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OFFICE OF
INDIAN AGENT

Alert Bay, B. C.,
September 23, 1932.

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SCHOOLS BRANCH
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Sir:-

I am in receipt of a letter from the Principal of the Alert Bay Indian Residential School, copy of which is enclosed herewith, regarding the construction of a covered walk from the new building to the old Girls' Home, which is now used as classrooms for the pupils, and which has been renovated to allow classrooms to be held therein.

The total cost, according to the estimate submitted by the Principal, is \$202.51, and the work to be done by the pupils who are doing manual training, and I would recommend that the same be granted. The Principal has also sent me a sketch of the proposed structure which I enclose.

Your obedient servant,

W. M. Halliday
(W.M. Halliday)
Indian Agent

WMH/T

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

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ST. MICHAEL'S INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL
Alert Bay, B.C.

September 20, 1932.

W.M. Halliday, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Alert Bay, B.C.

Dear Mr. Halliday:-

At the opening of the present term we placed four of our five classrooms in the building previously known as the "Girls' Home", now utilized as an Academic Block. In this building we have placed electric light, have done a great deal of painting, and have overhauled and put into first-class shape the heating plant, all at the cost of school grants. Tremendous relief has been experienced in the main building as a result of moving the classrooms to the academic block; we have more room available for play room space during the long wet winters, and we have been able to turn one of the former classrooms into a manufacturing room where the girls can under proper tuition take dressmaking and sewing in a proper way.

We have already formed a conclusion, however, that it will be necessary to build a covered walk from the rear of the present main building to the front steps of this academic block. As you are aware, the rainfall here during the winter is extremely heavy, and though all our children are equipped with coats or slickers, yet we feel that the health of the youngsters demands that there be a covered way from one building to the other. In this connection we have drawn a rough sketch plan which we attach herewith showing the proposed arcade or covered walk from the laundry entrance of the main building to the front steps of the academic block. The material required to complete this structure would be as follows:-

2000	F.B.M.	2 x 4"	@	\$14.00	-	\$28.00
400	"	4 x 4"	@	15.00	-	6.00
6400	"	6" Shiplap	@	14.00	-	89.60
70	bcls	# 5X Shingles	@	2.50	-	35.00
1	keg	Shingle Nails	@	6.75	-	6.75
1	"	3" Nails	@	3.86	-	3.86
1	"	2" Nails	@	4.30	-	4.30
5	gals	Shingle Stain				11.00
5	"	Battleship Grey				18.00
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				Total	-	\$202.51

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Would you please consider a request to the Department that they provide the materials as outlined above for this work, which we would be glad to undertake as a major project for the boys of the manual training class, thus involving no labor charges whatever. It would be a very useful piece of construction for the youngsters to undertake, and it would at the same time provide what we consider to be a major want for this institution.

Thanking you for your consideration of this request,

Sincerely yours,

"F. Earl Anfield"

Principal.

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Ottawa, October 1st, 1932.

Sir,-

I have your letter of the 23rd ultimo, enclosing a communication which you received from the Principal of the Alert Bay Indian Residential School regarding the construction of a covered walk from the new building to the old Girls' Home, also a sketch of the proposed structure, and giving an estimate of the cost of the material.

In this connection, I have to say that there is available in our Estimates for the current fiscal year for work at this school the sum of \$2,500., and Mr. C. C. Perry, Assistant Indian Commissioner, Victoria, has been requested to advise the Department what are considered to be the most urgent repairs and work required. He will, no doubt, take up this matter with you at an early date and the building of the covered walk could then be considered in conjunction with other repairs, etc., necessary to be carried out at the school.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie
A. F. MacKenzie.
Secretary.

W. M. Halliday
W. M. Halliday, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Alert Bay, B. C.

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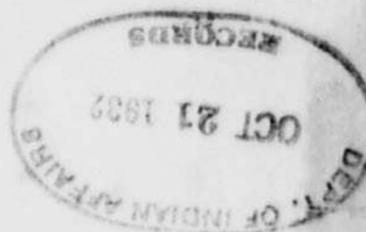
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BAKE OVEN AT SCHOOL HERE PRACTICALLY OUT OF COMMISSION THROUGH
BURNT OUT FLUES CAUSED BY BACK DRAUGHT IN CHIMNEYS WHICH MUST
BE HEIGHTENED NEXT YEAR STOP TO PLACE IN PERMANENTLY WORKABLE
CONDITION COST NEW BRICK FLUES AND LABOR ESTIMATED AT ONE HUNDRED
FIFTY DOLLARS PLEASE WIRE AUTHORITY PRINCIPAL ANFIELD INCUR THIS
EXPENDITURE IMMEDIATELY AS SMOKE FROM BAKE OVEN DISFIGURING BUILDING
AND SPOILING THE BREAD

T B R WESTGATE.

This is a Collect message, and
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Ottawa, October 22, 1932.

Sir:

The Department has received a telegram from Rev. Dr. Westgate, stating that the bake oven at the Alert Bay Indian Residential School is out of commission, through burnt out flues, caused by back draught in chimneys. It is stated that, to place the oven in workable condition, an expenditure of approximately \$150 would be required for new brick flues and labour.

The Department will approve of you incurring an expenditure not exceeding approximately the amount stated, to cover the cost of material and labour in having the work required to the flues carried out. Please obtain accounts, in triplicate, covering the cost of the brick and other materials necessary and also covering the labour employed in having the work performed. These accounts, you should certify and forward to the Department for payment. The Department will leave the carrying out of this work in your hands, to make the best arrangements and at the lowest possible cost.

Dr. Westgate states that the chimneys should be heightened next year, in order to provide better draught. I shall be pleased to have an estimate of the cost of material and labour in this connection and it is possible that funds for the purpose can be provided.

If the work now required in placing these chimneys in workable condition for the use of the bake oven can be deferred until the Department has an estimate regarding the cost of heightening the chimneys, it might not be necessary to carry out same at the present time, as the heightening of the chimneys would overcome the difficulty now experienced in the use of the bake oven. However, if you consider it necessary to have the work mentioned above performed immediately, you may proceed to have it done, as instructed above. However, you should take into consideration the question of cost.

Your obedient servant,

T. R. L. MacInnes
T. R. L. MacInnes,
Acting Secretary.

F. Earl Anfield
F. Earl Anfield, Esq.,
Principal,
Indian Residential School,
Alert Bay, B. C.



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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
NO. 15/6/26641.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
P.O. BOX 666

ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

VICTORIA, B.C., October 18, 1932.

Handwritten signature and stamp

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Departmental letter dated September 21st, No. 156-0-5, in regard to the amount of \$2500.00 which the Department has been good enough to make available for work at the Alert Bay Indian Residential School, and in which it was requested that I advise the Department what I considered the most urgent repairs and estimate of the cost, and also state how I would recommend having the work carried out. In reply I beg to say:-

1. The special report dated January 5th, 1931, prepared by Mr. Engineer W. C. Warren of the Dominion Water Power and Hydrometric Bureau on repairs and improvements to the school draining system and waterproofing of building indicates that the cost of what is known as the Minwax treatment to be given the school walls on the south and east exposures will amount approximately to \$1890.00, which waterproofing could only be carried out in dry weather, preferably in the month of July. It appears therefore out of the question to undertake any expenditure on waterproofing since the rainy season has now begun. It is to be hoped therefore that this appropriation could be held in abeyance for expenditure after the end of the current fiscal year.

2. The raising of two chimneys to an additional height of 15 feet each, from the kitchen and laundry on the one hand and from the Principal's residence on the other, should be proceeded with immediately. It is understood from Mr. Indian Agent Halliday that the main chimney was raised at the same time a barn was constructed recently at Alert Bay. It may be necessary to secure the services of a carpenter at Vancouver to go to Alert Bay to attend to the scaffolding, while the services of a bricklayer may be obtainable in the vicinity of Malcolm Island, and such a man I am informed by Agent Halliday resides there and is able to do excellent work. Under separate cover I am writing the Department in regard to the removal of old buildings from a sawmill site recently acquired under lease by the Department from the Synod Authorities of the Anglican Church. It is thought that the carpenter who does the work connected with the chimneys might also be able to supervise the demolition of the old buildings at the same time and his rate of pay for such work will not of necessity be the same as paid for strictly carpenter work. The prevailing rate of pay for this work would be that of the Public Works Department, whatever that may be. It is estimated that the cost of erecting the chimney extensions together with material, freight and fare of the carpenter to and from Vancouver should not exceed approximately the sum of \$425.00. Of course the cost would be kept as low as possible compatible with a satisfactory job. I would suggest that Mr. J. Woods of Vancouver, who has done some very good work for the Department before at the Indian villages of Klahoose, Homalco and Pemberton, be sent to Alert Bay to supervise both of the above mentioned jobs. He is sober and reliable and understands the Indians.

500 authorized see neg office

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
OTTAWA, Ont.

Your obedient servant,

Handwritten signature of C.C. Perry

C.C. Perry,
Asst. Indian Commissioner for B.C.

P/AC

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Ottawa, October 27, 1932.

Sir:

I have your 15/6/26641 of the 18th instant, relative to the repairs required at the Alert Bay Indian Residential School.

In connection with the water-proofing of the building, this work is to be held in abeyance, as it is noted that it is too late in the season to have it carried out. An item to cover the cost will be noted for our Estimates for the next fiscal year.

Regarding the raising of two chimneys to an additional height and giving an estimate of the cost, I have to say that the Department is giving this matter consideration, and, if this improvement is to be proceeded with, you will receive the necessary authority later and also the name of a competent foreman-carpenter to oversee the work.

You might also defer the matter of removing the old sawmill buildings until you are informed as to the name of the foreman-carpenter whose services are to be engaged to supervise the work.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie
A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

C. C. Perry
C. C. Perry, Esq.,
Asst. Indian Commissioner,
P. O. Box 666,
Victoria, B. C.

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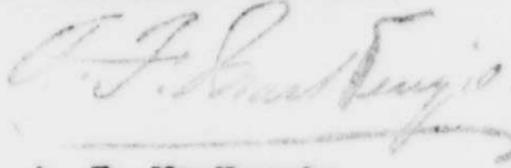
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Ottawa, October 27, 1932.

Sir:

I have to refer to official letter of the 22nd instant, regarding the authority granted to you to incur the expenditure covering the cost of material and labour in having the work required to the flues at the Alert Bay Indian Residential School carried out. Mr. C. C. Perry, Assistant Indian Commissioner, has given an estimate of the cost of raising two chimneys - one from the kitchen and laundry and the other from the Principal's residence. In due course, Mr. Perry will be given the necessary authority to have the work in connection with the raising of these chimneys performed. Therefore, you will please take no action in carrying out any work on these chimneys.

Your obedient servant,



A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.



F. Earl Anfield, Esq.,
Principal,
Indian Residential School,
Alert Bay, B. C.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
P. O. BOX 866

VICTORIA, B.C., October 21, 1932.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 15/6/26698.
ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

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Sir: -

Kindly find herewith copy of telegram received today from Captain G.H. Barry, Inspector of Indian Schools, dated Alert Bay, October 20th, instant, in regard to the desirability that the fire engine at the Indian Residential School be thoroughly examined by an engineer. This telegram will be self-explanatory.

Mr. C.E. Webb, District Chief Engineer of the Dominion Water Power & Hydrometric Bureau, at Vancouver, was in the office this morning when I showed him the telegram. He suggested that if the Department wished to have an engineer look into the matter he would be prepared to send one to Alert Bay for this purpose if instructed to do so. With this in view the matter is being referred to the Department.

Your obedient servant,

P/KD.

Chas. C. Perry

Enclosure: -

Chas. C. Perry,
Asst. Indian Commissioner for B. C.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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J. E. Gobeil, General Superintendent.

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Send the following Message subject to the above terms which are agreed to:

To Assistant Commissioner, Alert Bay, B. C., Oct. 20 1932
Department of Indian Affairs,
Victoria, B. C.

During recent inspection Residential School find fire engine all out. Develops seventy five pounds in pump minimum necessary 100. No water escaping relief valve only possible throw water through two lines hose to roof main building not over. Recommend immediate inspection by Engineer Warren if in vicinity. Arrive Victoria Monday afternoon.

Inspector Indian Schools.

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT AT THE TOP

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
P. O. BOX 666

VICTORIA, B.C., October 28, 1932.



IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 15/6/26780.
ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

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Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of a letter dated October 21st, instant, signed by Reverend Dr. Westgate, Field Secretary, Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, together with copy of a letter covered thereby, dated October 21st, addressed to the Secretary, Indian Residential School Commission, M.S.C.C., Winnipeg, Man., by F. E. Anfield, Esq., Principal, Indian Residential School, Alert Bay, B.C., these letters being in regard to certain financial grants asked for from the Department for expenditure upon the St. Michael's Indian Residential School at Alert Bay, Kwawkwalth Indian Agency, B.C.

In this connection I beg to inform the Department that Reverend Dr. Westgate called at the Victoria office on October 17th, instant, at which time our discussion was brief but pleasant. Dr. Westgate referred incidentally to the matter of an issue in March last which arose from the inquiry made by the Inspector of Indian Schools regarding the financing of the Alert Bay School from per capita grants, in which connection the report of the Inspector dated March 14th, last, together with Commissioner Ditchburn's covering letter dated March 15th, 1932, also the Department's reply dated March 23rd, 1932, No. 156-0-6, might be referred to. Dr. Westgate said he did not wish to have the Principal of the Alert Bay School interrogated in regard to the School's financing as the Department was furnished with statements from the Winnipeg office. I replied that I was given to understand that such an arrangement existed, and that Inspector Barry had considered it his duty at the time of his inspection, having no instructions to the contrary, to ask for particulars of school financing as in the case of other schools under his general directions. I told him, further, that I understood that Inspector Barry belonged to his Church, and hoped that the Doctor would be able to find a mutual ground for understanding in his contacts as well as those of his officers with him.

Since Dr. Westgate's visit to Victoria, he has been to Alert Bay, where he met Inspector Barry and had a lengthy discussion with him. I understand from Inspector Barry that during his interview with Dr. Westgate, the latter suggested that the former might make a charge of fraud against the Missionary Society if he felt that there was anything wrong with the Society's method of financing the Alert Bay School, the suggestion having been offered as a result of the Inspector's hesitancy in the matter of supporting the Society's requests for further Departmental grants unless he was satisfied that the per capita grants voted for the School were being used wholly for this purpose, of which he was not then satisfied.

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

Inspector....

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Inspector Barry returned to Victoria on the 24th October, instant, and the enclosed correspondence above referred to was received here on October 25th.

Since that time I have been fortunate in being able to have a full discussion regarding the correspondence jointly with both Inspector Barry and Mr. Indian Agent Halliday, the latter being in Victoria and now on retiring leave since October 2nd, instant. As a result of this conference, it has been agreed by the officials mentioned, as follows:-

- (1) Since the 1933-34 Estimates of Kwawkwalth Agency show the sum of \$40,000.00 required for Alert Bay Indian Residential School, the sum of \$36,000.00 represents the per capita grant of \$180.00 for 200 pupils; the remaining \$4,000.00 is for "incidental expenses."
- (2) From the abovementioned item of \$4000.00 might be drawn, if approved, the undermentioned items shown in the Principal's letter of October 21st, herewith, viz:-

No.1. 1 - 8 H.P. Petters engine approximate cost \$545.00
(old engine to be used eventually in technical training)

No.4. Waterproofing walls of school, already available but may have to be carried over to next Fiscal Year on account of need for work being done in month of July in dry weather.
Also raising of chimney stacks for laundry and residence. (See letter from Commissioner's office to Department dated Oct. 18th, 1932--also Dept. file 156-0-5) -- joint work to cost, approximately 2,500.00

stand for next year

No.11. Dynamite, caps and fuse to complete clearing of all land slashed under contract made in 1927-28, provided Department is satisfied that contract, of which neither the Alert Bay Indian office nor Victoria Indian office has any knowledge is in order, it being understood the contract was made on report of Principal Anfield direct to Department, and in which connection one Myers was seeking permission to do some fir logging for the school and receive payment in spruce timber which he could sell, Cost approximately, 525.00

No.12. Grant to remove verandah from face of schoolroom block, 115.00

authorized

Cost of inspection and repair if necessary to fire engine pump as reported on separately from Commissioner's office (See letter of October 21st, 1932) Approximate cost, 50.00

Other incidental expenses not yet classified, 265.00

Total provided in 1933-34 Estimates, \$4,000.00

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(3) That apart from the item mentioned above, the undermentioned items as numbered in the Principal's letter of October 21st, be recommended for favorable consideration, viz:-

Item No.2. To substitute for steam cabinet a larger boiler as there is not enough steam to operate such a drying cabinet: Instead of doing away with the boiler at present in use in the laundry which was considered too small in the first instance, it is suggested that the steam radiator system be extended by installation of two radiators for drying purposes.

Alternative: Construction of drying shed for drying by natural air, as clothes are dried successfully by this method in other places at Alert Bay including the Agency -----
Cost cannot be given without estimate.

Item No.3. Instead of purchasing new set of storage batteries, there are two alternatives suggested in the interests of economy:- The first is to have the present set examined by a battery expert as positive plates only may be affected; The second is the purchase of a new set and trade in the old set. The cost cannot be given without an estimate.

Approved
Item No.5. Wooden Arcade, already recommended by Agent to Department that material be provided, the work to be done by the boys under supervision. The cost is not stated, except by Principal, whose estimate is \$250.00 but whether for material or labor, or both, will be shown in official correspondence on this item.

Approved
Item No.6. Replacement of oven flues in bakery. If tin flues provided, cost will be approximately \$30.00; If brick, which is more permanent, cost would be approximately \$150.00. The Principal asks for \$250.00 which is considered too high. An estimate would settle the matter if called for. While this work is not strictly urgent, it should be done when funds permit.

no
Item No.7. One 2-bottom 14" Oliver gang plow for Tractor at a cost of \$160.00 is not considered necessary since not sufficient land cleared at present to warrant this in addition to plows already on hand which are as follows:-
Single bottom tractor plow, 2 horse plows.

It is....

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It is thought boys learning the use of a plow should do the work by hand if the training is to be of value to them when they leave school for the coast reserves.

Item No.8 Bread Slicer at cost of approximately \$90.00 not deemed necessary as a rotary slicer of satisfactory kind and in good condition already there.

no.

Item No.9 A Potato Peeler at cost of approximately \$140.00 not deemed necessary since training of children does not make such a machine necessary. I am not opposed to providing the slicer as a time saver.

no

Item No.10 Utility building. Estimate cost considered much too high. It is thought that for around \$5000.00 - \$6000.00 at today's low prices for material and labor, a suitable building could be erected. Such a building is considered necessary, but since the item was not mentioned in time for inclusion in the 1933-34 Estimates for B.C., which were sent to Ottawa in September, it may be possible to obtain funds for the purpose a year hence.

no

In considering such a building provision should be made for its usefulness in technical training in machinery and boat building, as at Coqualeetza Indian Residential School.

As before stated the deductions offered above are those of the Inspector of Schools and Indian Agent and I am inclined to agree with their recommendations, unless sufficient reasons can be given for changing any of them to meet conditions not hitherto explained.

It seems unfortunate that it is necessary to withhold information from the Inspector of Indian Schools that would enable him to make his recommendations for expenditure without equivocation or mental reservation, in which connection his recently reported unpleasant interview with Dr. Westgate is much to be regretted since our officers wish to be in a position to co-operate with the Church Authorities in every appreciable way and are committed to such in their activities in many directions, as their records will show.

Your obedient servant,

C. C. Perry,
Asst. Indian Commissioner for B.C.

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MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN CANADA
Indian Residential School Commission

Mr. F. Earl Anfield
Principal

St. Michael's
Indian Residential School
Alert Bay, B.C.

To,
C.C. Perry, Esq., Asst. Commissioner,
Dept. of Indian Affairs, VICTORIA, B.C.

Dear Mr. Perry:-

I have gone carefully into the more urgent requirements of the Alert Bay Residential School, along with Mr. Principal Anfield, and you will find a list of the items embodied in the attached letter addressed to our Indian Residential School Commission.

This list will be incorporated in a comprehensive list which I will compile for all our Society's Schools immediately after I return to Winnipeg at the beginning of November and which will be in the hands of the Department at Ottawa about the middle of next month.

Any help you may be able to give in having these requirements provided by the Department next year will be greatly appreciated by our Society, and also by the school management.

Very kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

"T.B.R. Westgate"

Field Secretary, M.S.C.C.

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Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada
Indian Residential School Commission

Mr. F. Earl Anfield
Principal

St. Michael's
Indian Residential School
Alert Bay, B.C.

The Secretary,
Indian Residential School Comm., M.S.C.C.,
Winnipeg, Man.

Sir:-

Herewith please find list of requirements of this school for the approval of the Commission, with a view to having them included in the estimates of the Dept. for the ensuing fiscal year. They are placed in order of approximate greatest need.

1. An 8 H.P. Petters semi-diesel engine for the domestic pumping plant, approx. cost to be \$545.00 This machine is needed to replace the present 5 H.P. engine which is seriously overloaded.
2. Steam drying cabinet for the laundry. Cost unknown at present but on receipt of word from the Agents in Vancouver, we will advise further. With the weather experienced here in wintertime it is almost impossible to get the clothes dry with the equipment now provided.
3. New set of storage batteries for the lighting plant. The present set is almost out of commission, having served for over three years. Approximate cost of 54 Exide set, \$500.00.
4. Waterproofing south and east walls of main school, and raising the residence and kitchen chimney stacks, approx. cost, \$2500.00 (voted)
5. Wooden arcade with concrete footings between main and school blocks.
Approx. cost \$250.00
6. Replacement of oven flues in bakery. Approx. cost \$150.00
N.B. Both items 5 and 6 are already before the Dept. for action.
7. One only 2-bottom 14" Oliver gang plow for Tractor, # 382 B.
Approx. cost \$160.00
8. A safety bread, bacon, and vegetable slicer, approx. cost \$90.00
9. Potatoe peeler with at least 50 lb capacity, approx. cost \$140.00
10. Utility building, with gymnasium on upper floor, and provision on ground floor for technical and vocational instruction. A replica of the plant provided for St. George's School, Lytton would exactly fill our requirements. Approx. cost \$10,000.00.
11. Dynamite to complete clearing of all land slashed by contract in 1927-28 (Dept. contract), 100 cs. with caps and fuse, \$525.00, approx.
12. Grant to remove verandah from face of schoolroom block, \$115.00

The provision of #10 would enable the present Hall to be converted into a school chapel, the need of which is being increasingly felt each year.

Yours very sincerely,

"F.E.A."
Principal.

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October 27, 1932.

Memorandum:

MR. BUSKARD.

There is available, in the Appropriation for Indian Education for the current fiscal year, an amount of \$2,500 to carry out certain work at the Alert Bay Indian Residential School.

Mr. C. C. Perry, Assistant Indian Commissioner, was requested to advise the Department what he considered the most urgent repairs and to give an estimate of the cost. He recommends the raising of two chimneys to an additional height of 15 ft. each, at an estimated cost of \$425, also the removing of old sawmill buildings from the school site, at an estimated cost of \$500, in accordance with an agreement with the Anglican Synod of British Columbia regarding the lease of certain land and a wharf for use in connection with the school. He recommends, further, that the work be done by Indian labour, under the supervision of a competent carpenter foreman. He has suggested that Mr. J. Woods, of Vancouver, who previously was employed in charge of the work of erecting Indian houses on several of the reserves, be sent to Alert Bay to supervise both of the above mentioned jobs.

I shall be pleased to be advised as to the name and address of the foreman-carpenter, whose services should be engaged to oversee the Indian labour in performing the above work. Alert Bay is in the federal district of Vancouver North.

ASW

A. S. Williams

Acting Deputy Superintendent General.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA



OFFICE OF
INDIAN AGENT

Alert Bay, B. C.,
November 7, 1932.

File # 194

Sir:-

Mr. F.E. Anfield, Principal of St. Michael's Indian Residential School, Alert Bay, has placed before me two propositions for providing Indians with labour during the present winter.

(1) A considerable amount of clearing and slashing to be carried out on land belonging to the school. The school authorities will be able to expend \$400.00 for the supply of dynamite and stumping powder, also supplement the relief wages of men actually employed in handling the dynamite by \$1.00 a day.

(2) The dismantling of a sawmill building now in disuse, the property of the Diocese of Columbia. Some economy could be effected here by the careful dismantling intact of all the framework and the salvage of good lumber, which could be used in the erection of work shops at the Residential School, another project which is on tapis.

Kindly inform me if authority could be furnished to proceed with this work as soon as possible, so that the Indians may have something to do; making allowances for weather conditions, it is likely that this work would extend through the entire winter, and thus curtail the direct relief issue to a considerable extent. I would request that the rate of wages be the same as last winter, i.e. \$2.00 per day for married men, and \$1.50 per day for single men.

Your obedient servant,

E.G. Newnham
(E.G. Newnham)
A/Indian Agent

EGN/T

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

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30-43 THE BIBLE HOUSE,
184 ALEXANDER AVE. EAST.

WINNIPEG, MAN. November 10, 1932.

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

Dear Sir:- Re: Bake Oven at Alert Bay School.

On October 20th. I sent you the following
night lettergram from Alert Bay re the above:-

"Bake oven at school here practically out of
commission through burnt out flues caused by
back draft in chimneys which must be heightened
next year stop to place in permanently workable
condition cost new brick flues and labour estimated
at one hundred fifty dollars please wire authority
principal Anfield incur this expenditure immediately
as smoke from bake oven disfiguring building and
spoilng the bread."

No reply was received to this message before
I left Alert Bay on October 23rd., but I have just learned
from the Principal, in a letter dated November 4th. that
the repairs requested were authorized by your Department
in a letter dated Ottawa, October 22nd. #156-0-5 and subse-
quently cancelled in another letter from your Department,
dated October 27th. #156-0-5. From copies of the above
letters which the Principal has forwarded to me, I am of
the opinion that he has misunderstood the same. I under-
stand your letter of October 22nd. as giving the authority
requested in my night lettergram of October 20th., to spend
approximately \$150.00 to have the bake oven repaired
immediately, and I understand your letter of October 27th.
to mean that you desire the work of having the chimneys
raised to be deferred until next year. If my understanding

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of these letters is correct, and I think it is, then I beg to state that the question of raising the chimneys next year will be agreeable to our Society. But this work should certainly be undertaken as soon as weather conditions will permit early next summer. I understand that the sum of \$2,500. was made available by your Department for this work to be done during the current fiscal year, but for some reason or other, the work was not done, and the school management have been greatly inconvenienced as the result. For one thing, as the Principal could not light a fire in either of the fire-places in his residence, without filling the building with smoke, he was obliged to purchase a gasoline heater to heat his study. Another result of the short chimney from the kitchen is the burning out of the flues in the bake oven and which prompted me to send the telegraphic message quoted above. Nothing but the most urgent need of immediate action, would have prompted me to send that message, as I saw for myself how the bread was being ruined and the walls of the bake oven room being blackened by the clouds of smoke which came from the bake oven itself as soon as the fire was lighted. On behalf of our Commission, as well as on behalf of the school management, I desire to thank your Department for authorizing the expenditure necessary to place the bake oven in serviceable condition again. I am hopeful that the school management may be able to use it without any further great inconvenience from smoke until the kitchen chimney is heightened by about fifteen feet. I feel well assured that the draught will never be satisfactory either from the bake oven or from the kitchen range until the kitchen chimney is heightened, and this will explain my request that this work be undertaken not later than the early summer of next year.

The Principal informs me that the repairs to the bake oven have already been effected, the necessity of the same being clearly revealed by the fact that every flue in the oven was burned out and the furnace grates and protecting bars were in the same condition. Vouchers for the work done will be forwarded by the Principal to your Department through the local Indian Agent, and I am instructing him to quote your letter of October 22nd. #156-0-5 as his authority for incurring this expenditure.

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

L. A. R. Nestgate

Field Secretary, M.S.C.C.

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WINNIPEG, MAN. November 12, 1932.

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

Dear Sir:-

During my recent visit to the Alert Bay School my attention was directed to a number of very urgent needs, only one of which has been specifically brought to the attention of your Department, namely, that of repairs to the bake oven. The other needs have been tabulated in the comprehensive list of requirements sent forward to you on the 7th. inst., and most of which our Society hopes you may be able to supply next year. There are some, however, which cannot, with safety, be allowed to stand so long, and I now desire to direct your attention to these, in the hope that it may be possible for your Department, despite existing financial stringency, to provide the same.

(1) A 8 H.P. Petters semi-diesel engine to take the place of the 5 H.P. engine now in use in the pump-house. The 5 H.P. engine is seriously overloaded, and should it break down, the school will be left without a water supply. The estimated cost is \$545.00.

(2) A steam drying cabinet for the laundry. This is unquestionably a very urgent need, as clothes can seldom be dried in the open air and must be dried in the main building. The laundry work is so heavy that without better drying equipment the work of the school is disorganized, and the health of the children endangered. I enclose herewith the original of a letter received by the Principal of our Alert Bay School from the Stanley Brock Ltd., giving a quotation on their Canadian Wood Truck Dry Room. You will note that they estimate the cost at approximately \$845.00. The Principal states that the sum of \$40.00 should be added to this amount for a pulley for the main shaft and for a suitable oak tan belt.

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The drying tumbler installed at this school is altogether too small for the amount of work to be done, and to instal the second-hand referred to in the latter part of the enclosed letter would not help matters very much.

(3) A wooden arcade with concrete foundations between the main school building and the class-room block. The cost of materials is estimated at \$250.00, and if these are delivered at the school, the school management will do the work. When I visited the school last month it rained practically all the time I was there, namely, from Wednesday October 19th. until Sunday, October 23rd. The children were unable to take much exercise in the open air and I thought it a great pity that they should have to walk from the main school building to the class-room block through heavy rain when an arcade could be built at such a moderate cost.

Amended

I fully realize, Sir, the difficulty in securing funds to meet requirements such as the above, at the present time, but the need in each case, is so urgent that I feel I would be neglecting my duty if I did not direct your attention to the same. I must ask you, therefore, to give to these needs the prompt and sympathetic consideration which they demand and deserve, and to do your utmost towards supplying the same with a minimum of delay.

Your obedient servant,

L. A. Nestor

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St. Michael's Indian School,
Alert Bay,
B. C.

Dear Sirs:- Att'n Mr. F. E. Anfield

Please accept our apologies for not replying to your letter of the 21st previous to this time but several of our staff have been away during the present week with the result that we are much behind with our correspondence.

Note that it is possible that Mr. Westgate may be in to see us in person and if such is the case we will be very glad to go into this matter thoroughly with him.

In referring to your second paragraph we note that the tumbler is inadequate for your needs and the question arises as to whether you have enough steam to really get production out of this machine. Believe you would be well advised to check this up and write us telling what steam pressure you have.

It is possible that you could use a Truck Dryroom to advantage in your plant and we are enclosing leaflet giving specifications on this type of Dryroom. The #3421 is a 2-door dryroom with two trucks and we believe it would be large enough for your requirements in conjunction with the present tumbler that you have. This Dryroom with wood cabinet, belt driven, would cost you \$630.00 f.o.b. factory, Toronto, plus Government Sales Tax of 6%. If motor driven the same cabinet would cost you \$845.00. Might state that if you have a lot of woolens to be dried there is no doubt but what a drying cabinet would be much more effective for your purpose, and your woolens would come out very much better in shape than if they were dried in a tumbler.

At the present time we have on hand at Calgary a used tumbler 40 x 64, and if this is of interest to you it is possible that we could take your old tumbler in exchange on this machine. It is in

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good condition and ready for installation. On this exchange we could offer you this tumbler, f.o.b. Calgary, and accept your tumbler f.o.b. Alert Bay, at a difference of \$200.00. Would be very glad if you will give this your consideration and advise just what you think would work out to the best advantage. On receipt of your reply we will be very glad to check up on the freight rates for you and give you the estimated costs f.o.b. Alert Bay on either the dry-room or the tumbler, whichever you feel would suit your purpose best.

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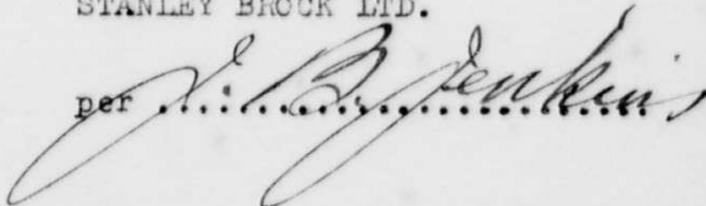
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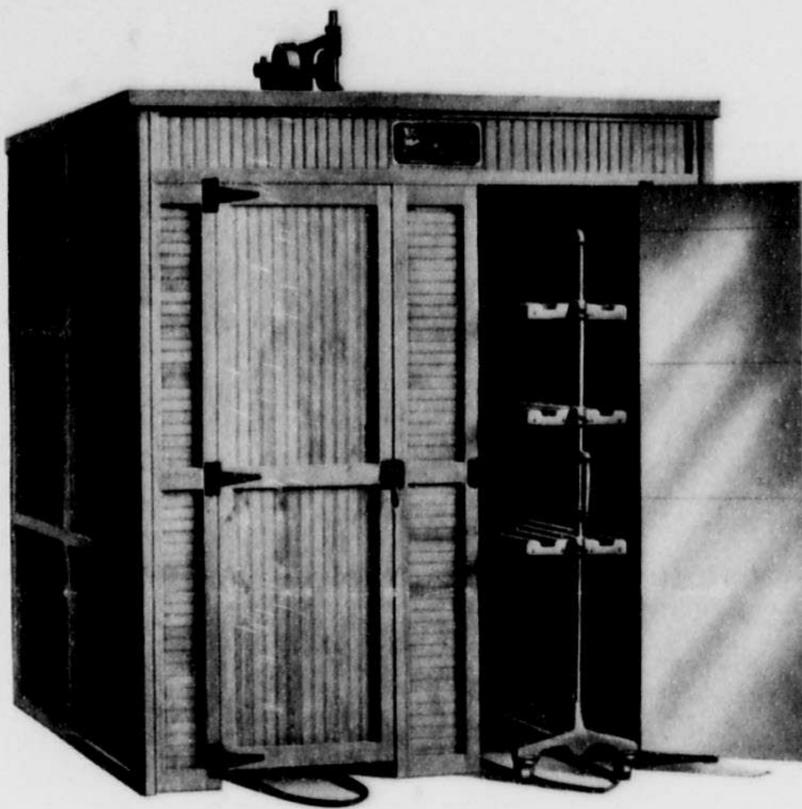
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Coils

Shall be provided with vertical stands of 1 1/4-inch steam coils of the circulating type, 18 pipes high, with suitable supply and return connections and located on either side of door opening.

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A fan suspended from roof and constructed with four metal blades, and operated by a horizontal countershaft with bevel gears, shall be furnished for proper circulation of air.

Ventilation shall be arranged by intake of air at door opening and outlet of damp air through funnel-shaped galvanized pipe connection in roof.

Trucks

Shall be constructed with metal bases, mounted on casters, and galvanized-pipe uprights carrying iron cleats for holding metal clothes bars, and tied with galvanized pipe-ties. Shall be provided with wood handles for convenience in handling and angle-iron floor tracks for guiding trucks into room.

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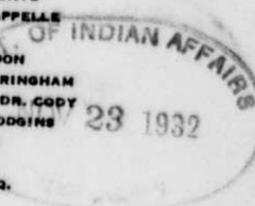
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*Immediate
acknowledgment*

WINNIPEG, MAN. November 21, 1932.

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

Dear Sir:-

I very much regret to have to direct your attention to the condition of the main-school building at Alert Bay as set forth in the enclosed letter just received from Mr. Principal Anfield. The situation appears to me to be fraught with so much danger to the staff and pupils, as well as to the material structure itself, that immediate remedial action is imperative. As the Principal has not made any suggestion in this connection, and as the weather-proofing of the brick walls cannot be undertaken in weather such as he describes, I am of the opinion that the best course to take would be to have the upper half of all walls affected, covered on the outside with tarpaulin or water-proof canvas. May I further suggest that you authorize by wire, Assistant Commissioner Perry of Victoria, or some other representative of your Department with a practical knowledge of building construction, to proceed to Alert Bay at once, and take such protective measures as he may consider most expedient under the circumstances.

Your obedient servant,

T B R Westgate

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