

File

82/44

Encl

23rd December 1903.

Sir,-

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I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th instant and enclosure in regard to the extra ground reserved for the Battleford Industrial School in the course of the year 1902, and to say that this extra reserve was selected South of 2nd Street, Battleford townsite, and East of Central Avenue. Lot No. 30 being North of First Street and West of Central Avenue cannot have been included in the transaction. The schedule contained in your above mentioned letter outlining the property as it stands presently seems to be absolutely correct as per plan and correspondence before me. I therefore assume that the Land Office is misinformed as to said Lot 30 not being opened to purchase.

Your obedient servant,

A.L.

Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary,

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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Schedule of Streets, Avenues and Lanes in the
old Battleford Town Site, which the Indian Department
desires to be closed.

3rd. Street. From lot 1 to 32	East of Central Avenue
4th. do " " 1 to 34	do do
4th. do " " 1 to 20	West do
5th. do " " 1 to 36	East do
5th. do " " 1 to 30	West do
6th. do " " 1 to 39	East do
6th. do " " 1 to 10	West do
7th. do " " 1 to 42	East do
7th. do " " 1 to 3rd. Avenue West	do

2nd. Avenue West	between 5th. Street & 1st. Lane to north
1st. do do	" 7th. do " 1st. Lane north of 4th. Lane <i>Sheet</i>
Central Avenue	from 7th. do to 2nd. Street
1st. Avenue East	" 7th. do to 2nd. do
2nd. do do	" 7th. do to 2nd. do
3rd. do do	" 7th. do to 2nd. do
4th. do do	The whole of same.

And all Lanes included in area marked in red.



To the Deputy Supt. General.

Closing of Streets in Battleford.

The file obtained from the Department of the Interior affords no light on the question of dedication of these streets. I think that it may be taken that the town site was laid out in accordance with the Dominion Lands Act. If so, as stated in my report of the 18th December, 1902, there would be necessary to the closing of them and setting apart for school purposes the assent of the Municipality (if any) the Lieutenant Governor in Council and the Governor in Council.

By the Dominion Lands Act (Section 30) "The Minister may withdraw from sale or homestead entry any tract or tracts of land, and may lay the same out into town or village lots," and (Section 132) " in any town and village in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories surveyed and laid out under the provisions of this Act all allowances for any road, street, lane, lot or common, laid out in the original survey of such town or village shall be public highways and commons."

By the Northwest Territories Act as amended (Section 107) " All road allowances in townships now or hereafter surveyed and subdivided in the Territories and all road allowances set out in black lines now or hereafter surveyed in the Territories, the plans of survey whereof have been duly approved, shall be subject to the direction, management and control of the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the public use of the Territories, subject to any ordinance made or to be made with respect thereto," and subject to any ordinances made with respect thereto, the Lieut. Governor in Council may close up any road allowance or trail which has been transferred to the Territories or vary its

direction xxx and may deal with the land in any road allowance, public travelled road or trail so closed as he sees fit." (See 60-61 Vic., C. 28, Secs. 18, 20). 4

By the Municipal Ordinance (C .O.N.W.T., 1898, Cap. 70) Section 85 " Every Municipality shall have jurisdiction over all highways within the same," and Sec. 2 "highway" means a public highway, road or bridge. The Council of a Municipality may pass by-laws for laying out, constructing, repairing and maintaining highways, roads or streets, etc., " but I do not find ^{that} any ordinance expressly gives a Council power to pass a by-law to close a street, although by Sec. 89 the Council may make regulations and by-laws not provided by the ordinance and not contrary to law for certain purposes named " and generally such regulations as the good of the municipality may require."

It is improbable in any event that the Lieut. Governor in Council would order the streets to be closed without a by-law of the Council of the Municipality if such exists. It would appear that the law is sufficiently uncertain to make an order of the Lieut. Governor in Council necessary to confirm the by-law of the Municipality. If there is no municipality the order of the Lieut. Governor in Council will still be requisite.

On the order of the Lieut. Governor in Council assenting to the closing of the streets and to their being held as Dominion Lands and upon registration thereof in the local land Registration office there will still be necessary an order of the Governor in Council accepting the streets and setting them and the other lands of which the lease has been cancelled apart for use in connection with the Industrial School under Section 31 of the Dominion Lands Act.

Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, 6th June, 1903.

(Signed) Reginald Rimmer,
Law Clerk.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

116820/1.

ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

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



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Ottawa, 25rd Sept., 1903.

Sir,-

With reference to your letter of the 29th July last, I beg to enclose herewith a copy of a memorandum of the Law Clerk setting forth the procedure for the closing of certain streets in Battleford, N.W.T. The Department of the Interior has concurred in the line of action therein mentioned, and I shall feel obliged if you will be good enough to take the necessary steps in connection with the matter.

When you have completed the action therein indicated the Order in Council mentioned in the last paragraph of the Law Clerk's report will be applied for.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Samuel D. May
Deputy Supt. General of
Indian Affairs.

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

Indian Affairs (RG 10, Volume 3567, File 82, pt. 44)

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20 May 1904.

Entd

Sir,

The Indian Department has instructed me to take steps to have certain streets, avenues and lanes in the Town-plot of Battleford closed, as they are required for the Indian Industrial School there. I send the papers to Your Honour direct, because as a former resident of Battleford, and as my predecessor as Indian Commissioner, you are familiar with the ground and the whole question, and will be able to give your Ministers valuable assistance in understanding the situation.

I am informed by the Law Clerk of the Department that:- "By the Northwest Territories Act as amended (Section 107) "All road allowances in townships now or hereafter surveyed and subdivided in the Territories and all "road allowances set out in black lines now or hereafter "surveyed in the Territories, the plans of survey whereof "have been duly approved, shall be subject to the direction, managements and control of the Lieutenant Governor "in Council for the public use of the Territories, subject "to any ordinance made or to be made with respect thereto," and subject to any ordinances made with respect thereto, the Lieut. Governor in Council may close up any road

allowance

His Honour
The Lieutenant Governor
of the North West Territories,
Regina.

"allowance or trail which has been transferred to the Territories or vary its direction and may deal with the land in any road allowance, public travelled road or trail so "closed as he sees fit." (See 60-61 Vic., C.28, Secs. 18, 20)."

As I understand Battleford is not a Municipality, the sole authority which can close the streets on the registered plan is Your Honour in Council. The accompanying schedule and plans show the portions of streets, avenues and lanes which the Department desires to be closed, and if Your Honour in Council is pleased to pass an order assenting to the closing of same and to their being held as Dominion Lands, we will get the order registered in the local Land Registration Office, when His Excellency the Governor General in Council will be in a position to accept the streets and set them and other lands apart for use in connection with the Battleford Indian Industrial School.

If any expense is incurred by your Government in advertising or otherwise, it will be defrayed by the Indian Department.

Yours truly,

A.L.

Indian Commissioner.



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Lieutenant Governor's Office

Regina, N.W.T., 25th May, 1904. - 189

FILE 74,-
REFERENCE

Do not write about more than
one subject in the same letter.

Write legibly your full name
and address.

Sir,

I am directed by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of the North West Territories to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th Inst., File No. 82/44, regarding the desire of the Indian Department to have certain streets, avenues and lanes, in the Townplot of Battleford, closed,—they being required for the Indian Industrial School there,—and enclosing a schedule and plans, in connection therewith.

In reply, His Honour desires me to inform you that he has caused your communication, with accompanying papers, to be transmitted to his Ministers, for their consideration; and,—should they wish for any additional information, on the subject, he will be pleased to give it to them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. J. Bourget,
Private Secretary.—

Hon. D. Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg,
Man.—

Indian Affairs (RG 10, Volume 3567, File 82, pt. 44)



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL



REGINA, June 4, 1904.

Sir,-

Your favour of the 20th ultimo to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, re closing street in a portion of the original Government townsite of Battleford, has been handed to this Department for action. I have gone into the matter with His Honour, and have also made other enquiries, and I am afraid there will be serious objection to the absolute closing of all of this property, as I find the Carleton trail, on which all the present Saskatoon traffic is done, crosses the north-east quarter of 17 and goes down a hill to the flat, thence to the bridge to Battleford town. Your proposal to close all these streets would absolutely shut off this trail, and, in addition to the inconvenience to the travelling public, the settlers on 18, for instance, would be compelled to go a mile south, a mile and a half or two miles west, and then a mile north to get to Battleford bridge, so that it appears to me to be necessary that a reservation should be made of at least one travelled trail across the portion proposed to be closed.

Kindly let me hear from you in regard to this matter as soon as possible. In the meantime I am communicating with Mr. Prince, the Member for the District, in reference to this matter.

Your obedient servant,

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

Geo H. Bulger
Commissioner Public Works.

we will have to go over the files again. The old road mentioned was, I am fairly sure, a public highway - going to Carlton & used for the royal mail before the Swift Current trail came into use. It was also the shortest trail for some settlers to get into Saultford. However part of this road seems unsuitable for traffic at some seasons - so that a road came to be established on the high bench instead of the valley (with a switch north & south of the main building) - both of these the principal wishes to close, offering a road farther south of the school property, which would certainly be a nuisance to some of the settlers.

Bring me
file with
Worland's letter
nick

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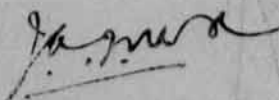
7 June 1904.

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Sir,

I have your letter of the 4th. instant respecting a communication addressed to the Lieutenant Governor by the Commissioner on the 20th. ultimo on the subject of closing certain streets in the town property of Battleford. I quite agree with you as to the necessity of keeping open a well travelled trail. The furthest I would go would be to ask that the proposal of the Principal of the Battleford Industrial School for the closing of the streets, which led to the Commissioner's letter, be met in so far as the same can be ^{met} ~~made~~ in consonance with the public interests.

Yours truly,



Asst. Indian Commissioner.

Hon. Geo. H. V. Bulyea,

Commissioner of Public Works,

Regina.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
116820
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA



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OTTAWA, 10th June, 1904

Sir,

The Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, Regina, has asked the Department of the Interior for a reservation to be made for a roadway to be deducted from the N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 17 and the S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 20, Twp. 43, Rge. 16 West of the 3rd Meridian, which land stands reserved for the Indian Industrial school at Battleford. The Department would like you to report whether there is any objection to the reservation asked for being made.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Frank Kelly
Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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

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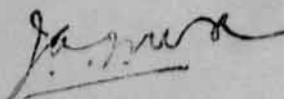
18th June 1904.

Sir, -

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In acknowledging the receipt of the Deputy Superintendent General's letter of the 10th instant respecting the application of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, at Regina, to the Department of the Interior, for a reservation for a roadway through lands reserved for the Indian Industrial School at Battleford, I beg to say that I am making inquiries and shall report later as to whether or not there is objection to such reservation. In the meantime I should be obliged if the Department would put me in possession of the reasons, if any, upon which the application has been based.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary,

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

82/44

18th June 1904.

Encl

Sir,-

I beg to refer to your letter of the 4th instant to the Commissioner, and mine in reply of the 7th. I noted your statement therein that it was required to make a reservation for the trail over which the Saskatoon traffic passes and which comprises the North East quarter of Section 17. I assumed that the reservation referred to was of certain of the streets which we had asked to have closed. I am now in receipt of a letter from the Department at Ottawa informing me that your Department has applied for a reservation for a roadway through the North West quarter of Section 17 and the South West quarter of Section 20, Township 43, Range 16, West of the 3rd Meridian, which land is included in the tract reserved by the Department of the Interior for the Indian Industrial School at Battleford. I should be pleased to know to what extent, if any, this application affects the proposal for the closing of the streets referred to in your letter of the 4th instant, and whether the reservation is asked with a view to compliance with our request for the closing of streets in so far as the same could be met in consonance with the public interest.

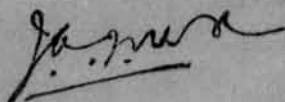
I may say that on the 8th of May 1901 the Principal of the School reported that a surveyor of your Department had located a road from the Battle River bridge

G. H. V. Bulyea, Esq. running

Commissioner of Public Works,
Regina, Assa.

running eastward through the School grounds between the main building and the river. The Principal objected to the road taking that course as it would go through the best wooded portion of the School reserve and would necessitate the cost of building about two miles of new fencing. He pointed out that the road used theretofore had passed over the flat, and he suggested that, if it were advisable to have it elsewhere, it would be preferable to have it pass behind the School buildings. If that were done he would be prepared to move his fence sufficiently far back for the purpose.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Indian Commissioner.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

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ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.



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OTTAWA, 23rd June, 1904:-

In reply to your letter of the 18th instant respecting the application of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works at Regina for a reservation for a roadway through lands reserved for the Battleford Industrial school, I beg to say that the Department has not been furnished with any reasons by the Deputy Commissioner for this application.

Your obedient servant,

Lon Lane

Secretary

The Indian Commissioner,

Winnipeg, Man:-

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**PLAN OF SURVEY
OF A NEW ROAD**

COMMENCED AT NW 1/4 SEC 17, 30 ON THE
UNSUBDIVIDED PART OF SEC 20
TOWNSHIP 43 RANGE 16 1/2 OF 8TH M.
BY CYRUS CARROLL DITCHMEISTER
SEPT 1902.
SCALE 5 CHAINS TO AN INCH

A plan view of the portion of road
ON THE NW 1/4 SEC 17, 30 & SEC 20
SCALE 2 CHAINS TO AN INCH.

SEVENTH STREET

Unsubdivided portion of
NW 1/4 SECTION 20

Line to corner Section 17-30

NW SEC 17

PART OF THE TOWN MAP
SIXTH TOWN MAP
OF SOUTH BATTLE CROSD (RECHARTERED)
SEVENTH STREET

SW 1/4 SEC 20

Line to corner Section 17-30

J. Cyrus Carroll - Attorney at Law

W 7/16

2nd of Power of Attorney
this 28th day of February
AD 1903
Signed in the presence of

Cyrus Carroll

Cyrus Carroll - Attorney at Law

28th of February 1903

Witnessed by

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NW SEC 17

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PART OF THE TOWN PLAN
OF SOUTH BATTLE RIVER (REQUIRED)
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S. Cross Carroll - collection of land

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Prince Albert

GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO
THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
REGINA

REFER TO
FILE 15134.

DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN
ONE SUBJECT IN ANY LETTER

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REGINA, JULY 18th 1904.

Sir,-

Ref. 82/44

With further reference to the matter of closing the streets in part of the old townsite of Battleford, and your letters of the 7th and 18th ult., I have to say that survey was made in 1902 by Cyrus Carroll to connect 7th St. of the town of Battleford with the road allowance adjoining the east boundary of sec. 17, as shown on the accompanying blue print. The matter is now being taken up and a surveyor instructed to make a thorough examination of that locality with a view of securing a location from the east boundary of 17 to connect with the new bridge across the Battle River, and it is hoped that satisfactory arrangements can be made with the principal of the school on the lines suggested in your letter of the 18th ult.

You will be further advised when a report is received from the surveyor.

FJR.

Your obedient servant,

J. A. McKenna, Esq.,
Indian Department,
Winnipeg,
MAN.

Deputy Commissioner.

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14 July 1904.

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Sir,

Referring to my letter to you of the 18th. June last, I would say that as a result of communication with the Department of Public Works, at Regina, a Surveyor is being sent to make an examination in the vicinity of Battleford Industrial School, with a view to making the necessary road connection. When the question was up before, the Principal of the school suggested that it would be preferable to have the road pass behind the school buildings, in which event ~~it~~ he would be prepared to move his fence sufficiently far back for the purpose.

The Deputy Commissioner of Public Works advises me that it is hoped that the Surveyor who is being sent to the locality may be able to make a satisfactory arrangement on the lines of the Principal's suggestion. When the Surveyor's report is received, I shall be further advised and shall further communicate with you.

Your obedient servant,

J. A. J. McK

Secretary,

Asst. Indian Commissioner.

Dept. Indian Affairs,

Ottawa.

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14 July 1904.

Rev. Sir,

On the 8th. May 1901 you reported in regard to the proposed road from Battle River bridge running eastward through the school grounds between the main building and the river. The question has recently come up and in communication with the Department of Public Works, at Regina, I mentioned your suggestion as to the road passing behind the school buildings, and your readiness to move the fence in that event. I am now advised by the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works that a Surveyor has been dispatched to the vicinity with a view of selecting a location for the road, and that it is hoped that satisfactory arrangements can be made on the lines of your suggestion.

I should be pleased if you would advise me of the result of the Surveyor's discussion of the subject with you.

Yours truly,

J. A. J. McK

Asst. Indian Commissioner.

Principal,

Industrial School,
Battleford.

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Indian Industrial School

at Baculford

August 23, 1905

MEMO.

Estimate of material that will be required for two new fences - one on each side of the new road which the N. W. Govt proposes to run across the school grounds which are about a mile wide. Two (2) miles of fencing will be required - at the least, probably more.

700 fence posts - of tamarac - @ 25¢	\$ 175.00
(If some inferior posts estimate half this cost).	
2310 pounds barbed wire. @	105.00
50 " wire staples	4.00
Gates etc -	say 00.00
	<u>\$ 294.00</u>

This does not include the value of the land, nor the quantity. This would I suppose, be obtainable from the N. W. Govt who must have a plan from their surveyor. As the proposed road runs right through our wood preserve, I would ask the right of cutting & taking the wood for school use - if the road is to be paved.

This is for a 3 strand "fence and does not include any labour, which would be a very considerable item.

GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES OF CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEN REPLYING

Do not write about more than
one subject in any letter;
And kindly refer to our File
Numbers;
And address your envelope to
The Deputy Commissioner
of Public Works,
Regina.

REFER TO FILE 750

REGINA August 3rd. 1905.

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Sir, NW 17, township 43, range 16, West 3rd.

Will you be good enough to forward your claim
to compensation for the land required for the surveyed
road through the above named property.

Your obedient servant,

FJR.

John Stocks
Deputy Commissioner.

The Indian Industrial School,

Battleford, Sask.

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Indian Industrial School

at Battleford, Sask.

August 16, 1905

MEMO.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter, No 750. of 3rd inst. re compensation for the land required for a road through the school grounds.

I am referring the matter to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Winnipeg, for his action in the matter, as the land is the property of the Indian Department.

Yours respectfully,

The Deputy Commissioner
Public Works
Regina,



BATTLEFORD
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

August 23. 1905.

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Sir,

I enclose a letter received from the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, Regina, regarding a proposed, - or already surveyed, - road, through the School Grounds. Also a copy of my reply.

Personally I am not, and never was, in favour of this road being run through the School Grounds in the place where it is surveyed.

It will be a very expensive piece of road & construct - it will not be really required by any, but a very few, people after a few more months, when the mails will be handled by the railway Co.

If, however, the N. W. Govt determines to run it where at proposed it will necessitate a considerable outlay on the part of the Indian Dept, as the attached estimate will shew, for fence etc.

Yours obediently
E. Matheson
Principal

The Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg, Man.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
116820/22.
ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.



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Ottawa, 12th December, 1905.

Sir,-

I beg to draw your attention to my letter of the 23rd September, 1903, and to ask you to be good enough to inform me what action has been taken in connection with the closing of certain streets in Battleford, Sask., therein referred to.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Tom Lean
Secretary.

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

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82/44

16th December 1906.

Sir, -

On the 14th of July 1904 you were written to in reference to a report of the 8th of May 1901 in regard to a proposed road from the Battle River bridge running eastward through the School grounds. The occasion of writing you the letter of the 14th of July was the advice received from the Public Works Department at Regina that a surveyor had been despatched for the purpose of selecting a location for the road, and we desired to be informed of the result.

The Department is asking for information in the matter, and I should be pleased if you would advise me promptly of its position.

Yours truly,

J. A. J. McK

Asst. Indian Commissioner.

Rev. E. Matheson,

Principal, Indian Industrial School,
Battleford, Sask.

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Dept. of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 11 Sept. 1905.

Rev. Sir,

Enclosed herewith is a blue print showing a small portion of land at the Northeast corner of the Northwest quarter of Section 17 - 43 - 16 - 3, proposed to be taken by the Northwest Government for the purposes of a road allowance.

The said quarter section is under the control of this Department for the purposes of the Battleford Industrial School. I have to request you to inform me whether there is any objection to having a road put across the quarter section as indicated on the said plan. Kindly return the plan with your reply.

Your obt. servant,

(sd.) J. D. McLean,
Secretary.

Oct. 28-05
No serious objection if plan is present
used road as Mr. R. C. Laurie assumes
the school would prefer giving right of way
back of the school so we could extend our grain
fields to Battle River.

Rev. F. Matheson,
Principal,

Battleford Industrial School,
Battleford, Sask.

(Copy)

Dept. of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, 9 Dec. 1905.

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Rev. Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 28th. Oct. last, I have to say that a copy of the report of Mr. R. C. Laurie, D.L.S., of his survey of the road in question through the Battleford Industrial School Lands has been received. Mr. Laurie states that he accompanied you over the road which you proposed, but found it impracticable, as you wished that the road should be diverted from the bridge on Ducharme's Creek, and run through the sand hills passing south of the Industrial School and reaching the Battle River bridge by an exceedingly steep hill. Mr. Laurie pointed out the different surveys to Mr. McIntyre, Assistant Chief Engineer, who also approved of the road as now surveyed. In addition to the foregoing, it appears that the road as now surveyed practically follows the old trail from Carlton to Battleford. This trail was established by Order in Council of the 19 June 1904.

In view of the foregoing, it has been decided to accept the survey of the road as made by Mr. Laurie.

Your obt. servant,

(sd.) J. D. McLean,

Secretary.

Rev. E. Matheson,

Principal,

Battleford Industrial School,

Battleford, Sask.

Indian Industrial School

at Battleford, Sask.

no 80

January 4, 1906.



Sir,

With reference to your letter of 16th ult., no 82/44. I enclose two letters which I received at different times, on the subject of the road allowance from the Dept., one dated 11th Sept. & the other 9th December. From the latter one it appears that the Department has decided the question already, so that any further report from me would be useless -

I may add that I gave the Commissioner a full report last summer - and wrote several letters previously on the subject -

Would you kindly return the Department's letters to me?

Yours obediently
E. Matheson
Principal

The Indian Commissioner
or Asst. Indian Commissioner
Winnipeg,
Man.