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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 3 1904

Indian Office Victoria B.C.

M-4. May 28th 1904.

Sir;-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant under cover of which was forwarded to me copy of the revised estimates for the Indian Department of British Columbia for the fiscal year 1904-1905; for which I thank you.

Your Obedient Servant,

Indian Superintendent, B.C.

J.D.McLean,Esqr.,
Secretary,
Dept.of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Alert Bay British Columbia,

May 29th 1904.

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TO A.W.Vowell,Esq.,

Indian Superintendent,

Victoria.

Sir,

I beg to approach you on behalf of the payment of salary ($150.00) to a day school teacher Daniel Wilson who taught in the Indian Day School at Fort Rupert from Oct.1st 1903 to March 31st 1904. For several years this school has been closed;but knowing there would be a large assembly of Indians at this village during the winter of 1903-1904,I wrote an official letter to our Indian Agent last September informing him that Mr.Wilson had been appointed by myself to teach in this school commencing Oct.1st 1903. Twice during the winter the Agent visited this school and reported to me that the teacher was doing all that could be expected of him. I also visited this school and am satisfied Mr.Wilson is a very efficient teacher.

The school returns for the two quarters have been sent in to the Department. You yourself,Sir,know so well how migratory are the habits of these Indians and how we are compelled to teach them when and where we can find them, gathered together.

I cannot get certificated teachers for the salary the Department pay their teachers,and I consider myself fortunate in securing Mr.Wilson's services for the small stipend of $400. per annum. There is an excellent school building at Fort Rupert which the Mission erected ten years ago,and I now beg to ask the Department that in future they will be ready to pay the Teacher's salary whenever there are sufficient pupils at this village to warrant the opening of this school.

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I have already paid Mr.Wilson the sum of $200.00 for the six months work he did at Fort Rupert and I respectfully ask your Department to pay the usual grant,viz,$75.00 per quarter for the teaching given in the Day School at Fort Rupert for the two quarters ending March 31st 1904.

I have the honour to be,
Your Obedient Servant,

(sgd) Alfred J. Hall.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 6 1904

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Indian Office Victoria B.C.

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M-4. 35 May 31st 1904.

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Sir;

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant File No. 250,428 touching the application made by the Revd.A.J. Hall of Alert Bay,B.C. representative of the Church Missionary Society,for a grant for the payment of a salary of a day school teacher at Fort Rupert,Kwawkewlth Agency,I have the honor to enclose herewith for the consideration of the Department,a copy of a letter, of the 29th instant, today received from the Reverend gentleman requesting that for the reasons therein given the Department make payment for the services rendered by Mr. Daniel Wilson,school teacher at that point for December quarter 1903,and March quarter 1904.

As in Mr.Agent DeBeck's report relating to this school,transmitted to Department under cover of letter from this office of the 27th instant,No.M-4,35,he expresses doubt as to the likelihood of the Society being able to secure the attendance of a sufficient number of children at the school were it recognized by a grant by the Department, I have informed the Reverend Mr.Hall that I fear,in view of recent events which have transpired,that it is too late for him to expect compliance with his request but that the application would be submitted to the Department for its consideration,and I also informed Mr.Hall that his letter should have,according to regulations,been sent through the local Indian Agent.

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Frank Pedley,Esqr.,

Deputy Supt.General of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, Ont.

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Indian Agent, and a much earlier date Mr.Hall is now in Victoria where the letter was handed in to this office.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Indian Superintendent B.C.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 2 1904

Indian Office Victoria B.C.

M-4. 35 May 27th 1904.

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File No.250428

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant in regard to the application made by Revd.A.J.Hall of Alert Bay B.C.,representative of the Church Missionary Society,for a grant to meet the salary of the teacher at the Day School carried on under the Society's auspices at Fort Rupert in the Kwawkewlth Agency.

On the 25th instant a letter was received from Mr. Agent DeBeck,Kwawkewlth Agency,reporting respecting the attendance at Gwayasdums school for March quarter last as required by your letter of 29th of April last,File No.117260/3. A duplicate of Mr.DeBeck's letter is being sent to the Department under cover of letter of even date No.34 M-4,in answer to communication of the date and file number just quoted,from which it will be perceived that,for the reasons therein stated,the Agent cannot see why the Department should pay the salary of a teacher at Fort Rupert.

In view,therefore,of Mr.DeBeck's report I would recommend that the sum available be applied for the payment of the grant for the teacher's salary at Yuquot,in the West Coast Agency,where for some time past school has been conducted,while the Indians were at home,by the Roman Catholic priest of the locality.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Indian Superintendent, B.C.

The Secretary,

Dept.of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, Ont.

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Hardy Bay
3rd Jan 1920.

H.S. Clements Esq.
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir

Acting on your suggestion, I have collected the nessary data reguarding the opening up of a Indian school at Fort Rupert. You will easy understand after seeing the enclosed list how necessary it is that a school should be started at Fort Rupert that place being much more convenient for the Indians that live on the South end of the I. sland, than Alert Bay. Where there only means of going to and from there respective homes is by boat. This trip been often attended with no little risk owing to weather conditions. Not is it only more convenient but if the information that I have gathered is correct there is not enough room for any more scollars there, as you undoubtedly know. I believe you to be thoroughly conversant with conditions up here so will not trouble you with details. Therefor will leave the matter in your hands knowing it will receive your

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fullest consideration. If I can gather any more information regarding this matter I will only be too glad to do so. The Indians desire me to thank you for the intrest you have always taken on their behalf. I wish you were only near to see as I see their enthusiasm and appreciation you would feel well rewarded for the valuable time you have spent and, I hope will continue to spend in their cause.

Wishing you and Yours a Happy new year

I am

Yours

Sincerely

Walter Head

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+	M. Mungo	2
	D. Hunt	2
	J. Hunt	4
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+	J Brown	1
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+	J Charlson	1
+	W Seaward	1
+	G Wakos	3
x	J Kuengede	3
x	Noley	1
x	J Noley	2
+	Dr George	1

Roxette

Tom Davis	2
Dr Jumbo	2
J Nelson	2

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535 Pender Street West,
Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 5th, 1920.

D. C. Scott, Esq.,
Superintendent of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

My dear Scott;

While at Hardy Bay some two or three weeks ago - in the vicinity of Fort Rupert - the Indians came over and the whites as well who were interested and very urgently requested me to use my influence in securing them a school; I am assuming a day school at Fort Rupert. I am enclosing the letter from Mr. Read who I asked to give me the information and the actual number of children eligible for schooling.

My sympathy is with the request as I feel that these children should be given every possible opportunity for an education. I wish you would give it your attention.

With very best wishes for the New Year,
I am,

Truly yours,

W. J. Clements

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Mr. Dehorks

Please report on attached letter and return it to the office of the Deputy Superintendent General.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA

Ottawa, January 12, 1920.

MEMORANDUM.

Mr. Scott,-

With reference to the request for the establishment of a day school for the benefit of the Indian children residing on the reserves in the vicinity of Fort Rupert in the Kwawlewth Agency, I beg to say that the Fort Rupert group consists of six small reserves, as follows,- Tsa-kis, Kippase, Shell Island, Tsulquate, Thomas Point and Keogh.

From the analysis of evidence taken before the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia it is stated that there are 118 Indians residing on these reserves. Their chief occupations are fishing trapping, boat building and working for wages. There was a general complaint made by these Indians of inadequate educational, hospital and medical facilities. The Indians claim that the Alert Bay Schools are crowded and ask for the establishment of a day school with an experienced teacher at No. 1 Reserve (Tsa-kis), and promise a regular attendance of all children of school age, if such a school is established.

The number of children of school age, as shown by the attached lists, is 14 at Fort Rupert and 17 at Blunden Harbour. It is requested that a school be started at Fort Rupert, as that place is much more convenient for the Indians. The nearest schools are at Alert Bay, a distance of about 27 miles south east.

I can find in the Records Branch no previous request for the establishment of a school for these Indians.

It would, no doubt, be necessary to have a suitable building erected for school purposes and, possibly, quarters for a teacher.

J. D. Sutherland

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Mr Sutherland
Please see me
a/m

Ottawa, January 14th. 1920

Dear Mr. Clements,

I have your letter of the 5th. instant with enclosure regarding the establishment of a day school for the Indians of the Fort Rupert group of reserves. I shall give this matter my sympathetic attention and shall at once ask for a comprehensive report from our local agent.

a/m

Yours sincerely,

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

H. S. Clements, Esq., M.P.,
535 Pender Street, West.
Vancouver, B. C.

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Ottawa, January 27, 1920.

Sir,-

A request has been received for the establishment of a day school for the benefit of the Indian children residing on the reserves in the vicinity of Fort Rupert in the Kwawkwelth Agency.

The Department is informed that there are 14 children of school age at Fort Rupert and 17 at Blunden Harbour. It is requested that the school be started at Fort Rupert as that place is the most convenient for all the Indian children residing on the Fort Rupert group of reserves.

I have to request that you will be good enough to furnish a full report concerning this request. You should state the number of Indian children who would be likely to attend and point out where you suggest the school should be located. You should also state whether a suitable building for school purposes can be obtained and the cost of renting the same. It may be that there is a church building that would serve the purpose and which can be obtained. If a new building is required to be erected for the purpose you should give a careful estimate of the size and cost of building the same.

It is hoped that you will give your views fully in this matter and furnish full particulars in order to enable the Department to deal intelligently with the request of these Indians for the providing of school facilities for their children.

If a suitable building can be obtained without the need of erecting one, you should state what will need to be supplied in order to fit it up for school purposes. Kindly give this matter your prompt attention and inform the Department at an early date as fully as you can regarding this request.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary

W. M. Halliday, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Alert Bay,
B. C.

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Alert Bay B.C.

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Sir,

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In answer to your letter of January 27th regarding a request for the establishment of a Day School for the benefit of the Indian children residing on the reserves in the vicinity of Fort Rupert in this agency, I beg to inform you that yesterday I visited Fort Rupert and went thoroughly into this matter.

I found after careful investigation that there were in all twelve children of school age belonging to the Indians who are resident more or less in the vicinity of Fort Rupert. Of these children the parents of ~~tow~~ four of them are living at Hardy Bay on Tsulquate Reserve and they are attending the public school at Hardy Bay. Of the ten remaining ones one is almost the full age of eighteen while another one has only just turned five.

With regard to the Indians from Blunden Harbor uniting with those of Fort Rupert to form a joint school I would inform you that Blunden Harbor is about eighteen miles in a direct line from Fort Rupert and that the two points are separated by the lower end of Queen Charlotte Sound which in stormy weather is a very dangerous piece of water and could not be traversed in bad weather so that a union of the two~~mmmm~~ villages to form one school would be absolutely out of the question.

Of the children residing at Fort Rupert I find that ~~thet~~ are only resident at Fort Rupert about seven months in each year. There is one white family by the name of Cadwallader living at Fort Rupert who operate a store there and Mrs. Cadwallader is a blood relation of three of the parents of the

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Indian Children who are eligible for the school. Mrs. Cadwallader has six children of school age and two under school age, and while I could not recommend that an Indian Day School should be established at Fort Rupert I would recommend that the matter be taken u p with the Provincial Educational Authorities in the person of the Superintendent of Education at Victoria and see if an arrangment could not be made by which a joint school could be opened and maintained at Fort Rupert. There are no other children either white or Indian within distance to supplement the attendance so that they would be entirely dependent for attendance on the children already mentioned. I think if the matter was taken up with the Provincial Authorities they would be ready to meet us half way, and an average attendance of at least ten children combined white and Indians could be expected.

There are no school buildings of any kind at Fort Rupert, but there are two Indian houses which are at present empty which could be rented at a very reasonable figure for a school room, and Mr. Cadwallader informed me that if any such arrangement could be made he would become responsible for the supplying of a building for the school. The only expense in fitting either of these buildings for a schoolroom would be the desks and a stove.

Your obedient servant,

A M Wallace

Indian Agent.

The Secretary,

Dept., Indian Affairs,

Ottawa

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Ottawa, February 23, 1920.

Sir,-

The Department has received a request for the establishment of a day school for the benefit of the Indian children residing on the reserves in the vicinity of Fort Rupert in the Kwawkwelth Agency.

This matter was taken up with Mr. Agent Halliday, who now states that, after careful investigation, he finds that there are twelve children of school age belonging to the Indians who reside more or less in the vicinity of Fort Rupert. He states that these children with their parents are only resident at this point about seven months in the year, and besides there are six or seven white children of school age who could attend, if a school were established.

Mr. Agent Halliday recommends that this matter be taken up with the provincial educational authorities in the person of the Superintendent of Education at Victoria with a view to arranging for a joint school for the Indian and white children.

There are no school buildings of any kind at Fort Rupert, but there are two Indian houses, at present empty, which could be rented at a very reasonable figure for school use and which would be very suitable for the purpose. The only expense in fitting up either of these buildings for a school-room would be the supplying of the desks required and a stove.

The Department would like you to take this matter up with the Department of Education for the Province of British Columbia and ascertain from them whether they would be prepared to establish a school at Fort Rupert, provided this Department contributed its share of the cost of teacher's salary and maintenance. An arrangement of this kind has been made with the Department of Education for the province of Manitoba in the case of several combined white and Indian schools and is meeting with success. The Department will be pleased if you will, at your early convenience, ascertain from the provincial Department of Education whether they would be prepared to carry out the establishment of a combined school for the Indians and whites at Fort Rupert. They could appoint the teacher, fit up a school-room and this Department would pay a proportionate share of the cost quarterly upon receipt of a statement showing the cost involved each quarter.

If you desire any further information it might be well for you to communicate with Mr. Agent Halliday.

I may

W. E. Ditchburn, Esq.,
Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Victoria, B.C.

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I may say that the Department is anxious to comply with the request of the Indian parents for the provision of educational facilities for their children, but it would hardly be justified in conducting a school for the number of Indian children who would likely attend, and, therefore, if the Department of Education for the Province would combine with this Department, provision could be made for the education of both the Indian and white children and the cost thereof would not bear unduly on either department.

Your obedient servant.

J. D. McLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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Ottawa, February 24, 1920.

Sir,-

60/424/13 I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th instant with reference to the establishment of a day school for the benefit of the Indian children residing on the reserves in the vicinity of Fort Rupert.

In reply I beg to say that Mr. Inspector Ditchburn is being requested to take this matter up with the Department of Education for the Province of British Columbia and ascertain from them whether they will be prepared to establish a combined white and Indian school at Fort Rupert, provided this Department contributes its share of the cost of teacher's salary and maintenance.

I may say that, while the Department is anxious to comply with the request of the Indian parents for the provision of educational facilities for their children, it would hardly be justified in conducting a school for the number of Indian children who would likely attend and, therefore, if the Department of Education for the province, as suggested by you, would combine with this Department, provision could be made for the education of both the white and Indian children and the cost thereof would not bear unduly on either Department.

The Inspector is being asked to communicate with you, should he require any further information.

With reference to a school for the Indian children at Blunden Harbor I have to request that you will furnish a report concerning the situation at this point. You should state the number of children who would likely attend and whether a suitable building could be secured, and furnish as complete a report as you did in the case of Fort Rupert. You should also state fully your views as to the best means to be adopted to provide educational facilities for the Indian children at Blunden Harbor and vicinity. This information you should furnish after your next visit to that locality.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

W. M. Halliday, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Alert Bay, B.C.

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Alert Bay B.C.

March 5th 1920 191

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 94/472/13
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

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SCHOOLS BRANCH
MAR 17 1920

Sir,—

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I am in receipt of your letter of February 24th, dealing with my report regarding the establishment of a school at Fort Rupert.

With reference to the last paragraph of your letter I beg to report that yesterday before receipt of your letter I returned from Blunden Harbor from a visit to the Indians there. I found only a few of them at home amongst them being two children of school age. The difficulty with establishing a school of any kind at Blunden Harbor, is, that the Indians are only there from about the middle of November until sometime in February or March according to weather conditions. During the rest of the year they are scattered and could not attend at any school. I have told them several times that their best plan is to send their children to the Industrial school and Girls Home respectively where they will receive proper care and attention. Another difficulty arises in connection with these schools owing to the fact that the Industrial School is full and a number of applicants have to be refused admission. A number of the pupils in both these schools come from other agencies and I have tried to impress on the principal of the school the fact that these schools were built primarily for the Indians of this agency and that their needs must redeive the first condideration with which view he fuâly concurs. Each year he has held vacancies open to allow children from this

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Agency to be placed on the membership roll, but they have not come and not wanting to allow any vacancies in the school he has afterwards allowed other children who were on the spot to be placed in the school. In some instances three months after the shcool has resumed operations after the holidays some of these who wanted to attend have come along but found there was no room. Under present conditions I could not recommend any Day School at Blunden Harbor, but I will take every opportunity to impress on them the necessity of being in time so that the children can be placed in the Industrial schools.

At the present time there are no industries of any kind at Blunden Harobr to give employment to the Indians at or near home, but, it is quite possible that in a few years time that industried will be established there such as saw mills and shingle mills and when the Indians can get emplpyment they may remain at the village for a greater length of time.

Your obedient servant,

Indian Agent.

The Secretary,
Dept., Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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Ottawa, March 17, 1920

94/472/13

Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, in which you furnish a report regarding the establishment of a school for the Indian children at Blunden Harbour.

In reply I beg to say that in view of your report it would be useless to open a school for the Indian children at this point. The Department agrees with you that the best solution as regards their education, would be to have them placed in the schools at Alert Bay and you should endeavour to have as many as possible of the children who are of school age and in good health, sent there upon the re-opening of these schools after the summer holidays. No doubt, a number of the children at present in attendance at both the day and Girls' Home will be receiving their discharge at that time and you should arrange with the principal to reserve accommodation for a certain number of the children from Blunden Harbour. It is hoped that the parents will consent to allow their children to go to Alert Bay.

The Department has not as yet received any communication as to the action to be taken by the Department of Education for the Province of British Columbia regarding the proposal made to them by Mr. Inspector Ditchburn for the establishment of a combined white and Indian day school at Fort Rupert.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLEAN

Assistant Deputy and Secretary

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TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

OFFICE OF
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF INDIAN AGENCIES
BRITISH COLUMBIA

P. O. Box 775

File 253670/1.

Victoria, B.C. 23rd March, 1920.

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Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, relative to the establishment of a school at Fort Rupert for the joint education of Indian and white children, and in reply I beg to say that I wrote to the Superintendent of Education on the 16th instant and am to-day in receipt of a reply from him in which he states that it will be impossible to establish such a school unless there are at least ten children of school age (between six and sixteen years), other than those residing on the Indian reserve, available for attendance. He further informs me that the School Law makes no provision for the establishment of schools which may be partly supported and maintained by the Provincial Government and partly by the Federal Government.

Your obedient servant,

H. E. Dutcheson

Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies.

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

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March 31, 1920.

Dear Mr. Clements:

Referring to your recent interview with me regarding the establishment of a Day School for the Indians in the vicinity of Fort Rupert, B.C., I have just received a communication from Mr. Ditchburn, who, you will recollect, was asked to interview the Provincial authorities with a view to establishing a joint school. In his letter Mr. Ditchburn states that the Superintendent of Education has informed him that it will be impossible to establish such a school unless there are at least ten children of school age. (whites). He further states that the school law makes no provision for the establishment of schools which may be partly supported and maintained by the Provincial Government and partly by the Federal Government.

Of course we are aware of this but nevertheless mutually satisfactory arrangements have been made in other Provinces. It seems to me, therefore, that the next advisable step would be to ascertain definitely how many white children of school age there are in that vicinity. If there is a sufficient number to justify the establishment of a school by the Provincial authorities, we would be pleased to co-operate in the cost of maintenance.

You might consider the matter further and see me at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

H.S. Clements, Esq., M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CANADA

October 12, 1927.

MEMO FOR FILE:

Rev. John Antle, Superintendent of Columbia Coast Missions, who called at the Department today, requested that assistance be given towards the salary of a teacher at Fort Rupert, which is situated on Vancouver Island, about 20 miles northwest of Alert Bay. He states there are approximately 20 children of school age at this point. He has a lady teacher in view and is arranging to send her to start a school. It will be conducted under the auspices of the Anglican Church. In conversation with Dr. Scott, Rev. Mr. Antle was promised that the Department would provide salary at the rate of $50 per teaching month and would also supply the necessary classroom material, including tooth brushes. Mr. Antle will write the Department officially, giving a list of the material required. The Department should then inform Mr. Agent Halliday.

J. D. Sutherland

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OCT 17 1927

Oct. 19th 1927.

Dr. Duncan C. Scott,
Sup't Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Dear Dr. Scott :-

Referring to our conversation of last week, I am writing to make application for a grant of money to pay the salary of a teacher at the Indian Village of Fort Rupert British Columbia, and also for school supplies for 30 children ranging from 6 to 16 years. The tooth brushes you mentioned would be most useful and also anything else the Department may have on hand which would help to equip a small school at its starting point.

I have in view a woman teacher, Miss Gray, of Winnipeg, about 28 years of age, of good physique and with a sound outlook on life. I have offered her a salary of $50. per teaching month, and hope to supplement it by board and lodging which I think will be supplied by a white family there for tuition of their children.

Hoping this will meet with your approval, I am Yours Faithfully
John Antle
Supt CCMI.

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156-31-1.

Ottawa, October 19, 1927.

Sir:

I am enclosing, for your information, a copy of the Deputy Superintendent General's letter of today's date to the Rev. John Antle, Superintendent of the Columbia Coast Mission. I may say that Mr. Antle visited Ottawa some days ago and his representations were such that the Department decided to give a trial to the Fort Rupert Indian Day School.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

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

Encl.

W. M. Halliday, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Alert Bay, B. C.

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156-31-1.

October 19, 1927.

Dear Mr. Antle:

I have your letter of the 19th instant, concerning the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. The appointment of Miss Gray at a salary of $50 per month is approved. If you will let me have shipping directions, I shall be glad to see that classroom supplies, tooth brushes, etc., are forwarded without delay. When the teacher is at the school, she should write to Mr. Indian Agent W. M. Halliday, at Alert Bay, concerning any other equipment that she requires for the satisfactory conduct of the work. You might let me know Miss Gray's initials at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. John Antle,
Superintendent,
Columbia Coast Mission,
Room 603, 198 Hastings St. W.,
Vancouver, B. C.

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Dr. Duncan C. Scott.

and I am sure that the future of the Columbia Coast Mission from a financial standpoint is well assured.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Very Sincerely,

John Antle

Sup't. Columbia Coast Mission, Inc.

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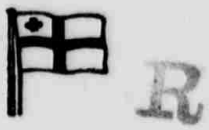

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November 2, 1927.

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

Dear Dr. Scott:

I have just arrived in Vancouver, and find your letter of October 19th. for which thanks very much.

I was able to see Miss Gray at Winnipeg on my way through, and find that she is waiting the consent of her people who are now in England, and it looks to me as if nothing much will be done before the first of the year.

I also find that she is a Public School teacher with the usual diploma and that she also has a V.A.D. certificate and some knowledge of maternity nursing. This, in my opinion makes her a valuable woman if we can get her, and she seems very anxious indeed to take up the work. Her full name is Miss C.M. Gray, of 530 Banning Street, Winnipeg.

I would suggest that the material for school equipment etc. be held until we know something of the probably date of starting the school. I would suggest, as in my former letter, that the material be shipped to our office at the above address in Vancouver, from whence it can be taken by our Hospital Vessel to Port Hupert.

You were kind enough to give me a blue book containing the Act in relation to the Indians, but I must have left it on your table or in one of the other offices, as I had not it in my possession when I arrived home. Will you be kind enough to send me a copy by mail as I am anxious to have the facts of the legislation concerning the Indians.

I am very pleased with my trip East where I was able to interest a number of the leading business men in Eastern Canada

Shipping directions

Copy Indian Act sent 1927/10/27 DCS

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Ottawa, November 10, 1927.

Rev. Sir:

I have been directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, relative to the obtaining of the services of a teacher for the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. It is noted that Miss Gray, the teacher whom you have engaged, will be unable to take up duties before the beginning of the new year. The qualifications which she possesses have been noted and are satisfactory.

The supplying of the school material will be held over until we hear from you as to when this will be required. It will be sent at that time to the address given by you. A copy of the Indian Act is being sent under separate cover.

I am pleased to note that your recent trip East has been successful.

Your obedient servant,

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

Rev. John Antle,
Supt. Columbia Coast Mission, Inc.,
Room 603 - 198 Hastings St. W.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Classroom material

Request re: for local Ind. 6 months

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Ottawa, November 15, 1928.

Reverend Sir:

Pursuant to your conversation with the Deputy Superintendent General, I have to inform you that the Department will allow a salary of $40 per month for the winter months for the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. It is understood that you will secure the services of a local young lady for this work. Please let the Department know her name and the post office address for the school. Mr. Indian Agent Halliday has been authorized to forward, not only the quarterly returns from this school - upon receipt of which salary will be paid, but he will also give favourable consideration to requisitions for classroom material.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

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

Rev. John Antle,
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Columbia Coast Mission,
603 Province Bldg.,
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156-31-1.

Ottawa, November 15, 1928.

Sir:

I wish to refer to my letter of October 19th, 1927, concerning the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. The Department has repeated its offer to Rev. John Antle, Superintendent of the Columbia Coast Mission. He will arrange for the engagement of a local young lady, who will teach during the winter for a salary of $40 per month. Salary will be allowed upon receipt of quarterly returns. You will please forward any requisition for classroom material for this school for the Department's consideration.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

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

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Ottawa, December 21, 1928.

Reverend Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant, informing the Department that you have secured the services of Miss Eva I. Dyer, a qualified teacher, for the Indian Day School at Kingcome Inlet also that Miss M. Nixon will continue the work at Mamalilikulla. It is hoped that both these ladies will meet with every success at their respective schools.

It is noted that arrangements have not yet been completed for a teacher at Fort Rupert but that, likely, Miss Cadwallader will take up teaching duties at this school. We note that she has no professional qualifications but has an intimate knowledge of the Indians at this point and has also the ability to speak their language. Her services will, no doubt, prove satisfactory.

I shall be pleased to be informed definitely as to whether Miss Cadwallader takes charge at Fort Rupert and, if so, the date when this school is opened.

Your obedient servant,

J.D. McLEAN

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

Rev. John Antle,
Room 603,
198 Hastings St. West,
Vancouver, B. C.

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COLUMBIA COAST MISSION, INC.

ROOM 603 - 198 HASTINGS ST. WEST
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Jan. 22, 1929.

Russell T. Ferrier Esq.,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Mr. Ferrier:

Thank you for your prompt reply to my telegram for school supplies. They will be forwarded promptly from this office as soon as they arrive.

We started Miss Cadwallader at the school at the beginning of the year. The school will be small to start with as it takes time for theIndians to settle down to it. We got a few home-made desks and other supplies for her from the other Indian Village Schools, so that she was able to start.

I am hoping that one good result from this school will be to encourage the Indian women to stay at home during the fishing season, and look after their children. The custom of the whole population of a village leaving home and camping in hovels near the canneries is, perhaps, one of the greatest detriments to the advancement of the Indian, morally and in every other way. Children are left, whose mothers are working in the cannery, unfed and unattended, with the result that the mortality amongst them in summer, chiefly from mal-nutrition and its effects, is apalling.

If the schools in years, can manage to ~~help~~ keep the women at home in their villages, they will do a great thing for the Indian. I am more and more confirmed in my conviction that this effort of developing the Indian by Primary Schools in their own villages, combining medical attention, nursing and social work generally, is going to have more effect than any other movement now on foot for the welfare of the Indian.

Thanking you for your very kind interest, I am

Yours sincerely,
John Antle
Sup't. C. C. M.

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February 16, 1929.

I visited the following schools on the above date: -

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APR 20 1929

FORT RUPERT SCHOOL

A start has been made on the Fort Rupert School, where Miss Cadwallader is teaching under grant from the Department a small school of children, averaging about ten through the winter season. Not much is expected of this school this year, but next year should see a great improvement, when the Indians find out that their children can be taught in this village.

GENERAL REMARKS:

The work done in these schools has been under the supervision of the Anglican Church in co-operation with the Indian Department. This work is greatly appreciated by the Department of Indian Affairs, as these children are receiving religious training from the Columbian Mission.

P. H. Cairns.
Inspector of Indian Schools of B. C.

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EXTRACT FROM LETTER OF REV. JOHN ANTLE,
SUPERINTENDENT, COLUMBIA COAST MISSION, INC.,
dated Sept. 27, 1929.

Original on 156-17-1.

Last year, you were kind enough to help us start the school at Fort Rupert by a grant of $40.00 per month. We obtained a teacher who knew the language and who did very good and important work in starting the school, but $40.00 a month is not quite enough when she is supplying the school house as well, and I would like you, if you can possibly do it, to add to that salary. I think that it is quite as well worth $75.00 as either of the other two schools, and you will see by reports that, for a start, she has made a good record.

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October 9, 1929.

Dear Mr. Antle:

With further reference to your letter of the 27th ultimo, I am pleased to learn that the Fort Rupert Indian Day School has had a promising opening. The March and June quarter returns have been received by the Department and indicate that the work may be worth while. The Department approves of a salary of $75 per teaching month for Miss Cadwallader, the teacher. Salary at this rate will be paid for the September quarter, as soon as the return is received.

Yours very truly,

Duncan C. Scott

Rev. John Antle,
Superintendent,
Columbia Coast Mission,
Room 603 - 198 Hastings St. West,
Vancouver, B. C.

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OFFICE OF
INDIAN AGENT

Alert Bay, B. C.,
June 18,1930

136/15

Sir:-

I am enclosing the quarterly report from Miss V. Cadwalladar, teacher of the Fort Rupert Indian Day School for the quarter ending June 30th.

I am beginning to question the wisdom of continuing this school, as the pupilage is very small and the attendance very irregular, and there should be room at the Residential School for all these pupils.

Your obedient servant,

(W.M. Halliday)
Indian Agent

WMH/SMT

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Canada.

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EXTRACT FROM REPORT OF MR. G. H. BARRY, INSPECTOR OF INDIAN AGENCIES, VICTORIA, B. C., DATED APRIL 20, 1931, ON HIS INSPECTION OF THE FORT RUPERT INDIAN DAY SCHOOL.

Original on File 156-31-6.

Miss Victoria Alexandra Cadwallader. Age 24. $750 per annum.

Qualifications:- No Certificate; states she has one year High School. (By correspondence). I am unable to verify this, though I have tried to do so.

Success:- This school is in a most unsatisfactory condition.

On April 20th, when Mr. Indian Agent Halliday and I visited the school, there were no children present. The teacher was behind the counter in the store. We told her that we must have some of the children at school in the afternoon. There were, I understand, only four children then in the village. Of these, three came to school in the afternoon.

Antle

The school is so unattractive that I can see no reason why children should want to attend.

Antle

The only furniture consisted of four new single desks and five old home made desks of no value. The four single desks seem to be the four missing from Mamallillikulla. I am informed that Mr. Antle of the Columbia Coast Mission moved these desks to Fort Rupert. No permission for their movement was given by the Indian Agent.

The schoolroom is the back room of a store. The store is owned, I understand, by the teacher's brother. The schoolroom is about 14 ft. by 16 ft. with a stairs up to an attic. It is quite unsuitable for school purposes. The room is half-filled with all sorts of store goods, old clothes, mattresses, hardware, etc. Light is from two windows. There is a woodburning stove.

Discontinue as from June 30

General Remarks:- I do not consider that Miss Cadwallader has any qualification of any sort which would make her retention as a teacher under the Department of Indian Affairs desirable.

She is partly Indian, has no professional training whatever, and her non-professional standing, if we are to take her own statement, of only one year at high school quite inadequate.

There are far too few children in this village to make up a fair average attendance for a day school.

I beg to strongly recommend that, after the end of the present school year, no further grant be made for a teacher's salary at Fort Rupert.

The four new desks in this school should be returned to Mamallillikulla Indian Day School to which they appear to belong.

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Write Halliday
Agent Fort Rupert Island

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Ottawa, May 16, 1931.

Rev. Sir:

The Inspector of Indian Schools for the Province of British Columbia, who recently visited the Indian day school which is being conducted at Fort Rupert, states that this school is in a most unsatisfactory condition. He also states that on the day he visited the school there were no children present, and that he was informed there were only four children then in the village. He further stated that the classroom is so unattractive that he could see no reason why children should want to attend. He did not consider that Miss Cadwallader, the teacher, has any qualifications of any sort which would make her retention as a teacher desirable.

In view of the Inspector's report, and also owing to the fact that there are too few children in this village to make up a fair average attendance for a day school, the Department has decided to discontinue the grant allowed for the teacher's salary as from the end of the present school year, viz., June 30th, next.

We are requesting the local Indian Agent to have the four new desks at this school which were transferred from the Mamalillikulla Indian School returned to that school.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

Rev. John Antle,
Superintendent, Columbia Coast Mission,
Room 603 - 198 Hastings St. W.,
Vancouver, B.C.

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156-31-1.

Ottawa, May 18, 1931.

Sir:

I have to inform you that, in a report from Mr. Barry, Inspector of Indian Schools for the Province of British Columbia, he states the work being performed at the Indian day school at Fort Rupert is unsatisfactory and that there are too few children in this village to make up a fair average attendance for a day school. He also states that the classroom in which the school is conducted is unsuitable.

The Department is informing Rev. John Antle, Superintendent of Columbia Coast Mission, Vancouver, under whose auspices the school is conducted, that the Department has decided to discontinue the grant allowed for the teacher's salary at the end of the present school year, viz., June 30th, next.

You will be written in a separate communication regarding the returning of the four desks to the Mamalillikulla Day School.

Your obedient servant,

~~A. P. MacKenzie,~~
Secretary.

W. M. Halliday, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Alert Bay, B.C.

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156-31-1.

Ottawa, June 5, 1931.

Sir:

I have to refer you to official letter of the 18th ultimo, regarding conditions at the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. We have discussed this matter with Rev. John Antle, Superintendent, Columbia Coast Mission, who recently visited the Department, and have decided to allow this school to continue in operation during the coming school year. Mr. Antle has pointed out that, although Miss Cadwallader, the teacher, has no professional qualifications, she is performing good service, not only with the Indian children in the classroom but also among the Indian families at Fort Rupert. Mr. Antle will, in due course, visit this point and endeavour to arrange more attractive quarters for the classes, with a view to improving conditions. I have to request that you will give any assistance you can in the work at this school and endeavour to encourage the Indian families in seeing that the children attend regularly while they are at home from the Fisheries.

We will continue salary for the teacher at the same rate as previously paid, viz., $75 per teaching month.

Regarding the instructions which you received to return the four desks from this school to the Mamalillikulla Day School, I have to say that, if you have not already carried out these instructions, the desks are to remain at Fort Rupert.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

W. M. Halliday, Esq.,
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Alert Bay, B.C.

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156-31-1.

Ottawa, June 5, 1931.

Rev. Sir:

Referring to official letter of the 18th ultimo and also to conversation with you while in the Department yesterday, relative to continuing the Indian day school at Fort Rupert, I have to say that, as you were informed in our conversation, the Department will be pleased to approve of the continuing of this school activity for the coming school year. The Department also approves of Miss Cadwallader continuing teaching duties, with salary at the same rate as previously paid, viz., $75 per teaching month, payment of same being made direct to the Columbia Coast Mission at the end of each quarter, upon receipt of the usual returns showing attendance, days' taught, etc. Mr. Agent Halliday is being informed accordingly, and requested to give any assistance he can in the work at this school.

The Department would be pleased if arrangements could be made to improve the condition of the room in which the classes are conducted, with a view to making it as attractive as possible for the children who attend. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance of the Indian children during the period the Indians will reside at Fort Rupert.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

Rev. John Antle,
Superintendent, Columbia Coast Mission,
Room 603 - 198 Hastings St. W.,
Vancouver, B.C.

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July 21st 1931.

SCHOOLS BRANCH
JUL 29 1931

Russell T.Ferrier Esq,
Superintendent of Indian Education,
Indian Office,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr Ferrier,

I was sorry not to have met you while in Ottawa in May, but I want to say that I appreciate very much the reception I received at the hands of your staff, especially in the matter of the school at Fort Rupert; which had been reported on adversely by the inspector. I have not been able to see the inspector yet but have no doubt that he will understand,as your staff did,the answer to his objections. The two points made by him were the unsuitability of the room and the lack of qualification of the teacher.

My answer to the first is that the Cadwallader living room while it lacks much that might be desirable in the way of a school, is a large and airy room with fireplace and good ventilation, and above all being the big house of the village, (Mrs Cadwallader is an Indian Princess tho' halfbreed, is well educated and highly respected) the children look upon it as a privilege to be able to go to the house. At Kingcome Inlet before the new school was built, an old ramshackle deserted house was used, far inferior to that now used at Fort Rupert.But it was a beginning and resulted as I hope this beginning at Fort Rupert will result.

With regard to the teacher's qualification, Victoria Cadwallader has received a good common school education quite sufficient for the work she has to do, which is entirely primary and chiefly preparation for the big school at Alert Bay. Her great qualification is that she speaks the language, which is a great help in preparing the children for the big school. Before these day schools were established the pupils went up to the big school without knowing a word of English which made it difficult for the teachers to grade them. Now they can be graded as soon as they arrive. In my opinion this qualification is more important for this work than any other qualification. I would hesitate to put a girl graduate of the normal school in a position of this kind. The shortness of the teaching season would make it impossible to get a qualified teacher to accept such a position anyway.

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Some good has come out of the report. I have visited the village, and have spoken to the chiefs, and they are very much concerned.

I am hoping it will mean the building of a small school room and in a special effort being made to keep the women and children home from the canneries. This yearly pilgrimage of women and children to the canneries, in my opinion, is most detrimental to Indian progress, both educationally and morally, and I am doing what I can to combat it. If one only had the backing of the Indian Agent instead of the oppsition, this condition might be seen eliminated.

The Department has in the past paid fuel bills for the school at Kingcome River. This year the Indians helped with wood, but wood is so difficult to get in that district that we were compelled to send them coal.

I am enclosing bills in duplicate.

With apologies for so long a letter,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

John Antle

Supt:C.C.M.In c.

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156-31-1

Ottawa, July 29th, 1931.

Sir,-

Referring to your report on your inspection of the Fort Rupert Indian Day School in April last, regarding the services being performed by Miss Victoria Cadwallader, the teacher, I have to inform you that the Department has had an opportunity of discussing Miss Cadwallader's services with Rev. John Antle, Superintendent, Columbia Coast Mission.

Mr. Antle states that Miss Cadwallader has received a good common school education quite sufficient for the work she has to do, which is entirely primary and chiefly preparation for the big school at Alert Bay. Her great qualification is that she speaks the language, which is a great help in preparing the children for the big school. Before these day schools were established, the pupils went up to the big school without knowing a word of English, which made it difficult for the teachers to grade them. Now they can be graded as soon as they arrive. In my opinion, this qualification is more important for this work than any other qualification. I would hesitate to put a girl graduate of the normal school in a position of this kind. The shortness of the teaching season would make it impossible to get a qualified teacher to accept such a position anyway."

The Department, in view of Mr. Antle's report, is approving of the re-appointment of Miss Cadwallader for the coming school year and Mr. Agent Halliday has been informed accordingly. It is hoped that there will be better progress made during the next school year.

Regarding the accommodation provided for classroom purposes, Mr. Antle has discussed this matter with the Indians and he states that, while the room in which the class is conducted lacks much that might be desirable, it is a large and airy room with fireplace and good ventilation and that, above all, being the big house of the village, the children look upon it as a privilege to be able to go to the house.

The Department cannot insist on fully qualified teachers being obtained for outlying and isolated schools such as at Fort Rupert and, in making your inspection, you should take into account all circumstances regarding each of these isolated schools visited by you. The teachers, while not fully qualified, may, from their familiarity with the Indians, be doing special work other than teaching duties which is of real value in the welfare of the Indians.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie.
Secretary.

Gerald H. Barry, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Schools for B.C.,
P. O. Box 666,
Victoria, B. C.

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Ottawa, July 29th, 1931.

Reverend Sir,-

I have your letter of the 21st instant, relative to the teaching and classroom conditions at the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. It is noted that an improvement will be made in the classroom facilities.

We are communicating with Mr. Inspector Barry relative to the services of Miss Cadwallader and informing him that the Department has approved of her re-engagement for the coming school year and, in this connection, I beg to refer you to official letter dated June 5th, last.

A cheque will be sent you in due course in payment for the coal and wood supplied for use at the Kingcome Inlet Indian Day School and for the freight and cartage on same.

Your obedient servant,

(over)

A. F. MacKenzie.
Secretary.

Rev. John Antle,
Superintendent, Columbia Coast Mission,
Room 603 - 198 Hastings St. W.,
Vancouver, B. C.

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Office of Inspector of Schools,

15/22046

August 5, 1931.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir;

With reference to your 156-31-1 dated July 29,1931, I have the honour to respectfully submit the following.

My report on the Fort Rupert Indian Day School, under date of April 20, 1931, and forwarded through the Indian Commissioner for B.C., was made after a very careful inspection of the school. At this inspection I was accompanied by Mr. Indian Agent Halliday, who informed me that he would also report on the school. As suggested in the last paragraph of your letter, all circumstances regarding the school and its teacher were taken into account by the Indian Agent and myself. My report was made in accordance with the instructions contained in and attached to Departmental letter 4-210 dated January 14,1931 I had previously inspected the Alert Bay Indian Residential School, and was aware of the poor preparation being given by the small Indian Day Schools to the children going on to the Residential School.

As stated in my report on the Fort Rupert Indian Day School, I consider this school to be in a most unsatisfactory condition. I regret that I am quite unable to agree with the statements of the Reverend Mr. Antle, quoted in paragraph two of your letter.

Regarding the accommodation provided for the School, I do not understand what the Reverend Mr. Antle means by "The big house of the village". The School was at first carried on in a private house, owned I believe by Mr. Cadwallader, but as stated in my report the back room of a store is now being used. This room, in its present condition, is quite unsuitable for school purposes, as it is half filled with all sorts of stock goods, old clothes, matresses, hardware, Etc.

I much regret that the Department has seen fit to accept the Reverend Mr. Antle's report as against those of my own Agent, and Inspector. This letter, as well as my previous report on Fort Rupert Indian Day School will place on record my carefully considered and professional opinion on the matter.

The Departmental letters above quoted have been before Mr. Indian Commissioner Ditchburn, through whom this reply is being forwarded, in order that he may be made aware of its contents, the matter of Fort Rupert Indian School having come up during a conference between the Commissioner, the Right Reverend Bishop Schofield, and myself on a previous occasion.

All the above is most respectfully submitted for the information of the Department.

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

Gerald H. Barry.

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District Inspector of Indian Schools

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CANADA Office of Inspector of Schools,
~~COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE~~
P.O. BOX 666
VICTORIA, B.C., August 5, 1931.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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Office of Inspector of Schools,

15/22047

August 5, 1931.

W.E.Ditchburn, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
P.O. Box 666,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir;

I have the honour to request that you will transmit to the Department of Indian Affairs the attached reply to Departmental letter 156-31-1 dated July 29,1931.

This reply with regard to the Indian Day School at Fort Rupert, in the Kwawkewlth Agency, is being forwarded through your office inorder that you may be aware of its contents. My original report on the school in question was sent to you on May 6, 1931. Reference is also requested to the report of Mr. Indian Agent Halliday under his 136/15 addressed to the Secretary, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, a copy of which under date June 18, 1931, is on your file.

Your obedient servant,

Gerald H. Barry.

Gerald H. Barry.
District Inspector of Schools, B.C.

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CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 15/6/22363
ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
P.O. BOX 666
VICTORIA, B.C., September 10, 1931.

Sir:

I beg to transmit herewith a report dated August 5th, ultimo, as submitted to this office by Captain Gerald H. Barry, Inspector of Indian Schools for British Columbia, with respect to the Indian Day School at Fort Rupert in the Kwawkewlth Agency. This is being referred to you personally at your request, this being the matter which we discussed with Captain Barry when you were in Victoria.

It is understood from Inspector Barry that in a recent conversation had between himself and Rev. Mr. Antle, the latter, after being in accord with the Inspector's representations, would communicate with the Department pointing out that his (Mr.Antle's) representations to the Department were made without a knowledge of the conditions as complained of by Inspector Barry.

Your obedient servant,

W. E. Ditchburn.
Indian Commissioner for B.C.

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ENCL

Duncan C. Scott, Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent General
Of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JAN 18

January 16th 1931

Russell T.Ferrier,
Superintendent of Indian Education,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa,Ontario.

Dear Mr Ferrier,

I intended writing to you earlier on the matter of Fort Rupert School,but was waiting to see what the Indians could do in the way of a building at Fort Rupert. They promised to be responsible for half the cost of a small building plans of which were provided by the school inspector,costing a total of about $1000.00.

You remember last Spring the inspector reported against the school,for two reasons,the qualifications of the teacher,and the building. In the first case I still maintain that a girl of Victoria Cadwallader's education being able to talk the language will do better work than a regular teacher just finished training,which is all we can expect to get.

In regard to the latter,the condition of the room,I found on investigation,that the inspector was right,and told him so. Without my knowledge they had moved the school from the comfortable living room in which it was started to a room off the store,and the inspector was quite right in condemning it.

As soon as I had knowledge of this,I cancelled the teachers appointment and did not open the school. I also held a meeting with the Indians and find them very keen to have a school for the younger children in order to be able to keep them at home when very young and in the meanwhile to have them instructed and prepared for the big school at Alert Bay. They offered,as I said to raise half the cost of the building.

As the salary of the teacher was granted but not used,would it be possible to have the amount diverted to the building of the school? There are 14 children there of primary school age and the Indians have promised more regular attendance in future.

Sincerely yours,

John Antle

Superintendent,
Columbia Coast Mission Inc.

P.S. So far we have not had salaries for Kingcome or Village I. This regular reports have been sent in through W. Halliday. We have been paying the teachers monthly out of C.C.M. funds, but I presume the salaries will be forthcoming in due time so.

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Ottawa, January 20, 1932.

Reverend Sir:

I have your letter of the 12th instant, with reference to the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. Before the Department considers an expenditure of $500 towards the cost of providing a proper classroom, I think it advisable for you to satisfy either Mr. Commissioner Ditchburn or Mr. Inspector Barry that there will be a worthwhile attendance of our wards if a school is conducted at this point. During the next few weeks, when you are in Victoria or when either of our officers is in Vancouver, you might arrange for an interview. I am writing to the Commissioner, asking him to let the Department have a recommendation pursuant to your talk with him or with Mr. Barry.

Your obedient servant,

Russell T. Ferrier,
Supt. of Indian Education.

Rev. John Antle,
Superintendent,
Columbia Coast Mission,
Room 603 - 198 Hastings St. W.,
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D.A.D.

Ottawa, January 20, 1932.

Sir:

I wish to refer to your 15/6/22363 of September 10th, last, concerning the Fort Rupert Indian Day School. The Reverend Mr. Antle has recently written the Department, and he states that Inspector Barry was right. He cancelled the teacher's appointment and did not open the school. His letter reads in part as follows: "I also held a meeting with the Indians and find them very keen to have a school for the younger children, so that they will be instructed and prepared for the Alert Bay Indian Residential School. The Indians offered to raise one-half the cost of the building. As the salary of the teacher was granted but not used, would it be possible to have the amount devoted to the building of the school? There are 14 children there of primary school age. The Indians have promised more regular attendance in future."

I am enclosing, for your information and guidance, a copy of official reply to Mr. Antle. When you or Inspector Barry have had an opportunity of discussing this situation with him, will you please make a recommendation to the Department.

ENCL.

Your obedient servant,

Russell T. Ferrier,
Supt. of Indian Education.

W. E. Ditchburn, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Box 666, Victoria,
B. C.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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Office of Inspector of Schools,

P.O.Box 666,
Victoria, B.C.

March 15, 1932.

W.E.Ditchburn, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
P.O. Box 666,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir;

I have the honour to forward herewith my report on the situation at Fort Rupert, Kwawkewlth Agency, which was made as a result of an investigation made with the Indian Agent, Mr. W.M.Halliday at Alert Bay.

The Indian Agent explained each case as shown in the "Band Book". In my report I have shown the name of the father, the sex of the child, the age, where the family lives, and where the child attends school.

I am unable to recommend the establishment of any sort of Indian School at Fort Rupert.

Your obedient servant,

Gerald H. Barry.

Gerald H. Barry.
District Inspector of Indian Schools.

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Report on Investigation with regard to Fort Rupert Indian Day School

On Wednesday February 24th 1932 I had a long interview with the Indian Agent, Kwawkewlth Agency, Mr. W.M.Halliday. We went over the 'Band Book' of the Fort Rupert Indians with very great care. Each child of school age was separately considered.

The main object in this investigation was to satisfy the Department as to the need for an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert.

We found that the following children of school age belong to the Fort Rupert Band:-

Name:-	Sex:-	Age:-	Lives at:-	Attends school:-
Wilson	Boy	7	Fort Rupert (Part time)	No.
J.Hunt	Boy	9	Fort Rupert	No.
J.Hunt	Girl	11	Fort Rupert	No.
S. Hunt has 5 children of school age			Alert Bay	All attend at Alert Bay Day.
J. Sam	Girl	8	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day.
S. Martin has 3 children of school age 12, 10 and 7 years.			Alert Bay	2 Residential, 1at Alert Bay Day Sch.
H. Newman has 3 children, 9, 8, & 7.			Alert Bay	3 Alert Bay Day
C. Newman	Boy	10	Alert Bay	At Residential Sch.
G. Whonnock has 2 children 8, & 6.			Alert Bay	2 at Alert Bay Day.
J. Abraham	Boy	10	Alert Bay	3 at Alert Bay Day
	Girl	8		
	Boy	6		
K. Hunt	Boy	15	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day
	Boy	14		Alert Bay Day
	Girl	8		Alert Bay Day
	Boy	6		No.
J. Knox	Girl	11	Half time at Alert Bay, half at Fort Rupert	When at Alert Bay attends Day School
	Girl	9		
C. Newman (See above)	Girl	12	Alert Bay	2 attend Alert Bay Day School.
	Girl	10		
Mrs E.Nowell	Boy	14	Alert Bay	At Residential.
B. Brotchie	Boy	11	Alert Bay	All the 4 are attending Alert Bay Day School.
	Boy	7		
	Girl	13		
	Girl	9		
J. Wallace	Boy	10	Fort Rupert. (1 month a year)	Boy attends at Mamalillikulla most of the time.

The ONLY children of school age who would be available for an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert are Wilson's boy (Part time), the boy and girl of J.Hunt, two girls of J.Knox (Part time), and possibly J.Wallace's boy for one month per year. From this it will be perfectly clear that the necessary attendance, to warrant the establishment of an Indian Day School, is impossible.

The statement that there are 14 children of primary school age at Fort Rupert, made to the Department, and quoted in Departmental letter 156-31-1 dated January 20, 1932, if intended to mean that the children live there is not in accordance with the facts.

Gerald H Barry

Victoria, B.C.
March 15, 1932.

Gerald H. Barry.
District Inspector of Indian Schools, B.C.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
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ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
P. O. BOX 666
VICTORIA, B.C., March 16, 1932.

Dear Sir:

Herewith attached please find the report of Schools Inspector Barry with regard to the situation at Fort Rupert, Quawkewlth Agency, insofar as it pertains to the establishment of a Day School.

In view of the facts brought out by Inspector Barry it is quite apparent there would be no useful purpose served by the establishing of a Day School at Fort Rupert as there are not sufficient children residing there to warrant even an average attendance.

Your obedient servant,

W. E. Ditchburn

W. E. Ditchburn,
Indian Commissioner for B.C.

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The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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156-31-1.

Ottawa, March 22, 1932.

Rev. Sir:

In further reference to your letter of January 12th, last, requesting a grant towards the cost of providing a proper classroom for the Indian children at Fort Rupert, I have to say that Mr. G. H. Barry, Inspector of Indian Schools for British Columbia, who recently visited this locality in company with Mr. Agent Halliday, states that there are not sufficient children residing at this point to carry on school activity. Inspector Barry reports as follows:

> "The only children of school age who would be available for an Indian day school at Fort Rupert are Wilson's boy (part time), the boy and girl of J. Hunt, two girls of J. Knox (part time), and possibly J. Wallace's boy for one month per year. From this it will be perfectly clear that the necessary attendance, to warrant the establishment of an Indian day school, is impossible.
>
> "The statement that there are 14 children of primary school age at Fort Rupert, if intended to mean that the children live there, is not in accordance with the facts."

It appears that a number of the children from this point attend either the Alert Bay Day or Residential School.

Mr. Commissioner Ditchburn, who forwards Mr. Barry's report, states that in view of the facts brought out by Inspector Barry, it is quite apparent there would be no useful purpose served by the establishment of a day school at Fort Rupert, as there are not sufficient children residing there to warrant even an average attendance.

In view of the above reports, the Department does not consider that it would be advisable to authorize a grant to provide a school building at this point or to carry on classroom activity.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

Rev John Antle,
Superintendent,
Columbia Coast Mission,
Room 603 - 198 Hastings St. W.,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Ottawa, March 22, 1932.

Sir:

I have your 15/6/24378 of the 16th instant, enclosing the report of Mr. G. H. Barry, Inspector of Indian Schools for British Columbia, with regard to the situation at Fort Rupert, insofar as it pertains to the establishment of a day school at that point.

In reply I have to inform you that Rev. John Antle, Superintendent of the Columbia Coast Mission, who requested a grant for the erection of a classroom, is being informed that no useful purpose would be served by the establishment of a day school at this point, as there are not sufficient children residing there to warrant the expenditure in erecting a building and conducting a school.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

W. E. Ditchburn, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Box 666, Victoria,
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"Heal the Sick . . . and say unto them, the Kingdom of God is come nigh unto you"—St. Luke X. 9

REV. JOHN ANTLE, SUPERINTENDENT

REV. ALAN GREENE, MISSIONARY, QUATHIASKI COVE

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VANCOUVER, B. C.

April 18th 1932

A.T.Mackenzie Esq,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa,Ont.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of March 22nd,No.156-31-1,regarding the proposed school at Fort Rupert.

I got my information from a meeting of the Indians at Fort Rupert, presided over by old chief O,as he is called,an Indian of great integrity and very much respected by the whole tribe. Mr Halliday has been opposed to the idea of schools outside of Alert Bay and brings the inspector to Rupert at times when the Indians are away,and I was informed by the Indians that he had not visited the village for three years till he brought the inspector. However that is neither here nor there. The Department has the right to refuse to help this project,and I am much too busy to spend time with the Indians unless there is cooperation from those in authority,and I must confess there has been very little cooperation from the local authorities.

I do not mean by this that I have not received the greatest help and consideration from headquarters in Ottawa,a fact which I appreciate very much.

Sincerely yours,

John Antle

Superintendent,
Columbia Coast Mission Inc.

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Office of Inspector of Indian Schools,

P.O.Box 666,
Victoria, B.C.

April 12, 1935.

C. C. Perry, Esq.,
Assistant Indian Commissioner,
P.O.Box 666,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honour to forward herewith a report on the present situation at Fort Rupert, Kwawkewlth Agency. Mr. Indian Agent Todd and I went into the matter with very great care. No doubt you will remember that on March 15th 1932 a similar report was forwarded to you after my conference with Mr. W.M. Halliday, who was at that time Indian Agent at Alert Bay.

The Department of Indian Affairs has not been put to any expense in the matter, as I took advantage of the fact that I was in Alert Bay on other Departmental business.

I am glad to have had the opportunity of going into the whole matter of the educational needs of the Fort Rupert Band of Indians with Mr. Indian Agent Todd, with whose ideas in respect to this subject I am in entire sympathy.

Your obedient servant,

Gerald H. Barry.

Gerald H. Barry.
District Inspector of Indian Schools, B.C.

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REPORT ON INVESTIGATION INTO THE NECESSITY FOR AN INDIAN DAY SCHOOL AT FORT RUPERT.

Reason for Investigation:

Since making a survey report on the need for an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert, which report was dated March 15th 1932, I have been requested again and again by Anglican Ministers to reconsider my recommendation that there was no need for an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert.

This matter has again been brought up by a suggestion from the local Anglican Minister at Alert Bay, the Reverend O.Hodgson, made to me verbally, that an Indian Day School was required for the children at Fort Rupert. A small Anglican Church has lately been erected at this point. The Reverend Mr. Hodgson informs me that he is paying out of his own pocket the salary of a local girl, apparently unqualified as a teacher, to teach two or three Indian children at this place.

As I am certain a request will sooner or later be made to the Department of Indian Affairs to either re-establish the Indian Day School at Fort Rupert, or to give a grant towards the salary of a girl or Missionary employed by the Anglican Church, I wish to lay the facts of the case before the Department.

Procedure: I took the opportunity while in Alert Bay recently to discuss the matter with the Indian Agent, Mr. M.S.Todd. On March 9th last Mr. Todd and I went through the whole roll of the Fort Rupert Band, as given in the 'Band Book'. Each child of school age, or near school age, was separately considered by the Indian Agent and myself. We had the help of two local Indians who were well acquainted with the families in this Fort Rupert Band and with the present location of each Indian and child. I also had a roll of the St. Michael's Indian Residential School showing names of children in that school, with the name of the Band or location from which the child had come.

The Department was not put to any cost whatever by my carrying out this investigation in this way. It also aided the Indian Agent to have my views, and I was glad to hear his on the matter.

I also was able to speak to Mr. F.E.Anfield about some of the children, and to obtain his CONFIDENTIAL views on the establishment of such a school as has been requested by Church authorities in the past.

Investigation: The result of our work appears on the next page, and will make my recommendation clear to the Department.

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Band:	Name of Father:	Boy or Girl:	Name of Child:	Age:	Father or Mother lives:	Child attends School at:	Child is or is not available for Fort Rupert School:
FORT RUPERT	R. Wilson	Boy	Charlie	11	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	John Hunt	Boy	Eugen	13	Fort Rupert	St. Michael's	? (Discharged)
	John.Hunt	Boy	Edwin (?)	9	Fort Rupert	No school	Yes
	Stanley Hunt	Boy	Sam		Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	Stanley Hunt	Boy	David		Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	Stanley Hunt	Girl	Elizabeth		Alert Bay	St Michael's	No
	Stanley Hunt	?	Two Children		Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	Spruce Martin	Girl	Annie	16	Fort Rupert &	St. Michael's	No
	Spruce Martin	Girl	Sarah	15	Alert Bay.	St. Michael's	No
	T. Johnson	Boy	Paul	13	Fort Rupert	No school	Yes
	J. Knox	Girl	Dorothy	14	Alert Bay &	Alert Bay Day	No
	J. Knox	Girl	Margaret	12	Fort Rupert	St. Michael's	Special Discharge, Yes.
	Charlie Newman	Girl	Margaret	15	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	Charlie Newman	Girl	Louisa	13	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	B. Brotchie	Boy	Albert	14	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	B. Brotchie	Girl	Annie	12	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	B. Brotchie	Boy	Wilfred	10	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	B. Brotchie	Boy	Benjamin	8	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	J. Wallace	Boy	Harry	13	Alert Bay &	St. Michael's	No
	H. Newman	Girl	Dorothy	12	Fort Rupert	No knowledge	go to school.
	H. Newman	Girl	Lillums	11	North Vancouver	of where these	It may be to the
	H. Newman	Boy	Herbert	8	(Permanently)	three children	North Vancouver Day or Residential School
	Carey Newman	Boy	Alan	13	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	Carey Newman	Girl	Doris	11	Bella Bella	Bella Bella	No
	G. Wilson	Girl	Emily	6	Fort Rupert	Uncertain Possibly Cape Mudge Day	Child lives with her Aunt at Quathiaski Cove

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Band:	Name of Father:	Boy or Girl:	Name of Child:	Age:	Father or Mother lives:	Child attends School at:	Child is or is not available for Fort Rupert School:
FORT RUPERT	G. Whonnock	Girl	Dorothy	11	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	G. Whonnock	Girl	Annie	9	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	G. Whonnock	Girl	Lydia	7	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	G. Whonnock	Girl	Hilda	5	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day?	No
	I. Abraham	Girl	Emma	16	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	Probably Discharged now. No
	I. Abraham	Girl	Elizabeth	12	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	I. Abraham	Boy	Arthur	14	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	I. Abraham	Boy	Peter	11	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	I. Abraham	Girl	Annie	9	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	I. Abraham	Girl	Elsie	6	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
	K.Hunt	Girl	Emily	13	Alert Bay	Was at Alert Bay	Living with relatives at
	K. Hunt	Boy	Percy	11	Alert Bay	Day School	Fort Rupert for the time.?
	K. Hunt	Boy	Sampson	7	Alert Bay	No school	At Fort Rupert just now ?
	J. Salmon	Boy	Fred	16	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	J. Salmon	Girl	Eliza	13	Alert Bay	St. Michael's	No
	J. Salmon	Girl	Mary Isobel	9	Alert Bay	Alert Bay Day	No
KWAWWAWAINEUCK BAND	Alfred Scow (Married to a Fort Rupert girl.)	Girl	Lily	8	Fort Rupert	No school	Yes
		Boy	Lawrence	7	Fort Rupert	No school	Yes

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Investigation: (Continued)

It will be seen from the above that the only children available for an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert are as follows:-

EUGEN HUNT; 13. I am not certain that this boy has been finally discharged from St. Michael's Indian Residential School.

EDWIN HUNT; 9. This boy may or may not be accepted at St. Michael's School for the next School Year.

PAUL JOHNSON; 13. I do not know the history of this boy. If there is no medical reason why he should remain out it might be possible to place him in the St. Michael's Residential School next term.

MARGARET KNOX; 12. I understand that this girl was discharged because she was so unhappy at St. Michael's. Possibly she will want to return there later.

EMILY HUNT; 13.
PERCY HUNT; 11.
SAMPSON HUNT; 7 — The three children of K.Hunt are only living at Fort Rupert for the time. EMILY & PERCY used to attend the Alert Bay Day School and will no doubt do so again. SAMPSON was too young but I see no reason why he should not also attend the Day School at a later date when these children return to Alert Bay.

LILY SCOW; 8.
LAWRENCE SCOW 7. — These Scow children have no school at present but it would appear to me that they might be admitted to St. Michael's Residential School if there is no disability of a physical nature.

Recommendation:

I am quite unable to see the need for an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert. It is obvious that the attendance would be very small. I could not possibly recommend that a qualified girl should be appointed to such a school, if it were established, as I am not satisfied that she would have a proper place to live or enough protection.

An Anglican might be appointed as a MISSIONARY TEACHER. He would no doubt attempt to carry on a small school in the new Anglican Church. The Anglican Church would like to have the money from the Department no doubt, but I could not possibly recommend the establishment of a small school at Fort Rupert. The available children for such a school should in my opinion be provided for at St. Michael's Indian Residential School. Unless an average attendance of ten children could be guaranteed, and it is quite impossible to do this at Fort Rupert, I do not believe that an Indian Day School should be started. I should not care to recommend a Day School with a lower average than fifteen, which would mean about twenty local children not otherwise provided for available to start with.

The whole of the above is submitted with respect in the hope that it may be of help to the Department of Indian Affairs should they be requested to open an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert.

Gerald H. Barry.

Victoria, B.C.
April 12, 1935.

Gerald H. Barry.
District Inspector of Indian Schools, B.C.

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
P.O. BOX 666

VICTORIA, B.C., April 12, 1935.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith letter of the 12th instant, received from Capt. G. H. Barry, District Inspector of Indian Schools, B.C., enclosing report on investigation into the necessity for an Indian Day School at Fort Rupert, Kwawkewlth Agency, B.C.

Your obedient servant,

C. C. Perry.
Asst. Indian Commissioner for B.C.

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The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Ottawa, April 29, 1935.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, with reference to the situation at Fort Rupert. It is noted that Mr. Barry does not consider there are sufficient pupils at this point to justify the establishment of an Indian day school.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

C. C. Perry, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
P. O. Box 666,
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