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EX'D.

Ottawa,
March 30, 1938.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant with reference to the report of the Chief of the Kenora Fire Department in regard to the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School.

The Department is prepared to supply the two fifty foot lengths of linen fire hose but in order to have the necessary information to place before our Purchasing Branch I would appreciate if you would advise me as follows:

- (a) Type of hose - regulation rubber lined fire hose or unlined forestry hose.
- (b) Type of couplings - with lug, lugless or rocker lug.
- (c) Details regarding the thread of couplings required.

You may also arrange for the extension of the fire alarm system to the furnace room in the Principal's quarters at a cost of \$20.00. Material costing not more than \$30.00 may be purchased in order that the staff may erect a roof over the fire escape on the north side of the building.

The Department is not prepared to supply the 500 feet of hose for outside use nor the large bell on the building.

F. Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,

Kenora, Ont.

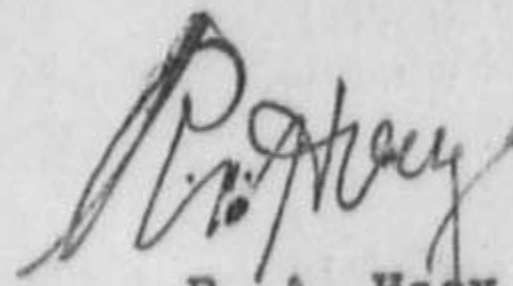
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I note that the Principal does not wish to leave the door leading to the fire escape unlocked at night. I would appreciate your reviewing this matter with him again. As a general policy the doors leading to fire escapes should be kept unlocked whenever the dormitories are occupied by the pupils. In many schools a bell is placed in the room of the person who is supervising the dormitory and a wire attached to the door leading to the dormitory. In the event of the door being opened the bell rings in the supervisor's room and in this way children can be prevented from truanting during the night. This is not a costly installation as a dry cell battery can be used. Please let me hear further from you in connection with this matter.

Yours truly,



R. A. Hoey,
Supt. of Welfare & Training.



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PAY TO.....**E. W. Byers, Esq., Principal,**

ADDRESS.....Cecilia Jeffrey Residential Se

Kenora,

Ontario.

CHEQUE No.

DATE.....

VOTE	AGENCY
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ALLOT.	E. R.	AMOUNT
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TOTAL	100	100	100
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EXAMINED AND FOUND CORRECT

DATE.....

DATE	SERVICE	AMOUNT
1938		
March, 31	To allowance for Night Watchman at Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School, Kenora, for Quarter ending March, 31st. 1938 3 months @ \$30.00 per month	90 00
	TRIPPLICATE FOR FILE D.K. 38 Voucher detached for Accountant to pay.	
	Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School Kenora, 20-4099	
	Authority 129-3-5 October 23rd. 1937	
	TOTAL	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed and that the charges are fair and just, also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

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VOUCHER No.....8866.....

Bank Edwardes

DATE.....March, 31st, 1938.....

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH



Letter No. 110.....

Office of the.....Kenora, Ontario.....Indian Agency,

March, 31st. 1938 19.....

Sir,

EX'D.

I enclose herewith Vouchers Nos. 8866.....,

amounting to \$ 90.00.....in favour

of E. W. Byers, Esq., Principal, Cecilia Jeffrey Residential
School Kenora Ontario.

for allowance for Night Watchman at Cecilia Jeffrey Residential
School for Quarter ending March, 31st. 1938

This expenditure was authorized by Departmental

Letter No. 129-3-5.....dated October, 23rd. 1938

Your obedient servant,

Frank Edwards

Indian Agent

The Secretary,
of Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
Ottawa

Form No. 518

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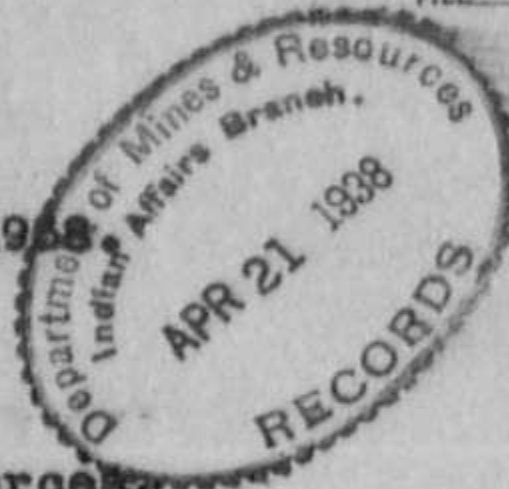
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Kenora, Ontario.
19th April, 1938

PLEASE QUOTE
FILE 108-13



The Secretary.
Indian Affairs Branch.
Department of Mines and Resources,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir,

Replying to the Superintendent of Welfare and Training's letter #129-3-5 of 30th ultimo, re report of Kenora Fire Chief, in regard to the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School.

- (a) The hose should be unlined forestry hose.
(b) No couplings required. The old ones can be used.
(c) Not applicable as no couplings required.

I have instructed the Principal to arrange for the extension of the fire alarm system to the Principal's residence at a cost not to exceed \$20.00 and also purchase materials and erect a roof over the fire escape on the North side of the building.

Yours very truly,

Frank Edwards

Indian Agent.

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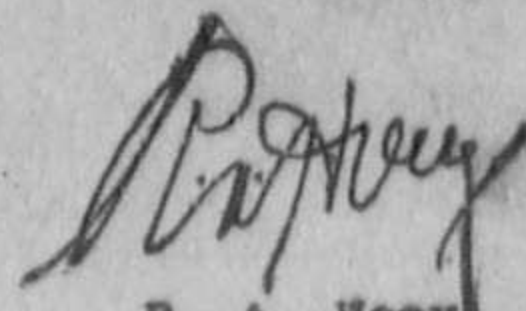
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Ottawa,
April 23, 1938.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 19th instant it is noted that you have neglected to state the diameter of the fire hose required for the Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School. Please let me have this information.

Yours truly,



R. A. Hoey,
Supt. of Welfare & Training.



F. Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

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Kenora, Ontario,
16th April. 1938.

The Secretary,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
Ottawa, Ontario.

EX'D.

APR 22 1938

RECORDS

Dear Sir:

The Grand Jury in making their report to Mr. Justice MacKay, yesterday, report; in connection with the two Indian Residential Schools in Kenora, as follows:

"St Mary's Industrial School (R.C. Residential School). The school was found to be well managed. The building is in urgent need of painting and decorating throughout. The fire hose condemned by the Fire Marshal should be replaced. The fire extinguisher should be re-charged at least once annually. The last inspection was in December 1933. They also require new enamel plates and cups for dining room use. One verandah needs a new roof, and one more fire escape is needed in the girls dormitory.

Cecilia Jeffrey Indian School. The school appeared to be well managed, and the pupils contented. We found that no dormitories are provided with direct fire escapes. The existing fire escapes in centre of building should be repaired. Floors in all dormitories and class rooms should be covered with linoleum."

In reference to the above reports:- the painting, decorating, and floor covering does not come under me, as all estimates come under the Inspector now, and not through this office, as we do not see them.

No Fire Marshall has ever to my knowledge ever inspected any of my schools, but I do ask the local Fire Chief to inspect these building with me annually, and to give me a written report, as to anything he considers should be done, so as to make the schools as safe as possible from fire. These reports are always sent to Ottawa, and most of his recommendations are usually carried out.

The fire hose for the Kenora R.C. Indian Residential School is being purchased by the Purchasing Branch as per Departmental letter #129-1-5 of 11th instant, and the fire Chief has been requested to see the extinguishers are filled. They are inspected every year by him, but are not marked by us, as we considered they should be marked by the person who fills them. They were all inspected by us in March.

Our letter of the 23rd ult. gives the requirements for the Cecilia Jeffrey School, and your letter #129-3-5 of 30th ultimo informs us the school will be supplied with hose. As regards the extra fire escapes I will discuss this with the Town Fire Chief. But this is a standard school, and no such recommendation has been put in before by any Jury or Fire Chief.

See letter on
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Neither of the two schools approve of your and the Jury's suggestions, that the dormitories be kept unlocked, shall I give definite instructions to the Principals on this point. They claim they cannot be responsible for the children, if doors are left unlocked at nights, and the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey School says, if there was a bell put from the doors of the dormitories to the persons room who is supervising the dormitory at night, that person would quit, as her rest would be broken all night, and she would not get proper sleep, I cannot agree with his contention, but would like to know if I should instruct both schools, that some arrangement must be made so that the doors would not be locked.

As regards direct fire escapes from the dormitories at the Cecilia Jeffrey School, the children have to leave the dormitories and come down a few steps to reach the escapes, which are near the staircase, and there is no doubt a certain amount of danger in this, but as I pointed out to the Principal, if escapes were placed at each dormitory, this would give another avenue of egress to the pupils should they wish to get out at night.

I am informed that a verandah is being built at the Sioux Lookout Residential School (which is the same design) as the Cecilia Jeffrey, this will act as an escape in case of fire, but will also allow the children to get out at night should they wish to do so.

I shall be glad to receive your instructions.

Yours very truly,

Frank Edwards,

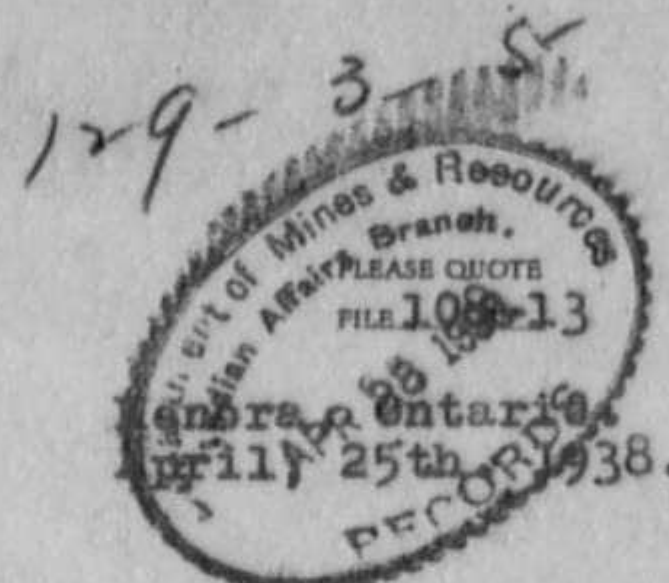
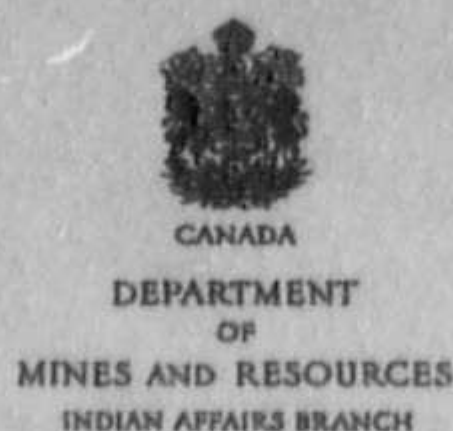
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Supdt. of Welfare & Training,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines & Resources,
Ottawa, ~~Ontario~~ Ontario.

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Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter 129-3-5 of 23rd.
inst. I regret I neglected to state the diameter
of the fire hose required for the Cecilia Jeffrey
Residential School.

The size is $1\frac{1}{2}$ " which is standard
at all our schools here.

Yours very truly,

Frank Edwards

Indian Agent.

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REQUISITION FOR SUPPLIES

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PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF Cecilia Jeffrey Residential

School

VOTE 70 Allotment 015

SHIP TO.....F. Edwards, Esq., Indian Agent, Kenora, Ont.

[illegible]

NOTE:—Requisition for non-consumable equipment, state if New Issue or Replacement.
" consumable equipment and supplies use columns 1 and 2.

Quantity		Quantity on hand (1)	Quantity used per month (2)	Unit Price	TOTAL
2	Lengths of 1 1/2" unlined forestry hose Each length to be 50' long.				
	No couplings are required as the old ones can be used.				

I hereby certify that I have personal knowledge that all the above articles are required in the Department and for Departmental purposes only. The expenditure required by this requisition is strictly unavoidable and the public interest will suffer if it is not made.

SIGNED—

APPROVED—

Director

Form 374—Req. 9038

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Capt. Frank Edwards.

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happened in an Indian School, in this Agency, a short time ago, some boys having made use of a ladder to gain access to the girls' dormitory.

We have a night watchman for only six months in the year, and even when he is on duty, he has to make his inspection of the barn and the pump house, and would be away for several periods during the night. While he was absent, the girls and boys could easily mix in the dormitories.

I have found that the strictest supervision has to be exercised at all times, to keep the boys and girls in their places, and when discussing this problem with other Principals, I find they have the same difficulties.

I hope the Department is not going to ask one School to put into practice methods, which are not required by the other Schools. I certainly would not appreciate working under such conditions, and I would like to receive further instructions from the Department, outlining how one might proceed to run a mixed school and at the same time safeguard the morals of the pupils.

The system we use is to lock the doors with padlocks, that can be removed almost as readily as turning the knob of the door. We arranged it this way, in the event of fire, so that we could feel we were using a system that would not, in any way, endanger our pupils.

I am giving your letter considerable thought, and I shall await further instructions from the Department.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Principal.

B/G.

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File..108-13.

COPY.

Kenora, Ontario.
April 29th, 1938.

The Principal,
Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School,
Kenora, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We have received a letter from the Department in which they say they note you do not desire to leave the dormitories unlocked during the night.

The Department desires me to draw your attention to the instructions, recently issued, in which they expressed their definite desire that the doors should be unlocked at night.

They also say there is no reason why this can't be done at your school, because such procedure is followed at other Indian Residential Schools.

They also say they feel certain that if you give the matter further consideration, you will realize that in case of a fire, serious fatalities would undoubtedly occur if the doors to the fire escapes were locked.

The Department desires me to advise them, in the near future, that you are complying with Departmental regulations in this regard.

I will be glad, therefore, if you will drop me a letter when you have carried out the Department's instructions.

Yours faithfully,

"Frank Edwards"

Indian Agent.

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May 4th,

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Capt. Frank Edwards, Agent,
 Dept. Indian Affairs,
 Kenora, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: 108-13, April 29th, 1938.

In reply to your letter, I wish to make the following observations.

In the first place, I feel that there must be some misunderstanding as to which of the doors of the school are to be locked and which are unlocked. It has always been the practice in our School to see that all doors, leading to the fire escapes, are unlocked during the night but the dormitory doors have been locked. I notice, in your letter, that you state that the procedure followed, at other Indian Residential Schools, is to have the dormitory doors unlocked. I have communicated with six different Indian Residential Schools and inquired regarding their procedure, and they all inform me that they lock their dormitory doors at night.

In addition to this, I have visited some other Indian Residential Schools, and they, too, locked their dormitory doors. In fact I do not know of any Indian Residential School that does not lock their dormitory doors during the night.

I would very much appreciate having the addresses of some of the Schools, which leave their dormitories unlocked, as I would like to communicate with them, with a view to obtaining their methods of keeping the boys and girls under control. I cannot devise any plan that I feel would work satisfactorily with unlocked doors, and I think that it would be asking something very unfair, to a member of the staff, who was trying to obtain a night's rest, to be responsible for the boys and girls in dormitories with unlocked doors. She would not only have to be responsible for those in the dormitories, but she would also need to be on guard against young men, who visit these Indian Schools, and watch for some opportunity of obtaining entrance to the girls' quarters. This

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES
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Cecilia Jeffrey School
PRESBYTERIAN

E. W. BYERS
PRINCIPAL

KENORA, ONT. May 4th, 1938.

The Honorable R.A. Hoey,
Director of Education,
Dept. of Mines and Resources,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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L.A.D.

Dear Sir:

I enclose, herewith, copy of a letter, which I have received from Capt. Frank Edwards, Local Indian Agent; also, a copy of my reply to him.

No doubt, in due course, you will hear of this from Capt. Edwards, and I shall appreciate your consideration of the difficulties with which we shall be confronted, if these instructions go into force.

If these methods go into effect, some of my staff are going to resign, as they feel they cannot carry on their work under such a condition. Why should one School be compelled to adopt a course, which is not followed by any other School?

Hoping for your favorable consideration,

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

E. W. Byers
Principal.

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Cecilia Jeffrey School
PRESBYTERIAN

E. W. BYERS
PRINCIPAL

KENORA, ONT. May 5th, 1938.

Capt. Frank Edwards,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

Dear Sir:

I have cleaned up a piece of ground, which will be suitable for garden purposes at the School.

In order to make use of this land, it will be necessary to fence it. I am writing to you to see if the Department will authorize the purchase of a sufficient amount of wire to enclose same. The cost of the wire will be approximately \$35.00. The work can be done by our own help at the School.

Thanking you for your attention, I am,

Yours very truly,

E. W. Byers
Principal.

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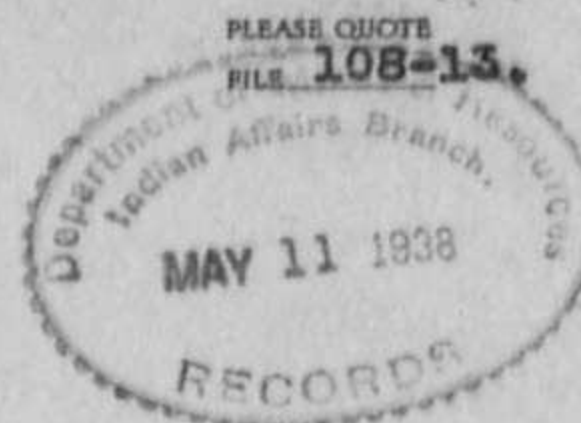
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Kenora, Ontario.
9th May, 1938

129-3-5



The Secretary.
Indian Affairs Branch.
Department of Mines and Resources.
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find letter from the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School, asking for an amount of approximately \$35.00 for purchase of wire to fence in a piece of ground at the school, the work being done by the school staff.

Not knowing what was asked for in the estimates, as these now go through the Inspector, and not this office, I am unable to make any recommendations.

I shall be glad to receive your instructions.

Yours very truly

Frank Edwards

Indian Agent.

Handwritten:
\$ 500
+ 30
+ 35 for
fencing

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Cecilia Jeffrey School
PRESBYTERIAN

E. W. BYERS
PRINCIPAL

KENORA, ONT., May 6th, 1938.

Capt. Frank Edwards,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

RE: NIGHTWATCHMAN AT THE CECILIA JEFFREY SCHOOL

I wish to inform you that, owing to the cold weather during the month of April, it was necessary for us to retain the services of the night watchman for that month. We had to have fires during the night and it was not safe to do so without someone in charge.

I shall appreciate if the Department will pay the salary, amounting to \$30.00, for that month, which was at the rate paid for the previous six months.

Thanking you for your attention, I remain,

Yours very truly,

E. W. Byers
Principal

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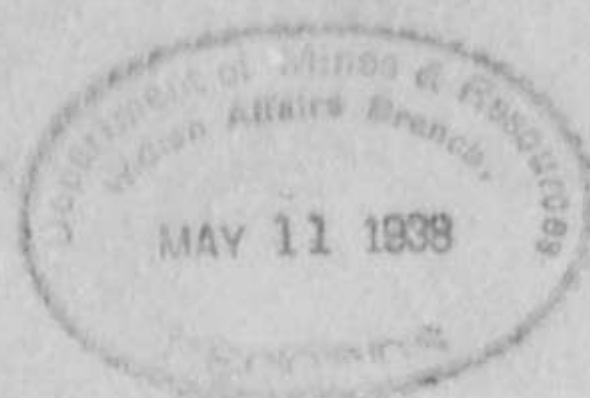
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Kenora, Ontario.
9th May, 1938.

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PLEASE QUOTE
FILE 108-18.



[Signature]
The Secretary.
Indian Affairs Branch.
Department of Mines and Resources.
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find letter received from the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School, asking the Department to pay for a night watchman for the month of April, as they had to retain him for that month.

The night watchmen at the other schools are paid by our Department for the month of April, but not at this school, and the Principal cannot understand why he cannot get a night watchman paid for the same time as the other schools.

As a matter of fact it was cold during April but not any more than in past years.

I shall be glad to receive your instructions.

Yours very truly,

Frank Edwards

Indian Agent.

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Ottawa,
May 12, 1938.

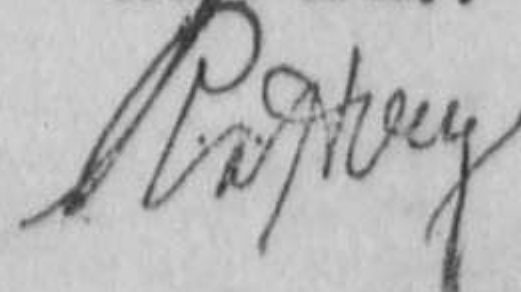
Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 9th instant you may authorize an expenditure not exceeding \$35.00 for the purchase of wire to fence a piece of ground at the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School. It is noted that the work will be done by the school staff. You may also purchase a drum of H.T.H.


Provision was made in the current year's appropriation for an amount of \$500.00 for general repairs and purchase of equipment at this school. In an official letter you were authorized to expend \$50.00 and this letter authorizes an expenditure of \$35.00 plus the cost of the H.T.H. We have already arranged for the purchase of the fire hose. All these items will have to be deducted from the amount specifically provided in the current year's appropriation.

Under separate cover you are being written with reference to the Principal's request for new farm machinery.

Yours truly,



R. A. Hoey,
Supt. of Welfare & Training.



F. Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

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EX'D.

Ottawa,
May 12, 1938.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter dated the 4th instant from the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School in which he encloses a copy of your letter to him dated April 29. In the first paragraph of your letter to him you wrote as follows:


"We have received a letter from the Department in which they say they note you do not desire to leave the dormitories unlocked during the night."

Official letter of March 30, 1938 did not make this statement. You will note our letter read: "I note that the Principal does not wish to leave the door leading to the fire escape unlocked at night." There is a considerable difference between what you wrote to Mr. Byers and what was included in our letter. Please show Mr. Byers my letter of March 30 and I think that such action will dispel the misapprehension under which he is now working.

Yours truly,



R. A. Hoey,
Supt. of Welfare & Training.



F. Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

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Sioux Lookout Indian Residential School

Sioux Lookout, Ont.
May 4th, 1938.

Mr. E.W. Byers,
Cecilia Jeffrey School.
Kenora, Ont.

Dear Sir, -

Last Saturday night I received a wire from you, "Do you leave dormitory doors unlocked at night?". We replied, "Boys' dormitories locked, girls' dormitories unlocked".

Now I presume from your haste in a wire that you must be up against some difficulty. I have visited a good many Indian Residential schools and others in the course of my work and in some of the very best schools I notice that they lock both girls' and boys' dormitories at night. In some schools I have even noticed padlocks on the doors as the principals of these schools said these boys were experts at picking locks. We got into difficulty here some years ago when the Boys' Master left a dormitory door unlocked because he had a boy who needed constant attention. While he was snatching a few hours sleep three boys slipped down stairs and started a fire in the wood room and were heard returning to the dormitory by one of the men of the staff. He went down stairs to find out who had gone down, and found one of the boys still in the wood room adding coal oil to the flames.

Whatever your difficulties may be I certainly would not leave boys' dormitories unlocked under any consideration. But we do leave the key turned in the door from the hall side so that any member of the staff can open them. We have not found it necessary to lock the girls in, although, they know that the same thing would happen to them if they disobeyed rules.

As for having some member of the staff sleeping in the dormitory I cannot agree with it. It is trying enough to work with these children in the daytime without having to sleep in the same dormitory and continually getting the Indian odor from them. As for the trusted boy or girl who could have their bed close to the door I have never seen one who hasn't been sound asleep and you could have moved the whole dormitory out before they could have wakened up. I know this from years of experience and before my illness I walked through this building every night and walked past every child's bed to see if they were properly covered, sometime about midnight.

If you are confronted with some difficulty do not hesitate to write and I will give you the benefit of my knowledge and experience not only as Missionary and Principal but as eight years Police Magistrate with the Mounted Police.

The best policy I know of to follow is good common sense.

With kindest regards, I remain,
Yours faithfully,

Rev. J.F.J. Marshall
Principal

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Cecilia Jeffrey School
PRESBYTERIAN

KENORA, ONT. May 12th, 1938.

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E. W. BYERS
Principal
Hon. R.A. Hoey,
Director of Education,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir,

Re Locking Dormitory Doors.

I enclose herewith a letter from Rev. Marshall, Principal of Sioux Lookout school.

Mr. Marshall has been engaged in Indian work for almost 40 years and in this letter he gives his experience in dealing with the Indian children.

In the Department's letter to me I was accused of being the only Principal who kept the dormitory doors locked and it is on this account that I have written you. From the previous letter I sent you and from Mr. Marshall's letter you will see that my school is not the exception. I do not know of an Indian school where the dormitory doors are not locked.

I have also sent a copy of this letter to the Indian Agent and I understand he is mailing a copy to the Department.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

E. W. Byers
Principal.

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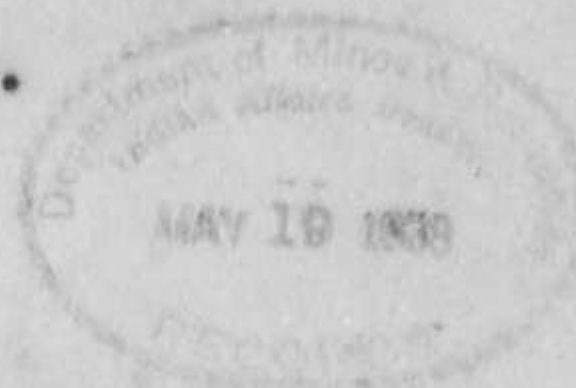
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EX'D.

129-1-5

May 18, 1938.



Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 12th instant referring to correspondence which you have received from the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School and the Kenora Residential School regarding the instructions recently issued by the Department in connection with precautions that should be taken to minimize the danger from fire.

Both Principals should carefully read the instructions that have been issued and you should point out to them that the Department requires that these instructions be put into effect.

There was no necessity for the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School or the Principal of the Kenora Residential School communicating with other Principals to ascertain what they are doing. If other Principals are not following out the Department's instructions that is no reason why the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey and Kenora Schools should not do so.

We see no necessity for further correspondence regarding this matter as the instructions have been issued and, as pointed out above, we expect the Principals to carry them out.

Yours truly,

F. Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

T. R. L. MacInnes,
Secretary.

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REQUISITION FOR SUPPLIES

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20859

Requisition No.

Order No.

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF Cecilia Jeffrey Residential

School

VOTE.....**76**

Allotment.....615

SHIP TO F. Edwards, Esq., Indian Agent, Kenora, Ont.

Purpose for which required Fire equipment

NOTE.—Requisition for non-consumable equipment, state if New Issue or Replacement.
“ consumable equipment and supplies use columns 1 and 2.

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Quantity	Quantity on hand (1)	Quantity used per month (2)	Unit Price	TOTAL
2				
Lengths of 1 1/2" unlined forestry hose				
Each length to be 50' long.				
No couplings are required as the old				
ones can be used.				

I hereby certify that I have personal knowledge that all the above articles are required in the Department and for Departmental purposes only. The expenditure required by this requisition is strictly unavoidable and the public interest will suffer if it is not made.

SIGNED—

APPROVED

Director

Form 372- Reg. 9036

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES

Order No 5455

Receipt FormPage 2

File No.....

Chas. Niedner's Sons,Ottawa, June 14, 1938. 19.....Coaticook, Quebec.

Supplies mentioned hereunder have been received and found satisfactory with exception
of those listed under "Remarks."

Quantity	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	TOTAL
2	<u>F.o.b., Kenora, Ont.- (Con.)</u> only, 50 ft. lengths 1½" Underwriters fire hose; no couplings required..... <u>Shipping Instructions:-</u> <u>F. Edwards, Indian Agent, Kenora, Ont.</u> <u>Invoices:-</u> 5 copies to F. Edwards, Indian Agent. <u>Requisition:-</u> 20859-15-13; Vote, 76; Allot. -615.		<u>\$12.00</u>

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EX'D.

Ottawa,
June 17, 1938.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of April 25 ordering fire hose for the Cecilia Jeffrey School I wish to advise you that an order for this has been placed with Chas. Niedner's Sons, Coaticook, Quebec. The hose will be supplied at a cost of \$12.00, f.o.b. Kenora. The account covering its cost will be forwarded to you. On receipt of the hose in good order you should certify the account and forward it for payment.

Yours truly,

Philip Phelan,
Chief, Training Division.

F. Edwards, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Kenora, Ont.

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Address reply to
Dominion Water and
Power Bureau.

DEPARTMENT OF
MINES AND RESOURCES
Surveys and Engineering Branch

Quote file
14825-M

552 Dominion Public Bldg.,
WINNIPEG, June 3, 1938.

Sir: Re:-Sewage System, Cecilia Jeffrey Indian
 Residential School, Kenora, Ontario.

Following the receipt of your letter of March 25th in connection with the above, the writer made an inspection of the new disposal bed constructed last fall but snow covered the ground and a later inspection was desirable. On May 30th, I again examined the system, while in Kenora on another matter.

The Indian Residential School is built on a sandy shelf from which the ground slopes fairly steeply to the shore line of Round Lake to the source of the water supply for the school. The slope is composed of fairly coarse sand to a depth of many feet, probably overlying gravel or bed rock. From the time this building was constructed, we have experienced trouble with the disposal of sewage and laundry wastes. The laundry sump soon became useless when the grease blocked passage of the liquid through the sand. Various expedients were adopted to care for the laundry wastes but some of the drainage still frequently comes to the surface and creates unsatisfactory conditions.

The original disposal bed appeared to work satisfactorily at first but some three or four years ago the liquid commenced rising to the surface and proceeded down the slope into the lake. The construction of the new disposal bed in freezing weather, late last fall, did not permit of a satisfactory job being performed. The sand was frozen and in large lumps so that when the bed was re-built and connected with the septic tank, the liquid quickly percolated through the coarse sand, made outlets for itself and flowed down the slope into the lake. It still continues to do so and as the effluent runs into the small lake, the source of the water supply, the present conditions are very unsatisfactory.

The soil conditions and the location upon the slope renders it very difficult to construct and maintain an efficient disposal bed for this school. It may be impossible to secure satisfactory results with the disposal bed but I would like to suggest that an attempt be made to secure results by some alterations to the present bed before some other scheme for the disposal of sewage be decided upon.

It will be necessary to uncover the tile at the sides and ends of the present bed and build up the outer borders of the bed itself with heavy earth to prevent erosion from within the bed. It will also be necessary to haul loam to mix with the coarse sand so as to obtain a more satisfactory soil condition. Furthermore, the surface must be made so that a growth of grass or other vegetation can be assured. It will be necessary to fence in the disposal bed in order to prevent livestock from crossing the same and damaging it.

T.S. Mills, Esq.,
Engineering and Construction Service,
Department of Mines and Resources,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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This work should be done early in July when the school is mostly unoccupied and the sewage system not fully loaded.

It is difficult to say what the cost of this suggested work will be but at least \$300.00 should be allotted for the work. I would also suggest that no addition be made to the siphon chamber of the septic tank this summer, unless funds have already been provided for that purpose.

I would again point out that if it is desired to have this work proceeded with, it must be carried out during the period in July and August when the school holidays are on.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) D.B. Gow,

District Chief Engineer.

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June 14, 1938.

MEMORANDUM:

Mr. Wardle.

Re: Sewage disposal, Casselia Jeffrey
Indian Residential School, Kenora,
Ontario.

On receipt of your memorandum of March 22nd last, Mr. Gow was requested to make an inspection of the above sewage disposal system as soon as weather conditions were suitable. His report has now been received and a copy is attached. From this report it will be noted that Mr. Gow is not prepared to estimate closely on the funds required for additional work necessary, but considers that for the suggested work at least \$300.00 should be provided. It will also be noted that if this work is to be done this season, it should be carried out during the period in July and August when the school holidays are on.

Encl.

It would appear from information available that there has been trouble for some time with this sewage disposal system. This would appear to be at least partly due to the topography at this point and also to the fact that the soil is of such a sandy nature that considerable seepage through same takes place into the Lake which is the source of water supply for the school.

While under the circumstances it appears doubtful as to whether the system installed is the best, still as Mr. Gow only wants to do work which will cost a comparatively small amount this season, it is recommended that such work should be undertaken as a further experiment before any larger work would be planned that would revise the present system.

From Dr. McGill's memorandum to you of March 13th last, it is assumed that he will probably be able to provide the required money for this work. I would, however, be glad to be advised as to what instructions are to be issued in connection with same.

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. Mills
jrm

J.M. Wardle, Esq.,
Director,
Surveys and Engineering Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
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SURVEYS AND
ENGINEERING BRANCH

129-3-5
17th June, 1938.



Memorandum:

Dr. McGill

Re: Sewage disposal, Cecelia
Jeffrey Indian Residential
School, Kenora, Ontario.

I am forwarding herewith copy of
a memorandum from the Chief Engineer together with a
report from Mr. Gow relative to the above sewage disposal
system.

It would appear that this system
is not very satisfactory due to topography and to the
nature of the soil and that it is doubtful whether the
present system is the best. Mr. Gow considers, however,
that work to the extent of \$300 cost should be done and
I should be glad if you would advise if this amount could
be made available.

Director.

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