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20<sup>th</sup> April 2

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Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1<sup>st</sup> instant, with respect to the proposed erection of a building for Industrial Indian School purposes at Alert Bay; and in reply I beg to inform you that you may instruct Mr. Agent Piddcock to proceed with the construction of the building, the whole supervision and management of which, will be entrusted to him, with an

Yours

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 Acting Indian Agent  
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view to the same being effected  
in as satisfactory and  
economical manner as  
possible.

Mr Pickens may let any portion  
of the work to be done by the  
Goven or to have the work  
if it done by day labor when  
they think best; and to this  
end he may employ such  
mechanics and workmen  
as he may deem necessary, being  
careful in every case to  
superior the work thoroughly  
and to send to the Depart-  
ment Vouchers in detail for all  
material purchased and for  
all payments for price  
work together with Pay State  
Notes.



being receipted by the individual  
workmen for all payments made  
for work done by the day.

As the vote for the building  
will lapse on the 30<sup>th</sup> June next,  
Mr Pickcock should proceed with  
the work without loss of time,  
and he should be informed  
that he must endeavour to keep  
the expenditure which must all  
be properly vouched for in  
detail well within the amount  
of the vote viz \$4,700<sup>00</sup> and that  
on no account must it  
exceed that amount.

The Plans and specifica-  
tions will be returned to  
you as soon as copies can  
be made, which will be in  
a few days, but this  
3 delay



Delays should not affect the immediate commencement of the work as Mr. Pickwick has probably retained the originals of his Plans and Specifications.

The windows on all sides of the building should be dispensed with, excepting that in front.

An outside door should be placed on the great-room and office with a large well built vestibule or cloak porch, so that visitors may not necessarily have to pass through the school room to the great room.

The chimney in the great-room may be dispensed with



with and the necessary thimble placed for connection with the Kitchen chimney and between the dormitory and dining room and Kitchen chimneys.

If it is feared that the draught of the Kitchen chimney may be impeded, the chimney may be built with two flues.

The specifications should specify the locks for outside doors.

The chimneys should in all cases be very carefully parged.

In addition to the bracing specified for the roof which does not appear to be sufficient across.

the  $2" \times 8"$  should be firmly spiked to each pair of rafters.

It is presumed that the  
5 Tank



Tank is to be built on the outside  
 of the building, that it is for soft  
 water, and that it is to be  
 fed by the down pipes from  
 the main building. It is  
 recommended that the said  
 tank be built against the  
 main building, that it be  
 carefully covered in, the  
 roof and sides similarly,  
 and to match with the  
 main building, that a lead  
 pipe connection be made  
 with the force pump in the  
 well so that the tank  
 may be supplied from the  
 well at such times that the  
 supply of rain-water through  
 the down-pipes is not  
 sufficient



sufficient, and in addition to the  
connections with pipes to the  
kitchen, bath room and lavatory  
an additional pipe be laid  
to the passage on the Chamber  
floor with a faucet to  
supply water for the rooms.

your obedient servant.

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Deputy of the Supt Genl  
of Indian Affairs.