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To the Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs
Ottawa

Crowfoot School Blackfoot Reserve
Glencher P.O. August 26th 1905

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I have the honour to forward herewith together with
the financial statement the annual report of the Crowfoot
School for the year ended June 30th 1905

Location This school is situated at the South camp of the Reserve
about 10 miles from Glencher P.O and within a few
yards from the Bow River.

Land There are about 10 acres under cultivation for the
use of the school, Government land being a part of
the Reserve fenced in with the permission of the Indian
Dept. and the consent of the Indians.

Buildings. 1° The main Building 36x36 3 stories high the 3rd storey not completed.
2° Two wings to the main building each 36x32. 2 stories high.
3° Behind the main building and adjacent to it a 2 stories
building 20x20. An addition to this Building was
built last fall a piece of 30x20, the same plan as
the Kitchen and is divided in Laundry on one side
and pantry and milk house on the other.
The south wing of the Building was also completed
in the current of the year. The Buildings
are divided at present into an office, reception
room, dining room, kitchen, pantry, milk house
Laundry, school room, sewing room, recreation
rooms on the ground floor, dormitories, ^{upstairs} chapel,
dining room for the staff, 2 rooms for hospital
in case of contagious disease.

4° A log stable with frame roof 48x16 and a root
house. A well kept surrounds the main building
and an ordinary wire fence serves at the same
purpose around the garden, pasture and field.

Accommodation. Under present arrangement accommodations for
60 pupils and a staff of 8 or 10.

Attendance. The pupils attend school regularly, all being ~~boarders~~ of the Institute. The present attendance is 30.

Class room work. — The class room work consists in reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, geography, grammar, drawing, vocal music, etc. Progress is noticeable examinations have been satisfactory so far and give the teachers much credit; the programme of the Indian Deptt has been followed. The pupils speak English and seem to take interest in doing it, they pronounce fairly well notwithstanding the difficulty of their own language.

Farm and garden. — As to the present very little farming has been done, but the garden and potato field give enough work to the pupils during the summer. The garden provides a full supply of potatoes and other vegetables to the school all along the year.

Industries taught. — The Boys have special hours for manual work; they help in caring after the cattle and horses during the winter. In the summer they work in the garden. The large boys have done the ploughing themselves. They also have done quite a good deal of carpenter work on the Laundry and the finishing of the south wing of the Building, the plastering of same has been done by them.

The girls are taught in general housework, cooking, baking, sewing, knitting, mending of the clothes.

Moral and religious training. — Instructions in the Rom. Cath. Church doctrine is imparted to the pupils; morning and evening prayers are said, and half an hour each day is devoted to religious instruction. The pupils seem to understand the moral taught to them, and try to practice by it.

Health and sanitary condition. — The General health has been good No. died of scrofula in the camp. The sanitary conditions are looked after carefully and everything is cleaned around the place and outbuildings as well. During vacation, the pupils

The girls have their ~~of~~ ^{of} month camping at a short distance from the camp in another place with other school. The large Boys make up hay, while the little ones pick up berries or catch gophers.

Water supply. — The water required is supplied by a pump from a well dug close by the Kitchen. There are also troughs around the buildings to catch the rain water, and a ~~cistern~~ cemented cistern under the Laundry provides the soft water for washing.

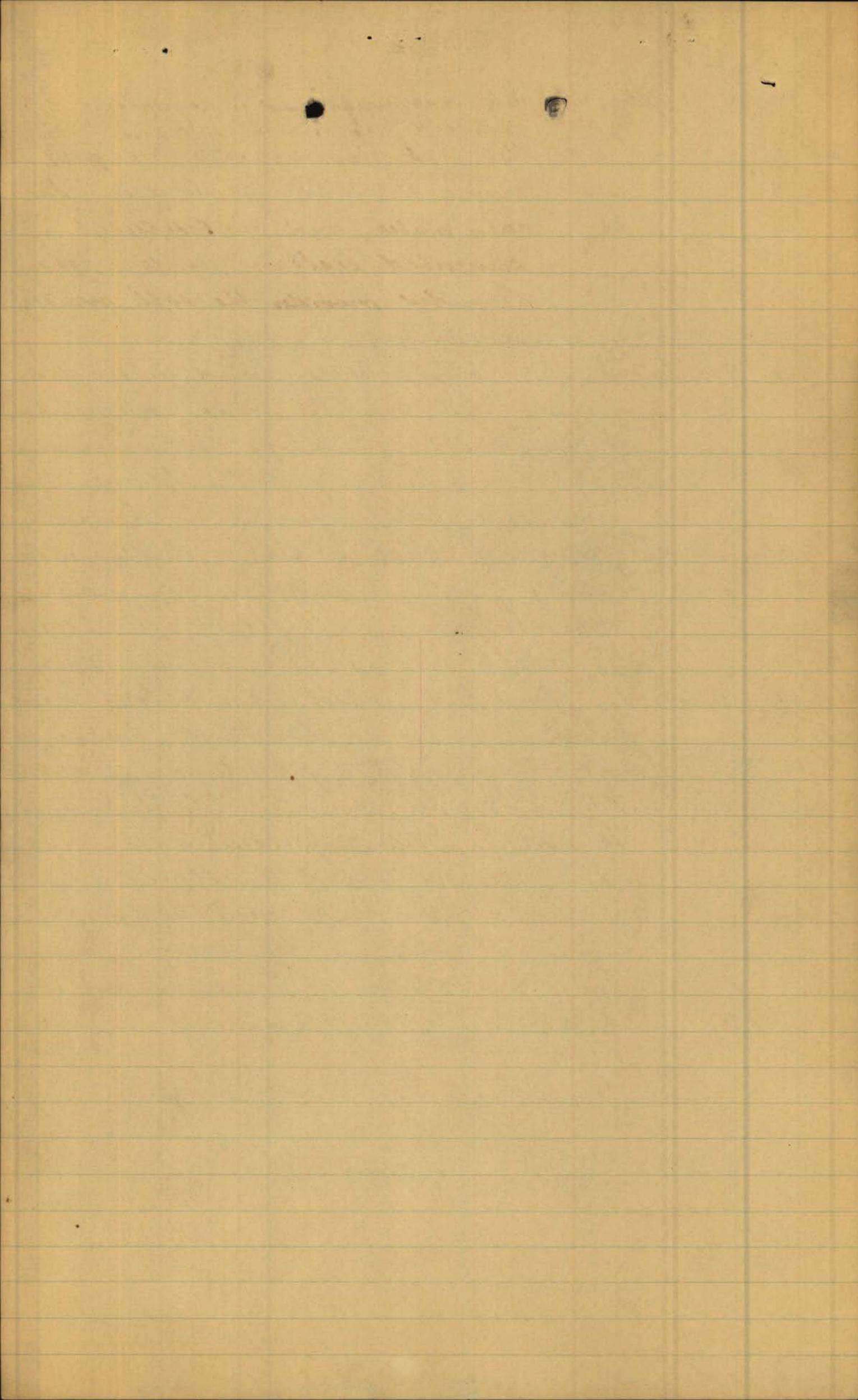
Fire Protection — Fire extinguishers, hand grenades, fire picks and fire axes, are distributed throughout the halls and rooms. There is a pump by the Building, but no tank in the house to the present.

Heating and Lighting. The school is heated partly with stores, partly with the hot air furnace. The Building is lighted by petroleum lamps.

Recreation. — Foot ball, shooting with bows and arrows, riding on horse back, fishing are the favorite pastime of the boys during the summer. The girls amuse themselves in playing balls, dressing dolls etc. Recreation is allowed 3 times a day after each meal taken outside in good weather, or in indoor games in bad weather always under the supervision of an attendant.

all of this cheerfully submitted





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Moral and religious training. Instruction in the Roman Catholic Church is imparted to the pupils; morning and evening prayers are said and half an hour each day is devoted to religious instruction. The pupils seem to understand the moral taught to them.

Health and sanitary conditions. The general health has been good. No death occurred during the year. The sanitary conditions are looked after carefully and everything is cleaned ~~around~~ the place and outbuildings as well.

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Fire Protection. — Fire extinguishers, hand grenades, fire pails and fire axes, are distributed throughout the halls and rooms. There is a pump close by the Building, but no tank in the house to the present.

Heating & lighting. The School is heated partly with stoves and partly with one hot air furnace.

The Building is lit by petroleum lamps.

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Trusting this report will be satisfactory.

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Blackfoot Crossing August 20th 1905

To the Honourable Superintendent Gen.
of Indian Affairs Ottawa.

Sir

I have the honour to forward herewith together with the financial statement, the annual report of the Crowfoot Boarding School for the year ended June 30th 1904

Location.— This school is situated at the South Camp of the Reserve about 10 miles from Gleichen P.O. and within a few yards from the Bow River.

Land.— There are about 10 acres ^{under cultivation} fenced in for the use of the School, government land belonging to the Reserve, fenced in with the permission of the Indians.

Building:— 1. The Main Building is 36 x 36 2 stories high.
2. Two wings to the main building each 36 x 32 2 stories high
3. Behind the main Building and adjacent to it a 2 story building.
The south wing of the Building is not completed yet. The buildings are divided at present into an office, reception room, dining room, kitchen, school room, recreation room on the ground floor, dormitories and chapel upstairs.
4. A log stable with frame roof 16 x 42, and a root house.
A well kept picket fence surrounds the main building and an ordinary wire fence serves at the same purpose around the garden, pasture and field.

Accommodation.— Under present arrangement accommodation for 25 pupils, but when the Building will be completed there will be accommodation for 60 pupils and a staff of 8 or 10.

Attendance.— The pupils attend school regularly all being boarders of the Institute. The present attendance is 24.

Class room work.— The Class room work consists in reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, geography, grammar, drawing,珠算. Progress is noticeable, examinations have been satisfactory and give the teachers much credit, the programme of the Ind. Depart. has been followed. The pupils speak English and seem to take interest in doing it.

Farm and Garden.— As to the present very little farming has been done, but the garden gives work enough for the pupils during the summer. The garden ^{provides} a fall supply of potatoes and other vegetables to the schools.

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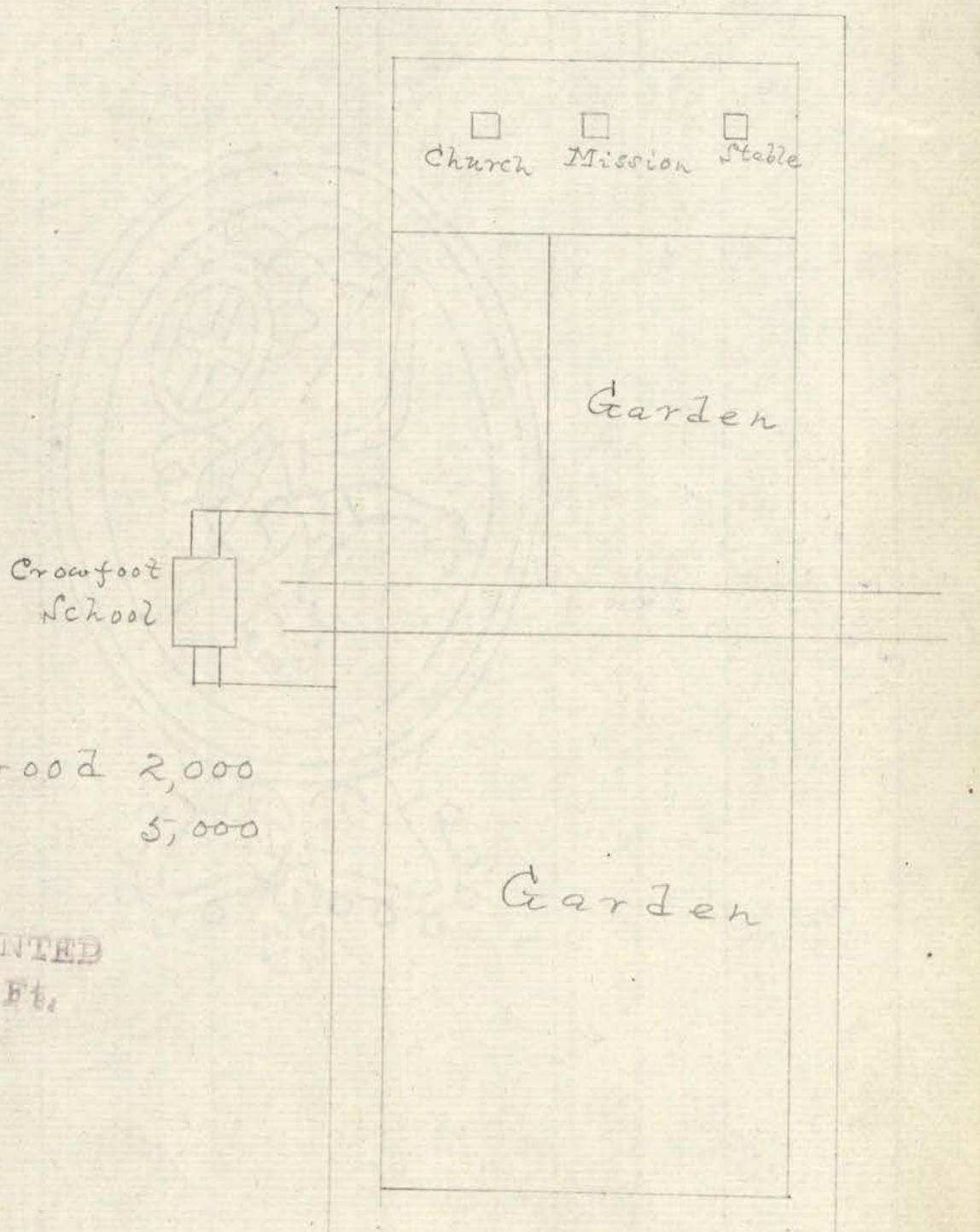
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ON

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THE PROPERTY OF Crowfoot School

Scale 200 Ft to an inch.

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Reply to Address presented to His Royal Highness Prince Arthur
of Connaught by the Chief's and Men of the Blackfoot
Band of Indians at Gleichen, Alberta, on Thursday, 5th.
April, 1906.

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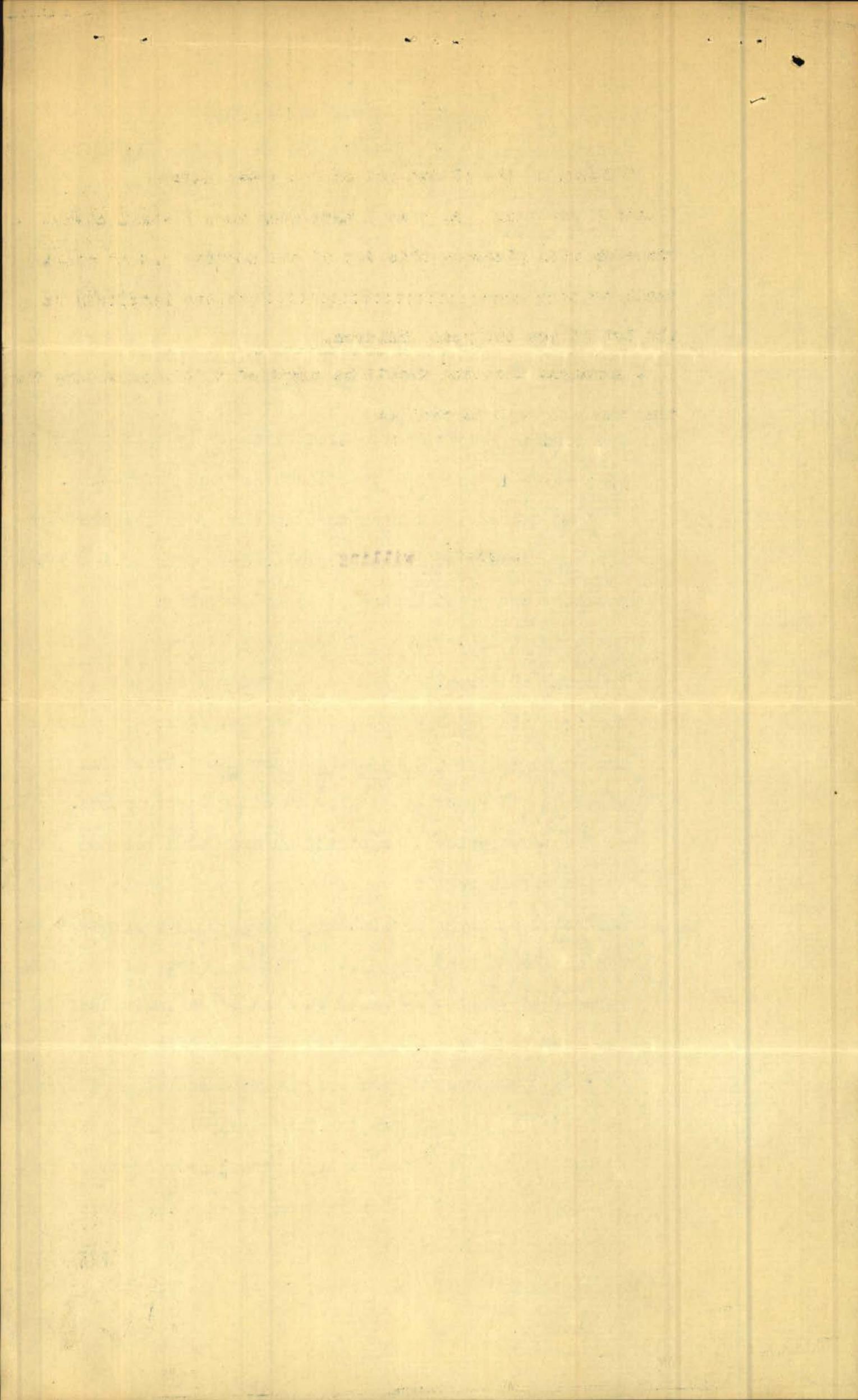
Chiefs and Men of the Blackfoot Band of Indians:-

I thank you, for
the cordial reception you have given me as well as for the
pipe which is accepted as a token of your friendship.

I am extremely pleased to hear that your children are
now more freely and willingly placed in schools. I may tell
you that the great Empire of which you are a part would
not be what it is today if education had been withheld
from the children. I therefore advise you to give your
children all the opportunities in that direction which now
are or hereafter may be within your reach. Education has
elevated all races and I know it will elevate yours.

I am particularly gratified to hear that you are taking
up industrial work of various kinds as no people can be
contented or happy who follow an idle life. Any individual
who is industrious, frugal, abstemious, honest, and truthful
is sure to prosper and what is true of an individual is
also true of a race.

I see before me a vast area of land and which I have
been told is in your keeping. You surely have a good herit-
age and abundance of scope to increase your herds of cat-
tle and horses and I trust the day is not far distant when
the animals thereon will be so numerous that nothing will
be wasted and that your resources will be greatly increas-
ed thereby.



Children of the plains and of the great King:-

I assure you that I am glad I have seen you, I shall always remember with pleasure this day of our meeting and my prayer shall be that peace, contentment, prosperity, and happiness be the lot of you and your children.

I arranged that you should be supplied with food during the time you are here to meet me.

(Signed)

Arthur

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