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Caradoc Agency - Mount Elgin Industrial School -  
(Methodist) - General Administration. 1894 -  
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(United Church) - General Administration. 1920 -  
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Caradoc Agency - Mount Elgin Industrial School  
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Caradoc Agency - Mount Elgin Day School and  
others - General Administration - Supplies -  
Accounts (Census Oneida Reserve 1946). 1946 -  
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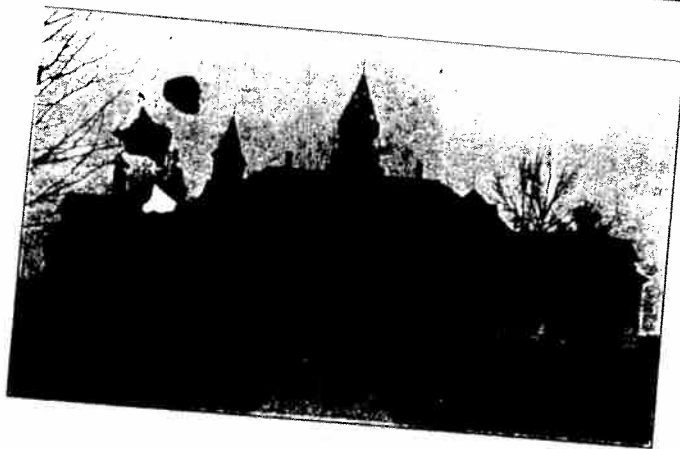
Caradoc Agency - Mount Elgin Day School -  
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# Mount Elgin Indian Residential School

S. R. McVITTY, Principal



Muncey, Ont. Dec. 4,

1919.

R. A. Jumor, Esq.,  
Barrister, etc.,  
Paris, Ontario.

Dear sir:-

I regret to learn that Mr. Wheeler is in debt to one of your clients also to inform you that I cannot see how he could possibly make any payments at the present time. He suffered from fever on his hand for about five weeks this fall, then his wife had a severe illness before and after confinement, he also lost his baby. His expenses for nurse, doctor, funeral and lot in cemetery have been very considerable. I may say that I have given him substantial assistance in these trying circumstances but still I feel it would be quite impossible for him to make any payment at the present time, in fact unless your client is in need I think the proper thing to do would be to cancel the account and send him the note at Christmas. The party who gives so much credit to a working man doesn't do it in a favor.

Yours respectfully,

*S. R. McVitty*

Principal, Mount Elgin Indian Residential School, Muncey, Ont.

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Mount Elgin Indian Residential School  
S. R. McVITTY, Principal

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Muncey, Ont. June 13th. 1921

*[Handwritten signature]*

The Secretary,  
Dept. of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

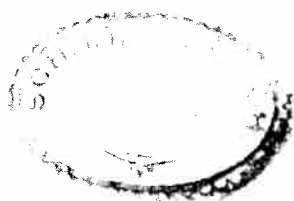
Dear Sir:-

On Mr. Ferriers last visit he told us that he believed there was to be an increase in the per capita grant, but did not know any particulars.

Would be pleased if you would let us know the amount of the increase and if it starts with this quarter.

Yours respectfully,

*[Handwritten signature: S. R. McVitty]*  
Principal





Mount Elgin Indian Residential School, Muncy, Ontario  
1849-1931



Rev. S. R. McVary  
Principal, 1880-1911



Rev. O. B. Strapp  
Assistant Principal, 1911-1931

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As they come to us from many Reservations

To Parents and Guardians of our pupils, and all other good friends of the Indian people the Mount Elgin Institute sends greeting.

We are pleased to inform you that the present school year is proving to be one of the "best ever." Attendance largest (154). Health, almost perfect, not a single case of serious illness during the year. Conduct, excellent.

Real progress is being made in every department of our school life. We have a splendid staff of fully qualified officers and teachers who are rendering excellent service in their several departments.

Careful instruction in the best way of doing things is being combined with the necessary duty of getting them done. The result is that at graduation our pupils are well qualified to fill important positions, and most of them are doing so.

We are well aware that "Worthwhileness" in an individual depends more on "Moral Character" than a skilled hand or a trained mind. To meet this need we hold a delightful worship period each evening conducted by the Principal or his assistant. All senior pupils and most of the staff join in this service.



They are growing.

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*They are still growing.*

Pupils under proper supervision attend Divine Service each Sunday afternoon in the Colbourne United Church.

We have a really wonderful Sunday school with three well organized departments. The lessons are well taught, and an examination is conducted at the end of the session. This year thirty beautiful prizes, donated by Mr. A. P. Campbell, of St. Thomas, will be presented to the successful pupils at a great open air service to be held on the school grounds at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 28th. There will be special music by the choir of the Metropolitan Church, London. Addresses will be delivered by the Rev. Bruce Hunter, D.D., of Metropolitan United Church, London, and the Venerable Archdeacon Andrew, of St. Thomas. To this service you and your friends are cordially invited.

At the close of the service junior pupils who have been in class room all year may go home for Summer holidays.

The senior room will close on Thursday, July 16th. Pupils remaining with us during holidays will be paid just wages for any work they may be required to do.



*They will soon be leaving us.*

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Bringing home the cows.

School will reopen Tuesday, September 1st, and all pupils not officially discharged by the Department of Indian Affairs will be expected to return on that date.

We earnestly solicit the co-operation of all parents and guardians in caring for the pupils during the holiday season. Take them with you to church and Sunday school. Example is more than Precept—they will likely do as they see you do.

Of course the "financial depression" has reached us. We have been watching it in the offing for some time and governed ourselves accordingly. We owe no man anything. Have splendid farm equipment, and a really wonderful dairy herd. We hope to carry on as heretofore.

We wish to express our deep appreciation of the courteous treatment accorded us at all times by the Department of Indian Affairs at Ottawa and our Home Mission Board at Toronto.

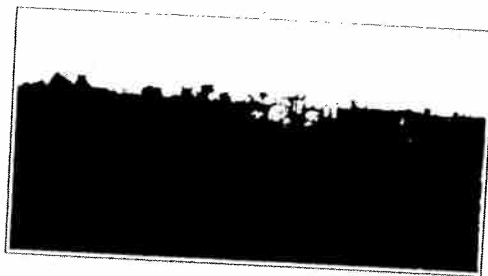
Be sure and come to the great open air service Sunday, June 25th, at 3 p.m.

Yours sincerely,

S. R. McVITTIE, Principal,

OLIVER B. STRAPP, Assistant Principal

June 1st 1911



Corn Planting.

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