

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg,

23 Jan. 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 122/64

and date of this letter and
address

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your quarterly returns for December quarter and in regard to the discharge of pupils Nos. 63, John Baptist, and 046 Eliza Big Louis, would like you to inform me of the reason of such discharge, and also whether you received authority for this.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Indian Boarding School,

Saddle Lake.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71,220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

In your reply refer to
No. 122/64
and date of this letter and
address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg, 12 Feb. 1901.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd. instant asking for the discharge of Benjamin Moses, pupil No. 56 of the Blue Quill Boarding School, and to say that the same cannot be granted as the boy is not only not of age to be discharged but as no reason is given to support your request.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill

Indian Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Sask.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
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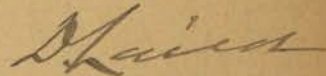
25 Feb. 1901.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 14th. instant in regard to pupils John Baptist, No. 63 and Eliza Big Louis, of the Blue Quill Boarding School, and to authorize the discharge of the latter. The former should be back to school as soon as can conveniently be managed.

In regard to small-pox, the Agent is instructed to take the usual precautions. I may say that neither through correspondence nor newspapers was it hinted that the outbreak had spread as far East of Edmonton.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill's Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Alta.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
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Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg,

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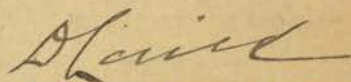
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address

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of an interim Certificate for Leo Cardinal, and to authorize his admission into the Blue Quill's Boarding School. He should again be examined by Dr. Ayles as soon as he visits the reserve, which I trust will be soon on account of the rumours of small-pox.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill's Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Sask.

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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Winnipeg,

8 Mch. 1901.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to forward extracts of a letter from Dr. Aylen addressed to the Indian Agent at Saddle Lake; these extracts speak for themselves, and not well for the school. Aware as I have been of the difficulty experienced in having regular visits from the medical attendant, I have gone as far as allowing you to examine the pupils pro tem, and apparently this has been unsatisfactory. As the extracts have reached Ottawa before coming to this office, I will leave it to you to infer in what light my discrimination in the selection of pupils for schools will be examined.

In the case of Angelique Red Crow, this girl having been examined by Dr. Aylen himself, no blame can be attached to you. It is different, however, in the case of Jacob who is suffering from a highly infectious disease. In regard to Leo you have certified on the 5th. of February last "that the boy seemed in very good health and perfectly fit to enter the school". These two pupils should be sent home. The authority for the admission of Leo is cancelled.

In future no admission will be authorized except upon the certificate of Dr. Aylen.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill's Boarding School,
Saddle Lake, Sask.

E X T R A C T from letter addressed to the Indian Agent, at Saddle Lake by Dr. Aylen on the 10th. February 1901, referring to the Roman Catholic boarding school at Saddle Lake.

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In the boarding school I found an exceptionally large number of children ill. Algela Red Crow was suffering from an abcess in the right lung and died the following evening when the abcess broke. This child's mother, you will remember, died last year from tuberculosis. I have no doubt that this child inherited the disease from her mother.

I beg to recommend that a child named Jacob be discharged from the school. This child is suffering from psorosis and I understand has had this disease for some time. The child has not been formally admitted to the boarding school, but if kept in the school will likely infect some of the other children, as no arrangements have been made to keep the child away from the other children.

Leo a child who has been admitted recently to the boarding school, I am informed was examined by Rev. Father Grandin. This child is suffering from scrofula. The glands on both sides of the neck are now enlarged, and I have no doubt if this child is not discharged he will break out with scrofulous ulcers in a very short time.

I would recommend that all children admitted to the boarding school be examined one month after date of admission for in a great many cases a child, if examined on entering the school will show no signs of scrofuls or tuberculosis, but a month after this confinement in the school will develop symptoms of both scrofula and tuberculosis.

A matter which is of great importance to the health of the children is the amount of cubic space allowed per child. This matter I have not gone into, and I do not know the space allowed per head in the boarding school, but if it is your desire that I should enquire into this matter, I will be glad to do so my next visit.

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The Indian Agent,
Saddle Lake, Alta.

P. Aylen, M.D.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
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Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg,

29 Mch. 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 122/64

and date of this letter and
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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 18th. instant, and owing to the satisfactory reasons given to grant the discharge of Benjamin Moses of the Blue Quill Boarding School.

Yours truly,



Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Indian Boarding School.

Saddle Lake.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
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Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg,

30 Mch. 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 122/64

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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 18th. ultimo, and to say that we fail to find any trace of St. Pierre Calling Bull in the quarterly returns of the Blue Quill Boarding School. I should like to know his school number, age and Band number so that we may arrive at some decision.

In regard to ex-pupil John Sophie, he was 17 at the time of his discharge a year ago and his time at the St. Joseph School could hardly be over one year in which time he could not very well learn a trade. I therefore do not think it advisable to have him sent there.

Yours truly,



Secretary to the Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Boarding School,

Saddle Lake Agency.



PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg,

4 Apl. 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 122/64

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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 26th. ultimo in regard to additional help from the Department in connection with the building of the Blue Quill's Boarding School, and to say that owing to the fact that it is not very long since the Department contributed the \$2500.00, it was not thought advisable to provide for any further aid, and as it is now too late to do so the matter must be allowed to stand for the present or next fiscal year.

I may say that in no case has the Department shouldered the entire cost of Boarding Schools whether on the reserve or not.

Yours truly,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

Rev. Principal,

Blue Quill's Boarding School,

Saddle Lake.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg,

4 Apl. 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 122/64

and date of this letter and
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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 26th. ultimo giving your opinion as to the health of pupils Jacob and Leo, and to authorize their admission; they should, however, be re-examined by the Doctor at his next visit.

This matter has its origin in the fact that Dr. Aylen sent his report direct to the Department and I was asked to take action. Needless to say that your remarks upon the Doctor will be kept strictly for the use of the office; at the same time you will understand that I am not qualified to contradict or accept a contradiction of his diagnosis as a professional man from lay persons.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill's Boarding School,
Saddle Lake,

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220



House of Commons

Ottawa, 13th May, 1901

Rev. H. Grandin,
Saddle Lake,
Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of April 24th to hand asking for postal facilities at the Indian Boarding School at the Saddle Lake Reserve.

I shall use every endeavour to get you the accommodation you desire.

Yours respectfully,

Frank Oliver

1911 May 4

Rev. J. G. ...
Saskatoon, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of April 24th to hand asking for ...
offices at the Indian Boarding School at the Saskatoon
Reserve.

I shall use every endeavor to get you the ...
attention you desire.

Yours respectfully,

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the North-West Territories,

Winnipeg,

18 May 1901.

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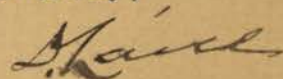
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 24th. of April, and to authorize the transfer of St. Pierre Calling Bull to the Dunbow Industrial School; also the admission of ex-pupil John Sophie into the same school. In regard to the latter, I will agree, for the present, to only one year's stay at Dunbow, and may reconsider my decision after one year should his case be represented to me as warranting a further stay.

Kindly make arrangements for their transport to Edmonton. The Rev. Principal at Dunbow should forward requisitions from Edmonton to Calgary from which they may be taken to Dunbow by trail.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Sask.

Office of the

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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.


Winnipeg,

18 May 1901.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 24th. ultimo, re the difference of opinion between you and Dr. Aylen as to the health of Leo Cardinal, ^{and Jacob} and to say that it is a particularly difficult matter to arrange. I certainly do not wish to hurt your feelings and would dislike very much to see your relations with the Doctor embittered by insisting upon another medical examination by the latter of Leo, ^{and Jacob}. On the other hand the Doctor being our medical representative may insist upon same, and I would be powerless as although I may have confidence in you in this respect, he is, however, the accepted authority. I therefore think you should arrange so that a further examination be made by Dr. Aylen and endeavor to smooth matters as much as it may be in your power to do so. I hardly would credit Dr. Aylen with a deliberate desire to hurt the interests of the school and believe that at his next visit he will have probably forgotten this little difficulty.

Yours truly,


Indian Commissioner.

Rev. Principal,

Blue Quill Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Sask.

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Rev. Mr.

Very truly
yours

Rev. Mr. [Name]

Five Gulches

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE,

Winnipeg, Man.

4th June 1901

REPORT NO
"9131"

Rev. Father.

I beg to enclose you a key and to say that the Postmaster at Whitford will be instructed to enclose all mail in a Special Bag for the Blue Quill Boarding School; and which will be delivered to you by the Courier, and the bag will be called for on the return trip from Saddle Lake.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Yours truly

[Signature]
Superintendent.

Rev. Fr. J. Grandin
Saddle Lake
Alta.

THOMAS BRIDGES
MAY 31 1901
CMA

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE

Winnipeg
1901



I beg to acknowledge your receipt of the
amount of \$100.00 for the purchase of
the land at the site of the proposed
station at the intersection of the
main line and the branch line at
the place known as the
"New Station".

Yours truly,
Superintendent

Superintendent

Mr. J. H. [illegible]
[illegible]
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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg,

5 July 1901.

In your reply refer to
No. 46/G.

and date of this letter and
address

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to inform you that 45 pupils at \$72.00
are provided for the Blue Quill Boarding School,
Saddle Lake Agency.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Boarding School,
Saddle Lake, Alta.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
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Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 9 July 1901.

In your reply refer to
No. 122/64

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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 25th.ultimo in regard to the admission into the Blue Quill Boarding School of the four children of a certain non-treaty Indian family of the district, in very great need, and to say that however much I may realize their destitute condition, I still am bound to follow the instructions of the Department. By taking scrip they were debarred of all claims to admission as Indians, and unless they happen to live on a reserve, I cannot but refuse your request.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Alta.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
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Winnipeg, 9 July 1901.

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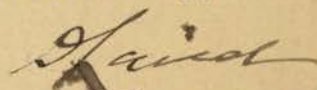
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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your
letter of the 25th.ultimo, and to authorize the
discharge of St. Pierre Kakito. I regret to hear
of the death of John Sophie.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Alta.

Indian Commission

Report of the Indian Commissioner

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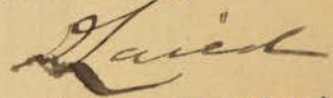
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 26th. ultimo, and to say that I very much regret to hear of Rev. Sister Doherty's illness. The appointment of Rev. Sister Laverty in her stead is approved.

I also allow a three weeks leave of absence for the children of the school during haying time.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Boarding School,

Saddle Lake, Alta.

Provincial Archives of Alberta

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 18th. July 1901.

In your reply refer to
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address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your quarterly returns for the June quarter and to say that the grant cannot be paid for pupil No. 66, Jacob, until I am provided with a medical certificate as per my letters of the 4th. of April and 18th. of May last.

Yours truly,

D. Laird
Indian Commissioner.

Principal,
Blue Quill Boarding School,
Saddle Lake.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA

ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 6th. August 1901.

In your reply refer to
No. 122/64
and date of this letter and
address

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 23rd. ultimo, and to say that I reluctantly agree to the discharge of pupils No. 36, Samuel Bird, and No. 27 Samuel Louis, of the Blue Quill Boarding School. The reasons given, however, are such that I do not care to refuse your request.

In regard to No. 26, Henri Batoche, he is so young that I cannot see of what particular use he could be at home, since the father is not incapacitated for work, and that the boy seems to have some intellectual resources which a longer stay at school would probably further develop. I beg therefore to refuse his discharge, until at least I am satisfied that it will be for the best.

Yours truly,

D. Laird
Indian Commissioner.

*I wish you would with you please read to Batoche
what concerns his boy and advise him in consequence*

*H. G. Evans, from Sault
steved*

Principal,

Blue Quills Boarding School,

Saddle Lake.

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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg,

3rd. August 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 76/47

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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

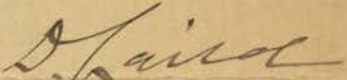
Rev. Sir,

I beg to refer to my letter of the 18th ultimo in regard to Jacob Whitford and to say that since then I have had some details as to his relationship which prevents his admission into the Blue Quill Boarding School on other ground than the lack of a medical certificate.

It appears that the parents of this family were Methodists, all the other relations seem to be Methodists. At the time Jacob was taken to Saddle Lake his mother was dead and I do not know who could have signed the application for the boy to be taken to your school, as his near relations are Methodists.

Under the circumstance, in order to avoid unpleasantness between the two churches, I beg to request you to allow the boy to return to the reserve from which he was brought to school.

Yours truly,


Indian Commissioner.

Rev. Principal,
Blue Quill Boarding School,
Saddle Lake.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
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ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg,

27 Aug. 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 122/64

and date of this letter and
address

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 6th. instant and regret to hear that Dr. Ayles has failed to visit the Blue Quill Boarding School and examine pupil Jacob. Your interim certificate will be acceptable in the meantime, but the doctor will be asked to make a point of going to the school as soon as he again visits the Agency.

Yours truly,

D. Laird

Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill Boarding School,

Saddle Lake Indian Agency,

Saddle Lake, Sask.

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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA	
ACC.	71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 10 Oct. 1901.

In your reply refer to
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Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

As I have not yet been provided with a certificate of health from the Medical Attendant at your School for Jacob Whitford, his name has been struck off the payroll.

In your letter of the 4th. September ultimo you say: "The boy's mother came herself to place Jacob in our School, and she lived at least two years after". If she signed an application at that time I would be pleased to have it forwarded to me; and also to be informed if the boy was in school for the whole two years; and if not whether he was in your school at the time of his mother's death, and for several months before it.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill's Boarding School,
Saddle Lake, Alta.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 116859-----10

ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER



ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

OTTAWA ,15th October,1901.

Rev.Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a return showing the admissions and discharges in connection with the Blue Quill's boarding school for the quarter ended 30th September last, and in this matter I have to call your attention to the fact that in the return of discharges you have omitted to state the reason why the pupils in question were allowed to leave the school. The Department would like you in every case to give this information.

Your obedient servant,

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Secretary

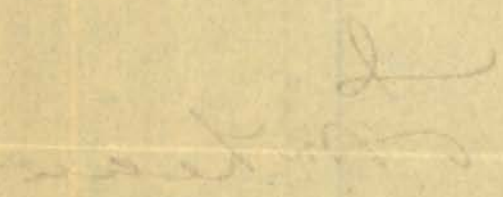
Rev.H.Grandin,
Principal
Blue Quill's boarding school
Saddle Lake,
Alta.

OTTAWA, 15th October, 1901.

Rev. Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a return showing the admissions and discharges in connection with the Blue Hill's boarding school for the quarter ended 30th September last, and in this matter I have to call your attention to the fact that in the return of discharges you have omitted to state the reason why the pupils in question were allowed to leave the school. The Department would like you in every case to give this information.

Your obedient servant,



Secretary

Blue Hill's boarding school
 Saddle Lake
 Alberta

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Sacred Lake October 21st 1901

To the Honorable David Laird
Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 10th inst. No. 122/64. allow me to say that the boy Jacob Whitford was brought to our school by his late mother and her husband in the winter of 1899-1900. As the boy was only few years old we did not send the application for his admission at once, but the doctor in one of his visits having seen Jacob and sent a report very unfavorable about his health, you will remember my answer to this report; and this is the way that the boy's admission was asked for. His mother as I wrote to you before not only placed Jacob in our school, but wrote an application for the transfer of two of her children from the Red Deer School, to the Blue Quills or Dunbow school. As I had never seen the woman before and as she was living at Stony Plain I advised her to go to the Indian Agent of this reserve and state her wishes to him. The mother came over to see Jacob at the school and there is not the smallest doubt that her intention was that her children should be brought up Catholic as she was herself. Jacob never went out of the school after his admission, but for two weeks last summer at the time of the holidays. His aunt who is also a Catholic of the Blue Quills band took him home for a few days and brought him back to the school where he is now.

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In your letter, you tell me that as you have not yet been provided with a certificate of health from the Doctor for Jacob his name has been struck off the pay roll. It is not this irregular as we are made to pay for something completely out of our sphere. I wrote to you last summer that I had asked Doctor Ayles to see Jacob at his return from treaty, and he had promised me to do it. The doctor did not visit the boy and we are punished for this negligence, as if we could order the Doctor's visits at our convenience.

By this same mail I forward Jacob's certificate of health and hope this will prove satisfactory, and show you that when we claim that a new pupil is in good health we can be believed and trusted not to keep any child who could be an occasion of infection for the other pupils.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

H. Grzeskowiak

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PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg, 14th. Nov. 1901.

In your reply refer to
No. 122/64
and date of this letter and
address
Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

Your letter of the 25th. ultimo has caused me much pain on account of the unfortunate accident mentioned and I beg to grant the discharge of No. 26, Harry Batoche of the Blue Quill Boarding School.

Yours truly,

Laird
Indian Commissioner.

Principal,

Blue Quill Boarding school,

Saddle Lake.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES
OF ALBERTA
ACC. 71.220

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories,

Winnipeg,

23 Nov. 1901.

In your reply refer to

No. 122/64

and date of this letter and
address

Hon. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

Rev. Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 28th. October,
You complain that you have been deprived of the per
capita grant for the boy Jacob Whitford.. I explained
that no proper medical certificate had been received for
the boy. You now furnish me with another reason why
he should not be allowed on the roll heretofore as a
grant earner. You say his mother took him to your
school in the winter of 1899-1900; further you say the
boy was then three and a half years old. As winter could
not begin before November, it is not over two years since
he was taken to your school, and is therefore now only
five and a half years old, too young to be a grant earner.
Your claim for the past, therefore, has no right to be
allowed, though he may be placed on the pay-roll of the
present quarter, as a medical certificate for him has now
been received.

Yours truly,

D Laird
Indian Commissioner.

Principal of

Blue Quill Boarding School,

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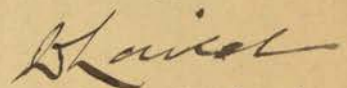
Rev. Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 28th. ultimo in regard to Jacob and two other recruits of the Blue Quill's School, and to say that I have sent a special letter granting the admission of the former.

In regard to Pierre Iskwewinis given as belonging to No. 43, Blue Quill's Band, I may say that this number gives a woman named Cardinal without children or relatives attached to this family. So that I need further explanation. Is he living on the reserve, and is he belonging to Treaty? I am returning the certificate.

I beg to grant the admission of Pierre Puskwack. May I remind you again that applications for admission as well as medical certificates should always be sent in duplicate.

Yours truly,



Indian Commissioner.

Principal

Blue Quill's Indian School,

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