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1874

Included (Last Return) in Annual Report to 30th June 1873 –

T. Stewart
V. Supt
Charlottetown
P. E. Island

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Respecting Schools Among Prince Edward Island Indians

✓ Ack^d March 2/74

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Extract from

The School Visitor's Report for Prince County Prince Edward I[illegible]

for the Years 1869 & 1870.

School	Teacher	Pupils Enrolled	Pupils Present	Pupils Average	Reading	Writing	Arithmetic	Grammar	Geography	Dictation	Miscellaneous	Remarks.
90 Lennox Island Richmond Bay Feb. 14. 1870.	Martin Francis (Indian)	25	15	7	25 Remarkably good; a creditable knowledge of the passages read.	13. Careful, Clean, & Neat.	6 In the Multiplication Table	13 Spelling Correct				This School reflects much credit on the industry of the Teacher, and the ability of the Pupils.

In his Synopsis, the Visitor thus expresses himself under the head of Indian School.

The School at Lennox Island under the charge of Martin Francis (Indian) as Teacher is doing well. There is no school in the County in which the Pupils have to overcome the obstacle of a foreign accent which is in such a satisfactory state. The Pupils are exceedingly apt, industrious, and intelligent. The building now used as a School House is the residence of the Teacher. The want of a proper School-room is much felt by the Indian Community. These people feel very much interested in the education of their Children, and I think if the Government were to build them a suitable School House it would stimulate them to greater exertions. Robert McKelvie School Visitor

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Extract from
Second Half-Yearly Report of the School Visitor for Prin[illegible]
County Prince Edward Island dated October 22nd 1871.

School.	Teacher.	Pupils. In District	Pupils. Enrolled	Pupils. Present	Reading. Average	Reading. Class	Reading. No	Writing	Arithmetic. Class	Arithmetic. No	Grammar. Class	Grammar. No	Geography. Class	Geography. No	Dictation. Class	Dictation. No	Miscellaneous. Branches	Miscellaneous. Class	Status of Schools	Remarks.
No. 104. Lennox Island Richmond Bay.	M. Francis (Indian) First Class	40	31	9	20	2nd	26	14 Remarkably Sound & good	2nd	7			2nd	8					Good.	Answer of Pupils very correct & result of examination highly creditable to both Teacher & pupils.

William Beairsto
School Visitor

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Extract from

Report of the School Visitor for Prince County Prince Edward for the year 1872.

School.	Teacher	Pupils: Distinct	Pupils: Enrolled	Pupils: Present	Pupils: Average	Reading: Class	Reading: No	Writing	Arithmetic: Class	Arithmetic: No	Grammar	Geography: Class	Geography: No	Dictation	Miscellaneous: Branches	Miscellaneous: Class	Status of Schools.
No 98 Lennox Island Richmond Bay.	Martin Francis. Indian.	50	30	14	15	2nd	27	16 very clean and good	2nd	12		2nd	16				Good

Remarks. School No 98. Attendance smaller than usual; State of the School; a great credit to the Teacher

William Benerslo
School Visitor
Prince County.

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Office of Board of Education
Charlotte Town Province of [illegible]
Edward Island 21st [illegible]
1874.

This is to certify that I this and the accom-
-panying Papers marked respectively
B. C. & D contains true and faithful
transcripts from the Original Papers
of the School Visitors thereinreferred to.
Given under my hand the
day and year aforesaid.
Donald McNeill
SVC

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Return of Indian School at Lennox Island Province of Prince Edward Island for the (E.) Quarter of the year ending 26th March 1873.

Indian Reserve or Band.	Name of Teacher.	Salary per Annum $	cts.	From what funds paid.	No. of Boys.	No. of Girls.	Total.	REMARKS.
Lennox Island, in Richmond Bay. Province of Prince Edward Island. Tribe of Micallee Indians.	Martin Francis	243	33.	Provincial funds - Subject Matter of a Special Grant.	16.	12.	28.	$162 22 being allowed as Salary and 48-6 for School accommodation, making the foregoing aggregate of $243. 33. School so far closed since 26th March, that pupils were unable to attend from want of Clothing and other hindrances. It is expected to be shortly re-opened from the joint Efforts making by the Commissioner and the Trustees, for the purpose

Martin Francis

School Teacher.

18th February 1874.

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A.

Detail of the Distribution of Sixty pairs of Blankets received under the Dominion, among the Prince Edward Island Indians, as under viz commencing the 16th December 1873.

FEB 28 1874

Heads of families		Heads of families	
Alex^r Thomas.	1 pair	Brought up	24 pairs
Peter Louis.	1 p^r	Widow Alex^r Bernard.	1 pair
James Louis	1 p^r	Joseph Bernard	1 p^r
Mich^l Louis	1 p^r	Peter Francis Jr.	1 p^r
James Mitchell.	1 p^r	Thos Thomas.	1 p^r
Peter Barlow	1 p^r	John Thomas.	1 p^r
Widow Noel Thomas.	1 p^r	And^w Dominick	1 p^r
Louis Mitchell.	1 p^r	John Francis	1 p^r
Mich^l Labob	1 p^r	Joseph Francis	1 p^r
Joseph Louis	1 p^r	Paul Snake	1 p^r
Joseph Snake Senr Chief	1 p^r	Widow Dom Nockwood.	1 p^r
Widow Olivier Labob	1 p^r	Noel Dominick.	1 p^r
Peter Snake	1 p^r	Francis Snake	1 p^r
John Barlow	1 p^r	John Nockwood	1 p^r
Stephen Snake	1 p^r	P. Noel Mitchell.	1 p^r
Saml Thomas	1 p^r	Joseph Mitchell	1 p^r
Widow Peter Mitchell.	1 p^r	Abraham Nicolas.	1 p^r
Widow Noel Toney.	1 p^r	Thos Nicolas.	1 p^r
John Louis.	1 p^r	Widow Aug^n Nicolas	1 p^r
Lewis N. Mitchell	1 p^r	Widow Mitchell Nicolas	1 p^r
John Paul	1 p^r	Matt^w Prospere	1 p^r
Peter Bernard Senr Chief	1 p^r	Lewis Prospere	1 p^r
Peter Bernard Jr.	1 p^r	Simon Prospere	1 p^r
Danl Bernard	1 p^r	Simon Nicolas.	1 p^r
	24		47

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Brought over	47 pair
Widow Louis Nicolas.	1 pair
Widow — Nicolas.	1 pr.
Noel Louis Blind	1 pr.
Pollet Toney	1 pr.
Moses Sark	1 pr.
Louis Soupier	1 pr.
Joseph Snake Jr	1 pr.
Joseph Labit	1 pr.
Abraham Soupier	1 pr.
	56
Mary Snake & Gregory Snake	1 pr.
Bridget Nockwood & Joseph Nockwood	1 pr.
Mich.l Francis	1 pr.
— Prospere & — Prospere Daughters of Matt.w Prospere	1 pr.
	60.

Single Indians

J. Stewart.

21st February 1874.

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Charlottetown P. E. Island
21st February 1874.

Sir,

In further replying to your Despatch of the 10th January last No 2307 I beg leave to refer you to the accompanying paper marked A relating the distribution of the sixty pairs of Blankets recently received; and in reporting on the present condition of the Indian School on Lennox Island, I have in the first place to refer you to the accompanying papers & books upon the annual Reports of the Government School Visitors for the years 1869-70-71-72 relating to that School, marked P. E. I. B. The information therein embodied will I doubt not prove highly satisfactory and encouraging.

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The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c. &c. &c.
Ottawa

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I am unable to add any other Report for the year 73. than what will be gleaned from the printed form marked R which is necessarily confined to a return for the quarter ending the 26th March 73, the School having thence to the end of the year and up to the present date been closed from causes however of a transient nature; the obstacles which have intervened will I hope be shortly removed, and the Children or pupils in a position to resume their attendance. It is but right and proper that I should here intimate for your information and that of the General Government that no permanent legal provision exists for the sustentation of this School either as regards the Master's Salary or otherwise, that Salary having been up to 72, met by a special Grant of the Legislature.

for

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for the purpose, and that no further provision was made for this Object in its last Session than for the period ending the 1st. July 64/73. There is no other Indian School in this Province, but instances are not infrequent of Indian children deriving instruction at Ordinary District Schools, at various distances from Lennox Island.

I have to thank you for the interesting Report on Indian affairs of the late Hon. the Joseph Howe, to learn from his pen that "the crowning glory of Canadian policy in all times past, and under all administrations has been the treatment of the Indians," are words calculated not only to reanimate & invigorate the long depressed energies of the Indians of this Province but to stimulate the zeal of their Visiting Superintendent.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servt.
J. Stewart.

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J. Stewart
Visiting Supt
Febry 21/28 Charlottetown
P. Edward Island

Respecting Schools
among Prince
Edward Island
Indians -
4 Reports Enclosed

Acking & to D.S.G.

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No. 3472
See No. 2562

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN BRANCH.
1874

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T. Stewart
V. Supt
Charlotte Town
23/30 May P. E. I

For funds to purchase seed potatoes for Indians of Lennox Island. and on regard to School accommodation.

✓ See lett to Mr Stewart June 1st/74
✓ 9/16 June fur lett from Mr Stewart

Fyle

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~~Report [illegible]~~

Cert 33 [illegible]

✓ 19/27 Aug lett from Mr Stewart
✓ Report by D.S.G. Aug 31
✓ Letter with cheque to Mr Stewart 7 Sept/74.

✓ 6/9 Apl Let from Mr Stewart
✓ 10 Apl " to "
✓ 13/20 Apl let from do
✓ June 9 Let. w. 2 Off Chs. to Stewart
✓ 17/23 June let from Mr T. Stewart.
✓ 21/28 Aug " from do. with resp.

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Port Hill, Province of P. E. Island
19th August 1875.

Received from the Department of the Interior, Indian Branch, Ottawa, Dominion of Canada, (by the hands of the Visiting Superintendent of Indians) the sum of Two Hundred and forty four Dollars, being the Contract price for the building and finishing of a School House on Lennox Island.

Given under my Hand the day and year aforesaid

Witness
Richard Weeks

Thomas Glover

Charlottetown Prince Edward Island
21st August 1875.

Having on the 19th day of August instant personally inspected the School House built by Thomas Glover at Lennox Island, under Contract with the Visiting Superintendent of P.E.I. Indians, I hereby certify that the said Building has been completed agreeable to Contract.

Given under my hand the day & year aforesaid.

Richard Weeks

Architect

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AUG 28 1875
OTTAWA

Charlottetown P. E. Island
21st August 1875

Sir,

Referring to Your Despatch of the 9th June 75. No. 3472 and to Thomas Glover's Contract for the building of a School House on Lennox Island, to be finished by the 1st July. I have to observe that owing to unavoidable hindrances & circumstances beyond his control, the Contractor was necessarily delayed in completing his contract until within the last Week, since when Mr. Weeks and myself have visited the Island, and I now enclose his report on his inspection of the Building. I also forward herewith Mr. Glover's receipt for the 245 Dollars the Contract price for

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c
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the building and finishing the House.

I have the honour to be Sir,

Your obedient Servt.

J. Stewart.

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DEPARTMENT
JUN 23 1875
OTTAWA.

Charlotte Town P. E. Island
17th June 1875.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt this day of Your Despatch of the 9th June inst. No 3472, covering two several cheques of 85 and 40 Dollars in payment of the balance of Grant for the erection of School House on Lennox Island" and now return herewith the receipt for the same in duplicate. The Cheques have been cashed and the amount lodged or left with the Bank as desired. In my letter of the 13th April I inadvertently omitted to state the times of payment under the contract, which were as follows:- one fourth, at the entering in of the contract; another fourth, at a subsequent stage of the work; and the remaining two fourths, on the final completion of the

Receipts marked for the Accountant

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c
Ottawa.

Building

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Building, so that the receipt of the cheques referred to has been very opportune, having on Monday last been present at the raising of the frame and the materials being on the spot, the work of completion ~~will~~ is rapidly progressing

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedt Servt.

F Stewart

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Dept of the Interior
Ottawa
June 1875 9th

Theophilus Stewart Esq
Indian Supt
Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Sir

Referring to your letter of 13th April last on the subject of the award to Mr Thos Glover of the Contract for the School house now in course of Erection on Lenox Island at a cost of $245.00 I beg now to transmit to you herewith credit cheques Nos 90 for $85.00 and for $40.- in all $125.00 which with the sum of $120. sent to you in September last makes the full Contract price of $245.00

It is possible that you may not have occasion to pay the whole of this money to the Contractor at once on account of the building being incomplete: but it is desirable that the whole cost of building the

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the school house should
be borne by the appropriation
for the current year and
with this object in view
the balance of the Grant
is now sent to you and
you will be good enough
to cash the enclosed
cheques as soon as you
receive them and place
the money to your own
credit in the Bank,
drawing on it from
time to time for payt.
to the Contractor as the
work progresses
until the final payment
is made on the completion
of the ~~[illegible]~~ building

I am &c

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OTTAWA. APR 20 1875

Charlotte Town P.E. Island
13th April 1875

Sir,

With reference to your Despatch of the 9th Sept (74 No. 3472, I have to report that a contract has been entered into for the erection of a School House on Lennox Island with a Mr Thomas Glover of Township No. Thirteen, in the Neighborhood of Port Hill, he having tendered for the same at the cost of 245 Dollars, taking upon myself the five dollars in excess of the 240 allowed by your Despatch, rather than remain longer without so important a Buildings to be finished by the 1st July; under proper securities.

25. by 20. with a clear area of 400 Square feet and 10 ft post

245.
120
125
85
40.-

I have the honor to be
Sir Your very obed Servt
J. Stewart.

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c
Ottawa.

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P.S. I regret having troubled you with a communication by Telegraph subsequently to my having done so consulting with Mr Glover I found that I had mistaken the figure 4 for 6 (the sum at which he tendered being expressed in figures,) upon which I immediately closed with him.

T.S.

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By Telegraph from Fort Hall B.C.

To Min Interior

Lowest tender school House Lenox Island two Hundred sixty three dollars answer

Thos Stewart

Defendant cannot pay more than one hundred two hundred and forty dollars.

10/4/75 D.L.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OCT 1 1874
OTTAWA

Charlottetown P. E. Island
26th September 1874.

Sir,

Owing to absence from the City at and in connection with Lennox Island Indian matters, I did not receive your Despatch of the 9th instant No 3472 with an enclosed cheque for 120 $ to forward the expenses of School House at that Island until the 24th, for which I have to thank you, and now return the receipts, as desired.

On the occasion of my recent visit to the Teacher gave me to understand that it was his intention to re-open the School when the several families belonging to Lennox Island shall have returned thither from their

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c
Ottawa.

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respective present summer encampments.
I shall take care to convey to him personally, the warning or lesson embodied in your despatch which I have no doubt will have a salutary effect upon him.
The preparations to forward the erection of the School House will be attended to with all due dispatch.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obedt Servant
T Stewart.

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Thropt. Stewart Esqr.
V. S. I. A.
Charlotte Town.
Prince Edwd. Island.

in reply

Sept. 9. 1874

Sir,

I have ack the receipt of 2 letters of the 19th inf. & to inform you that the Act. S. G. of I. A has approved of the sum of $240 being placed at your disposal towards defraying the cost of erecting a School house at Lennox Island as recommended in your letters of 9th June and 19th August. A cheque for one half that amount ($120) is enclosed herein and the balance will be paid through your hands when the work is completed.

Duplicate receipts are also enclosed which you will please sign and return to this office.

With regard to your report on the conduct of the Teacher of the Lennox Island School I have to request that you will notify the present incumbent that unless he shews a proper interest in the work of instructing the Indian Children, his services will be dispensed with

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and another Teacher
employed in his stead.
I am &c.

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Memo on 31/72

Mr Visiting Superintendent Stewart, in his letter of the 19th Inst, recommends that a proper Schoolhouse for the Indian Youth on Lennox Island, in the Province of Prince Edward Island be built with as little delay as possible, and that means be taken to provide a Teacher for the School in question to replace the present Indian School Teacher on that Island of whom Mr Stewart complains for "showing apathy and indifference in the matter."

Mr Stewart in a letter of the 9th of June last, in reply to an enquiry contained in a letter addressed to him from this Office on the 1st of that month, states that the cost of erecting a Schoolhouse on Lennox Island will probably be about $240.00, and that some of the Indians may be depended upon for contributing by labor towards the same.

It is respectfully recommended that the sum stated by Mr Stewart, viz $240.00 be appropriated towards the object in question from this year's Parliamentary Grant to the Prince Edward Island Indians - and that one half of that amount ($120.00) be placed in Mr Stewart's hands for this

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forthwith towards the furtherance of the same and that the balance be paid also through Mr Stewart's hands on the completion of the building.—

With regard to the Teacher of the School it is respectfully suggested that Mr Supt Stewart be instructed to notify the present Indian incumbent, that unless he shews a proper interest in the work of instructing the Indian Children, his services will be dispensed with, and another Teacher employed.

The Teacher's Salary is $243 $\frac{33}{100}$.

L. Vankoughnet
Dy Sec. I.A.

Indian Branch
Augt 31st 1874

approved
Prof Coll
actg M

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AUG 27 1874
OTTAWA

Charlottetown P. E. Island
19th August 1874.

Sir,

In reference to your Circular Despatch of the 30th Ult., I have now to forward herewith the 'Return' shewing the Indian Population within this District as accurately as a personal knowledge of the details enables me to make it.

In relation to 'School Returns,' I am reluctantly obliged to reiterate to my former account of the continued Suspension of Lennox Island School, and regarding the conduct of the Indian Teacher as entirely free from blame; and his growing apathy and indifference in the matter. I feel constrained in discharge of the responsibility

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c
Ottawa.

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resting upon me under the terms of the instructions communicated in your Despatch of the 9th of May last No. 2,562, as well as the desires of the Indians generally, to recommend that a proper School House be got under weigh with as little delay as possible, and means be taken to provide a white man as Teacher; in this way only, can the instructions referred to be carried out, and a check be given to the machinations that are being set on foot to destroy the hope of all progress on that Island.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
J. Stewart

Mr Stewart in his letter of the 9th June last estimates the cost of erecting a School house on Lamont Island at £60 - ($240.00) - ~~(the Teacher's Salary is $243.33)~~
I think we might send him a Chk for $120.00 to commence the building with - and pay the balance ($120.00) on its completion
(The Teacher's Salary is $243 33/100)
LSH
Augt 28/74

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Ottawa 21st July 1870

My dear Sir

Some time ago you wrote to the Dept. of the Interior asking that funds might be placed at your disposal to meet any emergency which might arise in dealing with Indian affairs in your Superintendancy.

Such a course would however involve the necessity of opening a personal account with you until the sums so placed at your disposal should have been accounted for and would unnecessarily complicate the accounts.

Therefore it has been decided that should occasion arise for the unforseen outlay expenditure of money on Indian account arise, it will be better for you to write to the Department stating the precise sum needed and for

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what object, and a credit for the amount will be telegraphed to you on the receipt of your letter

I am my dear sir
Yours faithfully
R.S. Robt Sinclair

Theophilus Stewart Esq
Superintendent
Indian Office
Charlottetown
P.E.I.

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Mem.

Mr Stewart's request is a reasonable one and, considering his distance from Ottawa and the probable consequent delay in obtaining funds in small amount when required, should, I think, be complied with.

If Mr Stewart will state, approximately, what sum will suffice for each quarter's expenditure, it could at once be placed to his credit to meet "Casual Expenses" in connection with the Indians of P.E.I. but such funds should be used with a due regard to strict economy and an account current of expenditure should be returned on the last day of each quarter except the June quarter, in which the account should be closed, and despatched (with a Cert of Deposit and Affr for what funds he may have in hand) not later than the 20th so that it may be received here in time to be included in the Public Accounts to the 30th Mr Stewart cannot pay his own salary out of this credit his salary will be sent from Ottawa each quarter

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 13
1874
OTTAWA

Charlotte Town P.E. Island
9th June 1874.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch of the 1st Instant No 3472, covering a cheque for One Hundred and thirty three Dollars & 52 cents, for the particular services therein referred to, and now forward herewith a receipt in (Duplicate) for the same as desired.

Referring to the request of the Superintendent General on the subject, I have to observe in explanation, that, not having had any official intimation as to the amount that would be set apart for the Indians of this Province for the year, my position was that of one groping somewhat in the dark, and rather than allow the advantage of good-time to be imperilled in their case, I felt that I must

The Honorable
The Minister of the Interior
&c &c
Ottawa.

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no other alternative at this particular juncture, than to take advantage of the general accommodation afforded by the Bank in the like cases, and in so acting confined myself to the lowest possible amount in order to commence operations, in the expectation and hope that before it was expended directions for my guidance in so important a matter would have been received from your Department; Not being favored in this way and having expended the amount in question, I was again necessitated on the 2nd instant, for the reason assigned, to make use of a similar accommodation from the Bank of an additional twenty pounds - a sympathising Indian friend joining in the Vote with myself; this further sum has been also expended, and I am again without funds for pressing purposes in connexion with seed-time and other pressing

objects

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objects: a detail of the expenditures of these respective sums, will either be forwarded separately or together with my general annual account which shall be prepared in due time. The impoverished and destitute state & condition of the Indians of this Province must be kept in mind, if, under Providence, I am to be humbly instrumental in laboring for their improvement; Daily, and frequently hourly applications, are urgently made to me for relief which require to be met in one way or another. The Cost of erecting a schoolhouse on Lemon Island would I apprehend be about £60; labor contribution, might, I have no doubt, be depended upon from some of the Indians in the furtherance of this object, at the same time it would be necessary to feed them while so employed; as to money contribution, such would be out of the question.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Obed Servt.
J. Stewart.

P.T.O.

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P.S. A letter of credit for a given sum would save the Visiting Supt much trouble and obviate the necessity of extraneous relief. F.S.

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Draft

J. Stewart Esq Ex
Visitg Indian Supt
Charlotte Town
Prince Edward Isl.

June 15 1874

Sir,

I am desired by the Superintendent General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23d Ult.o, stating that you have incurred the following expenses on Indian Account

For Seed potatoes	$ 64.89
" Indian Children attending School	43.20
" Moccasins	25.50
A Cheque for the sum total, viz	133.59

is enclosed herein, as well as a receipt in duplicate which last you will please sign & return to this Office.

The Supt Genl ~~[illegible]~~ desires me to ~~say~~ request that you ~~should~~ will in future advise the Department in good time of the amounts which will probably be required to meet the wants of the Indians, and I am to inform you that drawing on Banks is objectionable, and can even in a case of emergency be easily obviated, by using the telegraph, whereby a credit at the Bank can be

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be secured to you..

With regard to School accomodation I am to enquire what ~~the~~ cost of erecting a School house sufficient for the Lemmon Island Indians would be, would the Indians be disposed to help in the erection of one, either by money or labor, and to what ~~they~~ extent would they give assistance towards that object?.

I am,

S,

Z. O. S

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Private

Mr. Whitney
Available
Current year

Your Assistant to prepare Cheque & then to Mr Dickeson to write letter as per draft.

Charlotte Town P. E. Island
23rd May 1874.

Sir,

I shall hope to be excused in reminding you of the fact that the 'seed time' upon which that of Harvest depends is fast passing away and in the absence of funds for Indian Exigencies or necessaries, I am, and have been sorely puzzled in attempting so to manage matters as to avert the consequences of a total neglect in supplying the Lennox Island Indians with potatoes to a limited extent these are becoming scarce in portions of the Country, and are now 3/ per Bush. I had no alternative but to seek accommodation through the Bank of P.E.I. by means of a joint note with Mr. Simon Davies at 3 Mos.

for

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for £20 equal to 64. Doll. 89 Cents, which has only partially met the wants in this particular item. You will please to recollect my being authorized to go to the extent of 100 Dollars towards relief of destitute Indians, and towards sustaining the interest of the pupils of the Indian School and that of their Parents in upholding the School which had been temporarily closed from causes of a transient nature; with these objects in view, I incurred a debt with Mr. Callbeck of 43 Dollars & 20 Cents, for Homespun, and flannel, of Island manufacture, and personally & carefully attended to its distribution among the destitute; I also incurred a debt of 25 Dollars and 50 Cents with Messrs Clark & Robbee at Summerside for Canadian Magasins, it being found impossible to provide any substitute for these while the parties who obtained them were incapacitated for usefulness without

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...a. From domestic affliction, in having his aged father laid upon a sick bed for 4 Months past, the Teacher (Martin Francis) has been prevented re-opening the School, which arrangements are now made to do, with your sanction, on the 1st June the local Government have considerately under the circumstances of his case, allowed him 2/3rds of his ordinary allowance as Teacher between, or for the quarter ~~[illegible]~~ from the 26th March to the 1st July 1873. Since which he throws himself upon the liberal consideration of the Dominion Government for such an amount of sympathy, as may be embodied in a subdued allowance as Teacher; it is but fair to state that that part of his contract referring to his providing School accommodation, has been met to the letter, the House not being devoted to any other purpose and up to a recent period his own services were available as Teacher.

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let me in conclusion recall a
to the reasons assigned by Mr. M.
Kelvie, School Visitor, in his Report
for 69 & 70 ~~[illegible]~~ for the erection of
a proper School House on Lennox
Island these reasons remain in
full force and contain the strongest
possible appeal for giving effect
to his recommendation on this point.
On this Occasion I have confined
myself to only particular items
of a pressing nature; a detail of
general outlays ~~[illegible]~~ penditure
or disbursements will follow in
due time; sickness I regret to
have to say, prevails generally
among the Indian population,
some have already, and others
are passing away, I hope to a
better World. Hoping to hear
shortly from your Department
I remain
Dr. Sir
truly & faithfully yrs
J. Stewart.

Hon'ble
David Laird,
Minister of the Interior
Ottawa.

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Prince Edward Island

Of this Year's grant
there is still available $ 150.00

Mr Stewart has incurred
Expenses on a/c (as per his letter)

For Seed potatoes $	64.89	
" ~~Indian~~ Blankets School	43.20	
" Moccasins	25.50	133 59/100
$		16 41/100

After the 1st July 1874
the sum voted in the Estimates
for the Year to 30 June 1875
will be available $ 2000.00

Vankoughnet

Ind. Br.,
May 29/74

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Mr Stewart should in time advise the Department of the amounts which will probably be required to meet the wants of the Indians.

The drawing on Banks is objectionable and unnecessary as Mr Stewart in case of emergency can always telegraph & a Credit at the Bank be given him in the same way

May 29/74
LVR

Approved
D.L.
30/5/74

What salary has been paid the Teacher by Local Gt & by Indians to help in school & Hom-

Number of a school is what W. Cut to what W. Indians do what will matter seth

Salary for Teacher
by Prov Govt $243.33 -
There appears to be a Lumber Island
Schoolhouse erected on the Reserve made
and seems to have been in the way that there was to
with the Teacher's Salary assumption
Furnish Salary which Mr Stewart says has
been done -

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MEMO.	No. 82438	ACTION.	ACTION.—Continued.
S. S. S. 2-9-91 Mn 14. 9. 91 Aut 20. 9. 91 S. S. S. 3-11-91 Mn 4. 11. 91 Aut 9. 11. 91 Sung 16-11-91 Ser 20. 11. 91 Acct 21-12-91 " 14-1-92	DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, 189 / John O. Arsenault 8/11 Sep Reporting that certain repairs are required for the Lennox Island school house. 16th Sept., lr. to J. O. Arsenault 20/28 " " from do 5 Oct. " to do 30/5 Oct. let fr do 12 Oct " to do 27/31 Oct " from Ed. Office P.E.I. 28 Oct / 30 Nov. " " John O. Arsenault 7th " let to Ed. Office P.E.I. 13 let to do " ckt let to J. Arbuckle	24 Ord. let to J. O. Arsenault 7/7 Dec " from do (E) -1892- 4 Jan., lr. to J. O. Arsenault with enclosure. 8/13 Jan. let from J. O. Arsenault 21 " ckt let to do 8/22 Feb. let from do	

In Mr McNeill
183 F. Arsenault 50 cents

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2 letters

Ck sent 20 June 88 C.R.

Egmont Bay P. E. Island
12 June 1888

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 16 1888

To Acct 11 June 88

Dear Sir.

I herein account from F. Arsenault for repairing the door lock of the school on Lennox Island, I should have enclosed it in a letter I sent a few days ago, I inadvertently mailed ~~the letter~~ it with only form of account.

Rec'd for payment &c. for Acct approved for Dir.

I am
Sir,
your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt

L. Vankoughnet Esq.
Deputy of the Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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Egmont Bay P. E. Island
3 May 1888

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUN 15 1888

To Mr McNeill
to return acct.
form to be filled in
by Agent 15 June 88

Dear Sir,

I herein enclose account from Filias Arsenault Smith, for repairing the lock of the school house of Lennox Island. I should have had to buy a new one if the old one had not been repaired, now as good as new.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your obedient servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. Vankoughnet Esq.
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The Department of Indian Affairs

To

RECEIVED DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS 15 1939

To

This account is Correct
John D. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SEP 11 1891

Egmont Bay P. E. Island 8 Sept. 1891

S. Sec'y Sir
Concl. Branch
Please add & request
a detailed estimate of
the cost of these repairs
14/9/91

Sept 11/91

CORRESPONDENCE SEP 14 1891

Sir.

The school house on Lennox Island should be repaired, the plaster from the Ceiling is falling in large peices, it was badly done. it was lathed so close that the plaster could not rivet inside, it is surprising that it did not fall ere this, the half, if not all, must be un lated and lath over again and plastered. For this the teacher will have to take a few weeks vacation in the month of october. If you will permit me to get this repair, I will get parties to do it at that time. it must also be shingled and painted, — that is the roof, and the wall white washed. Will it be better to hire by the day or give a job for those repairs. as to the shingling of roof Indians can do it.

I am, Sir.
your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. Vankoughnet Esqr
Deputy of the Supt. Gel.
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RETURN TO
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

82438

I. O. Arsenault Esq
Indian Supt
Egmont Bay
P. E. I

Ans'd

September 16th, 1891

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 8th inst stating that the School house on Lennox Island is in need of repairs and in reply I have to inform you that a detailed estimate of the cost of the repairs should be forwarded to the Dept.

Yours obt Servt

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 28 1891
BRANCH

82912

Egmont Bay 20 Sept. 1891

ACCOUNTANTS
SEP 30 1891
BRANCH

To Acctnt
For report as to funds
AD
Sept 28/91

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant. No. 82438 In reply I will state that for shingling the roof of schoolhouse – for shingles, nails and the work – will cost about $12.00, and for the work inside, fun lathing, ceiling and plastering will cost a little more. So the whole will not cost much more than $25.00. This should be done next month.

I know we can furnish funds for the shingles & nails: the Inds showed do the shingling without charge as agt arrangements said in his letter of 8 ults. The rest of the work site be arranged for cheaply as possible: the whole not to exceed $20.00.

D C Scott
1/10/91

Approved
AD Dm
Copy Br Write
accdg AD
Oct 1/91

I am, Sir,
your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. Vankoughnet Esqre.
Deputy of the Supt. General,
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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RETURN TO CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

Jno D Arsenault Esq
Indian Supt
Egmont Bay
P.E.I

October 5th, 1891

Sir,

I have to ack the rect of your letter of the 30th ult. giving an Estimate of the cost of the proposed repairs to the School House in Lennox Island and in reply I have to inform you that the Department pays for the shingles & nails but the Indians should do the shingling without charge as stated in your letter of the 5th ult. The rest of the work should be arranged for as cheaply as possible & the whole cost of repairs not to exceed $20 —

I am &c &c

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OCT 5 1891

Lennox Island P.E.I.
22nd Sept. 1891

John O. Arsenault Esq
Indian Supt.

Dear Sir

The Petitioners of the cove and Point of this Island, Want you if Possible to get the School house removed to more convenient place for our Children. it is to far now. against the time the Children gets ready it is to late some times. but if the School house was at near Alexander thomas and Margaret thomas Widows. it would give our Children better chance specially in

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Winter time, Sir the earnestly hope that you will harken to our Prayers, and do all you can in this Matter.

The Remain (Sir)
Yours very truly

Peter Lewis
Peter P. Bernard
Benjamin Dominick
Fabian Bernard
Joseph Bernard Dr.
John Alexander William Snake
Michael Lewis
Louis Mitchell
Gregory Bernard
Joseph Peter Bernard
Simon Prospere
Hubert Labob
Michael Nicholas
Thomas Thomas Jr.
Thomas Thomas Sr.
Alexander Thomas

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Egmont Bay P.E.I. 30th Sept. 1891

CORRESPONDENCE
OCT 8 1891
BRANCH

Dear Sir

I here in enclose a letter (which the Indians call a petition) send me a few days ago. They would wish to have the school house removed to the centre of the District. The children from the Cove have over a mile to walk to school, when the others have only half a mile. It would be better to have the schoolhouse in the centre, but it is not not an easy matter to haul the old school house now. I promised to send their Petition to your Department for advice on the matter. I would wish to hear from you on this matter before repairing the school house. If it has to be removed it should be done soon. The Chief and people (Indians) living on the east and shoth do not wish to have it removed, so by removing it, will likly cause a little trouble with these. I think myself that for the present it is better to leave it where it is. but I shall act as prescribed by your Dept. in the matter.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

E. Dewdney Esqre
Deputy of the Supt. General
Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Corr'ce Branch
Ack and say that in the absence of further information the dept cannot decide as to the location of the school house. Ask Act to say if the present site is on or near the Chapel land, and how many children would attend the school live on the south and west side of the island and how many on the north side. Ask what is would cost to remove the building to Point Egmont.

Distant from the settlement

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I O Arsenault Esq
Indian Supt
Egmont Bay
P. E. I

Ans reqd

October 12th, 1891

Sir,

I have to ack the rest of your letter of the 30th ultimo inclosing a petition from the Indians of the Cove & Point asking that the School house may be removed to the centre of the District and stating that the Indians of the East and South do not wish to have it removed and in reply I have to inform you that in the absence of further information the Dept cannot decide as to the location of the School house. You should state if the present site is on or near the Chapel land

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land and how many children
who attend the school live
on the south and east side of
the Island and how many on
the north side, You should also
state what it would cost to
remove the building to a point
Equidistant from both
settlements

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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John A. Nicholson Esq.
Supt. of Education

Sir;— I inspected the Indian School on Lennox Island on August 20th since last inspected, a change of Teacher has taken place — Mr Casimer Poirrier who holds a Regular License granted by the Board of Education, being now in Charge. Mr Poirrier opened School on July 29th. At date of visit, the number of pupils enrolled was 42, and the number present 35, Classified as follows:—

5th Reader	4th Do	3rd Do	2nd Do	1st Do	Primer
3	4	3	6		8.

It is satisfactory to note the marked increase both in the enrollment and in the daily attendance under Mr Poirrier's management. A decided improvement was noticeable in all the Classes Examined. Chief Francis and several Indians were present at the Examination and expressed themselves well pleased with the work both of teacher and pupils. The Chief addressed the Scholars in Micmac urging the necessity of Regular attendance at School.

Since my last visit a new Black Board has been procured and several minor improvements have been effected. The furniture and apparatus can now be Classed as fair. The Plastering requires repairing and the Roof shingling.

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Father McDonald kindly permits Mr Lourier and family temporarily to occupy rooms in the Parochial House. The advantages of having a resident teacher on the Reserve being clearly shown by this report, I would strongly advise the Department to take into consideration the advisability of erecting a comfortable building for a teacher's residence as soon as possible. The Indians state that they will do the Framing, Roughing, Boarding and Shingling, and I believe that they would do their part in a satisfactory manner, as they now seem much interested in School work. By taking advantage of the assistance proffered by the Indians, I am of opinion that a suitable dwelling can be erected at a very reasonable cost.

I am Sir
Your obedient
Servt.
John Arbuckle

Leeds
Oct 13th 1893

Charlottetown,
October 27, 1891.

83803

Hon. Edgar Dewdney,
Minister of the Interior.

Sir, — I have the honour to submit for your information the enclosed Report on the state of Lennox Island Indian School by John Arbuckle, Esq.

Enclosed please find bill for same, the cheque for which you will please forward to Mr. Arbuckle at Summerside.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. A. Nicholson.

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Egmont Bay P.E. Island 28th Oct. 1891

Dear Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant. No. 82,438. In reply I beg to state that the present site of school house is on the Chapel-land a little distance about one hundred and fifty yards from the Chapel. The children living on the south and east side of school house are 23 in number and 8 in the centre and 15 from the Cove. As to the remove of school house, it would be hard task to remove it, as it is large and heavy. I could not say the cost of removing it, between $25.00 and $30.00, and the breaking of plaster and other damages, probably aggregating to $40.00 !

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. Vankoughnet Esqre.
Deputy of the Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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MEMORANDUM

To Deputy Minister

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 3 3rd Novr 1891

Here are no funds for a Dentist residence

With ref to Supt of Education Nicholson's letter of the 27th ult transmitting School Insp. Arbuckle's report of inspection of the Indian School on Lennox Island along with his a/c amt'g to $10.00 for such service I beg to state that the report shows the School to be in a healthy condition & prospering under the new teacher

The Insp. states that the plastering of the building requires repairing & the roof shingling. He states also that Father McDonald permits the teacher & family to occupy (temporarily) rooms in the Parochial House. The advantages of having a resident-teacher on the Reserve are he says clearly shown by the Insp's report. & he strongly advises the Dept to take into consideration the advisability of erecting a teacher's residence as soon as possible. The Indians state, he says, that they will do the Framing, rough Boarding

Acct + Survey Bl - see memo under

Correct for Ack & Report for [illegible] Nov 3/91

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82.438

J. A. Nicholson, Esq
Supt. of Education ~~Office~~
Charlotte Town.
P.E. Island

142
10.00
J. Arbuckle

Nov. 7th 1891.

CORRESPONDENCE
NOV 11 1891
BRANCH

Sir,

I have the honour to ack: the Rect. of your letter of the 27 ult., enclosing Mr. Inspector Arbuckle's Report of his inspection on the 20th Augt. last of the Lennox Island Indian School; and in reply I beg to inform you that the Report is very satisfactory.

Joyce

Pay J. Arbuckle's a/c for $10.00. To for acct

Cheque A. to J. Arbuckle & J. A. Nicholson advised 13 Nov. '91

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MEMORANDUM.

To Deputy Minister Department of Indian Affairs.

Ottawa, Nov. 19 1891

With reference to letter from Mr Arsenault of 20th Oct. I beg to report that in the matter of the petition for the removal of the School building to a more central position on Lennox Island that it is shown to be an old building, and therefore scarcely advisable to move it at all, and the distance the children have to come although great is not excessive and Mr Arsenault is also of opinion that it is better not to remove the building.

I respectfully recommend that Mr Arsenault be instructed to inform the petitioners who request the removal of the present building that the Dept. considers that the building being an old one it is not advisable to remove it as in a few years a new building will probably be required and in the event of a new building being erected its site should be carefully considered in order that it may be placed in as central a position on the Island as possible.

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RETURN TO
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82438

J. D. Arsenault Esq.
Indian Supt
Egmont Bay.
P. E. I.

Ottawa 24 1891

Sir,

I have back the rect of your letter of the 28th Ulto reporting in the matter of the petition for the removal of the school building on Lennox Island & a more convenient site; and in reply I beg to state that although the distance some of the children have to come to school is shewn to be great yet it is not excessive and the building being an old one the Dept concurs in your opinion & does not consider it advisable to remove it.

The petitioners should be advised accordingly Yours &c.

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Egmont Bay P.E. Island 9/11/91

Dear Sir,

I herein enclose and account from Thomas Glover for plastering-repairing-school house on Lennox Island. I believe he done the work cheap enough. as to the cost of shingles 8 M. it will be included in the quarterly Return

Mr McNeill: Please return Mrs Glover a/c to Mr Arsenault say that he must not add such a phrase as "to the best of my knowledge" to the certificate that in this case he should be perfectly certain that the work was performed and the material supplied. Say that with such a certificate the Principal Canada is paid

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant
John P. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. Vankoughnet Esqre
Deputy of the Supt. Gel.
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

824438

John D. Arsenault Esq
Indian Dept
Egmont Bay
P. E. I

Jany 4th ~~December~~ 1892

Sir,

I have to ask the rest of your letter of the 9th ~~ult~~ enclosing an account from Mr Thomas Glover for repairing the school house on Lennox Island, which is returned herewith as you must not add such a phrase as "to the best of my knowledge" to the certificate. In this case you should be perfectly certain that the work was performed & the materials supplied.

The acct cannot be paid upon such a certificate.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

To Thomas Glover

85202

DATE.		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.	
Nov.	30	To 1 cash line	1	75
		" Freight on line to Port Hill		25
		" Carting line to Island		50
		" " Sand to house		80
		" Hair for Mortar		10
		" 5" lath nails		25
		" Crossing Materials to Island		50
		" unlath and relath & plastering	8	75
		" Hinges and hanging door		75
		Total.....	$13	65

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~~to the best of my knowledge~~

I Hereby Certify that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed, and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada, ~~I believe~~.

John A. Arsenault
Agent.

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Mr McNeill 85799

Egmont Bay P.E.I. 8/1/92

Accd

ACCOUNTANTS JAN 15 1892 BRANCH

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JAN 13 1892

CORRESPONDENCE JAN 20 1892 BRANCH

Arsenault to J. O. Arsenault 21 Jany 92

Dear Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant. No. 82.438. re-enclosing account from Mr L. Glover for repairs performed to the school house on Lennox Island.

In Compliance with the request Contained therein I have amended the certificate by cancelling the additional phrase "to the best of my knowledge. I thought it was better to add "to the best of my knowledge" as no one can say positively whether Mr. Glover has not charged twenty five cents or more, than it was really worth, I believe he did not. So I re-enclose the account, with amended certificate.

I am,
Sir.
Your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

Pay [illegible] for Acct

L. Vankoughnet Esqre
Deputy of the Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
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Egmont Bay P.E.I. 8/2/92

DEPARTMENT OF
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22
1892

Dear Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st Ultimo No. 82438 enclosing Cheque No. 149 in favor of Thomas Glover in payment of account for repairing school house on Lennox Island

I am, Sir.
your obedient servant
John A. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. Vankoughnet Esqre.
Deputy of the Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
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I O Arsenault Esq
Indian Supt
Higgins Road
P. E. I

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

~~July~~ Aug 1st 1894

Sir,

Mr School Inspector Arsenault in his report on the Lennox Island Indian Schools States that there are no outbuildings belonging to this School If this is the case the Dept should have been advised of the fact as the ~~Dept~~ it ~~Dept~~ considers that suitable outbuildings should be erected in connection with all its School buildings for obvious reasons. The Dept would like you to Report on this Statement of the Inspector & to say for what amt two small Shingles water closets could be put up.

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Miggins Road P.E. Island
22 August 1894

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant No. 116737 In reply I beg to state that the report of Mr School Inspector Risenauer is correct there are no outbuildings belonging to the School on Lennox Island.

As the woods were near the School I thought there were no necessity for outbuildings, but now as the woods which was near has been cut, the bushes are quite a little distance I think it would be well to have them built. The cost will be about $30.00 for the two, perhaps a little less, please let me know if I get them built.

I am Sir
your obedient Servant
John P. Arsenault
Indian Supt

Hayter Reed Esq
Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs
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THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

OTTAWA 5th September 1894

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 22nd ultimo I have to inform you that you are hereby authorised to have the two water closets required for the Lennox Island School erected at once the cost not to exceed that stated in your letter, namely $30.

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Supt:Genl:

of Indian Affairs.

ACCOUNTANT.

John O Arsenault, Esq.
Indian Supt:
Higgins Road,
P.E.I.

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OTTAWA 7th September 1894

Sir,

In connection with Departmental letter to you of the 5th instant I beg to enclose herewith tracing and specifications for the two water closets required for the Lennox Island, and I have to request that if you can have the work done for $30 it may be proceeded with at once.

Your obedient servant,

Acting Deputy Supt:Genl:
of Indian Affairs.

ACCOUNTANT:- See letter of the 24th ~~instant~~. 1115?

John O. Arsenault, Esq.
Indian Supt:
Miggin's Road,
P.E.I.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

To Cajetan Arseneault

DATE.		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.	
		To making 2 outbuildings Lemnox Island	30	00
		Total.....	30	00

SCHOOL BRANCH OCT 11 1894

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114 $30.00
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See authority under

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed, and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

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Agent.

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Memorandum

Department of Indian Affairs,

To .....

Ottawa, 5th Oct. 1894

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

1894 To Thomas Glover

DATE.		SERVICE. 121439	$	AMOUNT.
Nov	20	To 6 days work repairing		
		S. Chool House 1.80 ✓	10	80
		1 Bbl Lime 2.00 ✓	2	00
		~~1 window 2.50~~ ✓	~~2~~	~~50~~
		6 Lights window Glass 80 ✓		30
		3 lbs Putty 12 4 lbs nails 16 ✓		28
		4 lbs Paint 40 ✓		40
		Storm doors & finishing flew for Teachers House	2	75
		✓	$19	13
		The window charge $2.50 was for a poor Indian	2	50
		The work perfored during the 6 days mentioned above were taking out all windows puttying all the panes and fitting them in. pulling down inside Brick and plastering, fixing floor building two doors for teacher's house and finishing flew. mixing mortor hauling or carting sand. What was done to the teacher house cost 25 cents more than the amount I was authorised to spend, in the autumn of 93 when the work was done on said house. I informed the Dept. that this work finishing flew would be done this summer there was then $2.50 yet from amount authorized.	16	53
		Total.....	~~19~~	~~03~~

I Hereby Certify that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed, and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

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John O. Arsenault
Agent

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Stove will suffice
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Higgins Road P.E. Island 3/12/94

DEC 6 1894

Sir,

I here with enclose account from Mr. Thomas Glover for repairing school house. The school is now in good Condition and comfortable for the scholars and teacher. The stove is almost too small for the size of the school house. I think a new one should be purchased and the old one given to some poor Indians, a good suitable stove and three pieces of pipes will not cost more than $10.00 at the most probably less.

I am Sir
your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

Mayber Reed Esq.
Deputy Supt. Gel. Indian Affairs
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THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT OTTAWA 14th December 1894

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant in which you suggest the purchase of a new stove for the school on Lennox Island; and in reply I beg to say that the Department considers that the one now in use will suffice for some time longer.

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Supt:Genl:
of Indian Affairs.

Adopt. See under.

J.O.Arsenault,Esq:
Indian Supt.
Biggin's Road,P.E.I.

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SCHOOL BRANCH.

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT

Ottawa 19th December, 1894.

SCHOOL BRANCH
DEC20 1894

Answer required.

Sir,

With further reference to your letter of the 3rd instant, and the account therewith forwarded in favour of Mr Thomas Glover, for materials supplied and work done in repairing the School House etc, I have to request that you will be good enough to quote your authority for incurring the expenditure therein charged with the exception of the last item, and in this connection I may remind you that in no case should expenditure of any kind be incurred without first reporting the matter to the Department, and ascertaining whether funds are available.

A separate Voucher should be furnished for the window supplied to a destitute Indian.

Your obedient servant.

Deputy Supt. Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

John O.Arsenault, Esqr,
Indian Supt.,
Higgins Road,
P.E.I.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JAN 1895

Higgins Road P.E. Island 3 Jan. '95

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SCHOOL BRANCH.

SCHOOL BRANCH JAN 10 1895

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th ultimo No. 116737/5. In reply I beg to state that I had no direct authority from the Department to have the school house repaired. Some few years ago I reported to the Dept. some of the Goverment property which was in poor condition. I was instructed then to have it at once repaired, I thought that as the school house is goverment property that I was justified in keeping it in good condition. It was so cold last year that I had to pay $18.00 for fuel, so this year I gave the contract for $15.00, It had to be repaired but I should have informed the Dept. before to commence the work, I beg to be excused for this time, in future, I will ask authority when work will be required. At first I thought that it would not cost more than seven or eight dollars to repair it, but when Mr. Glover came, we decided that it could not be made warm unless the inside porch or entry was taken away altogether, as it was impossible to make a good job of it, so it cost more than I expected.

I am, Sir,
your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault,
Indian Supt.

Acct 10.1.95

69 pay 17 w 4 $16 RFD

OK. SENT 17/1/96

Hayter Reed Esq
Deputy Supt. Gen. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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SCHOOL BRANCH
AUG 9 1895

EXAMINED
SCHOOL BRANCH.

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT Ottawa, [illegible]

Sir,

I have to inform you that Mr Public School Inspector Arsenault reports that the door of the Indian school on Lennox Island is defective and suggests the putting on of a storm door for the winter season. The Department would like to know what the needed repairs would cost.

Your obedient servant,

DCL

Acting Deputy Supt:Genl:
of Indian Affairs.

Acct

J.O.Arsenault, Esq.
Indian Superintendent,
Higgins Road,
P.E.I.

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Higgins Road P.E. Island
9 Sept. 1895

SCHOOL BRANCH
SEP 14 1895

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd August No. 116737-6. In reply I beg to state that I do not know why Mr. Public School Inspector Arsenault has in his report suggested the putting of a storm door to the Lennox Island school. I have been at the Island since I got your letter I examined the door which is a substantial one, under the door the sill is worn out a little and that will have to be repaired for winter, and will not cost more than fifty cents, an outside storm door would cost about three dollars and would not last any length of time for it would be broken by the wind, I have not seen storm doors used in any of the public schools, it would be a lot of trouble to keep it closed during school hours on windy days, for small children could not close it when once opened, for it would have to open outside.

I have the honour to be
Sir.
your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

Hayter Reed Esqre
Deputy Supt. Gel.
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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EXAMINED
SCHOOL BRANCH.

RETURN to SCHOOL BRANCH

THIS LETTER HAS BEEN SENT OTTAWA 17th September 1895

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th instant relative to repairs required at the Lennox Island School; and in reply I beg to say that as a storm door would appear unnecessary, you may have the repairs required done to the sill which you report to be worn.

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Supt:Genl:
of Indian Affairs.

J.O.Arsenault, Esq:
Indian Supt:
Higgin's Road, P.E.I.

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116,737-5

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Acct

Authority provided funds available

Ad 12-11-95

Lennox Road P.O. Prince Edward Island
November 1895

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NOV 11 1895

Sir.

A Stove is required for the school on Lennox Island. The old one is not good enough to be put up even for a while. The teacher put up one of his own, till I could get one. A Stove will cost about $8.00 and a few joints of pipe will be needed, the whole amount will not exceed $10.00. Can I purchase one?

I am, Sir,
Yours Obedient Servant.
John C. Arsenault.
Indian Supt.

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

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Higgins Road P.E. Island 7/11/95

Sir,

It is very difficult in the winter to get water for use of the School and of the teacher. The spring furnishing water in the summer cannot be used in the winter, as it is at the shore at the base of a high bank and the drift of the snow covers the spring with about ten feet of snow.

When water is required they have to go and buy it at one cent per bucket from an Indian who has a pump, this charge amounts to quite a bill through the winter, that is for the teacher's house and the School house. Would it not be advisable to have a well sunk for the use of the teacher and school house.

I could get one sunk and a pump put in it, and the whole cost will not exceed $20.00 and if the yearly appropriation will not allow it this year - as a grain store and cellar have been made at considerable expenses - the cost could be paid next July, the man sinking it will wait till then for his pay.

I am Sir
Your Obedient Servant
John D. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

Hayter Reed Esqre.
Deputy Supt. General
of Indian Affairs

Tell him to wait again in spring
Dept cannot say now as to funds
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Ottawa 14th November, 1895.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant,, asking, for the reasons therein stated , for authority to purchase a stove , and the necessary pipes ,for use in the Lennox Island School , I beg to inform you that this may be done . It would be well not to exceed the amount specified by you viz:- $10.00 .

Your obedient servant.

Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affairs.

John O.Arsenault. Esqr.'
Indian Supt.,
Tignish Road,
P.E.I.

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2 Drafts

Ottawa 14th November, 1895.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th instant, in regard to the necessity for sinking a well , with a view to obtaining a proper supply of water , for use at the Lennox Island School , during the Winter months ; and in reply I may say that it is impossible for the Department to say just now whether funds can be spared for this purpose , but you might bring the matter up again, later on in the fiscal year .

Your obedient servant.

Deputy Supt Genl.
of Indian Affair .

John O. Arsenault, Esqr.,
Indian Supt.,
Higgins Road,
P.E.I.

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SCHOOL BRANCH FEB 13 1896

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DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS FEB 7 1896

Province of Prince Edward Island

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

To D. N. Forbes

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DATE.		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.
1896 Jany	1	To 5 Panes Glass @ 10	50
		" 3 Pro Hinges @ 8	24
		" 2 " " @ 6	12
		" 2 Hooks & Staples @ 6	12
		" 3 Dg Screws @ 4	12
		" 1 Padlock	25
		" 2 M Nails	06

12/2/96

The above articles were purchased for the flour store and granary on Lennox Island, panes of glass were for school house

J. O. Arsenault

Pay [illegible] for [illegible]

DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS EXAMINED.

Total $1 41

I Hereby Certify that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed, and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

John O. Arsenault Agent.

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District

Province of Prince Edward Island

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS FEB 13 1896

To John W. Brown

DATE.		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.	
Jan	12	To 1 wood Stove for Lennox Island school	7	50
		Bought by authority from the Department J. O. Arsenault		
		Total.....	7	50

128

352 $4.50

19-2-96

19/2/96

ACCOUNTANTS FEB 13 1896 BRANCH

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John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.
Agent.

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MAY 17 1897

Extract of letter from John O. Arsenault, Indian Supt. P.E. Isl^d - dated 11th May - 1897.

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There will remain about 43^{00}, part of which if you will permit it, will be used in sinking a well for the use of Lennox Island School and also for the teacher; in winter he has to pay an Indian one cent for every bucket of water he takes in his well and this is quite an item during the winter, and in summer he gets water from a Spring at a long distance from his house, and a well here would be needed by all the Indians when they meet at St Ann's or at any other time - The cost will not exceed 28^{00} & probably only 25^{00} pump & all. I would kindly refer you to your letter of the 14th Nov. 1895 & to mine of the 7th of the same month & year, referring to this matter.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Sgd) John O. Arsenault.

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OTTAWA 17th May 1897

MEMORANDUM

If funds are available as stated by Mr Arsenault in his letter of the IIth instant the undersigned would recommend the digging of the well for the Lennox Island school, which was asked for more than two years ago and delayed from want of funds.

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EXAMINED
SCHOOL BRANCH.

OTTAWA 31st May 1897

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the IIth instant, I beg to say that you may proceed with the work of digging a well for the Lennox Island School, the cost of which should not exceed your estimate of $80.

Your obedient servant,

Acting Secretary

J.O.Arsenault, Esq:
Indian Agent
Higgin's Road, P?E.I.

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District .....

Province of P.E. Island

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

To R.T. Holman

DATE.		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.	
~~June~~	5	To 1 well pump	7	25
June	5	" 20 ft. gal pipe @ 15	3	00
		" Freight & Port Hill		25
		Total	10	50

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed, and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

John C. Arsenault
Agent.

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P.E. Island Higgins Road P.O.

EXAMINED 24 June 97

SCHOOL BRANCH.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 28 1897

SCHOOL BRANCH JUL 12 1897

Sir.

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 31st ultimo No. 116737-5 I have given the contract for sinking a well on Lennox Island for the use of the School and the teacher, to Felix Arsenault for $17.00 for the work and to put the pump properly fitted in, which I purchased from Mr. R.Y. Holman for which I enclose the acct. I cannot send the account for sinking the well as it is not done yet, it will be finished this week I think. I will then send the acct. I could not get him sooner, as to go to the Island, as he was busy at home.

Ck sent 9 July '97

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
John D. Arsenault
Indian Agent.

L. Vankoughnet Esq
Acting Secretary
Ottawa

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Province of Prince Edward Island

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

To Felix P Arsenault

DATE.		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.	
June	26	To sinking a Well at Lennox Island	$. 17	00
				50
		Total	$. 17	00

I Hereby Certify that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed, and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

John D. Arsenault

Agent.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 30 1897

P. E. Island Higgins Road P.O.
June 26, 1897

Sir.

I here in enclose account from Felix P. Arsenault for sinking a well on Lennox Island for the use of the School and Teacher. I sent a few days ago the account for the pump, but could not send the herein enclosed acct. as the well was not then finished. It is now done, and pump put in, there is thirty feet of water in it.

Pay Dd, Acct

50/17.00

Ck sent 9 July '97

ACCOUNTANTS JUN 30 1897 BRANCH

I am Sir.
Your Obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. D. McLean Esq.
Acting Secretary
Ottawa

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Prince Edward Island Higgins Road
21 August 1897

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Sir.

As requested by a letter from the Department dated 14th November No. 116737. I bring before it the necessity of removing the school house to a more central place. There will be a three weeks vacation in October: and if the school house is to be removed, it would be the proper time to do the work. The floor has to be torn off, it is pretty well worn ~~off~~, and new sashes and frames has to be put in, and it must be shingled all over except roof, paper must also be put under shingles to make it warm. a new door and lock will be required I cannot make an estimate, but it must cost over $125.00 It is an old building and it must be repaired though it was not removed. I think there would be a larger attendance in the winter if the school house was about three quarters of a mile nearer the Cove, as the greater number of the scholars live in that Settlement.

Perhaps it will not cost more to pull it down to pieces and rebuild it on the spot, than to haul it, if remove by hauling, the plaster will fall off, and will require plastering as if torn to pieces to remove it.

I Am. Sir.
your obedient Servant
John A. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

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116,737-5

Ottawa, 28th August, 1897.

Dctd.

Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, recommending that the School-house be removed to a more central place on the Lennox Island Reserve at an estimated cost of over $125; and in reply I beg to inform you that there is no money available for such a purpose and nothing can be done in the matter until the money is voted by Parliament.

It seems to the Department that the wiser course would be to erect a new building, using the material in the old in the erection of the new building, as it seems that the old building is much out of repair and will not stand removing. I have therefore to request that you will be good enough to submit to the Department an estimate of the cost of a School-house having sufficient accomodation for the pupils who may attend thereat, also a sketch showing the kind of building required.

Your obedient servant,

A. N. McNEILL

Assistant Secretary.

J. O. Arsenault, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Higgin's Road, P. E. I.

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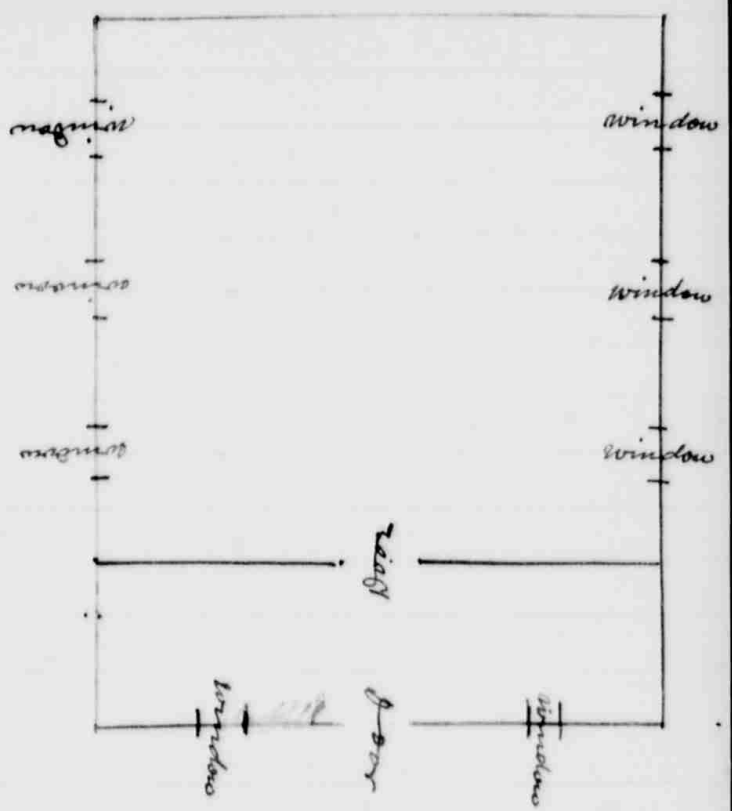

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Prince Edward Island Higgins Road
September 1897

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th Ultimo No. 116737-5. referring to the building a new school house on Lennox Island. In reply I may say that I have lately seen a country school house built last — and was informed by two rate-payers Messrs. Newcomb and J. Ellis. that the building cost $600.00 being 32 ft long 22 ft wide and 13 ft. post. but as the one proposed to built on Lennox Island need not be as large, would cost considerably less. I think a building such as would be required, viz. 26 ft. long 20 ft wide and 13 ft post should be built for $500.00 and be well finished and painted and underpinned with stones for that amount.

As to using the materials in the old building, only the boards could be used. for the posts and rafters are too short and could not be used. and to get at the boards, and pull out nails from them would cost nearly as much as to buy new boards. The old building would be very useful to the band for a hall for meetings. They have, as the Depat. is aware, organized a temperance society some years ago, and they hold their meetings in the school house, and it is in the proper place for such meetings: and this society has done a great deal of good among the Indians.

So if the Departement was willing the old school house would be kept for that purpose. I enclose a sketch of building required, I cannot make a plan.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
John D. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

L. D. McLean
Secretary
Ottawa

Secretary. I think it would be wise to put 500.00 in the Estimates for 1898-99 for this purpose.

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Exd.

ACCOUNTANTS
SEP 30 1897
BRANCH

OTTAWA, 28th September, 1897.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant relative to a new building for the Lennox Island Indian School; and in reply I regret to say that nothing can be done in this direction at present, but the sum of $500 will be inserted in the Estimates for 1898-9 for this purpose, and it is hoped that this item will be passed by Parliament.

A.N. McN

HCR

Your obedient servant,

A. N. McNEILL

Assistant Secretary

Mr. Scott
To Main Estimates

J.O. Arsenault, Esq:-
Indian Supt
Higgin's Road,
Prince Edward Island.

HCR

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Vote No.
Farm No.
Treaty No.

Province of Prince Edward Island

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

To J. F. H. Arsenault

DATE.		SERVICE.	AMOUNT.
Dec	21	To 30 yds flannelette @ 8¢	$ 2.40
"	"	" 17½ " flanel @ 17¢	2.98
"	"	" 8 " cloth @ 55¢	4.40
"	"	" 12½ " Do @ 60¢	7.50
"	"	" 17 prs childrens boots @ 95¢	16.15
"	"	" 9 yds homespun cloth @ 65¢	5.85
		Total.....	$ 39.28

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed, and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

John O. Arsenault
Agent.

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Statement shewing to whom the articles purchased for the Scholars were given

James Bernard	1 pr. shoes 95	2 yds. flannellette 16	2 yds. cloth @ 55 1.10	2	21
Mathew Bernard	2 yds. flannellette 16	2 yds. homespun cloth @ 65 1.30	1 pr. shoes 95	2	41
James Bernard Jr.	2 yds. cloth @ 55 1.10	1 pr. shoes 95		2	05
John Bark	2 yds. flannellette 16	2 yds. cloth @ 55 1.10	1 pr. shoes 95	2	21
Henry Bark	2 yds. flannellette @ 8 16	2 yds. cloth @ 60 120		1	36
Rosalie Paul	2½ yds. flannel @ 17 43	2 yds. flannellette @ 8 16			59
Joseph Mitchell	3 yds. homespun cloth @ 65 1.95	1 pr. shoes 95		2	90
Domitilde Snake	2 yds. flannellette @ 8 16	1 pr. shoes 95		1	11
John P. Francis	2 yds. cloth @ 60 1.20	2½ yds. flannel @ 17 43	1 pr. shoes 95	2	58
John P. Francis	2½ yds. cloth @ 60 150	2 yds. flannellette @ 8 16		1	66
Margaret Mitchell	3 yds. Flannel 55	1 pr. shoes 95	2 yds. flannellette 16	1	66
Mary Ann Jerome	1 pr. shoes 95				95
David Nowecut	2 yds. cloth @ 60 1.20			1	20
Joseph Nowecut	2 yds. cloth @ 55 110			1	10
Madeleine Bark	3 yds. flannel @ 17 51				51
Angelique Young	2 yds. flannellette 16	1 pr. shoes 95		1	11
John Snake	2 yds. flannellette 16	1 pr. shoes 95	2 yds. homespun cloth 130	2	41
Mathew Labobe	2 yds. flannellette 16	2 yds. cloth @ 60 120		1	36
Mary Jane	1 pr. shoes 95	2½ yds. flannel @ 17 42	2 yds flannellette @ 8 16	1	53
Michael Thomas	1 pr. shoes 95	2 yds. homespun cloth @ 65 130	2 yds. flannellette 16	2	41
John Labobe	1 pr. shoes 95	2 yds. flannellette 16		1	11
Martin Bernard	1 pr. shoes 95	2 yds. cloth @ 60 120		2	15
Nathaniel Beman	1 pr. shoes 95				95
Julia Bernard	1 pr. shoes 95	4 yds. flannel @ 17 68	2 yds flannellette 16	1	79
				1 $	39 28

I certify that the above Statement is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

John D. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

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DEPT. OF INDIAN AFF.
JAN 17 1898

Prince Edward Island Higgins Road
11 January 1897

Sir.

I here in enclose accounts for good purchased for the scholars of the Indian School on Lemoy Island I also enclose Statement shewing to whom the articles were given. I think the scholars will attend the school more regulary than they did during the past few months I distributed part of the articles in December and balance on the 7th January.

ACCOUNTANT'S
JAN 17 1898
BRANCH

J. D. McLean Esq.
Secretary
Ottawa

I am Sir.
your obedient Servant
John A. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

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P. E. Island Higgins Road
12 February 1898

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ACCOUNTANTS FEB 19 1898 BRANCH.

Sir.

Referring to your letter of the 28th. September last. No. 116737----5. in which it is stated that $500.00 will be inserted in the Estimates for the building of a school house on Lennox Island. If it is voted by parliament. will you be good enough to inform me of it as soon as convenient, so that the materials for the building may be put on the spot before the spring.

ACCOUNTANTS FEB 19 1898 BRANCH.

J. D. McLean Esqre.
Dept. Indian Supt.
Ottawa

I am Sir.
Your Obedient Servant.
John P. Arsenault.
Indian Supt.

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Prince Edward Island
Higgins Road P.O.
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
MAY 27 1898

Sir.

Will you be good enough to inform me whether $500.00 was voted by parliament for building a new school house on Lennox Island.

There is provision made in the Estimates for 98-99. Will not be available till 1st July. I presume you will want to take the necessary action

I am Sir.
Your obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

J. D. McLean Esq
Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

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Ottawa, 31st May, 1898.

Sir :

In reply to your letter of the 24th instant, asking whether the sum of $500 has been voted by Parliament for building a new school-house on Lennox Island, I beg to say that provision has been made for this purpose in the Estimates for 1898-99, but the money will not be available until the 1st July next, ~~even if you should need it~~.

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) J. D. McLean

Secretary.

J. O. Arsenault, Esq.,
Indian Superintendent,
Miggins Road,
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OTTAWA,7th July,1898 .

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the sum of $500 is now available for the erection of a schoolhouse on the Lennox Island Reserve.

The Department desires that this work shall be done by Mr Cyprien Gallant. Will you be good enough,therefore, to consult with Mr Gallant xndx as to a suitable building that can be erected at a cost not exceeding $500.The Department would be glad if you would obtain from him a plan and specification of the work and forward the same for approval.

Your obedient servant,

J.D.McLEAN

Secretary

John O.Arsenault,Esq.,
Indian Supt.,
Higgins Road,
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Prince Edward Island. Higgins Road
16 July 1898

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DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 21 1898

Dear Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Instant No. 116734.—5 In compliance with the request contained therein I have obtained from Mr. Cyprien Gallant a plan and specification of the work, for the new school house to be erected on the Reserve of Lennox Island. which I forward to the Department for approval.

I am, Sir.
your Obedient Servant.
John D. Arsenault.
Indian Supt.

J. D. Mc. Lean Esq.
Secretary.
Dept. of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa.

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116,737--5

Ottawa, 23rd July, 1898.

Sir :

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, forwarding plan and specification submitted by Mr. Cyprien Gallant for a new school-house on Lennox Island to be built for the sum of $500.

In reply I beg to enclose herewith form of bond to be signed by Mr. Gallant and two sureties. I also return the plan and specification, which you should retain in your office for reference while the building is being put up in order to see that the work is conducted in accordance therewith.

It is observed that the dimensions of the building are not mentioned in either the plan or the specification. Although the number of ~~the~~ children on the roll of the present school is 32, the new building ought to be large enough to accommodate 50. The Department will, therefore, leave it to your discretion to decide and arrange with Mr. Gallant as to the dimensions.

The date when the building is to be finished is another point not yet decided. It is considered that the 30th September next would be a fair time to fix, but the Department will leave this matter also to your discretion.

As $500 is a larger sum than the Department has provided

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provided for the erection of other school buildings, it is considered that this amount ought to include a suitable stove and such seats as may be required.

I have to request, therefore, that you will have the specification amended in accordance with this letter, and after Mr. Gallant and his sureties have signed the bond, return both documents to the Department for approval.

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) A. McLean

Secretary.

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P. E. Island. Higgins Road
28 July 1898

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd Instant. No. 116,737--5. enclosing form of bond to be signed by Mr. Cyprien Gallant and Sureties, but the plan of School house and Specifications were not enclosed in it as stated.

As for the size of the building which was inadvertently omited to be mentioned by Mr. Gallant. I may say that the plan was a 1/4 inch to the foot. which gives 26 X 20 ft. I had some time ago. last year I think, given the size to the Dept. which I considered large enough and it was on this size that Mr. Gallant took the contract. It may be perhaps a little too large, but it is always good to have plenty of room.

As to the time of completion I would say 30th October. as three months would not be too long a time for building it. as there are a great deal of lost time in ferrying the materials across. As for a new stove to be put in by Mr. Gallant I might say. that a new stove was put in the School last winter, or the winter before, so no necessity of a new one. but I will get Mr. Gallant to do some extra work, & to remove the out-house, near the new schouse wich is built nearly a half a mile from the old one. (More in the centre.)

J. D. McLean Esq.
Secretary
Dept. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

I am Sir,
your Obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

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116,737--5

Ottawa, 4th August, 1898.

Sir :

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, returning bond and agreement for building the new schoolhouse at Lennox Island.

I return the document herewith, as the bond on the second page has not been signed by Mr. Callant. Be good enough to have him sign in the presence of two witnesses, after which the deed should be returned to the Department.

I now enclose specification and plan which, through inadvertence, were not transmitted with my letter of the 23rd ultimo.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.

J. O. Arsenault, Esq.,
Indian Superintendent,
Higgins Road,
Prince Edward Island.

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Know all Men by these Presents,

THAT WE Cyprien Gallant
of Higgins Road P.O. Carpenter
and J. F. Arsenault Merchant
of Higgins Road P.O.
and Raymond Gallant Farmer
of Higgins Road P.O.

are held and firmly bound to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs of the Dominion of Canada in the sum of ~~— — — — — —~~ twenty five ~~— — — — —~~ dollars of lawful money of Canada, to be paid to the said Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, acting for the Department of Indian Affairs of the Dominion of Canada, or his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals.

Dated this Twenty Seventh day of July in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven

The Condition of this Obligation is such, that if the above bounden Cyprien Gallant J. F. Arsenault and Raymond Gallant and their Executors, Administrators and Assigns, shall in all things well and truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions and agreements specified and contained in a certain agreement bearing even date with the above written obligation and made between the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs of the Dominion of Canada and Cyprien Gallant of the other part of Prince P.E.Island in the County of Prince which on the part of the said Cyprien Gallant ~~ought~~ to be observed, fulfilled and kept according to the true intent and meaning thereof, then the said obligation to be void and of no effect; otherwise to remain in full force, virtue and effect.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
IN THE PRESENCE OF

J. O. Arsenault J.P.

Cyprien Gallant
J. F. Arsenault
Raymond Gallant

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Be it Remembered that on this ~~twenty~~ seventh day of July in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight it is agreed by and between the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs of the Dominion of Canada, acting for the Department of Indian Affairs, of the one part, and Cyprien Gallant of ~~the~~ Higgins Road aforesaid ~~in the~~ of the other part, in form and manner following, viz.:—

The said Cyprien Gallant for the consideration hereinafter mentioned, for himself, his Executors and Administrators, agrees to and with the said Superintenddnt General of Indian Affairs of the Dominion of Canada, acting for the Department of Indian Affairs, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, that the said Cyprien Gallant shall or will, on or before the thirty-first day of October 1898, in good and workmanlike manner, in accordance with a plan and specification thereof lying at the Indian Office at Higgins Road in the ~~County of~~ Province of Prince Edward Island and according to the best of his art and skill, well and substantially erect, build, set up and finish the School building on the Lennox Island Indian Reserve, in the ~~County of~~ Province aforesaid, and to compose the same of such stone, brick, timber and other materials as shall be appproved of by John O. Arsenault Indian Agent at In consideration whereof the said Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, acting for the Department of Indian Affairs, for himself, his Executors and Administrators, promises and agrees to and with the said Cyprien Gallant his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, well and truly to pay or cause to be paid unto the said Cyprien Gallant or his Assigns the sum of five hundred dollars.

In Witness Whereof the said Superintendent General of Indian Affairs acting as aforesaid, and the said Cyprien Gallant have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above mentioned.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered

IN PRESENCE OF

J. F. Arsenault Acting

A M Graham
note signature of
Acting Deputy

J. D. M. Lean
Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Cyprien Gallant

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PROVINCE OF P. E. Island
County of Prince
To WIT:

I, J. F. H. Arsenault
one of the Sureties in the foregoing bond named,
make oath and say as follows:

1. I am seized and possessed to my own use of real and personal estate in the Province of Prince Edward Island in Canada, of the actual value of Two hundred dollars over and above all charges upon or incumbrances affecting the same.

2. My post office address is as follows:

SURETY.

SWORN before me at the Abrams Village
in the County of Prince
in the Province of P. E. Island this
Twenty eighth day of July
in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety eight
Sylv. E. Gallant
A Commissioner, in H. C. J.

J. F. H. Arsenault

PROVINCE OF P. E. Island
County of Prince
To WIT:

I, Raymond Gallant
one of the Sureties in the foregoing bond named,
make oath and say as follows:

1. I am seized and possessed to my own use of real and personal estate in the Province of Prince Edward Island in Canada, of the actual value of Three hundred dollars over and above all charges upon or incumbrances affecting the same.

2. My post office address is as follows:

SURETY.

SWORN before me at the Abrams Village
in the County of Prince
in the Province of P. E. Island this
Twenty eighth day of July
in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety eight
Sylv. E. Gallant
A Commissioner, in H. C. J.

Raymond Gallant

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PROVINCE OF
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TO WIT:

I, J. O. Arsenault
of ~~the~~ Egmont Bay
in the County of Prince
in the Province of P. E. Island do solemnly make oath and say that I was personally present and did see J. F. H. Arsenault
and Raymond Gallant
the obligors in the within bond or writing obligatory named, duly execute the said Instrument by signing, sealing, and, as their respective acts and, deeds delivering the same; and that I am a subscribing witness to such execution.

WITNESS.

SWORN before me at ~~the~~ Abrams Village
in the said county of Prince this
Twenty eighth day of July
A.D. one thousand eight hundred and
ninety eight
Sylvia E. Gallant
A Commissioner, in H. C. J

J. O. Arsenault

Dated 27th July 1898.

Cyprien Gallant
J. F. Arsenault
Raymond Gallant

TO

The Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

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OTTAWA,19th August,1896.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the bond and agreement for the erection of the new school house on Lennox Island, amended as requested in Department's letter of the 4th instant,and in connection therewith I beg to say that the same having been completed,the work may be proceeded with at once.

Your obedient servant,

J.D.McLEAN

Secretary

J.O.Arsenault,Esq.
Indian Supt.
Higgins Road,
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Prince Edward Island

Higgins Road 2 Sept 1898

ACCOUNTANT SEP 8 1898 BRANCH.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th Ultimo. No. 116737.....5 In Compliance with the request contained there in, the work on the new school house is proceeded with rapidly. Mr. Cyprien Gallant the Contractor had all the Materials on the Spot on the 26th Ultimo. and three men are working at the building. Mr. C. Gallant would wish to have a payment now, if the Department can pay part at a time. The Materials he has now on the Spot Cost $164.00. besides the cost of taking it over there, which Cost a week of work three or four men and teams. The Dept. would be safe enough in sending Mr. C. Gallant a Cheque for $250.00, half of the amount, and balance when completed.

He could hardly do without having a part to pay hired men. and for the materials.

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
Indian Supt.

J. D. McLean Esq.
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BANK OF MONTREAL.

No. 2721

Original, for the Depositor.

Bank of Montreal,

$250 —

27 OCT 1898

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Received *from* Indian Dept

on account of Indian Funds

the sum of Two hundred & fifty —— *Dollars,*

which amount will appear at the RECEIVER GENERAL'S credit with this Bank.

Signed in Triplicate,

Pro Manager.

Ent'd.

BANK OF MONTREAL.

No. 2721

Duplicate, for Department.

Bank of Montreal,

$250 —

27 OCT 1898

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Received *from* Indian Dept

on account of Indian Funds

the sum of Two hundred & fifty —— *Dollars,*

which amount will appear at the RECEIVER GENERAL'S credit with this Bank.

Signed in Triplicate,

Pro Manager.

Ent'd.

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Exd. Prince Edward Island
Higgins Road P.O.
15 September 1898

Sir.

I here in enclose account from Cyprien Gallant for building the school house on Lennox Island. It is nearly Completed, only a little painting to be done, and the seats to be fastened to the floor and this will be done before this letter reaches the Department. It is a fine school, built according to specification. The extra $ work I got him to do in the place of puting a new Stove was, the whole building was shingled with Cedar shingles instead of two walls in Spruce and Stove pipes required to put up Stove, and hauling out-building from the site of old School house.

The ceiling is made with kiln dried boards and boiled and varnished. it looks most beautiful Nothing has been Spared to make it warm as possible. paper has been placed all over the house between boards and shingles. no plastering all matched boards been used. It is indeed a beautiful building. built on a fine site.

I Am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
John O. Arsenault
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SEP 8 1899

P. E. Island Supty. Higgins Road
5 September 1899

ACCOUNTANTS
SEP 11 1899
BRANCH

Acct

Sir.

The old school house which was given to the Indians of Lennox Island for a hall, for Temperance meetings – which are held weekly – is not used now, they meet in the vestry which is a more suitable, and the building is now of no use to the Indians. would it not be advisable to give it to an Indian for a barn, an Indian (Frank Thomas) asked one for it He might pay a little for it, and that would go towards paying for a set of wheels which are absolutely neeeecsary for the horse-power. which was bought last year, when it has to be moved from barn to barn

I Am. Sir.
your obedient Servant
John A. Carsenault
Indian Supt.

J. D. McLean Esq
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Dept. of Indian Affair
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Ottawa October 2nd. 1899.

Sir:-

In view of the report contained in your letter of the 5th. ultimo, I beg to inform you that you may allow the Indian Frank Thomas to use the old school house as a barn. When granting this privilege to Thomas, you should make him understand that the Department expects him to pay for the use of the same , and you should collect from him such sum as you consider he is in a position to pay. The money should be forwarded to the Department in order that it may be used in the manner stated by you, viz:- to pay for wheels for the horse power.

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

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Indian Supt,
Higgins Road,
P. E. I.

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