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Roundmaker School*

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Ottawa, July 9, 1910.

P.X.

Right Reverend Sir,

A report recently received on the Poundmakers day school shows that the teacher lately appointed is altogether unfit for the position. There is no teacher's dwelling on this reserve, but an unmarried teacher can secure board and comfortable quarters at the farm house, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the school, and the Department is assured that the farmer will co-operate in every way with the teacher in maintaining the attendance and raising the efficiency of the school.

I have to ask Your Lordship, therefore, to take into consideration the appointment of a teacher with proper qualifications and to one with the necessary certificates a salary of \$400.00 per annum will be paid. I shall be glad to hear from Your Lordship in connection with this matter at an early date.

*For the
Bishop
out*

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

Right Rev. Albert Pascal, O.M.I., D.D.,
Bishop of Prince Albert,
Prince Albert, Sask.

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Sec. Dept. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.



Sir:

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of date of July 9 and state that We are occupied in trying to find a suitable teacher for the day school of the Poundmaker's Reserve.

Thus far, applicants desire to know if salary of \$ 400.00 includes board and lodging or whether same shall have to be provided for out of said salary. As to this We have been unable to answer ~~their~~ their queries.

Very respectfully

Albert Pascal, D.D., ~~Canon~~
Bishop of
Prince Albert.

Prince Albert, Sask.

July 20 1910.

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P.XE

Ottawa, July 26, 1910.

Right Reverend Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's letter of the 20th instant in reference to board and lodging for a teacher for the Poundmaker's school.

In reply I beg to say that on this reserve no dwelling has been erected for a teacher and an unmarried teacher will have to make provision for his own board and lodging out of the salary provided by the Department.

*For
A.P.M.*

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

Right Rev. Albert Pascal, D.D., O.M.I.,
Bishop of Prince Albert,
Prince Albert, Sask.

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Welman November 15 1910

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Sir,

As I heard the Indian Department is taken some steps to improve the Day schools, I beg to draw his attention on Poundmaker's day school. — I suggest to erect a new building for school purpose and one house for the teacher in order to engage a married man. The man could teach and the lady could help him in making the children wash themselves and teach some works specially to the girls, and prepare a midday meal. So the yearly wages should be raised from \$300 to \$600. At the same time the children should be conveyed to the school. According my own idea and my experience I think the Department and the missionaries will see a great success.

Hoping the Department granting my request,

I remain, Dear Sir,

Your very obliged

Rev. H. Welmas

J. W. McLean
Secretary of Indian Affairs.

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Ottawa, November 30, 1910.

Rev. Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant in reference to the establishment of an improved day school on the Poundmakers reserve.

In reply I beg to say that inquiries will be made and you will be further advised. I may say that where conditions are favourable the Department is prepared and to engage a married man, his wife and to provide proper accommodation for them.

Your obedient servant,

W. L. LEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Rev. H. Delmas,
Delmas, Sask.

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Ottawa, November 30, 1910.

Sir,

Reverend Father Delmas has applied to the Department for the establishment of an improved day school on the Poundmakers Reserve. He recommends the appointment of a married man, his wife to act as field matron. This system is employed on several of the reserves in Saskatchewan and the results in general have been very satisfactory. The Department would, therefore, like to have a full report from you upon conditions on the Poundmakers reserve, in which you should deal with the number of children of school age, the distances they reside from the school, the condition of the Indian homes, the present condition of the school building and any other matters that, in your opinion, may be of use to the Department in considering this question.

Your obedient servant,

W. H. LEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

J. P. G. Day, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

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EXH

Ottawa, January 17, 1911.

Sir,

I beg to refer to official letter of November 30th, last, in which you were asked for a report on the establishment of an improved day school on the Poundmakers reserve and to ask when the Department may expect to receive the same.

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

J. P. G. Day, Esq.,

Indian Agent,

Hattleford, Sask.

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,



BATTLEFORD.

379818

JANUARY 20 TH 1911.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 10
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER.

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER No 117052/1 NOVEMBER 30 TH 1910.

See
Sir,-

I have the honour to say, relative to the Pound-maker Day School, that an improved School on this Reserve, if it were well conducted, should prove a great success and a benefit to the Indians; as there are now 21 Children of School age, and a lot of others who are nearly old enough to attend too.

Under date of Aug 6 th '10 I wrote you stating that the present building is in a ruinous condition, and not worth repairing. I would also recommend that a married man be employed as Teacher: his wife could prepare the noon meal for the children; and I always consider that the presence of a good woman helps to attract the children to the schools.

On this Reserve the homes of the Parents are somewhat scattered; so that when the School would be ready for complete operation; I think that it would be advisable to have the ones who reside far away from the School brought there by some sort of conveyance.

Yours obediently

J. D. McLean
Indian Agent.

J. D. McLEAN ESQ'RE.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

BATTLEFORD.



JANUARY 24 TH 1911.

379965

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. <u>IO</u>
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER.

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER #117052/1, JANUARY 17 TH 1911.

Sir,--

I have the honour to say that the Report on the Poundmaker Day School was mailed to you on the 20 th instant; and must have crossed yours in transit.

Yours obediently

J. P. C. Day
Indian Agent.

J. D. MCLEAN ESQ.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

BATTLEFORD.

JUNE 16 TH 1911.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 10
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER.

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER No 117052/I, JANUARY 31 ST 1911

390719

Sir,-

I have the honour to say that Mrs Favel has notified me that sh intends resigning from the position of Teacher, at the Poundmaker Day School, at the end of the present Quarter: while she has been in charge of this School, she has done her best to make a success of her work, and the results obtained are tolerably good. With regard to making a recommendation as to a successor for Mrs Favel's Position; I will again write you when the Church Authorities have approved of an applicant. I will also, at the Annuity Payment, when the Census will ~~also~~ be taken, obtain definite information as to the number of Children, of School age, and their approximate distance from the School; I will then immediately transmit this intelligence to you.

Yours obediently

J. P. E. Day

Indian Agent.



J. D. McLEAN ESQ'RE.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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P.X.H.

Ottawa, October 27, 1911.

Sir,

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In reply to your letter of the 9th instant I beg to say that provided you can obtain the services of a qualified teacher for the day school on the Poundmaker's Reserve the Department will be willing to pay a salary of \$500.00 per annum.

Your suggestion that an improved day school building be put up which would accommodate the children on the Poundmaker's and Little Pines Reserve would be favourably considered if these two schools were not under the auspices of different denominations. Unless you can assure the Department that an undenominational school would be agreeable to all parties concerned it is afraid that nothing can be done in the direction of providing a combined school. The Department would like to have a reply from you as soon as possible as the estimates for the next fiscal year will soon be in the course of preparation.

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Secretary.

J. P. G. Day, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

BATTLEFORD.

DECEMBER 15 TH 1911.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 10

ALSO

TO DATE OF THIS LETTER.

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER No 117052/I, OCTOBER 27 TH 1911.

401155

Sir,-

I have the honour to say that, as yet, I have been unable to secure a qualified Teacher for the Poundmaker Day School; so have for the present needs employed Tom Favel, for the Winter months, as he was fairly satisfactory when teaching before.

With regard to the combined "improved" Day School for Poundmaker and Littlepine Reserves, I have interviewed both the Roman Catholic and Church of England Authorities upon the subject—they were both agreeable to the Plan; but stated that the main obstacle to its successful operation would be the Indians themselves, there being such an antipathy between these two Bands; and therefore did not think that a combined School would be feasible.

Yours obediently

J. P. C. Day

Indian Agent.

J. D. McLEAN ESQ'RE.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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Ottawa, December 22, 1911.

Sir,

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I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, and in reply I beg to say that the Department approves of the temporary appointment of Tom Favel as teacher of the Poundmakers School during the winter months. You should, however, continue your efforts with a view to securing the services of a more competent teacher. It would be well for you to correspond with His Lordship Bishop Pascal.

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Deputy and Secretary.

J. P. G. Day, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

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OFFICE OF THE

INSPECTOR OF INDIAN AGENCIES 9728

NORTH SASKATCHEWAN INSPECTORATE.

In your Reply refer to

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Also to the date of this letter.

Prince Albert, Sask., Sept. 9th, 1912.

Ref.

Letter No.

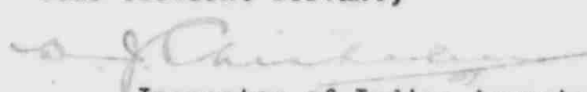
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Sir,-

Rev. Father Lacombe, of Delmas, informs me that he has been authorized to employ a teacher for the Poundmaker day school. He had secured a female teacher holding a diploma from a Normal School in the province of Quebec; but as he could not promise a higher salary than \$300 the lady took another situation. He now recommends the appointment of Miss Anna Bellavance, a girl of ~~age~~ about 18 years, who has been educated at the Separate School at Delmas. According to the certificate of her teacher, which I enclose, Miss Bellavance has gone through the 7th grade, which represents approximately the standing of the Entrance Examination, or from one to two years short of the Third Class teacher's certificate. Apparently in this case also the acceptance of the position depends on the salary to be paid, as the reverend Father desires to know whether an allowance of \$500 per annum will be made in case of her appointment. I quite believe that Miss Bellavance would do considerably better work than has been done in this school for some time past, yet owing to her rather limited scholarship and her lack of training and experience I could not recommend that so high a salary be paid. I would recommend, however, that \$500 be paid to a duly qualified teacher.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,


 Inspector of Indian Agencies.

The Secretary,


 Department of Indian Affairs,
 Ottawa.

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St. J. B. de la Salle School,
Delmas, Sept 3, 1912.

I have very great pleasure in certifying that Miss Anna Bellavancee has been a pupil in constant attendance at our Roman Catholic School for the past few years. During that time she has always maintained a high standing both as to conduct and scholarship. She just went through the 7th grade.

I am happy to be able to recommend her as a teacher of great promise and ability. You can trust her fully.

Sister Saint-Aubert.
Teacher.

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Ottawa, September 16, 1912.

Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th instant in reference to the appointment of a teacher for the Poundmaker Day School.

In reply I beg to say that the Department is quite prepared to make an allowance of \$500.00 per annum for a qualified teacher, but cannot pay this salary to Miss Anna Bellavance, whose scholarship is very limited, she only having taken a public school course. The very most the Department could allow in this case is \$300.00 per annum.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. MOLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

W. J. Chisholm, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Prince Albert, Sask.

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EX-117
Ottawa, April 25, 1913.

Rev. Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, and in reply I beg to say that the Department endeavours, if possible, to find teachers with professional qualifications, that is those who have had pedagogical training either in the model or normal schools in some of the provinces and for teachers with such qualifications the Department allows salaries ranging from \$500.00 to \$700.00 per annum, where there are ^{enough} children to justify the payment of such an amount.

Owing to the location of many of our reserves and the lack of boarding and lodging accommodation it is sometimes very difficult to secure qualified teachers, but it is often possible to obtain the services of competent persons with advanced scholastic qualifications and imbued with an interest in Indian work, to whom the Department is prepared to allow salaries of from \$500.00 to \$600.00 per annum, ^{although} even _{if} they have not had professional training.

Your communication of the same date in reference to the erection of a day school building ^{on Poundmakers Reserve} has also been received, but, as no provision has been made in the estimates this year for this purpose, the Department cannot undertake the work this season. A note, however, will be made for next

Rev. E. Lacombe, O.M.I.,
Delmas, Sask.

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next year, when it may be found possible to put up a new building.

Your obedient servant,

J D MCLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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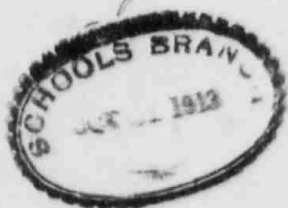
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Dear Sir 448047

I have been engaged by The Rev. E. Lacombe to teach the Day school on the Poundmaker Reserve. I opened the school on Oct. 13th and have had good attendance and find children bright and interesting. I have made all arrangement for the year. Providing the salary is satisfactory. I have at hand a letter stating salary for Teachers dated April 25th 117052/5. I am an experienced Teacher from a graded school where I have taught six years and naturally expect a Teachers salary. I have taught in Ireland and since living in this country have attended a Convent School for nine months.

The inconvenience of living and expense and the interest one must necessarily take with the school takes all my time and will expect an encouraging reply.



your Obedient Servant
Agnes Tierney
Poundmaker
Reserve

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*Mr. Sutherland
noted
J.D.*

EXT.

Ottawa, November 3, 1913.

Madam, -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo in which you state that you have been engaged by the Rev. E. Lacombe to teach the Indian Day School on the Poundmaker's Reserve.

In reply I beg to say that this appointment is approved of and you will be paid at the rate of \$500.00 per annum pending the report of the Inspector. Should his report be favourable the question of granting you an increase will be given consideration.

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Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

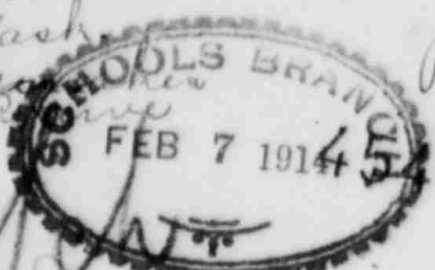
Miss Agnes Tierney,
Teacher,
Poundmaker's Indian Day School,
Paynton, Sask.

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Mrs. A. Tierney
Paynton, P.Q.
Sack
Teacher

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Paynton
sack

Dear sir in regard,
to the Indian children on the
Bundmaker Reserve. There are many
in need of care or some little
Medecine most of the time, also
Training in a sanitary way
I have been looking after them
in a personal way. They have
formed a habit of coming to me
in their sickness. I am anxious
to better the condition of the Poor
Indian children. Rev F. Sacombe
informs me That there is a
Matron Appointment for Reserves
and as I am doing The work
I should ask for The Appointment
Hoping for a favourable reply
I remain your Obedt servant
Mrs. Tierney

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Ottawa, February 9. 1914.

Approved *del*

MEMORANDUM.

Mr. Scott.-

Mrs. Tierney, teacher of the Indian Day School on the Poundmaker's Reserve, writes asking to be appointed field matron in addition to her other duties. She says that there are many children on the reserve in need of medical care, that the Indians are in the habit of going to her in case of sickness and she would like to take up this work at the usual rate of remuneration. Would you approve of her being employed in this capacity?

Mr Benson
What will she
want in salary
del

Mr Benson



Mrs Tierney's salary as teacher is \$500 per an. I think an additional \$100 a year would be a fair remuneration for her extra work.

M.B.

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Ottawa, February 16, 1914.

Madam, -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter asking to be appointed field matron in addition to your other duties as teacher of the Indian Day School on the Poundmaker's Reserve.

In reply I beg to say that the Department will be glad to avail itself of your services in this capacity and will allow you an additional salary of \$100.00 a year from the first of the current month and Mr. Agent Rowland will be so informed. A copy of instructions for field matrons will be sent you as soon as they are received from the printers.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLENNAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Mrs. Agnes Tierney,
Teacher,
Poundmaker's Indian Day School,
Paynton, Sask.

117052/1

*2 letters
Mr. Fetherland
noted J.B.H.*

Ottawa, February 16, 1914.

Sir,-

I beg to advise you that the Department has decided to allow Mrs. Tierney, teacher of the Poundmaker's Day school, an additional salary of \$100.00 per annum from the first of the current month for performing the duties of field matron on the reserve and she has been so informed.

[Handwritten signature]

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

J. A. Rowland, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

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March 2nd. 1914

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Paynton esk.

Sect. Dept. of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir in reply I have to thank you for appointment as field station. Also for cheque received Feb 28. for \$75. I trust my report for quarter ending Dec. 31st. forwarded in this mail will be satisfactory, and allow me to state a few difficulties existing through the quarter on this reserve. We opened school on the 13th of Oct 1913. There was no provision made for cutting wood for school so I had to arrange for it at my own expense. There was not any wood supplied for cooking a meal a day or heating the house where they eat dinner. all winter I provided wood and had it cut until the 23rd of Feb. The farmer told me hereafter the wood would be provided for the kitchen stove. The house is not fit for habitation hardly. The Catholic church where we have school is not protected very well single windows and not any to well sitting with stove heat makes the situation a trying one for half clothed children I find in going among the Indians. There are 20 school children on Poundmaker. so our seating capacity will be filled as I expect a full attendance when the snow is of the ground. The future looks bright and we are having good attendance. we are a happy group among ourselves.

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I remain. Respectfully

your Obedient Servant

Mrs. Agnes Tarney

Roundmaker Day
School

P.S. I am not complaining but I believe the Department should have the existing circumstances explained. why the Roundmaker School. is not more of a success, and the poor Indian children are therefore the loser.

I intend to stay on as the Rev E. Lacombe wishes me to stay on the coming year and promises a better protection from the severe winter we have here in this country.

Your O. S.

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Ottawa, March 9th. 1914

Madam,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd. inst, in which you state that you incurred some expense in obtaining wood for the Poundmaker's school.

The Department will reimburse you for your expense in this matter if you forward, through the agent, duplicate accounts for the wood purchased. When sending these accounts, kindly enclose the receipts received by you from the party from whom you purchased the wood.

Handwritten signature and initials

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Mrs. Agnes Tierney

Teacher,
Poundmaker's Indian Day School
Paynton, Sask

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School

Report on Inspection of Pounmaker's Day School.
Inspected Dec. 19th, 1913 and Jan. 21st, 1914.

5. School Room

The nave of the mission church is utilized as class-room. The building is quite cold; and the box heater situated in the center is sufficient to heat the room only in moderate weather. Fortunately, there has been only about three weeks of very severe weather thus far this winter.

The church is by no means central for the school population of the reserve, being about half a mile from one extremity and about two and a half from the other.

It is, however, a decided convenience for the teacher to be able to occupy the mission dwelling, where also the children's noon meal is prepared and served.

6. Equipment and School Material.

The desks are quite old, home-made and not being fastened to, the floor are quite unsteady. As no writing is done with pen the need for an absolutely steady desk is not so much felt.

The blackboard consists of painted lumber board leaned against the wall, and is of little advantage.

Respectfully submitted.

W.J. Chisholm
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

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Battleford,
February 28th, 1914

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Extract of Report of Indian Agent J. A. Rowland on the
Moosomin Reserve, dated December 24, 1914.
Original on File 352,400,-1

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Poandmaker School.

I visited this school on the 21st and found that the average was keeping fair. The bulk of the children are situated the same as at Littlepine, all within easy reach of the school, excepting a few stragglers who are not ^{and} more than a mile ~~xx~~ a half distant. This is a similar case ^{to} ~~the~~ Moosomin, and I personally do not see the necessity of employing a teamster. If, however, the Department think otherwise, I consider that I should have some say in the employing of the teamster. I would like to employ Indians who owe accounts on our ledger and who are quite capable of performing the work.

Sgd. J. A. Rowland,
Indian Agent.

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Ottawa, January 8, 1915.

Sir,-

Replying to that portion of your letter of the 24th ultimo in regard to conveying the children to and from the Foundmakers school I beg to say that, as in the case of the school on the Moosomin Reserve, the Department does not see the necessity for engaging a team for this purpose.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

J. A. Rowland, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

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REPORT of Provisions used at

Catholic

Day School

on Coundmaker Reserve, for Month ended June 30th 1917

Aggregate Attendance

122

Meals Served

19

	On hand 1st of <u>July</u>	Received during Month.	Used during Month.	On hand at end of Month.	REMARKS.
FLOUR	None	-	-	-	
BACON	11 lbs	10 lbs	21 lbs	None	
BEEF	None	-	-	-	
TEA	1 1/2 lbs	None	1 1/2 lbs	None	
RICE	5 lbs.	None	5 lbs	None	
SOAP	None	3 bars	3 bars	None	
SUGAR	10 lbs	None	10 lbs	None	
SALT	1 lb	None	1 lb	None	
POTATOES	None	-	-	-	
BISCUITS	21 lbs	25 lbs	36 lbs	10 lb	
BEANS	None	-	-	-	
OATMEAL	16 lbs	None	10 lbs	6 lbs	
PEAS	5 lbs	None	5 lbs	None	

July 14th 1917
Examined
J. A. Rowland
Agent

Certified Correct,

Mrs A. Eirney

Teacher, or Field Matron

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

504211

Battleford, Sask.,

September 14th 1917

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 300

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TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

In connection with the schools of this Agency I wish to draw your attention to certain facts regarding them. We have gone into the matter of costs of the Day Schools and from the results produced have come to the conclusion that it would be advisable, both from the point of economy and from an educational standpoint to close some of these schools and have the children sent to the boarding schools. I am submitting figures dealing with this matter which prove that the costs to the Department per head is greatly on the increase and the results attained are on the decrease. Although my reports in the past have in some cases been favourable yet I do not consider that the progress made is in proportion to the cost.

Moosomin Day School, - At this school the cost per head per annum for 1914-1915, 1915-1916 and from Sept. 1916-Sept. 1917 is as follows. \$103.75, 151.40 and 176.72. The average attendance during the same periods was 9.86, 8.9 and 6. From this you will see that while in the period from March 1914-1915 the average cost per head was \$103.75 it has now increased to \$176.72, while the attendance has dropped from 9.86 to 6. From the June report of this year the number of children of school age in the vicinity of the school is given as 18, and the average attendance for the quarter is 4.2 out of 13 on the register. In looking over the attendance at this school you will find that out of the 13 on the register there were only three who attended more days

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than they were absent during the quarter. From all this it will be seen that the Indian parents on this reserve, with few exceptions, do not care whether the children attend or stay away from school. When the average cost per pupil attending school is taken into consideration the rate is far too high. The cost of educating the children at the Thunderchild Boarding School with the increased allowance during the war is considerably lower than at this school. The child attending the boarding school is making far more progress than the child who is attending the day school. He or she are regular attendants at school where in the day school the knowledge acquired today is lost through being absent for the next two or three days. I would therefore consider it advisable in this case to discontinue this school and enforce the compulsory act and compel the Indians to send their children to the boarding school.

Poundmaker School,- At this school the cost per head for 1914-1915, 1915-1916, and from Sept 1916-Sept 1917 is as follows. \$140.00, 141.35 and 175.00. The average attendance for the same periods has been 9.1, 10.3 and 8.5. You will see that the average cost has increased from \$140.00 to to \$175.00 and the average attendance has decreased from 9.1 to 8.5. While the difference is not so noticable in this school as in the Moosomin, yet the cost is away above what it should be in proportion to the results attained. In looking at the June returns of this school we find that there are seventeen in the vicinity of the school with an enrollment of fifteen and an average attendance of 7.6. At this school we find that there are only five who have attended more days than they were absent. The attendance only figures out at 50% which is far too low. In the case of this school it would be far more economical to close it up and either have the children placed in a boarding school or employ a driver and have them all taught at the Littlepine Day School.

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Red Pheasant School,- The average cost per head for this school for 1914-1915, 1915-1916 and from Sept 1916-1917 is \$73.80 , 88.95 and 115.75. The average attendance for the same period was 25.75, 22.20 and 15.20. The average cost in this school has also increased and the average attendance has decreased. The average cost of \$115.75 is however much lower than in the two previous mentioned schools. In the June report the number of children of school age in the vicinity of the school is given as 29 and the number on the register as 22 with an average attendance of 13.10 for the quarter. At this school there were 14 who attended more days than they were absent, during the quarter.

Littlepine School,-The average cost of this school for 1914-1915, 1915-1916 and Sept. 1916-1917 was \$126.00, 99.65 and 111.90 and the average attendance was 11 13 and 11. There has not been the same changes in the average cost and attendance as in the other schools. While at this school the attendance has been fair the advancement made by the children has been poor. We trust that the new teacher who is taking the school over on the 1st of next month will show better results. In the June quarter the number shown on the register is 20 which includes all of school age in the vicinity of the school. The average is given as 8.75 which is below the average of the year but compares favourably with the average of 5.5 for the June quarter of the previous year. At this school there were nine who attended more days than they were absent.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the average cost per head for the different schools varies considerably. While in the case of Moosomin and Poundmaker the average for the three years has reached the sum of \$143.62 and \$152.12 in that of Red Pheasant and Littlepine the average has been \$92.83 and \$112.52 and the cost of the schools for twelve months from Sept 1916 to Sept 1917 has been for

Moosomin \$176.72, Poundmaker \$175.00, Red Pheasant 115.75 and for Littlepine 111.90. In the comparison between the schools as regards the average costs, I have endeavoured to be as just as possible. The figures for Red Pheasant and Littlepine includes an allowance of \$100.00 per year for Field Matrons for preparing the noon meals, which is the same as is allowed for Moosomin and Poundmaker. Red Pheasant School also includes in its cost the sum of \$500.00 for taking the children to school, which charge is not made against any of the other schools. In the case of Red Pheasant and Littlepine no rent was included as these schools are held in Department buildings, while in the case of Moosomin and Poundmaker a charge of \$240.00 and \$300.00 per annum is included for rent.

Were it possible I think it would be far more beneficial to the children if the day schools were taken away from the partial control of the churches and placed entirely under Department control with graduated normal school teachers in charge. If it is not possible to do this I would recommend as an alternative that the Moosomin and Poundmaker Schools be closed and the children of Moosomin of Catholic parentage be sent to the Thunderchild Boarding School and those of Protestant parentage to the Onion Lake Boarding School or some other Anglican Boarding School. At the Poundmaker Reserve I think it would be either possible to send the Catholic children to the Thunderchild Boarding School or as I mentioned before employ a driver and have them all attend the Littlepine Day School. At the present time there are attending the Thunderchild Boarding School, 5 children from Moosomin, 12 from Poundmaker and 10 from Red Pheasant. There are also 9 children from Red Pheasant at Onion Lake Boarding School and 2 at Elkhorn. I think it would be a good rule to follow that when the average attendance for the twelve months falls below 10

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the Day School should be closed and some other disposition be made of the children. I have always urged the parents to send their children to the Day Schools but have met with poor results on the Moosomin and Poundmaker Reserves.

If this report should meet with your approval I would recommend that action be taken at once as regards the Poundmaker and Moosomin Schools.

Yours obediently,

J. A. Howland
Indian Agent

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

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Ottawa, October 5, 1917.

Sir,-

I beg to enclose herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. Agent Rowland in regard to day schools in his agency and I have to request that you will be good enough to furnish the Department with a report, stating whether in your opinion the results justify the expenditure the Department is being put to in carrying on these schools.

With regard to the Poundmakers and Moosomin schools I may say that the Agent has been informed that unless a better attendance is secured at these schools the Department will be forced to take into consideration the question of closing them.

Handwritten initials and signature

Your obedient servant,

L. B. McLean

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

W. B. Crombie, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Prince Albert, Sask.

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Ottawa, October 5, 1917.

Sir,-

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I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th ultimo drawing the Department's attention to certain facts regarding the day schools in your agency.

Your obedient servant,

[Handwritten signature]

J. D. McLean

[Handwritten signature]

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

J. A. Rowland, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE

Battleford, Sask.,

November 9th

1917

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. **303**
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

505542

MM
Sir,—

In connection with the attached return I beg to advise you that this is the first intimation that I have had from Mrs. Tierney that she was resigning the position of teacher for the Poundmaker School. I visited this school on October 9th and she did not mention the matter to me, although she closed the school two days later.

I have also had a letter today from Rev. Father Watelle advising me that Mrs Tierney had left the school and that he was looking around for another teacher. You will note that there are only eight children attending the school out of fourteen in the vicinity of the school and that the average attendance is six. I consider that this school has passed the stage where it is advisable to keep it open any longer.



Yours obediently,

J. A. Rowland
Indian Agent

J. D. McLean Esq.,

Assistant Deputy and Secretary,

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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Records file 117052-1

Extract from Agent's Report on Poundmakers Day School
for the month of September, 1917. Original on 117052-7

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[Handwritten signature]

The attendance of this school is on the decrease and no progress is being made. Since my last visit to this school Mrs. Tierney has discontinued teaching at this school without giving this office any notification. I was at this school yesterday and there was nobody about the place. I am writing to Rev. Father Wattelle, whom I understand is in charge of the Catholic Missions in this agency.



(Sgd.) J. A. Rowland,
Agent.

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303

Ottawa, November 16, 1917.

Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th instant, informing the Department of the resignation of Mrs. Tierney of the Poundmaker Indian Day School.

In view of the very unsatisfactory attendance at this school, the Department has decided not to re-open it and it is not necessary, therefore, for you to make arrangements to secure another teacher.

It would be cheaper to place the children who attended Poundmakers school in a residential school.

Your obedient servant

Assistant Deputy and Secretary

J. A. Rowland, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

Delmas, Sask. November, 15, 1917.

Mr Duncan Scott, Deputy Superintendent General, of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:-

I ask of you to approve of the appointment of Mr John M. Seeber, as teacher on Pondmaker reserve, Battleford Agency, in place of Mrs Tierney, having left the School on the 15th of October, for reason of health.

Mr John M. Seeber, born in Ontario, 45 years old, married, his wife alive, without children, has been a long time a store-keeper. He has no diploma, but possesses all the other qualifications of instruction and morals to make a good teacher. Mrs Seeber, his wife, will cook for the children, and will attend at their meals.

Mr John M. Seeber has started teaching on the 15th of november under the condition of his appointment to be approved by the Depatment, what is asked by the present.

Yours respectfully,

A. Watelle

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE

Battleford, Sask.,

November 19th 1917

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 303

ALSO

TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

505924

I beg to forward herewith a letter I have received from Rev. Father Watelle dealing with the matter of the appointment of a teacher for the Poundmaker Day School.

Yours obediently,

J. A. Rowland

Indian Agent

*for Skapachet
Clerk.*

J. D. McLean Esq.,

Assistant Deputy and Secretary,

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.



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*Mr. Luthert
noted
JAS*

Ottawa, November 29, 1917.

Sir,-

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I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant enclosing a communication from Rev. Father Watelle, in which he asks the Department to approve of the appointment of Mr. John M. Seeber as teacher of the Poundmakers School and states that Mr. Seeber started teaching on the 15th instant.

In reply I beg to say that, as Mr. Seeber has commenced teaching at this school, his temporary appointment is approved of and he will be paid at the rate of \$600.00 per annum for his services. His retention in the position will depend on the attendance and the progress the pupils make in their studies and you will be good enough to inform him and Father Watelle accordingly.

A.S.D.
JAS

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

J. A. Rowland, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Battleford, Sask.

Delmas, St Henry's Boarding School, Sask. November 27, 1917.

Mr Duncan Scott,

Deputy Superintendent General,

Ottawa.

Dear Sir:-

As I am informed that it has been decided by the Department to close the Day-School on Poundmaker Reserve under the consideration that it will be cheaper to place the children of that Band in the Boarding School, and with a better result for their instruction and education,

Consequently I ask of the Indian Department to allow me to receive the children of that Band in the Thunderchild St Henry's Boarding School (Delmas), by increasing the number of pupils from forty, allowed at the present time, to fifty.

Yours respectfully,

A. Westell,
Principal.

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Thunderchild St Henry's Boarding School, Delmas, Sask. Nov. 27. 1917

Mr Duncan Scott, Deputy Superintendent General,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a letter of the Agency, in which the Agent states that it has been decided to close the day-school on Poundmaker Reserve, under the consideration that it will be cheaper to place the children of that Band in the Boarding School.- Not being aware that such a decision was to be taken I could not express my opinion, and I beg to express it now:-

My opinion, based on my own experience of twenty years, is that the Day-Schools on the reserves make no good at all to the Indians, and it is money expended for nothing in keeping these schools. Speaking only of the schools I knew, I dare to say that there is more good done to the children in two weeks in our Boarding School than in an entire year in the Day-Schools.

With such an opinion you will understand that I cannot but be pleased with the decision taken, but kindly let me object to the immediate execution of it under the following considerations

1) At the request of the Agency I have made arrangement to fill the position left by the last teacher, Mrs Tierney. A new teacher has been procured, and has started teaching, and so not caring to look for an other position for the present winter He has made expenses to come to the Reserve with his wife.

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2) It is stated that the children of that Band will not be deprived of a school, being to be placed in the Boarding School, but that decision taking me by surprise, I do not see how I could find accommodation to receive these children before next Spring.

In consideration of the circumstances as explained above I beg to make the suggestion that the execution of the decision should be postponed until the 1st of April next.

Kindly let me hear from you if you agree with the suggestion.

Yours respectfully,

H. Watelle

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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE

Battleford, Sask.,

November 28th 1917

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 303
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

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I beg to enclose herewith two letters from Rev. Father Watelle, who is at the head of the Roman Catholic Indian Missions in this agency, which deal with the education of the Poundmaker Indian children.

I had quite a long talk with the Rev. Father on the subject and he was quite pleased with the decision of the Department and was heartily in accord with them regarding the closing of the day schools.

on 137443-1
Extract put

The appointment of the teacher to the Poundmaker School was made and he had started his work before we received word from the Department requesting that it be closed. As stated in the Rev Father's letter he has no accommodation at the present time for these children at the Boarding School and will not have until the Department grants permission to increase the number from forty to fifty, when it is his intention to enlarge the school.

Under the circumstances I think it advisable in the interests of the Poundmaker children to keep the day school open until April 1st, provided that Mr. Seeber is capable of filling the position. I intend to visit the school shortly when I shall form an opinion on the qualifications of Mr. Seeber.

Yours obediently,

J. Howland
Indian Agent

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

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Extract from Report of Inspector W. Murison,
dated Sept. 16, 1920. on the Battleford Agency. Original
on 427021-5.
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POUNDMAKERS DAY SCHOOL.

This day school is under the auspices of the Roman Catholic Church. The church building is ~~being~~ used as a school being rented for that purpose.

Mr. J. M. Seeber is in charge as teacher. I passed the school in the forenoon on my way around the reserve and noted that there were eight children attending that day. They looked clean and tidy. I visited the school shortly after four o'clock but the children and teacher had gone, therefore, I did not meet him. There are 13 pupils enrolled, 8 boys and 5 girls. The average attendance for the June quarter is 5.38 which is unsatisfactory. The class standing is 9 in Standard I and 4 in Standard II, which is not a good showing. Apparently the Indians are not much interested in their day school.

W. Murison

Insp.



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Copy for 105-3-1

Ottawa, October 22, 1920.

Sir,-

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo informing the Department that Mr. M. B. Edwards has resigned as teacher of the Little Pines Indian Day School, his resignation to take effect from the last day of September, and also enclosing a copy of a report which you received from Mr. Agent Macdonald, in which he advises the closing of this school.

In reply I beg to say that, in view of the Agent's recommendation, which is approved by yourself, this school may remain closed for the present. Your suggestion that the children from this reserve be sent to the Brandon Industrial School will receive consideration.

With reference to the day school on the Poundmaker Reserve I beg to say that the Department is including in the estimates for submission to parliament at the next session an increase of forty in the pupilage at the Thunderchild's Boarding School, and, if this item is approved, the children of school age on the Poundmaker's Reserve can be placed in the Thunderchild's Boarding School. With the new addition, which is just about ready for occupation, this school will be able to provide adequate accommodation for ninety children and the grant will be increased to that number, but will not be available until April 1st, next. In the meantime the day school on the Poundmaker's Reserve is to remain open. I shall be pleased if you will inform Mr. Agent Macdonald accordingly.

I shall be pleased if you will give the necessary instructions to those concerned for the placing of all the children of school age who are Roman Catholics and in good health in the Thunderchild's Boarding School after the first of April, next.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie

For Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

W. M. Graham, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, Sask.

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Copy for Poundmaker's Sch.

original on 105-2-1.

OTTAWA, May 11th, 1921.

Sir, -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, enclosing a copy of a letter received by you from the Bishop of Saskatchewan with reference to the Little Pines and Poundmaker's Indian Day Schools.

In reply, I beg to say that the Department agrees with you that it would not be advisable to re-open the Little Pines Day School at the present time.

With reference to the Poundmaker's Day School; I beg to say that it is considered that this school should be closed at the end of the present quarter, viz: June 30th, next.

M.P.
The Department has provided, in the estimates for the present year, for a pupilage of 90 at the Thunderchild's Boarding School, and, as you were informed in official letter of October 22nd last, it is considered that the children of school age on the Poundmaker's Reserve should be placed in the Thunderchild's Boarding School.

The Department is instructing the Indian Agent to advise the teacher of the Poundmaker's School that his services will not be required after June 30th, next, and the Agent is also being instructed to have the children of school age on this Reserve sent to the Thunderchild's Boarding School.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

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

W. M. Graham, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Regina, Sask.

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Ottawa. May 13. 1921.

Sir,-

Referring to official letter of November 9th, last, in which you were informed that the Department intended to provide for an increase in the pupilage at the Thunderchild's Boarding School, I beg to say that, in the current year's estimates provision has been made for 90 pupils at this school. It has been decided to close the day school on the Poundmaker's Reserve at the end of the present quarter, namely, June 30th, next. You will be good enough to notify the teacher, Mr. J. M. Seeber, that his services will not be required after that date.

As you were also informed in the letter above referred to, the Department desires that the children of the Poundmaker's reserve be placed in the Thunderchild's Boarding School. You will be good enough to notify the principal of this school of the increased pupilage allowed and the Department will expect you to assist the principal in every way possible to recruit for the Thunderchild's Boarding School, the children of school age on the Poundmaker's Reserve who are in good health.

Application forms and certificates of health should be forwarded for all children who are to be admitted to this school.

The Department trusts that you will give this matter your early attention and inform the parties interested accordingly.

Your obedient servant

J. D. McLean.
Assistant Deputy and Secretary

M.P.
John L.
S. B. Macdonald, Esq.,
Indian Agent.
Battleford,
Sask.

(certificate)

To whom it may concern:

This is to certify
that John Henry Murphy
taught the Poundmakers
Indian School for a
continuous period of
5 months, as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>months</u>	<u>Yearly Salary earned</u>
1905	2	\$ 3 00 .
	Nov. 1 to Dec 31	8
1906	3	3 00
	Jan. 1 to Mch 31	

Dated at Ottawa
this day 2 March
1931 and Certified Correct.

Seal

x Dept of Indian Affairs

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John Henry Murphy
Paynton
Sask.
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Department of
Indian Affairs
Gov't of Canada
Dear Sir (or madam):
I was teacher on the
Poundmaker's Indian
Reserve near Battleford
Sask in 1905 (part of
1905) and in 1906 (part
of 1906). There will be
a record of my teach-
ing in your Dept.
I wrote to Mr
McDonald Agent at
Battleford but he said
records were burned
in a fire in Battleford
and to write to you.
I want the en-
closed certificate
signed by your Dept

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at Ottawa - also please
to put your seal or
stamp on said certifi-
cate. It is no use
without seal. The
Govt of Sask asks
me to forward this
certificate to Regina
for teacher's pensions
purposes.

So please be
sure to mail me
the certificate just
as soon as possible
signed and stamped.
If dates are not-
correct please put
in proper dates as
I cannot remember
exact dates of my
teaching.

Yours oblige
yours truly

J. H. Murphy,
- Teacher.

P.S. You may make
out a new cer-
tificate if
you wish of
J.H.M.

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Ottawa, March 18, 1931.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. John H. Murphy was employed by this Department as teacher at the Poundmaker's Indian Day School, on the Poundmaker's Reserve, Sask., for a continuous period of five months - from November 1, 1905, to March 31, 1906.

Russell T. Ferrier
Russell T. Ferrier,
Supt. of Indian Education.

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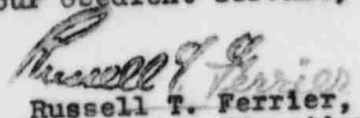
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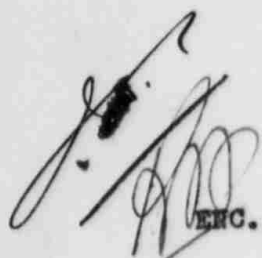
Ottawa, March 18, 1931.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant, I enclose herewith a certificate covering the period you were an employee of this Department as teacher at the Poundmaker's Indian Day School.

Your obedient servant,


Russell T. Ferrier,
Supt. of Indian Education.


John Henry Murphy, Esq.,
Paynton,
Sask.

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