

March 27th.

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D. Scott Superintendent
Indian Education
Ottawa

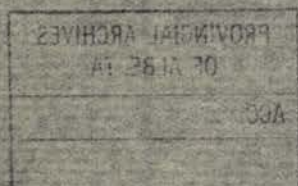
Dear Sir,

Letters lately received from my missionaries at Saddle Lake, bring me information of some movement of the Indian department that I cannot understand. Our Indians have been called to a meeting having for its object to grant the Department one square mile of their land for the establishment of a protestant boarding school on their reserve. The Department cannot but know that we have a school of our own on that reserve, and that we have been doing all we could to keep it up. How can you wish to start another school on the same reserve, at our door, if you mean to be fair to us? I would understand the establishment of a protestant school on the White Fish reserve where the majority of the Indians are protestants, but I confess that if the rumour is true, I cannot see the fairness of this, and I would rather look on this move as a proof of some hostility on the part of the Department against our own school. Lately we have had great difficulty about the water supply, and after spending lots of money in order to find water, I had come to the conclusion that it would be better for the school to be transferred to the lake or the Saddle Lake Creech. I spoke to Archibald about it, and we had come to the conclusion that we might ask the Department to build our new school themselves. If you intend to build a protestant school on the same reserve, how would you look on our demand? Yet we have prior rights and have been doing our work faithfully for years. I am sorry I did not know of your intentions about this protestant school at the time of my visit to Ottawa, it would have been more easy to speak

of this matter than to write about it. I hope, however, that the said rumor may be untrue, and that the Department will not create a new source of difficulties for us, by the establishment of a protestant school on the same reserve.

Believe me, dear Sir,

Yours respectfully



PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA

ACC. 71220



Ottawa, March 31st, 1913.

Rev. and dear Sir:-

I have your note of March 27th. I believe there has been some discussion as to the advisability of erecting a Boarding School on the Saddle Lake Agency, by the Methodist Church, but, the Department has not, as yet, approved of the plan.

Of course, we will give every consideration to your application for erecting a new building. I must say, however, that we have so much that is necessary to do in the way of construction that it is somewhat difficult to get sufficient Parliamentary appropriation. However, we are endeavouring, as you know, to treat all who are interested in this work fairly and with proper consideration.

I hope you have received the Patent for the Duck Lake Property. With very kind regards, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,

Edmonton,

Alta.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, likely belonging to a high-ranking official of the Department of Indian Affairs. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned below the typed name "Yours faithfully,".

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ACC.	71.220

July 22d.

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D. Scott, Superintendent of
Indian Education

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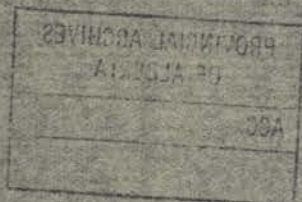
Sir,

Could you kindly let me know if the Rev. Sisters of the Saddle Lake Indian school, can hope that the Departement will undertake the building of a new school for them, next year. Of course the new building should be placed somewhere near the Lake or the Creeck, as the supply of water on the present site, is getting smaller and smaller every year, although a number of wells have been dug. Of course the removal of the school to the lake or creeck, means a big trouble and expense for me on account of the buildings we have on the present site, buildings which will have to be taken down and rebuilt near the school, but I would rather submit to all that, than to see the school in danger of being closed on account of the lack of good water. To prepare for this work, I would like to know the intentions of the Departement in regard to the building of a new school.

I remain, Sir,

Yours respectfully

H. Grandin



November 24th.

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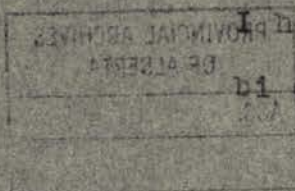
The Deputy Superintendent General
Ottawa

Dear Sir,

Allow me to draw again your attention to the matter of the Sadil Lake Indian school. You wrote me that you could not at present take in consideration the demand for a new school building on account of the many demands made on the Dept. Yet this school is in a very special position which I would like to explain to you. When we built the school on the present site, we dug a well for which I paid very near \$ 700 as we had to dig it with the spade and at 95 feet we struck a rock more than 2 feet thick. The supply of water was sufficient for a few years, but is dry now and the sisters had to dig I cannot say how many new wells get a very poor supply of water, and they have to go now to the Saskatoon where more than 2 miles. If the Dept. could not build a new school in short time, we would have to dig again and incur an expense of some hundred dollars, and then every cent would be lost when the school is removed to a new site, the land belonging to the Indians. Is this not a reason for building soon on the new site near the lake? ~~Of course~~ if it is absolutely impossible to obtain from the Dept. a new school house, could you not help the school by having yourself a good well dug on the present site? The well might be useful to the Indians after the removal of the school, as the Indians on that part of the reserve are badly off for water for their own use and for their cattle.

I hope, dear Sir, that you will find a means to help this school either by digging a well for it, or by building the new school on a better site.

Yours respectfully



ACC. 71. 220

October 24th. /6

D. Scott Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

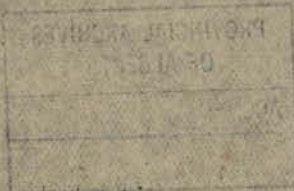
Dear Sir,

A few weeks ago I visited our mission of Saddle Lake, and I was greatly and agreeably surprised to see the changes made in the boarding school since my last visit. A very good heating plant has been established, an abundant supply of good water has been procured and distributed in every part of the school. Toilet and bath rooms are found on every floor, and a cess pool 105 feet deep receives all the sewerage at a distance of 3 or 400 yards from the buildings.

At the present time, there are workmen enlarging the boys dormitory, and as soon as this is finished, work on the basement is to be started. Before undertaking these works, the sisters had a good man to look at the foundations of the whole school, to make sure that they were in good condition, and it is on the favorable report of this man, that they started the ameliorations mentioned in this letter. Before long this school will fulfill all the conditions required for a Class A school, and I do not believe that you will refuse my request to grant to this school the benefit of the \$125 allowance. The school has gone pretty deeply in debt in order to supply all the ameliorations already completed, and I would ask from you as a proof of your appreciation of the work done, to start the full allowance a few months back. On account of the great distance from the railway the expenses are much larger than they would be in a place more favorably located, and in this year particularly, every thing being dearer, I earnestly ask of your Department not to refuse my request.

I have the honor to be, Dear Sir,

Yours respectfully



IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 116859/5

ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

PLEASE WRITE ON ONLY ONE SUBJECT
IN EACH LETTER.

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY, DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
OTTAWA



Ottawa, November 17, 1916.

Rev. Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo in which you call attention to the improvements made to the Blue Quills Boarding School and ask that, in view of the same, the school be placed in Class "A" and receive the increased grant.

In reply I beg to say that, while the Department recognizes the efforts that have been made to bring this building up to the general specifications required to entitle the school to a per capita grant of \$125.00, the following further improvements will have to be made. Additional air space will have to be provided in the boys' dormitories and a permanent concrete floor in the basement placed under the entire building. Until this is done the Department regrets that it will not be possible to make the change in ~~the~~ class asked for, as it would be unfair to other schools which are in a similar position.

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "L. M. Lean".

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Provincial House,
Oblate Fathers,
Cor. 10th St. and Victoria Ave.,
Edmonton, Alta.

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Ottawa, November 17, 1916.

Rev. Sir, -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo in which you call attention to the improvements made to the Pine Gullies Boarding School and ask that, in view of the same, the school be placed in Class "A" and receive the increased grant.

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Yours obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Provincial House,
Calgary, Alberta,
Cor. 10th St. and Victoria Ave.,
Edmonton, Alta.

PROVINCIAL HOUSE OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220



116859-5.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

February 5th, 1917.

Rev. Sir -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of January 22nd and January 31st, in the first of which you ask for an increase in the per capita grant for the Blue Quills Boarding School; and in the second in the pupilage of the St. Albert Boarding School.

I am very sorry that it is not possible for me to comply with your request in either of these cases and the attitude of the Department must be the same in connection with requests of a similar nature from all sources. I am forced to take this stand owing to the limitation of our appropriation. It is with regret that I do so and I know that you will appreciate the necessity for the strictest economy in the administration of our Indian work at the present time and for some time to come.

Yours very truly,

Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Provincial House,
Oblate Fathers,
Cor. 10th St. & Victoria Ave.,
Edmonton, Alta.

Duncan
Deputy Superintendent General.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA	
ACC.	71-220

August 4th.

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D. Scott Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

Allow me to remind you that at the time of my last visit to your office, you had kindly promised me to see if you could not do something for the Saddle Lake Indian School. As I told you the only improvement to be made for placing this school in the A class, is the cement foundation and floor. The excavation is begun, and it would not take much time to finish the work. Of course the \$ 10 per capita will be a help, to this as to other schools, but do you not think that all the ameliorations made by the Rev. Sisters deserve a better acknowledgment from the Department. The Saddle Lake school is doing good work and we could get many more pupils if we were allowed to receive them, I hope and trust that you will see your way to grant my request in its favor.

Yours respectfully



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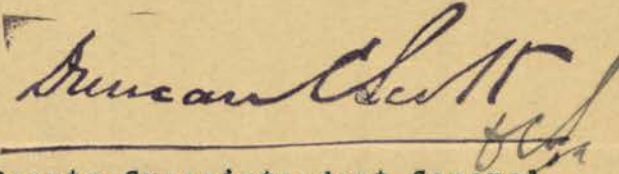
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

August 18th, 1917.

Dear Father Grandin -

I have your favour of the 4th instant, in reference to the Saddle Lake Indian School. I very much regret that we will not be able to add anything further to the school expenses this year. For favourable consideration we must await a time when our appropriation for Indian Education may be increased.

Yours very truly,


Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Edmonton, Alta.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA

ACC. 71-220

November 19th. 17

D. Scott Deputy Superintendent general
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

The management of The boarding School of Saddle Lake, are ready to continue the work allready begun in order to cement the basement of said school. The only question is to know how the Department wants this basement to be made. As you know, the school is 92 feet long, by 32. The excavation measures 74 feet, and the height from bottom to the joices is 6 feet an a half. Part has been made 3 feet deeper. What is the size required by the Department. As soon as we have your answer the work will be resumed.

I remain, dear Sir,

yours obediently

1 NOVEMBER 1944

Dr. Robert H. Smith, President
of the University of Chicago

Dear Sir:

The University of Chicago is pleased to have you as a member of its faculty. The University is a place where the highest quality of scholarship is maintained. It is a place where the best minds of the world are gathered together. It is a place where the future of the world is being shaped. We are proud to have you as a part of our community. We are confident that you will make a valuable contribution to the University and to the world.

Sincerely,
Robert H. Smith

Very respectfully,
Robert H. Smith

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116859-5.
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

December 4, 1917.

Rev. Sir,-

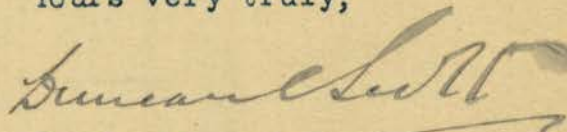
I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum dated Edmonton, November 19th, in reference to improvements necessary to entitle the Saddle Lake Boarding School to a grant as in "Class A".

From your memorandum it would appear that the basement as excavated is considerably less than the full area of the building, and having a ceiling height of $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet with portions 2 feet deeper. As ceilings of this height would be unsatisfactory for any purpose other than heating or storage, I have to request that you will forward me a sketch showing the wall limits of the building and the exact position of the excavated area which you propose to floor, marking on these any divisions or rooms in this basement with their ceiling heights where these differ, and the use to be made of the basement other than heating and storage.

On receipt of the information requested herein, the matter will be given early consideration, when you will be further advised.

Yours very truly,

Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Provincial House Oblate Fathers,
10188 - 107th Street,
Edmonton, Alberta.


Deputy Superintendent General.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA

ACC. 71.220

December 12th. 17

D. Scott Deputy superintendent general
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

I am sorry I did not express myself more clearly, when I wrote to you about the basement in the Saddle Lake school building. The management of the school are ready to excavate and cement the basement according to the directions of the Department. We want to know from you the size of the basement and the height from floor to joices. I gave you the amount of work done, but we are ready to go on with the balance desired as soon as you tell us the length, width and depth of the basement to meet the wishes of the Deprt.

Yours respectfully



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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

January 11, 1918.

Office of the Deputy Superintendent General.
Ottawa.

Rev. Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th. December, last, in reference to changes recently made at the Saddle Lake Indian Boarding School, and note particularly the installation of an electric lighting plant which is a great improvement; and this, with the other additions lately made there, no doubt, adds greatly to the comfort, convenience, and sanitary efficiency of the school and is to be commended.

It is noted that the gasoline engine supplied the school does not fully meet your requirements and needs repairs. This is regretted but, the Department cannot, however, assist further in this matter owing to lack of funds.

Regarding the 6 H. P. Engine to which you refer, I am unable to find that this has been promised or any correspondence bearing on this matter.

Rev. A. Husson, O.M.S.
Principal.

Yours very truly,
Duncan C. Scott,
Deputy Superintendent General.

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OF ALBERTA

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January 14th. | 8

D.C. Scott Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

No answer has been received yet to the telegram sent by me a few days ago, at the request of Chief Macocus and concillor of the Saddle Lake reserve, but you must know that the feelings expressed by the above mentioned Indians, are the feelings of most of the Indians of the west, and I believe sincerely, that it would be better to give a plain answer to their demand of the Department's policy and wishes in this matter.

I will take the liberty of drawing your attention to the fact related to me by Macocus and his concillor, fact which may explain at least in part, the feelings of the Indians against service in the present war. Sammy Steinhur has a son who enlisted in the army and since the boy became a soldier, his father has received a certain sum of money every month. On the same reserve an old man nearly blind, with a wife absolutely blind, named Johnesis Macocus, allowed his boy to enlist and he is with the Canadian army. This poor Indian has never received any help, and when the chief asked the Indian agent to at least give them some grub, he was answered that there was no grub for him at the agency. This is the story told me by the Indians, and there is no doubt that they feel keenly this treatment. Even if the Indian agent is not bound to assist the parents of enlisted Indians, he might, at least, take steps to put their case before the proper authorities.

I have the honor to be,

dear Sir,

Yours respectfully



August 29th.

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D. SCOTT Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

The management of the Indian Boarding School of Saddle Lake have tried to place this school in such a state that it might be placed amongst the Class A schools. The heating system, the water-works have been completed more than a year ago, and the school has a first class electric light apparatus. The basement is nearly completed according to the requirements of the Dept., and I hope that you will agree with me, that such endeavors, deserve to be acknowledged by granting to this school the full grant allowed to all schools in class A. As soon as the hay crop has been saved, work will be resumed on the basement and every thing will be completed in a short time. Of course the school had to run into debt for all these improvements, but outside of this, the main reason why I earnestly beg of you to grant NOW the full amount accorded to class A schools, is that the wheat crop on which the school relied for part of their support, has been completely destroyed by frost. This is a heavy loss and makes it urgent that the Department should not delay the grant I ask for, grant which is due, since we can say that we have virtually fulfilled all the conditions required by the Department. Hoping to receive a prompt and favorable answer, I remain,

Dear Sir,

Yours respectfully

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

OTTAWA September 6th, 1918.

Reverend Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 29th ultimo in reference to improvements and the re-classification of the Saddle Lake Boarding School, and in reply to say that I sincerely sympathize with you in the destruction of your wheat crop, which is indeed a serious loss to the school in these times of high prices.

Respecting the classification of the Saddle Lake School, as you are of the opinion that the building is now in such condition as would entitle it to be placed in the A. Class, I am requesting Inspector Markle to visit the School and report fully, so that this information will be available when the matter is given consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Duncan Campbell
Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. H. Grandin,
Provincial Oblate Fathers,
10188-107th Street,
Edmonton, Alta.



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ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA



IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
FILE NO. 116859/1
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

OTTAWA, ONT., November 19, 1918.

Rev. Sir,-

In regard to previous correspondence in reference to placing the Blue Quills Boarding School in Class "A" I beg to say that, as soon as the concrete basement walls and floors have been completed, the school will be entitled to rank in Class "A".

The hospital accommodation is scarcely in accordance with the requirements, however, and the re-classification of the school can only be made upon condition that satisfactory hospital accommodation is provided within a reasonable time.

Your obedient servant,

L. D. Leach
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Rev. H. Grandin,
Provincial Oblate Fathers,
10188 107th Street,
Edmonton, Alta.

November 1911

The following is a list of the names of the persons who have been appointed to the various committees of the Board of Education for the year 1911-1912.

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Attest: Secy. of the Board of Education

Wm. H. Stewart,
Secretary, Board of Education,
Edmonton, Alta.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA	
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MAISON DES PERES OBLATS

10188, 107me RUE.

EDMONTON - ALBERTA



L. J. G.
et
M. I.

le Nov. 1918.

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter No 116859/1 Nov 19th I beg to

say that the work on the basement of Notre Dame Boarding School has been delayed by the fact that the workmen could not get the cement from Vegreville, because this town was quarantined. This ban has been removed and in 10 days the work will be completed.

The hospital accommodation will be ample, as the present laundry building will be or rather is refitted for this purpose. There will be ~~a~~ large rooms for boys, ~~other~~ for girls. The building is 40 x 30.

Could not the Department purchase for this school an ~~any~~ stronger than the one in use at present. If no formal promise has been made to that effect, I believe that the school managers have placed under the impression that as soon as the school was for the Dept. might purchase a better one.

This has been done and I hope there will be no delay in the relocation of the school.

Yours respectfully

MALCOLM PERES COLTS

1088 107th AVE

EDMONTON ALBERTA



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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
NO. 7.220

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA



IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
FILE NO. 116859-1
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

OTTAWA, ONT., January 2nd, 1919.

Reverend Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 20th ultimo stating that work had been delayed on the Blue Quill Boarding School, on account of quarantine at Vegreville; stating, also, that this work would be completed in ten days from that date.

It is noted that the present laundry, 40' x 30', will be fitted up as an Isolation Hospital. A plan of this showing the proposed divisions with doors, windows, ceiling heights and sanitary fittings, drains, etc., should be sent to the Department together with a certificate stating that the concrete and other work required and necessary to enable the School to qualify for "A" Class has been completed.

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. M. Lean".

Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

Rev. H. Grandin,
Provincial Oblate Fathers,
10188 107th Street,
Edmonton, Alta.

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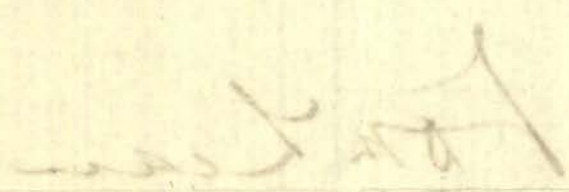
January 1939

Reverend Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 20th ultimo regarding the proposed alterations to the school building, and in reply to inform you that the same have been referred to the Board of Education for their consideration.

It is noted that the proposed alterations will be fitted up as an Extension Workshop. A plan of this nature has been prepared and submitted to the Board of Education and the same is being considered. It is also noted that the proposed alterations will be fitted up as an Extension Workshop. A plan of this nature has been prepared and submitted to the Board of Education and the same is being considered.

Yours faithfully,



Asst. Secy.



Rev. H. G. G. G.
Provincial Office
10188 101st Street
Edmonton, Alta.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220



● OBLATE FATHERS ●

PROVINCIAL HOUSE

10188 - 107th Street

L. J. G.
et
M. I.

EDMONTON, Alberta.....19.....

The Rev. Father Dauphin principal of the Blue Quills Indian Boarding School writes to me that the Indian Agent ^{the school is under} but the mission has threatened to send the police to take away 2 children ^{who have been placed there by the principal} did not discharge them himself. The two children are Abner Non and Henry McConen. Both children are Catholics, have been baptized in the Catholic Church, the father, I believe, is a Protestant, the mother a Catholic, and both agree in the wish to have their children brought up in the Catholic Church. What is known of justice has the Indian Agent or the Indian Department to say against the admission of such children in a Catholic school. If you say that they were enrolled ^{first in a Protestant school,} I answer that if the Department ^{had truly the person and impartially} ~~would~~ ^{be} fair and ^{which} ~~they~~ claim, they should not be allowed their children to be admitted in a Protestant school, even if they were Catholics. There are a few instances, like this one, which might tempt one to believe that the regulations forbidding the admission of a Catholic child in a Protestant school and of a Protestant child in a Catholic school is enforced for the better in cases where the enforcement is favorable to the Protestant schools. I would hate to have to admit the truth of this conclusion, but I must confess that I am even times sorely tempted to do so.

OBILATE FATHERS

PROVINCIAL HOUSE

1000 - 10th Street

EDMONTON, Alberta



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ACC. 71.220

January 21st.

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The Secretary Department of Indian Affairs

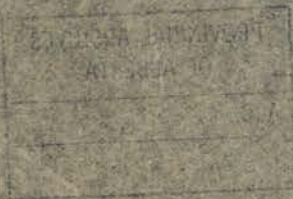
Ottawa

Sir,

Your letter of the 2d. inst. no. II6859-I, gives me the impression of a strange ill-will on the part of the Dept. against the Blue-quill's Indian boarding school. I have had to deal with the Indian Dept. more than once about the reclassification of our Indian schools, and it is the first time that I find them trying for one reason or another, to defer the full grant due to the school. I do not know of any other school having done so much for the well being of the pupils, and these improvements have been made under conditions so adverse, so difficult, that the Department ought to have helped them to the best of their ability. On the contrary they seem to take pleasure in deferring the fulfilment of their part of the contract by asking for certificates, plans and details which as far as my experience goes, have never been required before. Who is to issue the certificate, who is to guarantee the specifications for the work on the hospital, since our word is no more sufficient for the Dept?

I am, Sir,

your obedient servant



January 21st

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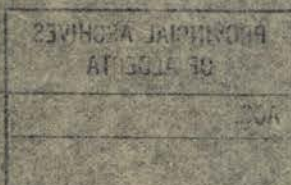
D.C. Scott Deputy Superintendent general
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty to inclose a copy of my answer to the Secretary of the Dept. re the Blue-Quill's Indian Boarding School. I hope I may be mistaken in attributing to this gentleman some ill-will against our school, but I confess that I cannot see any other explanation for the unheard of delays in granting to that school the full grant to which it is entitled. The grant was given to the Hobbema, Delmas, Indian schools on my word that the required improvements would be completed to the satisfaction of the Department, and as far as I know, my promise was fulfilled to the letter. Why do you treat the Blue Quill's school differently from the others? Is it because we had to incur expenses four times larger in this out of the way place, than in other schools near the railroads?

I trust, dear Sir, that you will kindly give your attention to this matter, and I remain,

Yours respectfully



ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA



IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
FILE NO. 116859-1
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OTTAWA, ONT., February 10th, 1919.

Reverend Sir,-

In reply to that paragraph of your letter of December 20th last in reference to gasoline engine for pumping plant at Blue Quill's Industrial School, I beg to say that the Department will provide a 5 H.P. Fairbanks-Morse oil engine, type "Z" or other approved engine of equal capacity. Tenders will therefore be obtained and contract made for delivery at the point nearest the school.

The cost of freighting from the railway and installation of the engine to be paid by the school.

The 2 H.P. engine which is to be removed will be used at the Agency residence. The Agent will be instructed to have this removed and installed there.

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom Lean".

Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

Reverend H. Grandin,
Provincial Oblate Fathers,
10188 - 107th Street,
Edmonton, Alta.

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A list of the damages caused by the
fire, of April 24th 1919.

At Blue Quill's Boarding School.

Grainery (2 stories) 25 x 22

Pig-sty 16 x 18

Horse stable 20 x 15

600 bu. Oats

600 bu. Barley

Double horse harness (new)

1 box carpenter tools (complete)

18 rolls of barb wire

3 doz. plow bolts

7 hay forks

1 barrel of nails

12 horse shoes

1 Scythe

5 Garden rakes

Accessories for Binder

Accessories for Mower

Accessories for Panning Mill.

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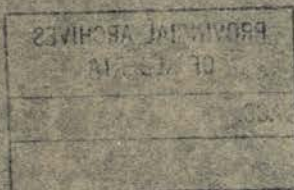
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D. Scott Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

Our Blue Quill's Indian boarding school has suffered a very heavy loss by the destruction, last week, of all its dependencies. The 2 stables and granary have been burned to the ground, with their contents, wheat, oats, binder, harnesses, they had just time enough to get out the teams. Loaded with the heavy debt incurred for the changes and improvements lately made, I do not see how they can stand this new trial if you do not come to their assistance. I do hope, dear Sir, that you will grant them the means to rebuild the stables and granary and to buy the grain and implements so necessary for the success of the school. I can say with truth, that we do not usually annoy you with untimely requests, but under the present circumstances, I believe we have some kind of a right to ask your help, and to expect that it shall be granted.

Yours respectfully



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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA

OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

May 8th, 1919.

Rev. Sir -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst., reporting the destruction by fire last week of stables and granary with contents in connection with the Blue Quill's Boarding School.

I regret very much to learn of this loss. I will, however, take into consideration the question of affording some assistance towards rebuilding.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

Very Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Provincial House,
Edmonton, Alta.

118-220-2A

May 22nd, 1919.

I have no acknowledgment and receipt of
your letter of the 2nd inst., regarding the
disposition of the last year of studies and
graduation with honors in connection with the
State College of Agriculture.
I regret very much to learn of this
loss. I will, however, take into consideration
the question of offering some assistance towards
rebuilding.

Yours very truly,

Robert Experimentation Director.

Very Rev. H. E. Greenhill, C.M.I.,
Provincial House,
Edmonton, Alta.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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OFFICE OF THE
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OTTAWA

May 19th, 1919.

Rev. Sir -

In further reference to your letter of the 2nd inst., advising me of the destruction of the out-buildings in connection with the Blue Quills Boarding School by fire.

We do not appear to have any record in the Department of the nature of these buildings, and consequently I am unable to determine what the cost of replacing them might be. Will you kindly let me have a description of the buildings that it is proposed to erect, with an estimate of the cost, so that I may consider to what extent it will be possible to financially assist.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

Very Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Provincial House,
Edmonton, Alta.

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THE SECRETARY OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION
ALBERTA

Jan. 1900.

Dear Sir,

In reference to your letter of the 14th
inst., advising me of the intention of the out-building
in connection with the High School, I beg to
say,

We do not appear to have any record in the
Department of the nature of these buildings, and con-
sequently I am unable to determine what the cost of
erecting them might be. Will you kindly let me have
a description of the buildings and if it is proposed to
erect them on the site of the old school, or on some other
site, and if possible, to be possible to determine
the cost of the same.

Yours very truly,

Director, Department of Education.

J. E. Macdonald, Esq.,
Minister of Education,
Ottawa, Ont.

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June 4th.

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D. Scott Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of May 19th. II6852-5A. I inclose a list of the losses sustained by the Blue Quill's Indian boarding school, at the time of the fire, about 2 months ago. It is necessary to put up a new stable for horses, a new primary pig-sty. I believe the total loss was between 5 000 and 6 000. and with the present prices for every thing, I doubt much if we can replace all that was burned with six or even seven thousand dollars. We hope, dear Sir, that you will help us in a substantial manner, and as quickly as possible, as the present time would be the best for the work to be done, before the haying begins.

Yours respectfully



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September 3d.

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D. Scott, Deputy superintendent General
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

Would you kindly let me know what you intend to do for the Blue Quill's Indian Boarding school. When I wrote to you after the burning of the stable and granary, you answered me that you would do something to help the school, and according to your request, I sent a list of the losses sustained by the sisters. This was some months ago, and it looks as if you had forgotten all about it. I take the liberty to renew my request for help, and to ask you that you be kind enough not to delay any more what you intend to do.

Yours truly

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Edmonton , December 18 th. 1919

D , Scott Deputy Superintendent general
of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir,

A very serious epidemic of typhoid fever has broke out in the Blue Quill's Indian Boarding school, and on the reserve. Two of the Nuns have died, one is very seriously sick, five of the children have died in the school, and I do not know how many Indians have died on the reserve. I believe the worst is over, and I ask you to allow us to close the school for a month or six weeks. The sisters who are all worn out need that rest, and it will take some time to properly disinfect the school thoroughly. Of course I expect the grant to be paid during that time, as the sisters could not well stand all the expenses incurred during the epidemy, and those required for the new painting and white-washing of the whole school. Please wire me your answer.

Yours respectfully

H. G. ...



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA

OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

December 23, 1919.

Dear Father Grandin,-

I was very sorry to receive this morning your letter of the 18th instant, and to learn of the fatalities at the Blue Quill's boarding school. I had already received advice of the outbreak on the reserve.

I am very pleased, indeed, to grant the request of the Sisters to close the school for a month or six weeks, to give them an opportunity to clean the building, and obtain the necessary rest. The grant, of course, will be paid during the time the school is closed, and I would ask the Principal to be good enough to advise me of the dates of both the closing and re-opening of the school.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I.,
Oblate Fathers,
Provincial House,
10188 - 107th Street,
Edmonton, Alta.

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