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McIntosh Indian Residential School
McIntosh Ont. May 24th 1926

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 28 1926
RECORDS

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H. Duncan C. Scott
Superintendent General
Department of Indian Affairs
Ottawa Ont.

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SCHOOLS BRANCH
MAY 31 1926

Dear Sir:-

As I am about to start on a mission errand amongst the Indians I greatly feel the necessity of a small water craft for the journey. You are aware of the fact that we have only one gasoline boat for the School and that same is needed every day. The water route is the only one between School and Station, and besides, this boat is too large for my purpose. I have to travel through shallow water and make portages. Therefore, I would appreciate very much the favor of a strong row boat, about 18 feet in length with an over-board motor. Besides those monthly trips this small boat would be very handy when there is no freight to carry. I also hope that same would not be deducted from the amount allotted to this School.

Yours very Sincerely,

E. Perrault
Principal

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 6219, file 472-5, part 2)

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Ottawa, June 22, 1926.

Sir:


I have your 108-20 of the 14th instant, concerning a suitable small boat with outboard motor for the use of the Rev. Principal of the McIntosh Indian Residential School. You may purchase from the T. Eaton Company, of Winnipeg, one Peterborough No. 417 outboard boat for the price of \$170, f. o. b. McIntosh, and one Johnson 2½ H. P. Light Twin motor for \$175, also f. o. b. McIntosh. Please inform the Rev. Principal that you are placing the order. A properly certified account, in duplicate, should be submitted to the Department for payment.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

J. D. McLean,
Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

Frank Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.



130-7-5

Extract from Report of Inspector Bennett on the
McIntosh Res. School - dated October 9th, 1926.

Original on file 130-7-6

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*See Dept. records
if not.*

This school needs a case for books and material made by the children. There isn't a single place to keep childrens artistic efforts away from dust. I recommend a book case that can be purchased from Eatons for \$16.75 - 5 ft. high - Catalogue No. 28L-319-page 511. This is really necessary.

*ask
ask
need*

There is linoleum on all hall floors. The stairs are not so covered. Unless they are covered the step will be worn and in time become unsightly. One roll 6 ft. wide and of 25 yds. will do the stairs. Color dark brown Battleship Linoleum. It will pay in the long run.

I spent some time visiting all over the school plant. One thing is quite evident. It will never be a finished plant until the following are provided for:-

Hummer

1. Root house and provision house (now kept in playroom) *done*
2. A Modern poultry house.
3. An ice house for ice and storing meat and butter.
4. A barn for 12 horses - 4 cows and hay and feed. (40'x25')
5. More land will have to be cleared and broken.



COPY.

McIntosh Indian Residential School
McIntosh, Ont. April 13th, 1927.

Capt'n Frank Edwards,
Indian Agent.
Kenora, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

In order to keep the school in good condition it would be necessary to oil the floor and in some rooms give them a coat of varnish.

You must have notice also that some walls would need to be painted. For these purposes we would need:

- 5 gallons boiled linseed oil
- 5 " floor varnish.
- 10 " white flat wall paint.
- 1 " white enamel
- 2 " turpentine.
- 6 Paint brushes, assorted.

Besides I would ask you to furnish the school with 1000 ft. of lumber in mixed widths. Up to this time we used the lumber left from construction. There are still cupboards, shelves etc. to do, and there is no more lumber left for the purpose.

I would also thank the Dept. if games would be furnished for the children: foot balls and indoor balls.
I intend to have the carpentry and painting done by the boys. The success they have had in this kind of work during the year proves to me that they would be able to do it.

There is another matter I wish to speak about. The plaster of the walls along the stairs on the boys' side is quite broken. Although we would have wished to mend the long since, I could not find any one to do the work. Even Brother Gauthier says he is unable to do it, so if you could send a man with the necessary material, hardwall etc. to do the work I would be very grateful to you.

Sincerely yours

C. Perreault, O.M.I.

P.S. The total cost for material, paint lumber and games will be around \$150.00. For the repairs of the walls I have no idea.

C.P.

Ottawa, April 25th, 1927.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 18th instant, enclosing copy of a communication from the Principal of the McIntosh Indian Residential School in which he requests that a quantity of paint and lumber in mixed widths, as well as some playground equipment, be supplied, and that authority be granted to have the plaster on the walls along the stairs on the boys' side repaired.

In reply I beg to say that you may arrange for the purchase and delivery of the following quantity of paint:

- 5 Gals. boiled linseed oil,
- 5 Gals. floor varnish,
- 10 Gals. white flat wall paint,
- 1 Gal. white enamel,
- 2 Gals turpentine,
- 6 Paint brushes, assorted sizes.

You may also arrange for the purchase and delivery of 1,000 feet of lumber, mixed widths, to be used in building cupboards, shelves, etc.

If possible, you should obtain competitive prices for the supplying of the above materials and make the purchase from the firm quoting the lowest price. You should forward properly certified vouchers, in duplicate, covering the expenditure incurred. The work in having the painting and carpentering done should be performed by the elder boys and the staff without expense to the Department.

With reference to the repairs to the plaster, you may arrange to have a competent man carry out these repairs. No unnecessary expense, however, should be incurred. You should also supply any material required for this work. Properly certified vouchers, in duplicate, should be forwarded covering the cost of the labour and for the material required.

Relative to the playground equipment, I beg to say that we are placing an order here and will forward to the Principal, 2 footballs and 2 indoor baseballs and bats.

Your obedient servant,

A. E. Macdonald
A. E. Macdonald
Acting Asst. Deputy Secretary.

James Edwards
James Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

130-7-5.

105-20.


Ottawa, May 18th, 1927.

Sir:


I have your letter of the 11th instant, relative to the annual inspection of the boilers at the three Indian residential schools in your Agency. Instructions have already been given the Principals of the McIntosh, Sioux Lookout and Kenora Indian Residential Schools to have this work done. Please correspond with the Principals of these three schools and arrange with them for the Inspector to visit each of these schools during the same trip.

Accounts covering the cost of the inspection will be paid upon receipt of properly certified vouchers from you which should be forwarded for each school separately.

Your obedient servant,



A. F. MacKenzie,
Acting Asst. Deputy and Secretary.



Frank Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

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Replacing Form 1-TW

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DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 6 1927
RECORDS

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130-7-5.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA

June 9, 1927.

Memorandum:

W. O. C.
DR. SCOTT.

During the night of the 2nd instant, a fire partly destroyed the upper portion of the laundry wing at the McIntosh Indian Residential School. I have already taken steps to repair the electric wiring as there was an immediate need in this connection. I am now informed that the repairs to the building will cost approximately \$500. Mr. Inspector Bunn suggests that Simmons, the contractor for the building, undertake these repairs on a cost plus basis. I wish to recommend that this action be taken.

Russell Herrier
Supt. of Indian Education.

McIntosh Indian School,
McIntosh Ont.
July, 21st, 1927.

Mr. J. R. Bunn,
Inspector,
WINNIPEG. MAN.



DEAR Sir :-

While making the repairs caused by the recent fire in the Drying Room at the McIntosh Res. School, we made a thorough investigation as to the origin of the fire. Everything indicates that the fire was caused by the stove which was used both for heating the flat-irons and drying the linen. At the time of the fire the stove was quite alive and most probably a spark blown from the kindling wood, or a back flue, into the linen or on the floor set the fire. With all the possible and careful attention this stove was always a source of danger.

As the same thing may happen again, I would suggest to discard this stove and replace the ordinary flat-irons by electric ironers; the heat costing us very little, nay nothing, it would be a saving besides the security.

Regarding the drying of the linen, having ample good supply of steam from the boiler in the laundry, I would suggest to install a Steam dryer, or a Tumbler preferred.

In my opinion these two improvements would minimize the causes of fire in the future.

In this fire we lost approximately \$250.00 worth of linen and clothes. Do you believe that the Department would be satisfied to help us in repairing our loss?

Thanking you for your past favours and the keen interest you have always shown to our school,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

C. Terrence Smith
Principal

McIntosh Indian School
McIntosh Ont.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 6219, file 472-5, part 2)

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130-7-5

HONOURABLE FORBES GODFREY, M.D.
MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH



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ONTARIO
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, TORONTO

October, 27, 1927.

McIntosh

Dear Sirs:-

This Department has been in receipt of certain complaints in regard to the disposal of waste and sewage from the McIntosh Indian School, North Western Ontario.

Our District Officer, Dr. Sparks, at Fort William has made an investigation and desires that this matter be brought to your attention. He states that the effluent from the septic tank is discharged directly into Canyon Lake, and that the drainage from the stable cannot help but drain into the water also.

It is the understanding of our District Officer that the design of this disposal system included the use of field tiles to treat the effluent from the septic tank, but that these tiles were never installed, and the effluent is run directly into the lake.

This information is for your attention, and I should be glad if you would advise what action you propose taking.

Yours truly,

H. J. Bell

Deputy Minister of Health.

Department of Indian Affairs,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa, Ont.

Ottawa, November 26, 1927.

Rev. Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant, relative to the fire equipment at the McIntosh Indian Residential School.

In this connection I beg to inform you that we are today placing an order with the Pyrene Mfg. Co. of Canada, Ltd., Toronto, to forward, charges prepaid, addressed to you, McIntosh, Ont., the following:

- 3 - 5 Gal. Pump Tanks, complete with non-freeze charges,
- 2 - 1 1/2 Qt. Pyrene Extinguishers, complete with charges.

It is considered that these extinguishers would be more satisfactory at this school. When they arrive, and with the Foamite extinguishers which have already been supplied, it is considered that there should be an ample supply of extinguishers on hand if they are properly distributed at strategic points throughout the school and at the power house. The 2 - 1 1/2 quart extinguishers are to be placed in the power house, as they are suitable where oil and electricity are used.

The above firm will send their account, in duplicate, to you, and upon receipt of the extinguishers, you should certify the account in the usual manner and send it to the department in order that payment can be made.

Relative to your request that 5 step ladders be supplied, in order to reach from the fire escapes to the ground. I may say that this would be an easy means of access to the dormitories. If these ladders were supplied, could it be arranged that access to the building could not be obtained? You might furnish an estimate of the cost of having French windows and storm sashes opening outside from the exits of the dormitories and the infirmary, and you should also obtain prices for the supplying of 6 fire axes, and the cost of installing a lightning arrester at the power house to protect the dynamos in case of an electrical storm.

When we have full information as to the cost involved in carrying out the above requirements, consideration will then be given to authorizing the same. Your early reply giving the information asked for is requested.

Your obedient servant,
J. D. McLEAM

J. D. McLean,
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.



Rev. G. Perreault, O.M.I.,
Principal, Indian Res. School,
McIntosh, Ont.



Your file No. 40103.

DOMINION WATER POWER AND RECLAMATION SERVICE

WINNIPEG, MAN. November 22, 1927.

Sir:-

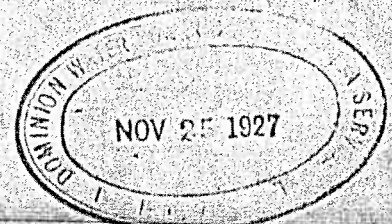
I have your letter of November 10th with enclosures from the Department of Indian Affairs respecting the sewerage system of the Indian Residential School at McIntosh, Ontario. In a letter from Mr. J. D. McLean, Assistant Deputy and Secretary of the Department of Indian Affairs to Mr. W. J. Bell, Deputy Minister of Health, he states "In reply I beg to say that the Dominion Water Power Branch is being requested to immediately furnish me with a report as to the reason why the effluent from the septic tank has been made to discharge directly into the lake".

The present sewerage system of the McIntosh Indian School was constructed in the fall of 1924 following a report prepared by Mr. Craig which outlined the requirements considered necessary for the proper disposal of the school sewage. This report, dated October 25, 1924, recommended that the septic tank, together with the disposal bed, be installed. The disposal bed was included in the design of the system because Canyon lake was used as a summer resort and it was not considered advisable to discharge untreated sewage directly into the lake. In November instructions were received to install the system as designed with the exception of the disposal beds. At that time the school building was still under construction, it was late in the season, and the Department of Indian Affairs decided to leave the construction of the disposal beds over to the following year, or until such time as it was considered advisable to have the disposal beds installed.

The sewerage system and septic tank have now been in operation nearly three years and from reports and inspections are giving complete satisfaction. The effluent from the tank itself is practically free of solids and is quite clear, and although immediately at the sewer outlet the water of the lake is discolored and cloudy, this is caused by the waste from the laundry which, after being by-passed around the septic tank, joins the sewer outlet and discharges through the same pipe into the lake.

The discharge of the sewer from the school into the lake will no doubt cause a certain amount of contamination as the main function of the septic tank is to break up solids and it only reduces to a small extent the dangerous bacteria. Whether this contamination is at present dangerous or whether it is made harmless by dilution a short distance from the sewer outlet can only be determined by having water samples taken at various points and analyzed.

The Director,
Dom. Water Power & Reclamation Service,
Dept. of Interior,
Ottawa, Ont.



The school is situated on a bay about a mile south of the CNR crossing and there are no summer residents between the railway crossing and the school. It is highly improbable that any summer residents would build in this bay because of the poor passage under the railway tracks. In view of the fact that there are so few summer cottages on the lake, and also that the effluent from the septic tank must be largely diluted and eliminated before reaching the outer lake, it seems to me that if samples of the water were taken and these showed there was no danger of contamination, that the matter might be taken up personally with the Ontario Department of Health and the matter of installing disposal beds held until cottages were built closer to the school.

With respect to the Doctor's comment on the stables, I can only say that conditions, in my opinion, are not different from those of settlers and farmers elsewhere in the Province of Ontario.

Your obedient servant,

C. E. ATTWOOD
C. E. Attwood
District Chief Engineer.

Winnipeg, Manitoba,
January 10th, 1928.

MEMORANDUM:

Mr. Atwood.

Re McIntosh Indian School.

On December 22nd, 1927, the Department of Indian Affairs wrote with reference to the power development at the McIntosh Indian Residential School the following letter:-

"The Department is advised that a considerable amount of water is leaking through the earth embankment near the dam of the Hydro-Electric Power Plant at the McIntosh School, near McIntosh, Ont. As it is feared that considerable damage might result owing to the increasing amount of water loss, I would like to know if one of your engineers at Winnipeg could be instructed to make an inspection of the existing condition at the first opportunity, and furnish me with a report and estimate of the cost of the work required to put this dam in a state of repair."

Following instructions to have an engineer visit the school and prepare a report on this matter, the undersigned visited McIntosh and inspected the works on the 4th and 5th of this month.

While at the school, in addition to examining the conditions referred to in the Department of Indian Affairs letter, opportunity was taken to make an inspection of the hydro-electric plant, the water supply, and the sewage system, and in the following memorandum a description is given of the present condition and the operation of the different systems.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT.

On taking up the question referred to in the Department of Indian Affairs letter with Father Parvauld and Brother Adolph it was found the earth embankment referred to

in the letter is the high water channel located about half a mile west of the school, which had already been inspected during the past year and reports and estimates of costs submitted with reference to closing up this channel. These reports comprise a memorandum dated July 5th and a memorandum dated September 16th, 1937.

On January 4th last Forest Lake was standing at an elevation of 110, or two feet below the spillway elevation. At this elevation there is no leakage through the high water channel at the present time, though Brother Adolph thinks there would be a certain amount of seepage during open water, and fears that the spring run-off may cause more erosion with consequent further loss of head and storage. It was suggested to them that it would be advisable to leave this matter until the spring run-off and by careful inspection note if there was any additional erosion which would warrant the immediate construction of a dam to stop all flow through this channel. To this the school authorities agreed and stated that their only idea in pressing the matter was that by delaying construction the expense might be increased owing to the further washing away of the channel necessitating the building of a more extensive dam. As the high water of last year only washed away the accumulation of silt and did not actually enlarge the channel itself, the danger of enlargement from the coming spring run-off is not considered very great. In view of this it is recommended that the damming of this channel be left until after break-up at which time if an inspection then shows that the erosion warrants it, the dam can be constructed during the coming summer.

The inspection of the concrete dam showed that the structure is in good condition, no leakage occurring throughout the entire length of the structure.

The 56-inch wood pipe penstock is also in good condition having had a coat of creosote oil on its entire length and 100 feet of it being painted with the special creosote black paint. The remaining 120 feet will be similarly treated during the coming summer.

The powerhouse and machinery are giving entire satisfaction. Brother Adolph, who has charge of this plant, states that no trouble of any kind has been experienced and, as he put it, "Everything is more than satisfactory".

The water turbine has been running continuously since the plant was first started and the school has had continuous electric service more than sufficient to meet all requirements.

WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM.

The ordinary water supply is obtained from a small Flyden plunger pump which is kept running at a slow speed continuously, any excess water beyond the requirements of the school being taken care of by a relief valve which, when necessary, discharges into and flushes the laundry drains in the basement of the school. Beyond the attention necessary for the oiling of the different machines both the electric and water systems are practically self operating.

For fire protection or when any need arises for a large supply of water the centrifugal pump can be started up within one or two minutes. This pump has a capacity of 200 gallons per minute against a head of 80 pounds, and at the time of the fire last fall these powerful streams of water were available within four minutes after the fire was discovered. With this supply of water the fire was extinguished in fifteen minutes and both Father Fournelle and Brother Adolph state that without this plentiful supply of water at a high pressure the fire could

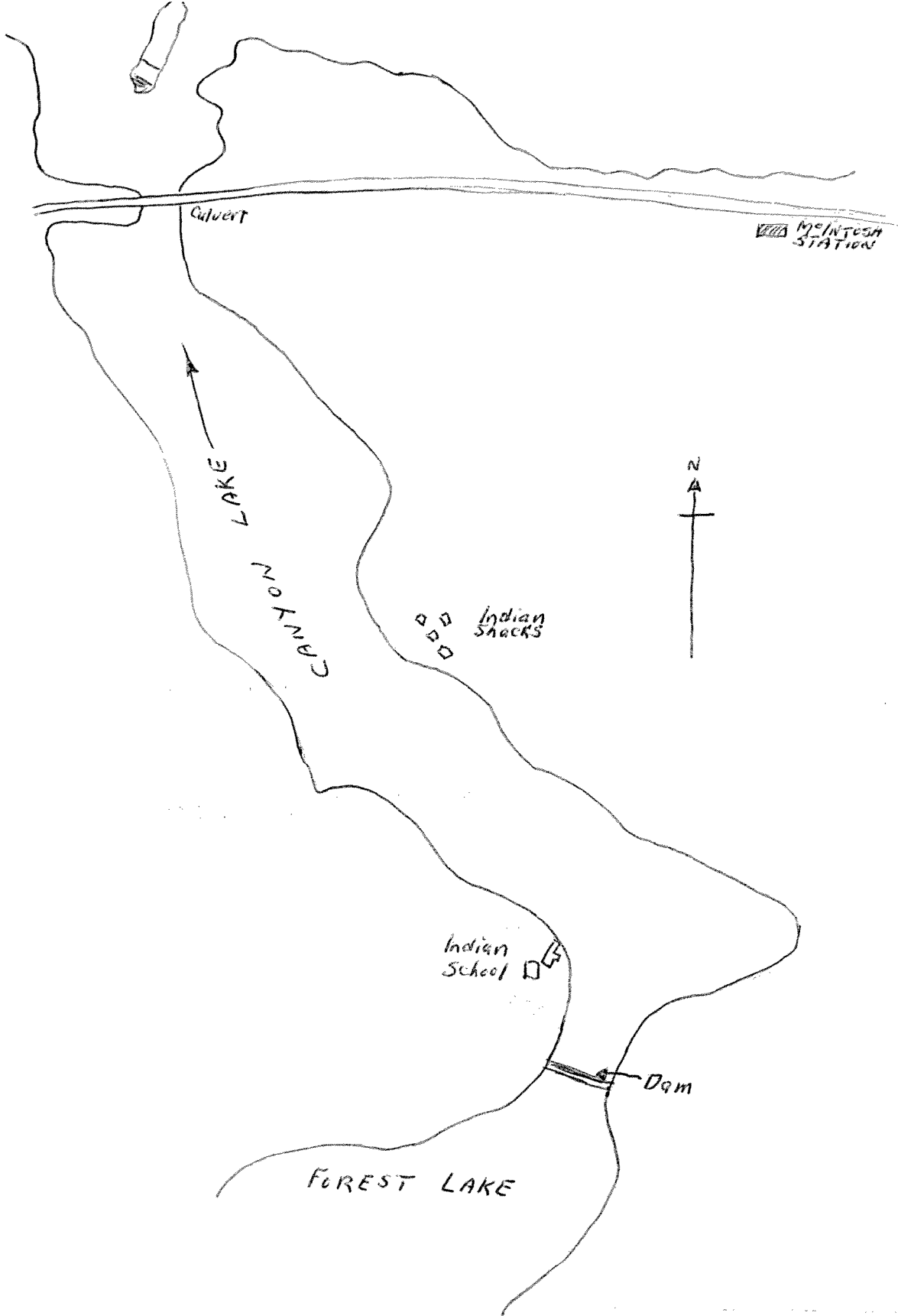
may have been extinguished and that the entire school would have been destroyed.

SEWAGE SYSTEM

Owing to the winter conditions it was not possible to inspect the sewage system, but it was stated that no trouble of any kind has occurred and that even during summer months there is no odor at the outlet of the sewer into the lake. It was suggested to the school authorities that as the septic tank had not been in operation nearly three years it would be advisable some time during the coming summer to inspect the tank and ascertain whether it was necessary to remove the accumulation of sludge from the bottom of the tank.

John Craig
John Craig,

Assistant District Chief Engineer.



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McINTOSH STATION

LAKE CANYON

Indian Shacks

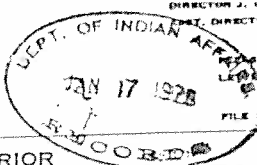
Indian School

Dam

FOREST LAKE



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DIRECTOR J. J. ...
V. MEER, B. SC., M. E. I. C.
PLEASE REFER TO ONE SUBJECT IN A
LETTER, AND IN YOUR REPLY QUOTE
FILE NO. 40103-W.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CANADA
DOMINION WATER POWER AND RECLAMATION SERVICE

OTTAWA, ONT. January 16, 1928.

[Handwritten signature]
SCHOOLS BRANCH
JAN 24 1928

Sir,

Your file number: 130-7-5a.
Attention: Departmental Engineer.

In further reference to my letter of December 12 regarding the sewage disposal system for the McIntosh Indian school, with particular reference to the analysis of samples, the following letter has been received from our District Chief Engineer at Winnipeg under date January 10 -

"At the time of Mr. Craig's visit to McIntosh on the 4th and 5th of this month four bottles were received by Father Perrault, Principal of the school, from the Ontario Department of Health for the taking of water samples in Canyon lake. As Father Perrault had received no word from the Department of Indian Affairs nor from the Ontario Board of Health it was explained to him that these samples were being taken as a result of the visit to the school of the Ontario Board of Health inspector last summer.

A blue print showing Canyon lake in the vicinity of the school has been forwarded to Father Perrault with the different points at which it would be desirable to take samples shown in red. Two copies of this blue print are enclosed."

Encl.

Copy of the blue print referred to is attached. I am also enclosing a report from Mr. Craig to Mr. Attwood regarding an inspection which he has recently made of the school, with particular reference to the leakage through the earth embankment referred to in your letter of December 22.

Regarding this latter matter it appears that there is no great danger of trouble at this point which is at the high water channel located about half a mile west of the school, regarding which a report was prepared under your instructions covered by memoranda dated July 5 and September 16 last.

As pointed out in Mr. Craig's report it will be advisable to delay the damming of this high water channel until after the spring run-off, when the

Mr. J.D. McLean,
Assistant Deputy and Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

channel can be inspected and the amount of erosion caused by this year's run-off determined. If the inspection then shows that there is danger of considerable erosion taking place a dam across this channel can be constructed during this coming summer.

Mr. Craig's report is to the effect that the hydroelectric development, the water supply system, and the sewage system are all functioning satisfactorily.

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Your obedient servant,

J. T. Johnston,
Director.

Handwritten signature: J. T. Johnston

150-7-8

Fortstock Indian Residential School
Fortstock Ont January 27th 1928

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 30 1928
RECORDS

Deputy Commissioner G. Scott
M. Christie

We are in receipt of a letter dated 1st Feb 1928
150-7-8 and signed by you, referring to an alleged
contamination of the water supply at this school. As you will
see by referring to it this letter is very obscure and we are
at a loss to see that the complaint is not better indicated
on this subject.

In the first place we do not believe that the
water is contaminated and we have not received any complaint
about it.

Secondly, the water of the water supply system is not in
Canyon Lake, but in the largest lake of the district immedi-
ately at about (1) fifteen feet above Canyon Lake is the
reservoir.

Thirdly, that there is no flow of water from the school,
down into Canyon Lake, and water of the reservoir field must
obviously be drawn upwards and supplied by the Department and
which is in excellent condition and in fact a fine one.

We also refer to a letter, dated 1st Feb 1928, from the
Commissioner of Health at Winnipeg, with some instructions as
how to test samples of the water to be sent to the Commissioner
of Health at Winnipeg.

These letters, as far as we can see, indicates that some
complaints have been made to the Department by some officers
that the water might be contaminated. If there had been
no sickness or other diseases that could be attributed to, or
indicate, polluted water. The first houses using Canyon Lake
water are at about (2) two miles distant from the school.

It does not seem just that the cause of pollution of the water
of the said lake, if there is any, should be placed upon this
school, for there are other sources of contamination existing,
and have been existing for years before this school was erected
and yet, we have never complaint about it. These are:

First, between the school and the railway and about, there is
always some Indians living on the lake shore and at times in
Summer, for a considerable length of time, they number between
one and two hundreds and the lake is the recipient of all
the filth.

Second, There is a burying place for the Indians, just across

the railway. In the narrow passage of the water from the south part of Canyon to the lake or east thereof, there is some inhabitants. This narrow place is a rock island about (100) one hundred feet in diameter and in this there is scarcely enough earth to cover the bodies with a few inches and in some cases the earth is not even from around and covers over the bodies. If there any contamination in this part of Canyon, it seems that the points above mentioned should be considered. However, as the water is not taken from the water at the intake of the water supply for the small isolated island with the island a sample of water is taken at the point of intake at the lake.

At the time of the investigation of the water supply in Canyon, it was found that there are different places in Canyon where the water is taken. It is found that the water is taken from the lake and is used for the purpose of irrigation. It is found that the water is taken from the lake and is used for the purpose of irrigation. It is found that the water is taken from the lake and is used for the purpose of irrigation.

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C. Perrault

130-7-5.

Ottawa, February 28th, 1928.

Rev. Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 25th ultimo, relative to the samples of water which you were requested to forward to the Ontario Department of Health for analysis, I have to say that this Department will be responsible for any expenses incurred by you in having these samples forwarded. We understand that a blue print showing Canyon lake in the vicinity of the school has been forwarded to you with the different points at which it would be desirable to take samples shown in red. You should use the utmost care in obtaining the samples of water from the points noted on the plan, marking on each bottle the location from which the sample was obtained. No doubt, instructions were forwarded with the bottles, and you should follow same carefully in packing and sending the samples to the Provincial Board of Health.

Please prepay the express charges and obtain a receipt from the Express Company for the amount. This you should attach to your account covering the cost of obtaining and forwarding these samples of water.

I shall be pleased if you will give this matter your early attention and have the samples of water forwarded at an early date.

Your obedient servant,

A. E. MacKenzie

A. E. MacKenzie

Acting Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

[Handwritten signature]
Rev. O. Perreault, O.M.I.,
Principal,
Indian Residential School,
McIntosh, Ont.

Ottawa, May 21st, 1928.

Sir:

I have your letter of May 10th, relative to the contamination of the water of Canyon Lake through sewage from the McIntosh Indian Residential School.

In this connection I beg to say that there is no raw sewage from the school going into Canyon Lake. There is a good disposal field built according to approved plans into which the raw sewage from the school empties, which is in good condition and excellent working order. We understand that there are other sources through which the water might become contaminated. The school authorities have forwarded samples of the water from Canyon Lake to the Ontario Department of Health for analysis, but up to the present time this department has not received any report as to the result of this analysis, but hope to have this information at an early date.

Your obedient servant,

T. R. L. MacInnes,
For Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

C. E. Chatfield, Esq.,
2 St. James Place,
Winnipeg, Man.



Laboratories of the Department of Health of Ontario

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,

TORONTO, Feb. 1st, 1928.

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BACTERIOLOGICAL REPORT

REPORT ON WATERS RECEIVED FROM Rev. G. Perreault, OF Res. School, McIntosh, Ontario.

ON THE 30th DAY OF January 1928

LABORATORY NUMBER	SENDER'S NUMBER	WHERE COLLECTED	* PLATE COUNT BACTERIA PER C.C.		SMALLEST AMOUNT OF WATER IN WHICH COLON BACILLI WERE FOUND	Sanitary quality of the water as indicated by the Analysis.
			AT 20°C.	AT 37°C.		
205		Forest Lake			None in 50cc.	Very good quality.

*Plate counts are made only when samples are still in ice when they reach the laboratory.

NOTE.—It is important to note that water from the same source of supply may show variations at different sampling points and also vary from time to time at the same point. Consequently, a few samples are not truly representative. Favourable results from a limited number of samples are not to be interpreted as indicating that water from the supply is always of good quality. Contamination may be intermittent and **HIGHLY DANGEROUS AT TIMES**. The laboratory report should always be considered in conjunction with a sanitary survey of the surroundings.

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 Director—Division of Laboratories. M.D.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 6219, file 472-5, part 2)

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Laboratories of the Department of Health of Ontario

Parliament Buildings,
Toronto, March 12th, 1928.

BACTERIOLOGICAL REPORT

REPORT ON WATERS RECEIVED FROM Indian Resident of McIntosh,
tial School.
ON THE 7th DAY OF March, 1928.

LABORATORY NUMBER	SENDER'S NUMBER	WHERE COLLECTED	PLATE COUNT BACTERIA PER C.C. AT 37°C	SMALLEST AMOUNT OF WATER IN WHICH COLON BACILLI WERE FOUND	Classification of the water as indicated by the Analysis.
456	1	Canyon Lake		20cc.	"B" Fair
57	2	" "		20cc.	"B" Fair
58	4	" "		None in 30cc.	"A" Good

In properly treated municipal supplies, colon bacilli should not be found in 50cc. Favourable results from a limited number of samples are not to be interpreted as indicating that water from this supply is always of good quality.

Classification of water as indicated by the examination of sample submitted:—

"A"—Good quality—Examination failed to show the presence of colon bacilli in all portions tested.

"B"—Fair quality—Not sufficient pollution present at the time of sampling to regard the water as definitely unfit for drinking purposes.

"C"—Doubtful quality—Bacteria of intestinal origin present in amounts considered as reaching the limit of safety for a drinking water supply. Further samples should be sent to ascertain whether the amount of pollution is variable.

"D"—Unsatisfactory quality—Bacteria of intestinal origin present in numbers usually considered unsafe for a drinking water supply unless the water is previously treated by boiling, chlorinating or by other recognized methods.

Sterile bottles for collecting water samples may be obtained upon request. Persons sending water samples in old bottles must satisfy themselves as to the sterility of the containers.

(For further information see reverse side.)

[Signature]
Director-Division of Laboratories.

130-7-5

McIntosh Indian Residential School
McIntosh Ont. June 4 th 1928

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
RECORDED
JUN 11 1928

To Mr. Russell T. Ferrer
Supt. of Indian Education

SCHOOLS BRANCH
JUN 7 1928

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Dear Sir:-

May I request the Department to supply varnish and oil for the floors so that these may ever be kept bright and clean.

A coat of paint on the Asphalt floor in the basement would greatly add to its appearance. In fact it would change the gloomy rooms of the basement into bright ones.

I believe that painting, & could successfully be done by our older boys.

The paint, & needed is as follows:

- 25 lbs white lead
- 5 gallons floor varnish
- 6 " green asphalt paint
- 5 " boiled linseed oil
- 2 " turpentine.

Besides, our boys and girls who are quite as fond of play as they are of work, would be most thankful if the Department would supply the following games:

- 1 foot ball
- 2 playground balls
- 2 catcher's mitts
- 1 Single end striking ball, complete with swivels.
- 1 Basket ball: Balls goals, extension brackets complete with bags

Hoping you will grant this request,
I remain

Yours Sincerely

C. Perreault

Principal

130-7-5

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DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 12 1928

McIntosh Indian Residential School
McIntosh Ont. June 6th. 1928

T. R. L. MacInnes
Acting Asst. Deputy & Secretary

SCHOOLS BRANCH
JUN 11 1928

Dear Sir:-

Yours of May 31, file 130-7-5 just received I am pleased to hear the barn and boat shed will be erected and that live stock will be purchased.

If the drying tumbler cannot be supplied along with these I suppose we will have to wait till the Department is prepared to purchase one which I hope will be in the near futur.

As the plan for the barn may not yet be made I would ask the Department to build it large enough to contain: stanchion stalls for ten milch cows, one box stall for bull, two extra box stalls for calves or other purposes, two double horse stalls, a room for harnesses and grain bins. Under these rooms a root cellar for beets & for the milch cows, would be very handy. I would also ask that the hay-loft may be spacious enough to hold at least twenty five tons of hay.

*Barn - 2000
Boat House 3000
See also boat*

As the barn will have to be supplied with water, we would wish it built below the dam, so that the special water pipe placed in the dam to that effect may be used, 300 feet of one inch pipe would be needed for that purpose.

Electric lights could also be placed in convenient places. May I also ask to have a cement floor covered with planks and also a cement trough for watering the cattles.

Would not the Department also supply a manure & hay carriers.

As to how the work should be undertaken, I believe the best would be to give the contract to a man of your choice. This would give better and quicker work.

I hope the Department will pardon my being so suggestive. Although I hope to meet with the Department approval I will readily comply to what may be decided.

Yours Sincerely

E. Perreault
Principal

Aug 1/28

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA

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OFFICE OF
INDIAN AGENT

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 5 1928
RECORDS

Kenora, Ont., July 9, 1928.

Asst. Deputy and Secretary,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont..

SCH JCS BRANCH
JUL 10 1928

Dear Sir:

While on an inspection trip to the McIntosh school last month, the Principal informed me they have four sewing machines and require another one, the same kind as previously supplied, costing about \$40. He also requires about 15 rolls of barb-wire and 2 large and 2 small gates, at a total cost of about \$100. (He has installed ventilators and a fan at the school at a cost of over \$35., which the school has paid)

The water has made a hole in the dam and he asks that Mr. Atwood's Department visit the school and have it repaired before the fall, otherwise considerable damage may be caused. He also wishes to know if the Department are going to build the barn for them this summer.

The Principal has made a cemetery at the school and wishes to get fencing, bars and staples and also a gate. The materials will cost about \$25. and the school authorities will erect this if the Department will furnish the same.

I shall be glad to receive your instructions about these matters.

Your obedient servant,

Frank Edwards

Indian Agent.

R/E.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA

August 8, 1928.

Memorandum:

Mr. McLEAN.

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I visited the McIntosh Indian Residential School last week, and, among other matters, we discussed the most urgent requirements at this institution. Very Rev. Father Magnan, O.M.I., Provincial Superior, of St. Boniface, accompanied me from Winnipeg. The most urgent need is a barn, and they are willing to undertake the work if we will send them a plan as a guide and allow \$3,000 for the purpose. This amount is specifically available in the Main Estimates and I wish to recommend that your authority for the activity be given. The boat house and other requirements that were named in our Estimates will have to stand until next year, as the cost of the barn is higher than originally estimated.

OK to go

Next year, the main building should be painted; a boat house, at a cost of \$500, should be erected; a small electric mangle (\$200) should be supplied and some clearing done. Later, a hen house will be needed. All these requirements have been noted for future estimates.

*In paper
no action
H.D.*

The Rev. Principal is not satisfied with the Dominion Water Power Engineer's report concerning a dam to stop erosion, which might result in lowering the water behind the power plant. I intend to study this report carefully and may initiate correspondence relative to it.

Later this year, it will be necessary to supply the school with a few more milch cows, and I will bring this matter to your attention when timely.

Russell Stinner

Supt. of Indian Education.

*Mr. [unclear] -
Advise on plans for barn
they would have to reduce amount
to meet other requirements.*

McIntosh Indian Residential School
McIntosh Ont, Feb. 19th. 1929

Mr. Frank Edwards
Indian Agent
Kenora, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find invoices for the sleigh
bought, as authorized by the Dept., your letter 108-20.
I trust that there will be no difficulty in having the
difference paid as the amount given for this purchase was
approximately \$ 45.00

Sincerely Yours

E. Perrault O.M.

principal

130-7-5- Dec 27

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA



OFFICE OF
INDIAN AGENT

Assistant Deputy & Secretary -

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The Principal wishes to know if the Department will purchase for the school a piece of land as shown on the attached rough sketch. He requires this to get wood for fuel and to protect the school from fire. He would also like to know what amount the Department is prepared to spend on the school this year, and also if arrangements are being made for the addition as requested in the estimates.

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I shall be glad to receive your instructions.

Your obedient servant,

Handwritten signature: Ruck Edwards

Indian Agent.

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Voted 1921
Culvert 2500.
Fingstone 1200.
Small bridge 700.
H. H. 500
Req. monthly 600
Clearing 500.
\$1550
Handwritten initials: W

Form No. 2

RETURN OF LABOUR on the McIntosh Indian Residential
for week ending Sept 21 Re Board house

NAMES	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	TOTAL	PRICE PER	AMOUNT OF WAGES	RECEIVED PAYMENT
George Foster	10	10	10	10	10	10	60	40	24 00	George Foster
Jos Bernicot	10	10	10	10	10	10	60	40	24 00	Jos Bernicot
									48 00	JFD

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I hereby certify that the services have been performed and prices are fair

Cheque No. Reference

RETURN OF LABOUR on the *McIntosh Indian* of *Residential*
 for week ending *Oct 5* *Re land clearing*

NAMES	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	TOTAL	PRICE PER DAY	AMOUNT OF WAGES	RECEIVED PAYMENT
<i>Hapietuk</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	2 00	12 00	<i>Hapietuk</i>
<i>Adelard Jansen</i>	1	1					2	2 00	4 00	<i>Adelard Jansen</i>
<i>Wm Fisher</i>	1	1	1	1	1		5	2 00	10 00	<i>Wm Fisher</i>
<i>Peter Katerkang</i>	1	1	1	1	1		6	2 00	12 00	<i>Peter Katerkang</i>
<i>Jos Perrault</i>					1	1	2	2 00	4 00	<i>Jos Perrault</i>
<i>Thomas Kijik</i>						1	1	2 00	2 00	<i>Thomas Kijik</i>
									44 00	

MS

RECEIVED BY
 W. H. G. G. G.

J. J. J. J.

Cheque No. *\$ 142.50 - 844.00*

Balance *\$ 98.50*

FOREMAN

I hereby certify that the services have been performed and prices are fair and just.