


Indian Affairs  
School Files

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PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
TEACHERS' SALARIES

FOR QUARTER ENDED December 31st, 1929.

NAME OF TEACHER	NAME OF SCHOOL	ANNUAL GRANT OR SALARY	AMOUNT DUE	ADDRESS TO WHICH CHEQUE IS TO BE SENT
<b>R. W. Myers</b>	<b>GEORGIA JEFFREY RES.</b>	<b>\$165 00 p. a.</b>	<b>Aver. 78.9</b>	
	<b>Earnings .....</b>	<b>\$5254 62</b>		

REMARKS:—

This school placed on per capita basis from  
October 1st, 1929.

**EXAMINED and  
found correct.**  
*[Signature]*

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS VOUCHER IS CORRECT.

15/1/30.

Indian Affairs. School Files.  
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TREASURER AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY  
MR. R. C. DONALD  
25 ALBANY ST.  
CORRESPONDING AND INTERNATIONAL  
SECRETARY  
MISS BESSIE MAGUIRE  
125 SOUTH DRIVE

19 Laws Street,  
TORONTO 9,

March 21st, 1931

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
MAR 23  
RECORDS

*Mr. Ferris*

Dr. Duncan C. Scott,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Doctor Scott,-

Would you be able to advance \$1,800.00 on the Marchquarter per capita for Cecilia Jeffrey School? Mr. Byers wishes to purchase seed for the spring and to clean up some accounts, and already has a small overdraft. He indicates to me that the Department had stated its willingness to give such an advance when it was required. Mr. Byers is most anxious that this be done as soon as possible.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

*May C. B. Ferris*  
Secretary, Indian Department.



FIELD SERVICE



CANADA  
DEPARTMENT  
OF  
MINES AND RESOURCES  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH



PLEASE QUOTE  
FILE 129/6-1-461

Kenora, May 9th, 1950.

F. Matters, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
Camp Chippewa, North Bay, Ontario

Dear Mr. Matters,

Re: Additional School Building,  
Cecilia Jeffrey Res. School

A letter has been received from Mr. T.C. Ross, Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School outlining the need for a new school building at this school to take care of the proposed extension of physical education, and for the inclusion of an additional classroom and library.

A copy of Mr. Ross' letter is hereto attached for your information and consideration.

An item of \$25,000.00 in the 1950-51 Estimates covers this proposed expenditure.

Mr. Ian Eisenhardt, Supervisor of Physical Education and Recreation, discussed this matter with Mr. Ross this morning and will no doubt be reporting later.

Yours very truly,

SUPERINTENDENT,  
Kenora Indian Agency,  
Dept of Citizenship & Immigration.

NP/g

Cecilia Jeffrey School,  
Kenora, Ontario,  
May 5, 1950.

Mr. Norman Paterson,  
Superintendent,  
Kenora Indian Agency.



Dear Mr. Paterson:

Re ADDITIONAL SCHOOL BUILDING:

In our letter dated July 30, 1949, we mentioned the need for an additional building for this school, this building to contain a gymnasium, a classroom, a library and two reading rooms.

At present there is no part of this building (our present school) which is suitable for use as a gymnasium. Because of this there is no adequate program of physical education. Also, the lack of space for indoor sports results in disciplinary problems which could largely be avoided if there were proper facilities for recreation. The need for a proper gymnasium is great indeed.

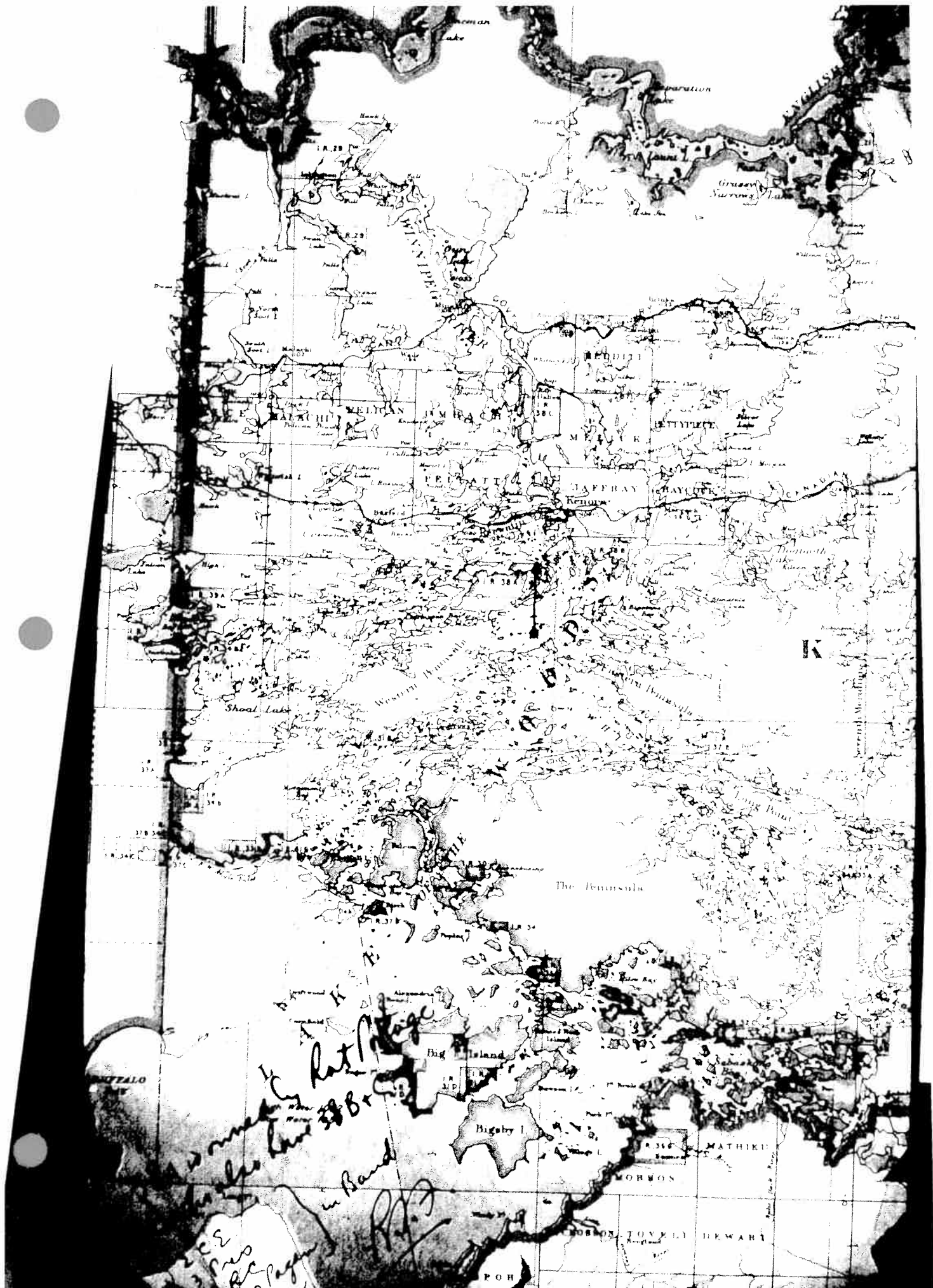
We are sadly in need of an additional classroom, and there is no space available. We have no library, and because of this are losing a valuable chance to educate our Indian young people. There are no rooms in our present building where a pupil may retire to read or write. This is a tragic fact. Separate reading rooms for boys and girls are very, very necessary.

It is believed that these needs could all be met in one building. It is proposed that this building should contain a gymnasium (and possibly a swimming pool) on the lower floor. The second floor should contain the classroom, library and two reading rooms. It is expected that the cost of such a building would be \$25,000.00.

May I request permission to have plans prepared for such a building, please?

Sincerely yours,

*T. K. [Signature]*  
Principal.



*Handwritten notes:*  
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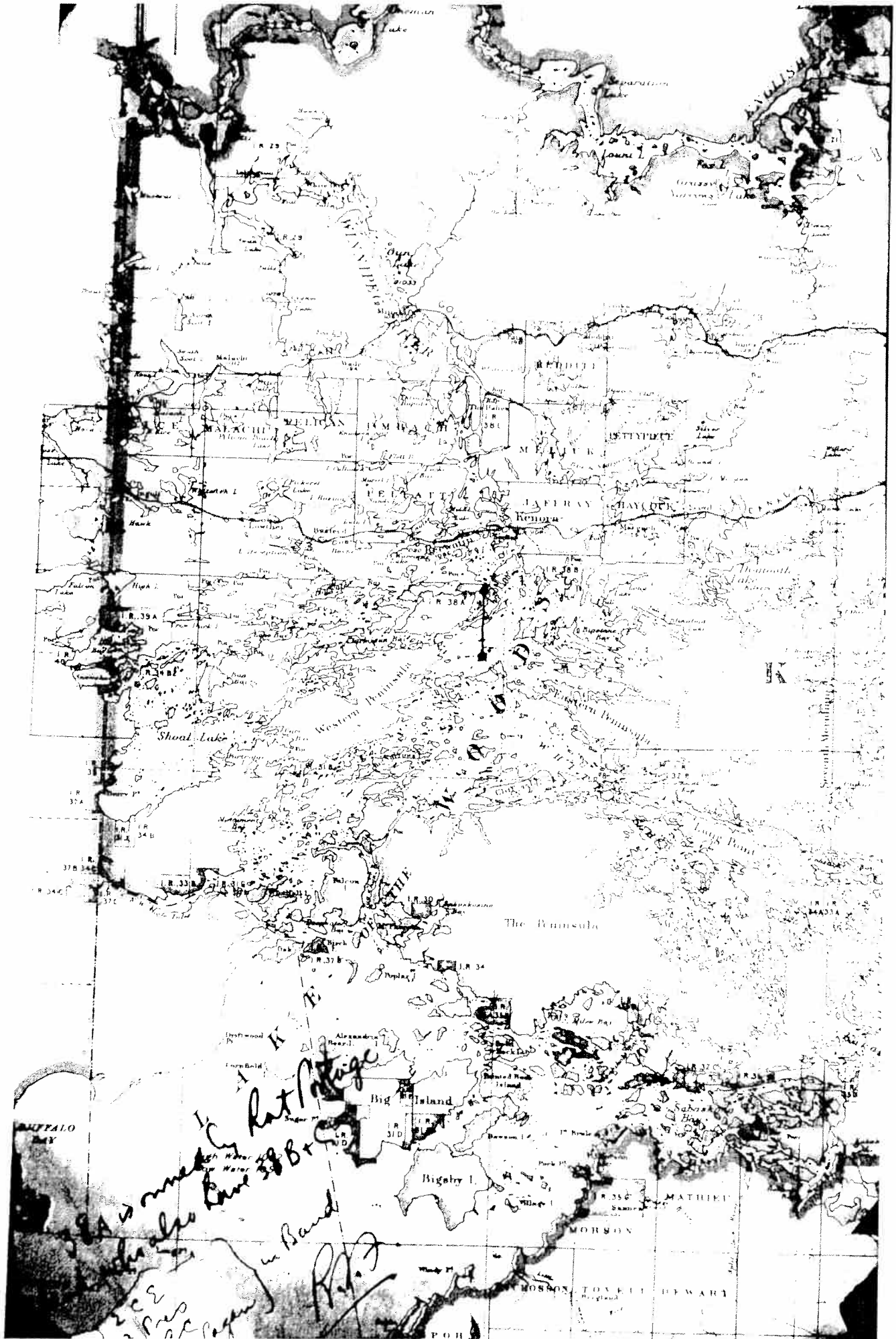
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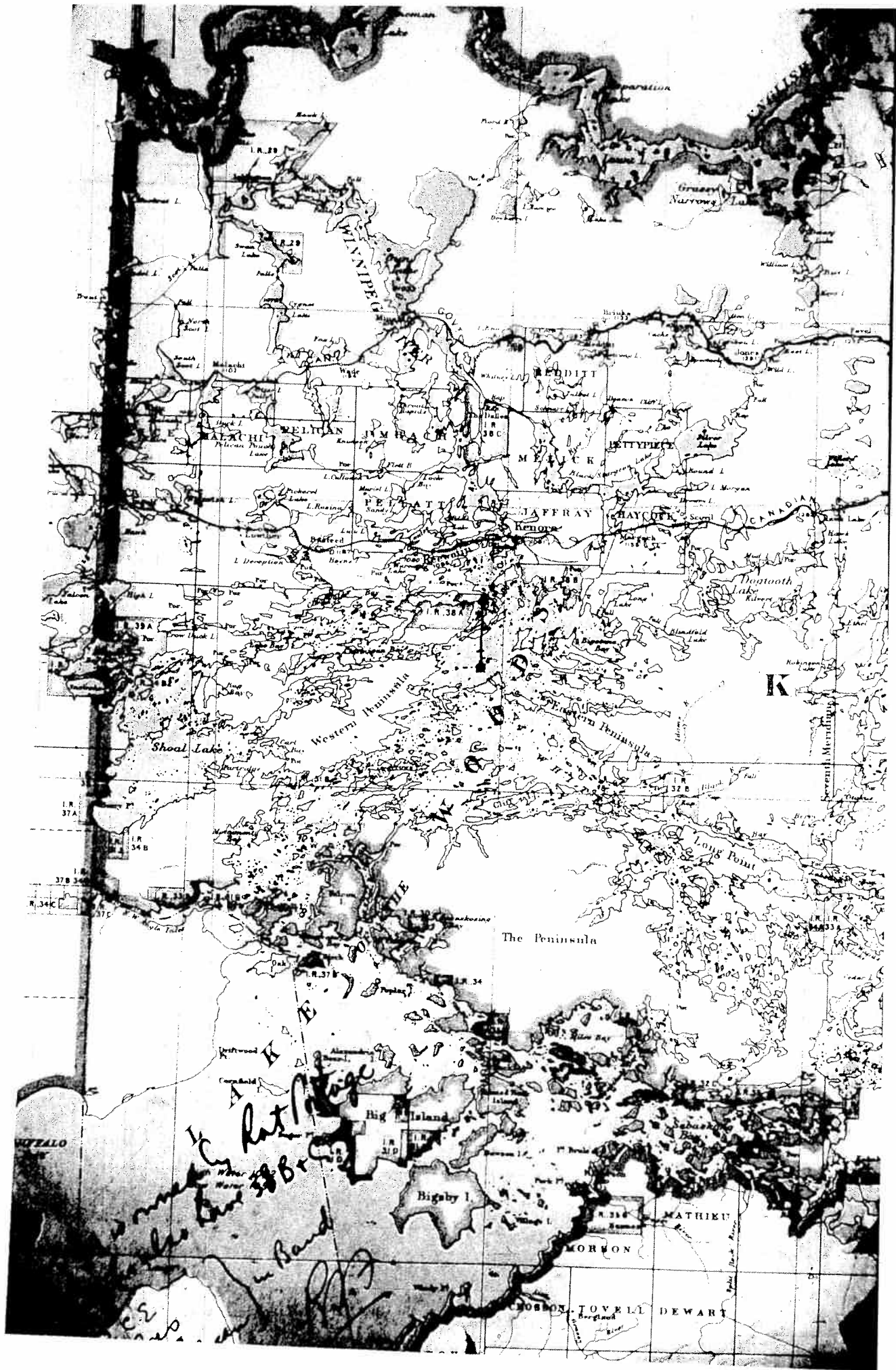
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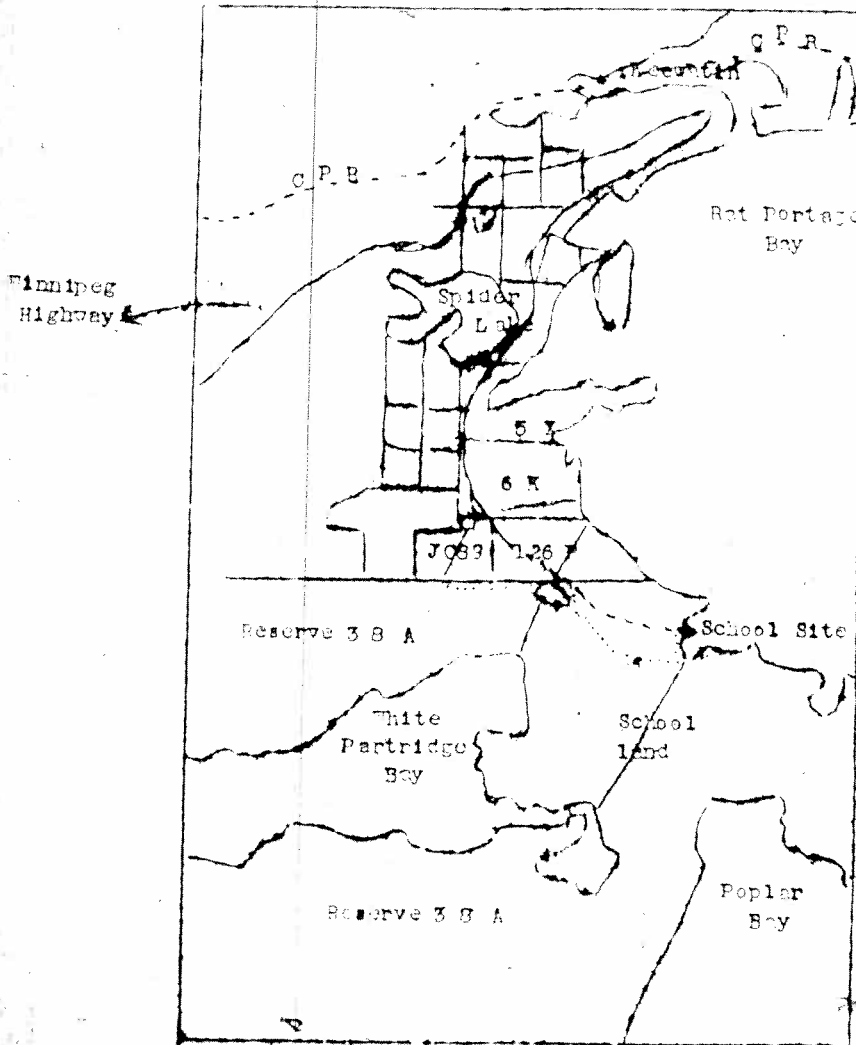




See Map of the Northern Part of the Lake of the Woods and Shoal Lake... 1911.

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Sketch Showing General Location Proposed for the New Cecilia Jeffrey School.



Kenora is 3 miles east...

The road from Keewatin follows the shore and is passable for a team and wagon down to the northern border of the Reserve. From there to the school site new road is required, it could go through level country practically all the way.

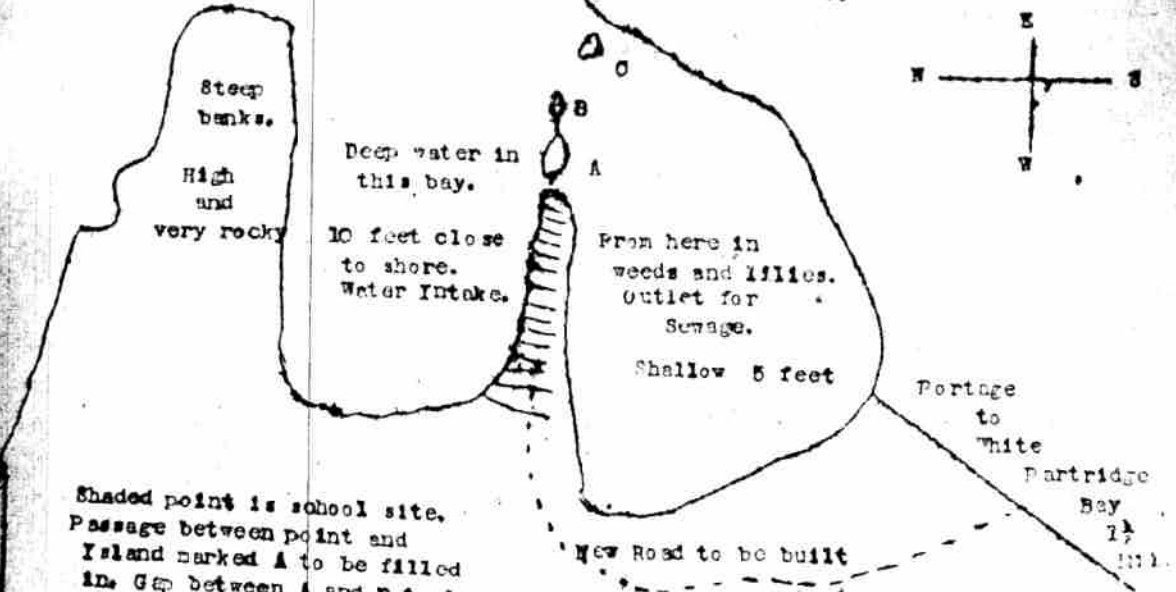
The school site is approximately 4 miles from Keewatin.

For details re site see other sketch.

The good land lies on both sides of the portage between Rat Portage Bay and White Partridge Bay.

The dashed line shows new road that would be required.

Detail of New Site Proposed for Cecilia Jeffrey School.....



Shaded point is school site.  
 Passage between point and  
 Island marked A to be filled  
 in. Gap between A and B to be  
 made water tight if it is not  
 already so. Passage between B and C  
 to be left open for boat. There is  
 available 10 feet of water in this passage.  
 Between C and mainland it is very  
 shallow and filled with reeds.

The land on the shaded point rises in  
 gentle slopes.  
 Gives clear view of lake  
 east and north.

The best land is  
 situated along this  
 portage and could be  
 in part between the portage and  
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 the portage about two thirds of  
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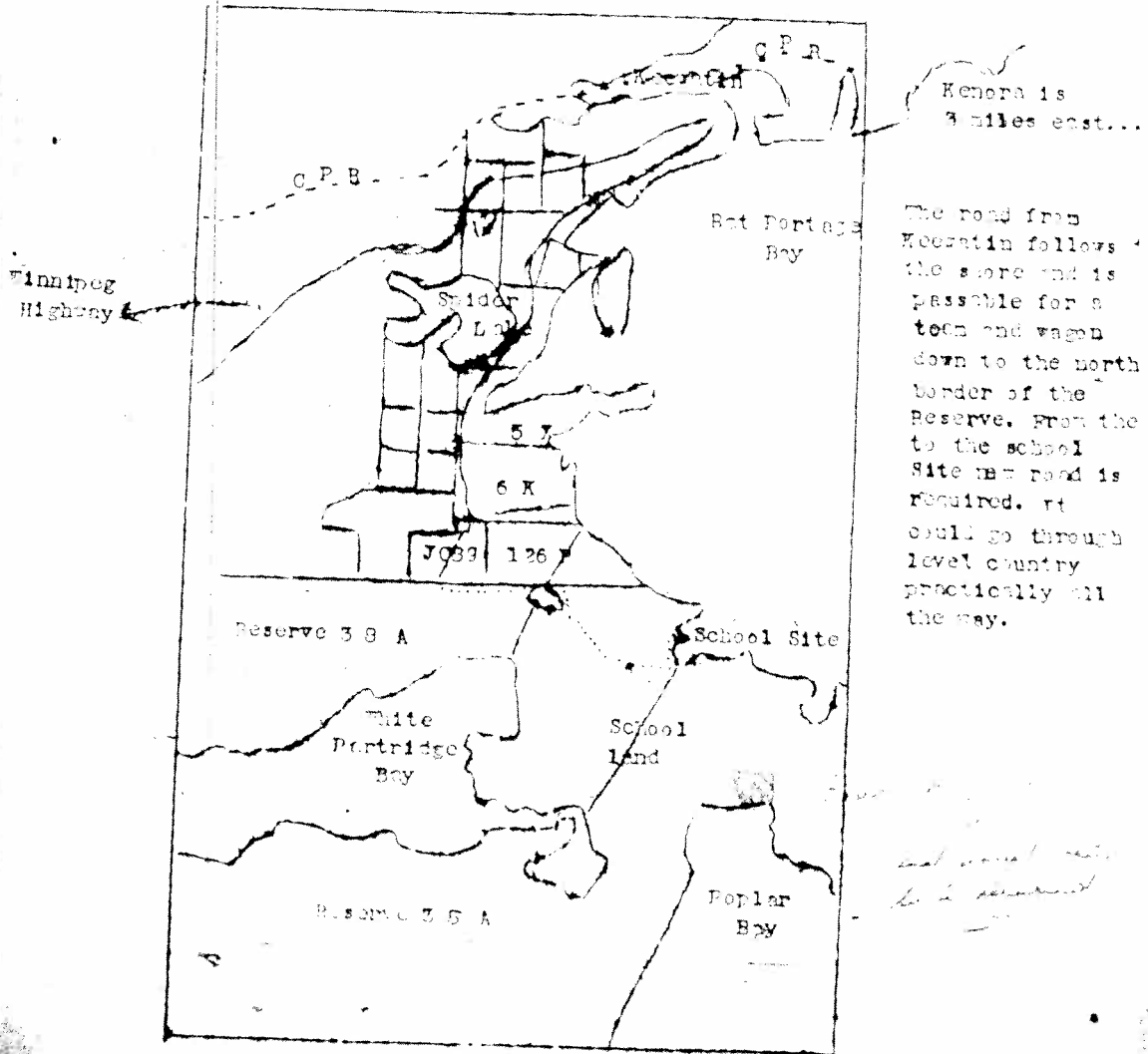
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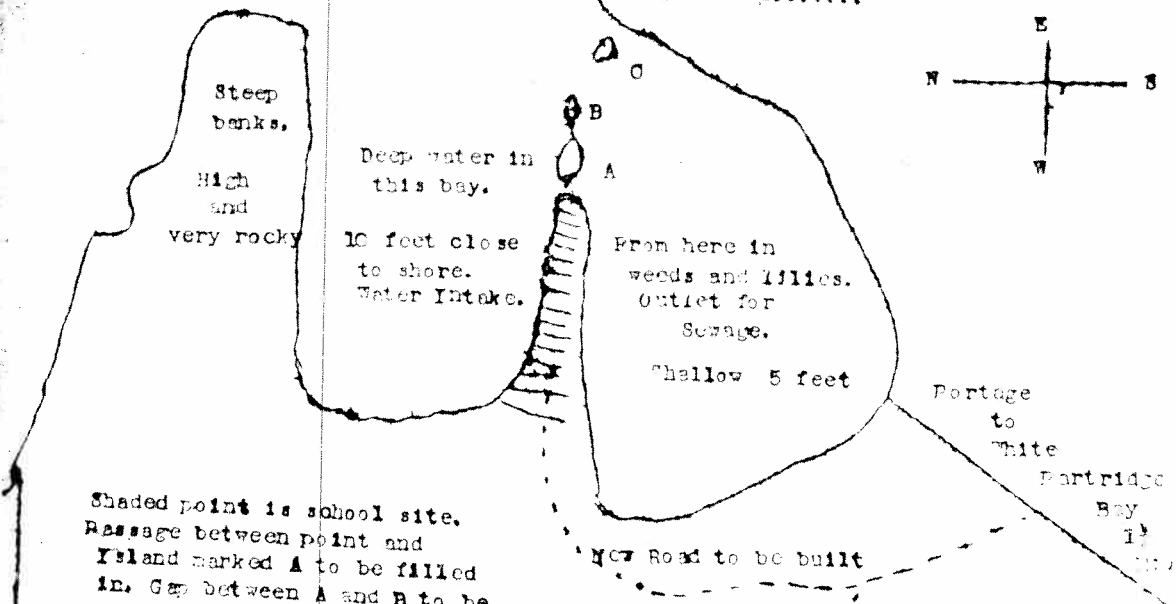
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OFFICE CARMICHAEL BLOCK

129-3-9

JAMES ROBINSON  
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KENORA, ONTARIO  
Minister of the Deputy  
*John A. ...*

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
PHONE 7182  
APR 21 1926  
RECORDS

The Honorable  
Charles Stewart  
Superintendent General Indian Affairs  
Kenora, Ont.

APR 19 1926

April 12th 1926

MINISTER'S OFFICE

APR 19 1926

DEPT. OF INTERIOR

Dear Sir

Re Cecelia Jaffray School

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I am instructed by the Indians of the Rat Portage Band to write you in reference to the School that Indian Agent Edwards proposes building near Keewatin. A Petition from them will be sent in as soon as signed. They say that Agent Edwards has selected a site and intends utilizing 230 acres of their Reserve 38, A. on Clear Water Bay. He has asked the Band to let that portion of the Reserve go for that purpose, and tells them that they will get \$5.00 an acre for it. The Band objects. They say that it is worth \$25.00 an acre. He tells them that the Department will take it anyway, and that they will get nothing. The land is fairly well timbered and cordwood is valuable. Even for cordwood the land the property should be worth what they claim. At present and for years past wood sells here at \$8.00, \$9.00 and \$10.00 a cord, and only 3 miles from Town of Keewatin. The principal men of the Tribe, although they are Indians, and but

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few of them speak the language - have good common sense, and know values as well as the white men. They cut wood and handle it and this is one of the things they are familiar with.

Edwards has ordered the Indians to go out there and clear up the land; the men refuse till there is a settlement of this matter.

The Cecelia Jaffray School - which the Agent proposes to move in to Keewatin has been established perhaps 20 years and has all the necessary buildings, out buildings and equipment necessary for its maintenance for years to come, as well as grounds - including farmland. And I am advised represents a cost of upwards of \$200,000.

The people also call attention to the fact that if the new school be build where proposed, there will be two schools within six miles of each other.

Yours Truly

James Robinson *J.A.*

Please call to the attention of the Minister.



129-3-9

INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE



Kenora, Ontario.

6th February 19 26.

IF YOUR REPLY REFERS TO  
No. 132-7.  
ALSO  
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

R

Sir,—

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant #129-3-9.

A Council meeting was held at the Agency yesterday at which were present 22 Indians of the Rat Portage and Dalles Bands and to consider surrendering part of Reserve 38A for the purpose of erecting a School.

The object of the meeting was fully explained to the Bands and they were recommended to surrender which they were satisfied to do, but they wanted to get \$50 per acre for the land, instead of \$5 as suggested which in my opinion is a very fair price.

I had seen the Chief and some of the Indians previously and they seemed agreeable to let the land go at the price offered, but some advised them to hold for a high price, thinking the Department was compelled to buy at their price.

Rev. M. Sanderson was at the meeting and also Chief Redsky of the Shoal Lake and (near where the present Cecilia Jeffrey School) is situated, and these two also advised the Indians to sell.

We informed them that they had over 21,000 acres of land on their Reserves and that all we wanted was about 230 acres, of land that they did not occupy, and which was of no value to them, but an agreement was not reached.

There are about 44 male Indians entitled to vote, but we could only get 22 at the meeting as so many are away trapping.

If necessary another meeting could be called at a later date when more could be present, and the matter reconsidered, but I do not think we could get them together until Treaty time about 1st June,

I would therefore suggest that the Department take the land, which they have the power to do under Section #11A of the Indian Act, paying them at the rate of \$5.00 per acre. Which is the valuation as placed on the property by Mr McEekin, the only surveyor we have in the Town.

If we wish to call for tenders right away the above will be the quickest way to get action.

Before the meeting broke up, the Indians were informed that the Department had power to take the land, without surrender, under section 11. and that in all probability this was what the Department would do.

I am holding the surrender papers here and shall be glad to receive further instructions.

Your obedient servant,

Indian Agent.

Assistant Deputy and Secretary.  
Department of Indian Affairs.  
Ottawa.

*As Scott:-  
Should be  
take land under  
Sec 11a if necessary  
F.F.O.*

Kenora, Ont.  
June 1st. 1926.

List of voters and record of votes in the matter of the  
Surrender of part of Indian Reserve No. 38A, Kenora Agency,  
for School Purposes.

No.	Indian	Band.	Present	Absent.	For.	Against.
24	Mai-ta-mee-ca-bew.	Rat Portage	X		X	
50	Ka-see-way	"	X		X	
60	Base-weese, Gee. Skeet.	"	X		X	
61	Mai-ti-anc-penasse. Tem Joe	"	X		X	
63	Man-quance. "Tem"	"	X		X	
66	Pet-a-wa-way-quabe.	"	X	X	X	
70	Tap-pee.	"	X		X	
73	Hish-wash-eka-pow.	"		minor		
75	Way-mee-tee-geese.	"	X			abstained
78	Ah-tay.	"		X		
82	James Ka-see-way.	"	X		X	
83	Charles Moek-ew-pow, Skeet.	"	X		X	
85	Miss-ta-kee-kejick, Jim Joe.	"	X			abstained
88	Michael Skeet.	"	X		X	
89	Peter Skeet.	"		X		
90	Edward Tayler.	"	X		X	
92	Adolphus Skeet.	"	X		X	
93	Allan Pa-pim-ma-kejick-quabe.	"	X		X	
95	Austin Ka-see-way.	"	X		X	
96	Charles Man-geese.	"	X		X	
98	Alphonse Kam-inpdit, Skeet.	"	X		X	
99	Ka-pay-wa-me-tung.	"	X		X	
100	John Singleton.	"	X			abstained
101	Joe "	"	X		X	
103	Charles Levanne Taylor.	"		X		
104	Jack Cherry.	"	X		X	
106	Charley Joe, Pai-pat-chees-son	"	X		X	
107	Jake Pee-ta-way-co-mey-ash.	"	X		X	
108	J.A.R. Williamson.	"	X		X	
109	Andrew Jas. Flett.	"	X		X	
6	Kai-quash, Savage.	Dalles.	X			abstained
26	Obee-ca-beu, Wm. Lindsay.	"	X			"
32	Pect-ah-ih-kejick. McLeod.	"	X		X	
53	Pa-toosh. head	"	X		X	
61	Keet-che-wash-ach. Jim Yellow-	"	X		X	
65	We-unc-kah-ches. Chas. Savage.	"	X		X	
66	John Henry.	"	X		X	
67	Alfred Lindsay.	"	X			abstained
69	Ah-tah-way. Wm. Yellowhead.	"		X		
72	Moses Henry.	"	X		X	
73	Robert James Pa-toosh.	"	X		X	
77	Joe Streng	"		X		
78	Anthony McLeod.	"	X		X	
80	Wm. Williamson or Peter Begg	"		X		
82	Andrew Streng.	"	X		X	
84	David Streng.	"	X		X	
85	Peter Savage.	"	X		X	
74	Robert Savage.	"		minor		
86	Joe McLeod.	"	X		X	
87	Ray Henry.	"	X		X	
89	John Edward Kipling.	"		X		
90	John Streng.	"		X		
91	Gay Henry.	"	X		X	
			54 Present 43	9	For 37	
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Kenora, Ont.  
June 1st. 1926.

List of voters and record of votes in the matter of the  
Surrender of part of Indian Reserve No. 38A, Kenora Agency,  
for School Purposes.

Indian	Band.	Present	Absent.	For.	Against.
1 Hal-ta-mee-ka-bow.	Hat Portage	x		x	
2 Ka-ke-way	"	x		x	
3 Kame-wese, Cap. Skeet.	"	x		x	
4 Pai-ti-ano-pohasse. Tom Joe	"	x		x	
5 Kame-wese. "Tom"	"	x		x	
6 Kame-wese-way-quabe.	"	x	x	x	
7 Tap-poo.	"	x		x	
8 Kish-wash-aka-pow.	"		minor		
9 Kay-mee-tee-goose.	"	x		abstained	
10 Ah-tay.	"		x		
11 James Ka-ke-way.	"			x	
12 Charles Mook-ow-pow, Skeet.	"	x		x	
13 Kice-ta-kee-kejick, Jim Joe.	"	x		abstained	
14 Michael Skeet.	"	x		x	
15 Peter Skeet.	"		x		
16 Edward Taylor.	"	x		x	
17 Adolphus Skeet.	"	x		x	
18 Allan Pa-pim-ma-kejick-quabe.	"	x		x	
19 Austin Ka-ke-way.	"	x		x	
20 Charles Man-goose.	"	x		x	
21 Alphonse Kam-inydit, Skeet.	"	x		x	
22 Ka-pay-wa-me-tung.	"	x		x	
23 John Singleton.	"	x		abstained	
24 Joe "	"	x		x	
25 Charles Levanne Taylor.	"		x		
26 Jack Cherry.	"	x		x	
27 Charley Joe, Pai-pat-chees-son	"	x		x	
28 Jake Pee-ta-way-co-may-ash.	"	x		x	
29 J.A.R. Williamson.	"	x		x	
30 Andrew Jas. Flett.	"	x		x	
31 Kai-quash, Savage.	Dalles.	x		abstained	
32 Obee-sa-bou, Wm. Lindsay.	"	x		"	
33 Pest-ah-in-kejick. McLeod.	"	x		x	
34 Pa-toosh. head	"	x		x	
35 Keet-cha-wash-ach. Jim Yellow-	"	x		x	
36 We-unc-kah-ches. Chas. Savage.	"	x		x	
37 John Henry.	"	x		x	
38 Alfred Lindsay.	"	x		abstained	
39 Ah-tah-way. Wm. Yellowhead.	"		x		
40 Moses Henry.	"	x		x	
41 Robert James Pa-toosh.	"	x		x	
42 Joe Streng	"		x		
43 Anthony McLeod.	"	x		x	
44 Wm. Williamson or Peter Begg	"		x		
45 Andrew Streng.	"	x		x	
46 John Streng.	"	x		x	
47 Peter Savage.	"	x		x	
48 Robert Savage.	"		minor		
49 Joe McLeod.	"	x		x	
50 Sam Henry.	"	x		x	
51 Sam Howard Kipling.	"		x		
52 Sam Streng.	"		x		
53 Sam Henry.	"	x		x	

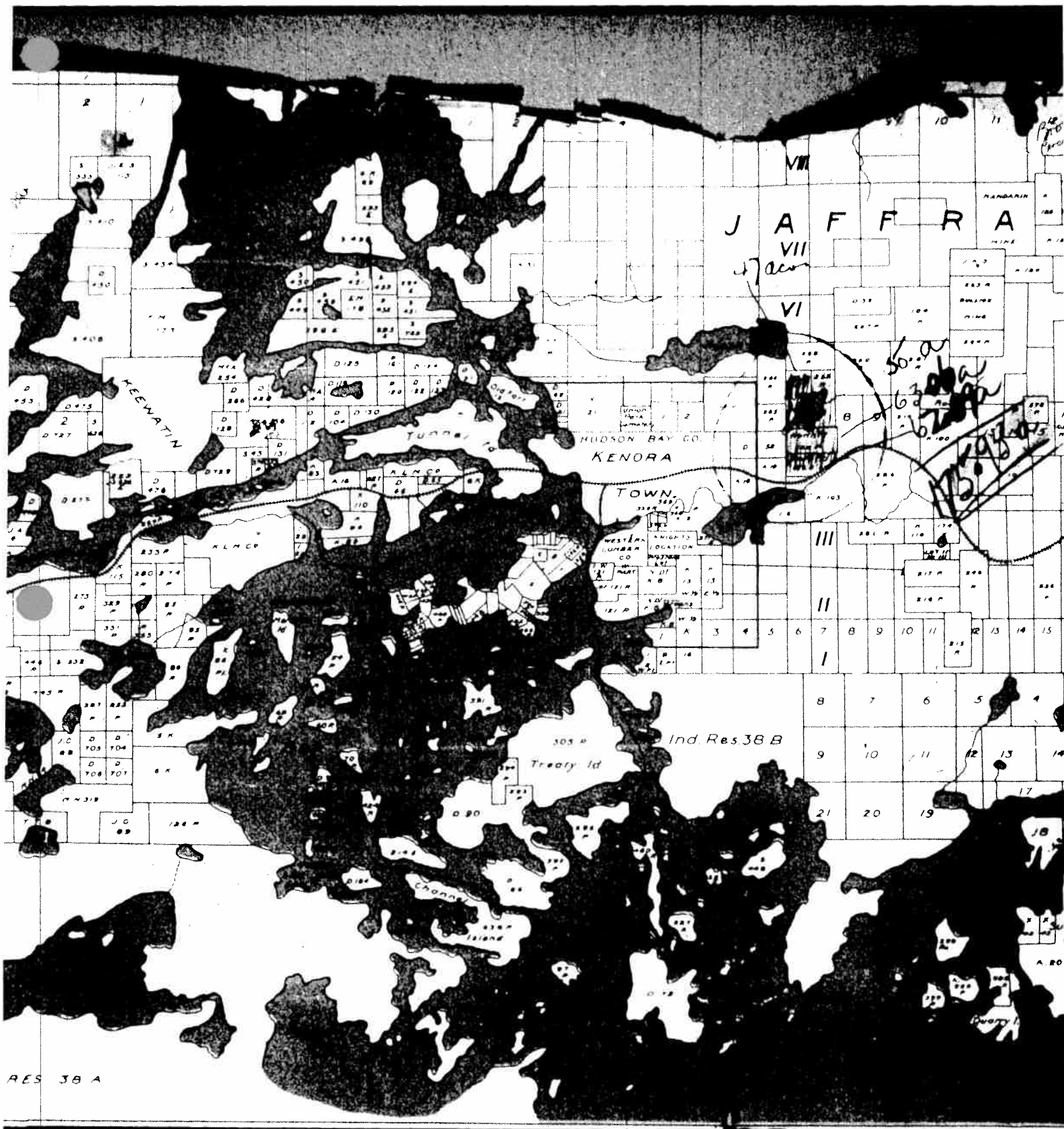
54 Present 43  
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Synopsis,- To accept surrender of 230 ac. of land given by the Ojibbawa band of Indians, Rat Portage reserve #38A, Ont., to be sold to the Department of Indian Affairs at the price of \$5.00 per acre for necessary school purposes, in connection with the erection of the new Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School to replace the old school building which is of inadequate size and appointments and in an unsuitable location.

*sel*



Indian Affairs, etc. files.  
 (See also map of Hudson Bay, part 1)





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AENORA

TOWN

Lat Res 36 B

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# M.P. Long - Farm Buildings

UNDER CROP - +

Broken Road for crop

LOCATION 258 P

ROUND LAKE

SWAMP

BUSH

CLEARED.  
NOW PASTURE

NORTH

GARDEN

HOUSE



BARN



MILK HOUSE



DWELLING

GARAGE

Location 122 P. N. Pl.

TP. ROAD

C.P. RY. - MAIN LINE



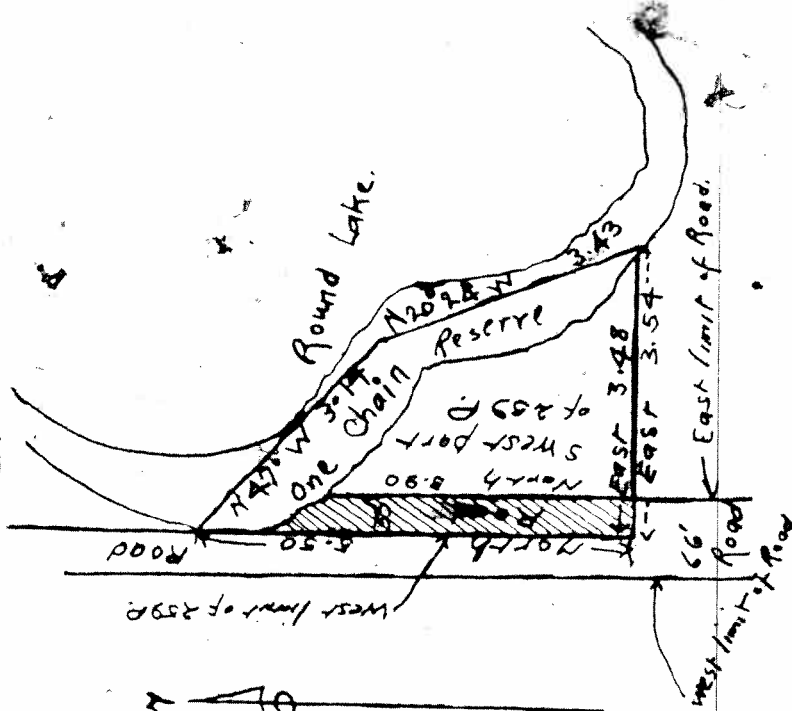
W. E. LONG

TOTAL VALUES

Land (excluding gravel pit)	-	\$5,800.00	
Gravel Pit (3 acres)	-	3,000.00	
Buildings	-	8,250.00	
Stock	-	3,070.00	
Equipment	-	<u>1,300.00</u>	\$22,420.00

PLAN OF

The south-west part of 259P, lying between Round Lake and West limit of 259P and north of 122P. Scale 2 chains to an inch.



Albert Mc Mackin  
 Ontario Land Surveyor  
 Kenora, November 4<sup>th</sup> 1929



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT  
Kenora. Ontario.  
13th November, 1937.

*AM*  
The Secretary.  
Indian Affairs Branch.  
Department of Indian and Resources.  
Ottawa. Ont.

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*It might be advisable to appropriate an amount to enlarge the present Indian House at Kenora next summer. H.*

Dear Sir,

A short time ago Councillor Albert Kent of the Islington Band, informed me that he was going to start and build a house on the property of the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School, I asked him if he had seen the Principal, and he said the Principal had given him permission. I later saw the Principal and informed him it was not advisable to allow any buildings to be erected on the school property without permission from the Department, and called to his attention the trouble we had before in evicting a man he had allowed to live in one of their houses.

I have now received a letter from the Principal in which he states; "A number of Indians have approached me with a view of obtaining permission to erect a log house on the school property in which they might stay when they visit their children. There is a location well removed from the school, and not in view from the school site which would be very suitable for their building. It is a rocky slope and cannot be used for farming ~~operations~~ operations. A building would be a great convenience to the Indians and it would overcome the nuisance of being compelled at times to keep them in the school overnight, which is not advisable from a sanitary standpoint. There is an Indian house situated near the Catholic school but it is four miles from here and is often filled when the Indians teach it, it also means the expense of a taxi to go back and forth. They are willing to do the labour among themselves and are anxious to commence work on it. I hope you will succeed in obtaining authority from your Department for the erection of the aforesaid buildings."

I discussed the matter with Inspector Hamilton today, and he agrees with me it would not be advisable to erect an Indian house on the school property. I may state we have not allowed one to be erected at McIntosh or Sioux Lookout. Most Principals do not wish the Indians to stay so close to the school, it would probably be hard to keep them away.

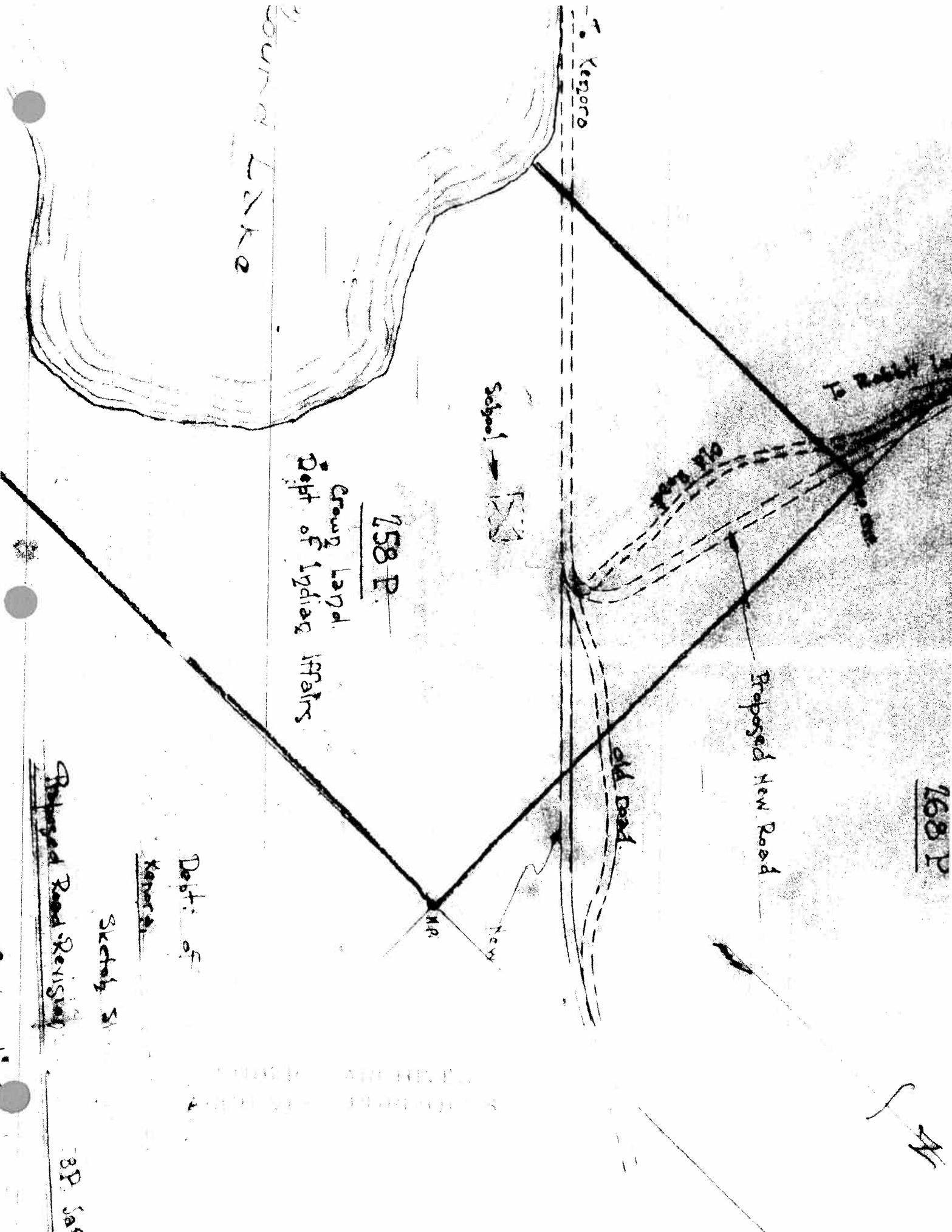
The R. C. School at Kenora has permitted some Indians to erect houses on their property (school) but I think they should be instructed to gradually get them away. Dr McGill saw these houses when he was at Kenora, adjoining the property leased to the Town of Kenora.

I shall be glad to receive your instructions.

Yours truly

*Frank Edwards*

Indian Agent.



168 P

158 P

Crown Land  
Dept. of Indian Affairs

Proposed New Road

old road

School →

Kerners

SOUND LAKE

MR

Kerners

Dept. of

Kerners

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Proposed Road Revision

3P. 50P

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