the strength of this feeling of dissatisfaction, Commissoner Powell states that the Indian bands at Nicola and Okanagan Lakes wholly declined to accept any presents from him last summer, lest, by so doing, they should be thought to waive their claim for compensation for the injustice done them in relation to the Land Grants.

The views of the Roman Catholic Bishop and of Father Grandidier entirely accord, as we have said, with those of the Commissioners; and the opinions of those Reverend gentlemen are, it is thought, worthy of special consideration, from the fact that they speak with a thorough knowledge of the subject, acquired by a long residence among the Indians, and close and habitual intercourse with them.

The other principal land grievances of which the Indians complain, besides that of the insufficient quantity allowed them, as already referred to, may be briefly stated under two heads:—

1st. They complain that, in many instances, the lands which they had settled upon and cultivated have been taken from them without compensation, and *pre-empted* by the white settlers, and that

ments and seed, or for other objects calculated to promote their material and moral well being.

When it is stated that prior to the admission of British Columbia into the Union the entire annual expenditure of the Local Government on the Indians did not exceed, at most, a few hundred dollars; that as Mr. Commissioner Powell states:—

"Money payments by the Government, on account of the native race, have been restricted to expenditure incurred by Indian outrages, and no efforts have been put forth with a view to civilizing them; it having been considered that the best mode of treating them was to let them alone."

It cannot be alleged that, in this respect, the Government of the Dominion has failed, on its part, to continue towards the Indians of that Province as liberal as that previously pursued by the British Columbia Government.

In laying the foundation of the Indian policy in that Province, on the same permanent and satisfactory basis as in the other portions of the Dominion, the government of the Dominion feel they would not be justified in limiting their efforts to what, under the strict letter of the Terms of Union, they were called upon to do. They feel that a great national question like this, a question involving possibly in the near future an Indian War with all its horrors, should be approached in a very different spirit, and dealt with upon other higher grounds. Actuated by these feelings, the Government of the Dominion in its dealings with the Indians of British Columbia has acted as has been shown, in a spirit of liberality far beyond what the strict terms of the agreement required at its hands; and they confidently trust that on a calm review of the whole subject in all its important bearings, the Government of that Province will be prepared to meet them in a spirit of equal liberality.

The policy foreshadowed in the provisions of the 13th Clause of the British Columbia Terms of Union is plainly inadequate to satisfy the fair and reasonable demands of the Indians.

To satisfy these demands, and to secure the good will of the natives, the Dominion and Local Governments must look beyond the terms of that agreement, and be governed in their conduct towards the aborigines by the justice of their claims, and by the necessities of the case.

The undersigned would, therefore, respectfully recommend, that the Government of the Dominion should make an earnest appeal to the Government of British Columbia, if they value the peace and prosperity of their Province—if they desire that Canada as a whole should retain the high character she has earned for herself by her just and honorable treatment of the red men of the forest, to reconsider in a spirit of wisdom and patriotism the land grievances of which the Indians of that Province complain, apparently with good reason, and take such measures as may be necessary promptly and effectually to redress them.

In conclusion, the undersigned would recommend that, should the views submitted in this Memorandum be approved by the Governor-General in Council, a copy of the Order in Council passed in the case, with a copy of this Memorandum, be transmitted to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, with a request that he would take an early opportunity of submitting them to his Executive Government, and expressing the hope that the views of the Dominion Government therein embodied may obtain an early and favorable consideration.

He would further recommend, that copies of the Order in Council and the Memorandum, should also be transmitted by the Governor-General to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, accompanied by copies of such of the other documents herewith submitted as may be thought necessary to enable the Colonial Secretary to understand in all its bearings the great national question now seeking solution at the hands of the Dominion Government and the Government of British Columbia.

(Signed) DAVID LAIRD,
Minister of Interior.

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Private

Victoria 26th April

My Dear Sir

I send you two papers containing report of Prov Assembly Proceedings and by which you will perceive that Indian matters have been brought up in the House. The Government however managed to have the Report referred back to the Committee. Last morning the Premier moved and carried an adjournment to meet only for prorogation so that no amended Report could be made. The feeling

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to have Indian land difficulties settled is becoming general and I hope the Government will soon perceive the necessity of acting promptly and fairly in the matter. I may add that only half the correspondence was furnished the House by the Government and if the matter had been allowed to come to a debate the people of British Columbia would have understood the question much better than it is known now. There is however no doubt in the advisability of doing

as little as possible until a definite settlement is effected in regard to lands

Believe me My Dear Sir
Very Truly Yours
J. H. Powell

The Honorable
D. Laird
&c &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

13/5/75.

Sir,

I am desired by the Minister of the Interior to ack. the receipt of your letter of the 26th ult. covering a printed copy of a report of the proceedings of the B.C. House of Assembly on the Indian land question. The Minister desired me to state that he was pleased to see from the extracts sent by you, and from articles in ~~[illegible]~~ the B.C. newspapers that some, at least, of the members of the House were willing to see justice done to the Indian. Mr Lain left for P.C. I yesterday

I have &c

M. G. Dickson

J. W. Powell Esq

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Private

Victoria 26 April 78

Hon D. Laird

Dear Sir.

In accordance with the instructions contained in your letter of 30th. ult. received by me on the 24th inst. I intend to leave for New Westminster on tomorrow and will report my visit on my return. which will occupy a week at least.

I am informed by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

members of the Committee of the assembly on Indian affairs that they brought down a very strong and favourable report which they intended to have presented to the House on the last day. but their intentions were frustrated as the Speaker did not take the Chair until the Governor arrived and then of course it was impossible to present the report.

I am told that the Chairman of the Committee (Mr Smith) a leading member of the opposition told Ministers that he could make funded the report (which I understand is very guilty in accord with the spirit of your Minute of Council) & ministers implored him not to do so. and then threatened that it would be a breach of privilege of the House &c. By this you can see that they want to stifle the subject which they fear is most damaging to them.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

You will require to push them sharply as I heard incidentally the other day that Col. Houghton of the Militia Dept had received some uneasy reports from the interior and we do not know what day we may hear of an alarm. I will try & obtain a copy of the report of the Committee for you. I remain dear Sir,

Yours truly
James Lenihan

Private Victoria 26 April 75

Hon D. Laird

Dear Sir.

In accordance with the instructions contained in your letter of 30th Oct. received by me on the 24th Inst. I intend to leave for New Westminster on tomorrow and will report any visit on my return. which will occupy a week at least.

I am informed by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lenihan
~~J. W. Powell~~
Indn. Comr.
Victoria,
B.C.

Ottawa, May 13 1875.

Sir,

~~I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt~~ am directed by the Minister of the Int. to ack. the rect. of yr let. of the 26th ult.

The Mr desires me to say that he was pleased to hear of your intended visit to N.W. and will be gratified to receive your report. He wished me to add that he was pleased to learn from your letter, and from other sources, that some of the members of the B.C. Legislature were desirous of seeing justice dont to the Indns.

Mr Laird left for P.C.I. Yesterday, he will return probably about the 1st of June.

Thanks
M. G. Dickison

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

since the House had ordered that correspondence to be printed, not a word not even a syllable had been put in type! Moreover, I learned that it was not even in the printing office! It had been abstracted therefrom, without the knowledge of the Speaker or the House, and it was at that particular time in the hands of the Deputy Provincial Secretary. In explanation, Mr. Good said the papers he had taken from the printers were not the correspondence at all, but (to use his own language) "a bundle of nondescript odds and ends of papers, that Mr. Walkem had laid before the House." In short, Sir, I found (if you will excuse a very emphatic, if not very refined phrase) that the leader of the Government had presented "bogus" correspondence to the House! This, of course, he afterwards explained to have been a mistake; but, mistake or not, the fact remains that we had waited a full month for the Indian correspondence, and the genuine article was then being prepared.

In course of time another batch of Indian correspondence was presented to the House, and it was said to be the "Simon pure" this time. Again a time was appointed for the committee to meet, and the usual notice given through the clerk of the House, and by advertisement in the "Standard."

The report which the Committee had agreed upon was then read to him, and he objected to it, saying he had witnesses he wished to be examined, and he had documents in the Land Office he wished to have inspected.—On that one point the "Standard" is substantially correct. But he was not told the Committee "wanted no evidence." He was, however, informed that it was then too late to open up the question anew; that to do so would simply have the effect of preventing the possibility of making a report to the House, and that, as we had been instructed by the House to report to it, it was our bounden duty to make an effort to do so. He was reminded of the fact that he had neglected to attend all of the many previous meetings of the Committee, and he was told that as he did not concur in the report as drawn, it should be altered, so as to be a four-fifths majority report, and that, of course, it was left for him, if he thought proper, to make out a minority report of one, based on the information he claimed to possess upon the subject,—which information he had so sedulously kept to himself. As has already been stated by you, Mr. Editor, Mr. Beaven intimated that it would be all the same, as we should not have an opportunity to report any how. The result proved that he spoke advisedly. *We did not get a chance to report*, and I leave it to you, Sir, and to an intelligent public to determine whose fault it was.

The apology attempted to be made for the neglect of the two ministers to attend the meetings of the Committee, is very lame, indeed. Why, sir, three out of the four of the other Committee-men, viz: Messrs. McCreight, Tolmie, and myself, were on more select committees than any other member of the House. I believe each of us were on as many as Messrs. Walkem and Beaven put together; and I venture to say that not one of us neglected to attend a single committee to which we were appointed.

Let them disguise it as they may, the fact remains, and was transparent through out the entire proceedings on the Indian Question, that the Government were determined to frustrate the attempt made to arrive at a satisfactory solution of the Indian trouble; and this too,—not by a manly, straightforward, honorable opposition, but by shifting, twisting, artful dodging.

I must apologise for trespassing upon your space so much. I feel assured, however, you will willingly afford this opportunity of removing from my fellow-Committee-men the stigma of partiality and high-handedness cast upon them by the writer of the *Standard's* leading article.

I have no doubt your readers will readily perceive how thoroughly the "boot is on the other leg."

Yours, faithfully,
WM. SMITHE,
Chairman of Com. on Indian Affairs.

THE HERMITAGE, Somenos,
May 6th, 1875.

CLASSES FOR YOUNG LADIES WILL
be commenced on Wednesday, the 30th inst., in
house situated on the corner of Kane and Quadra
reets, by competent teachers, under the immediate
upervision of the Rev. R. Cridge and Mrs. Cridge.
A class for boys under 8 years of age will also be
ormed. For particulars apply to
MRS. CRIDGE.
ja14

EDUCATION.

HENRY RHODES & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
[Successors to JANION RHODES & CO.]
STORE STREET, VICTORIA, B. C.
AGENTS—Northern Insurance Co.
AGENTS—Liverpool Board of Underwriters.
oc9

HENRY SAUNDERS,
DEALER IN
Groceries, Provisions and
Liquors,
Fresh Supplies by every steamer. Highest cash
prices Paid for Farm Produce.
JOHNSON STREET, corner Ormond Alley.

T. LUBBE,
Yates St., Victoria, B. C.
FURS AND SKINS
PURCHASED AT HIGHEST MARKET RATES.
CASH ADVANCES made on Consignments to my
correspondents in New York and London.
jun7 3m

OUR FAVORS SOLICITED.
Government st., opp. Postoffice.

DUTCHERS,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL

HELPS, WADLEIGH & CO.,

operatively Ameneting and straightening every
of gold into the cavity by itself. Gold thus
ened must last a lifetime.
BARNARD is happy to inform the public that
rocess of preparing and Filling a Tooth with the
Now Instruments and appliances is al-
as much a pastime with him now as is the insert-
of Partial or Entire Sets of Teeth.
sons not born with a gold tooth in their mouth
ually have a Gold Crown built on a decayed
or solid portion thereof that will LAST FOR-
E.
FICE: DOUGLAS ST., SOUTH OF FORT, FIRST
HOUSE ON THE RIGHT.
REMEMBER—Rubber Dam, Green's Improved Electric Burring Engine and the
Filling Instruments of the highest attributes and characteries in the States.
L OPERATIONS NOW LESS TEDIOUS AND
PAINFUL
d, Silver and Vulcanite Plates quickly repaired
Whole Sets completed at the shortest notice.
LLOID PLATES long since discarded by the
or,
e but first-class Operations performed.
octodw

NOW PREPARED TO TAKE ALL KINDS
of Photographs in all the latest improvements.
On hand and for sale Views of British Columbia and
Vancouver Island. Also, all kinds of Photographic
Materials.
As the New Gallery is well lighted I will guarantee
satisfaction to all who will favor me with their patronage.
ap26

Mrs. Maynard's
NEW PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY
CORNER OF DOUGLAS & JOHNSON STREETS
VICTORIA, B. C.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

F. S. BUSHELL,
PIANOFORTE TUNER AND REGULATOR,
KANE STREET, VICTORIA.
ja3 1y

G. HUSTON
HAS RECEIVED
A LARGE STOCK OF
EX "HARVEST HOME"
BLASTING POWDER in ¼ bbls.
POWDER in ¼ lbs.
LEAD in bars.
COD LINES and a full assortment of
FISHING TACKLE.
As I intend to close out I will sell at
REDUCED PRICES
Cutlery, Powder Flasks, Shot Pouches
Game Bags, Gun Tackle, Single
and Double Barrel Guns, &c.
A few Superior Double Barrel Guns, Manufactured by Langley, Smyth & Company, London.
apl6 1m3p
G. HUSTON.

WOOD-TURNING ESTABLISHMENT.
Francis J. Vennor
HAVING PURCHASED THE TOOLS, Turning Lathe, etc., of the late Joseph Eastman, Turner, corner of Fort and Blanchard streets, is fully prepared to execute all orders entrusted to care with dispatch.
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.
Jan. 15th, 1876. ja19 3m

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

SAFETY FILM

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR JUN 9 1875 OTTAWA

7004825

British Columbia

Victoria 11th May 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for your information a copy of the "Daily British Colonist" newspaper of this City bearing date the 6th instant and would most respectfully call your attention to the letter of Wm Smith Esquire a Member of the Legislative Assembly of this Province published therein

Mr Smith as will be observed acted as Chairman of a Committee of the Assembly appointed by the House at its recent session to consider and report upon the correspondence which has passed between the Dominion and Provincial Governments respecting the Indian land question in this Province

I may remark that Mr Smith is a leading Member of the opposition and a highly respectable man.

I fear it will be necessary to press the early consideration of this subject upon our local Ministry.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

Hon. D. Laird
Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

James Lenihan.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3621, file 4825)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

Vol 3622 D.L.O.

No. 4827

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

INDIAN BRANCH.

1875

Surveyor General

Ottawa

10/11 May Ont

Transmits Copy of Report of Wm Wagner D.L.S. on Fairford & other Reserves.

10 May Let to Com. Provencher with Copy of Report.

19 June Let from Com. Provencher

Report of Sur. Saul -

Memo: 3888 - 21/7/75

27 July Lett to Provencher

4827

ACTION.

Report of Surveyor General for expenditure of 1st & 2nd Treaties, any sum still to be expended on survey of Indian Reserves, & to furnish a plan of same, & to report upon the claims of the Half Breeds of Canada West & East

Attended to 20 Sept. 75.

45

136/30

BLACK

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Winnipeg 10th April 1875

To
The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior of Canada
Ottawa

Sir,

I have the honor in accordance with the instructions received from your Department dated Winnipeg 14th January a.c. to survey Indian Reserves at Fairford River and Lake Manitoba to submit the following report.

After a very troublesome journey on which I was detained for 3½ days by snow storms and drifts on the Lake Manitoba, I arrived at Fairford 20th February.

On the 21st Sunday I attended divine service and after it published to the inhabitants that I would hold a Meeting at the Schoolhouse on the following day to read to them the letter from the Indian Commissioner relating to the situation of the new reserve. I may state here that I had been at Fairford during the Spring of 1874. to Survey the Reserve according to the Treaty made between the Dominion Government, and the two bands at Fairford ~~but~~ and in consequence of their own wish the locality of the Reserve was changed to the North Shore of Lake Manitoba This.

A

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A

This change of the Reserve was agreed upon between the two bands and the Indian Agent as stated by that gentleman in his report to the Indian Commissioner of which I received a copy.

At the day appointed by me for meeting the Chiefs and their men, I had Charles McKay an intelligent scottish halfbred sworn in as interpreter

Hereafter I read the letter of the Indian Agent to them and explained them properly the passage "that every one who has a house outside of the new reserve may hold it as his private property".

Thence I showed to them in which manner I intended to lay out the Reserve asking them if they had a particular wish.

The old chief wished to have the Rearboundary corresponding with the bearing of Lake Manitou as far as the Narrows to which I gave my consent.

At this meeting one of the Indians asked if there would be no reserve laid out for those who had separated from their bands and now living near Lake Winnipeg at the mouth of the little Saskatchewan - my answer was - No instruction. At the place of meeting no dissenting voice was heard nor question asked relating to the survey.

After

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

B

After I had reached my camp appeard before me— Richard Woodhouse— the baptised Chief— with an Indian called Moses stating that Mr St Jean the Indian Agent had promised the Reserve should extend from Lake Manitoba to the Narrows of Lake Manitou.

I again read to them ~~their rights~~ Mr St Johns letter and explained to them their rights relative to their houses outside of the reserve and occupied by them.— More I could not say, I only brought with me my staff and as I usually do— hired the remaining of my party from amongst the residing Indians.

When returning from Survey and scaling the Lake shore I visited the old Chief (heathen) who lives not far from the Narrows surrounded by about a dozen of houses.

During our conversation he informed me that R Woodhouse and Moses had been at his place telling him all sorts of falsehood and wanting of him to oppose again this Survey, which he refused until he would see me But now— and he gave me his hand— I am satisfied, I see all is correct and my people will follow the wish of the good Queen build houses and live in peace. This Chief asked me for a plan of the Reserve which I have promised to him.

The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The Survey done I returned to Fairford where I was informed that Woodhouse and Moses left for Winnipeg I was not far wrong in presuming for what purpose since on the 14th March I received a letter from Mr Chief Commissioner of Indian Affairs Provencher stating that Woodhouse wanted Fairford River and wants to separate from the other band and that I should survey a new reserve for him.

C

I was at that time at Elm point and 5 days from Fairford therefore could not well return, but should this letter have reached me at Fairford I would have refused to comply with the wishes of the Indian Commissioner and I beg the Honorable the Minister of the Interior will be kind enough to see my reasons.

1. Treaty was made with the two bands jointly.
2. In united Council March 1874 - the change of location was decided by the majority.
3. Near Fairford River are only a few real Indians domiciled the larger portion of the settled Indians are on the new reserve that is to say about 15 houses at or near the Narrows and 6 at the western extremity
4. Should a separation of these bands be

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

be permitted others are ready to follow their example - since both Woodhouse and Moses have been the cause of dissatisfaction at Waterhen River and Manitoba Lake.

When I stated that at Fairford River only few Indians live I have deducted 7 Scottish Half-breed families, representing 49 heads who at the next pay day intend to separate from the Indian association - I am the bearer of a letter to the Indian Commissioner to that effect. But should the letter informing me of Woodhouse's operation reached me on time it was out of my power to squander away the lands of the Government Domain.

I further believe that this Fairford Mission may become a good white settlement when inhabited with fishermen who would carry on the fishing trade in a more rational way. Last Years catch amounted to 30.000 fish most of it used as dog feed.

The Waterhen river Indians sent Word not to come - They will not consent.

The Manitoba Lake Indians whose reserve extended from a Creek near Elm point to the North wanted a change in the Reserve close to Dog Lake and since I had no instruction

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to that effect neither the chief being at home. I have abstained from the survey of this Reserve but established the point of commencement for the Reserve according to the original Treaty

In closing I humbly beg without wanting to be intrusive to suggest that should I have the honor of the confidence of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior, the Indian Commissioner to be instructed to have me to accompany the Indian Agent when paying out the yearly bounties and then ~~those~~ at the time of such meetings have the points of reserve settled which will undoubtedly save a good deal of trouble and expense.

I also beg to enclose herewith my field note & Plans and accounts

I have the honor to be
with much respect
Sir.
Your Very Obedient Servant
/signed/ William Wagner
M. L. L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Plan of
Fairford Indian Reserve
filed in Chief Surveyor's
Office
18 April - 1885

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Surveyor General
Ottawa

Transmits Copy of Report
of Wm Wagner D.L.S. on
Fairford & other Reserves

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4827

Lt Col
J. A. N. Provencher
Ind Commr
Winnipeg
Man

10th May 1875

Sir

I am desired by the Supt Genl to enclose a Copy of a Report (received through the Inspector of Surveys at Winnipeg) of Mr Wagner D.L.S. on the Fairford & other Reserves, & to request your observations thereon, & more especially as regards the paragraphs of Mr Wagner's Report marked A. B. & C

I have also to request you to state for the information of the Supt Genl upon what authority the change in the Reserve at Fairford, mentioned in paragraph A was made.

You will be good enough to forward with your report a Copy of the letter of instructions to which Mr Wagner refers

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy.

Indian Commissioners Office
Winnipeg 9th March 1875

My dear Wagner

The Indians of Fairford have come down once more about the Reserve, that you are now surveying, as far as I can see, there is some opposition between the two Bands of Fairford, and it seems that the best way of setteling their difficulty, will be to deal with them seperately altogether. Maysaykeasash's band would have the North Shore of Lake St. Martin, and Woodhouse Band would take the bank of Fairford River, as mentioned in the Treaty, whose provisions cannot be changed except with the full consent of the interested parties—

I wish you would send me word about the progress

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

progress of your operations in
these quarters.

Yours Truly.

Signed J. A. W. Provencher
Indian Commissioner

Dy Mini!

4827

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Office Winnipeg
June 6th. 1875

Sir

The Indian Commissioner has asked me to furnish you with particulars of the Bands of Indians parties to No 2 Treaty for whom Reservation yet remain unsurveyed. By reference to the text of the Treaty you will observe that there are Six Bands of Indians that is by separation of the Water Hen River Band from the Crane River Band and the Two Fraufford River Bands from one another. Of these the Crane River Band has been attended to and there now remains; the Two Fraufford Bands, the Waterhen River Band, the Lake Manitoba Band and the Dauphin Lake or Riding Mountains Band, the text of the Treaty shows the place for this last named Band, but does not speak of the Waterhen River Band and only mentions Severally the place for the Fraufford Indians, the Waterhen River Reservation will be on

6 Bands

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The locality now occupied by the Indians families residing on the River, The Fairford Reserve is to be on the North Shore of St. Martins Lake, but the Surveyor who is entrusted with this Survey is requested to explain to the Indians that all Indians occupying houses on other parts of the Fairford Reserve will be permitted to retain such property as they have in bona. fide occupation, This is by virtue of an express understanding, made with them at the time of the Treaty, and which has I believe been recognised by Your office. The quantity of land to be set apart is one hundred and sixty acres for each family of five persons or in that proportion and the number of persons in each Band after allowing 50 per Cent for probable increase is as follows-

	Persons
Lake Manitoba	276
Fairford 2 Bands	367
Waterhen River	139
Dauphin Lake	180

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

These Reservations should be surveyed with due allowance for rock or marsh so that the proper quantity of Land should be of good land.

I am
Sir
Yours obediently
(Sg) Molyneux St John
Indian Agent

Donald Codd Esqr
Dominion Lands Office

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 19 1875
OTTAWA

Indian Commissioner's Office
Winnipeg 7th June 1875

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th ultimo No 4827, enclosing a copy of the report of Wm Spragge D. L. S. on the Fairford and other Reserves, and requesting me to send my observations thereon

In answer, I beg to inform you that there is really at Fairford two Bands of Indians, perfectly distinct one

The Hon.
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

one from the other.

The Christian Indians, who have Wood house for Chief, are mostly living on Fairford River, between the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin.

The other Bands are inhabiting the North Shore of Lake St Martin, east of the other

according to the Treaty, these Indians are entitled to a Reserve on Fairford River, between the two Lakes, and the Deputy Surveyor received instructions in Consequence from the Dominion Lands Office.

When he arrived there long discussion arose with the Indians interested in these Reserves, who, by the Nature

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

nature of the Country thought themselves Entitled to an Extent of territory more than the Treaty seemed to shew.

The Country along Fairford River is very Brackish, and of course the Indians would not allow these Brooks to be taken in account in determining the Extent of their Reserve, after long discussion, the Indians, according to the Surveyor, Mr Wagner, had agreed to ~~take~~ the Reserve for the two Bands, on the North Shore of the Lake St Martins from the mouth of Fairford River, and going Eastwards as far as they would be allowed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

allowed according to
their population -

The Chief Woodhouse
came down himself, with
this report of the Surveyor, and
had an interview Concerning
this matter, with His Honor
the Lieutenant Governor and
Myself; his views and his in-
-formation not appearing to be
accordance with report of the
Surveyor, Mr Wagner was instruct-
-ed to leave this question in
obeyance for Complete infor-
mation, and to proceede to
Survey some other reserves
located in the same part
of the Country.

Last fall, as the same
Surveyor had to Complete
some other Surveys at Lake
Manitoba, Mr Wagner was
instructed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

instructed, through Mr. Todd Local Agent here, by a letter dated the 6th of January Last. of which I enclose a Copy, as it is reported to by Mr. Wagner, to proceede to Fairford, and Survey the Reserve at the South shore of Lake St. Martin. This change was made from the Report of Mr. Wagner that the Indians were perfectly satisfied with the new Locality, that it would be, in fact, more advantageous to them, and that in the meantime, the Land along the Fairford River would be more Valuable to the Government.

The object of these instructions was mostly to have the Country west and South of Lake St. Martin Surveyed, and

There is letter

no

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and there as I would be in a position to report fully on the matter, to ask you to grant to the Indians whichever locality you would be pleased to allow. In fact the Survey instead of being the result of the Change, was only preparatory to it, and from the information I had at the time, it seemed to be the most proper way to come to a fair and prompt settlement of the matter.

But a second time the Indians, contrary to the information given by the Surveyor, insisted on having the Banks of Fairford River enclosed in their Reserve, and came to Winnipeg to ask me to protect them in their rights. I told them that by the Treaty, they were

entitled

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Entitled to a Reserve on the shore of Fairford. including the Mission. and that this provision of the Treaty could not be changed without their Consent, though I Expressed the opinion that for some reasons, it might be better for them to accept the Suggestions of Mr Wagner, and to take their Reserve further East, on the Shore of Lake St. Martin.

It was after this interview that I sent to Mr Wagner the letter dated the 9th of March of Copy of which I enclosed, according to your demand.-

This Letter Explains itself- I believed then, and I believe still that the Indians of Fairford are entitled to the Banks of the River, as guaranteed by the Treaty, and that the

fish

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

first instructions given to the Surveyor were only based on the information of the Indians having themselves suggested the change to the shore of the Lake St. Martin, as reported by the Surveyor, but this report of the views of the Indians being shewn to be incorrect. these first instructions dated the 6th of January had to be modified -

In these circumstances, I can hardly understand how Mr. Wagner might refuse to Survey this Reserve. or Fairford River, because it would be squandering the Funds of the Government of the Dominion

All the Heathen Indians being settled on the north shore of the Lake St. Martin and a great ~~part~~ part of the Christian Indians having their Houses

Read

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

near the same Lake at the
lower part of Fairford River,
it is easily explained that a
majority may be obtained for
the abandonment of the Mis-
-sion grounds and of the whole
River, but I presume that when
it is proposed to modify a
Treaty whose all provisions are
binding on both parties, the
interest of one cannot be made
to prevail for the ~~only~~ reason
that they are paramount to
interests of the other party.

It might be equally ad-
vantageous for the Indians
and a good deal more to
the Government that the propos
change should take place, but
I dont believe that the matter
should be decided unless with
approval of the Chief and Head
men of this Band of Woodhouse-

If you authorize me to that
Effect.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Effect. I intend to proceede to Fairford in July next. and then finally settle this difficulty with Woodhouse and the Bands, according to any instructions you may please to send me.

Even by Locating this Reserve on the North Shore of Fairford River, on account of the small proportion of areable Land, it does not seem possible to locate the two Bands; east of Lake St Martin; for this reason Massay-Keash's Band has been allowed to remain where has was already settled, on the North Shore of Lake St Martin, Subject always to your final approval, when the full demands of the two Bands will be submitted to your Consideration after my Visit to the place.

(Masaykeash)

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

J A Provencher
Indian Comr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in the case in question, which involves an Expenditure of money for a Survey which may require to be Entirely changed I would be avoided.

L. S. Dennis

Surveyor General.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to a Reserve under a Treaty, desire to effect any change in the locality as the same may be described in the Agreement Entered into with the Government, and such change be agreed to by the Minister, it should be confirmed by Order in Council, whereupon the Surveyor General should receive the necessary authority to have the same laid out accordingly.

The above course is absolutely necessary to legalize any change, and, moreover, by such means, any difficulty such as that which has arisen in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy Telegram
To A. H. Whitcher, Esq. Ottawa 12th January 1875
Winnipeg Ma.

Employ Wagner, if disengaged, to survey Fairford and Waterhen Reserves - also Elm Point if Reserve fixed there by the Treaty.

(signed) J. S. Dennis

Copy Telegram
To Colonel Dennis, Ottawa Fort Garry 12th January 1875

Indian Commissioner wishes survey of Fairford and Waterhen Reserves completed; also wants Reserve surveyed for Indians at Elm Point. Shall I send Surveyor?

(signed) A. H. Whitcher.

Ref: 3922.

Department of the Interior
Dominion Lands Office,
3888 Ottawa, 21st July, 1875.

Memo.

The undersigned is not aware of the nature of the instructions issued to Mr. Wagner, D.L.S., from the Surveys Office at Winnipeg, to survey the Fairford Mission Indian Reserve. It is probable such instructions were issued as authority was given to Mr. Whitcher (see telegrams in margin) with that view.

The copy alluded to by the Commissioner as attached to his report, does not appear with the papers.

It is evident that the manner in which Mr. Wagner proceeded in laying

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

laying out the Reserve intended to be set apart for the Indians in that locality under the Treaty was Entirely irregular, inasmuch as the said Reserve is placed by his Survey in a different situation to that of the Land described in the Treaty itself.

The undersigned would respectfully suggest the following as the best Course to be pursued hereafter respecting the Survey and marking on the ground of any Reserve to be set apart for Indians, that is to say:

— Should the Indians of any band Entitled to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4827 I B
Lt Col
J. A. N. Provencher
Ind Commr
Winnipeg
Man

27th July/75

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 7th Ultimo, and to previous correspondence on the subject of the Survey of the Fairford Reserve, I am desired by the Supt General to enclose for your information a Copy of a Memo of the Surveyor General on the subject.

2. The Supt General desires me to say that he regrets to find that the survey in question was, ~~without any sufficient authority from this Dept.~~ made irregularly by Mr Wagner without the formal sanction of the Gov General in Council being first obtained for the change in the locality of the Reserve set apart by the Treaty.

3. The Supt Genl trusts that

Appd S U
Supt. Ltr

Mr Wagner
Ltr

~~made by Mr Wagner~~
without any proper authority from the Dept &

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that in future you will adhere to the instructions on this subject contained in the Memo of the Surveyor Genl.

4. As matters now stand the Sec[illegible] Genl ~~thinks it desirable~~ that you should carry out your intention of visiting the Indians at Fairford with a view to finally settle the question of the Reserve. ~~and he trusts, that when there, you will obtain the formal sanction of the Band to the proposed change in the locality of the Reserve.~~

5. On receiving your report that this has been done, and a new Reserve or Reserves selected by the Band, the whole matter will be submitted for the consideration of the Gov Genl in Council

* does not think it advisable

* The Reserve which the Indians propose to select is not within Treaty limits and the Govt cannot assume to deal with these lands until formally surrendered; as it is presumed they will be on the conclusion of the proposed new Treaty.

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4827)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO 27 Jan/76

It accumulat
ed has been a
charge a deficie
y it suppose.
I do him with A.G.

Dom
to Mr Provencher
for letter accord
to Minute of 22nd Inst

Mr. D. Jones
Chargeg Dom
Pro. of Graham

No. 4879 4897

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

J. A. Provencher
Indian Comr:
Winnipeg
13/22 May " Indn:

Mr St John having
resigned he has
secured the services
of Mr. J. S. Graham
of the Dom: Survey Office
subject to approval.
Refers to his letter of
20 Sept last relative
to the appointment
of an Accountant and
Clerk. Recommends
Mr Allan & Mr L.O.
Bourget who have,
respectively, sent in
their applications

√ 26 May 1875 Ackd

ACTION.

4879

Personal

BLACK

√ 27 June, letter to Hon St. John. accepting resignation
√ 26 June " " " Provencher,
√ 15/June " from do
√ 23 June " to do Do
√ 2/July Let from Do
√ 14 July Let to — do —
√ 11/Oct Lett to Mr Graham
√ 11/75 Oct Lett to Mr Conver Provencher
√ 9/20/Dec Let from — do —
√ Oct/99
√ 24 Dec letter to Hon Provencher.
√ 7/22 Jan " from — do —
28 Jany 76 Credit Cheque for $61.65 in favor of Mr Graham
asked for Diary for Indian for one month & 18 days
√ 28 Let to Col Provencher with Cheque.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MAY 22
1875
OTTAWA.

Indian Commissioners Office
Winnipeg May 13th 1875

W.P.

Sir,

Seeing duly notified of M. St John's resignation having been sent to you. I find it necessary during my absence from Winnipeg to leave the office under the charge of some competent and well known person — I beg to inform you that I have been able to secure the services of M. J. J. Graham, late of the Dawson Road, & now connected with the

To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the Dominion surveys of the
Peace River (commissariat Branch)

From his experience of the country and other qualifications, Mr Graham, will, I am confident, give all satisfaction. It is needless for me to add that this appointment is altogether provisional and subject at any time to your approval - Mr Graham's duty in the Dominions surveys office here and of such nature as to enable him to fill up this new temporary position well and efficiently.

Referring to my letter dated

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

dated Sept 30th Last, on the subject of the appointments of an accountant and of a Clerk of Correspondence here, I beg respectfully to call your attention to the fact that those appointments are yet to be made.

Mr Allan late officer in the Dominion light Infantry and Mr L. O. Bourget have both informed me, that they have respectively sent their application to the Department; if requested to give any information respecting this matter, I could say that these two gentlemen appear to me well

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

qualified to discharge the duties that might be assigned to them by the Department.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your very obt Servant

J. W. Provencher
Indian Comm^r

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4879.
J. A. N. Provencher, Esqr.
Indn Comr.
Winnipeg.

May 26 1875.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th Inst., reporting that having been notified that Mr St John had forwarded his resignation to this Dept. you had provisionally appointed Mr Mr J. F. Graham late of the Dawson Route, but now connected with the Domn Surveys to take charge provisionally of the office during your absence from Winnipeg. & Calling attention to your letter under date the 30th, Septr. last on the subject of the appointment of an accountant and clerk of correspondence for the Indn office at Winnipeg.

On the return of the St Gl. to Ottawa your letter will be submitted for his consideration

~~I have~~

I may add that Mr St John's resignation has not yet reached the Dept.

W. H.
Buy under note of
U Minister or his relars
to Ottawa

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MAY 28 1875
OTTAWA.

Winnipeg

15th May 1875

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I desire to resign the position I occupy as Assistant Indian Commissioner, and trust that it will meet with your convenience to accept this, my resignation

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Alexander Morris

The Honble
The Minister
of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

[Form No. 1.

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

Incorporated 1847.

Connected with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OTTAWA JUN 3 1875

Sent by SC Rec'd by JD

Check 45 pd 100 JD

Terms and Conditions.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 9 Time 8 27 June 3 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man May 31

To Minister of Interior

Provencher returned will leave again Saturday for Riding Mountain & Fort Ellice St John left for Ontario Provencher after consulting me requested Graham of Pearl River Survey to act in his absence will be glad if he be appointed to vacancy. Is well adapted for duty.

A. Morris

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

approval of Decreased
Appointment of Mr Geo Kim,
and accept of resignation
Mr M. St John
5/6/75 D.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4879

June 7th 1875

W. St. John Esqr
Ottawa

Sir.

I have the honor by direction of the Lieut Govr to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th ultimo, tendering your resignation of your office as assistant Indian Commissioner in Manitoba & the N. W. T. and ~~accepts same~~ to inform you that your resignation has been accepted.

I have &c

No 4879

June 7 1875

Lt Col
J. A. N. Provencher
Indian Commissioner
Fort Garry
Man

Sir

Referring to your lett of the 13th Ult. I have to inform you that the Lieut Govr has been pleased to accept Mr St John's resignation of the office of Asst Ind Commr in Manitoba & the N.W.T. and to approve of the provisional appt made by you of Mr Graham as Asst Commr in place of Mr St John.

I am &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 19 1875
OTTAWA

Indian Office
Winnipeg June 5th 1875

Sir:

With reference to the last paragraph of your letter of the 26th ult. No 4879 with regards to the resignation of Mr St John, I beg to inform you that he has finally left the Office on the 15th May last and I wish that you would instruct me about what amount of salary he may be entitled to, the balance of the Cheque No 107 if there is any, to be disposed of as you will please to direct

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obt Servt

J M Provencher
Indian Commr

To the Hon
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4879

Mr Laird says that Mr Stobo
N.L. paragraph 6 the 15th May
the date of the enquiry
one of the actually
leaving the Office
date of the
leaving the Office.

24 June 1752

Mr Graham & Stobo dates
a Monday Harbour.
to allow of a
half of Wolfe
Dilley -
At

B by Mail:-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No (4879)

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 22 June 1875

Mr Provencher enquires in his letter of the 5th Instant as to what date Mr St John should be paid and as to how the balance of Mr St John's Salary for the quarter ending the 30th Instant should be disposed of.

It appears that Mr St John tendered his resignation by letter dated Winnipeg 15th May - and Mr Provencher informs the Dept that on that day Mr St John finally left the Office. Mr Provencher also states that he at once secured the services of Mr Graham, provisionally, in the place of Mr St John, and it is to be presumed that Mr Graham has been acting in Mr St John's place since the 15th May. When Mr St John finally left the office.

See his letter of that date.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Such being the case it is submitted that Mr H. Johns should be paid his salary pro rata up to the 15th May - and no longer.

Had Mr H. Johns continued to act until this resignation had been accepted and a successor appointed for Head Quarters he might reasonably have claimed his salary up to the date of the acceptance of his resignation - But here it is otherwise - From the 15th Mr Graham appears to have taken Mr H. Johns place & discharged the duties of the office and it is plain two persons cannot be paid at the same time for the duties of one office.

As to the amount to be allowed Mr Graham - It is recommended that while acting provisionally and while in receipt of pay as an

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

office of the Dominion from some other source. Mr Graham be allowed one half the salary paid Mr St John, that being the rate of pay usually granted under similar circumstances.

It is further recommended that Mr Provencher be requested to return the cheque sent him to pay Mr St John and that that gentleman, who is now resident at Ottawa, be paid directly at Head Quarters and that a cheque be sent from here to Mr Graham for the amount of pay coming to him up to the end of the current quarter.

L A Meredith

Deputy of the Minister
of the Interior

Appr D.L.
22/6/75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4879

Lt Col
J. A. N. Provencher
Ind Comr
Winnipeg
Man

Ottawa
23 June 1875

Sir,

Referring to your letters of the 5th & 7th Inst on the subject of the resignation of Mr St John as Asst Ind Comr and desiring instructions regarding the Official Cheque for $245.00 sent to you for the current quarter

I am directed by the Supt Genl to request you to return the official cheque for $245.00 in order that payment may be made to Mr St John, now resident here, of the amount to which he is entitled up to the date of his resignation, the 15th Ultimo.

I am to add that the Supt Genl has been ~~been~~ pleased to direct that Mr Graham while acting provisionally and while in receipt of ~~receiving~~ pay as a Dominion officer from some other source be allowed one-half the salary paid to Mr St John that being the usual rate of pay allowed to persons acting under such circumstances.

It is presumed that

Mr

Shew the Accountant
DAC
Cons [illegible]
RS
23/6/75
DAC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Dr Graham entered on his duties on the 15th ult on which date you state Mr St John finally left the office, but on this point you will have the goodness to advise me officially. On receipt of this information the amount of Salary to which Dr Graham will be entitled for the ~~present~~ current quarter, at the rate above named will be forwarded to you for him.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Commissioners Office
Winnipeg 2nd July 1875

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ult, No 4879. I.B. requesting me to return the Official Cheque for $245.00. in order that payment may be made to Mr. St. John. now residing in Ottawa;

I beg to inform you, that I have already cashed the cheque referred to; as advised

To the Hon.
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Under those circumstances the Exercise way now to deal with the matter is to instruct Mr Provencher to pay to Mr Graham 1½ mos pay @ $500. = $62.50
to send M. O to Mr St John for 1½ mos @ $1000. 122.50
Cert of Deposit for Rec Genl for $60.— 60.
as "Refund Ind Expenditure 1874-5.
Let Mr Provencher charge the Comm on the money order in his Contingencies

$245.00

250.00
83.33
40.86
12,509
122.50
2.50

12/50000
41.66
20.83
62.49

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

245
190
55

124 | 500.00
41.66
20.83
62.49

245.—
122.50

122.50 Gr Lt Sykes Rec. O.
67.50 Gr Graham
55.00 Cost of Depredt, Rebuild of Lod'n Sch 1874-5

245.00

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

advised in my letter of the 7th ultimo, in accordance with your repeated instructions that all official cheques should be presented for payment soon as possible, and furthermore, having instructions from Mr. St. John, to receive all monies due him from the Department, to be placed as already instructed by him, I may add that I have the money on hand, subject to your further instructions.

With reference to the last paragraph of your letter, I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Jas. F. Graham entered upon his duties in this office on the 15th of May.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
J. M. Provencher
Indian Commr.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4879

J. A. N. Provencher Esqr.
Indian Commissioner.
Winnipeg.
Manitoba.

July 31st 1875

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst., in which you state that you have cashed the Cheque for $245 sent you to pay Mr. St. John for the Quarter ended the 30th ult. ~~I [illegible] request that [illegible] [illegible]~~ Suit bring the case you will dispose of the proceeds as follows:-

Pay Mr. Graham 1½ months pay at $500 per annum } = $62.50

Send Money order to Mr. St. John for 1½ months pay at $1.000 per annum } = $122.50

Deposit to the credit of the Recd. Genl. as "Refund Indian Expenditure 1874-5" & send Certif. of deposit to this office } $60.00

$245.00

The Commission on the Money Order you should charge

in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in your Contingent account.
Lawk.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Try 4879

Department of the Interior
Ottawa 11th Oct 75

James F. Graham, Esq.
Winnipeg Ma

Sir

Referring to my letter of 23rd June last addressed to Mr Ind Cons Provencher I am directed by the Minister of the Interior to inform you that as the season for making payments to the Indians for the current year is now over your services in connection with the Indian Office at Winnipeg will not be required after the 31st of this month.

Mr Provencher has been advised accordingly

You will assist the Indian Commissioner in making up his accounts to the end of the current month

I have &c

Gordon of Memorial
E Ale

Sent by
E Ale

Sheet to Accountant
E Ale

See Letter
on next sheet

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEC 20 1875

Indian Commissioners Office
Winnipeg 9th Dec.r 1875

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2/th ultimo, enclosing Official Cheque No 53. for $41,67. in favour of J. F. Graham for his Salary in full to the 31.st of October last.

Enclosed please find the the duplicate receipts.

In connection with the cessation

Receipts & Agreement

To the Hon.ble
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

cessation of the Services of
Mr Graham, as assistant
Commissioner. I beg to be
allowed to submit the
following observations.

When I had the honor
to receive your letter of the
15th of October Last Nr 4879,
Mr Graham was absent on
business connected with
the Surveys of Peace River
and with the Indian
affairs - He did not return
till the Last of October, and
the letter addressed to him,
on the same subject, was
not put in his hands before
the 27th of November Last.

His absence out west
having Lasted forty three
days instead of twenty
as Expected, the business

of

1 Nov 20 7

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the Office. Reports, accounts, &c. &c. could not be closed by the last of October, and the services of Mr. Graham have in consequence been required in the Office till now.

I beg moreover to be allowed to represent that the business of the Office is of such an importance that one man alone can hardly be expected to attend to it properly. Nearly every day we have the visit of some Indians, and when it is remarked how protracted those interviews are, it is easily understood that there is no more sufficient time

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

time left for the correspondence and attendance to the other business of the office- That has been felt specially last fall, during the absence of Mr Graham, and this Explains how some information, and reports were so far delayed as to call the attention of your department.

I must also add that that by its very nature, the business of the Office cannot be safely entrusted to a person altogether unfamiliar with it. Mr. Graham having attended most of the meetings of last Summer, was in a position to be able to

Supply

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

supply, all information required, and to answer all questions concerning the administration of Indian affairs in this Province.

In Connection with these particulars. I may mention to you, that during this winter, I intended to ask for a few weeks leave, and that lack of my continuous residence here for nearly three years had led me to believe that my demand might meet your favourable Consideration. Without insisting on a matter of a purely personal

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

personal Character. I cannot help regretting that the departure of Mr Graham from the Office would take away all idea of presenting my demand.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

J. W. Provencher
Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4879.
Lt. Col. J. A. N. Provencher,
Indn Comr.
Winnipeg.
Ma.

24th Decr 1875.

Sir,

I am directed by ~~I have the honor by direction of~~ the Superior ~~Minister of the Interior~~ to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th. instant, in reference to the employment of Mr Graham after the 31st of October last.

I am to inform you, in reply, that before Mr Graham can be paid for his services, rendered after the 31st. October, the Minister wishes to understand why his instructions were disregarded, and Mr Graham continued in employment after you had been officially informed that his services were to be dispensed with after that date. I am further to request that you will explain how ~~why~~ the letter to Mr Graham was not "put in his hands" until the 27th ult. as your statement would lead to the inference that it had been detained by some one.

~~I am~~ to add that in the cases you should not have taken ~~no such authority~~ upon yourself ~~as~~ to continue Mr Graham in employment after the 31st. ~~within~~ October. You should have reported the necessity for a continuance of his services owing to the pressure of work in the ~~Winni~~ office, and desired that he might

approved
McLaw

Ef

[illegible]

[illegible] direct [illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

be continued, leaving it to the Minister to authorize it, if deemed advisable.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

JAN 22 1876
OTTAWA

500
45
7500
20000
27500 (61.65
21900
6000
3685
23350
21900
16000

Indian Commissioner's office
Winnipeg 7th of January
1876

Sir,

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 24th Decemb
last, no 4879, with
reference to the employment
of the Grahams after the
31st of October last; and
in answer, I beg to inform
you that though the
services

To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

services of Mr Graham were continued after the above mentioned date, his employment was not considered either by him or by me as binding on the part of Your Department, and it has always been left to You not to authorize it if You deem it advisable -

The letter addressed to Mr. Graham, advising him of the cessation of his services on the 31st

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

31st of October was accidentally detained at the Post Office here -

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

J. W. Provence by

Indian Commissioner

Send me Graham check, through Provence, for pay up to time last expected namely middle Dec. 45

D L

20/1/76

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4879)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
- File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

D.M. 9 Aug.

Duplicate
No. 4931
Original Transd to Sec of State

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

I. W. Powell
Indian Comr
17 May
7 June
Victoria
B.C.

Writ Communication from Chf Thumamitza re one of his tribe named Hootsiac under sentence for life in New Westminster jail, Also Chf Justice Begbie's report in re. Recommends Hootsiac's pardon

ACTION.

BLACK-4931

Aug 9. Letter to Sec of State Ottawa

153/19

Original Papers
Rd to Sec of State June 9
26 June Ltr from Sec of State
30 June " to Comr Powell
17 July " from Comr Powell with encl.
31 July Ltr to Comr Powell
22 Aug 73 " from Do

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
JUN 28 1875
OTTAWA.

1016
on
745.

1024-931

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
CANADA.

Ottawa, 26th June 1875.

Sir,

With reference to the case of the Indian Convict "Wootiac", the Papers relating to which case were referred to this Department, on the 9th inst. I have the honour to inform you, that His Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased, on a consideration of the case, to direct that the Convict be released from the Gaol at New Westminster, where he is now undergoing a Sentence of imprisonment for life.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, has been requested to take the necessary steps for carrying His Excellency's decision into effect.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,

Edmund Langevin
Undersecretary of State

The Honorable
The Minister
of the Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

4931.

make dup.
original transf. to
Sec of State June 9/75

to Dy Min:-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4931 D.B.

Lt Col
J.H. Powell
Ind Comsr
Victoria
B.C.

26th June 1875

Sir,

Referring to my lett of the 8 Inst, in reply to yours of the 17th Ult, relative to the case of the Ind Convict Hootsiac, I now enclose for your information a Copy of a lett from the Under Sec of State, containing the decision of His Excellency the Administrator of the Govt. on the case

[illegible]

26th June 1875

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

New Westminster Gaol
June 11th 1875.

Sir,

By request of Dr Trew I forward you a report upon a prisoner now confined in this Gaol named "Moot-sac" an Indian. He was convicted before Chief Justice Begbie at Yale on the 18th of October 1869, and sentenced to Death on the charge of shooting one I. Alway with intent to murder.

The sentence was afterwards commuted to imprisonment for life, with hard labor by His Excellency Governor Musgrave on the 26th of June 1871. The prisoner is very young I would say at present about 25 or 26 years old, and since his confinement has been of a very exemplary character.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obdt Servt.
(Sd) Arthur H. McBride.
Gaoler.

To
The Superintendent of Police
&c &c &c
Victoria BC.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT
JUL
3
1875
OTTAWA.

Copy

New Westminster
June 15th 1875.

Sir,

I have this day forwarded to the Superintendent of Police, a report from Mr. McBride, Warden of New Westminster Jail relative to an Indian prisoner named "Mootsaic", and also a statement from myself with the request that he will forward the same officially to you.

The prisoner Mootsaic is sentenced for life for "Shooting with intent", he has served several years of his sentence and the confinement without hope of release is gradually making him a continual invalid.—

He has been led to believe that efforts would be made for his release, and no results appearing to him he is by degrees becoming more and more ill.

I think his case is one well worthy of executive clemency, his youth, constant good behaviour.

The Commissioner
of Indian Affairs
Victoria.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

behaviour, and illness from confinement all plead in his favor, and I have no doubt the term he has served in prison would be looked upon by the Indians as sufficient for his crime, while his reprieve might be the means of making his own and other neighbouring Tribes more faithful and law abiding.

I have the honor to be,
Sir.
Your obedt. Servt.
(Sd.) C. Newland Trew.
Medical Officer to
New Westminster Jail.

To Lt. Col Powell
Commissioner of
Indian Affairs
Victoria.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

JUL 3 1875 OTTAWA

549
584. B.

British Columbia
Indian Office
Victoria June 17th 1875

Sir,

Referring to my letter of May 17th 1875 regarding the petition of the Chief of the Cook's Ferry Indians for the pardon of an Indian, "Mootsaic".

I have now the honor to enclose a copy of a letter from Dr. C. W. Grew Medical Officer to the New Westminster Jail in reference to the same.

I cannot but think the Executive clemency would be most advantageously moved if "Mootsaic" were pardoned.

Should

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c. &c. &c.

Reports from Dr. Grew Medical Officer W. W. enclosed
A. McBride Gaoler W. W.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Should this impression meet with your concurrence, I should be glad to hear from you upon the subject with as little delay as possible.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obdt. Servt.

J. P. Bowell

Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4931
work D. M.

to Dy Minister

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4931

Lt Col
I.W. Powell
Ind Comrs
Victoria

Ottawa July 5th 1875

BC

Sir,

I have to ack the receipt of your letter of the 1st Ult together with its enclosures, on the subject of the petition of the Chief of the Cook's Ferry Indians, for the pardon of the Indian "Mootsaie", and in reply beg to refer you to my letter of the 26 Ult. on the subject.

sAG

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

AUG 7 1875 OTTAWA

68

626.13.

British Columbia.

Indian Commissioner's Office,

Victoria, July 22 1875

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th Inst. No 4931 I. B., enclosing copy of a letter from the Under Secretary of State, containing the decision of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government in the case of the Indian convict "Mootsaic".

I am informed that the Indian has been duly liberated, and I have no doubt that the promptness of His Excellency in extending clemency in this case, will be duly appreciated

The Honble
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

appreciated by the extensive Tribe
to which the Convicts belongs.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obdt. Servt.

I. W. Powell
Indian Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4931)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
- File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
- File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

D.M.

No. 4945

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

Lt. Governor of the
N. W. Territories
Fort Garry
Man

31 May
12 June

Despatch No 265.
Enclosing letter from
Rev. Jos Reader praying
that the Indian Reserve
may be laid off at Little
Touchwood Hills & that
a site may be granted
to the Church of England
Mission, for the erection
of buildings. Also asks
for seed for Indians
& half-breeds.

14 June 1875 - Ackd —

ACTION.

BLACK-4945

114/30

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

copy

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 11 1875
OTTAWA.

Winnipeg.
Manitoba
May. 17th. 1875.

To His Excellency the Honorable Alexander Morris Lieut: Governor of Manitoba and North West Territories.-

May it please your Excellency.

Last year I was sent out from England to the little Touchwood Hills, Rupert's Land as a Missionary to the Indians, under the auspices of the Church Missionary Society. I reached my destination July 25th. At that time I found only two or three families, only a few years ago I believe there was quite a little settlement of Halfbreeds and Indians there, among whom our Indian Catechist Mr Charles Ruth had laboured for many years. They lived in houses and cultivated the soil, but alas! the grasshopper compelled most of them to seek refuge elsewhere: and many of their houses were burnt by ill disposed persons

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Although driven away, the Crees and many of the Saulteaux always look upon the Touchwood Hills as their home; and speak of them as such. There are, I believe, a large number of Indians connected with the Touchwood Hills, now scattered abroad, yet willing and desirous to farm.

Since my arrival there, there has been as your Excellency will know, a great change. The Indians have ceded their lands to the Government by Treaty; and are now anxiously awaiting for the location of their Reserve, which I trust will be determined without unnecessary delay. I am anxious to build, but feel a difficulty in so doing until I am authoritatively informed of the spot for the Indian Settlement, wherever it be. I am persuaded that it must be no small piece of ground: for your Excellency is no doubt aware of the fact that the Indians at the Treaty

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

made at the Lakes of Qu'appelle last fall, were but a sprinkling of the two Tribes which they represented. I am convinced too, that if the Indians among whom I labour are ever to exist as a people, they must settle a considerable distance from any Railway Station where intoxicating liquor might be imported. If therefore I might be allowed to suggest to the Government a spot suitable for the Reserve, it would be The Little Touchwood Hills with sufficient arable land all round - There the land is good with plenty of wood and water for such a Reserve. If any portion of the Touchwood Hills be open to settlers, then I fear that in time, the poor Indian who is so proverbially improvident, will be persuaded to sell his land. I would therefore ask that the Reserve might be fixed upon such a basis as will not admit of alienation. If settlers with to come in our direction, there is a fine piece of land

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with plenty of wood and water at the Big Touchwood Hills. When the Reserve is surveyed, I should be thankful if your Excellency would allow a sufficient portion to belong to the Church Missionary Society. It is my intention to erect a building in which to gather the Indians together, and preach the everlasting Gospel, without which all other efforts to raise the Indian are of little avail. And I feel that in this the Government will not be behind in helping me. Meanwhile some provision, in the way of seed, should be made for the Indians this summer. There was a considerable amount of starvation last winter & unless something be done at once to enable them to farm, I almost tremble for next winter, as there will be less hunting and more Indians. When he is starving the poor heathen will at once go to the Missionary for relief. I should be thankful therefore if a good supply of Potatoes, Swedish Turnips and Onions

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

grubbing Hoes were given them this Spring - The bulk of Indians I shall probably feed at Touchwood Hills on my return - When I left on April 22nd 1875 there were a few teils scattered here and there - One chief "the Poor man" came in from Little Forks the night of the 21st april and informed us that another chief "George Gordon" and other Indians would soon follow -

There are a number of Half-breeds at Touchwood Hills who have been there for years; and I fear there will be great dissatisfaction if they do not share in the gift of seed I would therefore ask your Excellency for a supply of seed this Spring for the Indians at Qu'Appelle, and Halfbreeds and Indians at the Touchwood Hills. If it seem good to your Excellency, I shall esteem it a privilege to distribute the seed to those at Touchwood Hills, as soon (D.V.) about to return thither - It is my great desire

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and earnest prayer to see the Indians in their own Reserve settling down as a Christian community, and advancing in civilization and Seamently hope that the half-breeds will not be overlooked, but have some provision made for them.

I fear my letter is too long already: but I have one more request to make viz: that a resident magistrate should be located in the Indian Reserve, to prevent the possibility of the sale of liquor, and to settle disputes which might arise.-

Hoping my letter may meet with a favourable reception.

I beg to remain.

Your Excellencys obedient servant

(sgd) Joseph Reader.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

M.D.
act & matter
rec'd terms conducts

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 11 1875
OTTAWA.

N. W.
No. 265

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba.
May 31st 1875

Sir:

I have the honor, to enclose, you, a copy of a letter, I have received from the Revd Joseph. Reader, Church of England Missionary, at the "Little Touchwood Hills," praying, that the Indian Reserve may be laid off there without delay, and that a site may be granted to the Mission, for the erection of buildings, and representing, that there is a good position for a white settlement at the "Great Touchwood Hills."-

With regard to Mr Reader's request for seed for the Indians and half-breeds, I gave him a letter to Archibald McDonald of Fort Ellice, to whose care I had, under your authority, forwarded some potatoes and hoes requesting him

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

heins, to place a portion thereof, at Mr Readers disposal for the Indians, but I was under the necessity of informing heins, that I had no authority to include the Half-breeds in the distribution.-

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

Alex. Morris

Lt. G. N. W. T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 4945 N.B.

Ottawa, 14th June 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch (No 265 N.W.) of the 21st ultimo, covering a copy of a letter addressed to you by the Revd Joseph Reader, Church of England Missionary at the "Little Touchwood Hills" praying that an Indian Reserve may be laid off there without delay and that a site be granted to the Mission for the erection of buildings ~~and a mill & of land and agricultural implements~~

His Honor
The Lieut Governor of the
North West Territories
Fort Garry
Manitoba

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~implements be given to the Indians and half breeds~~

In reply I have to inform you that the matter of laying off the Reserves for the Indians will receive timely consideration.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedt Servant

Sgd D. Laird

~~D. Laird~~

Minister of the Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4945)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
- File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
- File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
_File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY

1320

MEMO.

No. 1948

ACTION.

ACTION CONTINUED.

Department of Indian Affairs,

1883.

103/30

BLACK-
4948

John Nelson Esq.
Ottawa
16 Jan'y

Calling attention to certain facts having reference to the Reserve for the Blood Indians between the Belly and St. Mary's Rivers.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3622, File 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1948

Ottawa Jany 15th 1883

Sir,

I have the honor to draw your attention to the following facts having reference to the reserve for the Blood Indians between the Belly and Saint Mary's rivers.

If this reserve is to extend all the way to the junction of these rivers it will include the old Whiskey trading post called Whoop-up and the bottom upon which it stands. This place is still occupied by a Mr. David Akers one of the pioneer Indian traders of that country.

I do not see any special advantage in taking Whoop-up and the surrounding bottom into the reserve for the following reasons viz:-

Mr. Akers may ask a big figure for his improvements the intrinsic value of these to the department lies only in the logs of cotton-wood timber of which the buildings are composed.

The bottom at Whoop-up is very gravelly, and Mr. Akers has his farm, or field, on the north

Re Sinclair
Refer this
to Mr Dewdney
on his arrival
Jany 16/83

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

north side of Belly River on that account.

(3) The place is difficult to approach owing to the high steep banks.

(4) It is only a question of time till the Belly River cuts through the bottom (as shown by examining the accompanying sketch of survey) and demolishes Whoop-up as Fort Carrol was

demolished by the Missouri River cutting through the bottom upon which it stood — Part of Fort Macleod has similarly tumbled into the Old Man's River —

By keeping out of this reserve the section of land partly bounded by the pink margin on the sketch, the people at Whoop-up will have no claims against the Department —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obd.t Serv.t
John C. Nelson D.L.S.
Indian Res. Surveys

The Deputy of the
Supt. General of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

24661

Calgary 9th Sept. 1885.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEC 2
1885
N.W.T.
REGINA

Sir, I have the honor to enclose with report and recommendation copies of papers connected with the claim of David Evan Akers to that portion of the Indian Reserve at the junction of the Belly and St. Mary's Rivers, being bounded on two sides by the said Rivers, bounded on the South by the S½ limit of Section 3, and on the West by W½ limit of said Section 3, which portion contains probably 600 acres, also that portion North of Belly River composed Frac. E ½, Sec. 9, contg. 195 acres, S.W. 10, contg. 157 acres, and fract. N.W. 3, North of Belly River contg. 27 acres, all in Township 8, R. 22, W 4th The portion applied for contains in all about 979 acres.

This is an historical point in this section of the North West known as "Ft. Whoop Up" also covers the sections known as Fts. Hamilton & Healy. The name "Whoop Up" was given it because

of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of a Fort erected by some Montana traders about 1871 or 72. The name is derived from a local term used on the upper Missouri River in Montana and used to express whites being driven out or killed by Indians, and when this party of traders of whom Akers was one left Fort Benton to come North to the Canadian North West, they were told by some of the old and leading citizens of Ft. Benton that they would be "Whooped Up" by the Indians, and after they established themselves here, they gave their Ft. that name.

About the same time that "Ft. Whoop Up" was established, Messrs. Hamilton and Healy also established trading posts here. Each post had a palisade erected around it for the purpose of defence against Indian incursions and received the appellation of Fort about 1870. J. J. Healy was the sole representative of this joint trading with Indians and in that year he sold all the

building

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

building, stock &c. of "Ft-Whoop Up" receiving therefor $4,500, and on the 1st July 1876 Akers took possession, and has constantly resided there since. Of the $4,500 paid by him he states he received goods and horses to the value of about $1,600 so that he paid $2,900 for buildings, ground and good will of Healy.

It might be mentioned that originally, though not now, the point between the rivers was well timbered, hence location of Forts being able readily to procure timber for the erection thereof.

In 1882, when all that tract of country between the Belly and St. Mary's Rivers was set apart as an Indian Reserve, Akers commenced to cultivate land North of the River and had on survey about 42 acres under cultivation and well fenced, chiefly on Sec. 9, part on Sec. 10. He states the Indians never wished their Reserve to include the portion between the Rivers

See Nelson's Report January 15. 83

3.

claimed.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

claimed by him, and further he has been advised by officials connected with the Indian Department that he would be permited to retain it. If granted as requested it can be readily surveyed and Akere might be requested to have the necessary surveys made. The Indian Department will however I presume have to be considered before any difinite action can be taken with that portion of Akere's claim lying between said Rivers.

He has since 1878 devoted his attention chiefly to farming and stock raising and has secured a small lease No. 95, "O in C" authorizing same dated 26th June, 1883. States he has last Spring made all arrangements for securing the necessary assistance to stock the same, but the North West troubles prevented, but next year he hopes to do so, has not made much stock of his own.

Akere has proved a bona fide hard working industrious

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

-duction one settler, a good citizen and one worthy of every considera-tion; has buildings, fencing and corrals to the value of $2000.00 two.

In this as in all other valuations, I consider it much too high, being based on value at time material and labor was much higher than at present. As for instance many of the settlers paid 16 to 18 cts. per pound for fencing wire.

This year as good, if not better, wire was delivered at the Blood Indian Agency being in Tp. 8, R. 24, W. 4th. (just above "Slide Cut") at 10 cts. per pound teamed from Calgary. With a Railway now open to Lethbridge it could probably be delivered for 9 cts.

At the time Akers settled here, if the land had been survey-ed and opened for entry, he could have Homesteaded 160 acres, and pre-empted 160 acres and purchased 640 acres, total area to be acquired thus being 960, about the area he now wishes to procure.

The only objection I see

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

is that his application covers only the choice land, leaving the broken lands still undis-posed of, and would recommend that his application be not granted exactly as requested.

In lieu of the S.W. 1/4. 10. would substitute the W 1/2 of W 1/2 Sec. 10 and would not grant him the fractional N.W. 1/4. 3.# but would reserve that for stock watering purposes; Further would recommend that land be sold at $1.00 per acre.

Would recommend that fract. Sec. 9 and the W 1/2 of W 1/2. Sec. 10 be sold him at $1.00 per acre. This can be carried out at once and Agent in-structed to notify him to that effect; and futher so soon as the Indian Department waive their claim to the portion between the Belly and St. Mary's River he will be granted a H. of 160 acres and the balance will be sold him at $1.00 per acre.

It will be necessary probably

This is "Excluded from Indian Reserve by the amended Treaty I.C.N.

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to send a copy of this report with papers attached with any comments you may wish to make, but would recommend unless you see reasons to the contrary that the portions of Secs. 9 & 10 be sold him at once and the remainder of his claim will be settled as soon as possible.

If this meet with your approval please instruct Agent to take the necessary action.

All of which is respect-fully submitted.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

(Sgd.) Wm. Pearce.

Supt.

7.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

24661.

Copy

Ottawa 16th Novr. 1885.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEC 2 1885
N.W.T.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose to you a copy of the report of Mr. Superintendent Pearce upon the claim of David Evan Akers to that portion of the Blood Indian Reserve at the junction of Belly and St Mary's Rivers, shewn colored red on the plan enclosed herewith, and to ask you to give the Minister of the Interior your views as to the desirability or otherwise of your Department relinquishing the Indian title to that portion of the said Reserve applied for by Mr. Akers who appears to be a very good settler.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.
(Sd) P. B. Douglas.
Assistant Secretary.

L. Vankoughnet Esq.
Deputy of the Supt. General
of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 24661.
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1320
Blood Res

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA
DEC 2 1885
MAN.

Ottawa. 25th Novr. 1885.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of a letter and its enclosures from the Department of the Interior relative to a claim made by David Evans Akers to a portion of the Blood Reserve at the junction of the Belly and St. Mary's Rivers, and I have to request that you will be good enough to furnish the Department with a report in the matter.

Of course no permission to purchase or homestead

In Nelson's report

See Report of J. C. Nelson to the Dept. Sept. Genl. dated Jany. 15th 1883 (accompanied by plan) showing position of Whoop-up "Cut the 4 sec. upon which Whoop-up is "Cut is no part of the Blood Reserve vide "Executed Treaty" L.C.N.

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

can

MB

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

can under any circumstances be given until the Indians by formal surrender cede the land.

I have the honor to be.

Sir,

Your obdt. Servant.

A. Vankoughnet

Deputy of the Supt. Genl.

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File

1320

y Dec 1/85

Sir

Copy

In replying to your letter of 25th ult: No 24661 I have the honor to state that that portion of land claimed by Blakers as shown on the township plan sent Dre of Township No 8 Range 22 West of the 4th Meridian is not included in the Blood Indian Reserve and consequently the Department of the Interior may act with freedom in the matter.

I would beg to refer you to Mr D.L.S. Nelsons report dated Jany 15/85 addressed to the Supt: Genl wherein his reasons are given for not including the land in question in the Blood Reserve.

Signed
E.D.
Com:

Dept:

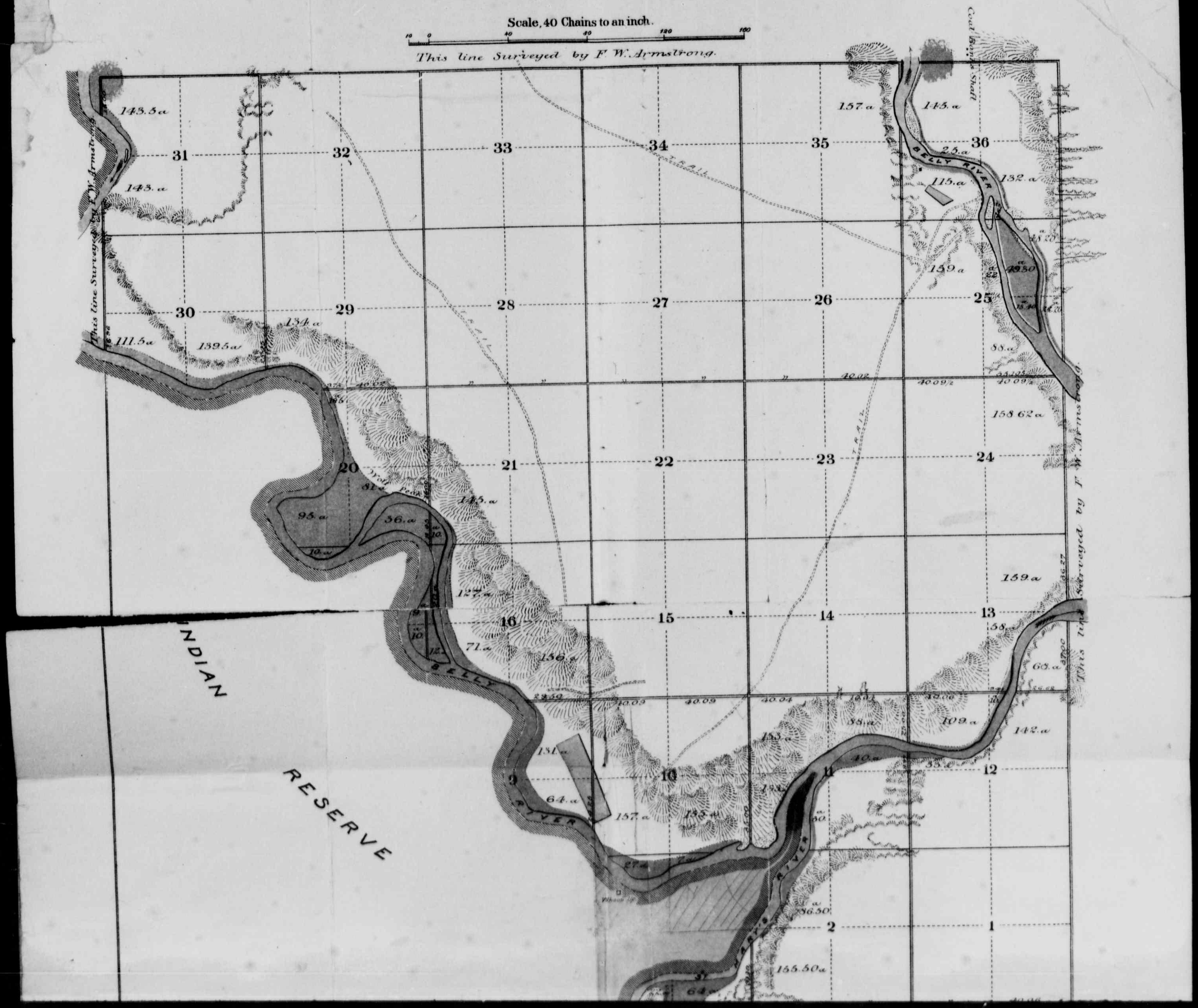
Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

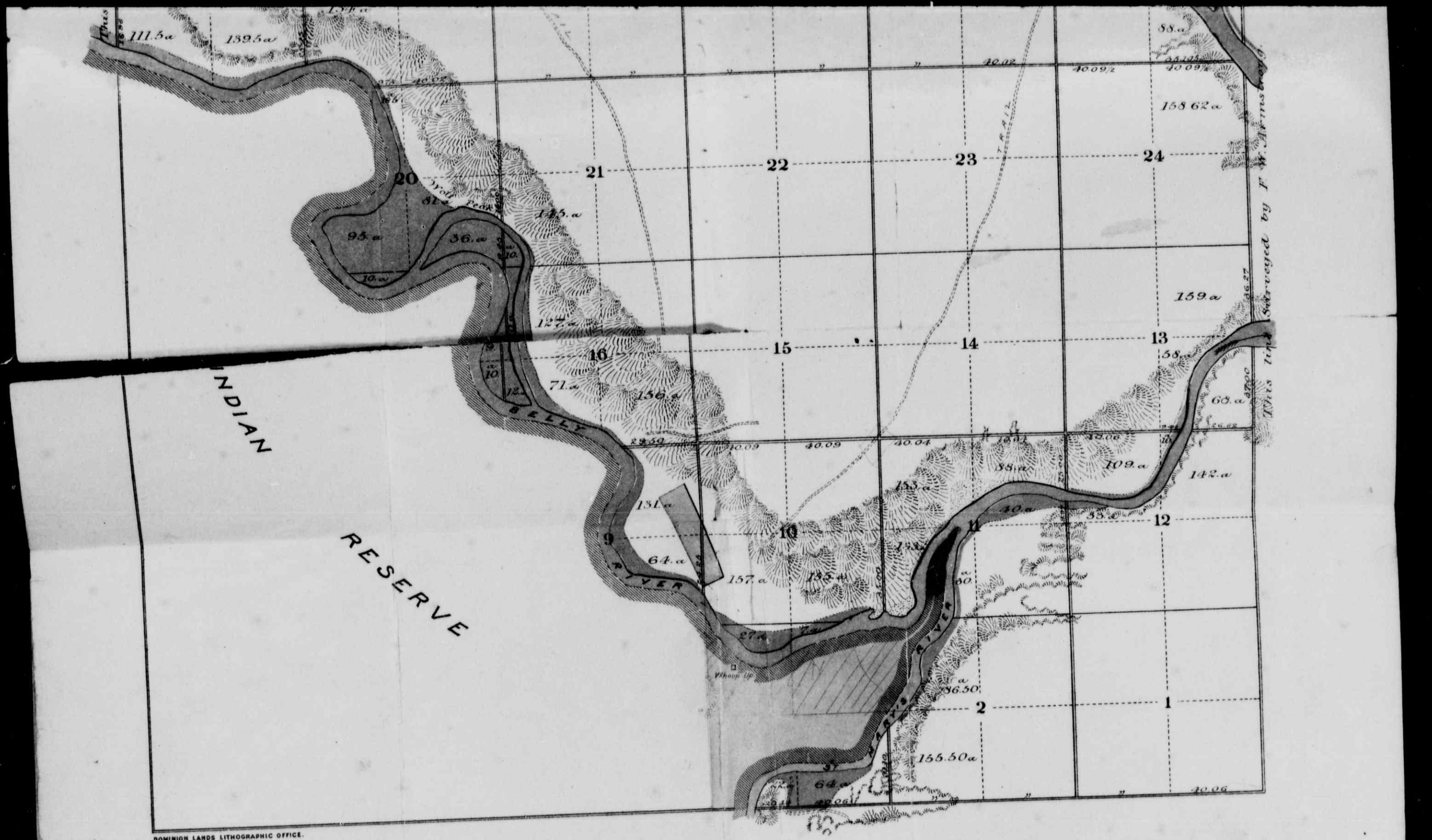
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

17

PLAN OF
TOWNSHIP No. 8
RANGE 22 WEST OF FOURTH MERIDIAN





DOMINION LANDS LITHOGRAPHIC OFFICE.

Dominion Lands Office
Ottawa

March 28th 1884

Approved and confirmed

E Deville
for the Surveyor General

Contents:

Land in Sections	16109.00 Acres
Roads	267.45
Water	257.58
Total Area	16634.03

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T. DEC 2 1885

EXPLANATION OF COLORS:

Woods: Green. Scrub, or Prairie and Woods: Dotted green. Water Blue.
Marshes: Yellow with small strokes of black. Hills or Slopes: Etching or Grey Shade.
Brulé (Burnt Woods) Brown. Settler's Improvements: Pink.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SURVEY BRANCH OTTAWA, CANADA
Sam Bray
26-11-85

Copy to the Lieut W.H.

R. Vankoughnet
Deputy Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs

2 / 2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No 24661
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1320

1320

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
MAR 4 1886
N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CANADA

Ottawa. 26th Feb. 1886

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 7th December last stating that the portion of land claimed by Mr Akers as shewn on the Township Plan sent you of Tp 8, Range 22, west of the 4th Meridian is not included in the Blood Indian Reserve and that consequently the Department of the Interior may act with freedom in the matter, I have the honor to inform you that you appear to be in error in stating that Mr Nelsons Report of the 15th January 1883 gives

?

his

Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Comr. Manitoba & N.W.T.
Regina, N. W. T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his reasons for not including the land in question. That Report is embodied in the Report of the department for the year 1882, page 220 and reads thus;-

"This large Reserve occupies a "tract of country lying between and "bounded by the St Marys and Belly "Rivers from their junction below "Whoop-up to an East and West line "which forms its South boundary "as shewn by the accompanying "Sketches marked (C)" - upon exam-ining this Sketch you will observe that the portion coloured red as an Indian Reserve does extend to the junction of the two Rivers and does not except any portion of land lying between the Rivers and the South boundary, which lies about nine

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

nine miles North of the International boundary.

There is another Tracing of the Reserve in the Department which shews that the land in question does not form a part of the Reserve, but this Tracing is stated on its face to be only a Key plan in reference to the Southern boundary of the Reserve, of which alone there are accepted notes. Both of the Sketches or Tracings are signed by Wm. Nelson.

The Department will be glad to receive explanations from you in this matter at your early convenience.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
A. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Genl
of Indian Affairs

3

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 1370.
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

Regina, April 3rd 1886

24661

Sir

In reply to yrs letter of the 26th Feby last relative to the claim of one Akers to land at the junction of the St Mary's and Belly Rivers ~~and forming~~ the question in which has arisen ~~as to~~ whether the same formed part of the Blood Reserve. I have the honor to state that ~~after~~ my prior communication of the 7th Decr 1885 was based upon a report received from Mr Surveyor Nelson &

After carefully examining into the whole of the correspondence and the terms of the amended treaty with the Blood Indians. (of which I have but a copy) I find that ~~that~~ part of the quarter section upon which Whoop-up is ~~built~~

I have &c
Hayter Reed
Supt Genl
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

shown on the plans as being built
in the N.W 1/4 sec 3 Tp 8 Range 22 West of 4th Meridian
is not excluded by the wording of
the amended treaty from the lands
comprised within the Reserve and
instead thereof the N.E. 1/4 sec. is
mentioned —

~~I am of the opinion~~: If it
appears in this manner in the
original treaty on file with the Deprmt
it certainly is an error as the
intention was to exclude that quarter
section on the N.W. 1/4 on which Whoopup
furnished the Commd. & either the incorrect ~~[illegible]~~ description of the land was
now stand and as Mr Akers is
I think entitled to ~~the quarter~~ it
~~section upon which the fort is~~
~~built~~ I consider it would be
advisable to arrange matters in
such a manner as to enable
him to acquire a proper title —

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

for reasons wh. I cannot at present recall to mind it was considered at the time of granting the Indians their Reserve that no other portion of the tongue of Land lying between the Reserves should be ~~so~~ excluded for the benefit of Mr Akers - as Mr Nelson having made the survey of the Reserve is now in Aylmer I would suggest the advisability of the Deputy sending for that gentleman to throw what light he can upon the matter

I have &c

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
I.C. 24,661
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1320

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE N.W.T.
APR 23 1886

Ottawa, 17th April 1886.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 3rd instant, I beg to inform you that the lot reserved in the Surrender made by the Blood Indians was the North East ¼ of Section No 3, and not the North West ¼ of that section. There is no way in this Department of ascertaining how the error- if it was one- occurred in the Surrender, and Mr Nelson has left for Regina. Consequently I am unable to enquire of him in the matter; but you should do so, and

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and, if it is necessary, the Surrender can be returned for the requisite alteration to be made. This would have to be done in the presence and with the consent of the Indians by one of the Commissioners who made the Treaty with them; and the fact that it was so done would have to be sworn to by him and one of the Chiefs before a Stipendiary Magistrate

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obt Servant
H. MacDougall
Deputy of the Supt Genl
of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

Ottawa. Oct. 30th 1883

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the Deputy, Supt. General of the 26th Inst., and of the 17th inst. enclosing a letter from the Secretary of the Interior, and a report of Mr. Superintendent Pearce on the claim of Mr. David Evans Akers to a portion of the Blood Indian Reserve and in reply beg to state that in my report of January 15th 1883 a copy of which is enclosed, I recommended that the fractional section No. 3 at the junction of the St. Mary's & Belly River be not included in the Blood Reserve. It was, however, not considered necessary to except anything more than the quarter section on which "Whoop-up" is situated on account of Mr. David Akers claim.

It appears that a clerical error has occured in the wording of the Treaty in which this land is described as the north-East,

instead

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

instead of the North West, Quarter of section three; but even in any case it will be necessary to secure the remainder of five additional fractional Quarter sections in order to carry out the recommendations contained in Mr. Pearse's report, the error is probably of little consequence. at any rate the Blood Indians are well aware that whoop-up is not on their reserve.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obd't Servant
John C. Nelson

The Honorable
E. Dewdney
Indian Commissioner
M & N. W. T.
Regina

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

Regina
May 10th 1886

Sir/

To inform you that in the wording of the Treaty with the Blood Indians made on the 3rd of July 1883 & signed by you as one of Her Majesty's Commissioners, a Clerical error appears to have occurred, by which the N E of Section ~~two~~ three in Township 8. Range 22. West of the 4 Principal Meridian is reserved from the land set aside for the use of these Indians instead of the N W. of that Section which it was desired to exclude from the Blood. Res- on account of the claim which David Evans Akers would have to it. Whoop up being Located thereon

It is therefore desired to have this Mistake rectified and this would

Jas. McLeod.

Fort McLeod

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

have to be done in the presence & with the consent of the Indians by one of the Commissioners who made the Treaty with them - & the fact that it was so done would have to be sworn to by him & one of the Chiefs before a Stipendiary Magistrate

May I ask if you will kindly undertake to arrange the Matter and if so, if it will be necessary to send you the Original of the Treaty Articles

I am Sir
C. Hayter Reed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

Copy

Articles of a Treaty

original
Copy sent to
Dept
22/11/86.

Made and concluded the Ninth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Eighty six (Between James Farquharson MacLeod C.M.G. a Commissioner duly appointed on behalf of her Majesty the Queen of the one part, and the Blood Indians in Council composed of the majority of the male members of the Blood Band of the full age of twenty one years old and upwards assembled and duly called together for the purpose of considering and treating upon the subject hereinafter set forth of the other part —

- Witnesseth -

Whereas by articles of a Treaty made and concluded the second day of July in the year of our Lord 1883 Between Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, by her Commissioners The Honorable Edgar Dewdney and James Farquharson MacLeod C.M.G. of the one part and the Blood Indians by their Head and Minor Chiefs in Council of the other part which Treaty was afterwards by the majority of the male members of the said Blood Band of Indians of the full age of twenty one years assembled in council rectified and confirmed as witnessed by a certain instrument bearing date the First day of February A.D. 1884 Made by Nukasto the chief of the said Blood Indians as by reference thereto will

Et. I.H.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

will more fully appear.

Her Majesty the Queen by Her said Commissioners, did grant unto the said Blood Indians, all that certain tract of land in the North West Territories of Canada butted and bounded as follows that is to say Commencing on the North Bank of the St Mary's river at a point in North Latitude Forty nine degrees twelve minutes and sixteen seconds (49°. 12'. 16") thence extending down the said bank of the said River to its junction with the Belly river, thence extending up the South Bank of the latter river to a point thereon in North latitude forty nine degrees, twelve minutes and sixteen seconds (49°. 12'. 16") and thence Easterly along a straight line to the place of beginning excepting and reserving from out the same, every portion of the North East quarter of section Number three in Township number eight in Range twenty-two, West of the Fourth Principal Meridian that may be within the above mentioned boundary and whereas the said North East Quarter of Section three was by mistake mentioned in the said Treaty instead of the North West Quarter of the said section as excepted from the tract of land so granted as aforesaid

Now these Articles Witness — that the parties hereto have agreed and they do hereby agree that the said North west Quarter of Section three in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in the Township and Range aforesaid be the land excepted from the tract of land hereinbefore described instead of the North East Quarter of the said section and that the tract of land hereinbefore described with the exception last mentioned shall be and form the Reservation granted to the said Blood Indians by Her Majesty the Queen as fully and effectually as if the said North East Quarter of section three had not been particularly mentioned in the said Treaty.

In Witness Whereof the said James Farquharson MacLeod and at the unanimous request of the said Council Mekasto Chief of the said Blood Indians and member of the said council have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals on the day and year first above written at the Blood Reserve in the said Territories

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of
(sgd) Wm Pocklington
" D. Mills
Interpreter
" M. Kerrigan

(sgd) James F. MacLeod
Comm.
" Mekasto his X Red Crow mark

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Canada
North West Territories
To Wit —

I, Mekasto, (Red Crow)
Head Chief of the Blood Band
of Indians make oath and
say ——

That I was present and entitled to vote at a Council, composed of a majority of the male members of the Blood Band of the full age of twenty one years duly called to consider and rectify a mistake which was made in the description of the Blood Reservation contained in the Treaty dated the second day of July A.D. 1877; held at the Blood Reserve on the ninth day of September A.D. 1886.

That the members of the said Council unanimously assented to the correction of the mistake made in the said Treaty as set forth in the Articles of Treaty hereto annexed after the matter has been thoroughly explained.

Sworn before me at the Blood Reserve this ninth day of September in the year of our Lord 1886

sgd) James F. Macleod.
A. M.
N.W.T.

sgd) Mekasto his x mark Red Crow

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Canada
North West Territories
To Wit

I, James Farquharson Macleod, of Fort Macleod in the North West Territories Esquire, a commissioner duly appointed to treat with the Blood Indians as set forth in the articles of Treaty hereto annexed make oath and say-

That I was present at a council of the said Blood Indians, composed of a majority of the male members of the Blood Band, of the full age of twenty one years held at the Blood reservation on the ninth day of September in the year of our Lord 1886, and duly called together for the purpose of considering the matter of the said Treaty.

That the said council unanimously assented to the said Treaty and requested and authorized Red Crow the head Chief of the said band to execute the said Treaty for them, and the said Red Crow did accordingly, in my presence and in presence of the said council execute the same

Sworn before me at the Town of Regina in the North West Territories this eleventh day of November in the year of our Lord 1886

(Sgd) Hugh. Richardson
Stp. Mag. N.W.T.

(Sgd) James F. Macleod

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Articles of a Treaty made and concluded the Ninth day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty Six, Between James Farquharson MacLeod C. M. G. a Commissioner duly appointed on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen of the One part, and the Blood Indians in Council composed of a Majority of the Male members of the Blood Band of the full age of twenty one years old and upwards, assembled, and duly called together for the purpose of considering and treating upon the subject hereinafter set forth of the other part. Witnesseth;

Whereas by Articles of a Treaty made and concluded the second day of July in the year of our Lord 1883, between Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and by Her Commissioners The Honorable Edgar Dewdney and James Farquharson Macleod C. M. G. of the one part and the Blood Indians by their Head and Minor Chiefs in Council of the other part, which Treaty was afterwards by the Majority of the Male members of the said Blood Indians of the full age of twenty one years, assembled in Council ratified and confirmed as witnessed by a certain instrument bearing date the first day of February A. D. 1884 made by Mekasto the Chief of the said Blood Indians as by reference thereto will fully appear.

Her Majesty the Queen by her said Commissioners

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Commissioners did grant unto the said Blood Indians all that certain tract of land in the North West Territories of Canada, butted and bounded as follows, that is to say, Commencing on the North Bank of the St Mary's river at a point in the North Latitude forty nine degrees twelve minutes and sixteen seconds (49° 12' 16") thence extending down the said Bank of the said river to its junction with the Belly River thence extending up the South Bank of the latter river to a point thereon in North Latitude forty-nine degrees twelve minutes and sixteen seconds (49° 12' 16") and thence easterly along a straight line to the place of beginning, excepting and reserving from out the same any portion of the North East quarter of section number three in Township number Eight in Range Twenty two West of the fourth Principal Meridian that may be within the above mentioned boundary.

And whereas the said North East Quarter of Section three was by mistake mentioned in the said Treaty instead of the North West Quarter of the said Section as excepted from the tract of land so granted as aforesaid -

Now These Articles Witness that the parties hereto have agreed and they do hereby agree that the said North West Quarter of Section three in the Township and Range aforesaid, be the land excepted from the tract of land hereinbefore described

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

described, instead of the North East Quarter of the said section, and that the Tract of land herein before described with the exception last mentioned shall be and form the Reservation granted to the said Blood Indians by Her Majesty the Queen as fully and effectually as if the said North East quarter of section three had not been particularly mentioned in the said Treaty.

In witness whereof the said James Farquharson Macleod and at the unanimous request of the said Council Mekasto, Chief of the said Blood Indians and a member of the said Council have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals on the day and year first above written at the Blood Reserve in the said Territories

James F. Macleod (seal)
Comm.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

Mekasto his X Mark Red Crow (seal)

(Sd) Wm. Bobbington
(Sd) D. Miles, Interpreter
(Sd) M. Kerrigan

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

O. C. N° 2207

Copy

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 6th December 1886.

On a Memorandum dated 2nd December 1886, from the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, representing with reference to the Articles of the Treaty made and concluded on the 2nd day of July 1883 between Her Majesty the Queen through Commissioners specially appointed for the purpose viz; the Honorable Edgar Dewdney and James Farquarson McLeod Esqre, C. M. G. and the Blood Indians by their Head and Minor Chiefs in Council, which Articles were afterwards by the majority of the male members of the said Blood Band of Indians of the full age of twenty one years assembled in Council, satified and confirmed, as witnessed by an instrument bearing date the 1st of February 1884, and by the Articles of Treaty aforesaid, the said Blood Indians were granted the Reserve at present occupied by them in the North West Territories, as more particularly described by notes and bounds in the same, and which articles of Treaty and the satisfication and confirmation of the same above referred to were accepted by Your Excellency in Council on the 24th of January 1885, that an error was discovered in the Articles of Treaty in question,

To the Right Honorable The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that is to say, in that part of them wherein a certain parcel of land is excluded from the Reserve, the same having been taken up by a white settler prior to the date of the Treaty, which parcel of land was described erroneously in the Articles of Treaty aforesaid as the north east quarter of section three in Township eight Range twenty two west of the fourth Principal Meridian, whereas it should have been described as the north west quarter of the said section, and whereas this matter having been brought under the notice of the Blood Indians in Council assembled on their Reserve and their unanimous consent having been given to the error in question being rectified by the substitution of the north west quarter, for the north east quarter of said section three, the accompanying articles of agreement were accordingly concluded with them by James F. Macleod, Esqr. C.M.G. a Commissioner acting on behalf of the Crown on the 9th day of September 1886, by which they agreed to the change in the description of the parcel of land above referred to, and the Articles of agreement last referred to having been attested in the manner required by the law, the same are respectfully submitted for acceptance.

The Committee recommend that the same be accepted by Your Excellency.

(Signed) John J. McGee
Clerk, Privy Council

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 1320
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

North-West Territories,

Regina, October 16th 1886

24,661

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your letter of 17th April last and to inform you that in accordance with the terms of the instructions there-in contained Lt. Col. McLeod, one of the Commissioners who made the Treaty with the Blood Indians, was requested to take the necessary action to rectify the mistake by which the quarter section of land to be reserved for Mr David Edwardakers, and known as "Whoop-up" was described in the Surrender as the North East instead of the North West quarter of section 3.

I am now informed by Lt. Col. Macleod that Mr Superintendent

To the Right Honorable
The Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Pearse

4.46

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Pearse of the Dominion Lands Depart-
ment ~~has~~ stated to him that there had been
~~has~~ reserved on account of Mr
Akers, by the ~~Dept.~~ Dept. of the Int. 640 acres instead of 160 acres
of land, and I will be glad to be in-
formed whether more than the 160 acres
of this quantity reserved, is intended to be
taken out of the Reserve given to the Indians
because should such be the case, it
will be necessary to take immediate
action in the matter, since the Indians
have been told and thoroughly believe
that the quarter section alone does
not belong to them.

I have the honor to
Sir,
your obedient servant

Asst: Comm

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

Regina
Nov 22. 86

Sir

To refer to my letter new numbers 16th ultimo and prior correspondence and in connection therewith to forward to you the enclosed Articles of Treaty with the Blood Indians amended so as to rectify the Mistake by which the quarter Section of Land to be surrendered for Mr David Evans Akers & known as "Whoop up" was in the original surrender described as the North east instead of the North West quarter of Section 3.

I am Sir
Y E Dudney

Dept

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 24.661
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1320

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

INDIAN OFFICE
DEC 22 1886

Ottawa. 20th Dec. 1886

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd ultimo, enclosing articles of Treaty with the Blood Indians amended so as to rectify the mistake by which the Quarter Section of Land to be reserved for Mr. David Evens Akers and known as "Whoop up" was in the original Surrender described as the North East instead of the North West Quarter of Section 3; and I beg to enclose copy of an Order of His Excellency the Governor General in Council

2/

authorizing

Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Comr. Man & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

authorizing the acceptance of the articles of Treaty referred to a copy of which is also enclosed.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
R Sinclair
for the Deputy of the Supt. Genl
of Indian Affairs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 24661
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1320

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa 24th Feby 1887

132

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE T.M.N.
MAR 1 1887

Sir,

In connection with my letter of the 20th December last and previous correspondence on the subject of the claim of Mr. David E. Akers to land at the confluence of the St Mary and Belly Rivers, I have the honor to inform you that the Department of the Interior contends that, as it has given Mr. Akers' entry for the land in question upon information received from this Department, and that, as it is now informed that

Filed written for 5/3/87

File Previous receipts

Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Comr. Man & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that, except so far as one fractional quarter section is concerned, the action taken cannot be recognized by this Department, it will be for this Department to come to an arrangement amicable or otherwise with Mr. Akers; and it is remarked by the Deputy Minister of the Interior that Mr. Akers' case is rendered doubly hard as it now stands by the fact that, taking for granted that nothing would occur to impair the decision arrived at by the Minister of the Interior in this case, Mr. Akers purchased a Military Bounty warrant covering 320 acres of land with the intention of applying it to the tract to be granted to him at

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

at this point, and that he did so apply it by the special personal authority of the Minister of the Interior when on the spot last July.

I have therefore to request that you will be good enough to report whether, under the circumstances of the case, the Indians could not be persuaded to surrender the balance of the land patented to Mr. Akers.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient servant
F. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

3

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

Department of Indian Affairs
Ottawa
January 26/17

Memo/-

It appears that the whole of the lands Colored red on the Plan of Township No8 Range 22. West of 4th M accompanying letter from Dept. of Int.: of 16th Nov, 1885 that lie between the Belly and St Mary Rivers are within and form part of the Blood Indian Reserve, except the small portion indicated by parallel brown lines on the above mentioned map, the said small portion being all of that Portion of the North West 1/4 of Section 3 (Tp. 8. R. 22. W. 4th M.) lying within the boundaries of the Blood Indian Reserve..

The meets and bounds of this Reserve are set forth plainly and distinctly in the Treaty with the Bloods Indians dated 2nd July 1883 (No.203) the only difference

To
The Deputy Minister

being -

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

being that the above mentioned land excepted from those meets & bounds is described as the North East 1/4 of Sec. 3 instead of the North west 1/4 this error has been corrected (vide Copy of O. in . C. 9th Dec 1886) making the piece of land that portion of the North West 1/4 of Sec 3 &c. &c. The portion not included within the meets & bounds of the Reserve and which I have indicated by parallel brown lines on the mentioned map of the Sp.

If proprietary rights had been acquired by others than Indians over the remainder of the land. in question prior to the date of the Treaty. it is quite certain that they are not recognized in the Treaty and it would appear from the Indian Commissioner's. letter of 3rd April 1886 were not intended to be recognized by the framers of the Treaty

The Indian Comm's letter of 7th Dec 1885 states an error which he subsequently rectifies (let 3rd apl 1886) the Dept of Int were notified by Indian Department (vide let Feby 26. 1886) to stay the issue of a patent for these lands, and that Dept assented

(15 March 1886)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

(15 March 1886) that the issue of the patent to Mr Akers for the lands in question at the Confluence of the St Mary and Belly Rivers would be delayed as requested but it would appear from the recent letter from the Dept of Interior of 14th inst, that action had already been taken on the Indian Comm's letter of 7th Dec 1885 and Mr Akers was notified in error by the Agent of the Dept of the Int. that the lands in question were not included in the Reserve.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy of letter from J. C. Wilson Esq.
to the Deputy Supt. General of Indian
Affairs calling attention to certain
facts having reference to the Reserve
for the Blood Indians on the Belly
and St. Mary's Rivers.

Ottawa,
January 15th. 1883.

Sir

I have the honor to draw your
attention to the following facts
having reference to the Reserve
for the Blood Indians between
the Belly & St. Mary's River.

If this Reserve is to extend all
the way to the junction of these
rivers it will include the old
whiskey trading post called
"Whoop-Up" and the bottom
upon which it stands. This
place is still occupied by a
Mr. David Akers, one of the old
pioneer Indian traders of that
country. I do not see any
special advantage in taking
"Whoop-Up" and the surrounding
bottom into the reserve for the
following

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

following reasons viz:

1, Mr. Akers may ask a big figure for his improvements— the intrinsic value of these to the Department lies only in the logs of cotton-wood timber of which the buildings are composed

2, The bottom at "Whoop-up is very gravelly, and Mr. Akers has his farm, a field on the South side of Belly River on that account

3, The place is difficult to approach owing to the high steep banks

4, It is only a question of time till the Belly River cuts through the bottom (as shown by the accompanying sketch of survey) and demolishes "Whoop-Up" as Fort Carroll was demolished by the Missouri River cutting through the bottom upon which it stood — Part of Fort Macleod has similarly tumbled into the Old Man's River.

By keeping out of this reserve

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Reserve the section of land
parts, bounded by the pink
margin on the sketch the
people at "Whoop-up" will have
no claim against the Depart
ment

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obd't. Serv't.
John C. Nelson DLS

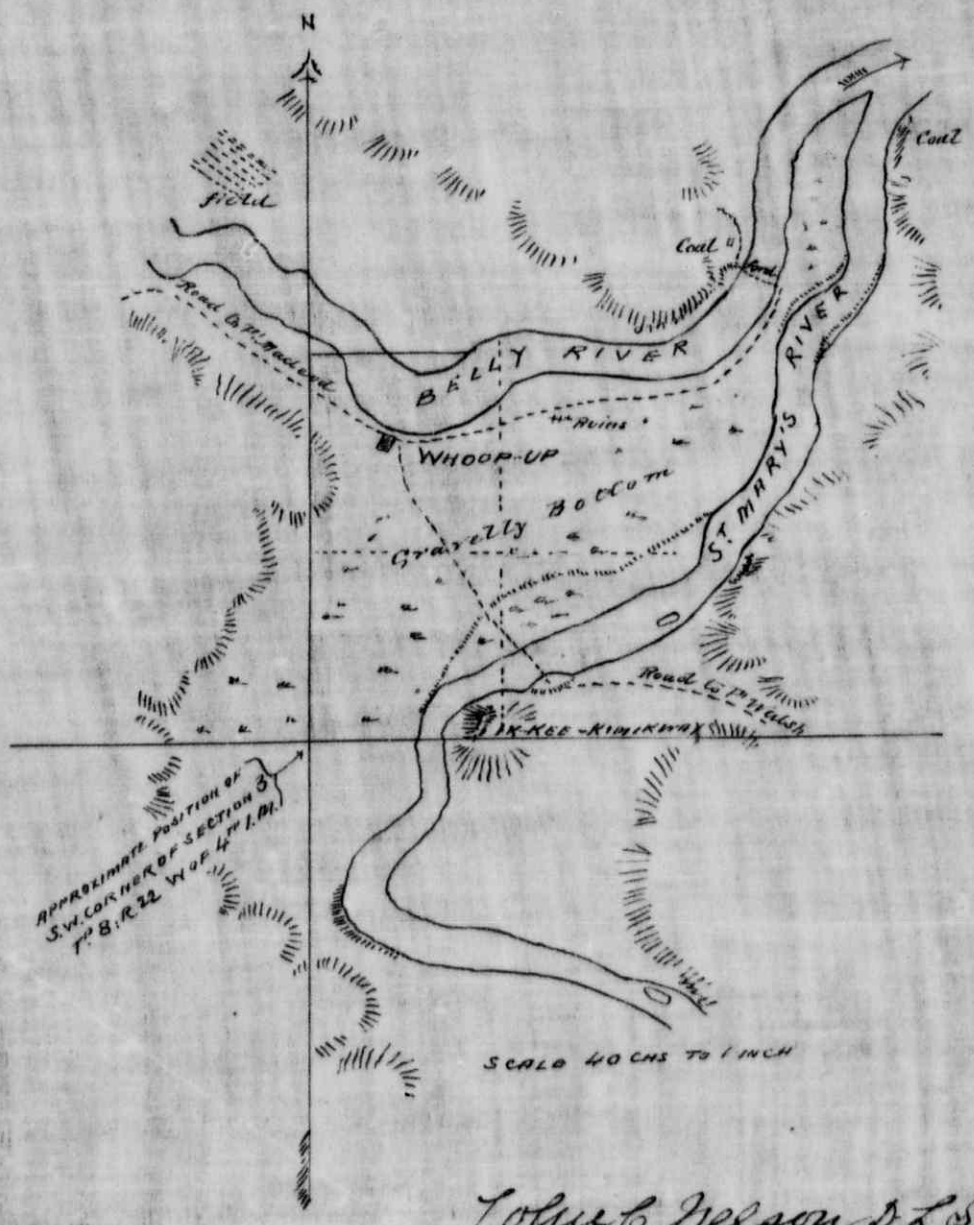
Indian Bus. Survey

The Deputy of the Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy of sketch accompanying report of J. C. Nelson to the Deputy of the Supt. General, Jany. 15th 1883.



John C. Nelson, D.L.S.

Ottawa,
Jany 15th 1883

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1.320.

24.661

Regina, 24 March/87

Sir

I have the honor with ref. to yr. lr. of the 14th inst, enclosg. at my request, file No 24.661 of the Dep., relative to the claim of D.E. Akers, to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly rivers; and in reply, to return the file herewith, having perused the correspondence between the Dep. of the Inter: & yr. Dep., on the subject.

There are some points connected with this matter, that it might be desirable to point out.- 1st The Dep. of the Inter. was advised on the 26 Feb '86, to defer the issue of a patent to Mr Acres, as the matter appeared to be complicated; and on the 19 March following, the Asst Secy writes that the request will be complied with.- Now, why was this promise made, if the Dep.- as Mr. Burgess states in his letter of the 14th Jany.- had notified the Land Comr on the 29 Dec '85, to give Mr Acres an entry?

2nd. Did the Dep. of the Inter. communicate with the Land Comr regarding their letter to him of the 29 Dec '85, re giving Acres an entry, before answg yr lr of the 26 Feb, acquiescing in the request to defer issue of the patent- ?

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

3rd What does the Dept. of the Int. mean, by stating that an entry was to be given Mr Acres (see the Deputy's letter of the 14 Jany) Does it mean for a homestead of the whole bottom? I take it, that there is a difference between the words "entry" and "application to acquire" The former is limited to a homestead and pre-emption, the latter is unlimited so long as the party making the application can pay for what he asks. Had he been simply given a homestead entry, it could not have interfered with the rest of the land in the "whoop up" bottom, as a quarter of a section had been cut out by us to satisfy Acres' claim -

4th It is desirable to know whether or not Acres had been notified by the Local Land Agt and the date of such notification, that the land in question did not form a portion of the Res., because Mr Acres understood, at the time he applied to Mr Pearce, that the land he wanted to get, did form a portion of the Res.

It would appear that Mr Burgess would endeavour to throw the entire blame on this Dep., for the complication that has arisen, whereas, so far as I can see, he

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

he has not yet exonerated his
own Dep. from fault—

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

application Augt 28/85
he states it is unoccupied & open
for purchase - His entry void if state
incorrect.
Sepr 16 - Com^r writes Ag^t Calary as
[illegible] I.D. Waive claim he can
buy & enter (pur E 1/2 Sec 9. W 1/2 of W 1/2
Sec 10 in Tp 8 1/2 ×
Dec 29 - ~~Burgess~~ J R Hall says I.D. have no
claim × fract SW 1/4 Sec 11
NW 1/4, 2, and
Ag^t Calgary notified 7/1/86 all Sec 3 ×
" " asks for the area 14/1/86

Ag^t Calgary advised of × 389 acres
area Mar 5/86. 160 " homestead
Ag^t asks if acres can (12th July '86)
apply warrant to SW 1/4, 10,
E 1/2, 9,
Ag^t refused
Comm^r says Minister will see to it
July 27 - Ag^t says acres located warrant
yesterday on W 1/2 Sec 3 and 75 acres
of frac SE 1/4, 3, - 320 acres

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 49[illegible])

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - C

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 24661
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

T320

Ottawa 14th March 1887

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose, for your perusal, in compliance with the request made in your letter of the 5th Instant, File No. 24.661 of this Department, relative to the claim of Mr. D. E. Akers to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
L. Vankoughnet
Deputy of the Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs

Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Comr. Man & N.W.T.
Regina, N.W.T.

Fron.

1885 Novr. 25. Dept. says to Comr. No permission can be given to homestead or purchase unless [illegible] or cede
Decr 7. Comr. says land cold. red in Ip plan is not inc in Res. (the col. part shows whole bottom)
" 17 - Int. Dept. advised land is not an Ind Res, on advice of Comr.
1886 Feby 13. " " Encloses a marked plan showing land to be pat. to acres, (whole bottom)
" 26 - Dept. says Comr. is in error, the land does forge a portion of the Res, according to J. C. [illegible]
" " - " of Interior advised to defer issuing pat. for the present.
Mar 15 - Interior says request will be complied with
Ap 3. Comr. writes re-giving acres a title to N.W. 1/4. Sec 3. Tp 8 R. 22, and not N.E. 1/4. and stating no other [illegible] is excluded from Res.
Oct 16 - Col McLeod, the Comr. says to the Dept. informs him that Pierce states that 640 acres were reserved for acres
" 22 Dept. writes to Interior and acres are this is correct [illegible] of Pearce so stated
Novr 22. Comr. Encloses to Dept. [illegible]
Dec 2. Dept. of Interior is [illegible] of it. This was on the strength of Comr. letter Decr 7/85
1887 Jany 14. Mr. Burgess explains [illegible] Comr. was instructed to give acres an entry to land
[illegible] the acres [illegible] of this Dept., On the 29th Decr 1885 the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

Indian Office
Regina
Dec. 17th 1888

Dept. 22/12/88

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that the boundaries of the Blood Indian Reserve, enclosing that portion of the N.W. ¼ of sec. 3 tp. No 8, range 22 West of the 4th I.M. lying South of the Belly River, have been surveyed, and the Corners defined by iron posts. This is the quarter section which was reserved by treaty for Mr. Akers, and is the only land he is entitled to adjoining the Blood Reserve. The accompanying sketch shows Mr. Akers' property at Whoop-up.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obdt. Servt.
John C. Nelson

Hayter Reed Esq
Indian Commr. for
N & N.W.
Regina

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

1320

December 22nd 1888

24661

File

Sir,

I have the honor to ~~acknowledge~~ refer to your letter of 3rd March 1889 and to return herewith Depts File No 24,661. forwarded to this office by request, for perusal.

File

I beg to transmit a plan showing N. W 1/4 Sec. 3 Tp. No 8. Ra. 22. W 4th I. M. ~~the being~~ which covers the only portion of land claimed by Mr D. Akers. which has been excluded from the Blood Indian Reserve by the terms of the amended Treaty.

Plan

I ~~may~~ beg to inform you that the boundaries of the Reserve enclosing that portion of the named section lying South of the Belly River have been surveyed by Mr. I. C. Nelson D. L. S. and the corners defined by iron posts.

I have

Dept.

Commr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
24,661/2
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE APR 24 1889 N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

1320

Ottawa. 20th April 1889

Fyler

Aud and file no 2 returned 7/6/89

Sir:-

Referring to my letter to the Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North West Territories of the 14th March 1887 forwarding file No.24,661 of this Department respecting the claim of Mr.D.E.Akers to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers in the Blood Reserve, I beg to forward herewith No.2 of the same file which contains inter alia a draft of a letter addressed by this Department to Mr.Akers asking him to select vacant land in lieu of the land above referred to, also a letter from Mr.Akers dated the 9th instant in reply to the letter from the Department, stating that, as his buildings and improvements are already on his present claim, he does not wish to exchange the same for any other land.

Forget

I shall be glad of any other remarks that you may have to make in this matter and if you will return with your report Nos.1 and 2 of this file.

I ahve the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

L. Vankoughnet

Deputy Supt.General of

Indian Affairs.

Hayter Reed, Esq.,

Indian Commissioner,

Regina, N.W.T.

R

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

1320

May 10th 1889,

File

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to inform you that a perusal of your letter addressed to the Deputy of the Supt. Gen: on 9th ult: and ~~referred~~ transmitted by him to myself, leads me to infer that Mr. D. Akers is under a misapprehension with regard to what the Dept. means by its reference to lands claimed by him within the Blood Reserve.

I don't think

The Dept. ~~has now makes not does not~~ propose that he should accept any land in lieu of the N.W. ¼ of Sec 3. 7 p 8. R 22 W. 4th P.M. upon which his buildings are located, ~~but that he should~~ since that quarter section has been excluded from, and therefore does not form part of the Reserve.

but I fancy

It is relative to the land adjacent to the quarter section named, ~~and~~ claimed by Mr. Akers, but not excluded from the Reserve, that the Dept. wrote to him on 16th Jany. last.

Messrs Conway Keare & Galliher
Barristers, etc etc.
Lethbridge

I

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

I am under the impression that when Mr. Akers ~~really~~ understands what is really intended he will view the matter differently - and I will be glad if you will explain it to him and inform me of the result as soon as you can conveniently do so.

I have,

SPR

Comm'r.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

1320

June 7th 1889

2466 1/2 File

Sir,

I have the honor to refer to your letter of 20th April last, inviting any further remarks that I may have to make relative to Mr. Akers declining to exchange the land claimed by him, within the boundaries of the Blood Reserve, and requesting that the ~~files~~ Dept's files forwarded to the Office in connection with the matter, be returned.

~~In reply I beg to explain that the~~

The delay in replying is, I beg to state, attributable to the fact that I desired to ascertain whether Mr. Akers was not under some misapprehension relative to the offer made to him, since his refusal to exchange was the opposite of the course I had been led to believe he was prepared to follow.

I find however that he quite understands the position, and under these circumstances

Dept.

do

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

do not see what I can add, in any way calculated to be of assistance to the Department, which is in possession of all the information touching the claim, ~~in~~ at the disposal of this office.

Departments No 2. of File 24661 is herewith returned, as requested, but No 1 of the same files was sent back under cover of letter from this office of even No. dated 22nd December last.

I have

RR

Commr.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

24661

July 4th 1889

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 25th ult. authorising me to ask the Blood Indians to surrender the land within their Reserve laid claim to by Mr David E. Akers.

The land referred to is that portion of the Reserve at the junction of the Belly and St Mary's Rivers - being bounded on two sides by the said Rivers - bounded on the South by the Southerly limit of Sec: 3 and on the West by the Westerly limit of said Sec: 3.

Since the N. W. 1/4 of this same Sec: 3 has already been excluded by amended Treaty, I desire to be definitely informed whether it be intended to surrender the whole of the balance of the land ~~within~~ contained within the boundaries

Deptg
Supt Gen:
Nation.

8

just

AWT.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

boundaries just described.
I will be glad more over to be informed,
whether in the event of the Indians, which
however I do not think probable, requesting
an equivalent in land for the portions to be
surrendered, I am at liberty to promise
it, and if so where it will be available -
or again whether they if they ask for
compensation of some other kind, I
may grant it.

I have

SPR

honour.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
24,661
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE JUN 30 1889 N.W.T.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

1350

OTTAWA, 25th June, 1889.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your Assistant's letter of the 18th instant reporting the result of a search in your office for the missing file, viz. No.1 of 24,661 of the Department.

In reply I beg to inform you that I have since caused a thorough search to be made in the Department for the file, with the result that it has been found here, having been mislaid.

Your letter of the 7th instant informed the Department that the file had been returned in a letter from you dated the 22nd November last No1,320, but no such letter could be found. The letter from you to which this is a reply gave the correct date of the letter from your office forwarding the file, viz. the 22nd December, and this corresponded with the letter registered in the Department and found to be of record and which contained the file above referred to.

With reference to the subject matter of the correspondence contained in these papers, viz. Mr. David E. Akers' claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers which forms part of the Blood Reserve, I have to refer you to my letter of the 24th Feb. 1887, and I have to state that in

The Indian Commissioner,

Regina, N.W.T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in view of all the circumstances the only course now to pursue would appear to be to ask the Indians to surrender the land in question with a view to Mr.Akers' title thereto being perfected,which,if you agree,you are hereby authorised to do and I enclose a printed form of surrender and affidavit to be used in connection therewith.The proceedings in taking the surrender should be conducted strictly in conformity with the provisions of the Indian Act.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

Deputy Supt.General of

Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
24,661
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

1320

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

Ottawa July 13th, 1889.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, No. 24,661, relative to the proposed surrender by the Blood Indians of land on their Reserve, claimed by David E. Akers.

In reply I have the honour to inform you that when taking the surrender you had better make the most favourable terms possible with the Indians, committing the Department as little as possible to any question of compensation, either in land or in any other way.

The Superintendent General doubts whether an equivalent in land could be given to the Indians in the immediate locality of their Reserve, and he considers that land at any distance from their Reserve would be comparitively valueless to them. He will be glad, however, to learn what are the wishes of the Indians in this respect. It is hoped that your opinion that the Indians will not make any demand for an equivalent in land may prove to be correct.

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

R. Sinclair

Acting Dy. Supt. Gen'l
of Indian Affairs.

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1350

Blood Agency,

Macleod, N. W. T.

21st December 1889

INDIAN COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE DEC 30 1889 N.W.T.

Dear W Reed

I took "Red Crow" to town Thursday afternoon & succeeded in getting him to ~~sign~~ make the affidavit before Col Macleod. It appears Wakes told "Thunder Chief" that they wanted the Indians to drive him off the Reserve altogether I suppose with a view to making a claim against the Govt. However he is fooled this time.

I have been up the rivers above the limit of the Reserve & find I cannot get a sufficiency of logs for the [illegible] School I examined two or three [illegible] but 75% are too short the [illegible] too small

Faithfully yours

W. Pocklington

[illegible] Reed Esq
[illegible]
Assy

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

T. D. Form 1

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S TELEGRAPH

Terms and Conditions.

—All m[illegible]s are received by this C[illegible]any for transmission, [illegible]ject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.

W. C. VAN HORNE, President.
CHAS. R. HOSMER, Man. Telegraphs.

B. S. JENKINS, Supt., Winnipeg.
J. WILSON, Supt., New Westminster, B.C.
HOMER PINGLE, Supt., Toronto.

No.	SENT BY	REC'D BY		CHECK.
Du	F	F	8 Collect	40 & 25

Time 1710 — Dec 21 189

From Mac Leod 1320

To Gayter Reed

Ind Commr Regina

Lederow has sworn to

affidavid he whoop-up

James F Mac Leod

TO SECURE PROMPT DESPATCH SEND REPLY TO

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1[illegible].

Copy of transfer or surrender in Tin Box of papers in the vault

Sir:-

24.[illegible]. I have the honor to refer to your letter of [illegible] July last, and prior correspondence, and to transmit herewith in duplicate surrender made by the Blood Indians of that portion of their Reserve at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers, which the Department has decided to make over to Mr. David [illegible] Akers.

In explanation of the delay in obtaining this I may state that after I had persuaded these Indians to make the surrender Mr. Akers as far as I can make out, appears for his own reasons, to have [illegible] with them, the result being that Chief "Red Crow" refused to complete the necessary attestations before the Stipendiary Magistrate. He was however subsequently induced to do this, and I trust that the papers will now be found to be in order.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

AR

Commissioner.

To the Deputy of the

Supt. Gen'l of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

File 24,661

1320

Ottawa, April 3rd, 1894.

Sir,

vide file 207

Referring to correspondence between your office and Mr. Agent Wilson, copy of which you transmitted on 21st ultimo, relative to occupation of certain lands by one Arnold and his son, resulting in trespass on the Blood Reserve, and in connection therewith the Agent's suggestion to purchase lands which once belonged to the Reserve, but were afterwards surrendered in favour of the late Mr. Akers, I beg to inform you that it would no doubt be desirable, and tend to avoid complications, if the Akers property were purchased and again made part of the Reserve.

The Department, however, has no funds available for such purchase, but, were the Indians disposed to buy on their own account, would endeavour to make some arrangement to enable them to spread their payments over a term of years,--say, perhaps, three years.

Agent written 9-4-94 H.

What the Arnolds say about being shut in by their neighbours, and the necessity for their having access and egress, is noted, but that is a matter which apparently they will have to settle with their neighbours

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

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

neighbours, for it is not the Department's business to find road allowance for settlers. There might be circumstances under which it would entail such hardship to refuse that passage could not be properly withheld, but it is quite clear that when, as in the present instance, there must exist a deliberate intention to trespass, crossing the Reserve should be resisted, and it is noticed that you have very properly directed the Agent's attention to the provisions of the Act.

Even were there no deliberate intention to trespass, if right of way were granted at all it would be necessary to insist upon reasonable precaution to prevent the danger of trespass, and in a case where stock has to be driven a good fence, with any gates that might be necessary, would seem to afford the only reasonable safeguard.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hayter Reed

Deputy of the Sup't General

of Indian Affairs.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1320

April 9th 1894

Sir,

Referring to your letter relative to occupation of certain lands by one Arnold and his son, resulting in trespass on the Blood reserve, I beg to inform you that the department agrees with you as to the desirability of purchasing the Akers property and making it again a part of the reserve.

The department, however, has no funds available for such purchase, but, were the Indians disposed to buy on their own account, would endeavour to make some arrangement to enable them to spread their payments over a term of years, say, perhaps, three years.

What the Arnolds say about being shut in by their neighbours, and the necessity for their having access and egress, is noted, but that is a matter which apparently they will have to settle with their neighbours, for it is not the Department's business to find road allowances for settlers. There may be circumstances under which it would entail such hardship to refuse, that passage could not be properly withheld,

but

Indian Agent
Bloods

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

DAK SAFETY FILM

In your reply refer to

No.

Also to the date of this letter.

OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

Regina, ... *188*

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the ....., *enclosing to me official cheques as follows :—*

No. of Departmental Letter.	No. of Cheque.	IN FAVOR OF.	AMOUNT.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Right Honorable,

The Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

Commissioner.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

1320

July 19th 1894

Sir,

Referring to the Department's letter of the
24,661 3rd April last, I would say that Mr Agent Wilson informs this office that Red Crow cannot understand how the Department of the Interior could rightfully grant an entry to the settler Arnold, or that any person, other than Akers could occupy the land as he says that Akers was the only man for whom land was surrendered.

Upon enquiry into the matter I find that the Arnold entry is upon lands covered by the surrender of 440 acres in September 1889, which though the same is not stated in the document, were surrendered for the benefit of the late Mr Akers only, and it can therefore be readily understood why the Indians cannot understand why the presence of any other than Akers on the land is permitted. It therefore occurs, in connection with the suggestion that the lands surrendered in 1889 be again acquired, that as these lands were, although not so stated in the written surrender, released by the Indians for the purpose of permitting

the

The Deputy of the
Superintendent General of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the Government to transfer the same to Akers, and that as is now shown by the acceptance by the Dominion Lands Agent of an entry by another person covering a portion of the said lands a portion of same was not occupied by the person for whose benefit they were surrendered; they must still remain vested in the Government for such disposal as may seem most conducive to the interests of the Indians. As in this case the disposal most conducive to the welfare of the Indians is to reacquire the ownership in this land, I would suggest that such portions as have not actually been occupied by and belong to Akers estate, be restored by the Government to the band, and that the Department of the Interior be asked to cancel the Arnold entry.

Regarding the Department's suggestion that the territory included in the Akers property might advisedly be secured by the Indians by purchase, I would point out as strengthening the request for the restoration of the lands not occupied by that estate that apparently no consideration was ever received by the Indians as an offset to the value of the 440 acres which they relinquished solely to permit of the settlement of a claim which was being pressed against the Government by the said D. A. Akers

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

Asst Commissioner

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. .....

Office of the

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

North-West Territories,

Regina, ... *188*

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the ..... enclosing to me Sundry Vouchers amounting in the total to $..... for approval and payment.

I have to advise you that I have approved to the extent of $..... and forwarded same to the Department for payment.

Those not approved, amounting in the total to $..... are returned to you herewith for the reasons stated.

Vouchers approved Nos. ....

....

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

.....

Commissioner.

.....

.....

.....

.....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Copy

Dominion Lands Office
Lethbridge 15th June 1894.

James Wilson Esq
Macleod.

My dear Sir

Shortly after you called at this office on or about the 4th ult, I wrote the Department in reference to the Homestead entry granted Mr. Wm. W. Arnold of the N. W. Sec 2-8-22-W 4th m. and was informed in reply that in June 1890 the Blood Indians had surrendered to the Crown about 440 acres of their Reserve — comprising all of Sections 2 & 3 and 11 formerly included in the Reserve - From this it is Evident that you have no further control over these lands

Copy sent Dept

Yours
Sir
Very Sincerely Yours.
(sgd) W. H. Cottingham.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

reply refer to
2
the date of this letter

Indian Agent's Office

19th J

File

Sir,

Referring to my letter (38
of the 7th May and your reply the
No 568 of the 28th ult, I have
the honour to enclose copy
letter dated 15th instant from
Cottinghame, Land Agent, Le

I have looked up a
plans in this office but
failed to find any which g
more than the quarter sect
of land to the late Mr Ake

On speaking to Red Crow
the matter he says Mr Ake
the only man who was g
land and cannot understa
the Department of the Inter
any claim on the Reserve
they neither asked nor o
any consent of the I

Will you kindly
have this matter pu

I have the h

The Indian Commissioner,
Regina.

Your

Dept. written 19 July
Agt. to be advised upon receipt of reply

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4948)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
- File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
- File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
_File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
- File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

Dep. Minn. 5 Sept.

N.B. 63

No. 4953 Dec 4/80

ACTION.

BLACK

217/4953

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

The Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert
5 Sept
12 June
1

Praying that steps may be taken to improve the condition of the Metis and Indians of the N. W. by 1st Encouraging Agriculture
2nd Granting Reserves
3rd Aiding Schools
4th " Orphan Asylum and Hospital.

Ack 31 July/75
16 Aug. Ackd Rec't of Cheque
23 Aug. Let from the Bishop
8 Mch 16 23 Aug 3 Sept 3 Let. fm Vicar Genl & Procureur of the Bishop
Dec Memo to Council

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 63

Translation (O.P.)

Bishopric, St. Albert,
5th April, 1875

Sir,

You will perhaps be surprised that without having the advantage of knowing you, or of being known by you, I venture to address your Honor personally.

I would not have ventured on this boldness, if the worthy Col. Jarvis had not apprised me of your indulgence; and your great desire to render any service.

Assured by your goodness, I will write to you at length, hoping you will have the patience to read and take into consideration, what I shall tell you.

The little news we receive from Manitoba had made us suppose that the Government at Ottawa was a good deal occupied about our country. However until the arrival of the troops, we had not received the slightest mark of interest from that Government.

The Government rendered a real service to the Country in sending us the soldiers, who have at last stopped the infamous traffic in intoxicating drink. They will also make certain malefactors understand that they can no longer commit theft & rapine with impunity.

But

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

2

But I venture to hope that the civilizing influence of Government will not stop there, or in many ameliorations.

We would make our Country a real Canada; and for that reason we desire all civilized and civilizing people to come to inhabit it.

Permit me, Sir, to tell you frankly, that it appears to me, while encouraging emigration into the N. W. Territories, the Government should consider the benefit of the present inhabitants of the North West. Apart from the sending of the soldiers, nothing has been done, at least of which we are aware; and this single benefit is far from being known and appreciated by all.

The ~~pursuits~~ presumtion of certain Metis compromises ~~during~~ at the time of ~~have made all acquainted with~~ the change of Government at Red River - and particularly ~~has~~ the condemnation of Lepine has caused much uneasiness among the people of this Country. Of 700 Metis established at St. Albert, at least 300 have gone, with many others, to reside at different places on the River Lac du Bœuf. Lately a number of them have come to see me. -

Before

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4

Before giving them time to speak to me, I reproached them for having left St. Albert; assuring them that before long the country would become prosperous.

"My Lord", they replied, "we know too well that we have nothing to hope for from the Canadian Government, except ill-will and contempt. The facts which have occurred, and are still taking place, at Red River are proof of it. Rather than be ill treated (browbeaten) like our parents, we have decided to locate ourselves on the Territories of the United States. With that object, we have chosen an excellent place, where we shall soon fix ourselves, if you will allow us a Priest." My positive refusal will arrest their project. Not returning to St. Albert, they will go to the limit of English Territory, to be ready to pass over to our neighbors when they think the time has come. It appears to me then, that in the interest of the country, the Government should, without neglecting the encouragement of emigration, occupy itself in retaining the inhabitants who are now here.

But

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"But," they will say, "the Metis are good for nothing - a people, idle, and without economy."

If they were a hundred fold worse, if you will, those who have such advantages over them, should not forget that the Metis are generally descended from the servants of the Hudson Bay Co.'s. That these servants, almost exclusively engaged in voyaging, did nothing, or nearly nothing during their long winters; and could not consequently give their children a liking for work - not seeing its utility. Who was there to teach them notions of order and economy? The mothers had not the faintest idea.- Besides, receiving each day the food necessary for the whole family, what was the good of managing? The Company alone profits; and the Company is rich, says a proverb, well known in the country.

If they left the service, the Buffaloes, then very numerous, supplied them with abundance of food, with little labour. The surplus of provisions, and the furs & skins, also very abundant, procured them the necessary clothing.

But they do not even manage their

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

their money. How can they? Many of them never saw money, and have not the least idea of its value. Why deprive themselves of anything during the year? The only advantage they will acquire, will be to learn on the return of the courrier (postman) that the books of York Factory contain so many Louis to their credit.

Others who have spent all their wages in fine clothes for themselves and their families, have a pile of pleasant and useful little things - In this they behold a fortune - Money, nor an account book is of any consideration. -

I ask Your Honor's pardon for such details; but I do not consider them altogether useless: whatever draws attention & the chain of circumstances in which the Metis are born, is important, and which being multiplied, cannot but excuse them for faults with which they are reproached nor be surprised that they are even as they are.

I could cite more than one tourist, who by their writings have contributed to make them be regarded in Canada & other places as a barbarous and savage people; incapable of culture

or

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

or civilization - and who have left among the Metis, and the Indians themselves, a very sad idea of the morality of civil-ized people.

No, Sir! the Metis are not such as they would wish to make them appear - a barbarous people, incapable of culture. I think, on the contrary, that they merit all the sympathy of a good Government - Let it give them some encouragement and it will see if there is nothing to hope from them.

Lately, ~~from professing~~ - a Mill which I had erected at Lac St Anne, I strongly urged the farmers to cultivate well. "Assured by", they replied, "your Mill will be a great encouragement to us: we shall not now be re-duced to eating our barley and Wheat in Soup. However it is not so easy to cultivate as you appear to think. How shall we procure the necessary implements? It is needful to be rich here to get a plough. With what difficulty we get a hoe! and how many among us can have any when we want them!"

In fact the difficulty is serious

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

serious - transport is so expensive that they cannot, except at great cost, procure the most indispensable articles of living.

I know some families, who each year plant a field of potatoes of a certain extent - it is a fortune to possess a hoe - the greater part of the work being done with sticks, fire-hardened, and yet they are not disheartened. To cultivate under such dif-ficulties, in spite of very little success, evidently denotes a people who are not entirely wanting in energy.

I therefore venture, Sir, to pray you to take in hand the cause of these poor Metis; & that the Government will be good enough to do something to encourage farming among them, at least to those who exhibit such a willingness!

Everything is scarce, and so difficult & get in this country that not only the Metis, but strangers themselves, can only vegetate. What in fact can a poor immigrant do, who arrives here nearly at the end of his finances? He must pay $20 for a bag of flour; $1.00 for a pound of tea; as much for a

7 pound

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

pound of tobacco; half a dollar for some needles and hooks; and everything in proportion.

We have boasted of our territory being called the Garden of the North, and the fertile belt. This does not prevent those who inhabit it from suffering; and those who will come from suffering still more.

To encourage agriculture, it is not only necessary to procure farming implements at a low rate, but as soon as possible to have easy ways of transport for the actual necessaries of life.

There is another important amelioration to be made as soon as possible for the inhabitants of the country, and particularly for strangers and travellers - it is some help at least for the foundation of a Hospital. The Metis, poor as they are, have generally a house or that of their parents; but strangers who fall sick are absolutely devoid of help; and often die from misery and want of care. Our Sisters of Charity perform impossibilities in receiving and nursing the sick of this class.

Cub

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

but their house is overcrowded with children, and they cannot open it for the sick. That of the Missionaries, which we call the Bishop's Palace, is not more disposable for a similar purpose. However we often receive them; and even now, I am writing these lines by the side of a poor soldier, the victim of an accident. To receive them, we have to inconvenience ourselves a good deal; and it is not well good - the sisters are obliged to come many times a day to care for them - and if another sick person should present himself, we would be unable to receive him.

They speak of crossing our Country with a railroad. That would be an appreciable benefit much desired by every one; but how many of the operatives will be victims of accidents during those works! and to how many will it not be painful to be unable to offer an asylum where they can be received and receive intelligent care.

Our worthy religious orders are well disposed to make personal sacrifices; but they will necessarily

requires

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

require the means wherewith to exercise their zeal, that is to say a Hospital either at St. Albert or near the Government Fort. For such an establishment there are absolutely no funds.

In June 1873, taking advantage of a trip to Europe, I passed through Ottawa, and had the honor of an interview with the Right Hon. John Macdonald and M. Langevin on the affairs of our Country. In the month of September following I addressed a letter directly to His Excellency the Governor General of Canada. On my return from Europe, I found at St. Albert, a letter which his Ex. the Lieut. Governor of Manitoba had caused to be written to me. According to that letter, I had every reason to hope that my requests would be complied with. I attempted and caused steps to be taken; but I am again reduced to hope; and it is with the object of obtaining, through your Honor, the realization of my hopes that I address you this too long letter.

To advance the civilization of our population, all Metis and Indian, every one is aware that schools

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

schools are of the last importance. I was convinced that under the Government of Canada, the encouragement of schools would be one of its first boons: till now I have hoped in vain

I now maintain with difficulty five schools:- 1st. That at St. Albert has an attendance of 70 to 80 children of both sexes, of whom a score of Metis and Indian orphans are wholly supported at the expense of the Mission. Two of our ecclesiastics are exclusively engaged with these children instructing them in French and English; and one Pere Oblat is charged with the surveillance of the little boys not in the classes.

2nd The school at Ile à la Crosse altho. frequented by only 30 or 40 children, requires the same number of employees: of these 30 to 40 children, 12 or 15 orphans or Indians, are at the sole charge of the Mission

3rd That at Lac la Biche, attended by 25 to 30 children: a Sister of Charity is alone in charge till now.

4th That at Lac St. Anne, attended by the same number of children: also directed by one person.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5th The School at Lac Caribou does not count more than 15 children, and is directed by a Père Oblat.

We have a 6th School at St. Laurent de Carlton: it was attended by 25 & 30 children during the day; and 12 & 15 young people at night. The Missionary had to keep this School himself and had partly to give it up, not being able to attend to his occupations.

Your Honor will comprehend that in a Country like ours where the religious men and women fail me, it is not easy for me to find any one who will consent to keep school for the love of God alone.

Although the Oblats, and the Sisters of Charity, who assist me in doing good in my Diocese with a truly admirable devotion only ask for the price of their labour, the same salary as the Bishop himself, namely food and clothing - yet in regard to Charity alone, I am often embarrassed to meet the expenditure. The Schools alone do not cost me less than $2000 to $3000 each year. If the Government had paid, as

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

as it had led me to expect, $300 for each School attended by 25 Children - even supposing it would not have given me anything for that at Caribou, being attended by only 15 Children - without doubt the one at St. Laurent de Carleton would not have succumbed; and perhaps I might soon be able to establish superior schools which would soon become indispensable to the Country.

Besides the Schools, we have also Orphan Asylums. I have the advantage of having three in my Diocese, where fifty children have been brought up, both Metis and Indian.

They speak of civilizing the Indians by making them cultivate. It may arise that the Missionaries by working with them, ploughing and making them plough their lands, may, in the course of time reach some results, but they will be slow and inappreciable.

Fifteen years experience does not allow me doubt that we can succeed in bringing up the little Children. Many, doubtless, will not be able to receive a thorough education; but at least they can speak their Indian tongue; and getting accustomed

13 to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to work, their savage life will be no longer possible. They can rank and mix with the Metis, with whom we marry them without much difficulty; and they will end, I doubt not in forming good families, who will have no traces of the Indian but the blood. If then instead of three Asylums for Orphans, I had a certain number, wherein I could admit all the little Indians they would give me, we would advance civilization.

Each child does not cost less than $100 p annum. Reduced as we are to acts of Charity, I may say even to poverty, we can only, from the force of Privation, do this work and sustain them in a small way. On this account we can only receive such children as would die without us - like the case of a little Blackfoot living with his mother, who in a crisis died of hunger, and whom a starving Indian would have eaten. Often we have to take in children who can never leave our establishment, such as the blind, the deaf & dumb, the lame, & idiots. Such children cost us more, as we can never get rid of them.

J

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

I am certain, Sir, that you can obtain indispensable assistance for us, not only to support this work, but to enlarge and extend it.

With assistance from Government we could establish model farms, and convert into good cultivators children who would otherwise remain savage, & whom famine and the abuses of civilization would soon carry off.

Industrial schools

Religion is not agitated here: we do not wish to make these children recluses or monks; but men of honor, who will be able to take part in society. It is certain that such an enterprise can only be carried & a successful issue, and at the smallest cost, by religious bodies. I can rely on the devotion of the Oblats and the Sisters of Charity of the Grey Nuns of Montreal. If I could equally calculate on being recouped by the Government, I would proceed in advance.

These aids would be:-

1st Vast concessions of land for such establishments.-

2nd Grants of money in proportion to the number of children brought up there.-

3rd A law giving us paternal authority over these children till the age of 20 or 22 for boys,

15 and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and 15 to 18 for girls.--

4th I think there is something more required on the part of Government. We cannot portion these children when they grow up. After leaving our establishments they can do nothing but engage in the service of some one richer than themselves. If, when we marry them, we could procure them a farm, and the beginning of some farm movables, there is no doubt they would succeed, and become good settlers.

It would be necessary to accord a certain reserve of land beside each Orphan Asylum or Model farm, exclusively for these children, till they established themselves. They could not, of course, enjoy these advantages without certain conditions; and moreover would not be at liberty to sell their farms, but only to leave them to their children.

These young married people too, established beside the Mission could still be directed by it, and certes they will require it.

They will also have the advantage of the example of other settlers; and can themselves become an example to other children of the Asylum, who seeing the benefits

accorded

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFE

accorded to their elders as a recompense for their assiduity, their economy, and their good conduct, in a word, will in their turn be encouraged to act equally well.

The better to succeed in our aim at Civilization, it will be necessary to marry these children at least with Metis. The dower which will be allowed them at the time of their marriage will be an efficacious means of making them desired & sought after by persons more advanced in civilization.

Believe me, Sir, that I do not make this request with the view of increasing our influence; but with the sole object of being useful to these poor people, & to enable them to enjoy the benefits of Civilization.

As regards those who are Indians, if the Government will make Reserves in their favor, I venture to beg that Your Honor will ensure that these Reserves be composed of cultivable land, and situated near fishing lakes. In this way, besides cultivation which will not amount to much, they will have two other means of living - hunting and fishing.

Persons should be

I ask pardon, Sir, for abusing your patience so long; but I still rest

17

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

rest on what the brave Col. Jarvis told me of your indulgence

I have shewn you my mode of procedure to elevate the position of the inhabitants of this Country. More than twenty years of experience among them makes me believe that my plans are not bad.

I venture then, Sir, to reiterate my requests; and to earnestly pray Your Honor to use all your influence to procure them for me.

1st Before all, I ask some encouragement for the settlers. The Catholic Missionaries have done almost impossible things in this direction. They have, at different places, three mills. For the third time we have tried to erect one in the Colony of St Albert - behold more than £900 Stg. which we have sacrificed for it; and we are still uncertain whether we shall succeed. That the Government may on their part deign to do something to encourage Agriculture!

2nd Aid for a Hospital - at least to construct it, and put it in a condition to receive the sick.

3rd Aid for Schools - The Government makes large outlay for education in all Canada - is our North West to be alone withheld

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

withheld assistance? It cannot be said that we require help less than other parts of the Country.—

4th Aid for our Orphan Asylums, that we may increase these establish-ments, so as to be able to take in a greater number of little savages.—

5th Concessions of land for each Orphan Asylum or Model Farm.—

6th Reserves of land for the Children thus brought up; and aid to help them on to a little farm once they are married.—

7th And Lastly that the Reserves to be made over to the Indians be of arable land; and situated near fishing lakes.—

I am really ashamed, Sir, of the length of my letter, which I have been obliged to write in haste, because I was sure of the opportunity which offered of its reaching you.

I wrote the lines close; and tried so to economize my paper as to conceal my prattling— I have only succeeded in making it the more apparent.—

Your Honor knows what babblers the Indians are— it is not surprising if I should re-semble them after living twenty one years amongst them.

This

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

This letter coming to you as it were from a poor Indian, will, such as it is, be received and read by you indulgently. You will also, I am sure, take it into consideration, and constitute yourself our advocate..

Receive in advance, the assurance of my consideration, and be good enough to believe me,

Sir,

Your Honor's Humble and Respectful Servt.

/signed/

+ Vital J.
Bishop of St Albert
O.M.I.

To His Honor
The very Honorable
D. Laird
Minister of the Interior
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 12 1875
OTTAWA.

H.B. 63

Wr
Recd
Att

Evêché de St. Albert, Avril 1875

Monsieur le Ministre,

Vous serez peut-être surpris de ce que, sans avoir l'avantage de vous connaître et d'être connu de vous, j'ose m'adresser directement à Votre Honneur. Je ne me serais pas permis cette indiscrétion, si le digne Colonel Jarvis ne m'eût fait connaître votre indulgence et votre grande bonne volonté pour rendre service. Fort de votre bonté, je vais vous écrire longuement, espérant que vous aurez la patience de me lire et de prendre en considération ce que je vais vous dire.

Les rares nouvelles que nous recevons de Manitoba nous font supposer que le Gouvernement d'Ottawa veut bien s'occuper de notre pays. Cependant, jusqu'à l'arrivée des troupes, nous n'avons pas reçu la plus petite marque d'intérêt de sa part. Le Gouvernement a rendu un vrai service au pays, en nous envoyant les soldats qui ont enfin arrêté l'infâme commerce des boissons enivrantes et

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

ont pu aussi faire comprendre à certains malfai-
teurs que désormais ils ne se livreraient plus impu-
nément au vol et à la rapine. Mais j'ose espérer
que l'influence civilisatrice du Gouvernement
ne s'arrêtera pas là. On parle beaucoup d'amélio-
ration; on veut faire de notre pays un vrai Canada,
et, pour cela, on engage tous les peuples civilisés et ci-
vilisateurs à venir l'habiter. Permettez-moi Monsieur
le Ministre de vous le dire bien franchement; il me
semble que, tout en encourageant l'immigration vers
le territoire du Nord-Ouest, on devrait s'occuper
davantage des habitants actuels de ce Nord-Ouest.
Jusqu'à présent, à part l'envoi des soldats, on n'a rien
fait pour eux, du moins que nous sachions, et cet unique
bienfait est loin d'être reconnu et apprécié par tous.
Les poursuites de certains Métis compromis lors du
changement de Gouvernement à la Rivière-Rouge et
surtout la condamnation de Lépine ont mis au grand
malaise dans la population du pays. Sur 700 Métis
établis à St. Albert, au moins 300 sont allés se
fixer, en compagnie de beaucoup d'autres de diffé-
rentes places sur les rives du lac du Bœuf. Dernière-
ment, un certain nombre d'entre eux sont venus me
voir. Avant de leur donner le temps de me parler, je

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

H.B. 63

Je leur ai reproché de s'être éloignés de St Albert, les assurant qu'en peu de temps, le pays s'ouvrirait et deviendrait prospère. „Monseigneur, „m'a-t-on répondu, nous savons trop que „nous ne pouvons rien attendre du Gouvernement „canadien, si ce n'est la haine et le mépris; les faits „qui se sont passés et qui se passent encore à la Rivière „R. en sont la preuve. Plutôt que de nous faire mal-„traiter (maguener) comme nos parents, nous sommes „décidés à nous fixer sur le territoire des Etats Unis; nous „avons fait choix pour cela d'une excellente place, nous „nous y fixerons prochainement, si vous voulez nous pro-„mettre un prêtre. Mon refus positif va arrêter leurs projets; sans revenir à St Albert ils vont errer sur les limites du territoire anglais, afin d'être prêts à passer chez nos voisins, quand ils en croiront le temps venu. Il me semble donc que, dans l'avantage du pays on devrait, sans négliger de protéger l'immigration, s'occuper de retenir les habitants qui y sont.

Mais, dira-t-on, les Métis ne sont propres à rien; c'est un peuple paresseux, sans ordre et sans économie.

Qu'ils soient cent fois pires, si l'on veut! Ceux qui ont sur eux tant d'avantages, ne devraient pas oublier que les Métis descendent généralement des serviteurs de l'H. Compagnie de la Baie d'Hudson. Que ces serviteurs, engagés presque exclusivement pour les voyages, ne faisaient rien ou presque rien

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

pendant leurs longs hivers et ne pouvaient par conséquent donner à leurs enfants l'amour du travail, n'en voyant pas l'utilité. Qui aurait pu leur inspirer l'ordre et l'économie ; Les mères n'en connaissaient pas le premier mot ; du reste recevant chaque jour la nourriture nécessaire pour toute la famille, à quoi bon ménager ; la Compagnie seule en eut profité, et la Compagnie est riche, dit un proverbe bien connu dans le pays.

S'ils quittaient le service, les buffles fort nombreux alors leur fournissaient, sans trop de travail, une nourriture fort abondante ; le surplus des provisions et les fourrures aussi fort abondantes leur procuraient les vêtements nécessaires. Mais ils ne ménageaient pas même leur argent. Comment l'auraient-il ménagé ; beaucoup n'en ont jamais vu et n'ont pas la plus petite idée de sa valeur. Pourquoi se priver de quelque chose pendant une année, le seul avantage qu'on en retirera, sera d'apprendre au retour du courrier, que les livres de York Factory portent tant de Louis à votre avoir. Cet autre qui a dépensé tous ces gages a de beaux vêtements pour lui et sa famille, a une foule de petites choses agréables et utiles, voilà une fortune qui se voit, dont on jouit, l'argent sur un livre de comptes n'avait aucun prix. Je demande pardon à votre Honneur de semblables détails.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

mais je ne les crois point absolument inutiles; quiconque fera attention à l'ensemble des circonstances dans lesquelles les Métis sont nés, ont grandi et se sont multipliés ne pourra que les excuser des défauts qu'on leur reproche et s'étonner de ce qu'ils sont encore ce qu'ils sont. Je pourrais citer plus d'un touriste, qui, par ses écrits, a contribué à les faire regarder en Canada et ailleurs comme un peuple barbare et sauvage, incapable de culture et de civilisation et qui a laissé chez les Métis et chez les sauvages eux mêmes une bien triste idée de la moralité des peuples civilisés. Non, Monsieur le Ministre, les Métis ne sont point, comme on voudrait le faire croire, un peuple barbare et incapable de culture; je crois, au contraire, qu'ils méritent toutes les sympathies d'un bon Gouvernement. Qu'on leur donne quelques encouragements et on verra si on ne peut rien attendre d'eux. Dernièrement, m'autorisant d'un moulin que j'ai fait construire au lac Ste Anne, j'engageais fortement les habitants à cultiver davantage. Assurément, me répondit-on, votre moulin est pour nous un grand encouragement; maintenant nous ne serons plus réduits à manger notre orge et notre blé en soupe, cependant ce n'est pas si facile de cultiver comme vous semblez le croire. Comment nous procurer les outils nécessaires pour cultiver; Il faut être riche ici pour avoir une charrue; quelles difficultés n'avons-nous pas pour

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Cop

avoir une pioche, et combien parmi nous n'en peuvent avoir, suivant le besoin!

De fait, la difficulté est sérieuse; les transports sont si dispendieux, qu'on ne peut qu'à grands frais se procurer les choses les plus indispensables à la vie. Je connais des familles qui, chaque année, en semencent un champ de patates d'une certaine étendue; c'est une fortune de posséder une pioche par famille; le gros de l'ouvrage se fait avec des bâtons durcis au feu et cependant ils ne se découragent pas. Cultiver avec de telles difficultés, malgré bien peu de succès, évidemment, dénote un peuple qui n'est pas absolument dépourvu d'énergie.

J'oserais donc vous prier, Monsieur le Ministre, de prendre en main la cause de ces pauvres Métis; que le Gouvernement veuille bien faire quelque chose pour encourager la culture parmi eux et la rendre au moins possible à ceux qui montrent de la bonne volonté!

Tout est sicher et si difficile à avoir dans le pays, que non seulement les Métis, mais les étrangers eux mêmes n'y peuvent que végéter. Que peut faire en effet un pauvre émigrant qui arrive ici presque à bout de de finances? il lui faut payer 20 dolards pour un sac de farine; un dolard pour une livre de thé; autant pour une livre de tabac, un demi dolard pour quelques aiguilles et ainsi du reste en proportion. On a beau vanter

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

H.B. 63.

notre territoire, l'appeler le jardin du nord et la fertile belt, cela n'empêche pas ceux qui y habitent d'y souffrir et ceux qui y viendront d'y souffrir plus encore. Non seulement, pour encourager l'agriculture, il faudrait procurer à bon compte tous les instruments aratoires; mais il faudrait au plustôt ouvrir une voie de transport qui permît d'avoir plus facilement au moins les choses absolument nécessaires à la vie.

Il y aurait encore une autre amélioration importante à faire au plustôt pour les habitants du pays et surtout pour les étrangers et les gens de passage; c'est au moins quelques secours pour la fondation d'un hopital. Les Métis, tout pauvres qu'ils sont, ont au moins généralement un chez eux ou du moins des parents; mais les étrangers! s'ils tombent malades, ils sont absolument dénués de secours et meurent souvent plutôt de misère, de manque de soins que de maladie. Nos sœurs de charité font l'impossible pour accepter et soigner les malades de ce genre; mais leur maison encombrée d'enfants ne peut s'ouvrir pour aucun malade; celle des missionnaires que nous appelons l'évêché n'est pas plus disposée pour une pareille fin. Cependant nous en recevons fréquemment et maintenant même je vous écris ces lignes à côté d'un pauvre soldat victime d'un accident. Pour le recevoir, il nous faut nous gêner beaucoup et il n'est point bien; les sœurs sont obligées de venir plusieurs fois par jour pour le soigner, et, s'il se présentait un nouveau malade, nous

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

nous serions dans l'impossibilité de le recevoir. On parle de faire traverser notre pays par un chemin de fer, c'est un avantage apprécié et fort désiré de tout le monde; mais combien d'ouvriers seront victimes d'accidents pendant ces travaux et combien n'est-il pas pénible de ne pouvoir leur offrir un asile où ils puissent recevoir des soins intelligents? Nos dignes religieuses sont bien disposées à payer de leurs personnes; mais il leur faut absolument les moyens d'exercer leur zèle, c'est à dire un hopital soit à St. Albert, soit auprès du fort du Gouvernement; pour un pareil établissement, les fonds manquent absolument.

Au mois de juin 1873, profitant d'un voyage en Europe, je fis le voyage d'Ottawa et eus l'honneur de m'entretenir avec les très honorables John Macdonald et H. Langevin, sur les besoins de notre pays; au mois de septembre suivant, je m'adressais directement à Son Excellence, le Gouverneur Général du Canada. À mon retour d'Europe je trouvai à St. Albert une lettre que son Ex. le Lieutenant Gouverneur de Manitoba m'avait fait écrire. D'après cette lettre j'avais tout lieu d'espérer que l'on tiendrait compte de mes demandes. J'ai fait et fait faire depuis quelques démarches; j'en suis encore réduit à espérer et c'est à fin d'obtenir par votre Honneur la réalisation de mes espérances que je vous adresse cette trop longue lettre.

Pour avancer la civilisation de nos populations tant métisse que sauvages, tout le monde comprend que les écoles sont d'une importance majeure. J'étais convaincu que, sous le Gouvernement du Canada, l'encouragement des écoles serait un de ses premiers bienfaits; jusqu'à présent j'ai espéré en vain.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

H.B. 63

Vérifications actuellement avec beaucoup de difficultés.

Cinq écoles: 1° Celle de St. Albert est fréquentée par 70 à 80 enfants des deux sexes, dont une vingtaine d'orphelins, métis ou sauvages, entretenus absolument aux frais de la mission.

Deux religieuses sont exclusivement occupées de ces enfants qu'elles instruisent en français et en anglais et un frère Oblat est chargé de la surveillance des petits garçons en dehors des classes. 2° L'école de l'Isle à la crosse, bien que fréquentée par 30 ou 40 enfants seulement, exige le même nombre d'employés. Sur ces 30 ou 40 enfants, 12 ou 15 orphelins ou sauvages sont entièrement à la charge de la mission.

3° Celle du lac la Biche fréquentée par 25 ou 30 enfants; une sœur de Charité seule jusqu'à présent en est chargée.

4° Celle du lac Ste Anne, fréquentée par le même nombre d'enfants, est aussi dirigée par une seule personne.

5° L'école du lac Caribou ne compte pas plus de 15 enfants et est dirigée par un frère Oblat.

Nous avions une sixième école à St. Laurent de Carlton; elle était fréquentée par 25 ou 30 enfants pendant le jour et 12 ou 15 jeunes gens le soir. Le missionnaire, devant tenir cette école par lui même, a dû y renoncer en partie ne pouvant suffire à ses occupations.

Votre Honneur comprendra que, dans un pays comme le nôtre, lorsque les religieux ou les religieuses me manquent, il ne m'est pas facile de trouver quelqu'un qui consente à faire l'école pour l'amour de bien seulement.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

Bien que les religieux Oblats et les sœurs de Charité qui m'aident à faire le bien dans mon diocèse avec un dévouement vraiment admirable, ne demandent pour prix de leurs travaux que le salaire de l'évêque lui même, c.à.d. la nourriture et le vêtement, cependant, attendant tout exclusivement de la charité, je suis parfois bien embarrassé pour faire face à tant de dépenses. Les écoles seules ne me coûtent pas moins, chaque année, de 2 à 3000 dolards. Si le Gouvernement avait payé, comme on me l'avait fait espérer, 300 dolards pour chaque école fréquentée par 25 enfants, supposé même qu'on n'eût rien voulu me donner pour celle du lac Caribou, parce qu'elle n'est fréquentée que par 15 enfants, sans doute que celle de St. Laurent de Carlton ne serait pas tombée et peut-être pourrais-je fonder des écoles supérieures qui bientôt vont être indispensables pour le pays.

Outre les écoles nous avons aussi des Orphelinats. J'ai l'avantage d'en avoir trois dans mon diocèse, où sont élevés une cinquantaine d'enfants métis ou sauvages. On parle de civiliser les sauvages, de les faire cultiver; il peut se faire que le missionnaire, en travaillant avec eux, en labourant et faisant labourer leurs terres, puisse, avec le temps, arriver à quelques résultats; mais ils seront lents et peu sensibles. Quinze ans d'expérience ne me permettent pas de douter qu'on ne puisse réussir, en élevant les petits enfants. Beaucoup sans doute ne pourront recevoir une éducation complète; mais au moins ils cessent de parler leur langue sauvage, s'accoutument au travail; la vie sauvage ne leur est plus possible, ils

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

peuvent prendre rang et se confondre avec les Métis avec lesquels nous les marions sans trop de difficultés et ils ils finiront ainsi je n'en doute pas, par former de bonnes familles qui n'auront plus rien de sauvage que le sang. Si donc au lieu de trois orphelinats, j'en avais un certain nombre et si je pouvais y admettre tous les petits sauvages qu'on voudrait bien nous donner, nous avancerions la civilisation. Il me semble qu'il serait digne d'un bon Gouvernement de favoriser de pareilles œuvres; celle-ci est éminemment civilisatrice. Chaque enfant ne coûte pas moins 100 dollars par an. Réduits, comme nous le sommes, à la charité, je dirai même à la mendicité, nous ne pouvons qu'à force de privations faire cette œuvre et la soutenir petitement. À ces conditions, nous ne pouvons accepter que les enfants qui mourraient sans nous, tels qu'un petit Piednoir enseveli vivant avec sa Mère, une petite crise dont la mère était morte de faim et qu'un sauvage affamé voulait manger. Souvent même nous devons prendre des enfants qui ne pourront jamais sortir de nos établissements, des aveugles, des sourds-muets, des boiteux, des idiots de tels enfants sont d'autant plus coûteux que nous ne pourrons jamais nous en défaire.

Je suis certain, Monsieur le Ministre, que vous pouvez nous obtenir des secours indispensables, non seulement pour soutenir cette œuvre mais encore pour la faire grandir et s'étendre. Avec des secours du Gouvernement nous pourrions fonder des fermes modèles et changer en bons cultivateurs des enfants qui autrement vont

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

restes sauvages, et que le jeune ou les abus de la civilisation auront bientôt fait disparaître. Il ne s'agit nullement de religion ici; nous ne voulons pas faire de ces enfants des religieux ou des moines, mais des hommes d'honneur qui puissent faire partie de la société. Il est certain qu'une pareille entreprise ne peut être conduite à bonne fin et à peu de frais que par des corps religieux. Je puis compter sur le dévouement des religieux Oblats et des sœurs de la charité, dites sœurs Grises de Montréal; si je pouvais également compter sur les secours du Gouvernement, j'irais en avant. Ces secours seraient 1° de vastes concessions de terrains pour de pareils établissements 2°. Des secours en argent proportionnés au nombre de sauvages qui y seraient élevés. 3° Une loi nous donnant autorité paternelle sur ces enfants jusqu'à l'âge de 20 ou 22 ans pour les garçons et de 15 à 18 ans pour les filles. 4° Je crois qu'il faudrait encore quelque chose de plus de la part du Gouvernement. Nous ne pouvons pas doter ces enfants devenus grands; sortis de nos établissements, ils ne peuvent faire autre chose que de s'engager au service de quelqu'un plus riche qu'eux. Si, quand nous les marions, nous pouvions leur procurer une terre, le commencement d'un mobilier de ferme, il n'y a pas de doute qu'ils ne puissent se tirer d'affaire et devenir de bons colons. Il faudrait donc accorder une certaine réserve de terre à côté de chaque orphelinat ou ferme modèle, exclusivement pour ces enfants à mesure qu'ils s'établiraient. Ils ne pourraient bien entendu jouir de ces avantages qu'à certaines conditions

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - C

et ne devraient pas non plus être libres de vendre leurs terres, mais seulement de les céder à leurs enfants.

Ces jeunes époux, ainsi établis à côté de la mission, pourraient encore être dirigés par elle, et certes, ils en auraient besoin.

Ils auraient de plus l'avantage de l'exemple des autres colons et pourraient eux même servir d'exemple aux autres enfants de l'orphelinat, qui, en voyant l'avantage accordé à leurs aînés comme récompense de leur assiduité au travail, de leur économie, de leur bonne conduite en un mot, seraient eux aussi encouragés à se bien conduire. Pour mieux réussir dans notre but de civilisation, il faudrait marier ces enfants au moins avec des Métis; cette dot, qui leur serait accordée lors de leur mariage, serait un moyen efficace de les faire désirer et rechercher par des personnes plus avancées dans la civilisation. Je ne fais point une pareille demande dans le but d'augmenter notre influence, croyez le bien, Monsieur le Ministre; mais dans le but unique d'être utile à ces pauvres peuples et de les faire jouir des bienfaits de la civilisation.

Pour ce qui est des sauvages, si le Gouvernement fait des réserves en leur faveur, j'oserai prier votre Honneur d'obtenir que ces réserves, se composant de terres cultivables, soient situées près des lacs poissonneux; de cette façon, ils auront, outre la culture qui ne sera que peu de chose, deux autres chances pour vivre, la chasse et la pêche.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

Je vous demande pardon, Monsieur le Ministre d'abuser si longtemps de votre patience, je m'appuie toujours sur ce que m'a dit le brave Colonel Jarvis, de votre indulgence

Je vous ai fait voir ma manière de voir pour améliorer la position des habitants du pays; plus de vingt années d'expérience au milieu d'eux me font supposer que mes plans ne sont pas mauvais. J'oserai donc, Monsieur le Ministre résumer mes demandes et prier instamment votre honneur d'user de toute votre influence pour me les obtenir.

1° Avant tout je demande des encouragements pour les colons. Les missionnaires catholiques ont fait sur ce point l'impossible, ils ont à différentes places trois moulins; pour la troisième fois nous essayons d'en construire un dans la colonie de St. Albert. Voilà plus de 900 L. St. que nous sacrifions pour cela et nous ne sommes pas encore sûrs de réussir. Que le Gouvernement daigne donc faire quelque chose de son côté pour encourager l'agriculture!

2° Des secours pour un hopital au moins pour le construire et le mettre en état de recevoir des malades;

3° Des secours pour nos écoles. Le Gouvernement fait de grands frais pour l'éducation dans

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

A.B. 63

tout le Canada; notre Nord-Ouest sera-t-il le seul privé de ce secours; On ne dira pas qu'il en a moins besoin que les autres contrées.

4° Secours pour les Orphelinats, aide pour augmenter ces établissements et y recevoir un plus grand nombre de petits sauvages;

5° Concessions de terres pour chaque orphelinat ou ferme modèle;

6° Réserves de terres pour les enfants ainsi élevés et secours pour les aider à monter une petite ferme une fois qu'ils seront mariés;

7° Enfin demande pour que les réserves faites aux sauvages soient des terres cultivables à proximité de lacs poissonneux.

Je suis vraiment confus, Monsieur le Ministre, de la longueur de ma lettre, que je suis contraint d'écrire à la hâte, parce que je ne me doutais pas de l'opportunité qui se présente pour vous la faire parvenir. J'ai eu beau serrer les lignes et ménager le papier pour dissimuler mon bavardage, je n'ai réussi qu'à le rendre plus apparent. Votre Honneur sait combien les sauvages sont bavards, il n'est pas étonnant

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

si je leur ressemble, après vingt et un ans de
séjour parmi eux. Cette lettre vous
venant en quelque sorte d'un pauvre
sauvage, sera telle qu'elle est, reçue
et lue avec indulgence, vous la prendrez même
en considération, j'en suis certain et vous vous
constituerez notre avocat. Recevez en d'avance
l'assurance de ma reconnaissance et veuillez
me croire, Monsieur le Ministre
de Votre Honneur, le très humble
et respectueux serviteur,

+ Vital J. Ev. de St. Albert
O.M.I.

À Son Honneur
le très Honorable D. Laird
Ministre de l'Intérieur
à Ottawa

Rt Rev. Vital Grandin D.D.
O.M.I. St. Albert
Saskatchewan

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Co

N.B. 63

Ottawa, 31/28 Juillet 1875.

Monseigneur,

A la demande du Surintendant Général, j'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de la lettre de Votre Grandeur, en date du 3 avril dernier, attirant son attention sur la condition des colons de votre diocèse dans le Nord. Ouest.

2. Le Surintendant Général me charge de vous dire qu'il a lu avec beaucoup d'intérêt votre précieuse communication, qui lui est parvenue il y a quelques jours.

3. Il me charge aussi d'assurer Votre Grandeur que lui et ses collègues du Gouvernement désirent sincèrement faire tout en leur pouvoir pour développer le bien-être de tous les habitants du Nord-Ouest, qu'ils soient Sauvages ou Métis, et que le gouvernement sera toujours très heureux de coopérer avec vous et vous seconder dans les louables efforts que vous faites pour améliorer et élever leur position.

4. Le Surintendant Général est heureux d'apprendre de Votre Grandeur que l'envoi par le Gouvernement de la Police à cheval dans le territoire, a ~~été~~ produit d'aussi bons résultats dans l'intérêt de la loi et du bon ordre.

Néanmoins, il regrette d'apprendre ~~par~~ par votre lettre qu'un grand nombre de Métis s'étaient proposé d'abandonner la province et d'aller s'établir aux Etats-Unis, mais il est heureux de

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

voir que, grâce à votre judicieuse intervention, ils se sont décidés à rester au Canada.

5. Le Surintendant Général est surpris et peiné d'apprendre par votre lettre que les Métis de votre diocèse regardent le gouvernement fédéral avec inquiétude et défiance, et qu'ils citent les faits qui se sont passés lors des troubles de la Rivière-Rouge comme preuve de l'absence de bon vouloir à leur égard de la part du gouvernement.

6. Le Surintendant Général croit qu'une revue faite avec calme des faits qui se rattachent à ces malheureux événements devra convaincre toute personne réfléchie et de bonne foi que le gouvernement a ~~agi~~ constamment agi envers les Métis compromis dans ces troubles, avec la plus grande mansuétude, et Votre Grandeur peut assurer aux colons de votre diocèse qui continueront à se conduire paisiblement et à respecter la loi, que le gouvernement sera toujours prêt à les traiter généreusement et avec bonté. Le Surintendant Général espère donc que vous réussirez à désabuser les Métis de la Saskatchewan et à faire disparaître les fausses impressions sous lesquelles ils paraissent être ~~au sujet~~ des sentiments du gouvernement fédéral à leur égard.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

7. Le Surintendant Général a lu avec un intérêt tout particulier les observations que vous faites au sujet des écoles que vous avez fondées pour les Sauvages et les Métis, car il croit que ce n'est que par l'éducation de la nouvelle génération que nous pourrons espérer d'élever le niveau moral des Peaux Rouges d'une manière durable.

8. Je vais maintenant récapituler les demandes d'aide que vous faites en faveur des habitants du Nord-Ouest, et y répondre catégoriquement. Vous demandez:

1. Des encouragements pour les colons dans l'agriculture.
2. Des secours pour un hôpital
3. Des secours pour les écoles.
4. Des secours pour les orphelinats.
5. Des concessions de terres pour des orphelinats et fermes-modèles.
6. Des réserves de terres pour ces enfants, et des secours pour les aider à s'établir sur des fermes; et
7. Enfin, réserves de terres cultivables pour les Sauvages à proximité de lacs poissonneux.

Au sujet de votre première demande, c'est-à-dire, celle de l'encouragement de l'agriculture parmi les colons, le Surintendant Général ne peut que féliciter Votre Grandeur des efforts qu'Elle fait dans ce sens à la Mission, surtout par la construction de moulins, qui permettent aux colons de votre diocèse d'utiliser leurs grains.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Le Surintendant Général désire rappeler à Votre Grandeur que ceci est un sujet qui tombe dans les attributions du gouvernement local, qui doit être bientôt inauguré dans le Nord-Ouest. Il croit cependant qu'il est évident que les mesures que prend aujourd'hui le gouvernement fédéral pour établir un chemin de fer et une ligne de télégraphe dans ces territoires, ne peuvent manquer d'avoir l'effet d'ouvrir le pays et d'y faciliter les transport, et par conséquent de donner un grand développement à l'agriculture de territoire.

Les 2e, 3e et 4e demandes se rattachent toutes à des questions qui sont de la compétence de la législature locale.

Néanmoins, au sujet de la troisième, je ~~[illegible]~~ dois vous faire observer que l'Acte des Terres Fédérales pourvoit, par une libéral octroi de terres, aux secours à donner pour les fins générales de l'instruction et des écoles dans les territoires; et en ce concerne les Sauvages, le gouvernement fédéral sera prêt, sans aucun doute, lorsque le territoire lui sera cédé, à faire pour eux ce qu'il a fait ailleurs par traité, et à établir des écoles pour les Sauvages dans ces territoires. En attendant, le Ministère me charge de vous transmettre un chèque officiel de $300, ~~[illegible]~~ à titre d'aide pour votre école de St Albert, autorisée par ordre en conseil du 22 juillet, car l'on suppose, d'après le rapport de Votre Grandeur, que le nombre des enfants Sauvages qui ont fréquenté cette école n'est pas au-dessous du chiffre fixé par l'ordre en Conseil, c'est-à-dire, 25.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Chacune des autres écoles que Votre Grandeur pourra juger à propos de choisir, aura droit à une somme égale pour l'année courante, pourvu, comme de raison, que le nombre moyen des enfants Sauvages qui la fréquentent durant toute l'année ne soit pas au-dessous de 25.

Quant à votre cinquième demande, celle de concessions de terres pour des Orphelinats et des fermes-modèles, le Surintendant-Général n'est pas prêt pour le moment à s'engager positivement au nom du Gouvernement à y accéder. Sur ce point, le Surintendant-Général pourra se prononcer d'une manière plus formelle lorsqu'un traité aura été conclu et lorsque l'étendue des terres demandées pour ces objets sera plus exactement connue.

La sixième demande se rattache à une grande question d'intérêt public sur laquelle il serait évidemment prématuré de se prononcer actuellement; mais les colons du Nord-Ouest peuvent compter sur la bonne volonté du Gouvernement fédéral, et ils seront traités à ce sujet avec toute la libéralité possible.

Relativement à la septième demande, c'est-à-dire, celle de réserves de réserves de terres pour les Sauvages, je dois dire que cette question est déjà parfaitement réglée et que tous les traités faits avec eux pourvoient aux secours à leur donner en argent et en instruments aratoires, et que ces obligations ont toujours été remplies. Et il n'y a aucune raison de douter que ces questions seront réglées, dans les traités

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

qui seront faits à l'avenir,
dans un même esprit de libéralité
envers eux.

Les réserves qui seront faites pour
les Sauvages comprendront sans
aucun doute une bonne proportion
de terres arables et embrasseront
aussi, lorsque la chose sera possible,
tous les lacs poissonneux dont
les Sauvages désireront s'assurer la
possession.

A ce sujet, Votre Grandeur se rap-
pellera que dans tous les cas les ré-
serves de terres pour les Sauvages sont
choisies à la suite de conférences
avec les tribus intéressées, et que
de cette manière toutes les précautions
raisonnables sont prises pour sau-
vegarder leurs intérêts et satisfaire
à leurs désirs.

J'ai l'honneur d'être,
de Votre Grandeur,
le très humble serviteur,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

N.W. 63

Ottawa July 21st 1875

My Lord,

I have the honor by the desire of the Superintendent General to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordships letter of the 3rd of April last, calling his attention to the condition of the settlers in your diocese in the North West.

2 The Superintendent General desires me to say that he has read with much interest your valuable communication which reached him some days ago.

3. He wishes me to assure your Lordship that he and his colleagues in the Government

The Right Reverend
J. Vital Grandeur
Bishop of St Albert
N.W. Territory

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

Government have the most earnest desire to promote the well being of all the inhabitants of the North West whether Indians or Half Bruds and that it will afford the Government sincere pleasure to co operate so far as is in its power in your praiseworthy efforts to elevate their condition.

4. The Superintendent General is gratified to receive from your Lordship the assurance of the great benefits ~~of~~ to the cause of law and Order in the Territories which have already resulted from the action of the Government in sending the Mounted Police into the Country. He regrets to learn, however, from your letter that a large number of the Metis had contemplated abandoning the Province

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Province and settling in the United States but is gratified to find that through your Lordships judicious intervention they were induced to remain in Canada.

5. The Superintendent suppressed General is grieved at the statement ~~to find~~ that the Metis in your diocese regard the Dominion Government with feelings of uneasiness and distrust and point to the occurrences in connection with the troubles the want of at Red River as an evidence of unfriendly feeling of the Government towards them.

6. The Superintendent General thinks that a calm 2d view of all the facts connected with those unhappy occurrences ought to convince any candid and thoughtful person that the Government has acted throughout towards the Metis in a spirit of kindliness the wish compromise them and ~~liberality~~ and your Lordship can assure

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~H who have been nothing to disturb the public peace that~~

who continue peaceable and law-abiding that assure the settlers in your diocese the Government will be prepared to deal with them ~~in a similar~~ ~~with at least equal [illegible] of generous~~ ~~spirit~~ in a spirit of generous consideration. The Superintendent General hopes therefore that your Lordship will be able to disabuse the minds of the Metis of the Saskatchewan of the erroneous impressions they ~~are~~ comes seem to labour under with regard to the feelings entertained toward them by the Dominion Government.

7. The Superintendent General has read with especial interest your remarks upon the subject of schools for the Indians and Metis, believing as he does that it is to the education of the rising generation of Indians we must look for any permanent elevation of the Red Man.

8. I shall now proceed to notice

seratim

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A.B. 63

seriatim the several heads under which you ask the Government to aid the settlers in the North West. You ask for-

1 Encouragement for the settlers in Agriculture.

2 Aid for hospital.

3 Aid for Schools.

4 Aid for Orphan Asylums

5 Concessions of land for Orphan Asylums and Model farms.

6 Reserves of land for the children, and aid to help them in farming, and

7th and lastly - Reserves for the Indians of arable land situate near fishing lakes.

As to the first, namely the encouragement of Agriculture among the settlers, the Superintendent General cannot but congratulate

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Congratulate your Lordship upon the Efforts made by the Mission, especially by the establishment of Miles, to ~~foster agriculture~~ enable the settlers to utilize the grain raised in your Diocese.

The Superintendent General wishes ~~[illegible]~~ to remind you that this is a subject which will properly come within the province of the Local Government, ~~which it is hoped~~ ~~will shortly~~ soon to be inaugurated in the North West. He thinks however that it is obvious that the measures now being taken by the Dominion Government to carry a rail road and telegraph line through the Territories must have the effect of opening up the Country and of facilitating transport through it and in this way cannot fail

to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to give an impetus to the agricultural interest of the Territory.

The 2nd 3rd, and 4th heads, referred to by you are all matters which come specially within the province of the Local Legislature.

With regard to the third head I may remark ~~remind you~~ that the Dominion Lands Act makes ~~ample~~ provision ~~by the~~ by a liberal land grant, ~~therein provided for~~ to aid ~~towards~~ general educational purposes in the Territories, and so far as the Indians are concerned the Dominion Government will no doubt be prepared when the Territory is surrended to make the same provisions there as ~~have been made~~ elsewhere by Treaty for Indian Schools. In the meantime, I am directed by the Minister to transmit to your Lordship

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Lordship an Official Cheque for the Sum of $ 300 in aid of the school at St Albert authorized by Order in Council of the 22 Oct 72.

as it is assumed from your Lordship's report that the average attendance of Indian Children at this school is not less than the number required by the Order in Council namely 25.

As to the fifth head, namely, Concessions of land for Orphan Asylums and Model farms the Superintendent General is not prepared at present to make any definite pledge on behalf of the Government. On this point the Superintendent General will be able to speak more definitely after a Treaty has been made and when the question of the extent of land asked for, for the purposes

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

purposes above mentioned is more accurately known.

The Sixth Head refers to a large question of public policy on which it wd be manifestly to premature at present to pronounce an opinion. The settlers in the North West have good grounds for believing that the Dominion Govt will deal liberally with them. ~~a decision~~ of ~~all things~~ ~~towards them in a spirit of justice and liberality~~ ~~dealing with them in a spirit of justice and liberality~~. There is a sufficiency of land in the Territories ~~country~~ for all of them and their children, and it is earnestly to be hoped that they will ~~settle as~~ cultivate as much of it as possible, and secure for themselves comfortable homes in ~~the and this~~ the country to which they belong.

As

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

As regards the Seventh head, namely the Reserves for the Indians. This matter has hitherto been fully provided for and all Treaties made with the Indians by which assistance in food money and agricultural implements has always been secured to them And there can be no reason to doubt that these matters will be dealt with in a similar spirit of liberality in future Treaties

The Reservation secured to the Indians will no doubt have a fair proportion of arable land and will include when it is practicable any fishing Lakes which the Indians may desire to avail themselves of.

In

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

H.B. 63

In this Connection your Lordship will bear in mind that in all cases Indian Reserves are selected after conference with the Tribes interested, and in this way every reasonable precaution to guard the interests and meet the wishes of the Indians.

I have the honor to be
Your Lord Ship Most Obt
(Sd. David Laird

D.L.
9/7/75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

N.B. 63

N.W. 953

Ste Marie de Winnipeg
Manitoba
16 août 1875

Mr le Député Ministre
de
L'Intérieur

Très honoré Monsieur,

En qualité de Grand Vicaire de Monseigneur Vital Grandin, Evêque de St Albert, dans le Nord-ouest et de dan représentant ici, j'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre à sa grandeur et du Chèque de $300, qui y était inclus.

A la première

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

occasion favorable, je m'en-
presserai de faire parvenir
la dite lettre et l'offrande
de votre Gouvernement à
leur destination -
J'ai l'honneur de me
souscrire

Votre très humble servit.

Alb. Lacombe ptre
o.m.i.

file away
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4953

MAR 7 1876 OTTAWA

N.B. 63

A Monsieur E.A. Meredith

Député du Ministre de l'Intérieur

Translation
Over

Monsieur,

Ce n'a été que le 14 Novembre dernier, que j'ai pu recevoir la lettre que vous avez eu la bonté de m'envoyer d'Ottawa, le 31 juillet précédent

Avant tout autre chose, permettez-moi de témoigner par votre intermédiaire, ma plus vive reconnaissance à son Honneur, Monsieur le Ministre de l'Intérieur, pour les trois cents piastres qu'il a bien voulu me faire parvenir, pour m'aider à soutenir mon école de St. Albert.

La moyenne des enfants qui fréquentent cette école n'est pas seulement vingt cinq, comme on le suppose, mais bien soixante; puisque souvent, nous avons soixante dix enfants

Outre l'école de St. Albert, j'ai dans mon Diocèse deux autres établissements de Sœurs de Charité, l'un à l'Isle à la Crosse, et l'autre au Lac la Biche. Ces deux écoles sont fréquentées au moins par vingt cinq, ou trente enfants; et, jusqu'à présent, bien qu'elles existent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

aussi bien que l'école de St. Albert, depuis au moins dix ans, je n'ai pu obtenir aucun secours pour m'aider à les supporter. J'espère Monsieur, que vous aurez l'obligeance de m'obtenir pour ces écoles, les secours que le Gouvernement fédéral a bien voulu m'accorder pour St. Albert

Je ne demande rien actuellement pour mes écoles du Lac Ste. Anne, du Lac Caribou, et de St. Laurent de Carlton; n'étant pas certain qu'elles réunissent le nombre d'enfants voulu

Ayant passé tout l'Eté dernier avec les tribus sauvages du Nord-Est de mon Diocèse, et depuis mon arrivée, c'est-à-dire depuis quatre mois, ayant toujours été malade, je n'ai pas vu beaucoup en rapport direct avec nos Métis. A en juger par ce que je puis voir, il me semble que le malaise et la défiance qui existaient l'An dernier, ont entièrement disparu On ne parle plus maintenant que du Gouverneur qu'on doit nous donner. Chacun a hâte de savoir qui il sera, et tout le monde s'étonne, et se plaint même de ce qu'il ne dit on, fixer sa résidence au Fort Pelly.

Je parlais à Son Honneur l'année dernière, de familles qui voulaient se fixer sur le territoire des Etats Unis. S'il y en a quelques unes à en venir là, elles sont en bien petit nombre

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

4

A.B. 63

J'ai positivement reçu une lettre il n'y a pas longtemps, du Chef de ce parti, qui me demande un Prêtre, non plus pour aller avec lui et les siens sur le territoire des Etats-Unis, mais bien au Lac du Bœuf, où il se trouve avec tous ses enfants mariés. Ils ont maintenant un Prêtre résident parmi eux

Ce sont les seuls renseignements que je puisse donner aujourd'hui sur notre population. Du reste, maintenant que la police réside parmi nous, le Colonel et le Capitaine pourront donner d'excellents renseignements sur le Pays et la population

Recevez Monsieur, l'assurance de mon respect et de ma reconnaissance

+ Vital J. Ev. de St. Albert
O.M.I.

Evêché de St. Albert
7 Janvier 1876

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

N.B. 63

Translation

Sir,

It was not till the 14th Nov. last that I was enabled to get the letter you had the goodness to send me from Ottawa on the 31st July previous.

Before everything else, permit me, thro. your intervention, to testify my lively gratitude to His Honor the Minister of the Interior, for the $300 he was good enough to cause to be sent me, to assist in maintaining my School at St. Albert.

The average number of children attending that School, is not 25 only, as is supposed, but rather 60 - and often we have 70 Children.

Besides the School at St. Albert, I have in my Diocese, two other establishments of Sisters of Charity - one at Ile à la Crosse, and the other at Lac La Biche. These two Schools are frequented by at least 25 to 30 children; and to the present time, altho. they, as well as the St. Albert School, have existed for at least ten years, I have not been able to obtain help to assist me in supporting them. I trust, Sir, you will have the kindness to obtain for those Schools, the same aid the Government has been good enough to grant that of St. Albert.

I do not now ask anything for my Schools at Lac St. Ann, Caribou & St. Laurent - not being certain that they combine the requisite number of Children.

Having passed all last Summer with

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with the Indian Tribes in the North East of my Diocese; and having since my arrival, about four months ago, been all the time ill, I have not had much direct communication with our Metis. As far as I can perceive, the uneasiness and distrust which prevailed last year has quite disappeared.

They now speak only of the Governor who is to be given to us. Every one is desirous of knowing who he will be; and all are astonished and complain that he is going, they say, to fix his residence at Fort Pelly. -

I spoke to His Honor last year, of families who wished to locate themselves in the Territory of the United States If there are any going there, they are very few in number. I have actually not long since received a letter from the Chief of that party, asking for a Priest to go with him and his to the United States, but to Lac du Bœuf, where he is living with all his married Children. They have now a Priest residing among them.

This is all the information I can now give about our people. Furthermore since the Police have been with us, the Colonel and Captain can give good accounts of our country & people.

Receive, Sir &c

Vital J. Bishop of St. Albert O.M.I.

Bishopric of St. Albert
7th Janv. 1876

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

N.B. 63

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
SEP 5 1876
OTTAWA.

Winnipeg - Manitoba
28 août 1876

See Translation

Mgr A. Meredith,

Monsieur,

Permettez-nous de vous informer que Monseigneur Grandin, Evêque de St Albert, dans la Saskatchiwan, a reçu votre lettre en date du 31 juillet 1875, dans laquelle vous répondiez à la sienne du 3 Avril de la même année comme Vicaire Général et Procureur de cet Evêque, et par son ordre, en son absence; nous prenons la liberté de vous informer que Sa Grandeur a reçu

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

N.B. 63

Translation. (8P)

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Aug. 28. 1876

Sir,

Permit us to inform you that his Lordship Bishop Grandin of St. Albert, in the Saskatchiwan, received yr letter dated 31 July 1875, wherein you reply to his of the 3rd April, in the same year.

As Vicar General and Attorney of that Bishop in his absence, and by his order, we take the liberty of informing you that his Lordship received the cheque for $300, for the support of an Indian school at St. Albert; and in accordance with your suggestion, we hasten to say to you, that four other localities under the jurisdiction of the same Bishop have schools in the same condition, and with the smallest possible means of support. -

The Missions where these schools exist are Lake Labiche, Lake St. Anne, L'ile à la Crosse, and St Laurent of the Saskatchiwan. We therefore ask for these schools the same assistance which has been accorded to that of St. Albert.

We would observe, from what you are good enough to say and explain to Bishop Grandin, that we have every reason to believe that your Government is willing to continue the grant to St. Albert school, and to commence at the above places

In closing, we beg you to submit these lines to the Hon. the Minister of Indian Affairs.

We have &c

(signed)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

N. B. 63

Department of the Interior
Ottawa, 7th Dec'r '76

Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to report that he finds, by an Order in Council of the 22nd October 1873, the sum of $300 per annum was appropriated in aid of the Indian School at St. Albert in the Saskatchewan district and that by the same Order a similar amount was promised in aid of another school in the same District to be hereafter designated by the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Saskatchewan, such aid to be given on the understanding that an average attendance of sixty, subsequently reduced by Order in Council of the 3rd April 1874 to twenty five, was in attendance.

By his letter of the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

The 4th January received in March last the Bishop reports that the average attendance at the St Albert school is upwards of sixty and he applies in the same letter, for similar aid to the two schools at Lac la Biche and Ile a la Crosse both on the Athabasca River in the Diocese of the Saskatchewan; the Bishop stating at the same time that the average attendance of scholars at the two schools was between twenty five and thirty.

The undersigned has the honor to recommend that, in accordance with the promise made by the Order in Council above referred to, the sum of $300. be paid to the Bishop of the Saskatchewan for the school at St Albert for the current year and that a further sum of $300 be placed at the disposal of the Bishop for school purposes

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

H.B. 63

in his Decency
purposes, to be given
either to the school
at Lac la Biche or
to that at Ile à la
Crosse, or to be divided
~~[illegible]~~ between them
as he may think
proper.

Respectfully submitted
(Sgd) David Mills
M of I.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

A.B 63

Copy

Ottawa 21 April 1885

My dear Mr Burgess.

I forward to you the following files of this Department. 2094. 3559. 4041. 4145. 4953. 10,766. 12014. these files contain correspondence referring more or less to half-breed matters in the North West Territories they have been culled from an immense number of other files on Indian matters and I think they should properly have been retained in the Department of the Interior.

Very truly yours
(Sd) L. Vankoughnet.

A. M. Burgess Esq
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 4953)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
- File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
- File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
- File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
- File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
- File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFE

MEMO 31 Aug/75
[illegible] 6 And
[illegible] amount referred
[illegible] Mr Christie letter of 18th Inst.
Ackd

456
Ackd 1879
Ackd 1881

Ty Mar. 250 Oct

1879 111

No. 5007

DEPARTMENT OF THE [illegible]
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

ACTION.

1114/30

Case is returned BS

BLACK

Minister of the Interior

2/July

Memo to Council in Re selection of the Reserves for, and payment of Annuities &c to Indians under 2d Appelle Treaty. Recommends that Wm J. Christie of Brockville, Ont. with such other person as may be named, be appointed to select the Reserves &c &c under Treaty No 44.

8/July	Let from Lt Gov. Morris		
8 July	" to W. J. Christie		
9th July	" from " "		
12 July	" " " Lt Gov Morris		
10/July	Tel from W. J. Christie		
10/July	Tel to Mr Christie		
10/July	Tel from Mr Christie		
13/July	" Referred to Min of Justice		
13/July	Memo with map from Surveyor General		
13/July	Order in Council		
15/July	Lett of Instruction to Mr Christie		
19/July	" from Deputy Min of Justice		
19/July	" to Mr Christie		
26/	" from Do		
26	Tel to Mr Christie.		
19th July	from "		
22 July	letter to		
30 "	letter to Mr Dickieson		
2/August	" " " "	with Cheque for	500.00
2/August	" " Mr Christie " "		1000.00
3/ "	" " Mr Forsyth " "		8250.00
3 "	" " Mr Christie		
5/Aug	Let from Mr Christie		
9/Aug	Let to Mr Christie		
10/Aug	Tel to Mr Christie		
6/Aug	Lett from Mr Dickieson		
12/Aug	Tel from W. J. Christie		
12/Aug	" to do.		
16/Aug	" from Mess Christie & Dickieson		
17/August	" Repeated to Minister at Brockford		
16/Aug	" from Minister		

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memo.

Copy

Dep.t of the Interior
Ottawa, July 2nd 1875

The undersigned has the honor to bring under the notice of H.E. the Administrator of the Gov.t that the treaty concluded at Qu'Appelle in September last with the Cree, Saulteux & other Indians mentioned therein provides, among other things, that Reserves shall be selected for the Indians affected by that treaty by Officers appointed for that purpose; that the s.d treaty further provides that annual payments shall be made to the Chiefs, head-men & heads of families of the various tribes, and also that presents of clothing & other articles shall be annually distributed among the different bands included in the treaty.

It appears to the undersigned desirable that steps should be taken for the selection, during the present season, of the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the reserves in question; & that provision be made at once for the payt. of the annuities & distribn. of presents authorized to be made this year.

The undersigned would also represent that, in consequence of the absence of the Chiefs of certain of the Indian bands affected by the said treaty, their adhesion thereto has not, as yet, been obtained; & that it is important that they should be brought in to the treaty as soon as practicable.

The undersigned wd. therefore respectfully recommend, 1st that Wm. Joseph Christie Esq. of Brockville, Ont., with such other person as may be named for that purpose, by the Minister of the Interior, be appointed to select the reserves where they shall be deemed most convenient & advantageous for the Indians: each reserve to be selected as provided by the treaty after conference with

the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

bands of Indians resident there & subject to the other conditions set forth in the treaty.

2nd That the said W. J. Christie & the other person named, as aforesaid, by the Minister of the Interior, be also authorized to pay the annuities & to distribute the clothing & other moneys authorized by the Qu'Appelle Treaty, and to secure the adhesion of the bands of Indians living within the territory ~~covered by the said~~ treaty now, either from absence or any other cause, were not parties to the treaty concluded last year.

1

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 5007

[Form No. 1

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

Incorporated 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

Sent by 7 Rec'd by B

Check, 23 pd 50

Terms and Conditions.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, SEC. SIR HUGH ALLAN, PRES.

No. 183 Time 3 45 July 10 187

By Telegraph from Winnipeg

To Hon D Laird

I request that an officer & twenty men mounted police be sent from Pelly to Quappelle when I make payments about first September

W D Christie

Sent requests
Dep of Justice

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5007

Ottawa
July 12, 1875

Lieut Governor Morris
Fort Garry
Manitoba

Qu'Appelle Chiefs rather fast, reserves not being yet selected. If Christie on return reports ~~them ready book of~~ really farming, their application will receive immediate attention.

D.L.

(File with No 4 papers)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

007

[Form No. 1

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

Incorporated 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

Sent by ..... Rec'd by .....

Check, 26 pd 62

Terms and Conditions.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, SEC. SIR HUGH ALLAN, PRES.

No. 181 Time 5 40 10th July 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg

To Hon D Laird

Two Chiefs sent in messengers for Cattle & agricultural implements from Qu'Appelle want them delivered at once there they have commenced farming What shall I do

A Morris

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

[Form No. 1

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

Incorporated 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

Sent by ..... *Rec'd by* .....

Check, ...

Terms and Conditions.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 129 *Time* 2.40 July 9 187 5

By Telegraph from Winnipeg

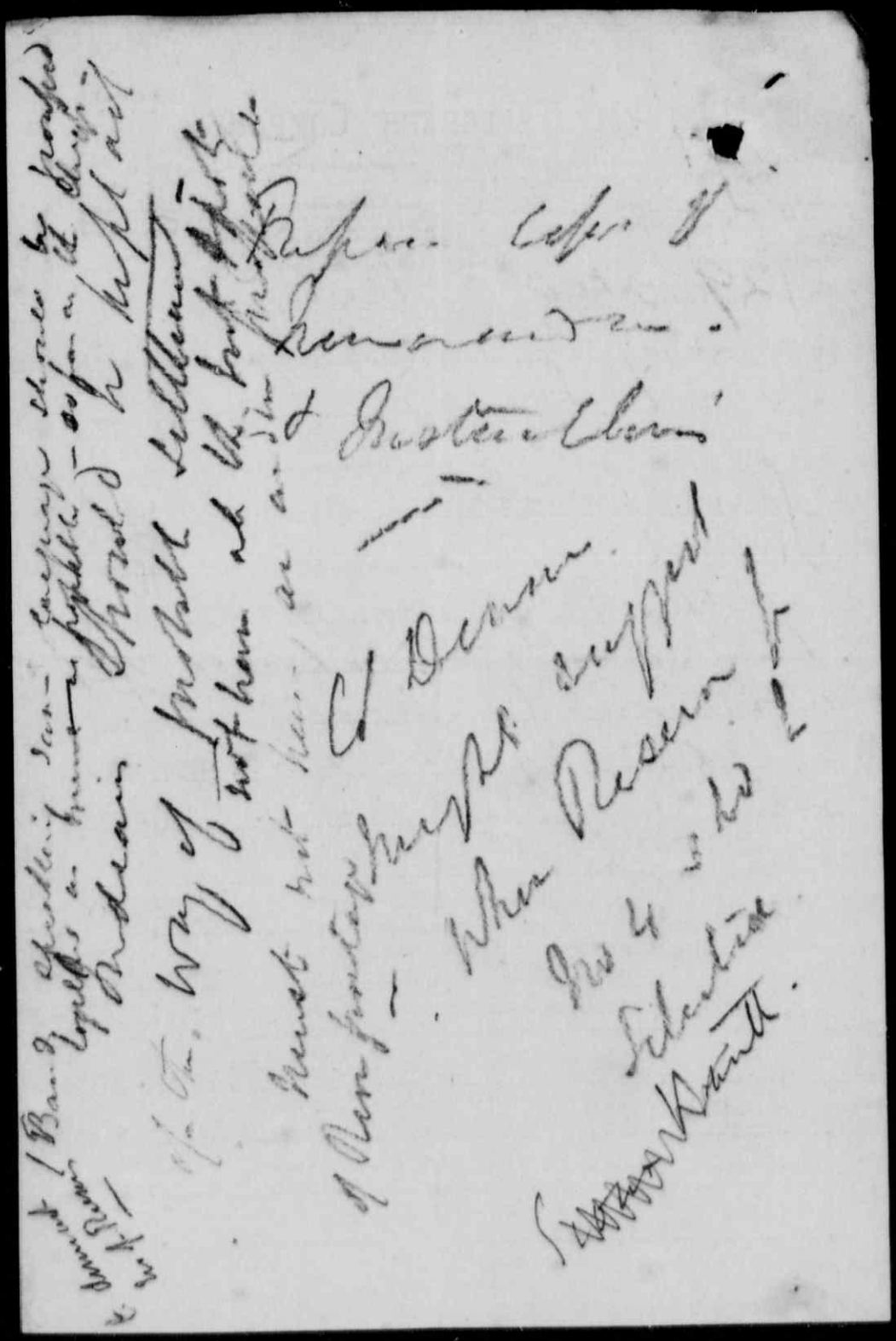
To Hon D Laird

Yours received awaiting instructions arranging with Governor for messenger suggests should get adhesion to Treaty of Chiefs absent last year wrote you from Duluth

W J Christie

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA



Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

~~No 5047~~
5007

Ottawa
July 8, 1875

W. J. Christie
Winnipeg
Manitoba

You have been appointed ~~to~~ select Reserves pay annuities Treaty four. See Governor about sending Messrs give notice. ~~Repeated~~ Company cannot ~~provide~~ supply pemmican. Would not be well advertize tenders all supplies required.

D.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5007

Dept of the Interior
15th July 1875

The Minister of the Interior trusts that the Hon the Minister of Justice will be able to meet the wishes of Mr W. J. Christie (the officer appointed by Order in Council to carry out the provisions of Treaty No 4 this year) as requested in the Telegraph of which a Copy is sent herewith.

D.L.

10 D.L.

A Mundell

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Edgar Place, Brockville
11th Jany. 1874

I have the honor to acknowledge [illegible]
[illegible] of the 7th Inst, informing me
[illegible] of the Interior, that
[illegible] in Council
[illegible] Services
[illegible] direction of the Minis[illegible]
[illegible] Excellency the Governor Gen[illegible]
[illegible] been pleased to direct that for my
[illegible] Summer in connection with the Indians
included in Treaty No 4, I should be paid
the sum of One thousand Dollars. ($1,000.00)
and Two Hundred Dollars ($200.00) for my
Travelling Expenses to and from Fort Garry -
Duplicate Official Cheques No 123. duly [illegible]
are now returned herewith -
[illegible] to offer my thanks and acknowledgement
to the Minister of the Interior for conveying to me,
through you, His Excellency's satisfaction at the
manner in which the duty entrusted to me
was carried out -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt Servt.
W. J. Christie

Meredith Esquire
of the Minister
[illegible] Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

3833

Department of the Interior.
Dominion Lands Office,
Ottawa, 13th July, 1875.

Memorandum.

In response to the request of the Deputy of the Minister of the Interior for any suggestions which he may desire to make in reference to the selection and Survey of the several Indian Reserves to be set apart under Treaty No. 4, the undersigned begs leave respectfully to remark as follows.

In his opinion it would be desirable, that, as soon as possible after the location of the Reserves in question may be decided

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

decided upon between the
Commissioner and the Indians,
the outlines thereof, in Each case,
should be laid out, and
marked upon the ground.

He would suggest that
the limits of the Reserves be
laid out East and West and
North and South in all cases,
Excepting where the boundary
is a natural feature, such
as a river or lake.

He recommends that Mr.
Wagner, D. L. S., be Employed
to survey the tracts set apart,
with which view, that gentleman
should ~~accompany~~ the Com- immediately follow
-missioner to Qu'Appelle,
and, upon the decision of
the locality of the Reserve
in that vicinity, he should
survey

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

survey the same, and then follow the Commissioner, say to the Touchwood Hills or such other point as the latter may have proceeded to, at which place, should the Commissioner require to go on previous to the Surveyor's arrival, he might leave instructions, in detail, respecting the precise locality and Extent of the Reserve to be surveyed.

Thence, the Surveyor should follow the Commissioner to the next point, wherever the same may be, say, to Fort Pelly, and so on, until the close of the Season; and, should the several Reserves selected not have been then surveyed, the rest might be proceeded with

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

with next spring.

On the other hand such of the tracts set apart as might be situate in wooded country, might be surveyed notwithstanding the winter.

It is perhaps not necessary to do so, yet, the undersigned ventures to suggest, that the Reserves should be selected in such manner as not to interfere with the probable requirements of future settlement, or of land for railway purposes. The annexes hereto, a map on which the proximate line of the Canada Pacific Railroad is laid down, in order that it may be made

each

an

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

an instruction to the Com-
-missioner, to avoid, as far
as may be possible, setting
apart lands in the vicinity
of the line.

If the Minister approve,
it might be suggested to the
Commissioner, that, in setting
apart any Reserves, the
interests of the Indians
should be considered so far
as to give them all the
necessary frontage upon
a river or lake, to include
an abundance of land for
farming purposes for the
Band; at the same time,
the tract should be made to
run back and include a
fair share also of land
which may not be so
desirable

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

desirable for farming, but would be valuable for other purposes connected with the Band, such as hunting, &c..

If practicable, he would say that the Reserves should be as nearly square as the localities selected may permit of their being made.

The East and West and North and South lines, Excepting as before remarked, on such sides of a Reserve as may be marked by a natural boundary, should be imperative, in order that the same may be in harmony with the General system

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

system of township surveys, when the lands in the vicinity come to be laid out for settlement.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Dennis

Surveyor General.

Approved

D. Laird

14/7/75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 6007

Copy *of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the* **Privy Council,** *approved by His Excellency the* **Administrator of the Government** *in Council, on the*

9th July 1875

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OTTAWA JUL 13 1875

Copy

On a memorandum, dated 2nd July 1875, from the Hon the Minister of the Interior, reporting that the Treaty concluded at Qu'appelle in September last with the Cree, Saulteaux and other Indians mentioned therein, provides, among other things, that Reserves shall be selected for the Indians affected by the Treaty by Officers appointed for that purpose, that the said Treaty further provides that annual payments shall be made to the Chiefs, Head-men and heads of families of the various tribes, and

To the Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c., &c., &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and also that presents of clothing and other articles shall be annually distributed among the different bands included in the Treaty

That it appears to him desirable that steps should be taken for the selection, during the present season, of the Reserves in question; and that provision be made at once for the payment of the annuities and distribution of presents authorized to be made this year

The Minister also represents that in consequence of the absence of the Chiefs of certain of the Indian bands affected by the said Treaty, their adhesion thereto has not, as yet, been obtained; and that it is important that they should be

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

be brought into the Treaty as soon as practicable

We therefore recommends,

1st. That Wm. Joseph Christie, Esqr. of Brockville, Ont, with such other person as may be named for that purpose by the Minister of the Interior, be appointed to select the Reserves where they shall be deemed most convenient and advantageous for the Indians, each Reserve to be selected as provided by the Treaty after conference with the Band of Indians interested therein, and subject to the other conditions set forth in the Treaty.

2nd. That the said Wm. Jo. Christie and the other person named as aforesaid by the Minister of the Interior, be also authorized to pay the annuities

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

annuities and to distribute the clothing and other presents authorized by the Qu'appelle Treaty, and to secure the adhesion of the Bands of Indians living within the Territory covered by the Treaty, who, either from absence or any other cause, were not parties to the Treaty concluded last year.

The Committee submit the foregoing recommendations for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified
Wm Simmons
CMC

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

W. J. Christie Esqr
Winnipeg
Manitoba

10 July 1875

Sir,

I have the honor by
desire of the Minister of the
Interior to enclose for your
information a Copy of an
Order of His Excellency the
Administrator of the Govt
in Council, appointing you
and a person to be named
by the Minister for the purpose, to
carry out the provisions of
the Treaty concluded last
Sept at Qu'Appelle, with
the Cree, Saulteaux and
other Indians party to
the Treaty.

The fact that you
assisted last year in the
as Commissioner in negotiating
the Treaty in question, as
well as your intimate
knowledge

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

knowledge of the Indians, their habits, language, &c, and your large experience in dealing with them, made the Government desirous of availing themselves of your services in carrying out the provisions of this Treaty.

Mr M. G. Dickieson who acted with you last year will be appointed to assist you ~~in~~ in this matter.

The duties assigned to you by the Order in Council are fourfold.

1. ~~The~~ Selecting of the Reserves under the Treaty

2. ~~The~~ Paying of the Annuities guaranteed by the Treaty.

3. ~~The~~ Distributing of clothing and presents to the Indians.

4. ~~The~~ Securing the adhesion of the Bands of Indians living within the territory covered by the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Treaty, who were absent when the Treaty was concluded last yea.

I. As regards the selection of the Reserves.

Each Reserve should be selected, as the Treaty requires, after conference with the Band of Indians interested, and should, of course, be of the area provided by the Treaty.

The Minister thinks that the Reserves should not be too numerous, and that, so far as may be practicable, as many of the Chiefs of Bands speaking one language, as will consent, should be grouped together on one Reserve.

In connection with this part of your duties, I am desired to enclose for your information a Copy of a Memorandum and map prepared by the Surveyor General

Memorandum 2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

General.

The Minister desires me to inform you that he coincides with the views of the Surveyor General contained in that Memo; I am to add that Mr Wagner, the gentleman named in the memorandum will be instructed to place himself at your disposal for the purpose of proceeding, with the Surveys of the Reserves as selected in the manner recommended by the Surveyor General.

Instructions sent Mr Wagner - dated 15/7/75 -

Request Surveyor General wrote Mr Wagner 15th

II. Paying Annuities & Gratuities

Official Cheque No in your favor for ~~the~~ Twenty four thousand five hundred Dollars is enclosed, that being the amount appropriated for the payment of Annuities this year under Treaty No 4.

Cheque $24.500

The book used last year when payments were made to the Indians

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of Treaty No 4 and the necessary Paysheets for the current year will be forwarded in good time.

The Paysheets have been prepared with special reference to the "Checks" ~~which have been~~ provided in accordance with your suggestion. The Checks have been ~~forwarded to~~ placed in Box No 4 forwarded to Mr Indian Commissioner Provencher, ~~who has been requested to forward~~ to be deliver to you or to your order.

Each Cheque bears a letter and a number, the former to represent the Band and the latter the head of the family.

Each head of a family, when paid, will receive his Check and will be expected to present it next year and every year following when receiving his

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his Annuity.

Any Indian not paid last year will be entitled of course to be paid both the gratuity of $12cc and the annuity of $5cc for the Current year.

You will have the goodness to send with your Paylists a Certificate of deposit in favor of the Receiver General of the Dominion as a "refund of Indian Expenditure". In the event of any balance remaining in your hands after paying the annuities and you will be careful not to employ for any other purpose any part of the money sent you for the payment of gratuities and annuities.

III. Distribution of clothing, presents &c.

The following articles have been forwarded to Mr Provencher to be placed at your disposal for the use of the Indians

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of Treaty No 4, viz:-

100 boats
100 pairs of Trousers
24 Ensigne
100 Hats
Twine to the value of $158.10

at Montreal.

The Ammunition, it is thought, you can purchase advantageously at Fort Garry.

You have already been advised by Telegraph that it would probably be desirable to solicit tenders for such provisions and other articles as may be required for the Indians who assemble in connection with the object of your mission. If you have not acted on this suggestion you are at liberty to purchase either at Fort Garry or elsewhere as you may think best, the any supplies required under the Treaty and not forwarded from Headquarters.

The accounts for the provisions

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

provisions and other things so purchased by you should be made out in duplicate, duly certified by you and transmitted to the Department, when official Cheques will be sent direct to the parties for the amounts to which they are severally entitled.

IV. Securing the adhesion of new Bands to the Treaty.

In securing the adhesion of the Bands of Indians absent when the Treaty was concluded at Qu'Appelle, it will be well that you should follow as far as possible the form adopted last year when dealing with the Indians at Fort Ellice.

Printed Copies of the Treaty will be handed to you by Mr Dickieson.

You will have the goodness to present one to each ~~of the~~ Chief

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

when paying him his
Annuity, in accordance
with the promise made
by the Commissioners
last year.

P. S. The 20 Scarlet Coats &
20 Hats with Gold Bands are
intended for the Chiefs and
the Blue Coats & balance of
the Hats for the Headmen

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CANADA

No 5007

Ottawa 19 July 1875.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL 19 1875
OTTAWA

Sir.

In reply to your Memorandum of the 10th instant addressed to the Hon the Minister of Justice respecting a body of the Mounted Police being stationed at Qu'Appelle about the commencement of next September the time when the Chief Indian Commissioner makes his annual payment at that place to the Indians, I have to inform you "that the Commissioner of the N. W. M. Police Force has been instructed to despatch one Officer and twenty men to be at Qu'Appelle at the End of August to report to Mr

E. A. Meredith Esqre
Deputy Minister of Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, CANADA.

Ottawa 187

Commissioner Christie"

I have the honor, to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Hugh Richardson
Act Dmgs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 5007 I B

W. J. Christie Esqr
Winnipeg
Man

Ottawa July 19th 1875

Sir,

Referring to your Tel of the 10th Inst, I have to inform you that, immediate application was made to the Dept of Justice to have your wishes carried out, and that ~~a letter has been received from~~ the Acting Deptg Min of Justice ~~stating~~ that, "the Commissioner "of the N. W. M. Police Force "has been instructed to despatch "one officer & twenty men to be "at Qu'Appelle at the end of "August to report to Mr ~~Christie~~ "Comsr Christie

inform me

[illegible]

Mr Lawrence

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 5007

Fort Garry, Manitoba
July 16th 1875

Treaty No. 4.

The Honble David Laird
Minister of Interior
Ottawa

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your several Telegrams of 8th, 9th & 12th Inst the first of which informed me, that I had been appointed Indian Commissioner to pay Annuities, & to Locate Reserves for Indians, according to the Terms and Conditions of Treaty No. 4, made by Her Majesty's Commrs with the Indians at 2 Appelle Lakes in September last -

Messenger to Indians

The Honble Pascal Berland having assisted in Treaties of East Gem, and as he has considerable influence among the Plain Indians, was engaged as Messenger to the Indians, and to assist me during the time of making payments, at Ten Dollars p day, (\$10. p day) such sum to cover all his Travelling Expenses, provisions, wages of man accompanying him - Mr. Berland left this on the 18th Inst for Fort Ellice, 2 Appelle Lakes and the Plains, furnished with a Letter from Lieut Governor Morris, instructing him to notify the Indians, of dates, that I, as Indian Commissioner would meet them at the following Places.

(?)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Fort Ellice - 24th. August

2 'appelle Lakes. 1st. September -

Place appd. to meet Indns

As there are but a few Indians at the Touch. Hills, it was thought advisable to invite them to join the Indians at 2 'appelle Lakes and meet me there -

Previous to Revd. Pascal Beliveau leaving I availed myself of the departure of a Canoe to Fort Pelly, and addressed a Letter to the Hudson's Bay Company's Officers in charge of the Posts at Fort Pelly and Shoal River, intimating to them, that I would meet the Egg Lake and Fort Pelly Indians at Fort Pelly on the 12th. Septr, and the Shoal River Indians at Shoal River on the 24th. of same month, and requested them to notify the Indians of the above Posts as soon as possible, in order to give them ample time for making their arrangements to meet me on the above dates, when their Annuities would be paid in accordance with the Terms of Treaty -

Egg Lake Fort Pelly & Shoal River Indians -

The Honble James McKay's Tender for the supply of Provisions & Transport &c for the Government, having been the lowest was accepted of by them, as Revd. Mr McKay has offered to furnish the Flour, Beef - & Transport, required for the Indian Treaty No. 4. on same terms - I have arranged with him for the delivery of the above supplies on the dates required, at the different points where I am to meet the Indians - To have advertised for Tenders would have been an unnecessary

Contract for Supplies & Transport.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

expense, from which no benefit would have arisen - As we are likely to have a greater number of Indians assembled at the 2 Appelle Lakes this Year, than last Year, it was, thought advisable to provide 400 Bags of Flour each 98 lbs, to meet the wants of Treaty -

Flour contracted for

The Tea, Tobacco and Ammunition, which will be taken from The Hudson's Bay Company's Stores here, as the supplies of these articles, got last Year from the Merchants in Winipeg was of an Inferior quality and refused by the Indians -

Tea. Ammn. Tobacco - from HBCo.

The Signs, on recommendation of Governor Morris will be got from a Firm in Toronto.

Signs from Merchants in Winipeg.

On arrival here on the 6th inst, I found an Indian Messenger had been sent down by the Chief "Poor Man" from the Touchwood Hills, to Governor Morris, wanting Cattle, & Agricultural Implements, as they had, or wished to commence to cultivate the Soil, on their intended Reservation - I was present at the Governors Interview with this Indian, he was told, that according to the Terms of the Treaty, Cattle and Agricultural Implements were only to be given, when they were actually located on their Reserves, & the Indian Commissioner and that when I went up, I was to report to the Government, what number of Indians had actually commenced to cultivate the Soil, and that the Agricultural Implements &c promised them, according to the Terms of the Treaty, would be supplied as

Indian Messenger from Touchwood Hill Chief.

Agricultural Implements & Cattle wanted

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

soon as possible - The Indian wished to have an Advance on his Treaty money, to pt a few Supplies he wanted to purchase here, as it was important, that he should return satisfied, I gave him an advance of Twenty Dollars for his Chief by request, and Fifteen Dollars for himself, on the perfect understanding that the Amount should be deducted from their Annuities at 2 Appelle Lakes - A Cart had also to be given them to take back their provisions & purchases -

Advances to Messenger -

a

I think it would be advisable to give those Indians who are actually cultivating the Soil or manifest a disposition to do so, such Implements of Agriculture & Cattle as were promised by terms of Treaty - The Indians say themselves, that without any Implements they cannot commence to break up ground, and there is some reason, in their request -

advise some Agricultural Implements to be given at once.

Regarding Presents for Bands of Indians, who were absent last fall, and whose adhesion to terms of Treaty is expected, I do not think it advisable to give any Presents, further than a Coat to the Chief and his Head men, as these Presents, unless the articles given, are in such quantities, that when divided, each Individual in the Bond, receives the same article; otherwise it only leads to discontent and creates jealousy - The Cash payments, on same terms, as were made last fall, ought to be sufficient to satisfy those who were absent, I shall however be guided by circumstances

Presents to Indians - un. necessary leads to disatisfaction & jealousy

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

and make the best arrangement I can -

To facilitate payments to the Indians and in order to check any imposition, it will be necessary that I should have the payment Book of East Year, with the Indians names and Amount paid, would you therefore kindly direct that the same should be forwarded to my address here, as soon as possible - The Checks or "Tallys" with numbers to be given to each Indian, will please be forwarded at same time -

requests Indian Payment Book of '74

As there may be two or Three Chiefs in from the Plains, who were not represented East fall, I would feel obliged by your sending on three or Four extra Medals & Flags, in case they may be required - The Medals to be exactly similar to those given to the Chiefs at L'Appelle East fall - The slightest difference may lead to their refusal or jealousy on the part of the others -

a few extra Medals wanted & Flags.

Governor Morris, Telegraphed to you that Mr. Grahames Services cannot be spared, so that he will not accompany me as Assistant - I much regret, Mr. Dickinson's absence, and failing him will have to make other arrangements -

Mr. Grahames Services required in Winnipeg.

I shall not be leaving this before the 16th or 17th August, and hope to have your Instructions on all matters requiring attention before I leave -

I should wish your advice as to how I am to pay The Hudson's Bay

Time of leaving Fort Garry for the West. 17th Augt.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

How to pay for Supplies.

Company or others, for Supplies furnished. Mr. Provencher has informed me that The Hudson's Bay Company at Fort Ellice have made some payments to Indians, who were absent last year and did not receive their Annuities, these payments will have to be refunded to the Company. Mr. Provencher, would have attended to this, but hearing that I was going up, he has deferred the settlement of the Acct to me.

Hudson's Bay Coy advanced Money to pay Indians at Ft Ellice.

Reserves.

Are there certain Tracts of Country, which the Government desire to retain, and which cannot be appropriated or located for Indian Reserves.

List of Supplies ordered.

Enclosed is a List of Supplies to be furnished by the Hon'ble James McKay and others, for the Indians to be met with at the different points.

Governor Morris. advice &c.

I have consulted, and taken the advice of Governor Morris on all matters relating to the purchase of Supplies Transport &c and I have received every assistance from his Honor to enable me to carry out your Instructions.

Supplies via Duluth.

The Supplies forwarded via Duluth from Ottawa have not yet arrived but may be at any time now.

I have the honor
to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servt
W. J. Christie
Indian Commt.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

P.S. I would again respectfully beg to bring under your consideration, the propriety of affording some protection to the Indian Commissioner, whilst making the payments to Indians at the 2 Qu'Appelle Lakes - There are likely to be a number of Indians, Halfbreeds and Strangers assembled there, and I do not think it safe, to go, with a large sum of money in the open Prairie, without some Guard -

An Officer & 20 or 25 men of the Mounted Police might be detailed from Fort Pelly for this duty, without any extra expense to the Government -

W. J. Christie
Indian Commr.
Treaty No. 4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

List of Supplies Contracted for, and to be delivered at, the Points & dates specified, by the Honble James McKay Vt.

400 Bags Flour - ea 98 lbs.
57 Oxen of Beef.
10 Cows of Indians or for Beef, or sale
7 Barrels Pork each 200 lbs. for Shoal Rivier Indians.

25
5
33

Memo. The Flour is to be delivd. at all Points for 28/. of sack all charges for Freight &c included say $4. of Freight & 12/. of Flour of sack

The Beef is to be delivered at 1.c pct less than was paid him last Gen - Pork at Contract Price for Mounted Police & other Govt. employes -

Mr. McKay contracts for Freight at Four Dollars ($4. 400 lbs) for every Hundred to all Points -

The Supplies of Shoal Rivier to be sent by Boat via. Manitoba & Winnipegoose Lakes -

From The Hudson's Bay Company's Stores at Fort Garry -
20 Chests of Cougar Tea ar 100 lbs
11 pieces of Tobacco
& Ammunition - quantity not decided

2800
4560
7360

Contd

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

From Merchant in Winipeg
20 Kegs Crash Sugar - 8 [illegible] dis each
Contract not yet settled -

W. J. Christie
Indian Commt

We cannot count upon getting any Supplies of Pemican or Dried Meat from The Hudson's Bay Company at any of their Posts - and the Traders may be unsuccessful in their hants also - I have therefore deemed it advisable to take up more Oxen, than we would otherwise have done

W. J. C

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

5007

Ottawa
July 27, 75

W. J. Christie
Winnipeg
Manitoba

Letter ~~[illegible]~~ sixteenth received. You have far exceeded your own estimate of supplies. Can you not do with less Flour and oxen? Parliamentary vote will not cover expense.

D.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

[Form No. 1.

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

OFFICES IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices: Parliament Building—Russell House—Albion Hotel—Queen's Wharf (Hamilton Bro.'s Office)—St. Lawrence Hall Sussex Street—St. L. & O. Lower Depot—St. L. & O. Upper Depot—Bridge Street, Chaudiere.

Sent by M Rec'd by B

Check 29 pd 68 vr

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All Messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following Message:

JAMES DAKERS, SEC. SIR HUGH ALLAN, PRES.

No. 217 Time 1440 Ottawa, July 19th 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon D Laird

Reported fully Sixteenth Graham Can be spared heard from Dickinson today Wish him very much wont leave till Seventeenth August Supplies leave first goods via Duluth not received yet

W J Christie

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Beef 4714·36

Tobacco 35,
6 hgbrues 420 lbs
8 Chests tea 100 lbs @ 50
6 " Sugar 100 " - 25

57) 4714·36 (82
456
154
114
40.36

18
5

80

	Flour	$ 2800.00
	Oxen	4714.00
	pork	238.00
1680	2000 lbs tea @ 62	1200.00
35	1680 " sugar	588.00
8400	Freight do	147.20
5040	1000 lbs tobacco	350.00
588.00	Freight	40.00
36.80		
4		
147.20		10077.20

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5007

[illegible] Christie Esqr.
Fort Garry
Manitoba.

27th July 1875.

Sir,

I have the honor by direction of the St. Gl. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th Instant reporting the measures taken by you in connection with your mission as Indn. Comr. to pay annuities, &c, to the Indians under Treaty No 4, respecting which full instructions were communicated to you in my letter of the 15th Instant.

2 The St. Gl. desires me to inform you that he approves of your appointment, on the terms mentioned in your letter, of the Honble Pascal Breland as messenger to the Indians, and for the purpose of assisting you in making the payments to Indians.

3 The St. Gl. concurs with you in thinking that it is advisable as early as practicable to give the Indians who are actually engaged in cultivating the soil or manifest a disposition so to do such agricultural implements and cattle as they are entitled to under the Treaty; and with this view he trusts that you

will

approved. I
[illegible]

Shirt
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

be careful to ascertain and report in detail what bands or families of Indians have actually commenced the cultivation of the soil or are preparing to do so in order that steps may be taken as early as possible to supply them with the necessary implements.
The St. Gl. is very desirous that the Government should not be put to the expense of sending implements and cattle that are not likely to be used for the purpose for which they are intended
4 The St. Gl. concurs with you in thinking it is by no means desirable to give presents to the bands of Indians whose adhesion to the terms of the Treaty is expected this year, and trusts you will be able as you expect to satisfy them with the cash payments to which they are entitled.
5 Mr Codd the Dominion Land Agent at Winnipeg will be instructed to place at your disposal the medals

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

in his possession to be given to the Chiefs included in the district covered by Treaty No. 4 whose adhesion to the Treaty you are expected to secure. The medals are exactly similar to those given to the chiefs at Fort Appelle last Autumn.

6 The St. Gl. desires me to ~~inform you that you are~~ authorize you to refund to the Agent of the Hudson Bay Company at Fort Ellice any payments which he may have made to the Indians who were absent last year and did not receive their annuities, on the production of the necessary certificates of course for such payment.

7 My letter of the 19th. Instant has advised you that the necessary instructions have been sent to the Commissioner of the Mounted Police to give you the protection you desire when on your mission to the Indians.

8. A telegram of this day's date from the St. Gl. has notified you that he considered the amount of provisions, &c, purchased by

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

by you for the purposes of your mission ~~unnecessarily~~ large, somewhat and ~~as being much~~ in excess of your own estimate furnished to him. ~~It can not understand why the amount of supplies should be so much larger than last year, as~~ although the number of Indians assembled this year may be greater than on the former occasion they are not likely to be detained for the same length of time. ~~He trusts still that you will be able to dispense with a large proportion of the flour, oxen and other things which you have provided thought it unnecessary to provide.~~

DL

9. As the Chiefs of Treaty No 4 would seem to be entitled to complete suits, and as Coats and trousers only have been provided here it will be necessary for you to ~~procure~~ purchase the necessary flannel shirts at Fort Garry, where it is thought they can be procured as cheaply as here

leave down to add

10. Should you happen to meet any chiefs of the bands west of the limits of Treaty No 4 or should they send any messenger to ask you the intentions

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

of the Government respecting their claim you can assure them that their interests have not been forgotten or overlooked and that the Govt. hopes to be able to treat with them during the next summer. You may add that owing to the great distance and the difficulty of procuring the necessary information the Govt. was unable to ~~make the necessary~~ arrange ~~matters~~ to deal with these bands during the present season.

Should you think it necessary you are at liberty to send a special messenger to notify these Indians of the intentions of the Government.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

nately ~~gone astray~~ miscarried on
the route. It is very ~~to~~
important that no time
should be lost in looking
up these missing ~~articles~~ cases
and forwarding them to their
destination, and this duty
is entrusted to you. The cases
were addressed to Lt. Col. J. A. N.
Provencher, Indn Comr., Winnipeg,
Man. Care of J. & H. Beatty & Co.,
Sarnia. ~~You will apply~~ The invoices were sent
to the last named ~~[illegible]~~ Gentlemen ~~for~~
~~the invoices~~, who will
hand them to you on the
production of this letter.

As full oral instructions
have been given to you by the Mr of the I
it is unnecessary here to enter
~~July 1845.~~

~~Gentlemen,~~
~~Referring to my~~

into any further details.

~~Messrs J. & H. Beatty & Co.~~
~~Sarnia,~~
~~Ont.~~

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No 5007

M. G. Dickieson, Esqr.
Ottawa.

30 July 6

Sir,

I have the honor to enc
close for your information
a copy of an order of
H. E. the Administrator
of the Government in Coun
of the 9th. Inst. and to
inform you that under
the authority given to him
in that Order the Minister
has been pleased to
name and appoint you
to assist Mr W. J. Christie
the gentleman named
in the Order in carry-
ing out the several
matters specified
therein.

Mr Christie is at
present in Fort Garry
and proposes to leave
that place about the
middle of next month
to proceed on his mission
West. It is desirable
however, that you should
lose no time in going
Westward, the more so as
it appears that the Cases
Containing the Presents
&c. for the Indians of Treaties
Nos. 1. 2. & 4. have unfortu-
nately

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No 5007

M. G. Dickieson Esqr
Winnipeg
Man

2nd Aug 1875

Sir,

Referring to my lett of the 30 Ult, I have by direction of the Supt Genl to enclose ~~of~~ Credit Cheque No 11, in your favor for the sum of Three hundred Dollars to ~~enable you to pay your~~ meet travelling expenses in connection with your mission to the Inds of Treaty No 4. to ~~and~~ for ~~post~~ Fort Garry - from which point your travelling expenses will be defrayed by Mr Christie.

S -

$300.00

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

No 5007

W. J. Christie Esq.
Winnipeg
Manitoba

2nd Aug 1875

Sir,

Referring to my
letter of the 15th ult I
have the honor to enclose
Credit Cheque No 10 in
your favor for the
sum of $1000.00 to
~~[illegible] to pay~~ your
travelling expenses in
connection with your
mission to the Indians
of Treaty No 4.

~~The~~ Fifty
Paysheets have been forwarded
to your address by this
days mail

$1000.00

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

5007

Department of the Interior
Ottawa 3 August '75

W. J. Christie Esq.
Winnipeg Man.

Sir

Referring to my letter of the 15th ult. I am directed by the Supt General to inform you that with a view to relieve you of the duty of making payments to the Indians and distributing clothing and presents to them and to enable you to devote your time to the important task of negotiating about the Reserves, the Supt General has been pleased to appoint Mr W. J. Forsyth to assist Mr Dickinson in making the payments and distributing the presents to the Indians.

Mr Forsyth has been directed to proceed at once to Fort Garry and put himself in communication with you at that place, and will probably leave for that purpose tomorrow.

His expenses to and from Fort Garry have been paid & from that point West and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

and back he will be
Considered as one of your
party and his expenses
should be defrayed out
of the General funds in
Your hands.

Ih

W. F. Forsyth Esq
Ottawa.

Sir/ I have the honour by
direction of the Supt Genl to
inform you that, as he has
already verbally ~~[illegible]~~ whispered
you, he purposes to avail
himself of your services
to assist Mr C. W. J. Christie
the Coltman charged with
a special mission to the
Indians of Treaty No 4.

Your special duty will
be to assist, jointly with Mr
M. G. Dickieson, in making
the payments and distributing
presents to the Indians of
Treaty No 4.

Over and above this special
duty the Supt Genl trusts that
during your stay among the
Indians you will address yourself
as far as ~~[illegible]~~ time & opportunity
will permit to the study of
everything connected with
the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Ros. 37

Ottawa August 3rd 1875

Sir,

I have the honor by direction of the Superintendent General to inform you that, as he has already verbally notified you, he purposes to avail himself of your services to assist Dr W. J. Christie the Gentleman charged with a special Mission to the Indians of Treaty No 4.

Your special duty will be to assist jointly with Dr W. J. Dickieson in making the payments and distributing presents to the Indians of Treaty No 4.

Over

W. F. Forsyth Esq
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Over and above this special
duty the Superintendent General trusts
that during your stay among the
Indians you will address yourself so
far as time and opportunity will permit
to the study of everything connected with
the Indian question generally, and
he will be glad to receive your report
on any matter bearing upon this grave
and important question.

Knowing your large experience
in dealing with such matters and
in view of the conversation which you
have had with the Superintendent
General and myself upon the subject
of your present mission the Superintendent
General

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

General thinks it unnecessary to specify here the particular points to which he would wish you specially to devote your attention.

A Cheque for Two hundred and fifty dollars is enclosed to meet your travelling expenses to and from Fort Garry. From that point West, and back to Fort Garry you will form one of Mr Christies party, and your expenses will be defrayed out of the funds in Mr Christies hands.

$250.00

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obd't Servant

Deputy of the Minister
of the Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Fort Carry July 28th 1875

No. 500/ G.G.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 19th Copy of which I transmitted to Lieut Colonel French at Fort Pelly, intimating to him at same time, that I would be at the Qu'Appelle Lakes on the 30th day of September, for the purpose of paying annuities &c to Indians according to the terms of Treaty No. 4. and that I would expect the Escort of Mounted Police to meet me at that Place on above date -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt Servt
W. J. Christie
Indian Comm.r
Treaty No. 4

E. A. Meredith Esqre
Deputy of the Minister
of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Fort Garry, Manitoba
July 28th 1875

No 500/D.B

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your despatch of the 15th inst, enclosing Copy of an order of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government in Council, appointing me / with another person to be named by the Minister of the Interior / for the purpose of carrying out the Provisions of the Treaty concluded last September at the Qu'Appelle Lakes, with the Cree, Saulteaux, and other Indians, parties to the Treaty -

I shall, as far as I possibly can, discharge the duties assigned to me by the order in Council, in doing so, I shall be guided, and adhere to the instructions, communicated in your despatch of above date by desire of the Minister of the Interior -

The appointment of Rev. Mr. G. Dickieson as my Assistant, affords me great satisfaction, his experience gained last Year make his services the more valuable -

1. Selection of Reserves for Indians -

These will be as few in number as possible, and in locating them, every attention will be paid to the suggestions made by the Minister of Interior, as also in the Memorandum furnished by the Surveyor General. As soon as the first Reserve has been decided on

E. A. Meredith Esqre
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

probably with the Fort Ellice Indians, Mr. Wagner will be directed to proceed with the Survey in the manner directed by the Surveyor General. With this object in view, he will likely accompany me to Fort Ellice.

— Paying Annuities and Gratuities to Indians — 2,

Official Cheque No. 5 in my favor for Twenty Four Thousand five Hundred Dollars $24.500. has been deposited in the Ontario Bank, and will be applied solely for the payment of Annuities this Year, under the terms and conditions of Treaty No. 4. In making the payments to the Indians, each will receive their Check, with special instructions, that it must be produced next Year, and every following Year in order to obtain his Annuity.

All Indians absent last Year will receive the Gratuity of Twelve Dollars /$12.00/ in addition to his Annuity of Five Dollars for this Year, Chiefs and Headmen will be paid according to their several ranks. A Certificate of deposit in favor of the Receiver General will accompany my Paysheets.

——— Distribution of Clothing Presents &c ——— 3

The Suits of Clothes &c will be delivered according to terms of Treaty — No reference to the List of Articles forwarded, I see that there are no Shirts to accompany Suits, then we will require to provide here, as a Shirt is invariably given to Indians along with a Suit of Clothes — After deducting the Amount already expended in Horses the Balance of the Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars /$750.00/ will be laid out

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

in the purchase of Powder Ball, & Shot, which I can easily procure here

4. Provisions for Indians assembled Presents Annuities -

The Honble James McKay having offered to supply, and deliver, at the different points where I may meet the Indians, the Provisions agreed of Treaty No 4., at as low a rate as any other Party, I did not advertise for Tenders, but accepted his offer - On submitting my Estimate to Governor Morris, of the probable quantity of Provisions / Flour & Beef / which would be required, it was considered as being far below, what would be the expenditure; we are likely to have a far larger number of Indians assembled at the Qu'Appelle Lakes, than we had last Year, and in addition to them we shall have all the Families of the Egg Lake and Fort Pelly Indians, to join with the Shoal Lake Band - Last Year in addition to 50 Oxen supplied by The Honble James McKay, a large quantity of Pemican and dried Meat, was furnished by The Hudson's Bay Company, there is no certainty of our being able to obtain any this Year, in consequence of a scarcity of Buffalo - I think it better that we should have a surplus Stock of Provisions, than run any risk of having too little - Any Flour we may have over, can, I think, be disposed of on the Spot, at cost and charges, or it might, if so desired, be stored for another Year at a small Expence to the Government.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

As our Expenses must be kept within the Parliamentary Vote, I shall revise our Indent for Flour & Pork, and if it can be safely reduced, it shall be done, I may however add that there is no certainty of getting supplies of either from The Hudson's Bay Company at L'Appelle, should we find ourselves short, as they will not have made any Provision for un-expected demands beyond their usual Trade -

Certified Duplicate Accounts for Provisions or other things purchased by me shall be transmitted to the Department - as directed.

Securing the adhesion of New Bands to the Treaty - 5.

The Form adopted at Fort Ellice East Year, will be followed, and after obtaining the Chiefs Signatures & assent thereto, Copy of Treaty will be handed to each, and their Gratuities and Annuities paid -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt Servt.
W. J. Christie
Indian Commr.
Treaty No. 4.

P.S. Mr. Wagner D.L.S has just called on me, he will be ready to accompany me when I start for Fort Ellice -

W. J. C

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Form No. 1.

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

OFFICES IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices; Parliament Buildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Battle Brothers, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Bridge St., Chaudiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & C. Upper Depot; Canada Central Depot.

Sent by I *Rec'd by* Mo

Check 100 10 210

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 3, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 220 Time 6.35 Ottawa, Aug 9 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon D Laird

Heard from Ireland anticipates very large gathering at Quapole including many who were absent last year strongly advises presence of strong party of mounted police as some of these indians are inclined to be turbulent & imagine a new treaty must be made with those who were not there Send me instructions increase guard to fifty to meet me at Fort Ellice Reply at once McDougall anxious to leave & will convey order to police Commission at Selby despatch of twenty fourth July received this morning only. Supplies provisions Can be Easily be disposed of but I Cannot reduce accounts.

W J Christie

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Refer 5007.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 11 1875
OTTAWA

Fargo, Dakota, August 6th 1875.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the instructions contained in official letter of the 30th ult. I have traced the goods, addressed to Lt. Col. Provencher, from Ottawa until I overtook them yesterday at Brainerd where they were delayed on account of the destruction of the bridge over the Mississippi at that point. I gave the freight agent instructions to have them forwarded as soon as possible, and have just received a telegram from him that he has done so, and that they will be here this evening. A boat leaves for Winnipeg tomorrow evening or Sunday morning and the Goods will be forwarded then.

I have lost no unnecessary time on my route, though on account of making inquiries of the freight agents at one or two stations I missed making close connections.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. G. Dickieson.

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 5000

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Form No. 1.

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

OFFICES IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices; Parliament Buildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Battle Brothers, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Bridge St., Chaudiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & O. Upper Depot; Canada Central Depot.

Sent by H. J. B. Rec'd by

Check 12 pd 34 Lt

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 184 Time 5 40 Ottawa, Aug 13 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Min of

The Interior

Expect appropriation for annuities insufficient in that case what shall we do

W G Christie

left at Mr Sand's house
Mr. Oliver this
Evening. 21 Aug
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Form No. 1.

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connects with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

OFFICES IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices; Parliament Buildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Battle Brothers, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Bridge St., Chaudiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & O. Upper Depot; Canada Central Depot.

Sent by Hy Rec'd by Md

Check 6 Dec 42

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 132 Time 305 Ottawa, Aug 18 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon David Laird

Annuity funds certainly insufficient. Must be increased. Can we borrow from Bank how much telegraph immediately

W J Christie

Ans[illegible] by telegram of same date sent before rect of Wedbor

E Ale

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

[Bk. No. 2.

Terms and Conditions on which this and all Messages are received by this Company.

In order to [illegible] and correct as much as possible some of the errors arising from atmospheric and other causes appertaining to telegraphy, every important message should be *repeated*, by being sent back fr[illegible]ion at which it is to be received to the station from which it is originally sent. Half the usual price will be charged for repeating the message; and while this Company in good faith will ende[illegible] send messages correctly and promptly, it will not be responsible for errors or delays in the transmission or delivery, nor for the non-delivery of *repeated messages*, beyond two hundred times [illegible]n paid for sending the message, unless a special agreement for insurance be made in writing, and the amount of risk specified on this agreement, and paid at the time of sending the message. Nor will the Company be responsible for any error or delay in the transmission or delivery, or for the non-delivery of *any unrepeated message*, beyond the amount paid for sending the same unless in like manner specially insured, and amount of risk stated hereon, and paid for at the time. No liability is assumed for errors in cypher or obscure messages; nor is any liability assumed by this Company for any error or neglect by any other Company over whose lines this message may be sent to reach its destination, and this Company is hereby made the agent of the sender of this message to forward it over the lines extending beyond those of this Company. No agent or employee is allowed to [illegible] the terms or make any other or verbal agreement, nor any promise as to the time of performance; and no one but a Superintendent is authorized to make a special agreement for insurance. These terms apply through the whole course of this message on all lines by which it may be transmitted.

JAS. DAKERS, *Secretary*.

SIR HUGH ALLAN, *President*.

5007

Send the following Message, without repeating it, subject to the above conditions.

18 Augt 1875

To W. J. Christie
Winnipeg
Man.

Your telegram of yesterday received ten thousand dollars placed to your credit to day - at Ontario Bank Fort Garry, in requested

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Memo.

Credit cheque of $10,000 ~~telegraphed~~ to Ontario Bank at Fort Garry in favor of W. J. Christie to be applied to payment of annuities under Treaty No 4

Augt 18/75

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 18 1875
OTTAWA

FORM No. 1.

DOMINION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

Terms and Conditions.

All Messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Form No. 2, which have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

J. C. SMALL, *Sec'y.* I. D. PERRIS, *Gen'l M'ger.* J. McMURRICH, *Pres't.*

Sent by D *Rec'd by* O

Check 16 Coll 31

Time 12

No 26

Ottawa, 18 Aug 1875

By Telegraph from Brantford

To E A Meredith

Deputy M of Interior

Believe Christie mistaken but if necessary borrow ten Thousand (10000) from New Treaty Vote & send him

D Laird

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 5007

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Form No. 1.

INCORPORATED 1847.

Com[illegible] all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

OFF[illegible] IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices; Parliament Buildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Battle Brothers, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Bridge St. Chaudiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & O. Upper Depot; Canada Central Depot.

Sent by A D Rec'd by

Check 16 p 042

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 223 Time 810 Ottawa, Aug 16 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man 16

To Hon D Laird

Leave on Escutcheon must have deep for Tureen thousand before starting assailant insufficient

W J Christie

M G Dickinson

Repeated to Min of Interior at Brantford 17/Aug/75 W.H.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5007

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
AUG 13 1875
OTTAWA, ...

Ottawa
August 12, 75

W. J. Christie
Winnipeg
Manitoba

Implements will be sent this fall, but think agricultural articles should be stored at posts for distribution in spring. Cattle may be sent few chiefs who promise the care during winter.

D.L.

(Sent)

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF [illegible]
13
1875

Form No. 1.

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connecting with all parts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

OFFICES IN OTTAWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices; Parliament Buildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Bates & Brothers, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Bridge St., Chaudiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & O. Upper Depot; Canada Central Depot.

Sent by [illegible] Rec'd by [illegible]

Check [illegible] paid 152

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on the Blank Form No. 1, which terms and conditions have been assented to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, Sec. SIR HUGH ALLAN, Pres.

No. 121 Time 340 Ottawa, Aug 12 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon D Laird

Cattle and Agricultural implements for Indians who cultivate or intend doing so would require to be sent on this fall or they will lose another year, will report number earliest opportunity after conferring with them, am I authorized to say to Indians they will be forwarded this fall, your telegram tenth rec'd all provisions sent on Dickinsons and clothing expected tomorrow, letters Jocky twenty seventh July August second third received - Reply today -

W. J. Christie

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No. 500 J

Fort Garry 12th August 1875

DEPARTMENT AUG 21 1875

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 3rd inst, informing me that the Superintendent General had been pleased to appoint Mr. W. J. Smyth to assist Mr. Dickieson in making the payments and distributing the Presents to the Indians of Treaty No. 4.

Mr. Smyth has not arrived here yet, I shall make the necessary arrangements for his Travelling west with my Party as desired, defraying his Expenses from the General Funds in my hands.

I shall leave here on the 14th inst or 15th at latest for Fort Ellice.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt Servt
W. J. Christie
Indian Comm.
Treaty No. 4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

AUG 21 1875

No. 5007 I.B.

Fort Garry 12th August 1875

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 2nd inst, enclosing Credit Cheque No 10. in my favor, for the sum of One Thousand Dollars (much the Travelling Expences in connection with my mission to the Indians of Treaty No. 4.

$1000

I enclose they to hand you my receipt in duplicate for the same -

I have also to acknowledge the receipt of the Fifty Flag Sheets forwarded to my address by Mail

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedt. Servt

W. J. Christie

Indian Commissioner

Treaty No. 4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM +

Memoranda

The following Quantities of Tea, Sugar, Ammunition and Tobacco would be sufficient to cover all demands for presents &c.

					Ammun
Carlton Indians	1 Chest Tea.	1 Keg Sugar.	1 pc Tobco	2 pieces	
Fort Pitt	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Victoria	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Edmonton	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Total	4 Chests Tea.	4 Kegs Sugar.	4 pc. Tobco	× 8 pc. Amm.	

× The 8 pieces Ammunition would be 4 Kegs Gunpowder & 4 Bags Ball. or 2 bags of ball & 2 bags Shot.

The Chiefs belonging to the above Posts will themselves spread the intelligence far & wide, and distribute the presents.

As near an Estimate as can be formed there will be 3000, to 3,500 Indians to treat with.

The Agent will require to get two good Horses and the services of one man to accompany him from Manitoba to Carlton House, from which point he should be sent on to the different Camps by The Hudson's Bay Company

W. J. Christie
Indian Commnr.
Treaty No. 4.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

/Copy/

Fort Garry 5th August 1875

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
AUG 21 1875
CANADA

Sir

In compliance with your request verbally expressed here, I beg to submit for your Honors consideration the following points relating to the proposed Treaty with the Cree of the Lac La Ronge district, which in my opinion require to be clearly settled before any intimation is conveyed to these Indians regarding said Treaty or the time and place where it is to be made.

1. The time and place for making said Treaty should be governed by the habits of the Indians and made to suit their convenience so that in may not interfere with their hunting season.

In connection with this I would remark that I consider it would be most convenient some time in the month of June before they get dispersed in the Plains after the Buffalo, or in the latter part of July, about the time of their return from their Spring Hunt, and would suggest the following points for meeting them, clearly impressing upon your Honor at the same time, that when the Place and date has been decided upon, nothing

The Honble Alexander Morris
Lieut Governor
North West Territories

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

should be allowed to cause any change of arrangements.

First Treaty at Carlton on the end of July ~~or beginning of August~~

Second Treaty at Fort Pitt on the beginning of August.

It would require to be distinctly understood 2.
what Indians are to assemble at these different Places, and Government Agents should be there to receive them in advance of the Commissioners so as to prevent any misunderstanding or trouble from the want of Food while they are waiting, if detained.

A Trustworthy Agent should be sent without 3
delay to the different Camps of these Indians with a small present to notify them of the intention of the Government to treat with them at the date decided upon, and whatever that Agent is instructed to state to them, should be religiously adhered to by the Government, and no deviation allowed in any respect, or the consequences would be most lamentable to the Country, for if the Indians confidence is abused the difficulties of the Government in treating with them hereafter will be immeasurably increased.

I would recommend that the Indians 4
belonging to the following Places be invited to meet the Commissioners at Carlton for Treaty purposes on the end of July

Carlton Plain Crees

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Carlton Plain Stonies
" Wood Crees
Prince Albert D.
Fort Lacorne D.
Battle River D.

5. I would further recommend that the Indians belonging to the following Places be also invited to meet the Commissioners at Fort Pitt on the beginning of August

Fort Pitt Crees
Jackfish Lake D. (a few Saulteaux among these)
Whitefish Lake D.
Victoria D.
Edmonton Ho: D.

6. The Agent who may be sent to prepare the Indians for the Treaty, should be furnished with the necessary authority to enable him to procure such articles as may be considered requisite for Presents, such as, Tea, Leyon Ammunition, and Tobacco -

7. It will be absolutely necessary that timely arrangements be made to have on the Ground before the Treaty is entered upon the usual supply of Provisions and Presents.

I respectfully submit the above remarks after consulting with the Rev.d George McDougall, and think that if the spirit of them is carried out, the Government will have no difficulty in affecting a satisfactory Treaty with these Indians,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

provided the Annuities are reasonable.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt. Servt.

W. J. Christie

Indian Commissioner

Treaty No. 4.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1 Copy

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
AUG 21 1875
CANADA

Fort Qu'Appelle Lakes
29th July 1875

William J. Christie Esq
Fort Garry
Manitoba

Dear Sir

Your kind favor of the 12th inst. by the South Pascal Boland, came duly to hand on the 22nd inst, when Mr. Boland called here on passing for the Plains. He dined with me here, and afterwards had an interview with several Indians, who were about the place.

I am told by those who have visited the Plains lately that we are to have a great number of Indians in this fall to meet the Commissioner, fully double as many as last Year. Many of whom are possessed with the erroneous idea, that it is only now they are going to make a final Treaty. I think I mentioned to you in a letter last write, that the Indians who were in here last Sept and concluded the Treaty, for and on behalf of their Confederates as well as themselves, on returning out to the Plains, had not the courage for fear of course / to tell their Partners that they had really come and signed a Treaty for the whole of them. Mr. Boland and I had a talk over the matter, and he as well as myself apprehend a good deal of annoyance to the Commissioner who visits them this fall, owing to the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

false impression to which I have just alluded -

Mr. Ireland asked me if I could find an opportunity of writing you, to inform you of all this, and to suggest that you should make arrangements for having a detachment of the North West Mounted Police out from Fort Pelly to meet you here - at least 30 or 40 of them, as he seems inclined to think, that many of those who were not present here last Year from the Plains, will be turbulent and insolent, unless we have something to keep them in more or less check.

I am also told that we are to have a great number of Stories in, those from along the South branch, and the "Red Store" with his Party from the other side of the Boundary Line, whether all these are entitled to receive Treaty here or not, I cannot say, but they evidently intend to try for it -

I have not time to write you half as fully as I would wish, and the bearer of this has turned up quite unexpectedly and in a hurry to get off, so please excuse my hurried letter.

Your official letter of the 11th Inst. of which you make mention in your private note to Mr. Ireland has not yet come to hand I fear it has gone to Fort Pelly with the mail for that Place, I will attend to everything and do the best I can until you come - I hope to see you about the 30th Prox.

I remain, Dear Sir
Yours faithfully Respectfully
(Signed) W. J. McLean

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Fort Garry August 12th. 1875

No. 5007 I.B.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th. ultto. and in briefly replying thereto, beg to offer the following remarks for the information of the Superintendent General.

1. I shall avail myself of the earliest opportunity after conferring with the Indians, and report in detail what Bands or Families have actually commenced the cultivation of the soil or are preparing to do so, in order that steps may be taken as soon as possible to provide them with the necessary implements, if they are not sent in this fall, the Indians will lose another Year, and it is important that the terms and conditions of Treaty No 4 be fulfilled at an early date.

2. Application will be made to Mr. Codd Dominion Land Agent Winnipeg for the Medals in his possession, which will be given to the Chiefs included in the District covered by Treaty No 4 whose adhesion shall be secured.

3. The Agent of The Hudsons Bay Company

E. A. Meredith Esquire
Deputy of the Minister
of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

at Fort Ellice will be refunded for any payments which he may have made to the Indians who were absent last year and did not receive their Annuities, on his producing the necessary Certificates and account of such payments, receiving his receipt for the same.

The Superintendants General Telegram to 4
Lieut Governor Morris of yesterdays date regarding protection for the Indian Commissioners when on his mission to the Indians, has been noted on, and by the Fort Pelly Mail which leaves this today, the Lieut Governor has sent instructions to the Officer commanding Mounted Police at Head quarters, requesting him to send as strong a Guard as can be spared to meet me at Fort Ellice.-

I regret that the Amounts of Provisions 5
purchased for the purpose of my mission, should have so much exceeded my original estimate, but on arrival here after Conferring with the Lieut Governor, and others well acquainted with the Country, I was informed that a very large number of Indians would be assembled to meet the Commissioners at Qu'appelle, I therefore did not deem it safe or prudent, under the circumstances, to send on a smaller supply of Provisions, than we had last Year. It is very uncertain how long we may be detained at Qu'appelle before we can settle with all the Indians. I trust you will assure the Superintendant General that every economy will be used in the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

at Fort Ellice will be refunded for any payments which he may have made to the Indians who were absent last year and did not receive their Annuities, on his producing the necessary certificates and account of such payments, receiving his receipt for the same.

The Superintendants General Telegram to 4
Lieut Governor Morris of yesterdays date
regarding protection for the Indian Commissioners
when on his mission to the Indians, has been
noted on, and by the Fort Pelly Mail which
leaves this today, the Lieut Governor has sent
instructions to the Officer Commanding Mounted
Police at Head quarters, requesting him to
send as strong a Guard as can be offered
to meet one at Fort Ellice.-

I regret that the Amounts of Provisions 5
purchased for the purpose of my mission,
should have so much exceeded my original
estimate, but on arrival here after conferring
with the Lieut Governor, and others well acquainted
with the Country, I was informed that a
very large number of Indians would be
assembled to meet the Commissioners at
Qu'Appelle, I therefore did not deem it safe
or prudent, under the circumstances, to send
on a smaller supply of Provisions, than we
had last Year. It is very uncertain how
long we may be detained at Qu'Appelle before
we can settle with all the Indians. They
I am will assure the Superintendant General
that every economy will be used in the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

distribution of the Supplies, and should there be any surplus, it can be easily stored for another Year with little or no expence to the Government.
A written Agreement has been made in relation to the Transport expences in connection with my Mission, and I may add that they are as reasonable and moderate as could be obtained. -

6. The Shirts and cotton Handkerchiefs to complete the Chiefs & Head mens suits, will be procured here, I expect Mr. Dickenson will arrive here tomorrow with the Clothing, when we shall receive what is intended for the Indians under Treaty No. 4. The Carts with Supplies of Provisions, Ammunition, and Tobacco, left for the different points where we are to meet the Indians, two days ago, and I have no doubt all will be rendered in good time -

7. The instructions contained in the 10th. paragraph of your despatch of 27th Ulto will be attended to, and I shall avail myself of every opportunity to convey to the Indians west of Treaty No 4, the intentions of the Government respecting them - The Government stand fully committed to the completion of the Treaties in the Saskatchewan next Year, as the only reliable Agent whom Governor Morris could get to communicate to them the Government intentions, and it an absolute condition, as Governor Morris has already informed you, that there

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

should be no postponement of it.

8

I by Wenclose for the information of the Superintendant General, Copy of a Letter received from Mr. W. J. McLean Clerk in charge of The Hudson's Bay Company's Post at the D'Appelle, also Copy of a Letter addressed by me to Lieut. Governor Morris relating to contemplated Treaties in Saskatchewan next Summer, all of which is respectfully submitted.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedt. Servt.
W. J. Christie
Indian Commnt.
Treaty No. 4

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Fort Garry 18th August 1875

5007 I.B.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AUG 28 1875 OTTAWA

Sir

I have the honor to communicate for the information of the Superintendant General that Messrs. Dickieson and Forsyth arrived here on the 13th inst.

1. Mr. Dickieson has handed me the printed Copies of Treaty No 4, and the Book containing the names of the Indians paid last Year at Q'appelle.

2. I have received from Mr. Codd Dominion Land Agent, the Medals left in his care last Autumn.

3. On the 13th Inst I telegraphed the Minister of the Interior expressing a doubt that the appropriation for Annuities for Indians under Treaty No 4 would be insufficient and again to the same effect on the 16th & 17th requesting a further credit of Ten thousand Dollars ($10,000). I was induced to take this step in consequence of information daily received from Q'appelle, that there was every certainty that there would be a very large gathering of Indians at that point, and as nearly as Mr. Dickieson and myself

E. A. Meredith Esquire
Deputy of the Minister
of Interior, Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

could estimate, the Amount asked for would be required over and above the appro-priation.

I have just received your Telegram 4 of this date informing me that the Amount above referred to, had been placed to my Credit in the Ontario Bank.

As we could not procure Agricultural 5 Implements to the extent authorized, we have sent on such as could be had at present, leaving Mr. Provencher to forward the rest hereafter.

In reference to the Superintendent Generals 6 Telegram of 12th Inst, I have to state that no Cattle have been forwarded for use of Bands, but should we ascertain that any have made provision for the care of Stock during the Winter we may be able to make arrangements on the Spot to meet their wants.

Herewith you will receive Sundry 7 Accounts against the Department as per annexed List, and I have to request that Cheques for the Amounts may be forwarded as soon as possible to the several parties who furnished the Supplies, as there are great complaints here against the Government owing to their delay in meeting accounts when presented.

You will please inform the Superintendent General, that being now in a position

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to start I purpose leaving this early tomorrow morning with Messrs Dickieson and Forgth and that nothing shall be wanting on our part to carry out his instructions in relation to Treaty No. 4.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedt Servt

W. J. Christie

Indian Commt.

Treaty No. 4.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In order that there might be no mis
take about honoring my drafts on
the Bank at Winnipeg I yesterday
forwarded by special messenger to
Fort Garry the following telegram
which I trust will reach safely and
be promptly attended to. "Qu'
"Appelle Lakes Sept. 9th 1875. The Min-
isters of the Interior Ottawa Ont "
"Number of Indians so much in excess of
"estimate, have been obliged to borrow
"fifteen thousand Dollars and have drawn
"draft on Ontario Bank Winnipeg for
"amount. Place amount to my credit
"at once, to protect same, Drafts are
"drawn to be paid on demand. Fifteen
"thousand dollars will be required to
"pay for supplies, These amounts are
"in addition to those asked for in
"telegram of 3rd Inst" I have to say
that while expressing my regret that
the amount required has been so large
it is gratifying that all the chiefs
have now signed the Treaty obligations
and that the whole of the payments
have been made without the smallest
hitch or disturbance. I have to add
in Conclusion that the thanks of
the Government are specially due
to Mr McDonald and the Hudson's
Bay Company for their pecuniary
assistance given so promptly and
at some inconvenience to them-
selves,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In every matter, I have had the hearty co-operation of Supt. Dickieson and Forsyth and have been obliged by their suggestions, whilst the rapidity with which they paid the Indians saved the Government a large sum money which would otherwise have had to be spent for many extra days feeding them. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to the Lt Governor of Manitoba for his information

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant

W. J. Christie
Indian Comm.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
SEP 30 1875
OTTAWA

Copy

Qu'appelle Lakes
8th September 1875

Archibald Mc Donald Esq
Hudsons Bay Company
Qu'appelle

Sir,

As Commissioner for carrying out the payment to the Indians under Treaty No 4 at Qu'appelle, I have to request that you will be good enough to furnish me with the sum of Fifteen thousand Dollars on account of the Government of Canada. I regret that I should be obliged to ask you for this, but the number of Indians is so much in excess of what was anticipated by the Department of the Interior that the amount I received from Ottawa is insufficient to pay the gratuities and annuities required.

I will repay you the amount borrowed so soon as I arrive at Winnipeg on my return from Shoal River.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your obedient servant

W. J. Christie
Indian Commr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
SEP 30 1875
OTTAWA

Copy.

Qu'appelle, Sask
8th September 1875.

W. J. Christie Esq.
Indian Comm.r Treaty No 4.
Qu'appelle,

Sir,

In reply to your request contained in your letter to me of this date, I will be happy to furnish you with as much money as I can spare, for the purposes you mention viz: to pay the Indians their gratuities and annuities under Treaty No 4 on the understanding that any sums I may advance you will be repaid me at Winnipeg by your drafts on the Government Bank there on demand.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obt. Servant
Signed, Archd McDonald

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5007

Enclosure

SEP 30 1875 OTTAWA

Qu'Appelle Lakes
9th September 1875.

Sir,

I have the honor to communicate herewith for the information of the Supt. General of Indian Affairs, that we arrived at Fort Ellice on the morning of the 24th Ult.mo and found the Indians encamped at a little distance from the East bank of the Assenboine River opposite the Hudson's Bay post. We had a satisfactory interview with some of the Indians, who had not been present at the Treaty last year, the same evening; and on the 25th at the request of the Indians, who declined to meet the Commissioners at the Hudson's Bay Reserve, we went to their camp. and explained to all, the object of our mission. There was a considerable amount of talking on the part of the Indians the "Gambler" from Qu'appelle being the chief Orator. Heavy rain fell on the 26th and on the 27th we again went to the Indian Camp accompanied by an escort of fifteen (15) Mounted Police under the command of Sub Inspector McIllree who arrived from Fort Pelly on the 26th and after some little speaking Mr Dickieson commenced paying the

E. A. Meredith Esq.
Deputy of the Minister
of the Interior.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the annuities and gratuities. Heavy rain fell on the afternoon of the 27th and until noon of the 28th when payment was resumed and concluded the same evening. We left Ellice for Qu'Appelle on Sunday the 29th.

The chiefs at Ellice were not all decided as to the locality of their Reserves, but as the question of Reserves both at Ellice and at Qu'Appelle. I defer writing on the meantime. We reached Qu'Appelle on the morning of the 2nd and found an encampment of four hundred and sixty eight (468) Tents, with over Three thousand Indians awaiting payment under the Treaty and on the top of the hill above the Hudson's Bay Fort an encampment of abt one hundred Sioux tents. On the 3rd and 4th we had interviews with the Chiefs Headmen and Indians having for an escort Twenty five Mounted Police, this force having been augmented by a detatchment of eighteen men under Sub Inspector Steckette, who had arrived direct from Fort Carlton a few days before our arrival at Qu'Appelle. On both days, we fully explained to the Chiefs and Indians who had not been present last year the terms and obligations of the Treaty and on

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Monday the 6th after a very short interview Mesr. Dickieson and Forsyth commenced to pay and had compleated the payment of over $13,000. Thirteen thousand Dollars before sundown; It was evident from the amount paid to the Indians on the 6th that the amount of money still in our hands $31.710 having paid $2790 at Fort Ellice, would be very short of our requirements, and that we should have to borrow from the Hudson's Bay Company not only money enough to pay what was required here, but for the payments at Fort Pelly and Shoal River; On Tuesday the 7th Mesr Dickieson and Forsyth again paid and disbursed over $15,000. On Wednesday I wrote Wm McDonald Factor in charge of the Hudson's Bay District of Swan River a letter (Copy of which herewith Enclosed) asking him to lend me fifteen thousand Dollars, Wm McDonald replied agreeing to advance the Government the funds on condition of my giving drafts on demand on the Bank of Ontario Winnipeg (Copy of his letter Enclosed) under the circumstances I had no alternative but agree to his request. Payment was resumed on Wednesday the 8th and would have been finished the same day but Wm McDonald could not furnish money fast enough. On

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Thursday the 9th the payments were Com-
pleted the total amount disbursed
at Qu'Appelle being Forty one thousand
and Sixty Dollars $41060. paid to
three thousand and four Indians, (these
figures may be subject to some little
alteration). The clothing having
been distributed to the Indian chiefs
and soldiers day by day as they were
paid, we had only the provisions
and powder to distribute this morn-
ing — The number of Indians being
so much above what was anticipated
last year, we have been obliged to in-
crease the quantity of powder, and have
purchased from the Hudsons Bay Coy.
an amount which will give them about
the same quantity as the Indians under
Treaty No 3 have, I trust that in
this matter we have not exceeded
our instructions. The bill for pro-
visions will be large but a due regard
for economy has been observed in the
daily distribution. We leave for
Fort Pelly this afternoon, not going
by way of the Touch wood Hills as
from information the "Egg Lake In-
dians" are not collected at any
place; I am thus in hopes that
the balance of the $15,000 asked
from Sir Mr Donald will be found
sufficient to pay the obligations at
Pelly and Shoal River if not I
shall have to borrow more

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

RECEIVED
OCT
2
1875
OTTAWA

Copy *of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the* **Privy Council,** *approved by His Excellency the* **Administrator of the Government** *in Council, on the*

27th September 1875

On a Memorandum dated 17th September 1875 from the Hon: the Minister of the Interior. stating that he has had under consideration two telegrams received from Rev. Dr. J. Christie, the Chief Commissioner in charge of payment of annuities to Indians under Treaty No. 4 at Qu'Appelle Lakes, representing that the number of Indians assembled is largely in excess of the estimate formed by the Commissioners last year.

The Minister observes that

To the Honorable
The Min: of the Interior.
&c., &c., &c.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that it was then supposed that the number within the limits of the Treaty did not exceed 2,500 and on this supposition the estimates were submitted to Parliament.

That from the annuity money now asked for by Mr. Christie it would appear that the Indians who will present themselves for payment this year number about 4,500 or 2000 in excess of last years estimate

That this amount at $17 per head (namely $12 per head for Treaty gratuity and $5 per head for the current years annuity) represents a sum of $34,000.

The Minister therefore recommends that the sum of $34,000 be placed to the credit of Indian Funds for Treaty No. 4

Any

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

any balance not required for annuity purposes to be employed in defraying other necessary expenses connected with the Treaty.

The Hon: the Minister of Finance, to whom the above Memorandum was referred reports that there is no Parliamentary appropriation from which the expenditure contemplated in the said Memorandum can be paid.

The Hon: the Minister of the Interior reports that the necessity for the expenditure referred to being urgent, he recommends that a Special Warrant for the amount be prepared submitted for Your Excellency's signature, under the provisions of the 2nd Sub. Section of Section 35 of the Act 31st Vic: Cap: 5.

The Committee submit the foregoing recommendation for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified.

Wm Smith
Clk

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FINANCE DEPARTMENT CANADA

Ottawa 22 Sept 1875

Copy

Telegrams

Ontario Bank
Winnipeg Manitoba

Pay W. J. Christie Indian Commissioner
Fifteen thousand dollars Cheque will
be sent you

(Signed) D. Langton
22 Sept 1875

G. McMicken
Winnipeg Manitoba

Bank is instructed to pay Christie
Indian Commissioner Fifteen thousand
dollars Gratuities and Annuity money
Treaty Number four

(Signed) D. Langton

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OCT 2 1875
OTTAWA

Indian Commissioner's office
Winnipeg 15 September 1875

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the — file no 5007, enclosing the following cheques —

No 54, in favor of J. H. Ashdown for $8, for agricultural implements supplied to Indians Treaty no 4 —

No 55 in favor of W. J. Christie for Messrs Bain & Blanchard, for $10, for drawing a contract (Treaty no 4)

To the Honble
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

No

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)
PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 57. in favor of Messrs McMicken & Taylor, for $1204.45 in payment of Implements to Indians Treaty no 4

No 58 in favor of the Hon. J. McKay for $3914.12, in payment of provisions supplied to Indians Treaty no 4 -

Enclosed please find the duplicate receipts for the said cheques -

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

your most obedient

servant

J. W. Provence by

Indian Commr

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COM

INCORPORATED 1847.

Connect[illegible]ts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, [illegible]

OFF[illegible]AWA.—Main Office: Telegraph Buildings, Metcalf Street. Branch Offices, [illegible]ildings; Russell House; Union House; Albion Hotel; Clarendon House; Bar[illegible]s, corner Rideau and Sussex Sts.; Hamilton Brothers' Office; Queen's Wharf; Brid[illegible]audiere; St. L. & O. Lower Depot; St. L. & O. Upper Depot; Canada Central[illegible]

Sent by [illegible] Rec'd by Md

Check 51 Coll 66 17

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, SEC. SIR HUGH ALLAN, PRES.

No. 139 Time 2.28 Ottawa, 5 Oct 1875

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon Min Interior

Arrived yesterday Everything Satisfactory Further Credit of three thousand two hundred & fifty seven dollars for annuities required supplies purchased in Cash Basis Credit for twelve thousand one hundred and eighty six dollars for supplies & four hundred and ninety dollars & eighty five cents for cattle must be sent

W J Christie

Collect

3257.–
12.186.–
490.85
15.933.85

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - C

5007.

29 Decr. 1875.

Memo:

The undersigned has the honor to report that under the provisions of the Orde. of the 9th. July last. Wm Wm Joseph Christie, of Brockville, and Wm D. G. Dickson (the gentleman named by him under the authority of the said Orde.) were appointed: 1st. To select the Reserves for the several Bands of Indians Concluded in the Treaty (No 4) Concluded in Sept. last with the Cree Saulteaux, and other Indians named therein, and also for those bands which were absent when the Treaty was Concluded but whose adhesion to the Treaty might be secured by these Gentlemen: 2ndly. To pay the Annuities, and distribute the Clothing and other presents authorized by the said Treaty and; - thirdly. To secure the Adhesion of the Bands of Indians living within the Territory covered by the Treaty, who, either from absence or any other cause were not Parties to the Treaty Concluded last year.

Mr D.L.

In the discharge of these duties the gentlemen named were employed over two and a half months, and were assisted in their labors by Wm A. J. Forsyth who was subsequently appointed to that duty.

The undersigned would respectfully recommend that for his services in this Capacity Wm W. J. Christie be paid the sum of $1000, with $200 for travelling

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

expenses to and from Fort Garry; & that Mr McDickieson be paid the sum of $250, and Mr W. S. Smyth $200 (of which $50 have already been paid) for last named over and above their travelling expenses which have been defrayed.

D.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

1320

5007

JAN 4 1876

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the **Privy Council**, approved by His Excellency the **Governor General** in Council, on the 1st January 1876.

Copy

On a Report, dated 29th Dec. 1875, from the Hon. the Minister of the Interior, stating that under the provisions of the Order in Council of the 9th July last, Mr. William Joseph Christie, of Brockville, and Mr. M. G. Dickieson (the gentleman named by him under the authority of said Order) were appointed.

1st. To select the Reserves for the several Bands of Indians included in the Treaty (No. 4) concluded in September last with the Cree, Saulteux and other Indians named therein, and also for those Bands which were absent when the Treaty was concluded, but whose adhesion to the Treaty might be secured by those

To the Honorable
The Minister of Interior,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

these gentlemen:-

Secondly- To pay the annuities and distribute the clothing and other presents authorized by the said Treaty, and;

Thirdly- To secure the adhesion of the Bands of Indians living within the Territory covered by the Treaty, who, either from absence or any other cause, were not parties to the Treaty concluded last year.

That in the discharge of these duties the gentlemen above named were employed, the former over three a half, and the latter over two and a half months, and were assisted in their labors by Wm. W. J. Forsyth who was subsequently appointed to that duty.

The Minister recommends that for his services in this capacity Wm. W. J. Christie be paid the sum of $1000 with $200 for travelling expenses to and from Fort Garry; and that Wm. M. G. Dickieson be paid the sum of $250, and Wm. W. J. Forsyth the sum

7

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of $200. of which fifty dollars have already been paid the last mentioned, over and above their travelling expenses which have been defrayed.

The Committee submit the foregoing recommendations for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified

W. Spragge

C.P.C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

U. S. Forsyth. Esqr.
Ottawa

7th Jany 1876.

Sir,

I have the honor by direction of the Minister of the Interior to inform you that H. E. the Gr. Gl. in Council has been pleased to direct that you should be allowed the sum $200 (of which $50 has already been paid you) over and above your travelling expenses, for the valuable assistance ~~to the Commissioners~~ Christie and Messrs. Dickinson last summer while on their mission to the Indians included in Treaty No 4.

I herewith enclose official check No 125 for $150, you will please sign and return the enclosed duplicate receipts.

Secondly yr. &c.

[illegible]

2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5007)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
- File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
- File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
_File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
- File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
- File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
- File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

BLACK

FILE NO. 5013

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT ADMINISTRATION IN TREATIES 1, 2 AND 3.

VOLUME

FROM 1875

TO

FILE NO. 5013

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For C.R. Use

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Central Registry indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other officers an opportunity of using it.
3. Central Registry must be notified whenever a file is passed directly between one official and another.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Central Registry.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
11. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

with 1052

No. 5013

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

ACTION.

BLACK-5013

217/1-11

Lt. Governor of the N. W. Territories
18 June Fort Garry
2 July Man:

With suggestions in regard to the placing the management of the Treaties 1. 2 & 3 on a better footing with reference to the Act of last Session.

ack'd 8 July 75

W H Smith & Co

7 December 75

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba.
18th June. 1875.

Sir.

On the 24th of January 1874. I addressed a despatch to your No 128. R. with regard to the management of Indian Affairs in the North West generally & to which I now beg to refer.

In that despatch, I dealt with the subjects of the carrying out of the Skilling Treaties, and the making of new Treaties and suggested what I then considered the best mode of dealing therewith..

Inasmuch as the Parliament of Canada has passed a measure for the independent Government of

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa.

THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
JUN 30 3
1875
SECRETARY OF STATE
CANADA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the North West Territories, I think the present an appropriate time, to bring under the consideration of the Minister of the Interior, the necessity of placing the management of the Treaties Nos 1. 2. & 3. on a better footing than at present exists.-

I think that these three Treaties should be placed under a system of management, directed under the Department of the Interior, but centreing here.- I have already advised that the duties of the Chief Agent of Indian affairs here should be defined, and that Agents should be appointed under him resident within the Bounds of the several Treaties, and I will not now enter at length into the subject of their respective duties as I have fully explained my views in the despatch in question-

I did not approve of the composition of the Board of Indian Commissioners

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Commissioners, nor of the position I occupied with regard thereto.-

The functions of that Board were advisary, and limited to the dealing with the making of Indian Treaties and the suggesting of an Indian Policy.-

My experience during the past two and a half years has been that the Indians will invariably pass by the subordinate officers of the Indian Department and come with their requests or grievances to the Lieut: Governor, whom the regard as "the Great Chief" the Indian Agent being known by them as "the Money chief".-

It will be impossible to prevent their doing this, nor would it be wise to attempt to do so, as the position of Lieut: Governor gives that officer greater influence with them, than any other can exist, and a courteous reception and kindly

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

kindly hearing from him always gratifies them..

I regard the dealing with this subject as of such vital importance that if placed in a position of proper authority thereon, I would not now object, the more especially in view of my diminished sphere of labour and of duty, and if the plan for the appointment of resident Indian Agents in the bounds of the several Treaties be adopted, to serve as chairman of an Indian Board, having the supervision of the Treaties Nos 1. 2. & 3.- I would propose that the Board should be composed of the Lieut Governor, the Chief Indian Agent, and one other person to be selected on my recommendation, and to possess familiarity with the character of the Indian Tribes in. fluence with them and other necessary business qualifications. I would stipulate, however, that as is now the case, in the existing Council

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Council of the North West Territories, the Lieut. Governor should in case of a Division of opinion on the Board, have the power of veloing any resolution or action of the Board, but reporting his action to the Minister of the Interior for approval in the case of his exercising the power in question; such a power would be rarely exercised, but it is essential for the maintenance of proper Executive authority that it should be vested in the Lieut. Governor.. The Board should be clothed with powers of supervision over the agents and should also fix the times and places of payment of the several Bands of Indians and assign to the Chief agent and sub. agents, the Bands whom they should respectively visit from time to time as a division of their services would at times be necessary owing to the extent of the region included.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

included within the Treaties

All questions relating to the carrying out of the Treaties with regard to which any difficulty might arise should come before the Board. Tenders for supplies to the Indians should be referred to the Board for approval before acceptance.-

I think, that if such a plan was adopted, that the delays arising from a reference to Ottawa of matters of detail would be avoided, and a ferm and prompt administration of Indian affairs would be obtained.-

With regard to the North West Territories proper, similar functions could be well entrusted to the Lieut: Governor and Council of those Territories with regard to Treaty No 4. and other Treaties to be made there. It is evident that Treaties 2 & 3. cannot be overlooked from Fort Pelly so that some such arrangement as that suggested would

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

would seem to be a necessity.

I would also urge that a decision should be arrived at without delay by the Privy Council with regard to the promises which the Indians allege with so much persistency to have been made them at the time of the making of Treaties Nos 1. & 2. and which have led to so much dissatisfaction amongst them..

I have frequently called attention to this subject, and on the 16th day of March 1874, in my despatch to the Honorable the Minister of the Interior, I enclosed a copy of a minute of the Indian Board dealing with the question..

Requesting that my present suggestions may receive the consideration of the Privy Council and be dealt with promptly.

I have the honor to be.

Sir.

Your obedient servant.

Alex. Morris

L.t G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

His Honour
The Lt: Gov: of the N.W. Ts
Winnipeg.

No 5013

8th July/75

2940

ANSWER.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch of the 18th ult: referring to your previous Despatch No 128 N. of the 24th June 1874 with regard to the management of Indian Affairs in the North West Territories; and representing in connection with the Act passed ~~during the~~ last Session ~~of the Parliament of Canada~~ for the "independent Government of the North West Territories" ~~and~~ the necessity of placing the Management of the Treaties 1, 2, 3

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1.2,3, on a better footing than it at present exists.

Your representations on these subjects will have my earnest and careful consideration.

My letter of the 7th inst: will have placed you in possession of the views of the Government on the subject of the outside promises referred to in the latter portion of your despatch.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5013)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3622)

- File 4827	Manitowapah Agency - Copy of a report from surveyor Wagner on the Fairford Reserve and others. 1875
- File 4879	Winnipeg, Manitoba - General correspondence regarding the hiring of J. T. Graham to assist Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher. 1875 - 1876
- File 4931	New Westminster - Correspondence and letters of reference which led to the pardon of Mootsia who had been imprisoned for life. 1875
_File 4945	Touchwood Agency - Correspondence stemming from a letter from Reverend Joseph Reader asking that a reserve be set up at Little Touchwood Hills and that a site be granted to the Church of England. 1875
- File 4948	Blood Agency - General correspondence regarding the Blood Reserve including a claim to land at the confluence of the St. Mary and Belly Rivers on the reserve by D.E. Akers. 1883 - 1894
- File 4953	Communications in French and translations of same from J. Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, asking that steps be taken to improve the conditions of the Métis and Indians of the Northwest Territories. 1875 - 1885
- File 5007	General correspondence regarding the setting up of reserves in compliance with the terms of the Qu'Appelle Treaty No. 4. 1875 - 1876
- File 5013	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris' letter about putting the administration of Treaties 1, 2 and 3 on a better footing. 1875
File 5040	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Copy of a letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from the Bishop of Rupert's Land concerning the Church of England missions in the Northwest Territories. 1875

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

FILE NO. 5040 217/7-3 BLACK

— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

SUBJECT Missions of Church of England.

VOLUME

FROM 1875

TO

FILE NO. 5040 BLACK

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
Referred To	By	Remarks	Date	PA or BF	By	Date	For Records Use
			12981				

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Indian Affairs, (RG 10, Volume 3602, File 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

INSIDE (Cover)

CROSS REFERENCES

FILE NUMBER	SUBJECT
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	

REGULATIONS

1. This cover must not be folded under.
2. File should be retained no longer than is absolutely essential. If a file is frequently needed at short intervals, it is better to B.F. it for two or three days than keep it out of Records indefinitely. This ensures its being completed and kept in order and also gives other offices an opportunity of using it.
3. Records must be notified whenever a file is passed direct to another Division.
4. All outgoing letters should bear the official file number and originator's designation.
5. ONE SUBJECT—ONE COMMUNICATION—Where the contents of outgoing letters necessarily refer to more than one subject, the originator will prepare additional copies for attachment to relevant files.
6. Correspondence must not be removed from file, except as provided in the regulations governing the conduct of correspondence.
7. Incorrectly filed material will not be removed without notification to Records.
8. Official office designations are to be used for routing purposes.
9. Disposal entries on file jackets must be initialled and dated.
10. Blue Slips will not be attached to files without notification to Records.
11. Urgent Tags, flags and other markers will be removed in Divisional Offices as soon as appropriate action on the folios has been taken.
12. Officials are reminded that strict adherence to the security regulations is essential when dealing with classified material.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Bishop's Court, Manitoba.
May 24th, 1875.

Copy.
File 5040.

Dear Governor Morris,

In addressing you on the subject of some Missions in my own Diocese which we are anxious to establish in the neighbourhood of Reserves, I have thought it might not be uninteresting if I were to make a few remarks on the Missions of the Church of England in the North West Territories.

We have four Dioceses in these Territories.

1st. The Diocese of Moosenee, under Dr. Horden, comprises the Moose and York Factory Departments of the Hudson's Bay Company. There are in it a Bishop and three clergymen. There is also a student in St. John's College for Moose preparing for ordination, and perhaps another at Moose. There are also several natives licensed as readers. A large proportion of the Indians are Christians, and in some districts most of the adults can read and write the Cree language in the syllabic character. The Indians are all scattered over their hunting grounds, so that school is held only for very limited periods, when they come together in summer at Hudson Bay posts. Excepting a Mission at Oxford House connected with the Norway House Mission the only Protestant Missions in this Diocese are those of the Church of England. The Bishop intends to have two or three more native clergymen, and will then have a sufficient staff to work the Diocese thoroughly, unless anywhere circumstances arise to introduce a new population.

2nd.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

2nd. The Diocese of Athabasca under Dr. Bompas includes the McKenzie River and Athabasca Districts of the Hudson's Bay Company. There are in it a Bishop and three clergymen, besides a clergyman now in England, in bad health. There are also five students of St. John's College acting as ~~xxxxx~~ catechists and some native readers. These students have schools where they are, one of them being intended for a higher school, and a lady is now going out to assist in such a school.

There will not require to be much addition to the staff in this Diocese till emigration affects the Peace River valley. A large proportion of the Indians are Christians. These are the only Protestant Missions in this Diocese.

3rd. The Diocese of Saskatchewan under Dr. McLean consists of the Hudson's Bay Districts of Saskatchewan and English River, with part of Cumberland. There are in it a Bishop and four clergymen, but two of these are not for Indian Missions. There are also in it acting as catechists teo students of St. John's College, and one student from the Church Missionary preparatory Institution in England. The English River Indians are mainly Christians, but the great majority of the plain Indians are still heathen. We have the only Protestant Missions in English River and Cumberland Districts, but in the Saskatchewan there are Wesleyan Missions and a Presbyterian Mission.

4th. The Diocese of Rupert's Land, under my own care, includes the Swan River and Lac le Pluie and part of the Cumberland Districts. Manitoba lies in my Diocese, but I am

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

am writing about the Missions in the North West Territories. In this Diocese there are in these Territories the following Missions;--

1st. Devon Mission on the Pas, underthe Rev. H. Budd, with a student of St. John's College to help him.

2nd. Cumberland Mission, under the Rev. H. Cochran.

3rd. Fairford, under the Rev. G. B r and a catechist, and he has under him as a catechist a student of St. John's College at Manitoba Post.

4th. Fort Alexander, under the Rev. G. Cook at present.

5th. Blington, under the Rev. B. Spence.

6th. Touchwood Hills, under the Rev. J. Reader and a catechist.

7th. Rainy Lake or Fort Francis, under the Rev. R.Phair, with a Mission under a catechist. The C. M. Missionary Society has also been asked to consent to the formation of other three Missions in this District under catechists.

8th. The Indian settlement Massions of Manitoba stretch into the Territories.

The above are occupied.

9th. a Sioux Mission under a clergyman is to be established as soon as the way is clear. A considerable sum is in hand for erecting Mission buildings.

At nearly all these Missions there are schools, but in some cases the attendance can generally be but small from the Indians not being usually resident.

In the part of my Diocese in the North West Territories there is a large Wesleyan Mission at Norway House, and a new

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

new one at Beren's River.

There is also a Presbyterian Mission under a catechist not far from the Western boundaries of the Province of Manitoba.

There are numerous Roman Catholic Missions in all the Dioceses, but, except in the Diocese of Athabasca, and perhaps in one or two places in the Diocese of Moosenee they interfere but little with the work of the Protestant Missions, and even where both Protestant and Roman Catholic Missionaries are occupying the same ground they have different head-quarters.

There being only one Mission established at any station greatly facilitates any action the Government may take.

The United States Government have come to the conclusion that the best way of dealing with the Indians is by working in conjunction with the Mission at any Reserve, appointing even as Agent a gentleman having the confidence of the Missionary Body. I do not at all suggest that it is desirable to adopt such a course, but still I believe the Government may materially further its own needs, and what is necessary with the Indians, by working harmoniously and sympathetically with the Missions.

All the Church of England Missions are entirely supported by the Church Missionary Society, with the single exception of the proposed Sioux Mission, to which they are only to give an annual grant.

The Finance Committee of the Church Missionary Society in Manitoba has a general management of these Missions under the Society, and has been incorporated, so as to be able to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to hold land in Manitoba.

It would be well, probably, that it should have also this power in the North West Territories.

I believe, from the Letters Patent founding the See of Rupert's Land I can hold land in the North West Territories as a sole corporation, but it was thought desirable to have an Act of Incorporation for Manitoba, and this would probably be advisable in the case of all the Bishops in the North West Territories.

At present the Church holds very little land at any of the Missions, at many of them none. There are now four important Missions, at which new buildings, and it is desirable that some arrangement should be made about the land.

1st. Green Lake, or Fish Lake Mission, in the Saskatchewan. This Mission is not in my Diocese, and therefore I think it better not to interfere in its case, but I may mention that it is intended to have a considerable farm there.

2nd. Touchwood Hills Mission. This is an old Mission, with houses, and some land under cultivation, but till recently it has only been under a catechist. New buildings have to be erected, and it is intended to erect them where the Reserve may be located.

3rd. The Sioux Mission.

4th. Rainy Lake or Fort Francis Mission.

These last Missions are new.

What I wish to ask is how the Government will facilitate the obtaining by a Mission land contiguous to a Reserve, and under what conditions the land can be obtained; for example,

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

example, would the Government allow the Mission the same rights as to a private individual, is would it grant 100 acres and allow a further tract of 160 acres to be purchased at $1.00 per acre, or what other terms ?

It is most desirable that the Reserves be set apart without loss of time, as otherwise Missionary operations will be much impeded.

Iam, Dear Governor Morris,

Your humble and Obedient servant,

(Sgd) B. Rupert's Land.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

File 5040. Blk

C[redacted].
N.W.
No.267.

Government House, Fort Garry, Manitoba.
May 31st, 1875.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose you a copy of a letter I have received from His Lordship the Bishop of Rupert's Land, bearing date the 24th May instant, giving me information as to the Missions of the Church of England in the North West Territories, and requesting that grants of lands may be made to the Missions in question, and especially to those at;--

1st. Green Lake, on the Saskatchewan,

2nd. Touchwood Hills,

3rd. The Sioux Mission, and

4th. Fort Francis, where buildings are proposed to be erected.

It is satisfactory to find that the Church of England, as well as the other Churches, are following the Indians with Missionary operations, and that the Sioux who are about to be placed on Reserves are to be cared for in this way.

I shall be obliged by being enabled to reply to the Bishop of Rupert's Land.

I have, &c.,

(Sgd) Alex.Morris

Lt. G. N. W. T.

To the Honourable

The Secretary of State,

Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3622, file 5040)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3623)

File 5046	General correspondence regarding the problems of Indians, especially Sioux and Brokenhead, in settling into their new reserves in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1876
File 5067	Couchiching Agency - Letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from Reverend Robert Phair regarding the difficulties in the use of farm implements encountered by the Indians in the Rainy River and Fort Francis District. 1875
File 5068	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Correspondence about getting the Sioux to settle on their allotted reserves. 1875 - 1876
File 5084	Clandeboye Agency - General correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1875 - 1918
File 5090	Correspondence regarding probable Indian Affairs expenditures in British Columbia for the year ending June 30th, 1877. 1875
File 5091	Correspondence regarding probable Indian Affairs expenditures in Manitoba (Treaties 1 and 2) for the year ending June 30th, 1877. 1875
File 5094	Winnipeg, Manitoba - Memorandum to Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher enclosing a form of Surrender and Certificate on Oath which he is to use in the future. 1875
File 5097	New Westminster - Commissioner James Lenihan's report regarding various agencies and correspondence regarding an outbreak of smallpox. 1875
File 5111	Tilley to Macdonald regarding supplement to appropriation for Indian Affairs in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1883

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

5046

No. [redacted] Inclosed herewith

A [redacted] R

Sioux

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

INDIAN BRANCH.

1876

Lt Governor of the N. W. Territories
28/Dec Fort Garry
24/Jan Man:

(Despatch No 325.)

On interviews with Sundry Indians
1st particulars of an interview with Sioux of Poplar Point. Enclosure Marked "A"
2nd encloses Copy of a letter from Broken Head Indians Complaining of the conduct of the Heathen Chief. Enclosure marked "B."
3rd Visit from Black River Indians enclosure "C"
4th Re party from White Mud River.
5th Re visit of 2 Chiefs from Fort Francis re change in locality of their Reserves.

27 Jany.

ACTION.

Report to A Superintendent's remarks on the question 're' Reserves in for transmission to Ottawa.

Wm Pearce
Supt Indn Affairs

1/ 4 Feby 76 Letter of Capt Watters for Secy. & Enclosures Fort Ellice dated

2/ 3 Feb letter to Lt Gov Morris

3/ 25/6 Feb dispt from Lt Gov. Morris

4/ 12/Mar 76 lett to Comr Provencher

5/ 15/April let from Supt Provencher

6/ 24/26 June Tel from Lt. Gov. Morris

7/ Memo 5181: 4/7/76 from Surv Genl. explaining position of matter of Reserve at Brokenhead River

8/ 5 July lett to Supt Provencher covering Copy of Surveyor Genl's Memo

207/3

BLACK

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"A"

Alexander Morris
Lieutenant Governor of
Manitoba.

We the Sioux chiefs at Poplar point wish to lay before you our wants and grieveances you gave us a Reserve, we went there, and for want of food and clothing and implements to work the land. We had to return to this place, we want two yoke of oxen and two ploughs, some powder shot and balls, tea and some Pork, shirts and blankets and when the ducks come in the Spring we will go down and fetch the oxen, and go to our Reserve-

Sgd { "Little Crow Chief-"
"Do-o-ne yah chief"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"B"

Broken Head.
December 17th 1875.

To the Lieut: Governor.
of Manitoba

May it please your Excellency.

We the settlers and inhabitants have desired our chief Henry Prince to deliver this note into your hands, we desire to know if this our reserve is under the control of Na-se-ke-penais we thought by the informations of our Chiefs that we are the real owners of this spot left to us by our old Uncle who was before us, we therefore humbly request your Excellency to give instructions that he will henceforth go to his own grounds and trouble us no more and that this our Reserve may be permanently settled -

We place full confidence in our chief to bring to your notice

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

notice all such things as we have requested of him to act for us in behalf of this our Reserve.-

May God bless you and yours is the prayer of your Christian and Heathen Indians. We join together in pointing the pipe of peace as true sons to the Banner of the Great mother the Queen and to you her representative-

signed.

John Rakew-
Robert Rakew-
Alexander Rakew-
Old Thomas Fleth-
Charles Fleth-
David Fleth-
Old Iakennais-
Baptiste Sakkennas-
Phillip Sakkennas-
Charles Chief-
William Bell-
John Robert Rakew-
Robert McRae-

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 504,6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"C"

His Excellency -
The Lieut. Governor of
Manitoba

May it please your Excellency -

The Bearer is chief of the Indians of Black River -

He is wishing to speak to your Excellency and to crave from you for the use of himself and people the land on both sides of Black River as a Reserve. He says 43 of them were refused payment at Fort Alexander, upon the promise of further Treaty by your Excellency during last summer.

He wishes to speak on this subject

He is also anxious to obtain a Schoolmaster in the stead of Mrs Hope now teaching -

There are eleven inhabited houses on the banks of the River Five of the Indians have cattle. -

Your obedient servant
Abraham Cowley.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 504,6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Pay sheets were not forwarded as stated in letter, Sr. Morris should be requested to transmit them. M.G.B.

OTTAWA JAN 1876

N. W.
No 325

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba
28th December 1875.

Sir

I have the honor to report, that my time, has been much taken up of late with the reception of parties of Indians, from various quarters of the Province and Territories.-

1st. The Sioux of Poplar Point came to see me, bearing a letter, of which, I enclose a copy, marked "A".

I told them, that they must remove to the Reserve in Spring, and that they would be assisted in planting the soil;- you will observe that they promise to remove and ask for two yoke of oxen and two ploughs &c - I gave them a small quantity of Pemmican and flour and sent them away at once. I think it will be necessary to give them a

Sioux must not depend upon us for once in pensions

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

a few provisions before the winter is over.

The settlers, have not the means of paying for their labour as in former years, and they may be driven by want to killing cattle.

2nd I enclose, a copy of a letter, marked "B," from the Broken Head Indians, who are christians, complaining of the conduct of the heathen Chief, with regard to the Reserve. I think, that it should be divided so as to separate the two Bands. I promised to represent their request to you, and will be glad to learn your decision.

3rd I had a visit from a party of Indians from Black River, some twenty miles from Fort Alexander on Lake Winnipeg, within the limits of Treaty No 5. After conference with Mr Provencher, I decided in having them paid, as it is important to obtain the adhesion of the various bands to the Treaty; the amount paid them was $160 as per pay Sheet enclosed. I supplied $70 — and Mr Provencher at my request paid

Do not exactly understand where this reserve is. Do it just of St Peter Reserve?

Consult Stevens

Send charges to Gov [illegible] and $90 to Prov Officer.

(Should not the money be refunded?)

Send charges and of how Treaty money

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

In When is Wr
Consult Dennis

paid the balance.- They wish a Reserve to be granted them, at Black River, and I believe that it would be desirable to do so.-

I enclose, copy of a letter from the Venerable Archdeacon Cowley, marked "C," with regard to these people. You will observe, that he states, that they have eleven inhabited houses and that five of the Indians own cattle.-

4th I was called on, by a party of Indians, from White Mud River, on Lake Winnipeg, near Big Island. They asked for axes to build houses, but I told them, that they must not build there, it being within the Islandic Reserve - I told them, I wished the Island and Shore Indians of that region, to meet at Dog head Point next year, when the question of reserves would be settled.-

5th I was called on by Pow was sau and Sha-sha-go-ness chiefs from Lake Francis. They wished some change in the locality

Q
Col Dennis

of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the Reserves, but as I was unable to obtain a suitable interpreter, I did not fully understand their views. I explained to them, however, that the surveys were suspended for the present; and that I would inform you as to the Reserves.-

They also wished their chiefs suits to be given them, and I gave them a letter to Mr Pither to obtain them. They were accompanied by He-gon-e-ba-nesse (Flatmouth) chief of the Pillager Indians from Red Lake, in the United States, who has been living on our side of the lines, since last fall.

He produced his grandfathers King George medal. I told him, that while glad to see him, the Government only recognized our own Indians, and did not desire the American Indians to leave their American Reserve. He stated he was here on a visit, and to hunt, and called on me as a matter of courtesy. He had testimonials from the American Indians

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 504.6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian agent, and from Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota, certifying to his good character and standing as a chief.--

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant.
Alex. Morris
L. L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ref: 5046

Department of the Interior.
Dominion Lands Office.
Ottawa, 28th January. 1876.

4472

Respecting certain Enquiries made as to certain Indian Reserves referred to by His Honor the Lieut. Governor of Manitoba in the despatch annexed, the undersigned begs to report:-

1. This Reserve is on the Brokenhead River near its mouth at a point about fifteen miles North East of St Peters. It was understood that the land here reserved was for a portion of the Band under Chief Henry Prince who preferred to have their Reserve at that place, and an additional quantity of land was included in it for a portion of the Roseau River Band of Indians under Sub Chief "Ka-sha-ke-penais" who Expressed the desire to be allowed to settle on the Brokenhead River instead of on the Roseau, which was consented to at the time by the Honble Mr Aikins, then Secretary of State.

There appears now to be a want of harmony between these two Bands, and the better way would be to have the Reserve divided between them. This might be done, if

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

if approved of, during the coming Spring.

2. The Indians alluded to by Governor Morris as from Black River are within the territory conceded by Treaty No. 5, and, if allowed by the Minister, the undersigned is not aware of any objection to a Reserve being laid out there.

3. The question of a change of Reserve desired by Chief Pow-was-san of the Lake of the Woods, has already received attention, the same having been brought up on a previous despatch from His Honor ~~to~~ Mr. George McPherson, Interpreter on the late occasion of adjusting the Reserves with Pow-was-san at the North West Angle, has been written to and requested to ascertain from the Chief his views and wishes in the matter, which will, in due time, be submitted for the consideration of the Minister.

Respecting the application referred to in the despatch of His Honor, as made by "Sha sha-go-ness", a Chief from Lake Francis, who wished some change in the locality of his Reserve, the undersigned is not aware of any Reserve having been allotted to such Chief, or of his

This seems identical with the preceding application made by Pow-was-san. LAK

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his having a claim to any, and would suggest that the Indian Commissioner be applied to for an Explanation

Respectfully Submitted

L. U. Bouchette

Surveyor General

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 504.6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5827

His Honor.
The Lieut Governor
of the North West Territories
Fort Garry
Man.

3 Feb 1876

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No 235. N.W of the 28th. December last, reporting that your time had been much taken up of late with the reception of parties of Indians from various quarters of the Province and Territories.

1. As regards the copy of the application of the Sioux Chiefs from Poplar Point, (Marked A), enclosed in your Despatch asking for assistance in food and otherwise I would observe that while I see no objection to your having given them, as you report, a small quantity of flour & pemmican, ~~they~~ should be given to understand that in future they must not depend upon the Government for aid in the matter of provisions. I am glad to learn ~~from them~~ that it is their

Not showed here but attention called to now at end of letter — upon [illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] on the occasion of their visit.

[illegible] it would be well that the Sioux

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

their intention to return to the Reserve in the spring with a view of settling there.

2. As regards the Communication (marked B,) from the Broken Head Indians, who are christians, suggesting a division of their Reserve, it appears to me, ~~me~~ that as there is as want of harmony between the bands of Indians on this reserve ~~that~~ there can be no objection to having it divided as they propose. ~~and~~ It is probable therefore that steps will be taken in the coming spring to effect this object.

from the enfamelen nor before me on the subject.

3. I enclose official Checks Nos and for $70 and $90 respectively to repay the money advanced by yourself and Mr Provencher to the Indians of Black River. Should either of these amounts have been paid by you or Mr Provencher from Govt. funds. you will please deposit the amount so paid in the Ontario Bank to the Credit of the Receiver General as a "refund of Indian expenditure" and transmit the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

certificates of deposit to the Department. I may add that the paysheets referred to as being enclosed in your despatch did not accompany it. I am not at present aware of any objection to granting these Indians a reserve at Black River as they desire. The matter will be attended to in the spring.

Probably

4. The question of the change of Reserve desired by Chiefs Pow-was-san and Sha-sha-go-ness has already received attention and steps have been taken to ascertain the views and wishes of these Chiefs on the subject.

D.L.

5. I have to thank you for the trouble you have taken and for the suggestions made by you respecting the various Indian questions referred to in your despatch.

I.L.

Mr V. should have the question of Reserve brought up when payments of the Annuities are being made to the Indians in the Spring

D.A.C.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

R. W.
No 20

Government House.
Fort Garry Manitoba.
25th February 1876.

Sir

I have to acknowledge your despatch of the 3rd inst (No 5 82 7 13)

1st I observe what you remark with regard to the Sioux and in reply have to state that these people are here, having come into the Province before the acquisition of the Territory by Canada, and that the Dominion, has to solve the question of making them self sustaining.-

Their importance, is magnified far beyond their number, by their relation to the Sioux in the United States, who cost the American Government so much in the maintenance of troops, and with whom a constant Honorable warfare is waged.-

The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

The Sioux in Canada, can be

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

be made valuable subjects; but when times of penury such as now visit the Province, it will be necessary to aid them.-

I adhere to my policy of settling them on Reserves, and by a small aid, enabling them to become settlers of the soil, and that policy will be the cheapest and best for the Dominion.-

With regard to the small presents I gave them, I did so, in conformity with a custom prevailing here, descending from the Hudson Bay Company's rule, and apart from that, as a matter of simple humanity.-

A 2nd I was to-day called on by John Raven, Charles Fleet and Robert Raven, Councillors of the Indians at Broken Head River, representing the christian Indians there, who belong to the Church of England.-

At my request, Mr Sinclair of

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the Land Office, was present, as interpreter.-

In your despatch, you assume that they had asked for a division of the Reserve, in the letter I forwarded to you on the 28th December last, I find that this is not the case.

I never understood their position before and this case is only another illustration of the difficulty of the Lieut. Governor having no authority in Indian matters, or means of knowing the course, adopted by the Indian Agent.-

It seems from their statements, which are confirmed by Mr Sinclair, of his own knowledge, that these Indians have been living at Broken Head River, for three generations.

They number seventeen families, are christianised, and live by their farms and fishing.-

About two years ago "Na-sha ke-penais".

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 504,6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"Na-sha-ke-pe-nais." or Grand Oreilles (to whom a Reserve was assigned at the Stone Fort Treaty) no 1. at the Roseau River, left there, with nine families and settled at Broken Head River, on the Christian Indians Reserve, under what authority, I am unaware.

These families, are heathens and do not cultivate the soil, except, on one lot, previously tilled by the Christian Indians.

The original band, have no chief and they ask for one.

They complain, that Grand Oreilles band, broke down their fences last year, and destroyed their crops.

They state, that they have cut material to erect houses, but do not know where to do so, owing to the settlement of the Heathen Band in their Reserve, and from whom

they

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

they with to be distinct, and they protest against his settlement on their hereditary land.

They wish, to have a Reserve independently of the heathens, and they claim, the place where they have lived so long. I told them it would be settled in the Spring.

They ask for some oxen; they have only one pair, given them two years ago, and now worn out, and are desirous of having a new yoke in Spring to break up more land.

They also ask, for some provisions for their children attending School, and for the appointment of a magistrate, who should visit them occasionally, to settle little disputes

They complain, that Grand Oreilles Band, is more liberally treated than they, and represented, that recently the Commissioner gave that Band, eight bags of flour and two bags

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

bags of pemmican, while they only received four bags of flour, and one bag of pemmican, while they were nearly double the number of the other band.

B I gave them, at their urgent request, a small quantity of twine for nets for the Spring fishing, and a couple of dressed skins to make moccasins. as they do not hunt.-

I am Robert Sinclair (of Ottawa), whom I consulted regarding the cheques you enclosed me, for the respective sums of $70 & $90, pertaining to the payment of the Black River Indians, placed the whole sum $160, "As a refund of Indian expenditure"

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant.

Alex. Morris

Lt. G. N. W. T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5827 Sioux
&
'Broken-Head' Indians

Department of the Interior
Ottawa 14 March, 1876.

Lieut: Col: J. A. N. Provencher,
Acting Indian Superintendent
Winnipeg Ma.

Sir

I am directed by the Superintendent General to enclose a copy of an Extract from a despatch of His Honor the Lieut: Governor of the North West, in reference to a portion of the Christian Indians at Brokenhead River and to request you to report, for the information of the Superintendent General, upon the complaints therein of the said Indians therein set forth, and, particularly, upon the following points:-

1. Under what circumstances did "Grandes Oreilles", and the other Indians who accompanied him leave their Reserve at the Roseau River and settle at Brokenhead River?

2. Had they any authority

Extract for A & B omitting part marked with red

by direction of the Supt Gen
[illegible]

Return to me after sending off letter
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

authority for taking this step?

3. Is it desirable that the "Grandes Oreilles" Band should be directed to return to their own Reserve

4. In reference to the allegation of the treatment extended to them by you as compared with your treatment of "Grandes Oreilles" Band.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Manitoba Superintendency
Winnipeg 15th April 1876.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
APR 15 1876
OTTAWA

No 26.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th ult. No 5-827. — enclosing an extract of a despatch of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of the North west Territories, in reference to a portion of the Indians at Broken Head River, and requesting me to report upon such complaints of the said Indians as are mentioned in your Communication;

And in answer I beg to afford the following explanations.

1st When I took charge of the Indian Office, the 2nd day of June 1873

To the Hon
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

1873. I was informed by Mr St John that the Government had allowed that Band of Indians known by the name of Fort Garry Band, to change their Reserve, from Rosseau River to Broken Head River; But I have not found any documents in the Office to show either the exact time, nor in what form this change was made.

The only reference to this change that I find in the Correspondence recorded in this Office, is the following paragraph of a letter addressed by Mr Simpson, then Indian Commissioner, to the Deputy Superintendent of Indian affairs, dated the 2nd of August 1872;

"Mr McMicken informs me that he telegraphed to the Head of the Land Department asking permission to appropriate certain lands in order to

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to change the Reserve of about 204 Indians who, by the terms of the Treaty, were to be settled on the Roseau River.

The land these Indians desire is not so valuable as that to which they are entitled, but will suit them better."

In answer to a letter of the Surveyor General, to the Inspector of surveys, dated the 2nd March 1874. No 358, which letter was communicated to me by Mr Whitcher, I gave him a memorandum, the substance of which was included in letter of Mr Whitcher to the Surveyor General dated the 2nd May 1874 No 1473. and mentioned to him that I was not aware of the authority, on which these Indians had changed their Reserve.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 504.6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to change the Reserve of about 204 Indians who, by the terms of the Treaty, were to be settled on the Roseau River.

The land these Indians desire is not so valuable as that to which they are entitled, but will suit them better."

In answer to a letter of the Surveyor General, to the Inspector of surveys, dated the 2nd March 1874. No 358, which letter was communicated to me by Mr Whitcher, I gave him a memorandum, the substance of which was included in letter of Mr Whitcher to the Surveyor General dated the 2nd May 1874 No 1473. and mentioned to him that I was not aware of the authority on which these Indians had changed their Reserve.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

These Indians, it is true have been little slow in adopting more settled habits but some of them have nevertheless shown a real desire of settling on land and adopting a more improved mode of life.

Many complaints of the same character as those mentioned in the despatch of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor having been addressed to this Office last Spring, I took opportunity of investigating the matter, in the presence of the two interested parties, at the time of the payment. I was then informed that the former settlers of Broken Head River had themselves asked for the Removal of Nashakepenais Band from Roseau River.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Rivers to their place,
That the report circulated
about the troubles between the
Two bands were greatly
exagerated, if not altogether
invented, and that there was
no reason to propose a new
change of the Reserve.

This band of
Stashakepenais live mostly
by fishing and hunting,
and the first location of their
Reserve at Roseau River could
not afford them the resources
that they must look for;
And besides, I have reason
to believe that the survey of the
Roseau Reserve was made
only to accomodate those
Bands who now form the
Pembina Bands, and that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 504.6)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and that on account of the settlement or claims of white people and half breeds in that part of the Province, This Reserve could not be enlarged without great difficulties and a good deal of litigation.

The settlement of the Nashakepenais Band on Broken Head River could be managed satisfactorily for the Christian settlers, by giving the Reserve a proper shape and size.

This was one of the objects of my letter of the 23rd January 1875. The new survey mentioned in this letter was to take place this winter but Mr J. W. Harris who had been entrusted with the first survey, and who, by his

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

his, knowledge of the locality would have been in a better position to meet the views of the Government and the Interest of the Indians, He got sick and afterwards absented himself from this Province leaving the impression that he would soon return, what he has not done yet, to my knowledge, These were the reasons of the postponement of this new survey.

By this new survey, it is intended that the two reserves should be distinct, though adjoining each other.

The

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The Christian Band of Broken Head River have always recognized Henry Prince as their Chief; It is only last summer that they expressed the desire of having a Chief of their own, and even then, the informality of their demand, and the want of understanding about the person to be selected — have induced me to postpone a definite answer about this matter.

With reference to their ill treatment Concerning the distribution of provisions. I beg to submit that the Christian

Indians

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indians numbering about 92 souls, since Christmas time, have received thirteen bags of flour, and five bags of pemican; when the band of Nashakepenais numbering about 360 persons, have received Sixteen bags of flour and Six bags of pemican. The Christian Indians had promised me, that part of these provisions would be given to the children who attended the school.

The appointment of a magistrate to decide about the little disputes that might arise between the members of the Band never

was

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

was mentioned to me, and does not appear altogether necessary, except on such principles that would compel the Government to make such appointment in every small band inhabiting the Northwest Territories; I dont know of one instance yet, where the services of a Magistrate was required on that Reserve, and I have no reason to believe that their moral status is declining: rather the contrary.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obt Servt

J M Provencher
Acting Superintendent

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Ref: 5046.

Copy

5-181

Department of the Interior.
Dominion Lands Office.
Ottawa, 6th July, 1876.

Memorandum.

Referring to Mr. Superintendent Provencher's letter of the 3rd April, last, on the subject of the Brokenhead River Indians, the undersigned has the honor to report that, in 1873, on an application made by Mr. Commissioner Simpson the Secretary of State Consented that the Chief Nashakapenais and Band from the Roseau River might be allowed to leave the Roseau, and settle at

The Honorable,
The Minister of the Interior.
Ottawa.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

at the mouth of the Brokenhead River, taking their lands there instead of at the Roseau, along with that portion of Henry Prince's Band which had previously settled there.

Colonel Provencher, in 1874, suggested that the reserve should be divided between the two Bands alluded to, one being Christian and the other Pagan, and instructions were sent to the Inspector of Surveys, Mr. Whitcher, to that effect, on the 31st. March, of last year. The Surveyor, Mr. Harris, who had been detailed to make the survey, however, was

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

was taken ill, and the matter stood over.

The Inspector has been again written to this day, directing him to have these instructions carried out, and requesting him to consult with the Superintendent as to the manner in which it may be considered Expedient to lay out the Indian lands, for occupation, on the river.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. V. Dennis
Surveyor General.

Approved - send copy to Supt Bureaucher
O.L.
6/7/76

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

KODAK SAFETY FILM

No 5827 DB

Lt Col
J. A. N. Provencher
Acting Ind Superintendent
Winnipeg
Man

7th July/76

Sir

I enclose for your information by direction of the Supt Genl Copy of a Memo from the Surveyor General on the subject of your lett of the 3rd April last and have to inform you that the Supt Genl approves of the recommendations contained therein —

6th July 1876

on the matter of the Wicker Head Res Indians

[illegible]

[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5046)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3623)

File 5046	General correspondence regarding the problems of Indians, especially Sioux and Brokenhead, in settling into their new reserves in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1876
File 5067	Couchiching Agency - Letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from Reverend Robert Phair regarding the difficulties in the use of farm implements encountered by the Indians in the Rainy River and Fort Francis District. 1875
File 5068	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Correspondence about getting the Sioux to settle on their allotted reserves. 1875 - 1876
File 5084	Clandeboye Agency - General correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1875 - 1918
File 5090	Correspondence regarding probable Indian Affairs expenditures in British Columbia for the year ending June 30th, 1877. 1875
File 5091	Correspondence regarding probable Indian Affairs expenditures in Manitoba (Treaties 1 and 2) for the year ending June 30th, 1877. 1875
File 5094	Winnipeg, Manitoba - Memorandum to Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher enclosing a form of Surrender and Certificate on Oath which he is to use in the future. 1875
File 5097	New Westminster - Commissioner James Lenihan's report regarding various agencies and correspondence regarding an outbreak of smallpox. 1875
File 5111	Tilley to Macdonald regarding supplement to appropriation for Indian Affairs in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1883

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5067)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMO

Rev Phair suggests that persons sh'd be sent to Reserves to teach the Indians farming as to help them in building &c seems a valuable practical hint. Sh local agts appt'd to make the annual pay to the Indians might be chosen with this view. Perhaps the salaries provided for by this Act might

14 Feb

'Re Sab-agents'

No. 5067

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
187___

Lt Governor of the
N. W. Territories
Fort Garry
Man:

5
14/July

Despatch No 274 -
With Copy of a letter from Rev. Robt Phair of Fort Francis - re the inability of the Indians to lead farming implements.
Suggests that persons sent to the Reserves to teach the Indians farming &c.

Ack'd 16 July/75

ACTION.

BLACK-5067

124

1981

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5067)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA
JUL 14 1875

To His Excellency.
Alexander Morris.
Lieut: Governor of
Manitoba &c.

May it please your Excellency
I should be glad to offer a few
remarks in reference to the
Indians along the Rainy River
and Fort Francis District.
I was appointed a Missionary
to these people by the Church
Missionary Society in 1863, and
have had a good deal to do with
their difficulties in farming &
building.
Heretofore they have not had
the advantages they now possess
in reference to cattle, tools, and
farming implements &c, I must
say, however, that all the Indians
connected with the above men-
tioned places have little, if any
idea of how to use those gifts.

A

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5067)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

A few days ago an Indian who had attempted to plough a piece of ground (having received from the Government oxen, plough and all requisite to do so) told me he was obliged to give it up as something was wrong with his plough: I may add that this poor Indians difficulty is shared in by a large majority.

They have but a poor idea of farming or building. What I believe they want very much is some persons speaking their language placed here and there amongst them to teach them to farm and build their houses such a step would I believe not only induce them to settle down, but also help them very much in providing for their wants as white men do,-

I am taking out three men to place on the Reservations along the Rainy River and shall make it a point that in addition to their duty in the Schools they teach the

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5067)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

the Indians how to farm and build - This we will do for the present hoping something may be done as may be thought best and we shall be glad to have the catechists and School-masters as free as possible for their special work.-

Knowing the interest your Excellency takes in the Indians, and believing the matter will have your consideration.-

I remain -

Your obedient servant.

(Sgd) Robert Phair -

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5067)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA
JUL 14 1875

N. W.
No 274.

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba
5 July 1875.

Sir.

I beg to enclose you, a copy of a letter, I have received from the Revd Robert Phair, a Church of England Missionary at Fort Francis. The information, he communicates, as to the inability of the Indians, though desirous to do so, to use farming implements, is of interest, and is, I think, deserving of your consideration.

In the United States, I understand, that a farmer and carpenter are sent to the Reserves, to instruct the Indians settled thereon.

Trusting you will give the matter your full consideration

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your obedient servant
Alex. Morris
Lt. Gr. N. W. T.

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5067)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5067

Department of the Interior
Ottawa 16th July '75

His Honor.
The Lieut Governor
North West Territories

Sir

No 274
N.W.T.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 5th inst., covering a copy of a letter addressed to you by the Rev. Robert Phair, Church of England Missionary at Fort Frances, calling attention to the fact that the Indians on Rainy River are unable to make proper use of the tools and implements farming given them by the Government.

The subject referred to in Mr Phair's communication is one of much importance and will receive my careful consideration

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5067)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Indian Affairs
Black Series

(RG 10, Volume 3623)

File 5046	General correspondence regarding the problems of Indians, especially Sioux and Brokenhead, in settling into their new reserves in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1876
File 5067	Couchiching Agency - Letter to Lieutenant Governor Alexander Morris from Reverend Robert Phair regarding the difficulties in the use of farm implements encountered by the Indians in the Rainy River and Fort Francis District. 1875
File 5068	Fort Garry, Manitoba - Correspondence about getting the Sioux to settle on their allotted reserves. 1875 - 1876
File 5084	Clandeboye Agency - General correspondence regarding land claims on St. Peter's Reserve. 1875 - 1918
File 5090	Correspondence regarding probable Indian Affairs expenditures in British Columbia for the year ending June 30th, 1877. 1875
File 5091	Correspondence regarding probable Indian Affairs expenditures in Manitoba (Treaties 1 and 2) for the year ending June 30th, 1877. 1875
File 5094	Winnipeg, Manitoba - Memorandum to Commissioner J.A.N. Provencher enclosing a form of Surrender and Certificate on Oath which he is to use in the future. 1875
File 5097	New Westminster - Commissioner James Lenihan's report regarding various agencies and correspondence regarding an outbreak of smallpox. 1875
File 5111	Tilley to Macdonald regarding supplement to appropriation for Indian Affairs in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 1883

2....

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 5068 DB

Department of the Interior.
Ottawa July 21st 1875

His Honor
The Lieut Governor
North West Territories

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 271 N.W. of the 1st inst. reporting that you had been waited upon on the preceding Saturday by White Eagle and Young Chief, the two Sioux Chiefs in the North West, who had come down to see you about the Reserve which was being laid off for the Sioux Band at Battle Creek, and reporting that the Chiefs Expressed themselves satisfied with the Explanations given by you in reference to the extent of the Reserves and the other matters to which they objected.

With reference to the last paragraph of your report

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

report I am to inform you that, in accordance with your suggestion instructions have been sent to Mr Indian Commissioner Provencher to give a flag to each of the Sioux Chiefs similar to those given to the Chiefs of the other Bands.

1

Sd Cd
I. Ab. Provencher
N. C
Winnipeg. 21 July 1875

Sir
I am directed by the Sup Gen to instruct you to present each of the two Chiefs of the Sioux Band of Indians in the North West with a flag similar to those given to the Chiefs of the other Indian Bands in the North West.

2

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 3068

N. W.
No

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba
10th august 1875.

Sir.

I have the honor to report that on my way through Portage la Prairie to visit Yellow Quills Band, I was waited on by the Young Chief of the Sioux. They had heard I was to pass and had assembled to the number of thirty tents. I made an appointment to see them on my return as owing to the jealousy existing between them and the Saulteaux I did not deem it prudent to talk with them in the presence of the Saulteaux who had sent men to hear what should take place. On my return I met them and saw also Enoch of

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AUG 28 1875 SECRETARY OF STATE CANADA

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

of the Fort Ellice Band who had come down for a breaking plough and scythes. I ascertained that there are thirty tents at the Berry Creek Reserve and twenty at the Bird Tail Creek.

At both Reserves they reported having fine potatoes, but their other garden produce, had been destroyed by grasshoppers.

I inquired through the Honorable James McKay their intention as to going on the Reserve, and was informed that they intended moving on to it in a body in early Spring. They said as they had no means of living there this winter and no farm produce, they would remain in the settlement for the winter, earning what little money they could by cutting hay and working for the farmers and eking out a living by catching fish at Lake Manitoba, but would all remove in Spring

At

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

At High Bluff Poplar Point and the Portage I counted fifty tents in all, so that a fair commencement of their settlement has been made. I thought their views reasonable and could not in the circumstances urge them to go to the Reserve this autumn. As they had waited some days and were without food I was under the necessity of giving them a bag of Pemican and some flour..

I had an interesting conversation with Kenneth McKenzie Esq M.P.P. with regard to them. He is the largest farmer in the Province and is a successful practical man. He has employed the Sioux in farm operations and cutting rails and knows their character thoroughly.

I requested him to place his views in writing for my information and I have now to enclose a copy of a letter I have received from

enclosure mentioned not received W.H.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

from him. It is gratifying to know that he is of the opinion that by management and some aid, they will become self-supporting. His testimony as to their sobriety and willingness to labour is very valuable as is also his proposal, that some one should be appointed to overlook their settlement on the Reserve at Berry creek and direct them in their operations there. I think the suggestion should be entertained and I have reason to believe that the services of Mr McKenzie could be obtained. I think his interest in his people would induce him to undertake it at a very moderate remuneration. You have met Mr McKenzie and I am sure that you will agree with me that we could not get a better man. The need for the supervision

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

supervision would be only tem-
porary. The step proposed,
would I believe result in relieving
the Dominion of what has been
a difficult question with regard
to this Tribe of Indians.—

I have the honor to be.

Sir.

Your obedient servant.

Alex. Morris

Lt. G.—

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

The Honour
The Sec'y of the N.W.
Fort Garry
Manitoba

No 5068

28th Aug/75

Sir,

I have the honour
ack' the rec. of your
despatch N.W. (without
number) of the 10th instant
reporting an interview
which you had recently
at Portage la Prairie
with certain portions of
the Sioux - and stating
that they had informed
you that, having no
means of living on
their reserve the writer
and no farm produce,
they propose remaining
with settlement and
removing to the Reserve
with Spring; and
adding that ~~the tenor~~ their views
appearing to you
reasonable you had not
thought it necessary to
urge their removal to
the Reserve this autumn.

The copy of the letter for Mr

Kenneth McKenzie, ~~of~~
~~[illegible]~~ referred to in your
letter as being enclosed,
has not been rec'd.

You despatch with the
Canadian before the Minister
of the Interior on his
return to Ottawa.

[illegible]

WH

Submit to Mr Laird
on his return to Ottawa
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
SEP 18 1875
OTTAWA.

To His Excellency
The Honorable
Alexander Morris.
Lieut: Governor of Manitoba
&c &c

I beg leave to submit to Your Excellency the following suggestions regarding the Sioux Indians now on their Reserves having had some experience of them when working around this settlement; they conducted themselves on the whole as a peaceable people and temperate in their habits. I do not remember a single instance seeing any of them under the influence of liquor, and with few exceptions and these instances very trifling were very honest & reliable when properly dealt with. I have had several of them employed at different farm labour, ploughing binding grain, hay making, cutting rails and fire wood, and found them very useful and though not quite as constant

and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and persevering as White People many of them showed an aptitude to learn and become good workers.-

I would beg leave to submit to Your Excellency as they have already been supplied with a few Yokes of oxen and implements, that a competent and reliable person be appointed to superintend and point out their work &c. that they be required to plough a reasonable amount with each yoke of oxen per annum say about two acres for each family (more or less) and that the Indians who take charge of the teams and ploughing be paid a small remuneration say from two to three dollars per acre for first breaking let all of them cut and put up fences &c. I think as first mills are not near them at present better furnish them mostly with seed Peas (as they seem fond of them and not so readily destroyed by Grasshoppers) small quan. of Indian Corn. potatoes & turnips seeds &c of course a little seed wheat

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

wheat if they have land prepared for it; two or three cows or more might be given them by way of experiment to see how they would manage them and raise stock from them some of them were speaking to me and saying that they would like to raise Pigs I told them I would give them a few young pigs next season free if they raised stuff to feed them By a little encouragement and liberal Government aid I think in a few years they would be self sustaining or nearly so.

I am not aware of how much they have ploughed this season and if not done soon it will be too late for breaking Prairie, but if properly managed and laid out for them next season each Yoke of oxen and plough should break between twenty and thirty acres if looked after in time: a few small premiums might be offered for the best ploughing and the best cultivated crops &c it might be

an

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

an inducement to stimulate them to break more and take more pains to raise good crops.

The proper season to break Prairie is after seeding say from twenty fourth of May until the end of July. they might begin to plough in a second time to prepare for seeding any time in the autumn after haying until the frost sets in.

I get the best crops by autumn ploughing breaking second time or old stubble land.

I have the honour to be
Your Excellencys
Humble & obedient servant
Kenneth McKenzie.

Burnside.
July 26th 1875.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 18 1875
OTTAWA.

N. W.
No 297.

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba.
9th Sept. 1875.

Sir. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a despatch of date the 28th August from the Deputy Minister of the Interior and in reply beg to enclose, herewith, a copy of the letter of K. McKenzie Esq. M.P.P. relative to the Sioux, which by an inadvertence, was not enclosed in my despatch of the 10th August.

I think it right to inform you that since the murder at the Portage, there is a strong anxiety on the part of many of the settlers that the Sioux should be required to remove to the Reserve.

Some depredations are alleged to have been committed by them such as stealing an ox and other property and otherwise exhibiting an unruly tendency.

It is unfortunate that there is no civil Police or other power in that region of such a character as would compel respect for the law.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your obedient servant.
Alex. Morris
Lt Gr

Honorable
The Minister of the
Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5068

Department of the Interior
Ottawa, 6 Octr 75

His Honor
The Lieut Governor of
the North West
Fort Garry, Man.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No 297, N.W., of the 9th ultimo, covering a copy of the letter of Mr K. McKenzie M.P.P., relative to the Sioux referred to in your despatch of the 10th August last.

The suggestions submitted by Mr McKenzie in his letter seem deserving of consideration, especially that in reference to the appointment of some competent person to superintend and assist the Sioux in their farming operations.

As you appear to think that, should this suggestion be entertained, Mr McKenzies services could

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

could be obtained for this purpose at a moderate remuneration I should be glad if you would ascertain definitely the remuneration which Mr McKenzie would consider sufficient for his services in this capacity.

The want of Police or some other power to enforce the law will no doubt receive early consideration on the organization of the proposed Government of the North West Territories

I regret much to learn that some of the Sioux are committing depredations upon the whites settlers and that the latter are anxiously waiting for their removal to their new Reserve. As however, it has been decided, upon your own suggestion, that the Sioux should not be compelled to move until the spring, it is to be hoped that the local Govt will be able to take measures to protect the whites settlers, in the meantime.

(Sd) D. Laird
Supt Genl of Ind. Affs

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

25th April 1876.

His Honor
The Lieut. Govr
of the N. W. Territories,
Fort Garry,
Manitoba,

Sir,

Adverting to previous correspondence in reference to the removal of the Sioux to their new reserves, and particularly to our recent conversation when you were in Ottawa ~~on this subject~~, I feel that it is hardly necessary to remind you of the importance of your using all your influence to induce them to remove as early as possible this year to the new Reserves which have been assigned to them, with a view to the timely planting of their potatoes, seed grain and garden seeds and making such other arrangements as will enable them to pass the next winter on the Reserves.

A check, no for $822.07, the balance of the Sioux grant available for the current year is enclosed to enable you to meet any necessary expenses which may be incurred in this matter. Should any of this* amount remain in your hands on the 30th of June next, you will deposit the same in the Ontario Bank, Winnipeg, to the Credit of the Recr. Genl. as a "refund of Indian expenditure" and transmit the bank draft and Certificates of deposit to this Dept.

The sum of $2000 appropriated for the same object for the fiscal year 1876-7 will ~~be placed at your disposal~~ available whenever you may require it after the 1st. July next.

D. L.

Copied from end of file to here

Sup Genl

Shave &c
(Sd) D. Laird
Supt Genl

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

No 5068

MEMORANDUM.

From

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, 187

To The Accountant.

	ANSWER.
What is the balance of the year's appropriation of Sioux money ~~for the current year~~ still available?	1975.96 ✓
	1470.84 ✓
	500.00 ✓
	231.13 ✓
	4177.93 Expended
	5000.00 Appr
	$ 822.07 available

Don't copy

R.S.
24/4/76

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Telegram
to
His Honor
Lt Gov Morris
Winnipeg
Manitoba.

May 31/76

Chigeon ~~[illegible]~~ mentioned in letter of 25th April omitted - upwards of seven hundred and fifty dollars placed at your credit by wire to day - explanatory letter ~~mailed~~ follows.

E A M
(Sd) E A Meredith

The last word copied is "follows"

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5068.

His Honor
the Lieut Gov of the N.W.T.
Fort Garry.
Manitoba

Sir

31 May 1876.

Referring to official letter of the 25th ult. I have to inform you that I have just ascertained that the Cheque for $822.22 therein referred to was through an accident not enclosed therein. That amount was the balance then available of the grant for the current year of account of the expenses connected with the removal of the Sioux to their Reserve. Since the date of that letter accounts have been received from the acting superintendent for expenses incurred in connection with the Sioux amounting in all to $66.22, leaving a balance available at present of $755.55. This amount has accordingly been placed to your credit today by telegraph, as you have been notified by a telegram of even date with this of which I enclose a copy

D.A.M

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

urgent
DLM

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OTTAWA JUL 7 1876 89

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba
29th June 1876.

Sir,

In compliance with your wishes, after my return from Ottawa, I opened communications with the Sioux, in this Province, through the Honorable James McKay, in order to prevail upon them, to leave for their Reserve, at the junction of the Little Saskatchewan and Assiniboine Rivers -

The Young Chief, consented to go, and being supplied with cattle and some implements &c, left the Portage with some of his people, but a considerable number remained. I sent messages to the large Encampment, which has for so long made their head quarters, at Poplar Point and

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior.
Ottawa

received

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

received replies from their principal men, indicating a willingness to remove, if supplied with oxen and carts and implements for settling with.. Few of them came down to Mr McKays, and remained there, owing to the impassable state of the roads, for some ten days..

I purchased, what I considered necessary, and despatched the articles, consigned to Mr Chisholm, the Hudson Bay Company's officer at Poplar Point, to be delivered to the Indians, when prepared to remove..

In going to the Portage, I stopped at Poplar Point on the 16th inst: and met the Sioux, assisted by Mr Chisholm and Mr Spence, formerly M.P.P.,- I explained the policy of the Government towards them, and in reply received the assurances of their two principal men, "Donanya" or "the Singer" and "Little Crow" or "Chaste"; that before my return, every "Teepe" or tent would be struck..

On

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

On my return to the Portage, on the 21st, I arranged with Six tents to leave for the Reserve, and requested Mr Hargrave, the Hudson's Bay Company's officer, to endeavour to prevail on the few remaining to follow.- After leaving the Portage, I met the Poplar Point Sioux, the same day, about three miles from the Portage, on their way.-

They formed a large assemblage and comprised old and young. There were 17 tents, and would probably be about 130 in number.- Capt Howard, subsequently met them, near Totogan.- I have no doubt, but that the few, who remain will gradually follow, the great body, who have removed as, however, it is desirable to retain them on the Reserve, I would strongly urge that Mr McKenzie M.P.P. should be asked to visit the Reserve, counsel them as to their settlement on it,

and

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

and suggest measures for their retention on the Reserve.

I would like a reply to this suggestion, by telegraph, as the matter requires prompt attention.-

I am very sanguine, that the question of dealing with these Sioux refugees is now in a fair way of satisfactory adjustment.-

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

Alexander Morris

Lt. G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OTTAWA
AUG 23 1876

Copy.

Burnside.
Rat Creek.
Manitoba.

Sir.

I have the honor to report that in conformity with your instructions I visited the Indians of Portage la Prairie. They were camped at the Little Saskatchewan having left their Reserve owing to the want of provisions, they were successful in obtaining a good quantity of fish, the women were employed in digging Indian turnips, which were plentiful..

I proceeded, the next day, to visit the Reserve, which is about eighteen miles distant, from their present camp, and inspected the ploughing they did this Spring. They had broken up the ground very irregularly, having ploughed a small piece here, and there, I estimate the whole of the broken ground to cover.

To His Honor
The Lieutenant Governor
of Manitoba

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

cover not more than seventeen or
eighteen acres.. I saw
two plots with seven or eight
furrows unfinished, and on
inquiring the reason, I was
told that they had no food and
could not therefore work..
They have sowed turnips in
some of the broken land, but
had planted the seed too thickly.
I pointed out the necessity of
thinning them, they have about
one acre of potatoes well earthed
up and promising a good crop.
about forty hills of corn well
cultivated, and looking strong,
some small beds of onions, a
few carrots, lovely, or lovely fine,
hills of pumpkins and some
peas. I noticed that the land
in this valley is fertile and
admirably adapted for farming,
the Indians report that there is a
large extent of good land further
up the valley. I had not time

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

to visit it, but I should judge that there is over two thousand acres of exceedingly good land, and about a mile to the south on the bank of the Assiniboine river, there is a large swamp from which over one thousand loads of hay can be procured.-

I next visited the Poplar Point Indian Reserve which is situated about ten miles distant up the Assiniboine river; ten teals were pitched here, most of the men were absent hunting. there are about four acres ploughed here. the land is not good being too light, sandy, and gravelly besides being too high and consequently dry, the low lands are well drained and do not produce much hay. the Indians are not apparently pleased with their selection, but I had not much opportunity of discussing the subject; being without an interpreter.

On the following day I accompanied

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

accompanied "White Eagle" to see his Reserve at the junction of the little Saskatchewan and Assiniboine rivers the land is too light and not very good..

The chief his son and one other Indian have three acres ploughed and sown. one acre planted with potatoes well cared for about one fourth of an acre in Indian corn which also looked well. half an acre of spring wheat which was planted too thick and was consequently stunted. one fourth of an acre of barley, also too thickly sown, but promises to be a fair return, and would be ready for harvesting shortly, one quarter of an acre of peas strong and good. a few rows of beans and onions stunted from being planted too close. the turnips also were suffering from the same cause. I should them the way to thin them out and im-

pressed

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

impressed upon them the necessity of having the ploughs well apart in order to mature. They listened to me attentively and commenced at once to turn them out. Their ploughing was well done, having gained experience whilst living at the Portage la Prairie they, however, find it difficult to set them ploughs, so as to work safely, I described the proper way and they took great interest and seemed very anxious to learn. I told them that it was very necessary for them to cultivate plenty of hay for feeding their cattle during the coming winter. I found that some of the Indians were about to proceed to Winnipeg in order to see Your Honor and endeavour to procure some provisions from you, but I informed them that you were about leaving for Fort Carlton and that they would miss you. I distributed what provisions I could spare and

they

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

they promised me to commence cutting hay at once.-

The chief built, last year a very substantial cattle stable, 15 feet by 21 feet, he uses part of it as a shelter for his farming implements, which are in good order. he desired me to ask Your Honor to give them a few cows, in order that they may have milk. I told them I would convey their desire to you, and said, that I believed, if they cut plenty of hay, and attended well to the cattle they now had that, they would be given two or three cows. I impressed upon them the necessity of ploughing well round their hay stacks, as a precaution against fire and obtained a promise from them that they would do so.- I think the chief and band will remove to the other Reserve next Spring, they have already ploughed two acres there. I am of opinion that

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

that the Poplar Point Indians could get a sufficient quantity of good farming and hay land here also, I advised the Indians to plough their land all in one large piece, pointing out the saving it would be in wood, for fencing, I observed that there is not a very large supply of timber on the Reserve, but with care there is sufficient to meet their wants, for a long time. they have no fencing round their present crops, and have consequently, to herd their cattle.

I feel sure that if some zealous missionaries could be persuaded to settle amongst these people they would soon be able to teach them, as there are some very bright boys and girls who are anxious & willing for instruction, more particularly if such missionaries had some knowledge of farming and could aid and encourage them.- They

asked

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

asked me to procure for them some necessary bolts &c, which I did, for their ploughs also some chains for hauling logs with. They seemed pleased with my visit and commissioned me to inform you fully of all their doings..

bolts for ploughs & chains

I consider that they have done remarkably well this year and have no doubt of their improving greatly next season..

I have the honour to be
Sir.
Your obedient servant.
Kenneth. McKenzie.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
5068
AUG 23 1876
OTTAWA

Government House.
Fort Garry Manitoba.
August 2nd 1876.

Sir.

I have been instructed by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, to inform you that he met Mr McKenzie at Long Lake, on his way to the West, and received from him his Report as to his mission to the Sioux at their Reserve, and of which I now enclose you a copy.

I am further to state that His Honor regards the result of this experiment as encouraging, and that he would strongly recommend that Mr McKenzie be asked to visit them occasionally, with the view of directing their operations, and securing.

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

securing the success of the effort made to render these, heretofore, ~~refu~~ wandering refugees, self supporting.

His Honor has made arrangements to give the Sioux Indians six cows and the other articles mentioned by Mr McKenzie.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your obedient servant.
Frank G. Becher.
Private Secy.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

MEMORANDUM.

To Mr V.

Department of the Interior,

Ottawa, Aug 24, 1876

ANSWER.

Ack receipt despatch and enclosure. Express satisfaction at care Mr McKenzie has taken to direct the Sioux in their agricultural operations, as detailed in his report, and approve of Lieut Governor's suggestion that McKenzie be asked to visit them occasionally

D.L.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5068

Draft

Augt 25th 1876

F. G. Becher Esq
Private Secy to H.H.
the L.G.

Sir,

I am directed by the Hon the S.G. of Ind. Affs to ack the receipt of your despatch of the 2d Inst. enclosing a copy of the report of Mr Kenneth Mac Kenzie relative to his mission to the Sioux Indians on their Reserve

I am to say that the care which Mr Mackenzie has taken to direct the Sioux in their agricultural operations, as detailed in the report of that gentleman, affords the Supt Genl much satisfaction: and that the suggestion of His Honor the Lt Gov. that Mr Mackenzie be asked to visit those Indians occasionally is approved of

(Do.) L. Vankoughnet
Dy of Supt Genl

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5068

TELEGRAPH COMPANY

INCORPORATED 1847

States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

graph Buildings, Metcalf Street, Branch Offices: Parliament House,—Russell ros.,—Union House,—Railway Stations,—and Bridge Street, Chaudiere.

an A

DE

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on their Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

JAMES DAKERS, Sec.

Check

No. 105 Time 255 OTTAWA, 24 June 1876

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man

To Hon D Laird

Arranged with Sioux at Poplar Point to leave on return met over hundred on road to reserve arranged at Portage for six more tents to leave

A Morris

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

5 [illegible]TREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

Incorporated 1847.

[illegible] arts of the United States, Maritime Provinces, and with Cables to Europe, Cuba, &c.

Sent by [illegible] Rec'd by [illegible]

Check. [illegible] paid 3.45 D

Terms and Conditions.—All messages are received by this Company for transmission, subject to the terms and conditions printed on the Blank Form No. 2, which terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message:

JAMES DAKERS, SEC. SIR HUGH ALLAN, PRES.

No. 178 Time 747 Ottawa 2 June 1876

By Telegraph from Winnipeg Man 31 May

To E A Meredith

Place to my credit unexpended balance of sioux appropriation to cover outlays

A Morris

Done. By wire 31st May 76 amount $755.85

R.L.
3/6/76

Wtt
[illegible]

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

"Extract"
(Original with File 7785)

"I have the honor to inform you that two parties of the Sioux from the Saskatchewan Reserve visited me, being desirous to receive the cows I had promised them and to obtain some ammunition.

I gave them a letter to K. McKenzie Esq M. P. P. and supplied them with a small quantity of powder and shot. I have since had a letter from Mr. McKenzie stating that he was about leaving for the Reserve, and would deliver the cows himself and report to me on his return what progress he found the Sioux to be making in cultivating the Reserve."

"I believe that they have raised a good supply of potatoes and roots, and some wheat."

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant.
(sd) Alexr Morris
L. G.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

ODAK SAFETY ▲ FILM

5068
137

MEMORANDUM.

There is however an open a/c of $387.60 which he understands he is to settle

Department of the Interior.
Indian Branch,

To Accountant
of Indian Affs

Ottawa, Nov 10th 1877

Has Lt Gov Morris accounted for the 76-7 appropriation of $1000.00 for Sioux Inds all of which has been placed in his hands - if not had he not better be asked to do so before he leaves Winnipeg?

Don't Copy

D. Vankoughnet
D.S.G.I.A.

He had $2153.94 in 76-7 on Sioux acct all if [illegible] has been accounted for and the account is closed. He has had nothing on that a/c since Rs 10.11

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Poor - Copy.

MEMO

5068

Mise. 14 Feb 76
Dept. Gen 11-77

No. 5068 File with 3289

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1875

Lt Governor of the
N. W. Territories
Fort Garry
Man.
14/July

Despatch No 271
Reports visit from
White Eagle & Young
Chief about Reserve
being laid Off for them
at Berry Creek, complain
of the small quantity of
Wood-land &c.

ACTION.

217/30-1

BLACK

25 " April 76 Let to Lt Gov N.W. Territories
31 May Tel to Lt Gov Morris
3/ May Let
3/ June Tel from " "
16 24/26 June " " do
2 Aug Let from Lt Gov Morris, Private Let to Lt Gov. Morris, N.W.T. encl
23 17 25 Aug Let to Lt Gov Morris " " " " " "
29 29 June 3 July Let. fm Lt Gov Morris
7 July. Memo. by Supt Genl.
16 16 Nov Tel from Gov Morris
" Book 270 p. 490
16 " Tel to Lt Gov Morris
17 " Let to " "
28 29 Jan Tel from do
Let to Lt Gov of Manitoba
24 Oct 3 Nov Let. fm Lt Gov. Morris

2 July Ackd & Let to Comr Provencher
29 Aug Let from Lt Gov. Morris
reporting interview with Young Chief
Sioux & Two other Chiefs of a
person & probable Reserve
at Berry Creek. Suggests to
Mr McKenzie. M. Dep.
28 Aug Let. to Lt Gov Morris
6 Sept. from Lt Gov W.T.
6 Oct. to Lt Gov

1911

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

Sioux Reserves
file with
3289

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUL 14 1875
OTTAWA

R. W.
No 271

Government House.
Fort Garry. Manitoba
1st July. 1875.

Sir

I have the honor, to inform you, that I was waited on, on Saturday last, by While Eagle & Young Chief, the two Sioux chiefs in this Province who had come down, to see about the Reserve. which is being laid off for them at Berrey Creek on the Assiniboine River.

They said, it was being laid off in a square form, chiefly Prairie land with only two small patches of poplar wood, and did not contain land enough for the tribe.-

I explained to them, that the Fort Ellice Indians, were to have a Reserve assigned to themselves/and that eighty acres would be assigned to every family of five, who settled on their own Reserve.

N.B.

Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
Ottawa

As

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

As Mr Provencher was absent, I requested them to await his return, which they agreed to do..

I endeavoured to procure an estimate of their numbers, which they calculated as follows:-

At Rat Creek	50 Souls
" Portage & High Bluff	70 "
" Poplar Point	40 .
" Turtle Mountains	30 "
	190

which at say, five in a tent, would give the number of 950.- They estimated, that there were 100 Souls at Fort Ellice and the Woody Mountains..

950
500
1450

They again called on me on the 23rd Inst., when Mr Provencher was present, and also the Honble James McKay, who acted as interpreter..

The Chiefs repeated their objections to the extent of the Reserve, and its location. as well as the want of wood, Mr Provencher informed them that he thought they were

in

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

in error as to the Reserve, but as the Surveyor had not yet sent in his plan, he could not describe it exactly. I assured them, that Eighty acres would be given, at the place in question, to every family who settled on the locality, and that I would ascertain the exact position of the Reserve, and the extent of wood connected with it.- With this, they expressed themselves satisfied, and stated that the Sioux in the Province would settle on their Reserve. As the grasshoppers were destroying their garden plants, they asked for some means of catching fish and game. I told them, I would give them hooks and lines, and a small quantity of ammunition. The Young chief informed me, that he was returning at once to the Reserve, with eight of his men to erect buildings and wanted a division of the oxen between himself and

While

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

While Eagle so as to plough; accordingly I placed three of the oxen under the charge of each chief - Their Spokesman, then pointing to the Red Ensign floating over the wall, asked that the Chiefs might be given a flag, as a recognition, which request I promised to report, and which it would be as well to accede to, as it would strengthen the influence of the Chiefs. -

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

Alex. Morris
Lt. Gov. N. W. T.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA

END OF REEL

FIN DE LA BOBINE

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 3623, file 5068)

PUBLIC ARCHIVES
ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA