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September 8th. 1919.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of August 27th. with reference to the proposed purchase of the Stacey property I have to say that we took up this question in the belief that the property could be purchased for \$100.00 per acre. I wish you would advise Mr. Stacey of this fact and inform him that we have never considered the possibility of purchasing this property at any higher figure than that quoted, namely \$100.00 per acre.

You may discuss with Mr. W. A. Hendry, principal of the Portage la Prairie Boarding school, the possibility of exaluding the three acres upon which the buildings stand. Mr. Hendry is, I believe of the opinion that these buildings could be used to advantage by the management.

Yours very truly,

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Deputy Superintendent General.

F. G. Taylor, Esq., K.C.,
Messrs. Taylor & Colwill,
Barristers, Solicitors, etc.,
Portage la Prairie,
Man.

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September 23, 1919.

MEMORANDUM

Hon. Mr. Meighen -

In compliance with your direction, the Department on the 8th instant wrote to Mr. Taylor asking him to negotiate further with Mr. Stacey regarding the purchase of his property for use in connection with the Portage la Prairie Boarding School.

Encl.

A reply has just been received from the firm which explains itself and which I am sending for your perusal. Will you kindly direct whether we should purchase the property at the advance price of \$130.00 or surrender our option and suspend negotiations in the meantime.

Will you kindly return the letter from Messrs. Taylor and Colwill with your instructions.

WJM

(sd) *J.D. McLean*

Acting Deputy Superintendent General.

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Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries
F. S. Taylor, K.C. J. Roy Colwill
Portage la Prairie, Man.



Sept. 19th, 1919.

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The Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Your file - 119469 -1-A

Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 8th instant and since its receipt have had a couple of interviews with Mr. Stacey.

Prior to the receipt of your last letter, Mr. Stacey had been in and had made an offer to retain three and a half (3½) acres in the immediate vicinity of the buildings and it would of course include the buildings, and take \$13,000.00 for the balance. This would work out a little more than \$116.00 per acre for the land exclusive of buildings.

After receipt of your letter of the 8th instant we saw Mr. Hendry, the Principal of the Portage la Prairie Boarding School and he expressed a very strong desire to have the buildings; he did not say that he did not want the land without the buildings but that he would a great deal rather pay \$130. per acre for the whole thing than pay \$13,000. and allow Mr. Stacey to retain the buildings and the acreage mentioned above, along with them. The writer then saw Mr. Stacey again and had a long interview with him. He wants to sell the place but at the same time he is just as anxious to retain the buildings. He would not, however, consider the \$115.00 an acre for the whole thing. When he left the office he seemed inclined to

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allow us to submit an offer of \$120.00 an acre and you take everything. We told him if he would do that we would recommend its acceptance but that we of course, could go no further than that and that we would be very doubtful if you would take it at that price. He said he would think the matter over until the next day and see us again. When he came back he told us that he had made up his mind that he would not vary his original proposition, that is:-

1. To take \$130.00 per acre and sell the whole thing outright.
2. To take \$13,000.00 and retain the buildings and 3½ acres of land along with them.

We told him that we had no idea that you would accept either proposition but that we would submit them for your consideration.

We have not seen Mr. Hendry since our last interview with Mr. Stacey. I am inclined to think that if he had offered him \$115.00 an acre for the property before Mr. Hendry got his option of \$130.00, Stacey would have accepted it, but he knows of course, that you want the property and that his is practically the only property you could get which would answer your purposes and in consequence is hard to deal with.

He asked me to request that if you did not want to accept the option which you already have that you should surrender to him and let him go on with his Fall work. He says he has made no preparation for cropping the land next year, that is in the way of Fall plowing, and that your option is good until the

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time for doing Fall plowing would be over.

Yours truly,

vTaylor & Colwill,

Per. *[Signature]*

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Oct. 22nd 1919

Memorandum

Mr. Scott

From what information I can get of land sales in Portage la Prairie and district, the \$130.00 per acre asked by Mr. Stacey is quite reasonable.

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October 24, 1919.

Memorandum,-

Hon. Mr. Meighen.

Pursuant to your memorandum of October 22, I have to say that I have sent the following telegram to Messrs. Taylor & Colwill, Portage la Prairie : -

" Department will pay One Hundred and Thirty
" Dollars per acre for Stacey property, this, of course,
" to include buildings. Kindly make complete search
" of title. "

This firm wrote me on August 7, as follows : -

" I have only gone far enough to ascertain who
" is the Registered owner and what encumbrances there are
" registered, a more complete search will be necessary in
" the event of your Department purchasing the land. "

I am, therefore, asking them to make a complete search of the title.

Duncan Chisholm
Deputy Superintendent General.

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NIGHT LETTER

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Z. A. LASH, PRESIDENT

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GEO. D. FERRY, GENERAL MANAGER

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SEND the following NIGHT LETTER subject to the terms printed on the back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

Ottawa, October 24, 1919.

Messrs. Taylor & Colwill,
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.,
Portage la Prairie, Man.

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Duncan C. Scott.

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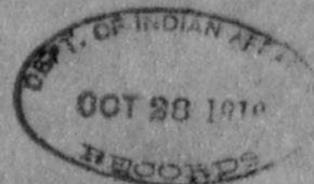
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Taylor & Colwill
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries
F. S. Taylor, N. C. J. Roy Colwill
Portage la Prairie, Man.

October 25th, 1919.



Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Dear Sir:- Re; Stacey.

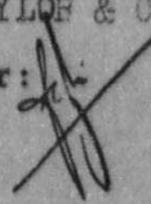
We have the honor to acknowledge receipt
of your telegram of 24th inst. as follows :-

"Dept willing pay one hundred and thirty
dollars per acre for Stacey property this of course to
include buildings kindly make complete search of title."

We will have Mr. Stacey come in at once
and get the purchase completed for you as quickly as
possible.

Yours truly,

TAYLOR & COLWILL,

Per: 

FGT/D

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Taylor & Colwill
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries
F. J. Taylor, N.C. J. Roy Colwill
Portage la Prairie, Man.

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November 7th, 1919.

Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.



Dear Sir:- RE: STACEY. 529209

Referring to our previous correspondence in this matter, particularly to your telegram of October 24th last, we beg to advise you that we have obtained from Mr. Stacey Transfer to His Majesty the King, represented by the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs covering the property described in your letter to our Mr. Taylor of July 31st last.

In your letter last above mentioned you refer to all of Lot 52 South of the Canadian Northern Railway and North of the Cemetery Road, comprising about forty acres. We presume what you intended to refer to is all of the Parish Lot lying South of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

We have to-day registered the Transfer, and will be able to forward you Certificates of Title in two or three days.

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The consideration in the Transfer has been computed on the basis of 116.81 acres in both lots. We could not arrive at the acreage definitely without getting a surveyor, and we took the liberty of having Mr. Alex. Taylor, M.L.S. compute this acreage and give us a certificate as to the actual acreage contained in the land being purchased by you, and his certificate is for 116.81 acres . We will send you this certificate together with Mr. Taylor's bill as soon as the Certificates of Title are received from the Land Titles Office.

Yours truly,

TAYLOR & COLWILL,

Per: 

FGT/D

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OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

File

November 12th. 1919.

MEMORANDUM

Hon. Mr. Meighen -

Messrs. Taylor and Colwill, Barristers, etc., Portage la Prairie, report that they have about completed the work assigned them in connection with the search of the title of the property that it is proposed to purchase from Mr. Stacey for use in connection with the Portage la Prairie Boarding School.

I have your approval of the price we propose to pay, but I have no specific ministerial authority to make the expenditure as required by the Order in Council. The amount will be \$15,185.30 for 116.81 acres at \$130.00 per acre. The expenditure is in the interests of the school and I would recommend that the purchase be carried out.

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Bureau Chief

Deputy Superintendent General.

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Mr. Cassin
Taylor & Colwill
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries
F. G. Taylor, K.C. *J. Roy Colwill*
Portage la Prairie, Man.

November 14th., 1919.

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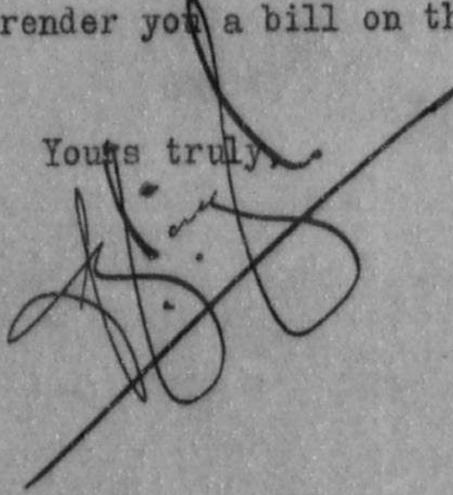
Duncan C. Scott, Esq.,
Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Re: George E. Stacey property.

Dear Mr. Scott:-

Referring to your letter to me of July 31st. last, the purchase of this property has just been completed, and my firm is to-day forwarding you the Certificate of Title, together with a report thereon.

Would you please be good enough to advise me what commission your Department allow on a purchase of this kind? The usual commission here is 5%, and if satisfactory I will render you a bill on that basis.

Yours truly,


FGT/C.

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Portage la Prairie
Nov. 6th 1919.

Messrs Paylor & Colwell
Baristers etc.
City

Dear Sirs.

From surveys which I have made I have calculated the area of all that portion of Parish Lot 50 of the Parish of Portage la Prairie lying between the southern limit of the Right-of-Way of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Western limit of Crescent Road West and of that portion of Parish Lot 52 of said Parish lying between the southern limit of the aforesaid Right-of-Way and the northern limit of the Road shown on Plan 303 of the Portage la Prairie Land Titles Office excepting thereout the Right-of-Way of the Canadian Northern Railway and excepting out of Parish Lot 50 the road shown on said Plan No. 303 and find the area to be One Hundred and Sixteen and Eighty-one One Hundredths Acres.

Yours truly

Herb Taylor
D.V. L.S.

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F. S. Taylor, N. C. J. Roy Colwill
Portage la Prairie, Man.
November 14th., 1919.

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The Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Sir:-

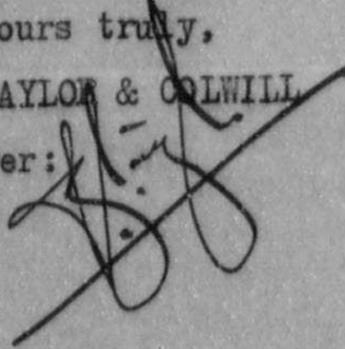
We beg to certify that we have searched the title to the following property, namely:- Firstly all that part of Parish Lot Fifty of the Parish of Portage la Prairie in Manitoba, lying South of the Southern limit of the Right of Way of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, as the same is shown on a plan thereof filed in the Portage la Prairie Land Titles Office as No. 213. EXCEPTING THEREOUT Firstly all that portion thereof taken for Right of Way of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, as the same is shown on a plan thereof filed in the said Land Titles Office as No. 327. SECONDLY all that portion thereof taken for a Public Road, as the same is shown on a plan thereof registered in the said Land Titles Office as number 303. THIRDLY all that portion thereof which lies to the East of the Western limit of Crescent Road West, as the same is shown on a plan thereof registered in the said Land Titles Office as No. 417. Secondly all that portion of Parish Lot Fifty-two of the said Parish of Portage la Prairie, lying between the

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Southern limit of the Right of Way of the Canadian Pacific Railway, as the same is shown on a plan thereof filed in the Portage la Prairie Land Titles Office as No. 213, and the Northern limit of a public road as the same is shown on a plan thereof filed in said Land Titles Office as No. 303. EXCEPTING thereout all that portion of said land taken for ~~the~~ Right of Way of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, as said Right of Way is shown on a plan thereof filed in said Land Titles Office as No. 327.

and we find that the same is now vested in His Majesty the King represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, that the property is clear of all encumbrances, and that you have a good safe-holding title thereto. The acreage of the property, as completed by Mr. Alex Taylor P.L.S., is 116.81 acres.

Yours truly,
TAYLOR & COLWILL
Per: 

FGT/C.

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Re Stacy

To Taylor & Colwill Barristers,

Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that all taxes or other indebtedness has been paid in full and there are no taxes or money advanced for seed grain or other indebtedness charged in my books nor, does any lien appear in my books against the following land.

all of Parish lots fifty⁽⁵⁰⁾ and fifty-two⁽²⁾ lying between the Right of Way of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the Crescent and Cemetery Roads

west of the Principal Meridian in the Province of Manitoba.

except the sum of \$ _____ due as per detail below which includes penalties.

And further, that no portion of said land has ever been sold for taxes, except as follows:—

and further, that no portion of said land is now advertised for sale for taxes. And further, that the Collectors Roll for the year A. D. _____ has been returned to me.

Dated at Portage la Prairie this 15th day of November

A. D., 1919, at 1:45 o'clock, p. m.

Here give statement of amount due in detail for each year.

Taxes paid up to Dec. 31st 1919

D. McCowan

Treasurer Municipality of Portage la Prairie



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F. S. Taylor, N.C. J. Roy Colwill
Portage la Prairie, Man
November 14th., 1919.

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The Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Your file 119469-1 A.

Sir:-

We have the honor to enclose herewith Certificate of Title issued from the Portage la Prairie Land Titles Office under the provisions of our Real Property Act, in the name of "His Majesty the King represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs", covering portions of parish lots 50 and 52 of the Parish of Portage la Prairie, which your Department recently purchased from Mr. George E. Stacey.

We also enclose Certificate from Mr. Alex Taylor P.L.S as to the acreage contained in this land, Mr. Taylor's account for estimating and certifying the same, duly O.K.'d by us, our Certificate as to title, and Tax Certificate.

Will you please be good enough to send cheque in favor of Mr. Stacey, covering the purchase price of the property.

We are also enclosing policy 76429 of the Portage la Prairie Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., duly assigned to

We understand from the instructions received from the Justice Department, that the Dominion Government does not carry insurance on its buildings, but as this Policy does not expire for another year, we have had it assigned and enclose

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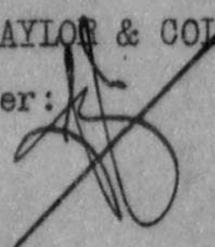
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it herewith. We would draw your attention however, to the fact that it is a mutual policy, and that if it is carried until maturity there will be another assessment under it for the year 1920.

We will forward you our account with a subsequent letter.

Yours truly,
TAYLOR & COLWILL

Per: 

FGT/C.

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November 20th. 1919.

Dear Mr. Taylor,

I have just instructed the Accountant to send you a cheque for the purchase price of the Stacey property. I note the question in your letter of November 14th. with regard to your fee ^{or} ~~for~~ commission. On inquiry from the Justice Department I find that they do not allow a commission on these transfers, but only for the actual work in searching the title. Under these circumstances, and as your bill would have to go to the Justice Department for taxation, it had better be made out in the usual way. I will be glad to see that the cheque is forwarded to you without delay.

Thanking you for your services in this matter, I am,

Yours very truly,

FC
F. G. Taylor, Esq., K.C.,
Messrs. Taylor & Colwill,
Barrister, Solicitors, etc.,
Portage la Prairie, Man.

Duncan
Deputy Superintendent General.

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OTTAWA

MEMORANDUM

Accountant -

Kindly prepare cheque in favour of Messrs. Taylor and Colwill and George E. Stacey for payment of 116.81 acres of land for the Portage la Prairie school at \$130.00 per acre, and forward cheque to Messrs. Taylor and Colwill.

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Pay \$15785.
for 116.81 acres
of land for P.T.P.
Body plan
Mr. Dorr -
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Duncan Scott
D.S.G.I.A.

Kindly note purchase of land and take necessary action with certificate of title.

Duncan Scott
D.S.G.I.A.

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Department of Indian Affairs,
To George E. Stacey.

Nov. 21st, 1919 - To purchase of portions of Parish
Lots 50 and 52 of the Parish of Portage
la Prairie containing 116.81 acres of
land at \$130.00 per acre\$15,185.30

This property was purchased for use of the
Portage la Prairie Boarding School. It was valued by Mr.
W. A. Hendry, Principal of the School and Messrs. Taylor
and Colwill, Barristers & Co., who conducted the negotiations
on behalf of this Department. The valuation and purchase
were approved by the Minister.

Chief Accountant.

Ottawa, 21st November, 1919.

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Mr. [unclear]
to be required - see letter turned out.
[Signature]

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Ottawa, 24th November, 1919.

Gentlemen,

enc.

I beg to advise you that the Department has purchased from Mr. George E. Stacey, of Portage La Prairie, certain property with buildings covered by an insurance policy of your Company, No. 76429. Mr. Stacey's interest in this policy has been transferred to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and I am now enclosing the same for cancellation.

Kindly forward to the Department the premium note given in respect of this policy and the amount of the return premium, if any.

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

ASW
[Signature]
Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company,
Portage La Prairie,
Man.

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November 24th, 1919.

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

Dear Mr. Scott :- RE: Stacey Property.

I have your letter of 20th inst.
What I was referring to in my letter to you was the commission on the purchase of the property. I know in previous cases the Department have allowed me a commission where they have asked me to purchase property for them, and other people here have been allowed similar commissions. I took it for granted that when the Government asked me to negotiate with Stacey and purchase the property for them, that they expected to pay me some commission for purchasing. Certainly the commission on the purchase is not covered in any way by the tariff issued by the Department of Justice. It only applies to strictly legal fees in connection with the searching of the title, etc. Our account covering this latter item will go forward in a day or two; but I presume the matter of commission is one entirely within your own Department, and has nothing to do with the Department of Justice.

Yours truly
[Signature]

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December 5th. 1919.

MEMORANDUM

Hon. Mr. Meighen -

The purchase of the Stacey property for the Portage la Prairie school has been successfully carried out. Mr. Taylor, who looked after the purchase for us, expects a commission on the transaction as well as his fee for searching the title. He writes under date of November 14th. as follows:-

" Would you please be good enough to advise me
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I find that when the original site for the school was purchased at Portage la Prairie we allowed Mr. Taylor 5% as well as his fee for searching the title. In the present instance Mr. Hendry, principal of the school, had obtained an option on Mr. Stacey's property at \$130.00 an acre. Mr. Taylor no doubt took some trouble to get Mr. Stacey to reduce his price, but without avail, and we ended in paying \$130.00.

I would be glad if you would direct me what to pay Mr. Taylor by way of commission. The full amount at 5% would be \$759.25.

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Duncan

Deputy Superintendent General.

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Deputy Superintendent General.

I would scarcely think under these circumstances we could pay a commission - Mr Taylor should be informed of this and asked to state a reasonable fee for his services re price

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STRATTON WHITAKER
MANAGER

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The Portage la Prairie



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T.H. LAMONT
INSPECTOR AND VALUATOR
RECORDS

CHEQUES MUST BE MADE PAYABLE
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ALWAYS STATE POLICY NUMBER
TO INSURE REPLY

*Immediate
Cancellation*
Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company

ORGANIZED OCT. 2ND 1884

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Dec. 1, 1919.

Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

Gentlemen:-

-re Policy #76429, Geo. Stacey
#119469-LA.

As requested by your favor of the 24th ulto.
we have cancelled the above numbered Policy but cannot
release Mr. Stacey's premium note until he pays the assessment of
\$10.60 owing on this Policy. If you are going to leave these
buildings on this property, we presume you will wish them protected?

Yours truly,

P. la P.F.M. F. Ins.Co.

per. *R L.*

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December 11, 1919.

Dear Mr. Taylor,-

I have given some attention to your request for commission on the land purchased at Portage la Prairie. I hardly think we could allow you a commission on this transaction. Mr. Hendry obtained an option on the property, and no diminution of the price was obtained. Under the circumstances, I think we would find the Auditor General objecting to the payment of a commission, but I would be glad if you would mention a reasonable fee for your services in arranging the price, in addition to the items for searching the title, and I will give the matter further attention.

Yours very truly,

del
F. G. Taylor, Esq., K.C.,
Messrs. Taylor & Colwill,
Barristers, Solicitors, &c., Deputy Superintendent General.
Portage la Prairie,
Man.

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Ottawa, 12th December, 1919.

Gentlemen,

re Policy #76429, Geo. Stacey.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, in the above matter, and note the policy has been cancelled.

In reply I beg to say that it is not proposed to place any insurance on these buildings.

Your obedient servant,

A. J. [Signature]

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company,

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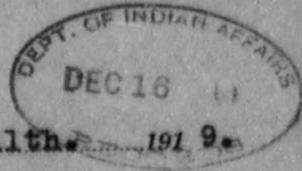
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OFFICE OF THE

INSPECTOR OF INDIAN AGENCIES.

LAKE MANITOBA INSPECTORATE.

Winnipeg,

36. Roslyn Court, ~~Winnipeg~~ Man., December, 11th, 1919.

Sir,

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As no doubt you may have seen in my last report on the Portage La Prairie Indian Boarding School, (April, 29. No. 2924) a recommendation, that the land adjoining the school land, about 100 acres be bought for the use of the school.

I have heard recently that the land wanted, has been bought by the Department, and if nothing interferes, I would like to know if such is the case. If the land has been bought, there are certain changes necessary to the house that is on the farm, so that it may be used as a residence for the Principal.

The last time I visited the school, Mrs Hendry told me that the strain of the work, living in the school, was such on her that they were now seriously thinking of leaving the work, and moving to British Columbia, where they have a small fruit farm in one of the valleys. During the conversation I suggested that if the land above mentioned was bought, they could have the house on the farm fixed up and move over there to live, and put in a male assistant at the school. This move would be agreeable to Mr. and Mrs. Hendry, and would also solve another problem of the school, the want of a Junior class-room. The partitionⁿ between the parlour and dining room, now used by them could be taken out at little expense, and the room thus made, about 16 X 32 would make a fine class-room. There is plenty of room for a male assistant without these two rooms, and the cost of fitting up the house on the farm, would be in the vicinity of 1000\$.

Principal
Mr. Hendry makes a model for this kind of Indian work, and I would not like to see him leave the service.

Yours truly,

S. J. Jackson
Inspector of Indian Agencies.

Duncan C. Scott, Esq.,
Deputy Supt. Gen. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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