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Ottawa, February 6, 1922.

I am directed to draw to your attention a matter arising out of the visit of the Rev. J. Welch, O. M. I., New Westminster, B. C. It was brought to the Department's attention that the St. Mary's Boarding School at Vancouver City and the Squamish Boarding School, North Vancouver, are being called upon to pay very heavy taxes by the municipalities where they are situated. It appears that the first named institution will be taxed for the year for an amount over \$1000.00, or practically equal to their per capita earnings.

The Deputy Minister felt that these matters should be brought into by yourself at the first opportunity. The Department would be grateful for information regarding the heavy taxation. The municipalities in question should be approached with a view to lightening the burden. They should understand that the activity at the two schools mentioned is Government owned and operated by the Church.

Obedient servant,

Russell T. Ferrier
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Supt. of Indian Education.

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Ottawa, February 6, 1922.

Memorandum.

Mr. Scott.

W. J. Welch

The Reverend J. Welch, O.M.I., of New Westminster, B. C., made certain requests on behalf of the Sisters in charge of the Squamish Boarding School.

It was represented that financial difficulties at the Squamish Boarding School were such that the staff could not continue the work any longer under present circumstances. The church property here is very crowded and the per capita grant is barely sufficient to supply the food needed. They realize the the unlikelyhood that the Department build a new school and ask for an enlarged per capita grant, in order to make ends meet. Father Welch states that the Sisters at this school are deserving of our most careful consideration.

Russell T. Kinner

Supt. of Indian Education.

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Ottawa, February 10, 1922.

Memorandum.

Mr. Scott:

The Rev. J. Welch, O. M. I., of New Westminster, B. C., drew our attention to the heavy taxes levied by the municipalities on the St. Mary's and Squamish Indian boarding schools. I am convinced that these institutions are in a peculiar situation in this connection. I have been unable to learn of any other Indian residential school that is called upon to pay municipal taxation.

The Rev. Father Welch mentioned taxes amounting to \$900.00 and \$500.00 for the St. Mary's and Squamish schools, respectively, for the past year. In all probability, these sums may be exceeded in future.

In view of the serious financial situation in which these institutions find themselves, I wish to recommend that the Department pay the taxes. This will give the St. Mary's and Squamish Indian boarding schools the same opportunity to educate and care for our Indian wards that other residential schools enjoy. The whole of the per capita earnings will be released for the legitimate current expenses.

Supt. of Indian Education

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Ottawa, February 10, 1922.

Dear Father Welch:-

As you are aware, the site and property of the St. Mary's Indian Boarding School at Mission, B. C. belong to the Church. The Department of Indian Affairs, before planning any extensive alterations or improvements, will request a quit claim deed for the land on which the school is built. Will you ascertain how much property the Church authorities are willing to deed over to this Department. In view of the fact that Crown Lands are exempted from municipal or other taxation, the authorities of your Church, or Order, might be in favour of giving us a quit claim deed for the major portion of the land in use by the St. Mary's Boarding School. Your early response in this connection is respectfully requested.

I might add that the Department is seriously considering reimbursing the St. Mary's Boarding School and the Sisters of the Squamish Institution to the extent of the taxes levied on them by the municipalities during the past year. I will place an item in the Supplementary Estimates for the current year, to cover this payment, if you will furnish the Department with receipted bills certified by the local Indian agent, or Inspector Ditchburn. This last named officer has been instructed to inquire into the taxation of the St. Mary's and Squamish Indian Boarding Schools.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. J. Welch, O. M. I.,
59 Blackwood St.,
New Westminster, B. C.

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Ottawa, February 23, 1922.

Memorandum for File:

In the Supplementary Estimates for 1921-22, an item of \$900.00 was included to pay the municipal taxation bill of the St. Mary's Boarding School for the current year. It is intended to relieve this school and the Squamish Boarding School of municipal taxation in the future, so as to release the per capita earnings for diversion to proper channels.

No provision has been made in the Main Estimates for 1922-23 for extensive repairs or alterations to the St. Mary's boarding school at Mission, B. C.

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Sq. Ash Mission

Indian Boarding School

North Vancouver, B. C.

I know, Reverend Father, that you have done more than your share to help our school, but I cannot refrain from making a new appeal to your kindness and devotedness.

Trusting that you will do all what is in your power to aid us in that narrow strait.
I remain, Reverend Father,

Respectfully yours

Sister Mary Amy

Principal

P.S. The amount of taxes due to the City is \$175.00

This of course is for arrears of taxes on the five acres

Reverend Father Welch, O.M.A.

Provincial.

New Westminster, B. C.

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Squamish Mission

Indian Boarding School

North Vancouver, B. C. February 20th, 1922

Reverend and dear Father:

I beg to draw your attention on the Squamish Indian School.

This school was built in 1898, by late Bishop Durieu, on the property of the Sisters of the Child Jesus, in the city of North Vancouver, close to the Indian Reservation. Of course, at that time the said city did not exist and the taxes on land were almost insignificant. But since the city has grown up, and at the present times the taxes are so high that it has been impossible for the school to meet the entire bill for the years 1920-1921. All what the school has been able to do, with the help of the other members of the Community was to pay for the taxes on the 4 acres on which the school buildings are located; this amounted to \$272.^{last year} As for the 5 acres adjoining the school which are used for pasture for the cows, this bill the school could not possibly meet, so the property will be sold this coming summer for "unpaid taxes"; and the poor Sisters, after having worked like slaves among the Indians for twenty three years, will be left penniless.

As a result we shall not be able to keep our cows - for want of grazing ground - and consequently the pupils shall be deprived of milk, for though we should buy milk (and that we will) we could never afford to buy the quantity supplied by our three good milk cows. The Government, it is true, has raised the Grant Indians, who used to provide their children with milk, hardly supply anything now. But the number of orphans who depend on the school is increasing.

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NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C.



February 22nd,

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Mr. Duncan C. Scott,
Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Dear Mr. Scott:-

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In reply to your favour of February 10th, 1922, No. 119704-1, I am pleased to say that the Principals of St. Mary's and Squamish Indian Schools will be prepared to submit to Mr. Ditchburn receipted bills of the taxes which they paid last year.

The enclosed communication to me from Sister Amy, explains, in part, the situation in Squamish, and needs no comment.

As to your request that a quit claim deed be given the Government of the land on which St. Mary's School stands, I cannot give you an answer until I have placed the matter before our General Administration. I am writing to-day and hope to have an answer in five or six weeks. I will also ascertain how much land they are prepared to deed to the Department.

Can you say if the Government would be willing to guarantee the Oblates fixture of tenure.

Yours respectfully,

J. Welch. D. M. 9.



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Ottawa, March 2, 1922.

Dear Father Welch:-

I have to acknowledge yours of the 22nd ultimo, referring to the heavy taxation and related matters at the St. Mary's and Squamish Indian Boarding Schools, and enclosing a letter from the Principal of the last named institution.

I have noted that the Rev. Sisters are prepared to submit to Mr. Inspector Ditchburn receipted bills for last year's taxes. As I intimated to you on the 10th ultimo, an item has been placed in the Supplementary Estimates for the current year to meet this expenditure. I trust that Parliament will see fit to vote these funds during the coming session.

If the General Administration of your Order sees fit to give a quit claim deed to the Government of the property on which the St. Mary's school is situated, in the future the Sisters there will be relieved, I believe, of this burden of taxation. We would, of course, guarantee the Oblates permanency of occupation. I am of the opinion that it would be better to arrange for this by an official letter of assurance, rather than by a formal long term lease. If the latter instrument were executed, the municipal authorities might consider that the church had a taxable interest and our action would be abortive.

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As I examine the letter of the Principal of the Squamish School, I notice that it is the intention to be sold for taxes the five acres of pasture adjoining the building. This property is, of course, not large to warrant the Department of Indian Affairs holding for boarding school purposes, and, in all fairness, I do not ask you to give us a quit claim deed at this time. The sole purpose is to be relieved of municipal taxes. Yet, I am loath to see such valuable property go to Indian work. If you can suggest any action to be contemplated for the St. Mary's property, I will give it consideration. If a satisfactory suggestion be suggested, the Department might come to the aid of the Sisters by paying the unpaid taxes on this five acres of pasture in addition to the last calendar year's taxes on the property on which the buildings are located. The Sisters of the Squamish Boarding School might be instructed to the Department, before the five acres of pasture is sold to be sold for arrears.

W. J. Welch

Rev. J. Welch, O.M.I.,
Blackwood St.,
New Westminster, B.C.

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Ottawa, April 1, 1922.

Memorandum:

Mr. Scott.

Mr. Inspector Ditchburn has reported on the taxation difficulties at the St. Mary's and Squamish Boarding Schools, B.C.

St. Mary's Boarding School:

The property at Mission, B. C. consists of 3 blocks of land and 3 town lots. Only one block of 155 acres, known as Sec. Gp. 3, Tp. 17, D.L. 2, is used solely for church and mission purposes. The rest of the property is leased to Japanese and white tenants and is not necessary to the management of the boarding school. 15 acres of the plot mentioned above is exempt from taxation and the tax on the remaining 140 acres of school property amounts to about \$470.00 per annum.

I wish to recommend, following the correspondence between Father Welch and yourself, that this Department pay the taxes on the block of 140 acres used exclusively for school purposes. This year, the amount is \$468.60, and the Principal of the school is prepared to submit to Mr. Ditchburn a receipted bill for this amount.

Squamish Boarding School:

The property at North Vancouver, held under title by a Miss Marie Chaminade, consists of Block 69 (4 acres) on which are the school building and garden, and Block 123 (5 acres) used as a pasturage and potato field. These two blocks are within the city of North Vancouver and are assessed on the same basis as surrounding residential property. The total valuation is \$68,500.00. The annual taxes on Block 69, on which the school stands, amount roughly to \$1,000.00, and have been paid from year to year. The unpaid taxes on Block 123 - the 5 acres used as pasturage - amount with penalties to \$3,666.54. If Block 123 is to remain school property, this amount will have to be paid before the 30th of September, next. The Principal was prepared to allow Block 123 sold for arrears. I believe that both Blocks 69 and 123 (a total of 9 acres) are needed for school purposes.

You will remember that we discussed taking over this property at a nominal sum, until such time as it was not required for Indian educational purposes. The intention was to be relieved of the taxation and then return it to the present title holders. However, Section 208 of the Municipal Act at the 1919 session of the Provincial Legislature precludes such a procedure. It is stated that lands which are held or occupied other than by, or on behalf of, the Crown shall be liable to taxation, even when the fee of which lands is in the Crown.

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Two possible courses of action remain:-

1. The Department could purchase at the tax sale Block 123, at a price which, I believe, would be much under the present valuation of \$42,500.00. The Sisters at the school would probably sell us Block 69, on which the school stands, for about \$20,000.00. We should remember, however, that we would never use the property if we built an Indian residential school. 9 acres is insufficient for this purpose and we would be forced to put the property on the market when the Squamish Boarding school is replaced by a modern building elsewhere.
2. Block 123 could be sold for taxes and this Department pay taxes amounting to, roughly, \$1,000.00 per annum on Block 69. This procedure would, of course, leave the institution with but 4 acres. They might be able to rent a pasture and potato patch from the new owners of Block 123, or elsewhere.

I think that this second suggestion concerning the Squamish Boarding School property is far from what is desired, but, under the circumstances, I recommend that we give a grant to the school, of \$1,000.00 per year, to pay the taxation on Block 69, on which the school stands. They will have to make arrangements for their potato and milk supply.

I might state that funds are provided in the 1921-22 Supplementary Estimates for the payment, if you concur with my recommendations in connection with the St. Mary's and Squamish Boarding Schools.

R. J. F.

Supt. of Indian Education.

In connection with our larger program
I believe we should buy suitable
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Ottawa, April 20, 1922.

Dear Sir:-

I have to acknowledge your No. 15/362/P of the 23rd ultimo, referring to the taxation of the property at the St. Mary's and Squamish Boarding Schools.

The Deputy Superintendent General, who has been confined to his home, due to an injury, wishes me to thank you for your careful attention to this problem and your detailed report. I am directed to request that you secure a receipted bill from the St. Mary's Boarding School for the taxes for District Lot No. 2 (Sec. Gp. 3, Tp. 17) \$468.60. The Department has decided that, as this property is used exclusively for school purposes, we should relieve the authorities of the expense in this connection.

Concerning the Squamish Boarding School, this Department cannot assist in connection with Block 123, as the bill for taxes from year to year is so serious that the value of retaining the 5 acres for school purposes does not warrant the expenditure involved. The school authorities will have to make the best possible arrangements for their potato and milk supply. It might be possible to rent Block 123 from the new owners after the tax sale. Block 69, the 4 acres on which the school buildings and garden are situated, will of course have to be retained for school purposes, and you should request the principal of the Squamish Boarding School to submit to you the receipted bill for the 1921 taxes, amounting to \$977.91. This Department will endeavour to settle this bill, and consideration will be given to the same account in future years. This will release the per capita earnings for diversion into the proper channels.

Yours truly,

J. D. McLEAN

J. D. McLean,
Acting Deputy Superintendent General.

W. E. Ditchburn, Esq.,
Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Victoria, B. C.

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Ottawa, May 26, 1922.

Dear Father Welch:-

There have been certain developments in connection with Department assistance to the St. Mary's and Squamish Indian Boarding Schools. As you are already aware, it is my intention to arrange for the payment of the taxes levied on the portion of St. Mary's Boarding School known as District Lot No. 2, amounting to \$468.60, and for the Squamish Boarding School on Block 69, amounting to \$977.91. I am at present discussing with the Minister the advisability of purchasing Block 123, on which two years' taxes, amounting to \$3665.54, are due. Although this is somewhat in the nature of a speculation, I am convinced by both Mr. Inspector Ditchburn and Rev. Father Guy that when the property is no longer desired for the Squamish Boarding School, it could be sold without difficulty for at least as much as the Department puts into it at this time.

I regret that I have been unsuccessful in having voted funds for the extensive improvements needed at the St. Mary's Boarding School. The laundry, kitchen, etc., at that institution and the barn at the Squamish Boarding School will have to remain over for another year.

I will be grateful if you would inform the Sisters Superior of the two schools of the contents of this communication. You might suggest to the Rev. Mother Provincial of the Order that the Department would be pleased if she would offer us Block 123 at a nominal price, on the condition that the Department pay the arrears of taxes, amounting to \$3666.54 and allow the property to remain exclusively for the use of the school.

Yours very truly,

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. J. Welch, O.M.I.,
59 Blackwood St.,
New Westminster, B. C.

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Ottawa, May 26, 1922.

Dear Father Guy:-

I wish to refer to your letter of the 13th instant, enclosing a copy of the Rev. Father Welch's communication to you, concerning the needs at the St. Mary's and Squamish Boarding Schools.

In view of your recommendation, and in the light of the report of Mr. Inspector Ditchburn, of Victoria, I am now prepared, upon receiving the definite offer of the Rev. Mother Provincial, to discuss with the Minister the advisability of purchasing the property known as Block 123 at the Squamish Boarding School.

As I have intimated in a communication to the Rev. Father Welch - a copy of which is enclosed for your information - nothing can be done this year towards the major improvements needed at the St. Mary's Boarding School. This matter will be kept in mind when the Estimates are being prepared next year.

Yours very truly,

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. Jos. Guy, O.M.I.,
University of Ottawa,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Ottawa, May 26, 1922.

Memorandum:

Honorable Charles Stewart:-

Some months ago the attention of the Department was drawn to the fact that the St. Mary's and Squamish Boarding Schools, in British Columbia, were subjected to heavy municipal taxation. These institutions are situated on the outskirts of Mission City and North Vancouver and, as the properties are owned by Roman Catholic Church Orders, they have not been exempt from municipal taxation.

In order to release the per capita earnings of these schools for legitimate current expenses, I caused to be included in the Supplementary Estimates for 1921-22 an item of \$1800.

Receipted bills for the taxes for 1921 at the Squamish Boarding School (\$977.91) and the St. Mary's Boarding School (\$468.60) have, at my request, been presented to the Department. These taxes were levied on that portion of the properties in question used exclusively for Indian residential school purposes. I beg to recommend that authority be given to reimburse the management of the Squamish and St. Mary's Boarding Schools.

At the Squamish Boarding School the property consists of two blocks - one of 4 acres, on which the taxes mentioned above amounted to \$977.91. This amount the Department proposes to pay. The school is situated on this block of land in the City of North Vancouver. Immediately across the street from the school, the Sisters in charge own Block 123 - a 5 acre parcel used for pasturage and for a potato patch. This property is assessed at \$42,500: the taxes for 1920 and 1921 were, respectively, \$1765.44 and \$1653.13 which, with a penalty of \$247.97, make a total of \$3,665.54. I have not recommended that these arrears be paid, as the value value in retaining the property for school purposes is not commensurate with the amount of money involved.

Information is now to hand that the Sisters in charge of the school and the Rev. Mother Provincial of their Order would prefer to sell this 5 acre block to the Department at a nominal price (suggested \$2,000) rather than have the property revert to the city because of unpaid taxes. Mr.

- Inspector -

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for memo. (Sgt. Major)*

Inspector Ditchburn of Victoria, a valued officer of this Department, recommends that we purchase from the Sisters and offer the block to them for school purposes, until such time as the school is closed. Our representative reports that there would be no difficulty in getting our investment out of the property.

I respectfully ask for instructions in this connection.

Duncan G. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

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Ottawa, June 26, 1922.

Dear Mr. Ditchburn:-

Referring to previous correspondence regarding the payment of taxes on the St. Mary's and Squamish Boarding School properties, I beg to say that cheques drawn in favour of the respective principals are being sent to Rev. Father Welch, New Westminster, B. C., for the payment of the taxes levied on the portion of St. Mary's Boarding School known as District Lot No. 2, amounting to \$468.60 and for the Squamish Boarding School on Block 69, amounting to \$977.91.

With reference to the purchase of Block 123 at the Squamish Boarding School, comprising 5 acres, on which 2 years' taxes are due, I beg to say that the Superintendent General has approved of the purchase of this block for the sum of \$2,000 and payment of arrears of taxes for 1920 and 1921 and accrued taxes since that date. I have to request that you will arrange for the completion of the necessary documents in connection with the transfer of this property to the Crown, represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs. These documents should be properly executed by the parties authorized to do so, and any expenses in connection with this matter will be paid upon receipt of properly certified vouchers covering the amount. The deeds should be duly registered.

I will be pleased if you will forward a voucher covering the amount to be paid by this Department in the purchase of this lot as well as taxes due thereon up to date of transfer. Rev. Father Welch is being informed that you have been requested to arrange for the proper transfer of title in this lot to this Department.

Yours very truly,

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

W. E. Ditchburn, Esq.,
Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Victoria, B. C.

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Ottawa, June 26, 1922.

Dear Father Welch:-

I have your letter of the 6th instant, regarding payment of the taxes for the year 1921 on Lot 2 in connection with the St. Mary's Boarding School and on Block 69, comprising 5 acres at the Squamish Boarding School.

I am pleased to enclose herewith cheques drawn in favour of the respective principals for the amount of taxes paid by the school authorities on the above properties for the year 1921, as per tax receipts forwarded. The taxes paid for that year on Lot 2 at St. Mary's amount to \$468.60 and on Block 69 at Squamish, \$977.91.

Regarding Block 123, comprising 5 acres, which is situated across the street from the school, I beg to say that the Superintendent General has approved of the purchase by this Department of this property, and will pay therefor to the Rev. Sisters the sum of \$2,000.00 together with arrears of taxes for the years 1920 and 1921 and accrued taxes from the first of January, last, to the date of purchase. After this land has been acquired by the Department, it is to be used by the Sisters for school purposes.

I am requesting Mr. Inspector Ditchburn, of Victoria, to take the necessary action to arrange for the transfer of Block 123 to the Crown for the sum of \$2,000.00 and the payment of arrears of taxes. As soon as the documents for the transfer of this property are completed a cheque will be sent covering the payment at the above figure and the taxes due.

Yours very truly,

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

Rev. J. Welch, O.M.I.,
59 Blackwood St.,
New Westminster, B. C.

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Squamish Mission

Indian Boarding School



North Vancouver, B. C., July 8, 1922.

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Dear Mr. Scott:

I must in the first place
thank you very, very much for the cheque you so
kindly sent me through Rev. Father Welch, also for
the promise of purchasing Block 123 for the sum
of \$2000.00 together with arrears of taxes.

Words fail me indeed to express my gratitude,
and may Almighty God reward you and all those
who understand as well as you do the devotedness
and self-denial of the Sisters.

We have had the visit of Mr. R. Ferrier,
and both pupils and teachers enjoyed it immensely.
It is good to think we have friends in Ottawa
who will always help us in time of need.

Thanking you once more for your kindness,
I remain, dear Sir,

Respectfully yours,

Sister Mary Amy

Principal



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Department of Indian Affairs, British Columbia

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and Messrs. Ellis & Brown, Solicitors

To Marie Chaminade, Squamish Indian School, North Vancouver, B.C.

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To reimbursement arrears of taxes 1920-21 and
accrued taxes for seven months 1922, on Block
123, District Lot 271, North Vancouver, as
below:-

1920--Taxes.....	\$1,765.44		
Interest.....	223.66		
1921--Taxes.....	1,901.10		
Interest.....	88.75		
1922--Taxes to Aug. 1st (Seven months).....	941.02	4,919	97

To purchase price of Lot agreed upon

2,000 00

OK 1454
Sent with letter
to Miss Ditchburn
aug 9/22

\$ 6,919 97

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 all expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

H. E. Ditchburn

Chief Insp.

Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies.

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OFFICE OF
CHIEF INSPECTOR OF INDIAN AGENCIES
BRITISH COLUMBIA

P. O. Box 775
Victoria, B.C., 1st August, 1922.

File 119704-1.

[Handwritten signature]

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Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th June, instructing me to arrange for the purchase of Block 123, North Vancouver, for the sum of \$2,000.00 plus arrears of taxes for 1920, 1921 and accrued taxes for 1922 up to the date of the transfer of the property.

In reply I beg to say that as suggested in my interview with you while in Victoria I arranged with Messrs. Ellis & Brown, solicitors of Vancouver, to carry out all the legal details in connection with the transfer and registration of the property in the name of the Crown as represented by the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs. The title was searched and found to be held in the name of Marie Chaminade, (Sister Mary Amy, Principal of the Squamish Mission Indian Boarding School). In order that the property could be transferred free of all encumbrances I had the Reverend Sister clear up the taxes to the 1st of August, receipted bills for which are attached to Voucher No. 24A, which I am herewith submitting. The voucher is for \$6,919.97 in favor of Marie Chaminade made up as hereunder:-

1920--Taxes.....	\$ 1,765.44 ✓
Interest.....	223.66
1921--Taxes.....	1,901.10 -
Interest.....	88.75
1922--Taxes to August 1st (Seven months).....	941.02
To purchase price of Lot agreed upon..	2,000.00
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Total.....	\$ 6,919.97

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You will observe that on the tax receipts the arrears for 1921 are set down as \$1,901.10. This comprises the amounts of \$1,653.13 plus a penalty of \$247.97, as shown in my letter of 23rd March last.

Please forward me cheque for the above amount as soon as convenient and I will turn it over to the Reverend Sister and take her receipt therefor.

Yours obediently,

Enclosure:-

W. E. Ditchburn
W. E. Ditchburn.
Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Duncan C. Scott, Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent General,
OTTAWA ONTARIO.

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Ottawa, August 9, 1922.

Dear Mr. Ditchburn:-

WITH CHEQUE

I have your letter of the first instant, regarding the arrangements which you have made for the transfer of title of Block 123, North Vancouver, from the Sister Superior of the Squamish Boarding School to the Crown. The voucher which you submitted, covering the purchase price, arrears of taxes for 1920 and 1921 and accrued taxes since that date, together with receipt for payment of taxes to the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver, has also been received.

Cheque No. 1454 for Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Nineteen Dollars and Ninety-seven Cents (\$6919.97) is enclosed herewith, drawn in favour of Marie Chaminade and Ellis & Brown, Solicitors, covering the amount of the above voucher. You will please hand this cheque to the Solicitors, which they should certify and turn over to the Rev. Sister Superior, upon the completion of the signing of the deeds for the transfer of the property. The deed should be registered and a copy of same forwarded for our files.

I would be pleased if you will expedite the completion of the transfer of this property and forward a copy of the deed at an early date.

Yours very truly,

Duncan C. Scott

Deputy Superintendent General.

W. E. Ditchburn, Esq.,
Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Victoria, B. C.

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SQUAMISH BOARDING SCHOOL.

By

Everything possible should be done for this institution, as there is no farm and but a small garden. All the boys are little fellows. If we purchase Block 123, we might do well to arrange for its levelling and cultivation - this would enhance its value in case of sale in later years. Before paying the taxes for 1923 on Block 69, we should endeavour to have two acres assessed at the agricultural rate. The Sister Superior would be very grateful if one of our representatives could look into this for her.

Action taken

The furnaces are bad in this school. Two sewing machines and two large washing machines (hand) are badly needed.

The work done in the classrooms at this school is splendid: one of the best speeches I ever heard from an Indian pupil was delivered at the time of my visit. They have 20 day pupils here and we should give them a day school grant.

B.F.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, BRITISH COLUMBIA
New Westminster Agency.

To J.N.ELLIS, 403- 7 Rogers Bldg., Vancouver, B.C.

1922

July 27. Attending on Mr. Ditchburn re purchasing land in
North Vancouver

Attending Land Registry Office and Searching
Block 123, D.L. 271, Group 1, New Westminster
District, and paid .50

Drawing Deed Marie Chaminaide to His Majesty the
King, as represented by the Superintendent
General of Indian Affairs,

28 Drawing and copy application to register Deed	
Attending to register and paid,	<u>25.00 54.50</u>
	25.00 55.00
	<u>55.00</u>
	\$ 80.00

(Sgd) W.E.Ditchburn
Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies.

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P. O. Box 775

Victoria, B.C.

File 119704-1.

4th August, 1922.

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Sir:-



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I have the honor to herewith submit Voucher
No. 27A for \$80.00 in favor of J.N.Ellis, of Vancouver, for
services in attending to the transfer of Block 123, North
Vancouver, to the King represented by the Superintendent-
General of Indian Affairs, and expenditure incurred in
registration of Title. The registration fees were compara-
tively heavy but that was due to the fact that the land is
assessed at \$42,500. Certificate of Indefeasible Title is
enclosed herewith.

Yours sincerely,

W.E. Ditchburn

W.E.Ditchburn.

Chief Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Enclosures:-

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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DEPUTY SUPT GENERAL DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

OTTAWA.

CHECK RECEIVED FOR MARIE CHAMINAIDE AND ELLIS AND BROWN CERTIFICATE
OF TITLE FORWARDED ON FOURTH INST WILL OBTAIN COPY OF
DEED AND SEND SAME IN DUE COURSE.

W E DITCHBURN.

5AM AUG 16

AUG 16 1922
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