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Ottawa, June 18, 1914

Dear Chief,-

letter of the 26th ultimo, inclosing a communication from Frank Deleary and John Alexander in regard to Pelee Island, and in reply to say that subsequently to the leasing of this island in 1778, the Validity of the title of the McCormick family was recognized and Letters Patent authorized to be issued by his Excellency in Council in the year 1866.

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Your obedient Servant ,



Assistant Deputy & Secretary.

Chief John L. Case,

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John Sir.

Ottawa, 22nd August, 1917.

Some days ago you were asking the Law Clerk of the Department for some information with respect to the Pelee Island lighthouse. I am enclosing herein Departmental file No.8986 dealing with this matter and beg to call your attention in particular to a memorandum under letter of April 11th, 1894, which it is thought may contain the information you desire. Would you kindly return this file when the matter is dealt with.

Eno.

Your obedient servent,

sign & Stewart

For Asst. Deputy and Secretary

John Chisholm, Esq.,

Department of Justice,

Ottawa.

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Ollawa, October 6th.

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Sir,

Referring to Mr. Stewart's letter of the 22nd of August last - 8986 - I have the honour to return the file of your Department dealing with the matter of the claim of certain Indians to lands on Felee Island.

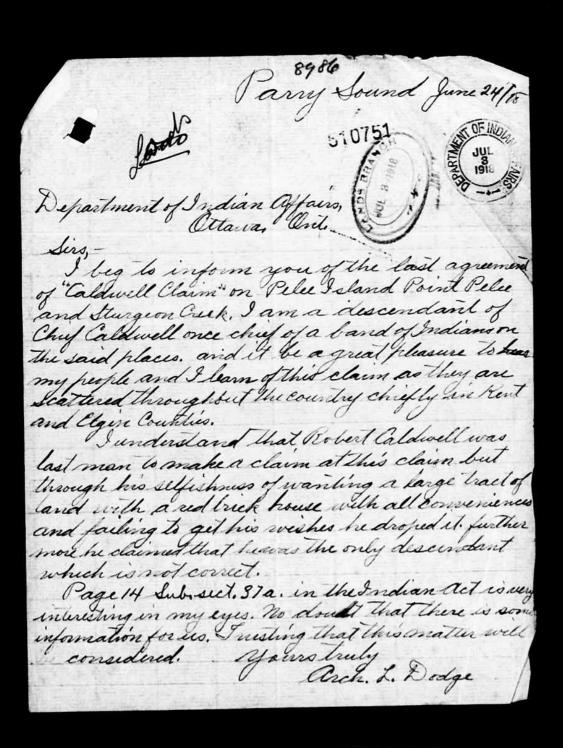
> I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Asst. D. M. J.

The Assistant Deputy and Secretary, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

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July 4, 1918.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo, in regard to the Caldwell claim on Pelee Island, and in reply to say that, subsequent to the leasing of this island in 1978, the validity of the title of the accormick family was recognized, and Letters Patent authorized to be issued by his excellency in council in the year 1866.

In view of the above, therefore, you will see that there is no foundation for the Caldwell claim

Your obedient Servant

J. D. McLean

Assistant Deputy & Secretary

A. L. Dodge, Esq.,

Parry Sound,

ont.

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September 12th 191 9

J. D. MoLean, Esq., Assistant Deputy Superintendent Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Ontario.

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Dear Sir:-

We are informed by the Grown Lands Department here that there is on file in your Department an original surveyor's plan of Pelee Island made in the year 1866 by a surveyor named Wilkinson. Could you let us have a certified copy of this plan. We require it in connection with litigation which is pending.

Yours truly,

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Ottawn, 20th September 1919.

Gentlemen,-

With reference to your letter of the 12th instant requesting a certified copy of the plan of Peles Island as prepared by Wilkinson, P.L.S., in 1866, enclosed herewith please find a white print certified to be a true copy of the said plan.

Kindly remit to this Department the sum of \$2.00 to cover the expense of printing the above plan and its comparison with the original.

Your obedient servant,

Assistant Deputy and Secretary.
re.Tilley, Johnston, Thomson & Parmenter,
Barristers & Solicitors,
Toronto General Trust Building,
85 Bay Street,
Toronto, Ont.

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Department of the Interior Point Pelee Dominion Park.

Leamington, Ontario, May 20th, 1922.

J. B. Harkin, Esq., Commissioner, Dominion Parks Branch. Ottawa.

Dear Sir,

On the 14th May two Chippawa Indians by the name of Williams, father and son, of Walpole Island came to me enquiring regarding ancestral rights of their tribe claiming they held prior possessions on Point Pelee.

I referred them to Minister of Indian

Affairs at Ottawa.

Since then, on the 16th some half dozen has sojourned here and camping in Pelee Park and these say more are to follow at once, as squatters and are entertaining encampments. Will send their children to the Point Pelee Public school.

There is a possibility of some trouble in this question and some abuses of Park privileges that will damage the notoriety of the Place.

Brantford, as you know, only some weeks ago experienced trouble with the tribe of that locality. I am of the opinion these people should not settle in the Park.

Please advise.

Yours faithfully.

(sgd) F. H. Conover,

Superintendent.

B. HARKIN.



CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS
OTTAWA

NA 23rd May, 1922.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE P_{\bullet}

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NATIONAL PARKS
NORTH WEST GAME ACT
MIGRATORY BIRDS FRANCES

Dear Sir,

Re Indians, Point Teles Park.

which I received from the Superintendent of the Point
Peles Park advising that Indians from Walpole Island
had come to the park, are claiming ancestral rights to
the land and that some half dozen are remaining in the
park as squatters.

The Point Pelse Park has been set aside for the people of Canada. Camping privileges are allowed but no squatting.

I should like to be advised as to the rights, if any, the Indians may have to this land and also to have your views on the best way to handle this situation.

Yours faithfully,

Commissioner.

Duncan D. Scott, Esq., F.R.S.C.,
Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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May 30th, 1922

Dear Mr. Harkin:

This Department lays no claim to Point Pelee as an Indian Reserve, and there are no unextinguished aboriginal rights in that part of the country.

Indians who camp there should therefore be treated as trespassers, and should not be allowed to anney your Superintendent. The means of disposing of them is quite in your own hands, as they may be treated as ordinary squatters.

Yours very truly,

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Deputy Superintendent General

J.B. Harkin, Req., Commissioner, Camadian Mational Parks, O t t a w a

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FRED H. A. DAVIS BARRISTER, SOLICITOR NOTARY PUBLIC

MONEY TO LOAN

AMHERSTBURG



June 3rd, 1922.

Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Canada.



Dear Sir:

William Caldwell, a Chippewa Indian owned and occupied a protion of land in the Township of Mersea in the County of Essex, better known probably as those concessions marked A, B, C, and D and that portion of Mersea Township lying South thereof and extending to Pelee Point.

It would appear that the Provincial Government has patented the lands South of concession 1, as far as concession D. I assume that these lands were handed over by the Dominion Government to the Provincial Government.

As far as I have been able to trace it, it does not appear that the lands South of concession 1 in the said Township of Mersea formerly owned by the said Indian and his kin were ever surrendered to the Government. I have been unable from the records at my disposal to trace where this particular parcel was covered by the treaty made with the Indians.

It would appear that this parcel of land still belongs to the Indians yet I am informed that settlers or squatters have located thereon, in fact I believe the Government made a survey known as plan 397 covering little plots blocked varying from two acres to seventy acres. Would you please explain fully to me by what treaty or agreement the Government obtained that part of Mersea lying South of concession 1. I would be very much obliged for a full ex lanation such as will enable me to explain the situation clearly to Moses Caldwell and other decendants of the late William Caldwell, Chippewa Indian. From the best information I can obtain, these Indians are entitled to that portion of Mersea Township, they having never surrendered their rights.

An early reply will be greatly appreciated.

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Yours respectfully,

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Ottawa, June 8th, 1922.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant with reference to certain lands in the vicinity of Point Peles for which you state the Provincial Government has issued patent.

This Department does not lay claim to Point
Pelee as an Indian Reserve, and there are no unextinguished
aboriginal rights in that part of the country. It would,
therefore, appear that Indians who locate thereon as
squatters would be subject to treatment as trespassers.

Your obedient servant,

J.D. McLean

J. C. MoLean. Assistant Deputy & Secretary.

Fred H. A. Davis, Esq.,
Barrister, etc.,
Ramsey Street, S T B U R C ,
Ont.

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REDSKINS ARE READY TO FIGHT THE WHITES

Announce Their Intention To Seize Point Pelee.

Seize Point Pelee.

LEAMINGTON, Ont., June 11.—
Historic Point Pelee, the scene in bygone days of bloody conflicts between the red men and the whites, may again become the centre of open warfare for the possession of the valuable soil. Three hundred Petawaha Indians from the Vicinetty of Alvimston have served notice on the park police that they will on June 13 take possession of the point in defiance of law and order. Indians in great numbers have been seen here recently, and it is said that camp equipment, arms, etc., will arrive by wagon train on Tue-day noon. It is not known what action the Government is taking, but the people resident in the neighborhood are very much alarmed.

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June 12th, 1922.

Dear Colonel Starnes, -

Pursuant to our conversation over the telephone in connection with the paragraph which appeared in this morning's Journal to the effect that it is the intention of three hundred Indians from the vicinity of Alvineten, in Lambton County, to take passession of Point Pelee, I have to request that, in view of the conditions known to the Department, you will make immediate enquiries into this matter, and that, should the occasion warrant it, you will send sufficient men from your force to prevent prespass on the park and to have the Indians dispersed. Pursuant to our conversation over the

Yours truly.

Deputy Superintendent General.

Lt.-Colonel Courtlandt Starnes,
Assistant Commissioner,
R. C. M. Pelice,
Cttawa.

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Royal Canadian Mounted Police Monary Office of the Commissioner.

Ref. No D 62-3 E 1

June 13th. 1982.

Re- Indians at Alvinston, Mambton County, Ont.

Eurther to my telephone conversation with you of this morning, I quote hereunder, an extract from a report received from a momber of the Force, who is on the around at Point Peles Park.

"This (Saturday) morning I proceeded from the Park warden's residence, and patrolled the Fark towards the roint and find there are a total of fifteen Indians, constring of John Dodge, wife and nine children, mostly grown up; Jackson Dodge (brother of John) and three children. They are located in a three room shack, and property of one James Grub, adjoining the East boundary line, a distance of about two miles South of the Park warden's residence. I interviewed John Dodge who was residence. I interviewed John Dodge who was sitting with his wife on the Park property, engaged making baskets out of black ash. He informed me that the bend had come there direct from alveston about ten days are with the intention of claiming which the intention of claiming which the come there do not not be intention of claiming which the come there are not claim. from Alveston about tendars are with the intention of claiming Foint Pelee as an Indian Reserve. Dodre, who spears good English, claims they are a non-treaty cand, and lived at Point Pelee up to about the year 1830. He claims that the Chief of his band has a Document proving their rights to the Pert property as an Indian Reserve, and that the Chief and remainder of band, numbering between two and three hundred, will arrive at Foint Pelee during the course of the next week or so with the intention of taking up their roint reles during the course of the next week or so with the intention of taking up their personent residence there. Dodge made no direct threats, but from his conversation and manner. I judged that the Band would resent any interference with their taking up residence on the Park. Dodge also made some remarks about the Indians being badly treated by the Government. About six of the grown up children are working for the Onion growers in the vicinity."

Motor-cycle patrols have been

Duncan C. Scott Esq., Deputy Super intendent General, Department of Indian Affairs, ottawa.

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Motor-cycle patrols have been made to the District in question and there is no indication of any gathering of Indians. The necessary steps have been taken to prevent trespass on the Park and to have any gathering of Indians dispersed.

Yours truly.

Cortlandt Starnes, Assistant Commissioner

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Indians Threaten To Seize Pt. Pelee

PETAWABAS CLAIM LAND BELONGS TO THEIR TRIBE

Government Orders Surperin-tendent of Park Not to Allow Indians to Land and Struggle May Result

LEAMINGTON. Ont. June 11.—
(Special to The Free Press)—Historic Point Peles, the scene in bygone days of bloody battles between the red man and the white, may again become the center of open atrife for the possession of the valuable soil.

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entry on to any Government land at
Point Pelee.

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That They Intend to Take
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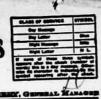
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

June 12, 1922.

Memorandum, -

Mr. Scott.

Re: Disturbance at Point Pelee.

I am under the impression that the Indians referred to in the item appearing in this morning's Journal are Pottawattamies of Walpole Island, the name Pottawattamies having been incorrectly rendered "Petawabas". There does not appear to be such a place as Alvinston in Essex County, and doubtless this name is an incorrect rendition of Alginack, which is situated opposite Walpole Island, on the American side. I may add that this would seem to be a matter that comes within the jurisdiction of the Provincial authorities.

It is probable that the description of the situation appearing in the Press is much exaggerated, as these Indians are not likely to be in possession of wagon-loads full of armaments, or able-bodied men to the number of three hundred who would be prepared to take part in the expedition.

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Reput Canadian Mounted Police.

I am in receipt of a telegram

I am in receipt of a telegram from Sergeant Birtwhistle, who is at Point Felee, in which he informs me that the District has been thoroughly patrolled and there is no sign of any unrest or massing of the Indians.

The following passages also occur in a written report which I have before me,-

"The central figure of this affair seems to be a so-called Chief, named Moses Caldwole, who resides at Malpole Island and claims to be in possession of a legal document laying claim to certain rights of projecty on behalf of the Indians. There was no intention on the part of any of the Indians to take drastic action or cause any trouble or disturbance. Any meetings called were simply for the purpose of having the Indians sign a petition putting forward their claim".

Sergeant Birtwhistle also emphasises that the press reports were most grossly exaggerated and practically without foundation.

Yours sincerely.

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Cortlandt Starnes, Assistant Commissioner

D. C. Scott Esq.. Deputy Superintendent General, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

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Ottawa, 25th September, 1912.

Memorandum:

With reference to the claim of Robert Caldwell to share in moneys received by Indians for lands in the Counties of Kent and Essex, including Point Pelee, the following are the facts as revealed by the documents of record in this Department.

On the 19th May, 1790, a meeting was held at Detroit, due notice thereof having previously been given. At this meeting the principal chiefs of the following nations of Indians were present:- eight from the Ottawa Nation, eight from the Chippewa Nation, six from the Pottawatamie Nation and thirteen from the Huron Nation.

The Department was represented by Major Murray of the 60th Regiment and Alex. McKee, Deputy Indian Superintendent. There were also present a large number of officers of the 60th Regiment, of the Naval Department, and of the Militia as well as a number of Magistrates and other citizens.

A full discussion took place as to the extent of the land to be sursendered, and an agreement was come to that was satisfactory both to the Government Officers and the Indians.

To show that the Indians were unanimous in granting the lands asked for, an extract from the speech of the E. gouch e ouai, Chief of the Ottawas, who spoke for the Confederacy is here given:-

"You have told us that you have received letters
"from our Father the General, and our Father Sir John Johnson
"acquainting you that our Father the Great King had written to
"them, to know if we would cede him a piece of land extending
"from the other side of the River to the line of that ceded by
"the Mississaguas.

"What man can refuse what is asked by a father so good and so "generous, that he has never refused us anything? What Nation? "None Father! We have agreed to grant all you ask according to "the limits settled between us and you, and which we are all ac"quainted with. We grant it to you all father, in presence of "our fathers the officers, and our brothers the merchants.

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"Father- This is all I have to say I salute you and all my brothers "here present, as well as all the Indians of the different Nations "present, and as a proof that all we have agreed to is done from "our hearts, we are ready to sign our marks."

The surrender having been signed, Major Murrary informed the Indians that, "Your father the Governor and Superintendent General "ever attentive to fulfil the King's wishes for the general good of "his children have commanded us who are placed here under their "authority, to be equally regardful of the ease and comfort of the "Indians, and of the welfare of the white inhabitants. They have "directed an ample consideration to be given you for the land, and "you have agreed with Captain McKee upon the sum as fully suffic-"ient.

"It remains now only with me to pay you the consideration "agreed upon, which shall be done tomorrow morning as soon as Your "several Nations are assembled for the purpose."

Attached to the Surrender is a certificate of the delivery of goods to the several Nations to the value of 1200 pounds currency which was considered to have closed the transaction, no further payment being made or agreed to be made.

Although Point Pelee was included in the surrender, a part of the Chippewa Nation either continued to reside there, or took

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up their residence at that place later on, and it was not until white settlers began to encroach upon the lands there that in the year 1877, nearly ninety years after the date of the surrender, the Indians under Chief Caldwell began to assert their claim to the land in question.

Chief Caldwell in addition to his claim to land at Point

Pelee, also made claim to a share of the annual payment of annuity

which he considered was paid in connection with the surrender above

mentioned, but which annual payment as above shown was not made.

When this claim came before the Department, Caldwell was informed of the fact that Point Pelee had been surrendered by the Indians, that no reservation had been made there for Indian purposes, and that as payment had been made once for all for the lands the Indians were not entitled to annual payments therefor. Chief Caldwell was also informed that although he and his Indians could not be protected by the Government in their desire to hold the lands occupied by them at Point Pelee, they could if they were disposed to go there be granted locations on Walpole Island on which a large reserve had been set apart for the Chippewas, Ottawas and Pottawatamies.

It may be added that as early as 1858, Special Commissioners appointed to enquire into matters affecting the Indians of Canada reported in the following terms in respect to the land claimed by the Indians in question:-

"The land occupied by this Band at Point Pelee is not an In"dian Reserve, and their right to it has never been recognized.

"The small number of persons now remaining might be without much
"trouble removed to Walpole Island where they would enjoy all the
"advantages necessary to improve their condition. They have no
"annuity or land fund, and the presents having ceased, they will
"now be entirely unassisted by Government."

Efforts were made on several different occasions to have the Indians residing at Point Pelee take up their residence on Walpole

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June 26, 1922.

Memorandum, -

Mr. Scott.

Re: Indians at Alvinston, Lambton County, Ontario.

On September 25th, 1912, the late Mr. Samuel Stewart, of this Department, submitted a memorandum with regard to the so-called Caldwell claim to share in moneys received by Indians in the Counties of Kent and Essex, including Point Pelee. This memorandum, a copy whereof will be found hereunder, clearly covers all the essential historical facts of the case. Nothing has occurred since the date of the memorandum above referred to which could in any way alter the status of the matter or the Department's attitude with regard thereto.

In view of Assistant Commissioner Starnes' letter of the 15th instant, it would not seem advisable to take any further cognizance of the matter at present. Assistant Commissioner Starnes letter shows that the whole thing was a gross exaggeration, as forecasted in my memorandum to you on the subject of the 12th instant.

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(Ottawa) D 62-3 E-1, Ford City, Ont., June 15th, 1922.

The Officer Commanding,
Royal Canadian Mounted relice,
Western Ontario District,
Toronto, ont.

dir:-

He - Foint Felee National Park, Leamington, ont.

Further to my report of the 13th inst .in accordance with your instructions i left roint relee on the evening of 13th instant for salpole island with a view to interviewing moses caldwole said to be in possession of certain documents proving the indians claim to roint relee as an indian reservation. I arrived at the island at 6.30 yesterday (wednesday) morning and remained there throughout the day, patrolling the reserve and interviewing all indiens who could throw any light on the matter, being accompanied by indian charles reters of the Chippewa tribe who is the weace officer and Forest Bailiff for The Indian agent, ar Thomas and alpole Island. resides at Sarnia. moses caldwole, who up to the loth instant had been the elected chief for three years of the rottomawme tribe of non-treaty indians on the island, could not be located. Some said that he had gone on a visit to the suncy indian reserve about 20 miles 3.m. of mondon; others claim he is away in connection with the recent death of one of his sons killed in a hailway accident in oklahoma while on "caldwole" is unroute from New Mexico to Malpole. "Caldwole" is un-popular with his tribe, for he is a mischief maker and of a rowing disposition, also very secretive as to his actions and movements. His wife (white) could not entighten us as to his present location, for she claims that he just comes and goes without a word as to his movements. He has certainly done a deal of roaming during the past four months in connection withthe present trouble at roint relee, and, as stated by Archie podge, attended the meeting at Alvinston on karch 14th last when it was arranged to assemble at the roint about any 15th. rrior to this meeting he was financed early in warch by the Bodge families and went to the Cape Croker Indian Reserve on wake Euron, near owen Sound, with a view to obtaining some documents in connection with the claim to roint selec.

the patrol to salpole has satisfied me beyond doubt that, with the exception of moses caldwols, there is not an indian on the meserve who is the least interested or connected with this claim to coint releathey all appear to be highly amused over the affair and the stir is has caused in the Frees.

There are about 1200 indians on walpole Island; 900 belong to the Chippews (treaty) tribe, and 300 to the Pettomawne (non-treaty). The latter came from the United States by Fort huron some 90 or more years ago and settled on the Island.

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Re - Point relee Mational rark, Leamington (continued)

ossession of milliam Aquash the newly elected thief of the rettemawme tribe, and find there is no record or entry therein to indicate that coint relee was ever discussed at any of their council meetings.

There is no question that the "Dodge" families are the instigators of the present trouble, and they are making a tool of Loses caldwole to influence the rottomaume to join them, for the latter, as stated before, is a regular old trouble maker, and was well aware of the fact that he would be superseded as chief of the rottomawnes at the election on the 10th instant under these circumstances it would just suit the old chief could they establish their claim to roint reles he Dodge and he be elected there as Chief. families, there are several of them, - John, Archie, charlie, Jackson (the latter served in France with the C.M.F.) are just rowing non-treaty Indians, and have lived at Alvinston, Chatham, Jarnia, etc. where they are well known and commonly termed "scabs" while the indian term them the "whisky-fighters". They have nothing in the shape of documentary evidence to back their claim, but will no doubt continue their efforts to keep the question open with a view to forcing the Indian pepartment to consider their claims. They have, however, no chance whatever of inducing any of the indians of the Reserves to join their movement by marching to Foint reles as arranged at Alvinston on March 14th last. I have just had a conversation with Mr R.H.Abraham of Chatham who is connected with the March 14th last. Department of Indian Affairs, and he informs me that Archie Dodge interviewed him at Chatham this morning and gave assurances that no march on roint relee was intended. Mr Abraham also informs me that he saw Antended. At Auranama 2150 informs me that he saw moses Caldwole at the muncy reserve on the 13th inst., where he was endeavouring to borrow money to meet the funeral expenses of his son, and he feels assured that Caldwole has no intentions of going to relee. Ar Abraham says that the "bodge" families are known as the Caldwell Indians.

The indians at walpole island were aware early in may of the arrangements made at alvinston, and this caused one family (the Mahdee) to stir up an old claim of theirs which was closed by the pept.of Indian Affairs as far back as the year 1900. This refers to 300 acres of land in the Township of Anderdon, near Amherstburg, which was surrendered by the indians in 1848, and sold to one Joseph ward, when the three remaining families of Mahdee's removed to Walpob The present decendents of these families still maintain that the balance of the purchase money was never paid to them, and when they heard of the proposed meeting at roint relee for may 15th, two of the decendents - Angus Williams and his son, Sabine - wont from Walpole to Leamington, and on may 14th last interviewed mr F. M. Conover, the Park Supt. and stated their claims to him regarding the 300 acres near Amherstburg. They showed Mr Conover two so-called documents, one of which was merely a printed cupy (on cardboard) of an original certificate issued in 1048 to the effect that John Nahdee, Unief of the Unippews tribe of Indians, served with the Intish Army during the last American war of 1812-13. This diploms is decerated with coloured drawings of an Indian Warrior's head, the British

| | Re - Foint Pelce Mational rark, Leamington continued).

Flag, the Royal Coat-of-Arms, and crossed muskets, but has no material bearing in regard to any claim. The same applies to the other document, which is in handwriting, and reads:

"Chippewss of Anderdon and roint reles?

Evidence of T. Talfound Esq., Appendix Ec. 21. "only three families (Chippewa) became permanent settlers on the Adderdon Reserve, and when the survey was made in 1836 a tract of 300 acres, block Road was not apart for them. In the year 1846 ar Supt. Clench (indian pept., London) was directed to request them to remove to the Chippews settlement on salpole island. o this they consented on conditions that the land they were about to relinquish and on which they had made a good clearing should be sold and the proceeds applied to settle them in their new home. The removal took place at once, and the land was sold by the removal took place at once, and the land was sold by to the Agent for three hundred and seventy seven pounds, ten shillings, (\$1500.) on the 5th of october, 1849, to loseph ward, who paid down one hundred and twenty five pounds (\$500.) and a further sum of fifty four pounds (\$216.) for the improvements by the indians, but no portion of this money was ever accounted for, hese families, removed from their old homes and dep-rived of their promised againtance, have at times rived of their promised assistance, have at times suffered much, and for want of teams and farming implements, have been unable properly to cultivate their land. A further sum of seventy five pounds (4300) paid by the purchaser of the land in Suderdon, their land. has been appropriated in part of pay for the erection of the chief's house, and to provide him with some The remainder of the supplies which are much needed. purchase money and interest, when collected from Jos. ward, will be equally divided among the surviving members of the band. " - ends.).

by the mept. of Indian affairs, for in a letter from mecretary J.B.McLean, dated of tawa, 5th Jan., 1900, it reads that "The balance of the amount received for the 3.0 acres, after settling with the families, was placed to the credit of the malpole island—and, to which mand the Indians referred to were attached and have ever since their removal to the Island participated in the payments of interest money. This arrangement has been very much to the advantage of mahdee and the other Chippewas from anderdon."

The letter referred to in the possession of siliam mahdee at malpole.

The Visit of Angus silliams and his son to ar Conover on May 14th was the first intimation he had in regard to any Indian claim to roint relee, and the matter was then reported by him to the Commissioner of Sational Farks.

The first report of the affair receied at this letachment was on laturday afternoon, loth instant, when constable leeks returned from an ordinary patrol to the rark, and reported to me the facts mentioned in his report of same date, from which it will be seen that ar conover had then heard a rumour to the effect that 1500 indians were coming to reclaim the rark property, and requested a rolice patrol in case of trouble should the indians arrive. I therefore arranged for constables leison and leeks to leave per lotocycle for the lark the following (Sunday) morning

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(Me - Point Pelee Sational Park, Leasington, (continued).

and this was carried out. The same (Sunday) evening if I Conover informed me over the 'phone that he had just got word that a Band of Indians had left alvisten for the Point at 5. 00 same afternoon, and later the same evening that a Band of Indians had been seen a few miles out from Loamington, and would likely be at the rark at daybreak. In consequence of the latter rumeur conveyed to them by Mr Conover, Constables Nelson and weeks stationed themselves at the rark entrance and remained there throughout the night. It is these rumeurs which caused all the excitement and alarm, with the result that on monday Press reporters were rushing to Leamington from all points, and vied with each other by dispatching ever rumour to the

remain at Point Pelee Park, and I will patrol there again temorrow (Friday) morning. I would suggest for your consideration that two Constables remain on duty at the Park for a few more days as a precautionary measure, and that I return to this Detachment with one Constable, for there is not the least indication, especially since my patrol to valpole, to anticipate that any more indians will arrive at the Point. I am of opinion that some of the old settlers at the Point, adjoining the Park property, are concouraging the two bodge families in their claims, for the Park Supt. and warden have had trouble and annoyance from this same quarter for the past two years, for they resent the Covernment's action to prohibit shooting a trapping on the Park property.

Your obedient servant,

neg. no. 4493. (A. Birtwistle).

The Commissioner, Ont.

Forwarded for your information, 17-6-22.

As there is no foundation to the alleged demonstration on the part of the Indians, in my epinion I think the matter is now closed. This being so it is my intention to withdraw this patrel altegether, but as a precautionary measure have daily patrels made into the district by two members of the Windsor Detachment for the next few days.

Supt.

A. W. Duffus, Commanding Western Ontario District.

TORONTO, Ont.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE.

Western Ontario District. Windsor Detachment.

Ford City, Unt., June 21st, 1922.

Ottawa File D 62-3 E-1. "O" Div.Ref. 20/16,

The Officer Commanding,
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
Western Untario District,
Toronto, Untario.

Sir:-

Re - Indians at Alvinston, Lambton County, Untario.

legs to report that constables melson and meeks remained on duty at roint relectational park till yestorday (Tuesday) afternoon. They left there with motocycle about 3. 00 r.m. and arrived at this betachment about six o'clock the same evening.

quiet at the rark, without the least indication of any further trouble. The bodge families will likely remain throughout the summer on property adjoining the rark, for they are cultivating an onion crop on half shares with the land owner. Archie Bodge has removed from the house owned by J. Grubb, and taken up residence in a shack near his onion patch adjoining the main entrance to the Park. John Bodge, wife a children remain on the Grubb property, basketmaking and working out for the onion growers.

to the district during current week, while Supt. Conever or Park warden Finlayson will notify me by telephone in the event of any further developments.

The Commissioner, Ont.

Forwarded for his information, 22-6-22.

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For Supt. A. O. D., Commanding Vestern Ontario District.

TORONTO, Ont.

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age Division. Windsor Detachment. Western Ontario District.

(Ottawa)
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"O" Div.20/16.
The Officer Commanding,
Noyal Canadian Mounted Police,
Jestern Ontario District,
Toronto, Ont. Ford City, Ont. June 19th, 1922.

Re - Indians at Alvinston, Lambton County, Untario.

with reference to your letter of the 17th instant.

I beg to report that up to this (monday) evening there is no change in the situation at roint relect mational rark. Every thing is quiet and orderly.

Leamington on Saturday afternoon last, while constable ingram returned on Friday, the 16th instant.

The two Dodge families continue to occupy the shack adjoining the Fark property, about two miles South of Fark Warden Finlayson's residence. They have caused no further trouble.

constables Helson and Heeks, with moto-cycle, still remain on duty at the Park as a precautionary measure; if nothing further trans-pires by temorrow (Tuesday) morning I will instruct them to return with motocycle to this Detaonment.

l note your instructions for the Leamington district to be patrolled during the course of next few days, and will notify you immediately should there be any change in the situation.

Your obedient servant.

Bergt. heg. no. 4493. (A. Dirtwistle).

The Commissioner, AWATTO ont.

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Forwarded for his information 21-6-22.

Companing Posters Ontario District.

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The Officer Commanding, Royal Canadian Rounted Police, Western Ontario District, Toronto, Ont.

Sir:-

Re - Indians at Alvineton, Lambton County, Ontario.

(Friday) I detailed Constables helson and weeks for another patrol to reint relee Mational rark. They accordingly left this Detachment with metocycle & side-car at 8,30 this (Saturday) morning, and arrived at the Park about moon. This evening Constable Melson informed me over long distance 'phone from Park warden Finlayson's that everything is quiet at the Park, the only change in the situation being that Jackson Dodge, who has been to London for medical treatment, has returned, and that moses Caldwole of Malpole Island is there visiting John Dodge. The visit of Coldwole indicates that these Indians contemplate some action which will probably be in the shape of a petition to ottam, for Judging by their actions to date, they have no intentions of attempting to seize or camp upon the Park property.

i have instructed Constable Melson to be on the alert and obtain all the information possible, especially in regard to the visit of Moses Caldwole, and full report will be submitted on the return of the patrol to this Detachment.

rour obedient servant,

The Commissioner Ortawa, Ont.

Forwarded for his information, 26-6-22.

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Commanding Western Ontario District.

TORONTO, Ont.

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Ford City, ont. June 27th, 1922.

Perwarded for his information 28-6-22.

H. Sarlin

D/S/Sergt., H. Darling, for Supt. A.O. D. Commanding Western Ontario District. TO NO MTO.

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Island, but without success, and in 1884 Sir John Macdomald when authorizing the payment of expenses of a deputation of the Indians accompanied by a Mr. Schleihauf, who was acting for them, to visit Walpole Island with a view to their being located there, said that if afterwards the Indians remained where they then were they should be allowed to take their own course.

(signed) S.Stewart.

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sterm Ontario District. Div. Ref. D 62-3 B-1. Windsor Detachment.

Pord City, Ont., June 27 th. 1922.

REPORT.

Re: - Indiana at Alvinston, Lambton County, Ontario.

l beg to report that acting on instructions from Sergt. Birtwistle, I left this detachment with Notocycle and Side-car, accompanied by Const. Weeks N.G., at 8.30 on Saturday morning last, 24 th inst. for Point Pelee Entional Purk, where we arrived at 2 o'clock the same aftern on.

While passing through Leamington, We interviewed Supt. Conover at his residence, and he informed us that there was no change in the situation and that the Indians had not caused any trouble or attempted to encrosed on the Park in any way! On our arrival at Park Warden Finlaysen's residence, he reported the same as Jupt. Conover, that everything was quiet and that the Indians had not taken any timber off the Park or caused any demage in any way. We remained on duty at the Park over the we-k end, and during our patrols noticed that the Dodge families are still living on land adjoining Park property.

Mrs. John Dodge and some of the children are making baskets, for which there is a ready sale to parties of tourists visiting the Park. The black man timber used in basket making is being brought to the Point by Dodge from the Alvinston district, the remainder of the families are still working in the onion fields in the district.

On Saturday afternoon I had a conversation with Jackson Bodge, who had been gassed in France while serving with the C.E.F. and who is still taking treatment in London. Ont. He is visiting with John Bodge for several weeks but is not able to work. He informed me that several families of Indians from Alvinston district were expected to arrive at the Park during the summer, where they will take up a more or less permanent residence on the deeded land adjoining the Park. Their intention being to send a Petition to Ottawa regarding the Lease to Pelee Island and their claim to Point Pelce. they intend to keep this question open until it is proved to theer satisfaction that they have no rights to Point Pelee. Moses Caldwole, ex-chief of the Pottawatemie band, arrived at the Point several days ago, and in a conversation with Const. Weeks on Saturday night, stated that he intended to bring his family to live permanently on the Point, and that he expected several families to move from Walpole island to Point Pelee during the summer, but that they had no intention of camping on the Park or interfering with Park Regulations in any way. Jackson Dodge took up the question with me as to what rights the Indians might have on the Park regarding the taking of game for food at any time of the year; but was a parently satisfied when I explained that the Park Regulations did not allow Indians any more rights than any one else. We remained at the Park till I.30 o'clock yesterday (Monday) afternoon, when we left with Motocycle and Side-car, returning to this detachment the same evening.

(R.E. Nelson) 8492. The Officer Commanding, No. Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Western Ontario District, Toronto, Ontario.

to maintain a constant patrol at roint reles fark, for the Indians are merely talking, without the loast indication of causing trouble. I will, however, arrange for another patrol towards the week end, and earlier should the page safty arise.

Ford City. 27. 6. 22.

Jeret. HeroRo. 4493. (A.Birtwistle). 1/C. sindsor etachment.

Const.

ese nivision Patera enterie nietriet. Ford City, Ont. June 27th, 1922.

The Commissioner, OTTAWA - Ont.

Porwarded for his information 28-6-22.

A. Sarling

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D/S/Sergt., H. Darling, for Supt. A.O.D. Germanding Western Ontario District. TORONTO.

CALDWELL BAND OF INDIANS

Chippews with possibly a few Pottawatamics who Origin married into the band during Pontiac war.

Present Leamington, Essex Co., Tilburg, Merlin,,
Harwich Howard, Kent Co., Alviston, Lambton
Co., Rodney, Elgin Co. Residence

They originally occupied land on the borders of Lake Erie, Poleo Island, mainly Point Past

Pelee.

The tribe numbered originally about 250 to 300 but have dwindled to about a dozen families. Humbers

Pelse Island, Point Pelse What they claim.

> On Nov. 24,1877, Chief Wm. Caldwell, Grandson of Quencis Caldwell, buil formal claim to Point Poles on behalf of the members of his tribe.

Point Pelee was surrendered on May 19, 1790, by a Council of the Ottawas, Chippewas, Pottawatamies, and Hurons. Chief Caldwell claimed that his grandfather, Chensis Caldwell who was Chief of the band and who lived at Point Peles at that time was not a party to the Surrender. To substantiate this claim his names do a party to the Surrender.

not appear on the surrender.

In the war of 1812 Quensis Caldwell and his warric were recruited by an officer by the name of Elliott After the Col. Sam Elliott promised each warrior 200 acres of land on Police (Latter Ave. 27 and 28 and 28 and 28 and 29 acres of land on Police (Latter Ave. 27 and 28 and 29 acres of land on Police (Latter Ave. 27 and 28 and 28 and 28 and 29 acres of land on Police (Latter Ave. 27 and 28 and 28 and 28 and 28 and 29 acres of land on Police (Latter Ave. 28 and 28 a

Pelce (Letter Aug. 27 - 1852 from W. Caldwell).
In 1837-38-39 the Caldwell Indians were under the rs. They were before and after this residents of (See affidavits from S.S. Stockwell and Francis 11) military orders. Point Pelee. son, July 19-1382).

In 1857 Inspector Dingman reported that the Indian made considerable improvements at Point Peles, cleared land and houses, but that they had been driven off by White men.

On July 3 Geo. E. Casey wrote stating that there we strong evidence to show that Point Peles was granted to the Ca Indians for services in the war of 1812, the same all other soldiers receiving 200 acres each.

In a letter of July 9, 1857 the Deartment wrote ing out that they did not admit of this claim.

In 1852, July 4, the Dominion Government offer Caldwell Indians a home on Walpole Island. This they would receive.

Pelee Island claim

accept.

They claim that they have never surrendered to substantiate this claim there is the following. The or render that dealt with Islands was the one submitted to pewas, Pottawatomies, and Ottawas of Walpole Island, of Caldwells do not seem to be a party to. For a long time thought that this surrender did not include Peles Island.

Ottawa, Oct. 23rd., 1922.

however a clause in the treaty was discovered which stated that the surrender included besides the Islands mentioned any other Islands in that vicinity. A Patent was then granted to the MoC. when family for Pelee Island.

Action taken by Department on their behalf.

Now. 24th 1577, the Indian Dept. have been trying to get this band of Indians to go on the Walpole Island Reserve, but for various reasons they have not done so.

In 1857 Inspector Dingman was sent down to investigate their needs and advised sending them to Walpole Island, where there was at that time a plenty of wacant lands.

In 1895 Dunoan 0. Scott made them a visit and resommended that small farms be secured for them or that their old camping grounds, Fednt Felse, be bought for them. John Beattic associdingly grounds, Fednt Felse, be bought for them. John Beattic associdingly grounds, Fednt Felse, be bought for them. John Beattic associdingly grounds, Fednt Felse, be bought for them. John Beattic associdingly grounds, Fednt Felse, be bought for them. John Beattic associdingly grounds, Fednt Felse, be bought for them. John Beattic association to the values from the owners on Point Felse which amounted to pay, and \$17964.50 but this was considered too high a waluation to pay, and \$17964.50 but this was considered too high a waluation to pay, and the Indians were again advised to go to Walpole Island. B deputation did go there but owing to the attitude of the residents they did not loose there.

During the lifetime of the Hon. David Hills he worked incessantly trying to persuade the Government to take action on behalf of the Caldwell Indians. His letter of Sept. 9th 1597 especially strong and touching.

No action has been taken since this. With the death of Hon. David Hills, the matter dropped.

Walpole Island is now fully located by members of Pottawattamie, Chippawa and Ottawa Indians.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

MENO. CANADA

Mr. Scott,-

Sometime ago I was interviewed by J. Kerr, K.C., on behalf of the County of Kent, in regard to some wandering Indians known as the Caldwell Indians. It seems that they have been in a destitute condition for the past number of years, and that the different municipalities have had to pay out considerable sums of money in relief for them.

Mr. Kerr informed me that the County Council feel that as the Indians in other parts of the Dominion are wards of the Dominion Government, that the Caldwell Indians should be gathered up and placed on a reserve, or that a reserve should be provided for them. The County did not think it fair to saddle the municipalities with their relief, burial and doctors bills.

The Indians referred to are the same tribe a part of which our Department supplied relief to during last winter. You will remember that they were found to be in a most deplorable condition. It is the same tribe of Indians who laid claim to Point Peelee, last summer.

It has been suggested by Hon. Senator McCoig, that I meet some of the members of this Band, in his office, in order that we may be informed as to what provisions, if any, should be made for them and what they desire.

The Hon. Mr. McCoig suggested that I should secure a brief synopsis of their case, in order that he might be conversant with their case. In this connection I have prepared a synopsis from the file, which I can hand to him.

Ottawa, October 23, 1923.

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Agr. Rep. Dept. of Ind. Affs.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE.

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We ... Ontario District.

Windsor Detachment.

Ottawa File D 62-3 E-1. Ferd City, Ont. # October 27 th. 1922.

Re: - Indiana at Alvinsten, Lambton Cy., Ont.

I beg to report that acting on instructions from Sergt. Birtwistle, I left this detachment in Pelice car, accompanied by Const. Weeks R. G. on Wednerday afternoon last \$5 th. weeks R. G. on the following the partelled by way of Learnington, to inst., and patrelled by way of Learnington, to inst., and patrelled by way for the following Point Pelee Rational Park. On the following on Dedge family of Indians, who had been living on Dedge family of Indians, who had been living on the decided land adjoining the Park, had left the decided land adjoining the Park, had left the decided land adjoining the Park, had left the decided land adjoining the Park, and had left returning to the Alvinston District, and had not been seen or heard from since. This move was evidently occasioned by the fact that the Indians had expected that they would be allowed to hunt evidently eccasioned by the ract that the indian had expected that they would be allowed to hunt and trap on the Park during the deming winter, but on being informed by us on our last patrol that they would not becalled to do so, they decided to return to the Alvissten district. I may add that during their residence on the land adjoining the Park since last May, there are no indications that they have caused desired the state of the stat damage to trees or Park Preperty, There are ne Indians new living near the Park or are there any indications that any will return this winter.

P. E. Ho. 8492. (R. K. Nelsen) Const.

The Officer Commanding, Reyal Canadian Neunted Police, Western Ontario District Terente, Onturio.

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ty. Reg. Re. 4493. (A. Birtwistle).

1/C. Windsor Detachment.

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Ford City, 27. 10. 22.

JED BY - J. G. Kerr

SECONDED BY - Geo. Robertson

AND RESOLVED:

THAT WHEREAS the Band of Indians known as the Saldwell Band formerly eccupied Point Poles and Poles Island and lands in that vicinity.

AND THEREAS the said Band is now sacttered through the Counties of Essex, Kent and Elgin and Lambton, families of them reaming at will at times suffering great hardship and frequently beigg made charges upon the municipalities in which they happen to be.

AND WHEREAS it is apparent that the said Band of Indians are the descendants of Indians who had a bena fide claim upon the Geverament for the support which they gave to the British Grewn during the War of 1812, and investigazien has shown that the said Band of Indians have never been equitably dealt with by the Government.

AND WHEREAS in any event the said Band of Indians have a claim to better theatment than has been accorded them if upon no other principle than that of humanity alone, but investigation has shown:

- That although they were residents of the territory ceded by the Indians to the Grewn by the Treaty of 1790 they were not and their Chiefe were not parties to that Surrender.
- That they did not receive their full share of the moneys payable by the Grewn as the purchase price of that territory, two payments only being made to them.
- That they did not have any voice in the Surrender of all the Islands in Lake Erie (Hen, Chicken, Sister, Bois Blanc and others) while they were the only Indians who really had any claim to these Islands, the Walpele Indians who pretended to surrender those Islands having come from Wisconsin and Northern Michigan.
- Poles Island is not mentioned in the said Surrender. It was occupied by the Caldwell Indians but they have not up to the present time received anything for it. Title was granted the McCormick family by the Treaty of January 20th, 1870, which surremered "all the Islands near the South of the Detroit River, namely, Middle Sister, Hen and Chicken or Bird "Island, East Sister or any other Island in that vicinity." Poles Island is not near the mouth of the Detroit River. It is ten times as large as all the Islands expressly mentioned and if it was the intention to include it it surely would have been mentioned.

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THEREFORE HE IT RESOLVED:

- h. That in the spinion of this Council immediate steps should be taken by the Deminion Government to make prevision for the said Band of Indians so that they will no lenger be obliged to room as they are doing throughout the municipalities in this district, thereby imposing burdens upon the residents and upon the municipalities which the Deminion Government has every right to bear.
- 2. That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs for Canada.

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F. F. Metcher Contry Clork,



The Superintendent General of Indian Affairs for Canada, Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir,

I have been instructed by the Corporation of the Countyef Kent to forward to you the enclosed copy of a resolution passed by them at their December Session.

Yours truly,

J. J. Flicher
County Clork

December 28, 1922.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 15th instant wherewith you enclose a copy of resolution passed by the Corporation of the county of Kent in connection with the band of Indians known as the Caldwell band.

This matter is receiving the attention of the Department and it is hoped that a satisfactory settlement may be arrived at. I may add that these Indians are somewhat difficult to deal with and it is not easy to induce them to take up a fixed abode.

Your obedient servant,

J. F. Fletaker, Req., County Clerk. Chatham, Ont.

J. D. McLean Assistant Deputy and Secretary.

DATED DECEMBER 7th, 1922.

RE: BAND OF CALDWELL INDIANS

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J.H.

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 2043, File 8986-1A)

MOVED BY: MR. ARMITAGE.

SECONDED BY: MR. STONEHOUSE,

AND RESOLVED,

THAT WHEREAS, the Band of Indians known as the Caldwell Band formerly occupied Point Pelee and Pelee Island and lands in that vicinity.

AND WHEREAS the said Band is now scattered through the Counties of Essex, Kent and Elgin, families of them roaming at will at times suffering great hardship and frequently being made charges upon the municipalities in which they happen to be;

AND WHEREAS it is apparent that the said Band of Indians are the descendants of Indians who had a bona fide claim upon the Government for the support which they gave to the British Crown during the War of 1812, and investigation has shown that the said Band of Indians have never been equitably dealt with by the Government;

AND WHEREAS in any event the said Band of Indians have a claim to better treatment than has been accorded them if upon no other principle than that of humanity alone, but investigation has shown:

- (1) That although they were residents of the territory ceded by the Indians to the Crown by the Treaty of 1790. they were and their Chiefs were not parties to that Surrender.
- (2) That they did not receive their full share of the moneys payable by the Crown as the purchase price of that territory, two payments only being made to them;
- (8) That they did not have any voice in the Surrender of all the Indians in Lake Erie (Hen, Chicken, Sister, Bois Blanc and others), while they were the only Indians who really had any claim to those Islands having come from Wisconsin and Northern Michigan.
- (4) Pelee Island is not mentioned in the said.

 Surrender. It was occupied by the Caldwell Indians buy they have not up to the present time received anything for it.

 Title was granted the McCormick family by the Treaty of January.

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20th. 1870 which surrendered "All the Islands near the mouth of the Detroit River, namely, Middle Sister, Hen & Chicken or Bird Island, East Sister or any other Island in that vicinity". Pelee Island is not near the mouth of the Detroit River. It is ten times as large as all the Islands expressly mentioned and if it was the intention to include it it surely would have been mentioned.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. That in the opinion of this Council immediate steps should be taken by the Dominion Government to make provision for the said Band of Indians so that they will no longer be obliged to roam as they are doing throughout the municipalities in this district, thereby imposing burdens upon the residents and upon the municipalities which the Dominion Government has every right to bear.
- 2. That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs for Canada.

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The Superintendent General

of Indian Affairs for Canada,

Parliament Bldgs.,

OTTAWA, ONT.

Dear Sir:-

RE: CALDWELL BAND OF INDIANS

I beg to enclose herewith, for your attention a copy of a resulution passed unanimously at the December Session of the LAMBTON COUNTY COUNCIL, dealing with the rights of the Caldwell Band of Indians,

Yours very truly,

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CLERK.

COUNTY OF LAMBTON.

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Hon. James Murdock Listens to Appeal of Caldwell Band For Land Grant.

Hon James Murdock. Minister of Labor, expressed himself as heartily in sympathy with the movement designed to place the wandering band of Caldwell Indians on a reserve of their own, and provide them with the same Government grants which other tribes receive, at the close of an important conference with a delegation in the Garner House yesterday. He was willing to admit that the treatment of this unfortunate band amounted almost to blot on the civilization of this country, and pledged himself to exert all his influence with the proper authorities to see that conditions are remedied. There are approximately 110 Cald well indians scattered through Kent and the three adjacent counties.

The delegation was headed by Roy Abraham, Indian agent, and J. G. Kerr. K.C., who recently supported the Indians cause in a discussion in the Kent County Council chamber. Representatives of the unfortunate tribo were Mrs. Dodge, John A. Chippewa and Jackson Dodge, veterans of the late war, Archie Dodge and John Thompson.

A historic account of the trials and troubles of the Caldwell band was given by Roy Abraham. He pointed cout to the Minister that the band derives its name from Chief Caldwell, who fought under the Iamous Tecumsch in the war of 1812. The same tribe had distinguished itself, in skirmishes prior to that date. He stated that the tribe originally lived Hon James Murdock, Minister of Labor, expressed himself as heartly

on the shores of Lake Erie, the majority in the neighborhood of Point Pelee. At one time an Indian agent stationed at Hamilton made strong representations to the Crown that teach member of the tribe should be granted two hundred acres. Unfortunately, the agent died, and the movement was quickly forgotton. He stated that in 1839, the white settlers started to encroach upon Point Pelee, and the Indians drifted away. Since that time, the members of the tribe claim they have never received any treatment from the government. Mr. Abraham pointed out that the Walnele Island Indians, descendants of tribes fro Northern Michigan are receiving government grant which treatment he contrasted with that accorded the aCldwell tribe. The speaker made reference to the manner in which various Islands in Lake Erle had been surrendered to the Crown. Pelee Island, which was fifty times larger than any of the other Islands surrendered, was referred to in the treaty as "being included." The speaker described the transaction as the 'tall wagging the dog."

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J.G. Kerr K.C. stated that he se cured a knowledge of the unfortunate affairs as legal representative of the townships of Tilbury East. Romney and Raleigh. From time to time he had been consuled about bands of the Indians, found in unfortunate circumstances. whise "shook the principales of what is right regarding humanity."

"They have no home," he said. "They have no home," he said. "They have no reserve. For some reasons they have not been accorded the same treatment as other Indian tribes. There is a duty on the part of the Crown which was never discharged to these people. It is said that if Laurier had lived that this matter would have been settled, as he was deeply interested in the question. These Indians are a charge, in many cases, upon the townships in which they happen to temporarily live."

To illustrate their peculiar plight. Mr. Kerr stated a few years ago, when smallpox broke out, that numbers "were buried in the woods like dead cattle, without religious rites or ceremonica."

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ment should do something on their behalf as soon as possible.
"Would you be willing to be placed tracther on some reserve?" Mr. Murdock asked. Archie Dodge replied in the affirmative, adding, however, that they would object to going in with another band of Indians. He wished to make it plain, that if they were placed on some established reserve, that they would have the privileges of conducting their own Council.

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At this juncture, Indian Agent Abrahams relied the point that perhaps it would not be wise to locate the Caldwell tribes some distance from other tribes, for marriage reasons. He thought that the most satisfactory arrangement would be to locate them in close proximity to the Walbole reserve.

Senator McCoig supported the request of the Indian delegation. He stated he was peersonally acquainted with the men present, and he could recommend them as hard working, desirable clitzens.

The Hon. Mr. Murdock then dismissed the delegation with the assurance that he would do all in his nower to help them in the cause, "I will place all the information available hefore the proper authorities, and will urge that the request of the Caldwell men be given immediate attention." he said. "I agree that it is a blot on our civilization have continued for so long."

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Trusting to hear from you , I remain,

Yours truly.

Duncan C.Scott Esc. Litt.D. Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affairs. Ottawa, Ont.

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CHATHAM, ONT. Jan 20th., 1926.

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Deer Mr. Scott .-

L wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Jan 12th. 1923, in regard to the Caldwell Indians.

Since discussing this subject with you sometime in October I have been trying to secure as much information as possible. Attended a meeting of the Caldwell Tribe held at Richardson Crossing in Dec. last and there learned that one of the members a James Caldwell (who has been styled by himself Chief) had been exhorting money from the other mambers for a number of years for the purpose of presenting their claims to the Dominion Government. The meeting that I attended. I understand, by Caldwell for the purpose of raising more money for this purpose. So far as I can learn he has not written any letters to our Dant. regarding their case.

The members of the tribe state that they would be willing to accept any reasonable relief measure that would be provided by the Canadian Govt. They suggested that they should be provided with homes with a small of from 40 to 50 acres each for each family head. They also expressed the desire to Mave farm implements provided. If the Govt, epuld not do this they asked that a loan be provided under the same terms as the Soldiers Sattlement act for this purpose.

In discussing this subjet with Semator McCoig he suggested that it would be advisable to interest the Hon.

Mr. Murdock, member for Kent, on their behalf and he arranged for a meeting on Man. 18th. at which he, the Minister, J.S. Kerr. K.C. (representing the County Council) Archie Dodge, Jackson Dodge. John Thompsom. John Chippawa. Frank Chippawa.

Mrs. Thompson and myself were present. I am enclosing a clipping of the press reportof the meeting. There are some of the statments in not correct but it will give you a general idea of what took place.

Both Mr. Murdock and Mr. McCoig expresses themselves as being strongly in favor of the Govt. making some

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provision for them. In my summary of the case I pointed out that our Dept, had tried on a number of occasions to provide some relief for them, that kney had been offered a home on Walpole Island but htat they would not accept. I also pointed out that if the recommendation of our present Deputy who personally investigated their case a number of years ago, had been carried out by the Govt. they would now be living at Point Pelee. Archie Dodge, who acted as spokesman for the deputation for the Indians. replied that the reason his people would not accept homes on Malpole Island was because of the feeling there was at that time on Walpole Island against the allowing them to settle there. He stated that the committee of Caldwell Indians who were there to select locations received a very cold reception and consequently left without making any selections.

In discussing the question with Semator McCoig and Mr. Murdock after the meeting they thought that we should make investigations of the actual requirements of this band, the number of acres that would be needed to properly settle them, the approximate cost etc. Menator McCoig suggested that it might be advisable to purchase St Anna suggested that it might be advisable to purchase St Anna Island from the Walpole Island Indians, drain it and put them there.

This scheme to me worthy of investigation.

St. Anns Island is nearly all located to members of the Walpole Island Band. It is a low lying marshy soil with practically no timber on it. There are only two Indians actually living there at the present time. It is under lease for shooting purposes to the St. Anns Club but their lease expires, I understand, in a short time. If The surveyed portion of the Island comprises 2, 434 acres and would be plenty large enough for the purpose required. In order to drain it suitable for farming purposes a pumping system would have to be constructed. This scheme would cost complete approximately \$15,000. Purchasing the locatees' interest would cost \$3,000 or \$4,000 more. The spection of houses and out buildings would cost in the neighborhoods of \$4.000 or \$5.00. It Anna Island is one of the most fertile spots in the Dominion of Canada and is not at the present time producing anything. To purchase



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Duncan C. Scott Esc. Litt.D. Denuty Supt. General of Indian Affairs. Ottawa, Ont.

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February 8th, 1925.

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Honcurable Charles Stewart.

with reference to the attached letter from the Honourable James Burdock, I think it well to send you my official file on the subject of the Caldwell Indians, and the desirability of locating them on a special reserve.

This question has been a troublescere one for very many years. Mr. Raits Abraham, our Agricultural Representative, held a meeting at my request with the Honourable Mr. Murdock, Senator McCoig, and some prominent local residents. Mr. Abraham reported under date of January 20th, and I propose to ask him to give further under date of January 20th, and I propose to ask him to give further consideration to his suggestion that the Indians should be located on St. Anna Island. I am somewhat doubtful, however, whether this can be arranged. If they are to be permenently located upon land to be regarded as a reserve, it would be a costly matter.

You will note from Mr. Abraham's report that I investigated this case in February, 1896, and if my recommendation then had been carried out the case would have been settled. It becomes increasingly difficult and I am always sceptical about Indians who are really nounds ever being able to settle down and live contentedly in one place but for humans considerations something must be done for these people.

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Deputy Superintendent General.

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February 10, 1923

Monorable James Murdock, Minister of Labour, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ont. Department of Labour

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Secretary to Minister.

Dear Sir: -

Mr. Moses Caldwell, descendant of the Caldwell Tribe Indians, who lives at present at Walpole Island, has called to see me today and produced a newspaper report relative to the Indian property. He is one of the Chippewas and his Grand-father was at one time a resident and occupant of Point Pelee. If I understand him right, the Caldwells occupied Pelee Island, Middle Sister, Little Sister, Gun Powder Island, Boblo and certain properties on the main land.

It seems that these Indians are entitled to consideration, especially the Caldwells who ask nothing but the property which they formerly owned, and never surrendered. They claim one clace in particular, namely Point Pelee which I understand is still in the possession of the Government.

When the Government takes this matter up I think it would be well that you get in communication with this man, Noses Caldwell, P.O. Walpole Island, Ontario, as he is a descendant of William Galdwell, otherwise known as Medweas, descendant of Kowtyaska.

Moses Caldwell has asked me to bring this matter to your attention. Any information which you can give will be greatly appreciated.

PHAD: SJ

Yours respectfully.

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February 22, 1923.

Dear Mr. Murdock, -

The Henourable Charles Stewart has asked me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, with its inclosure, dealing with the Caldwell tribe of Indians.

My Minister is desirous of doing something to provide for these wendering people, if it is at all possible to do so. Any scheme for their establishment would be relatively costly. The suggestion has been made that they should be located on St. Ann's island, and we are now considering that suggestion. I note what Mr. Davis says in his letter to you of the loth. The Department cannot conceive that the Caldwell Indians have any claim to Point Pelee, but as I have before stated, we are desirous of arranging for them a permanent location.

Yours very truly,

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Deputy Superintendent General.

Honourable James Murdeck, Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

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February 22, 1923.

Dear Mr. Abraham,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th ultime with reference to the Caldwell tribe of Indians, and to say in reply that we have been looking into this matter and should be glad if you would give a little more consideration to the suggestion that they be located on St. Ann's island, and make a more detailed report on the question.

Yours very truly,

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Deputy Superintendent General.

R.H.Abraham, Esq., Agricultural Representative for the Department of Indian Affairs, Chatham, Ont.



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February 26th, 1923.

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In further reference to the question of locating the "Caldwell" Indians on part of Talpole Island, and as to the Department's right to do so without the consent of the present occupants, I beg to say,-

- (1) There has always been an understanding on behalf of the present residents that the Reserve was set apart by the Government as a Home for wandering Bands of Indians.
- (2) In 1839 when the Pottawatamies asked for permission to settle in Canada, their Chief Menitogabout stated in a speech that Walpole Island had been set apart by "White Elk" (Colonel McKee) as a resting place for Ojibways, Pottawatamies, and Ottawas.
- (3) In a letter from J.M. Higginson to Indian Agents Jones and Keating, instructions were given to furnish the Indian Department at Toronto with a report on the Ottawas and Pottawatamies arriving from the United States and settling on the upper and lower St. Clair Reserves.

The report mailed from Sarnia June 1-1844 contains this paragraph,-

"(n the upper reserve the Indians claim no right save that of hospitality. They ask their friends to allow them to live and plant on their lands and no more".

"On Walpole Island the case is different, all mention of the ancient treaty of Col. Mokee, by them acknowledged, that it was a place of refuge for the three tribes Chippewas, Pottawatamies and Ottawas. That it was assumed by the Government for that purpose and that purpose only to prevent any claims of exclusive proprietorship in any quarrel that might arise there from." The consequences anticipated in this case cannot therefore occur. At Sarnia it will be easy to get the Chiefs to assign them locations.

The present occupants of Walpole Island came mostly from Northern Michigan and Wisconsin. They are descendants of Indians who fought on the side of the British in the wars with the U.S.. The majority would not have any hereditary claim to land here. They were allowed to settle on Walpole Island in compensation for services rendered and homes lost. It would seem to be a debatable question if the hereditary claim of the Caldwell Indians to homes on Walpole Island would not be better than the claims of the present occupants. This land was Chippewa territory and it has never been surrendered. If the Pottawatamies and Ottawas could be settled there without the consent of the residents it would seem that the Department would be within their right to settle the "Caldwell" Indians there now, providing that the individuals location was respected.

In regard to the Lease of St. Ann's Island, this lease covers only the east end comprising only about half of the total. The lease of the St. Ann's Shooting and Fishing Club expires on Cotober 1st, 1924, but it contains a renewal clause for a further period of ten years, the said new lease to contain the same renewal clause as the former. The only change permitted in the new lease would be in regard to rental the sum to be agreed on, if no agreement could be reached the rent to be determined by an arbitration board. The lease gives the Club the right to exclude all persons, including Indians, from trespassing on the property. It does not, therefore, seem possible to use this portion of St. Ann's Island for the Caldwell Indians unless the Club would agree.

The Western portion which is not under lease, contains 2434 acres. It is divided into 25 lots containing about 97 acres each, most of this is located to members of the Walpole Island Band, it is not being farmed by them, a few cut hay in small quantities, there are no buildings. I think it would be possible to purchase their interest at a small cost per acre.

Almost all the rest of the unoccupied portion of Walpole Island is leased to the St. Clair Flats Gun Club and would not be available for farming purposes for many years, if ever.

R.H. Abraham, Agricultural Representative.

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Office of the Minister of Labour, Ottawa, March 2, 1923.

My dear Colleague, -

Relative to our previous correspondence and discussion of the placing of the Caldwell Indians.

I attach hereto an original letter just received which presents a new aspect to the claims of the Caldwell Indians. This letter was evidently written by an Indian who is probably opposing the claim of the Caldwell tribe, and I am sure the officers of your Department will be fully informed as to the points raised in the inclosed letter.

Yours truly,

James Murdock.

Honourable Charles Stewart,
Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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Muncey, Ont., Feb. 24th, 1923.

To the Hon. James Murdock, Chatham, Ont.

Sir.-

I understand that several meetings have been held concerning the claims of the Caldwell Indians on "Pelee Island" and the surrounding islands. Would you kindly let me know the outcome of the meetings held concerning the Dodge claim. I may say that the descendants (sons and daughters) of the real Caldwells are at present living on the Chippewa reservation at Euncey, Ontario.

I am, Sir,

Yours truly.

Angus Delarey.

P. S .- Would you kindly answer by return mail.

March 7. 1923.

Memorandum:

Honourable Charles Stewart.

I should like to take communication of the letter from Mr.Angus Delarey inclosed with Honourable James Murdock's letter of the 2nd March, but I do not think it throws any additional light on the subject or is of any importance. Mr. Abraham, our Agricultural Representative, at Chatham, is under instruction to examine carefully the proposed location at St.Ann's Island, and I hope to be able to report results at an early date.

Deputy Superintendent General.

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Dear Sir.

I desire to draw your attention to my letter of the 15th February last requesting you to be good enough to advise this Department of the authority under which your Department undertook to deal with Pelee Island in Lake Erie, and what disposition if any has been made of the land forming the island in question.

I would be thankful if you would kindly ℓ ive this matter your early attention.

Yours very truly,

Superintendent.

J.C.Caldwell, Esq.,
In Charge Land & Timber Branch,
Department of Indian Affairs,

Ot tawa .

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Ottawa, May 19th, 1933.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo, number 2448-3, with reference to Pelee Island in Lake Erie, and advise that this island was formerly under the control of this Department in trust for the Indians, but under a lease thereof made by them in 1778, the validity of the titles of the McCormick family was recognized and Letters Patent authorized to be issued by His Excellency In Council in the year 1866.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLexil

J. D. MoLean. Assistant Deputy & Secretary.

Jos. P. punne, Esq.,
Superintendent,
Ordnance, Admiralty & Lands Branch,
Department of the Interior,
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MEMORANDUM

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May 21st, 1923.

D. C. SCOTT -

Referring to your memo of the 7th March last regarding a communication from Mr. Angus Delarey with which was enclosed a letter from the Honourable James Murdock, Minister of Labour, will you kindly let me know if Mr. Abraham has as yet made his report in this matter. If so, if any definite decision has been arrived at.

Private Secretary.

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CHATHAM, ONT. June 9, 1923.

Dear Mr. Scott:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 2nd No. 8986-1A in regard to the placing of the Caldwell Indians on St. Anns Island and in reply I beg to say that a deputation of them consisting of Chief Archie Bodge, Councilman John Thompson, Councilman Frank Chippawa, Richard Sampson, Jackson Bodge and Mrs. Thompson accompanied me to St. Anns Island on Saturday last. The purpose of the trip was to ascertain the kind of soil, etc. that St. Anns Island is composed of, the distance from Wallaceburg and to view the farms in the Townships of Dover and Chatham which have been reclaimed from soil exactly the same as that on St. Anns Island. The deputation were very much pleased with the prospects that St. Anns Island offers. They were delighted with the soil indications. They were also very much pleased with the farms that have been reclaimed on the mainland which save them a good idea of what could be done on St. Anns Island. The deputation were unaminous in approving of the scheme. They propose to call a meeting of their tribe and report in favor of accepting homes there providing the Government is willing to locate them there.

St. Anne Island is a perfect Garden of Eden. There is no timber or bash. After the land is drained, all they would have to do would be to plow it and put it in crop. It is identically the same kind of soil, namely, a deep, rich, black muck that the Rondeau onion marshes are composed of and which sells as high as \$1000 per agre. I am enclosing herewith a map of Walpole Island which will explain the situation better.

The red dotted lines shows the southern extremity of the land on the Walpole Island reservation that is now being sultivated. Of course, this area is not by any means all farmed, not over 4 of it. The total amount would be approximately 8000 acres. Walpole Island, Squirrel Island, St. Anne Island, etc., contains over 40,000 acres so that there is approximately 30,000 acres of land at the Walpole Island Reserve that is not being used by the Indians at the present time. All of this area is capable of being drained and would make the very finest farm land and it is part of this area on St. Anne Island (note the shaded area on the map) that we propose to settle the Caldwell Indians on. This area

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consists of about 1800 acres and would be plenty large enough for the prose.

The area north of the black dotted line on the map has been surveyed and three lots within this area is now held by location ticket by Walpole Island Indians but I am satisfied that their interest could be purchased at a reasonable price.

The area on the map south of the black dotted line within the shaded area, is held under lease by the St. Anns Shooting Club and from all the information I can gather, this area is of no value to the Club for shooting purposes. Within it there are no ponds or marshy land where the ducks would stay and I can see no valid reason why the Shooting Club would not be willing to give up this area and leave it available for farming purposes. It is the area south of the shaded area that is valuable for shooting purposes. This area could be located on the ground by two windmills. South of the windmills is the shooting grounds.

The St. Anns Shooting Club have a lease which provides for the renewal of the old lease for a period of ten years. I believe their lease expires about the end of this year. The only clause that can be changed is the amount of rent that the Club pays and if the Department and the Club are not able to agree as to rental, the lease provides that it will be left to arbitration, one man appointed by the Club, one by the Department and a third to be appointed by these two. There is no doubt in my mind that the Club have not been paying a fair rental as the land on St. Anns Island is exactly the same kind of land as that which is now being farmed in the Fraser Pumping scheme east of the Chanal Ecarts.

In this scheme, the cost of construction of drains and pumping runs about \$1.00 per acre per year. This land rents from \$4 to \$6 per acre which would leave at least \$3 per acre net as the value of the land either in this scheme or on St. Anns Island and it would be very easy for us to produce evidence before an arbitration committee to substantiate this.

The Club are holding at the present time about 3000 acres and rather than pay the rental that they could be forced to pay, they would, in all probability, be willing to give up the 1800 acres we are asking for.

I might also point out that the present lease grants the Club concessions which are not contained in the surrender No. 296 of Feb. 6, 1882 made by the Indians, namely, the surrender distinctly states that it is being surrendered for shooting and fishing only. The lease grants to the Club the right to trap muskrats as well and it will be in the power of the Department to eliminate that clause as you know the Club, according to their own statement, have derived an income from catching muskrats which has been sufficient to cover the most of the expenses of operation and in some years enough to cover all.

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As to the Department's right to place the Caldwell Indians on Walpole Island without the consent of the present residents. I beg to refer you to my letter of Feb. 26, 1925. A large number of the Indians on Walpole Island at the present time admit that the Department would have the right to place any wandering band of Indians on part of the Reserve as long as there was land available.

The cost of this scheme to the Government would be as

follows:

Pumping scheme, etc., approximately For purchasing locatees interest Erecting houses, stables, etc. for incoming \$15,000.00 1,000.00

families. approximately 15 families 15,000.00 Building of ferry for crossing the mainland 600.00

Provision would also have to be made for loans to the families starting in farming for stock and equipment. This would mean an outlay of about \$500 per family. It would also be necessary for breaking the sod to purchase a tractor and plow. This would cost about \$1500.

The Chief and Council of this tribe in conversation/ with me suggested that it would be advisable for me to supervise their farming operations for the first four or five years.

If the Department propose to take up this question with the St. Anns Shooting Club, I would be glad to go over to St. Anns Island with a representative of the Shooting Club and try and come to some understanding with them as to the southern boundary line. It might be advisable for us to meet their wishes in this regard and not interfere with their shooting reserve, mouther is senseiny

I have the honor to be.

Your obedient servant,

June hri plan D.C.Scott, Litt. D., Dept. of Ind. Aff., OTTAWA, Ontario. 1500 trueto

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R. H. ABRAHAM. Agr. Rep. Dept. of Ind. Aff.

July 24th. 1923.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Featherston -

Replying to your memorandum of the 21st.

instant regarding the location of the Caldwell Indians
on St. Ann's Island, I would state that Mr. Abraham,
our Agricultural representative, who has been personally
interested in this matter, reported to Mr. Scott
on the 9th. June and further discussed the question
with him on the occasion of his recent visit to Ottawa
about the 12th. instant. I would not propose to
take any further action in the matter during Mr.
Scott's absence.

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Acting Deputy Superintendent General.

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Upon the petition of the widow and surviving sons and daughters of the late William McCormick of Point-auPelce Island in Lake Eric praying that the judgment obtained by the Crown in Easter term 1859 on the Information for an Intrusion in Reginary. McCormick may be waived and that a patent may issue confirming their title to that Island the Chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs has the honor to report.

That one Thomas McKee, a half breed Indian and connected with the Indians by marriage, on the 1st. May 1778 obtained a lease for 999 years of Pointe-au-Pelee Island from the Chiefe and Sachemo of the Chippewa and Ottawa nations (said to have been) then owning and inhabiting the Island - under this lease Thomas McKee and his tenants went into possession and so remained until the year 1815 when he died, and his only son Alexander doller, claiming to have inherited the property, leased it to William McCormick who went into possession and continued as tenant to Alexander MoKee up to the year 1823 when he purchased the fee of the Island from his landlord for £125. William McCormick continued upon the Island and improved and cultivated it and dying in 1840 devised it by his last will to the present petitioners until 1858 no doubt existed in the minds of the occupants of the Island as to the validity of their title, but some members of the family being in that year desirous of selling their interests, objection was taken on behalf of intended purchasers to the title, and they were advised by Mr. Prince, 4.0. to ask for the institution of an amicable suit to set it at rest - The Information for an Intrusion filed at their instance by the Attorney Ceneral, resulted/

length of possession did not ban the Crown, no proof
having been given that it had not in the first instance
been taken by a mere intruder not asserting a title This conclusion was arrived at by the Court of Queens
Bench upon a special case stated between the Counsel for
the Attorney General and the Counsel for the defendents in
which special case the existence of a lease from the Indians
and of the holding under it by McKee and McCormick was not
mentioned - It is urged by the petitioners that had the
existence of the Indian lease been stated, the Court would
have arrived at a different decision, and would have held
that the lapse of 60 years did ban the Crown.

The Chief Superintendent is advised by the Solicitor for the Indian Department that neither the lease from
the Indians nor the length of possession constitutes a
sufficient legal tital to the Island, that the lease from
the Indians was made in violation of the King's proclamations in force at the time of its execution which forbade
purchases being made from the Indians save by His Majesty's
officers, Governors of His Provinces, or Chief Superintendents
of Indians, and that the length of possession does not ban
the title of the Crown inasmuch as no Cession had ever been
obtained of the Island from the Indian occupants, nor possession of it ever taken in respect of the Crown's prerayative - The opinion of Mr. Bernard is submitted herewith.

Assuming the land to be as laid down by the Court, and reaffirmed by Mr. Bernard, notwithstanding the omissions in the statement of the special case on which the petitioners lay stress, it is clear that active and continuous possession of the Island has been held by the McKees - father and son - and the McCormick's - father sone and daughters - from the year 1778 ip to the present time, that a considerable

portion of the tillable land has been brought under cultivation.farm houses and other buildings erected, and other improvements made and that during that long period the title has not only been unquestioned either by the Crown or by the Indians, but indirectly recognized by both - in the one case by the purchase of materials from the McCormick's for the construction of Fort Malden, and treating for the purchase of land for the construction of a lighthouse, and in the other by individual Indians taking leases for fishing and trapping from the family: By William McCormick's last will he devised to his wife a life estate in the "Home Farm" and 200 acres of woodland adjoining it .- he charged three other farms specified with the support and education of the younger branches of his family during their minority. He left to his sister Elizabeth a life interest in the "Butler Farm", and devised to each of his 8 sons and 3 daughters a farm particularly designated and to be made up to the complement of 300 sores - He provided that 100 acres of land not otherwise disposed of should be reserved for the support of a school, and that a certain space should be marked out for a village plot, a church, and a school house, and gave the residue of the Island, a saw mill with two acres around it, and all stone, cedar, timber, village plot church and school lot, and hunting and fishing privileges equally amongst his 11 children.

The arduous task of the settlement of lands in Canada in its earlier history was in the instance much augmented, and the attendant hardship, dangers, and exposure much increased by the distance of the Island from the main shore - The struggles and suffering of McCormick, his wife, sister and family in the settlement of Point-au-Pelee Island

in the development of its resources, and the creation of farms out of the wilderness, his will shows that he supposed that his exertions and been crowned with success, and that he had made a suitable provision for his large family both as to their immediate support and religious and secular instructions and subsequent careers.

Under all the circumstances, the chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs is of opinion and humbly recommends to your Excellency that the title of the McCormick family to Foint-au-Pelee Island should be confirmed, and that the provisions of William AcCormick's will should be carried out under a patent from the Crown subject to a reservation of land for a lighthcuse in addition to the provisions for public purposes contained in the will - The whole area of the Island embraces about 12000 acres, but much of it is marshy land, and certainly less than half of it fit for cultivation.

Should any of the Indian Tribe which originally owned the Island be in existence, it will be necessary to obtain a surronder of their reversion; should the tribe be extinct, the Grown may assume the reversion and the patent may issue.

The whole humbly submitted.

Crown Lands Department. Ottawa 4 April 2056

(Sed.) A. Campbell.

To Provide an amount to place the Caldwell Band of Indians on St. Ann's Island - in Lake St. Clair - Ontario -

\$40,600.00

These Indians number 104 souls, comprising
21 families, with 84 members and 20 other single Indians,
and are at present scattered through the counties of Essex,
Kant, and Elgin, at times suffering great hardship and frequently being made charges upon the Municipalities in which
they happen to be. The Municipalities have petitioned the
Department to make provision for the said Band of Indians and
settle them on a reserve where they can earn their own living
and no longer be a burden and a source of annoyance.

The Department has had the question fully investigated and it is recommended that these Indians should be located on St. Ann's Island, in lake St. Clair which forms a part of the Walpole Island Indian Reserve. The soil is very rich on this Island and after it has been drained will prove very productive and has been described as a garden of Eden.

The cost of locating the Indians on St. Ann's Island is estimated as follows, viz:-

Erecting house, stables, etc., for approximately 15 families -	r -		\$15,000.00
Purchasing locatees interest	-		1000.00
Drainage of land	-	-	15,000.00
Ferry for crossing to mainland	-	-	600.00
To purchase a tractor and plough	-	-	1,500.00
Loan of \$500.00 to each of 15 families to purchase stock & farming equipment	•	•	7.500.00
			\$40,600.00

Oct. 25th 1923.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable
The EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, approved by His
Excellency the Governor General in Council
on the 9th June 1866.

annexed Report of the Honorable the Chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs consurred in by the Honble Attorney General N.C. on a Petition from the widow and surviving sons and daughters of the late William McCormick of Pointe au Pelce Ieland in Lake Eric - praying that the Judgment obtained by the Grown in Easter Term 1859 on the Information for an Intrusion in Regima vs McCormick, may be waived, and that a Patent issue confirming their Title to that Island, and they respectfully report their concurrence in the said annexed Report and for the reasons therein given recommend that a Patent issue subject to the reservation and condition suggested by the Chief Superintendent.

Certified

(Sgd.) Wm. H. Lee. C.E.C.

To the Honourable.
The Chief Supt. Indian Affairs.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR CANADA

Ordnance Admiralty and Railway Lands Branch

CARLING BUILDING OTTAWA. 29th November, 1923.

Dear Sir.

This Department is endeavouring to clear up the titles in certain Ordnance and Admiralty lands scattered throughout the various provinces and which have been from time to time transferred to Canada by the Imperial authorities.

It is noted that in your letter of the 19th May last your file No.8986-lA. and in which you state that letters patent for Pelee Island had been authorized to be issued by His Excellency in Council in the year 1866. I am now to request that you would kindly have this Department furnished with a copy of the Order in Council referred to and also a copy of the letters patent issued by your Department for the Island in question.

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For your information I am enclosing herewith a copy of our sketch map showing the various reserves in Upper Canada including Pelee Island and which please return with your reply.

Yours truly,

J.D.McLean, Esq.,
Aget. Deputy & Secretary,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

Superintendent.

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Ottawa, December 5, 1923.

Dear Sir, -

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, with reference to the subject of title to Pelee Island, in Lake Erie. For your information I inclose herewith copy of Order in Council issued on the 9th day of June, 1866, also copy of a report submitted by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, which formed the basis for issuing the Order in Council. You will note the condition laid down in the last paragraph of the report, with respect to the possible reversionary interest of certain Indians. It was subsequently decided that a surrender obtained in the year 1870 removed this bar to the issue of title, but in the year 1877, when this matter was brought to the attention of the then Superintendent General, Hon. Clifford Sifton, he instructed that no action should be taken with respect to the issue of patent unless application therefor had been made, and if and when such application was received, to submit it to him for decision.

As a matter of fact, no application has been made to the Department for patent, and the matter so rests.

The map which accompanied your letter is returned herewith.

Yours very truly,

J. D. McLean . Assistant Deputy & Secretary.

P. Dunne, Esq.,
Superintendent,
Ordnance, Admiralty & Railway Lands Branch,
Department of the Interior,
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rlin, Ordanio, De 12# 1923. Dept of Strade Offices Ottawa Manada. MINISTER'S OFFICE DEC 14 1923 DEP'T. OF INTERIOR Dear Sir, I have been requested by my band (knownas Galdwell Indians) to forward our situation and request to you. Indroducing my band. I might say that they have always resided on a portion of land known as Point Pile. in the town ship of nurse in Essex County up will some fifty years ago. In the war of 1812. - 14 They fought fortheis Great Father against the Americans and lost most of their warriors, Occording to our history as hands down from generaliers to generation our boys were given a portion of land fur warrior as a reward for their services during the war. after the war our hours were asked to go home by their white military leader to go and glaze for them selves any postion of land which they desired. I key lid not wish to leave their old.

They glazed from the mouth of Sturgers Creek making Sturgers as their west boundary and up the stream to a certain to time been which was glazed From thence East to a certain place on the East back of Point Pelec, It rom that line 6 aldwell Indians have always thought that, that portion of landwhile lies south of the above boundaries was their reserve tod with the exception of fee naval reserve on a certain portion of the point on Point Pelec. This of come was their compen sation for their Services in the ward was their compen sation for their Services in the ward

Cecording to the costum of the band they always went up in the north country to built and in Search of medicinal rooks and barks which did not grow in their own country, These trips took as long as two years and often longer. On arriving homeafter this particular trip they found while people living on their old home. They did not care to drive them off as those while people were miserable poor. And they did not care to stay

They have no homes which they can call their own and are scattered all over these neighboring countries. Thus present homes consists of little wee tiny sharties or shacks. They are too small.

Some of those places are a real disgrace, a disgrace to hum anity. Some of those places are places are not fet for a Temporary dwelling but those Indians stay in such like places the whole year wround.

Some four years ago. Small por broke out among the Indians. It was hovible, a very small number of them who did not have it was really bushy Lots of them died. Tuber culosis has been common This disease not only takes one, not only a whole family ful may be numbers of other families, all caused by our crowded dwellings, other contagious devices are the same.

Fre our crowded dwellings or shacks are caused by ignor ance, Ignorance of the worst soit. Our people have no education. Four of our people over the age of twenty five might have past the "prime", The rest could not spell or write their own name. The Iducation that our children are getting to -day is rotten The majority of them grow out of school age und they are not out of the "primer" It seems im possible. but its true, for the children are here for the truth. The cause of this is because the parent does not know the value of educations to his child und he keeps ayoing wandering one place to unother. The outcome is the child don't go to school. He neely geto started and he has I guit. The next school maybe the next mobiles puts him away back where he started from and etc. and by that way he never learns, all because the parent does not know, He has ne permanent home, therefore has nothing to keep him in one place. Iwo years ago some families in her band had some or all their children taken away from them because they could not support them. They were sich

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The father was in bed rick helpless. a sad affair.

a bunch of them leved in a small shack, not one fatt or two families but a bunch 6 heldren's and society come after the children . The mother said afterwards that she could not say an exthing. She loved those children, Those children were all she hived for. She fell bad over them she cried and to-day her proud jet black, has turned nearly white. The bound in that shack, that was the truly home that they had. It was uninhabitable why the authorities had it burned after they had moved In many cases my people have been unable to meet their doctor bills, and other bills, But the doctors name been kind enough to help and I might say that Leach and talk to them . For one instance. I might mention his name, For Stewart of merlin has done a great deal for the Indians in many ways but our people have not been able to meet their bills . Those bills I understand have been forwarded to the Sownships but lately the townships are unwilling to pay for them as They have paid for a quite a few, and I might say that our people are a burden to different townships.

me people are not a lazy people. They are a good worker and can be recommended by their employers. But its the lack of knowledge of how to use their money when they have it. This could be remedied of they had a permanent home where we could cooperate and educate our children Tropic supervision and education and a permanent home I'm sure can getred of this ignorance in a coarse of a very few years would find our people an intellectual and a prosperous people, In my introduction I for behalf of my band) did not lay claim on any portion of land but I only wanted to illustrate my band's openion on that portion of land. We wish to apologize if we have done anything discrimating to our country during that rediculous squabble on Point Teles. last summer, which was due to misrepresentation of some old worthless track that a cirlain party had in his possession more for weld catting on his pail. I gnorance played its part again. or we would have mere went the found. my people couldn't read what he had.

Country in the war of 1812-14. British Empire needed men then. Was the services of our men worth while then? bus boys fought, bled and died, came home disabled, dued of inflictions received in this late war. Dur boys have fought, and modouth will fightagain to keep the flag of the British Empire flying.

As words of the government. I, for behalf of my band) request the government for a home for my uniforwable pupile. Anywhere where we can make our necessities of life, where we are accustomed to the climate and where we can have our own independent council. Please help us,

Yours truly

Orch. L. Dodge

Chief.

December 21st, 1923.

Dear Chief:-

Your letter of the 12th instant addressed to the Hon. Charles Stewart has been referred to me for reply.

You are, of course, aware that this Department has for some time been considering the advisability of providing a permanent home for the so called "Caldwell Band" of Indians.

understand that you and your people would look favourably on a location at Walpole Island or St. Anne's Island, a part of the Walpole Island Reserve. I am anxious to do all that is possible towards the betterment of your Indians, but you will understand that consideration must be given to the expenses which will be incurred in any such move.

Before undertaking to ask the Government of Canada to provide funds to meet the expenses of establishing the "Caldwell" Indians at Walpole Island. I would like to know from you, how many would be prepared to go there and whether they would definitely agree to settle and remain on the location provided, and earry on farming as a meens of livelihood.

I am of course, most anxious that any scheme undertaken will prove acceptable to the majority of the band in order that it may be taken advantage of by all or nearly all of these people who are now without permanent homes.

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In the meantime I would like to keep in touch with the Caldwell Indians throughout the winter and would like to know, from you, where each family is, how employed, etc. In order that some supervision may be carried out, pending a more permanent solution of your problem, I am directing an official of the Department to keep in touch with as many of the scattered families as possible, and any information along these lines that you can furnish will, no doubt, be useful.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

December 28, 1923.

Dear Mr. abraham;-

I am placing an amount in our estimates which will enable us to make a start towards the establishment of the "Caldwell" Indians in a permanent home.

considerable information, and in order that the usefulness of your work in this connection may not be lost to
the Department through the necessary delay in obtaining
a suitable appropriation from parliament. I desire that
you will keep in touch with these Indians throughout the
winter. Unless this is done some of the families are
likely to be lost track of, and the results of much of
your original effort will have been lost.

It is quite possible that there may be cases of hardsnip among these people owing to unemployment, and I wish you would advise me of any deserving cases, in order that relief may be allowed. I do not, of course, wish to establish a precedent that will tend towards increasing our already large expenditure, but feel that under the circumstances we would be warranted in relieving specially deserving cases if there should be such necessity.

In the course of the winter, as you come in touch with these people, it will be well for you to keep before them the idea of a permanent home and endervour to have them undertake to move to such suitable location as may be provided.

R. H. Abraham Maq., Agricultural Representative. Chatham, Ont.

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I am particularly anxious that any arrangement entered into may be for the benefit of all the band rather than for just a few families.

I trust you will give this matter eareful thought and attention during the winter, and keep me regularly advised as to your connections with the various members of the Band.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CANADA

CHATHAM. ONT. Dan 5, 1924.

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Dec. 28 in respect to the establishment of the Caldwell Indians. I note that you are making provision in the estimates to make a start with the scheme. I trust that the amount that you have placed in the estimate would be sufficent to cover the cost of the pumping scheme. This will be the first thing that would be necessary. You will note in my estimate that this item would run approximately \$15000. Of course this is not definite in any way, but I had the advice of an engineer who has been doing considerable drudging

work and that is the figures he gave me

I intend to keep in close touch with the Calawell Indians this winter and will report to you any cases which I consider should have relief. I might say that while at Ottawa, recently I should have relief. I might say that while at Ottawa, recently I has some D.S.C.R. supplies----overcoats, underelething, sent up to Chatham and I have been handing them out to some of them some of this clothing. The provision which I have outlined in my estimate I think would be adequate to establish all the band. You will note in my schedule of the families that there were a total number of families of twenty-one with eighty-four members in them and that there were twenty others with scanning to the interest of the same sent to the same sent to the same sent them. in them and that there were twenty others who seemed to be independent from connections with any families, making a total of one hundred and four(104). I might say that I am supplying the different Indian agents in Ontario with one of these lists, asking them to check over with numbers of their band to see that we are not duplicating.

Thanking you, I remain,

Yours truly.

R. H. ABRAHAM, LGR. REP. DEPT. OF IND. AFF.

Duncan C. Scott, Asq., Litt. D.1 Deputy Supt. General of Ind. Aff., OTTAWA.

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J. C. ELLIOTT, K.C. R. G. IVEY

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Jan.31 st. 1924.

Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sirs :-

RE PELEE ISLAND CLAIM.

We have been consulted by certain Indians, who we are now informed, are living at the Muncey Reserve here who allege to have certain claims concerning Pelee Island property. Before going further into the matter we would be glad to have you write us letting us know what the facts are in connection with these claims. You, no doubt, have a file as we are informed the matter has been standing for some time.

Yours truly.

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Ottawa, February 5, 1924.

Gentlemen,

re Peles Island claim.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo in the above matter, and in the absence of a more specific inquiry, beg to advise that this Department does not lay claim to Point Pelce as an Indian Reserve, and there are no unextinguished aboriginal rights in that part of the country. If any Indians have located on lands in that vicinity as squatters, they would be subject to treatment as trespassers.

Your obedient Servant,

Assistant Deputy & Secretary.

Ivey, Elliott, Weir & Gillanders, Barristers, etc., London, Ont.

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Ottawa, February 26, 1924.

Dear Mr. Abraham, -

I inclose herewith a letter received from the Chief of the Caldwell Indians, and in which he refers at some length to the proposed establishment of the members of his Band on a portion of Walpole Island.

It is apparent that these Indians are anticipating an early settlement on the island, and I should be glad if you would report with respect to the several matters mentioned by Chief Dodge. Be good enough to return the inclosure with your reply.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

R. H. Abraham, Esq., Agricultural Representative, Chatham, Ont.

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AGRICULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CANADA

CHATHAM, ONT. March 16, 1924.

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Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 15, in regard to a letter sent in by James Caldwell who claims to be the chief of the Caldwell Indians. In reply I beg to say that the only claims to being chief, James Caldwell would have, is that he is a descendant of an Indian who was chief during the war of 1812.

He states in this letter that he is speaking on behalf of the majority of the Caldwell descendants. He handed me a petition which I am enclosing, which is supposed to be signed by all of the descendants of the Caldwell Indians. All of the people who signed this, with the exception of James Caldwell, are members of the Caradoc Heserve. I have pointed out that what the Dept. would like to do is to find homes for the homeless Indians and that I have no authority to discuss with any of them compensation for territory which they claim. The names of Caldwell Indians furnished the Dept. are direct descendants of Indians who were members of this tribe as per a list furnished the Dept. thirty years ago by James Caldwell's father.

I might say that the present chief and council of the Caldwell Band was elected at a meeting to which James Caldwell was invited. Practically all of the members of this tribe who are not already members of some other band were present at the meeting, and the present officers were elected by an unanimous vote.

The Caldwell tribe have denounced James Caldwell on the ground that he has in the past collected large sums of money from them for the purpose of advancing their claim to Peles Island. They claim that he has not used the money so collected for this purpose.

I might say that James Caldwell was present at a meeting which I attended a short time ago and protested there against any of them receiving anything from the Ind. Dep.t in the shape of a home.

Trusting that this information will be what you wish. I am returning, herewith, letter which is addressed to Hon. Chas. Stewart.

Yours truly,

Retabraham R. H. ABRAHAM, AGR. REP. DEPT. OF IND. AFF.

J. D. McLean, Esq., The Secretary, Dept. of Ind. Aff., Ottawa.

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immediate necessities to carry on farming, They will also need provisions of life such as food and fuel. But we will expect to be individually responsible for our each and every farming equipments and necessities or provisions of life, if a reasonable loan can be given un for them purposes. In your letter you inquired how many would be prepared to go and definitely agree to stay on location and carry on farming as their means of livelihood. In reply I want to say that all of us have been born and raised to brought up in this farming country, and we have always worked on farms. and our ambition is to be farmers with the object to be prosperous, and we are prepared to go to st anner only for our financial embourement. There are at present twenty one families or men our The age of liverty one who would go to Stamwat Mr Scott, In trusting that you will give this matter a very servers Consideration, I hope you will not think we are asking for low much. We are Indians and descendarily of Indians who

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have lived in their localities, We have never been included to share in the Enjoyments which other Indian have or are injuying. The wason for this is because our forfathers did not realize the value of establishing themselves by your department, There was a line when my Indian's forefathers could live very needy among the white people They did not have to pay any untor fuel and could make their means of living by hunting and the fore of othe weld animal that they caught, when hunting season was our they would make laskels, ax handles ite, and in trade git the necessities of life. They could get material for such purpose any where free of charge, but today of we by that stunt, we would get in jail or take a chance of getting mobbed in the bush, The line has come when those comminues are a thing of the past. How this country is thickely populated, industrious and prospersus, we, the Indians of this generation much now follow the mode of our white neighbor in life and in industry. In order to do this we must have land.

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and under the same flag when my ancidor fought and bled, we in turn appeal to you, not to fight, not to risk your life, or even have but drop of blood taken from you, all we ask you is a chance, a start and we will do the rest. I willing that this will meet with your approval. Thanking you.

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OFFICE OF THE
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
CANADA
CHATHAM, ONT. March 16, 1924.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acmowledge receipt of your letter of Feb. 25. File No. 8986-1A, containing a letter from Chief archie Dodge of the Calawell Indians, and in reply I beg to say that I have gone over this letter carefully and the requests made in this letter seem to be very moderate and reasonable.

He has asked that St. Annes Island be drained suitable for cultivation. He has asked also that provision be made for house and building, for fencing, and for land drainage. He has also requested that loans be granted them for the purchase of livestock, equipment, and for seed, etc.

One of the things he has suggested that a returned drainage system be out in, namely water tile drains that would take the water off in the spring and bring it back in the fall, would be rather expensive, and I doubt very much whether it would be very practical. With a ditching machine that we have it would not be very expensive to put in tile drainage systems, but to make them return systems world cost a great deal more, and would not be as serviceable for removing water. However this could be taken up when the drainage system was being put in and the advisability of it be decided.

He states in his letter that twenty families would be ready to go to the Island and take up land. This is more than I expect on the start. There would be twenty families who would be eligible to be located, but I coubt whether we would get twenty families to remove there and start farming at present.

He has enclosed a list of heads of families, and people who are without homes, and who have always been considered members of their tribe. I might say that all of the Indians

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included in this list are Indians, or descendants of Indians declared to be members by Robert Caldwell about thirty years ago. In any case they are all of them homeless Indians and are not members of any band of Indians.

I might say that I have written practically all of the Indian agents in Ontario furnishing them with a list and those who were already members of any band were struck off.

You will note that Chief Dodge states that they are very much pleased with the type of the soil at St. Annes Asland, and that they would be perfectly satisfied to go there. I attended a meeting of some twenty five of these Indians, and they all expressed their desire to go to St. Annes Island and take up homes there.

I sincerely trust that you will be able to make some provision for these poor, unfortunate, homeless people.

I remain,

Yours truly,

R. H. ABRAHAM. AOR. REP. DEPT. OF IND. AFF.

Duncan C. Scott, Esq. Litt. D., Deputy Dupt. General of Ind. Aff., Ottawa. I A

Ottawa, April 2, 1924.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th ultimo, addressed to the Honorable the Superintendent General, and with respect to the proposed settlement of the Caldwell Indians on portion of Walpole Island.

The Department has this matter under consideration at the present time, and I have to advise that whatever negotiations are necessary are being conducted with the recognized Chief of the Band, A. L. Dodge, of Coatsworth, Ont.

Your obedient Servant

J. D. Molean. Assistant Deputy & Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CANADA

CHATHAM, ONT. April 26, 1924.

Dear Dr. Scott:

In further reference to locating the Caldwell Indians on a portion of Pt. Annes Island, I beg to say that the first thing that we will have to do is to purchase the interest held by one or two Walpole Island Indians, who have been granted location tickets within the area we wish to purchase. I do not think it would take over \$4.0. or \$700.00 to buy them out. It would also be necessary to have one of the surveyors from your Jepartment come down and make an outline survey, which we could submit to the officers of the gun club for approval. This should be done as soon as at all fossible. The most suitable time to have it done would be about the loth offisy. As soon after that as possible we should secure the services of a competent drainage engineer to lay out drading scheme, but in this connection I will write you again.

Yours truly,

R. H. ABRAHAM.

Duncan C. Scott, Esq., Litt. D., Deputy Supt.Gen. Dept. of Ind. Aff. Ottawa.

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Ottawa, 2nd May 1924

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In reply to your letter of the 28th ultimo regarding lands for the Caldwell Indians on St.Anne's Island, I may say it is expected that Mr.W.R.White,D.L.S., of this Department, will meet you at Chatham about the 15th May and will make such survey of the lands as may be desired. If you are at the Department in the meantime, kindly call at the Surveys Branch.

Funds are available for the purpose of obtaining Quit claims from the Indians having improvements on the lands affected. You are requested to endeavour to obtain quit-claim agreements from the holders for the approval of the Department.

(J. MoLean)
Assistant Deputy and Secretary.

Abraham Esq., Agricultural Representative, Chatham, Ont.



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

May 7th. 1924.

MEMORANDUM

Will you kindly prepare cheque

in favour of Mr. R. H. Abraham for the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of obtaining quit claims from the Caldwell Indians on St. Anne's Island having improvements on the lands affected.

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Ottawa,8th May 1924

sir,-

You are requested to proceed to Walpole Island to make a subdivision of a portion of St. anne's Island for the Caldwell Indians, as soon as possible after the 15th May next. 15th May next.

You will meet Mr.R.H. Abraham in Chatham and he will accompany you on the work. Kindly consult him as to the size of the lots. It should be noted that the subdivision does not extend closer than half a mile from pond No.21 of the Shoeting lease.

Your obedient servant,

(J.D.McLean) Assistant Deputy and Secretary. epartment of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Ont.

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FILE NO.

Ottawa, May 13th, 1924.

Dear Dr. Scott,

Agreeable to the arrangement made over the telephone, I am asking Mr.T.H.Dunn,C.E., Reclamation Engineer of this Branch, to wait upon you for the purpose of enquiring about the engineering investigation and report which you desire concerning a drainage proposition near Wallaceburg. I can, without any reservation, recommend Mr.Dunn to you as a suitable engineer for the purpose in question.

I appreciate your seeking our co-operation in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

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

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Ottawa, 16th May 1924

R. H. Abraham Agricultural Representative, Chatham, Ont.

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J. -- MoLean

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Ottawa, 20th May 1924

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I beg to confirm the following telegram sent you on the 18th instant,-

White delayed at St.Regis STOP Necessary to postpone St.Anne survey probably till May twenty-seventh STOP Will advise you as to date early next week.

Mr. White expects to reach Chatham on Monday May 26th and hopes to arrange to take an early our to Wallaceburg the following morning.

Your obedient servant,

t Deputy and Secretary. R.H.Abraham Esq., Agricultural Representative, Chatham,Ont.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

Ottawa, 22nd May 1924

Memorandum

Accountant, -

Since receiving cheque # 220 for \$300.00 from Vote # 281, for expenses of survey at St. Anne's Island, it has been decided that the Reclamation Branch of the Department of the Interior will have a party taking levels and outlining a scheme for reclamation. Their expenses are to be paid by me. I would therefore request you to be good enough to give me a further advance of \$250.00.

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Ottawa, 22nd May 1924

Sir,-

With further reference to letter to you of the 20th instant, I may say it has been decided to set up a camp on the ground to do this work.

The Reclamation Branch of the Department of the Interior is sending an engineer whose party will be taken care of at our camp. I shall require the services of a competent male cook, to cook for a party of about eight men for about ten days. He should be at wallaceburg on Tuesday morning, May 27th. The usual pay for this kind of service is \$4.00 per day. Kindly endeavour to secure a suitable man.

our obedient servent,

(J.D. WoLean) Assistant Deputy and Secretary.

R.H.Abraham Esq., Agricultural Representative, Chathem, Ont.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CANADA

Ottawa, 2nd June 1924

Memorandum

Chief Surveyor, -

I beg to recommend that a further advance of \$200.00 be made to Mr.Thomas H.Dunn,in personal charge of the reclamation survey at St.Anne Island for the Caldwell Indians.

Owing to the height of the reeds and the amount of water encountered, the survey has been somewhat more expensive than was at first estimated, although it is being economically performed.

Mr. Dunn would like the money sent to the Bank of Montreal at Wallaceburg, Ont., as soon as possible. I informed him that I thought it would be there by Wednesday.

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· Walpole Island , June , 10th . 1924.

General Council, of both Bands, held at the Parish Hall, passed the following:-

That we protest usuinst the settlement, of the Culdwell Tribe, on St.Anne's Island, which is being dome without the consent, of the Indians, of Welpole Island.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR







Ottawa, June 18th, 1924.

Dear Mr. White -

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 2nd sent to Wallaceburg, Ontario, and also Departmental cheque for two hundred dollars (\$200) sent to Bank of Montreal.

In addition to the above amount the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) was advanced by Mr. Abraham on the understanding that this would be returned to him on my arrival in Ottawa. Kindly make such arrangement for the proper accounting of this latter amount as may be satisfactory to your Department.

Yours truly,

Thos. H. Dunn.

Mr. Russell White, Esq., O.&D.L.S., Department of Indian Affairs, Booth Building, Ottawa.

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Ottawa, June 18th, 1934.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 12th instant forwarding minutes of General Council of the Walpole Island Band protesting against the settlement of the Caldwell Indians on St. Anne's Island.

In reply to the above I may say that it has always been assumed by the Department that Walpole Island Reserve was set apart by the Government as a place whereon might be settled any bands of Indians without reserves of their own and it is not considered that the present occupants have any exclusive rights or privileges.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. MoLean. Assistant Deputy & Secretary.

Thomas Paul, Esq., Indian Agent, S A R N I A, Ontario.

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Ottawa, June 23rd, 1924.

Right Reverend and Dear Sir:-

I have received your letter of the 14th instant with reference to the proposed settlement of the Caldwell Indians on St. Ann's Island and intimating that the present occupants of Walpole Island resent the action of the Department in not first submitting the matter to them for consideration.

The Walpole Indians are evidently under some misapprehension in this matter as there was no lack of courtesy on the part of the Department and no violation of Treaty Rights for the reason that no Treaty Rights exist and the Department was not under any obligation to make the subject one of negotiation. The Walpole Island reservation was criginally set aside, many years prior to Confederation, as a resting place in years prior to Confederation, as a resting place in years prior to Confederation. Ho claim of exclusive wandered across the border. Ho claim of exclusive proprietorship has ever been recognized and in fact I proprietorship has ever been recognized and in fact I proprietorship has ever been recognized and in lact a doubt if any has ever been advanced. The Walpels Indians are descendants of Indians who fought on the side of the British against the Americans in the early days and were allowed to settle where they now are as compensation for services rendered. In so far as any compensation for services rendered. hereditary rights may seem to be involved the Galdwell Indians would appear to have an equal if not better claim as the land was originally Chippena Territory, was never surrendered, and the Caldwell Indians are mostly of Chippewa descent.

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The Chief of the Caldwell Band, Archie Dodge, a very intelligent Indian, has taken a great interest in the present proposal and has informed the Department that the settlement of his Band on St. Ann's Island will undoubtedly be greatly to their benefit. Further, he has expressed himself as much pleased with the efforts now being put forth in their behalf. The settlement of this homeless and wandering band, numbering in all about one hundred persons, will place them under the direct administration of the Department. Homes will be provided, agricultural implements will be furnished and all necessary facilities given for the education of their children and the general improvement of their physical and social condition.

The interest which Your Grace has taken in this matter is deeply appreciated, but the Department is convinced the fulfillment of the present plan is the best and only possible solution of a long-standing difficulty.

Yours very truly,

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June 23rd, 1924

Dear Madam:

I regret my absence when you called at the Department last week for information regarding the proposed settlement of the Caldwell Indians on Walpole Island, and wish to submit the following observations, which I trust will give the Social Service Council the information they desire.

In the first place I would point out that the Chippews and Pottawatamie Indians do not occupy Walpole Island nor the adjacent islands constituting the reserve, by virtue of any Treaty rights, for the reason that no Treaty rights exist. The Walpole Indian reservation was originally set eside, many years prior to Confederation, as a resting place in common for Ojibways, Pottawatamies and Ottawas who had wandered across the border. No claim of exclusive proprietorship has ever been recognised, and in fact I doubt if any has ever been advanced. The Walpole Indians are descendants of Indians who fought on the Walpole Indians are descendants of Indians who fought on the side of the British against the Americans in the early days and were allowed to settle where they now are as compensation services rendered. In so far as any hereditary right to have an equal if not better claim, as the land was originally Chippewa Territory, was never surrendered, and Caldwell Indians are mostly of Chippewa descent.

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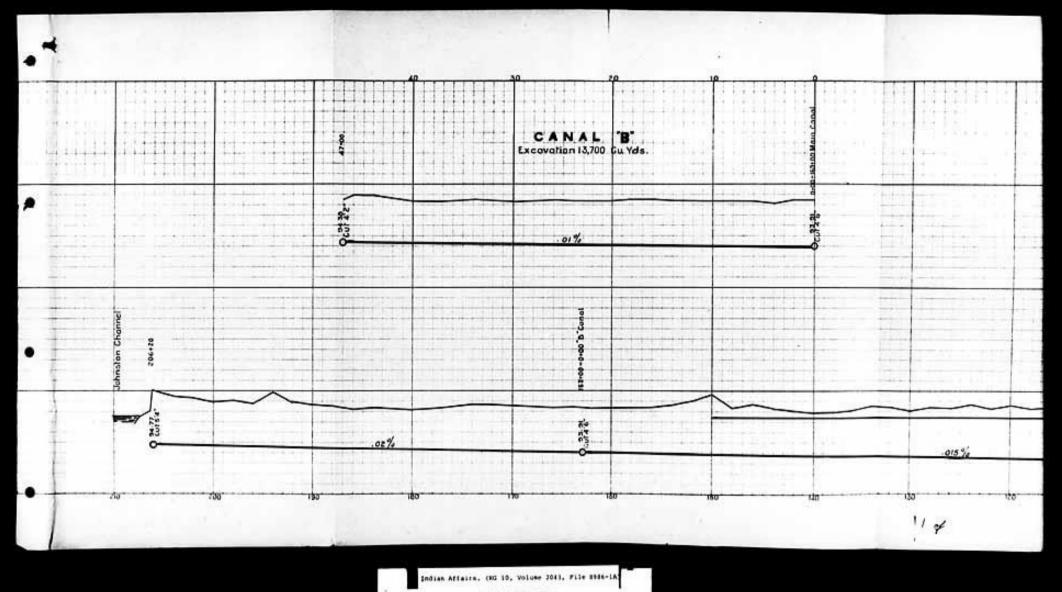
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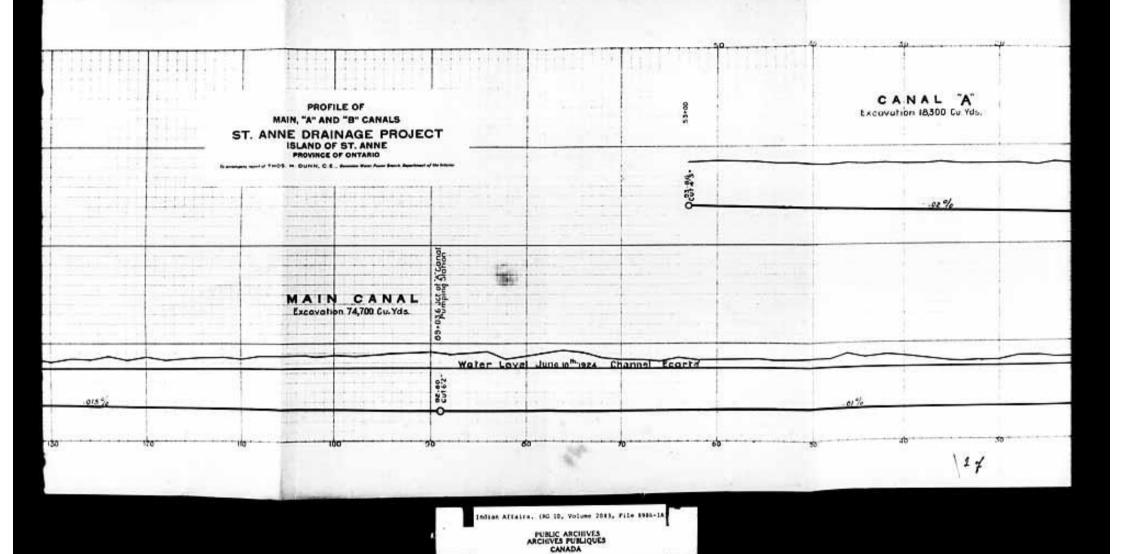
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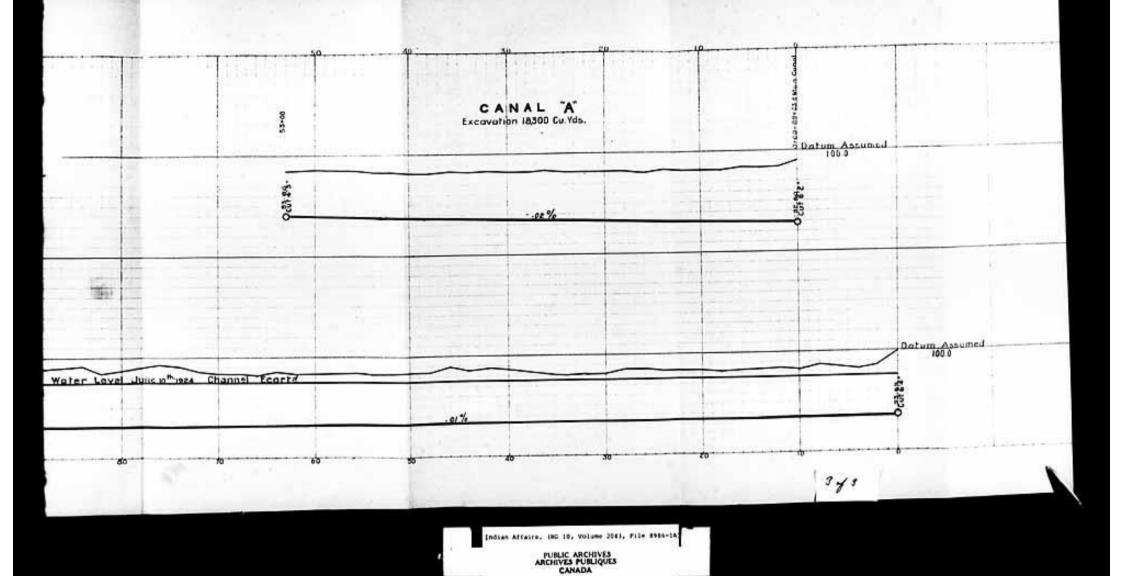
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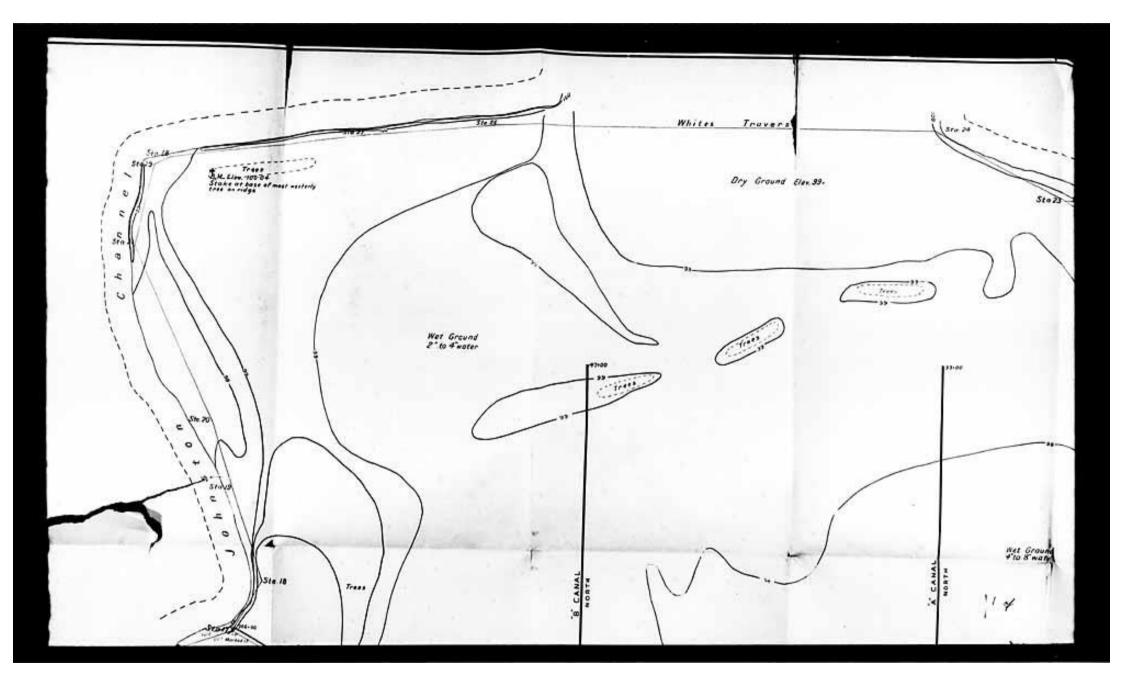
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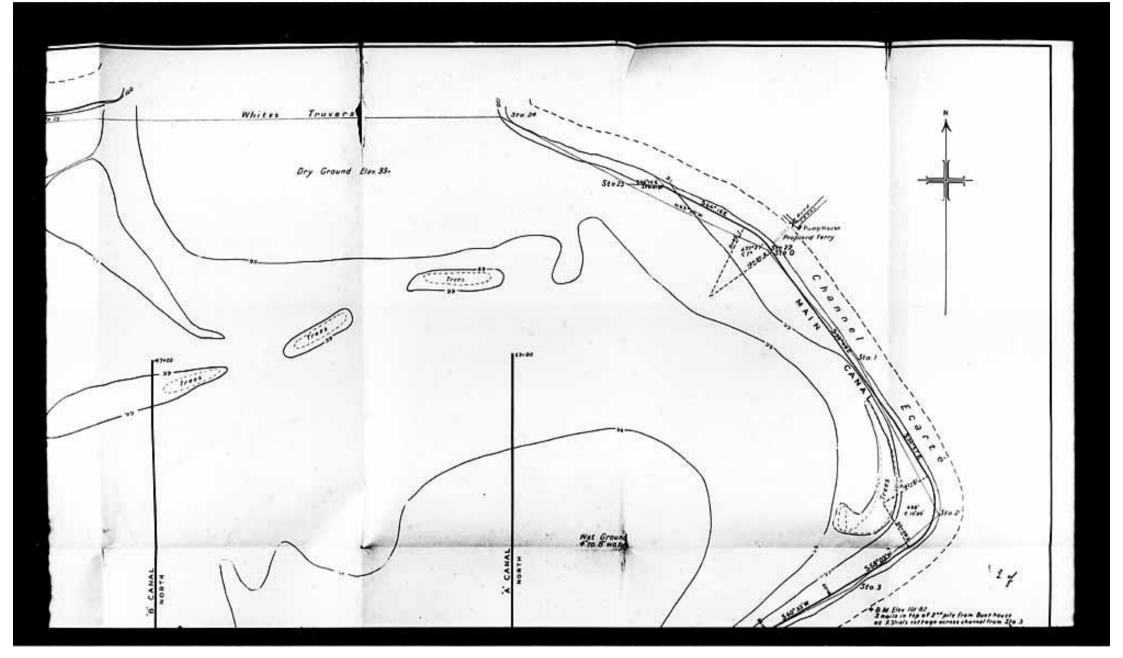
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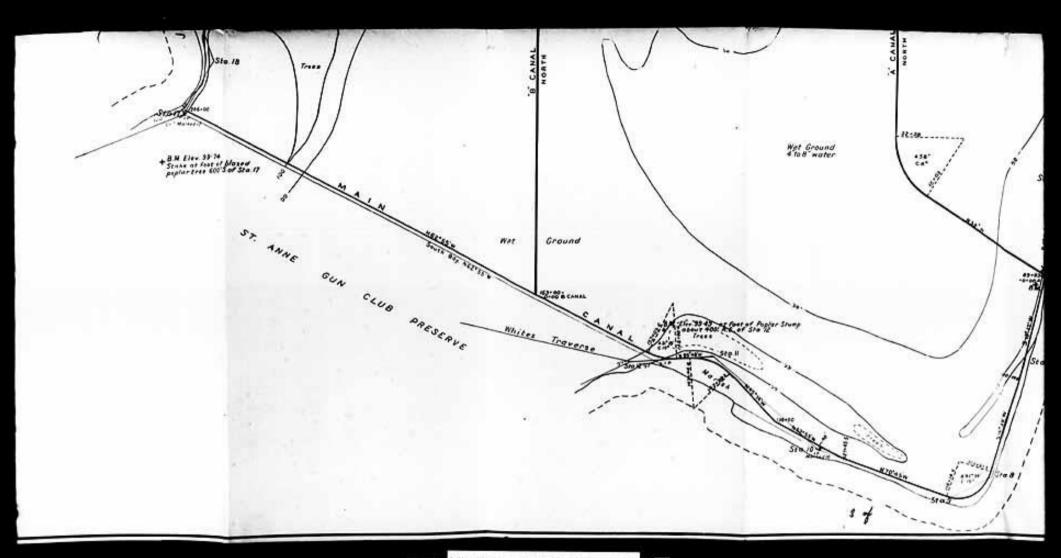




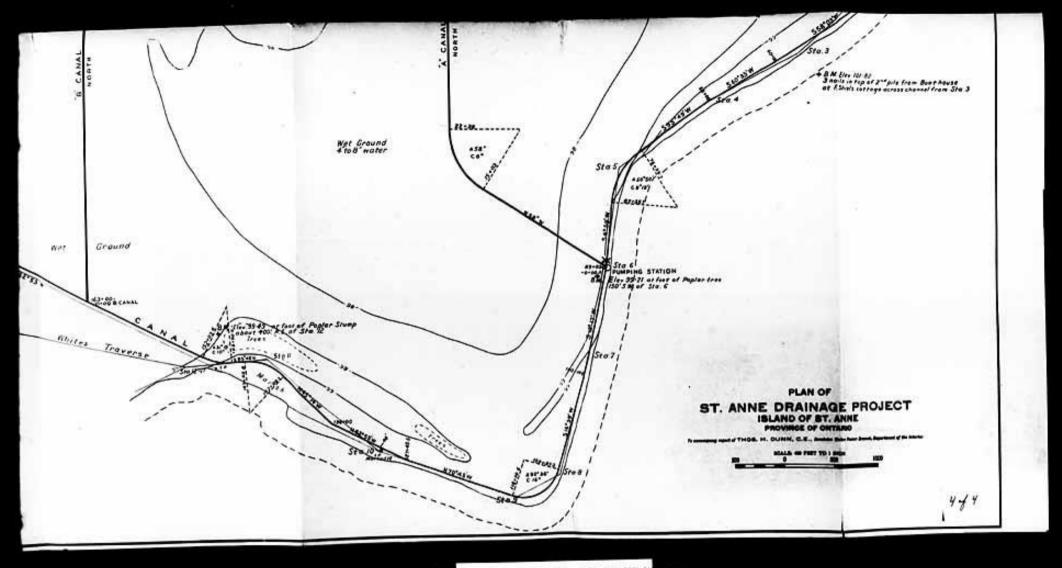








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St. Anne Drainage Project ISLAND OF ST. ANNE

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

THOS. H. DUNN, C.E.

Dominion Water Power Branch, Department of the Interior

JUNE, 1924

Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 2043, File 8986-1A)

Ottawa, June 26,1924

Sir:-

At the request of Dr. D.C. Scott, Deputy Minister of the Department of Indian Affairs and under your instructions I have made an examination of a portion of the Island of St.Anne and beg to submit the following report and plans for a scheme to drain an area of two thousand acres.

your obedient servant,

Thos. H. Dunn.

J.B. Challies, Esq., C.E.,
Director, Dom. Water Power &
Reclamation Service,
Department of the interior,
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Report on Proposed Drainage

The proposal to reclaim a portion of the Island of St. Anne for a home for the Caldwell Indians involves the construction of 5.8 miles of drainage canals, 3.9 miles of main dyke, about .89 miles of other dyke and a complete pumping plant capable of discharging the total runoff due to rainfall.

The total estimated cost of the proposed works, not including settlement, roads or tile drainage is \$21,959.00 or \$11.00 per acre. The estimated annual cost for electricity and superintendence is 21 cents per acre.

The estimates submitted herewith are for the drainage of 2000 acres and do not provide for any dyking along the west boundary of the plot. In case of any unforeseen rise in the Great Lakes levels a low dyke might have to be constructed along this boundary but the cost would be small.

General Description.

The Island of st.Anne is a portion of the delta formed in Lake st.Clair at the mouth of the river st.Clair. It has been reserved, along with the other Canadian islands in this delta, for the use of Indians but has not however been used to any extent owing to the fact that, except at the extreme north end, it is too wet for agriculture, and also because of the surplus of land on the Walpole Island deserve adjoining.

The island is very low and flat with a variation in elevation no where exceeding two feet within the area which it is proposed to drain. It is covered with wild grass, rushes and cat-tails and is practically treeless. A few small groups of trees are seen on the higher ground but they are small in size and few in number.

The north end of the island is dry and is being cultivated to some extent while in the extreme south it is very low and is being used as a hunting preserve by the St.Anne Gun Club.

The approximate total area of the island is roughly 6000 acres of which it is proposed to drain about 2000 acres of the central portion.

The island is separated from the main land by the Chenal scarte and from Walpole Island by the Johnston

Channel.

- The drainage area may be reached either by boat from Wallaceburg which is 31 miles distant or by wagon road from points on the mainland if ferry is provided across the Chenal Ecarte.

The interior of the drainage area is a wide shallow basin and is covered for the most part with about six inches of water the surface of which is about one foot above the surface of the water in the Chenal Ecarte or Snye as it is called locally. The ground surface of the interior is but a few inches above the water in the Snye.

Survey.

It was at first intended to subdivide the area and make a drainage survey at the same time but after completing an exterior traverse it was decided to defer the subdivision until the completion of the proposed dredging.

The survey was commenced on Monday, June 2nd, and four days were spent in contouring and six days in laying out the work. About six miles of line was staked and levelled as a guide for dredging. Two men were employed as chainers and for rodding and one man as cook.

at 20' offset from the survey lines and the elevation of each hub is indicated on the profiles accompanying this report.

The centre line of the main drain is intended to be 20 feet to the left of the line of hubs in going from station 0 to station 206.

The centre line of drains A & B is intended to be 20 feet to the left of the line of hubs in going down stream.

mainfall and dunoff.

The heaviest rainfall in the district in the past 8 years occurred in May 1916 and amounted to 6.61 inches for the month. The heaviest storm occurred in the same month and amounted to 2.52 inches.

one half of it would be taken care of by evaporation and transpiration leaving 1.26 inches to be taken care of by pumping and storage. The storage in the dredge cuts will amount to inch over the whole area and the tile drains and land will store an equal amount. This will leave i inch to be pumped. If this is pumped in 36 hours no damage will be done to growing crops but the pumping plant should be prepared to remove i of an inch from the whole area in 24 hours. This will amount to 21 C.F.S. and will

be the maximum amount that the pump will be called on to handle.

Soil.

dark grey silt very fine in texture which at 3 feet in depth becomes almost like clay without change of color. If washed a fine white sand is per cipitated.

The quality of the soil is indicated by the excellent crops that are grown on the reclaimed portions of the mainland adjoining.

Excavation.

Owing to the presence of water over the greater part of the area it will not be possible to use horses in the construction of the drains. It will therefore be necessary to use a dredge and to construct much larger drains than are required for conducting the water to the pump. It is therefore advisable to make the cuts at least 14 feet wide on the bottom with side slopes of 1 to 1. The storage provided by these wide cuts will reduce the cost of the pumping plant considerably.

The main canal will be constructed along the east and south boundaries of the tract from station 0 to station 206 a distance of 20,600 feet or 3.9 miles. The average depth of this cut is 5.15 feet and the total emayation amounts to 74,700 yards. This cut was extended 1500 feet farther west than was thought necessary in order to conform with an understanding between the Department's representative and the st.Anne Gun Club with a view to preventing fire from crossing from the reserve to make preserve.

Ganal "A" will commence at station 89 4 036 of the main canal and will extend north westerly a distance of about 1900 feet and thence north a distance of about 3400 feet making a total of 5300 feet or one mile. The average depth of the cut will be 4.95 feet and the total excavation will be 18,300 yards.

canal "B" will commence at station 163 of the main canal and extend north a distance of 4700 feet or .89 miles. The average depth of the cut will be 4.3 feet and the total exervation will be 13,700 yards.

The total length of the proposed dredge cuts is 5.8 miles and the total proposed excavation is 106,700 yards.

Dyking.

The material excavated from the main drain should be all deposited outside of the drainage area thus forming a dyke against outside water and keeping the inside bank of of the drain free from obstructions of any kind. This is contrary to the usual practice but is based on past experience with the soils of this neighbourhood no seepage having ever been noted. It is not thought that any additional expense will be involved in the construction of

this dyke as no preparation of the surface will be necessary.

Along canals "A" and "B" it is advisable that the excavated material be deposited on both sides of the cut in order to facilitate the entrance of tile drains from both sides. Openings should be left in the spoil banks every 75 feet as directed by the Engineer in charge.

It is advisable that a low dyke be constructed along the north boundary of the district to prevent the entrance of outside water. This would be 4700 feet in length and need not be more than about 2 feet in height except for a distance of 400 feet where it crosses a low place near the west end. The total yardage for this dyke should not exceed 700.

Pumping Plant.

It has long been the practice to provide a pump with capacity sufficient to remove 1 of an inch from the total area in 24 hours. The St.Anne drainage area is comparatively small and the run-off will be somewhat larger per acre than for a large watershed but this difference is more than made up for by the storage provided in the dredge cuts and tile drains.

It will therefore be necessary to provide a pump of capacity sufficient to remove t of an inch in 24 hours from 2000 acres or 21 C.F.S. This would require a 22" to 24" centrifugal pump. Owing to the variation in efficiency of the various makes of centrifugal pumps it is customary to ask for tenders on the basis of the discharge required under specified conditions and leave the size of the pump to be determined by the contractor.

The maximum lift will be about 6 feet and the power for driving the pump will be best provided by a 25 H.P., 3 phase, 25 cycle, 550 volt electric motor taking current from the Hydro lines on the mainland near the north east corner of the drainage area. This should be direct connected with the centrifugal pump and the whole mounted on concrete base blocks supported by piling.

The plants should be located at the junction of canal "A" with the main canal and should discharge through a concrete dam into the Chenal Ecarte.

The layout of the plant is shown on the layout plan accompanying this report.

Dam.

It will be necessary to construct a concrete dam at station 89 + 036 of the main canal. The bottom of the dam should be at elevation 87.80 and the top at elevation 100.00.st.Anne's datum.

The dam will be 50' in length of which the central 30' will comprise the dam proper. This portion is intended to have a vertical face on the cutside and a top thickness of 1.2 feet and bottom thickness of 3.2 feet. The dam will be completed by an extension of 10 feet at each end and these extensions are designed to 1.2 feet in thickness throughout.

No means were available for examining the foundation for the dam but this may be done when the excavation is made and if not found satisfactory piles should be driven to form a firm foundation. An estimate is made for placing piles but it is possible these will not be required.

The Sump.

The sump or pump well should be at least 7 feet square and 8 feet in depth below the base of the pump. It may be made a unit with the dam having its walls and bottom 12 inches in thickness. A gate opening of 6 feet width and of full height of the sump and fitted with suitable screen and water-tight gate should be provided as shown on the layout plan.

It may however be arranged to lift the suction and discharge pipes clear of the water by means of a chain block and tripod and so protect them from frost, in which case the sump could be left open and screened on two sides and the bottom omitted.

Pump House.

The pumphouse may be of iron or wood 12 % 16 and may be supported on the dam and on the walls of the sump and on piles as shown on the layout plan. A metal garage in which extra windows are provided would afford a useful and economical building.

Tile Drainage.

There is no doubt that fair results could be obtained without tile drainage by the construction of numerous open ditches. This would take considerable time to get the soil into shape for cropping and would not prove entirely satisfactory. It will be much better to construct tile drains and this could be done by the Indians with the tile machine which belongs to the Department of Indian Affairs. With this in view it is considered inadvisable to include any estimate for tile draining in this report.

When developing the westerly block of the drainage area it is advisable that a tile drain of outlet dimensions should be constructed from the head of canal B in a north westerly direction for a distance of about 2000 feet. This could however be constructed as an open ditch and as such would cost about \$300.00

Roads &c.

The location and cost of roads, bridges and ferry for crossing the Chenal Ecarte cannot be determined until the land is subdivided.

Time for Completion.

With a dredge handling 500 yards a day the excavation could be completed in seven months but since it is desirable that the dredge should enter the district at the pump

house site and leave at the same point the dam and sump could not be constructed until after the completion of the dredging. It would however be possible to allow the dredge to enter at the pumphouse site and leave at either end of the main canal thereby permitting the construction of the dam and pumphouse this summer providing the opening made by the dredge was closed in such a way as to prevent seepage.

The machinery could be installed at any time after the concrete in the dam and sump is sufficiently hardened but if not done in the fall it might well be left until the frost is out of the ground in the spring.

After the completion of the excavation and the installation of the pumping plant the development of the district may proceed gradually as the land is required. The best plan would be to settle the area east of canal A first as this would be easiest of access and nearest to the pumphouse. This section could be made a closed block by the construction of a short low dyke extending from the head of canal A in a north easterly direction to connect with the low ridge shown on the plan and would furnish about 450 acres for early settlement. While this block is being developed the central and western portions could be allowed to drain out so that teams could be used for the construction of the low dyke along the north boundary and for other work incidental to settlement. This would afford much needed employment for the Indian settlers during the non-production period preceding the harvesting of crops.

Mainland Drainage.

The mainland to the north and east of st.Anne as well as a very large portion of Walpole island is low and very similar in appearance to the district which it is herein proposed to drain. The soil of the mainland appears to be identical with the soil of st.Anne's island. There are a great many drainage districts that have been dyked and drained by dredging and pumping. These are now under cultivation and are producing excellent crops of sugar beets, onions, potatoes, corn &c. Many of these were visited and were found to be generally well drained and the pumps idle.

The plants are practically all pumped by means of scoop wheels which were designed for use in steam plants. They are incapable of making the ditch dry and therefore encourage the growth of aquatic plants which soon block the drain. They are very effective when the ditch is full but as the lift increases their efficiency decreases at a very rapid rate.

Batimates.

The estimated cost of construction is \$21,959.00 made up as follows:-

Excavation dredging 106,700 yards at 12 cents	\$12,804.00
Dyking morth boundary 700 yards at 30	210.00
Pump and motor complete with Primer, gate valve & 12 pipe	
installed	5,000.00
Concrete dam and sump with concrete base blocks 52.5 yds.	945.00
Sump screensant sate	50.00
1 - 26" automatic sluice gate with 2' of pipe	60.00
1 - 12 X 16 - Galv. iron pumphouse	200.00
1.2 miles 3 phase transmission line	1440.00
1 foot bridge 8' wide on 6 piles	150.00
Piling for sump, dam & pumphouse, 200 lineal ft. & driving	100.00
superintendence and contingencies	1000.00
Total	\$21,959.00

This amounts to \$10.98 per acre, but does not include the cost of constructing tile drains, roads, bridges or the cost of settlement.

Local estimates for dredging in comparatively small quantities have been made as low as 7 cents per yard and contracts have been reported as low as 6 cents per yard. In view of this it is thought that the above estimate of 12 cents per yard should be ample.

Cost of Operation.

Enquiry as to the cost of operation of the pumping plants now installed in the various drainage districts in the vicinity of Wallaceburg indicates that the average service and consumption charge amounts to about \$1.00 per day for every day in the year.

At the request of the undersigned the Engineer in charge of the Ontario Hydro station at Wallaceburg. Mr. L.G. MoNeice has submitted an offer for the supply of power for operating the pump of the st.Anne drainage district. This offer is attached to this report and is as follows:-

Service rate - \$1.25 per month per H.P. of connected load for each month operated.

0.55 per month per H.P. of connected load

while not operating.
Consumption rate - Up to first 50 hours, 5.2 cents per Kwh. For second 50 " 3.4 "
For balance over 100 hrs. 0.15 Less 10% discount for cash.

The annual rainfall in the vicinity of the drainage area varies between 30 and 40 inches and it will therefore be necessary to pump annually about 12 inches.

In order to pump 12 inches annually from 2000 acres against an average head of 4 feet will require .93 continuous Kw. or 679 Kwh. per month for 12 months.

It is estimated that some pumping will have to be done during each of a maximum of 6 months during each year

and on this basis the operating costs would be as follows:-

Service charge - 6 mos. at \$1.25 per H.P. for 25 H.P. \$187.50 25 0.55 82.50 Consumption Ohge 50 Kwh. at 5.2d = \$2.60 50 " 3.4 = 1.70

50 " " 3.4 = 1.70 1249 " " 0.15 = 1.87 Consumption per month - \$6.17 for 6 mos. 37.02 Total annual charge for electricity 307.02 Discount for cash 10% 30.70 3276.32

Estimated annual charge for electric current 276.32 Sperintendence of Pumping Plant 150.00 Depreciation and maintenance of pumping plant Total annual cost not including interest 382.00 808.32

This amounts to a little over 40 cents per acre not including interest. The estimated annual cost per acre for electric current for pumping and for superintendence of the pumping plant amounts to a little over 21 cents.

Conclusion.

A careful investigation of all the factors. involved leads to the conclusion that the area shown on the plan accompanying this report may be drained and made available for agriculture, except as to the construction of tile drains, for the estimated sum of all per acre.

This conclusion is borne out by the results obtained in numerous drainage projects adjoining the st. Anne project on the mainland.

All the land within the drainage area is at present absolutely worthless for the production of any farm crop but when reclaimed similar lands are valued at \$100.00 per acre. If such land can be reclaimed for \$11 per acre and pumped at an annual outlay of 21 cents per acre the economy of the scheme is apparent.

Thos. H. Dunn.

SPECIFICATIONS

Exgavation.

All dredge cuts shall be not less than fourteen (14') feet wide on the bottom and the top width shall be not less than is required to give a alope of 1 to 1 on the sides. The depth shall be not less than that shown on the accompanying profile.

The main drain shall be excavated along the centre line as staked out on the ground the said centre line being twenty feet (20') to the left of the line of hubs when going from station 0 to station 206.

All the material excavated from the main drain shall be deposited on the left side of the cut when going from station 0 to station 206 and must be deposited in such a way as to form a substantial embankment by placing the material taken from the bottom of the cut in the bottom and centre of the embankment satisfactory to the engineer in charge. A clear berm of ten (10') feet must be left between the edge of the cut and the embankment.

The dredge must enter and leave the work only at points indicated by the Engineer in charge.

Concrete.

All concrete work shall be made of first quality Portland cement of a degree of fineness such that not more than 3% shall be left on a number 100 seive nor more than 25% on a number 200 seive; clean coarse river sand and broken stone or clean gravel.

The dam shall be made of a mixture of 1:3:6 and the sump and base blocks of 1:2:4.

The proportions of the mixture shall be determined by measure using an original package of cement as a unit.

The aggregate must be thoroughly mixed first while dry and then with only sufficient clean water to make a good workable mixture. The concrete must be thoroughly rammed into position in order to make the completed structure as nearly watertight as possible.

Piling.

All piles shall be of good sound white oak not less than ten (10) inches in diameter at the top and eight (8) inches in diameter at the bottom. They shall be of a length sufficient to permit of cutting to a firm bearing on top after having been driven to a depth of ten below the excavation or to a firm foundation as directed by the Engineer in charge.

Piles shall be located as shown on the layout plan.

Pumping Plant.

The machinery required for the pumping plant is as follows:-

- 1 9500 W.S. gals. per min. (actual delivery) split case eentrifugal pump having a ring ailing system and direct connected to the motor.
- 1 25 H.P. low speed motor, 25 cycle, 3 phase, 550 volts.
- 1 Priming pump
- 8' 24" suction pipe coated with two coats of black enamel.
- 4' 24" discharge pipe coated with two coats of black enamel.
- 2 80" to 24" 450 increaser elbows.
- 1 24" foot value

L.G. Melleice, D. Sc. Manager & Treas.

HYDRO-BLECTRIC SYSTEM

WALLACEBURG, OFF., June 17,1984.

Dominion Water Power Branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:
Attention Mr. Thomas H. Dunn C.H.

In reference to our conversation of last week regarding power rates for a 25 or 30 H.P. pump for the Dominion Water Power Branch, Department of Interior. We can quote you the following rates:
Service Rate, \$1.25 per month per H.P. of connected load or Maximum demand for at least 4 months per year and .55 per month per H.P. of connected load or maximum demand for not more than 8 months per year.

Consumption Rates, up to the first 50 hours monthly use of load 5.2 cents per K.W. hr. additional consumption up to second 50 hours use 5.4 cents per K.W. hr. Remaining monthly consumption 0.15 cents per K.W. hr.

Minimum bill for any month during which motor operates \$5.55 per H.P. per month. Prompt Payment Discount 10% on whele bill if paid within 10 days from the date of bills.

Providing no extension of our lines will be required to give the service. If however the Department is willing to sign a five year contract, this commission will furnish the transformers, otherwise they will have to provide their own. Any extension of lines made by the department will have to be approved by the commission before service is given.

We are enclosing two cepies of contract for the proper officials of the Department to sign. If there is any further information you require, please write us.

Yours very truly,

Yours very truly, WALLACEBURG HYDRO ELECTRIC SYSTEM. Per; (Sgd.) L.G. MoNeice.

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. . . 5500 acres . . . 55 miles (Reported insufficient) . . . steam Engine 75 H.P. Parks Boiler 125 H.P. Drainage area Motor \$8,000.00 Gas fuel - 14 cents per sere Goal " - 22 " "

SUTHERILAND SCHEME

Drainage Area - 2137 acres

Dredge cuts Notor - 30 H.P., 5 Phase, 25 cycle, 220 volts
Pump - 24 ft. Scoopwheel, 5 paddles
Consumption - 2600 Kwh. during April & May 1924

Cost -Power house & dam - \$6,000.00 2,000.00 Motor 612.00

70.00 Wiring Total 8,682.00

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Drainage Area 1800 agres

ROSE SCHEME

Drainage area 2,000 aeres Dredge cuts SO H.P. low speed, 5 phase, 25 cycle, Motor

Hotor & shafting 912.00 Incidentals . . . 88.00

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Drainage area 2200 acres (Pumping all done in 4 mos.) Cost No information

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THE DOMINION WATER POWER BRANCH HYDROMETRIC SURVEY OF CANADA DOMINION WATER POWER ACT

DIRECTOR J. B. CHALLIES, C.E., M.E.I.C.,

DEPARTMENT

THE RECLAMATION SERVICE OF CANADA

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Ottawa, July 3rd, 1924.

Sir:-

ae St. Anne prainage Project.

l am returning you the plans you so kindly loaned us for reproduction. I also enclose you two copies of the plans for binding in the two copies of the St.Anne praimage report which were sent you on Saturday, June 28th.

Encl.

Your obestent servant,

J. Johnston,

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THE REGLETION SERVICE OF CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Ottawa, June 28th, 1924.

Sir:-

rollowing your request for information as to the most feasible scheme for reclaiming a portion of the Island of St.Anne Mr. Dunn was instructed to make a survey and prepare a report.

Encl.

Mr. Dunn has completed his investigations and his report and plans are enclosed herewith.

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Your obedient servant,

Johnston,

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Dr. D.C. Scott, F.R.C.S., Deputy Supt. General, Dept. of Indian Affairs, O T T A W A.

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Estimate Cost of settlement of Caldwell Indians

Purchase of locations lots 348 -349 - 350- Drainage scheme as per Mr Dunn's Report Ferry and road approaches Grading Main Road Underdrainage Tractors (2) plows (2) Disc (1) For breaking Buildings (10) sets Loans to Indians for Stock & Equipment (10 sets) Farm Instructors residence and Stable Annual wage for Farm instructor Advance for living expense lst year Gross Total Less Loans \$ 7500 \$ 3000. Net Total cost	625.00 21959.00 1500.00 5000.00 2500.00 15000.00 7500.00 3500.00 1260.00 10500.00 52284.00	Paid	

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7500.00 3000.00 25500.00 10500.00 15000.00

Total Gross Cost \$ 85284. Less Loans Net cost \$ 5284.





DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS GANADA

Ottawa, July Sth, 1924.

Dear Sir, -

In further reference to the settlement of the Caldwell Indians on Walpole Island, I attach hereto an estimate of the cost which I have compiled after having an opportunity to go into the scheme more fully. The drainage scheme included in Mr. Dunn's report covers about 2,200 acres of land at an initial cost of \$11.00 per acre. This land would be worth at least \$100.00 per acre when the drainage is complete. The estimate of an annual cost of 21 cents per acre for operation, etc., is exceptionally small and proves that the acheme is financially sound.

This land should bring from \$3.00 to \$4.00 per acre rental, and if the Caldwell Indians fails to utilize the land, the 2,200 acres should bring in to the Department a revenue of at least \$6,000.00 a year. This would more than compensate for the proposed expenditure.

The estimate I have submitted shows a gross expenditure of \$55,254.00, but this is based on the maximum rather than the minimum, and if this amount is spent, \$21,000.00 of the estimated amount advanced the Indians for stock, equipment and living expenses would be returned, leaving the net cost of the scheme at \$67,254.00.

In placing the Caldwell Indians on St. Ann's Island, I would not be in favour of locating more than 6 to 10 families the first year, and from the my they work we could decide whether the rest would make a success or not. The cost of establishing them would be about \$2250.00 per family. This would include a building worth \$1500. and a loan to the amount of \$750.00 for stock and equipment, the latter to be on the same basis as the loans to Soldier Settlers, that is, to be repaid with interest at 5%, covering from 10 to 25 years.

D.C. Scott, Esq., Litt.D.,
Deputy Superintendent General,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

I am of the opinion that a Farming Instructor will have to be provided to supervise their work for at least the first few years. Buildings suitable for the Farming Instructor will cost \$3500.00 and he should receive \$1200.00 annually for his services. This official could, if desired, exercise general supervision over all matters on this Reserve.

The first year the Indians will have to be advanced living expenses until their harvest is sold. This would require about \$300.00 per family.

Walpole Island, Squirrell Island, Bessett Island and St. Ann's Island contain over 45000 acres of land; about 9000 acres of this was bush land and 35000 acres mareh land. At the present time all the settlements are on the wooded area but there is not more than 3000 acres actually under cultivation. All of the marsh land could be reclaimed at a cost of about \$12.00 per acre, and this land would then be equal to the most fertile land in the Province of Contario. All the land of a similar kind, within the Counties of Kent, Essex and Lambton, has been reclaimed and is now producing abundant crops.

The work that should be completed this year is the ditching scheme which has been estimated at \$13,014.00. The construction of a pump house, and installation of pumping plant could be proceeded with next year.

Taking into consideration the fact that the Caldwell Indians have always been resid ats of the South Western part of Catario; that they have not received, up to the present time, the same consideration as other Indians, and that they have lost all their territory without receiving any compensation, I am firmly of the opinion that the amount necessary to make a home for them should be provided.

With your approval, I now propose to call personally on as may as possible of the Caldwell Indians for the purpose of ascertaining their present attitude towards this settlement proposition. By doing so I shall be in a position later to report with some degree of accuracy with regard

to the number of families or individuals ready for immediate settlement.

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Agricultural Representative.

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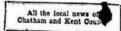
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TWENTY YEARS AGO

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QUIET AND RESERVED

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The indians seemed to be quiet and reserved throughout their trial. Zimmer Noah was evidently the ringleader in the crime, and when he was arrested in Sarnia, the others were also apprehended. It is believed that Noah fired the shot which falled the constable. At the trial here, and during their contersations with spiritual advisers, they seemed repentent, although hardly comizan of the seriousness of their crime, which, by the way, accurred in 1922.

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securred in 1922.

Noah was sentenced to twelve years and Rickman ten years in the Kingston pentientiary and Logan two years less a day at the Gueiph Jaria. Noah was born on the Mingey Reserve, and had spent considerable time in Kent county.

The following is the Kingston dispatent announcing his death by sub-cide.

KINGSTON STORY

KINGSTON STORY

KINGSTON, July 21—Sundedly breaking away from the dinner lines of Porismonth penitentiary today. Zimmer Noath, aged 27, an Indian, who came from a roserve near London, Ont., rushed up the stairs of the done gallery, into the fogrification of the done gallery, into the fogrification, and in spite of the hessechings of fellow convicts, looked in the cells behind him and the shours of officers, dove to the convert floor below. He was russed in the penitentiary hospital, but died in side of live minates. He suffered from compound fractures of the kill and vertebras and resulting two particles. Special music was given 8 at the union service in the 18 february the suffered of officers, dove to the convert floor below. He was russed in the solois, in good voice. The kill and vertebras and resulting two particles with such as a solo and at the evening the solois, in good voice. The kill and vertebras and resulting two particles are soloid to the choir in two fine are opening with hasing the particle of particles. All the presented and the should be presented as a solo and at the evening the solois, in good voice. The kill and vertebras and resulting two particles was presented as a solo and at the evening the solois in good voice The kill and vertebras and resulting two particles.

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COMMITTEE TO MEET

Another special meeting of the foad committee of the Kell county council is to be held tomorrow after noon in Harrison Hall, for the purpose of dealing with business matters pertaining to paving contracts streenily awarded. Receiv James St. Pierre of Dover, chairman of the limited was feed for the committee, will preside even the committee, will preside even the meeting.

Special music was given Sanday at the union sorvice in the Prosbet terian church. Blendeim, A the morning service, Mrs. E. H. Bam ford, of Chatham, sang in scheduled voice a solo, and at the extended voice a solo, and at the extended voice a solo, and at the century service Mrs. E. Before of Lendon, was the soloist, in good voice. The assisted the choir in two fine anthoms.

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th officer sion field and a former paster of the Central Baptis: Church, Chatham and who is now the travelling secretary of the South African

Members of the local machine gun corps will hold a special meetar of the local machine gun corps will hold a special meetar evening in the Armouries Wednesday evening when arrangements are to be made for the production of a snow, which the gunners hope to offer for public approval in the Griffin Theatre at an early date. Mission. DELOOZE GIVEN A HEAVY FINE A HEAVY FINE FOR IMMORALITY

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OFFICE OF THE AGRICULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CANADA

CHATHAM, ONT.

July 22 nd 1994



Dear De Scott .-

In further refrence to the question of settling the Caldwell Indians on Et Anna Island I beg to report that I have interviewed a number of them in regard to their present attitude towards taking up homes there and find that they are very anxious to move there just as soon as is at all possible.

The following is a list of the heads of families that I have interviewed and who are anxious to be the first to go.

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Village in a small frame house living conditions poof. day labourer.

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OFFICE OF THE AGRICULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

CHATHAM, ONT.

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John Peters living close to Leamington working in a sew mill living in a small frame house conditions fair. This man has two old women living with him his grandmother who is in the neighbourhood of 100 years old blind. cant walk. Hrs Peters about 60 years old paralyzed od left side no way of supporting herself. Peters also has his wife and four children to support.

George Thompson lives in a very poor shack close to Chatham works as farm hand with farmers in that section.

Jackson Dodge living at precent with George Thompson works at a brick yard

John Chimpawa Lives near Rodney in small frame house conditions poor works by the day for farmers.

Sampson Dodge Lives near wheatley in very poor shack makes are handles for a living.

On monday of this week the Caldwell Indiane had a meeting in Chatham about 30 members being present they discussed the whole question of thking up homes at St Anna Island the whole meeting awa in favor of accepting homes at St Anna Island if provided by the Govt.

I am enclosing a resolution which was passed by

I might say that I explained to the meeting that the Walpole Island Indians objected to the Caldwell Indians settling on St Anna Island . Thomas Dodge an old Indian who was present answered that his people would have a better right to a home on St Anna Island than the Indians living at Walpole Island; that the Islands belonged to the forefathers of the Caldwell Indians and it has never been surendered.

I am enclosing a clipping from the local Paper which giver a fairly good account of the meeting except that they take a great deal for granted in regard to what the Govt propose do for the Indians.

I trust that you will have suficient evedinge now and will forward me the Drainage plans in order that I may ask for tenders on the work . It must be started without delay or it will

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too late to start the work. In order to make use of the survey that Mr Dunn made the work will have to be completed this year as the grade stakes will be burned this winter when the Indians burn the marsh hay before starting to hunt musk rats.

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Duncan C. Scott Esq. Litt. D.

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Ottawa. Ont.

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FINANCIAL AID ASKED BY CALDWELL INDIANS

Government Scheme of Help Discussed At Chatham Pow-Wow.

Special to The Advertiser.

Chatham, July 21.—At a pow-wow held here this afternoon, members of the Caidwell Indians, whose families are scattered in all parts of the discrict, gave approval to the government scheme designed to furnish them with a permanent home, for the first time, in St. Ann's Island.

In a resolution to the government scheme, the Indians urge that they be provided with suitable dwaiting the second tructed, and schools provided, and that the government arrange to make constructed, and schools provided, and that the government arrange to make constructed, and schools provided, and that the government arrange to make constructed and chools provided, and that the government arrange to make constructed in the Theoremsent proposal is that married Caidwells be first settled.

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Chief Archie Dodds, in an interview, declared that the people of his race are depending upon the present government to give them a chance, nointing out that on several occasions different governments had promised to do something for them, but never had.

had R. H. Abram. agricultural representative of the department of Indian Affairs, was present. He stated at the close of the pow-wow, that it is planned to settle families on the island early next year.

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THD: RW

DIRECTOR. J. S. CHALLIES, C.E., M.E.I.C. ASST. DIRECTOR. J. T. JOHNSTON, C.E., M.E.I.C.



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Ottawa, July 3rd, 1924.

Sir:-

and expenditures in connection with the St. Anne Island and expenditures in connection with the St. Anne island drainage survey together with vouchers and my cheque for the balance on hand, eleven dollars and sixty-three cents (\$11.63). I trust everything will be found in order.

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ir. Abraham of Chatham has written me concerning the money that has been advanced by him and has asked me to get an advance of fifty dollars (\$50.00) from your Department in order that I may be able to return to him, direct a similar amount for which he has no voucher. I would be glad if you would write mr. Abraham about this matter and at the same time advise me as to what action, if any, should be taken by me.

Yours truly,

Thos. H. Dunn.

W. Russell White, Esq., D.L.S., Department of indian Affairs, Booth Building, O T T A W A.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CANADA

Ottawa, July 30, 1924.

MEMORANDUM:

Mr. Sojott.

I have as requested made an examination of the several reports, plans and estimates relating to the proposed drainage project of a portion of the St. Ann's Island, Ont., and the settlement scheme of the Caldwell Indians throughout.

I beg to recommend that before definite sanction is given to this project that you be further fully advised on the following items, which I consider of importance.

- (a) A plan of the proposed sub-division of the improved land showing location of roads, bridges, culverts should be prepared and submitted to you, in order that an accurate estimate might be made of the cost of the above mentioned work. Judging by the area of land to be used for farming, a much larger expenditure than that mentioned in their report will be required to build new and suitable roads and culverts in such a location.
- (b) An estimate of the fencing which will be required should be made as soon as the sub-division plan is available; the cost of this work will be found to be worth consideration in case this improvement should be provided by the Department.
- (c) The estimate submitted does not mention any expenditure for schools; in case the Department should have to provide for these buildings I estimate that it would involve an expenditure of at least \$7,000 exclusive of the expense of maintenance and salaries of two teachers.
- (d) The estimates for Indian houses are set at \$1,500. According to latest contracts awarded for similar buildings that is small one story houses and a combined barn and stable, the cost of these would amount to \$2,000, which would mean an increase in the total cost of the project of \$14,000.
- (e) No agreement of any kind has been signed by any of the Indians to the effect that they would be willing to refund the amount advanced them for the purchase of stock and equipment



and living expenses on a basis similar to that provided for in the soldier settlement scheme. I would recommend that definite understanding be arrived at with the Indians before undertaking any work on the Island.

on the number of families who are willing to locate on the new reserve should be ascertained as I consider that the Department would not be justified in going to the expense involved by this scheme if anly a dozen families are to be involved by this scheme if anly a dozen families are to be taken care of. As you are aware the success of the Indians taking up farming at an advanced age is always doubtful. In case of the failure of the Indians it is mentioned in one of the reports that a yearly rental of \$6,000 could be depended on, but no mention is made as to the expenses of maintenance of the property or for administration or depreciation. If this is taken into consideration it would considerably reduce the above mentioned revenue.

Considering that it is absolutely necessary that these Indians be grouped together would it not be advisable that some other seheme be devised which would be more economical and have a marketable value, in case it should revert to the Department, such as the purchasing or renting of a number of small farms near a town, where no preliminary work would be required and where the Indians could secure employment during the idle season on the farm.

Departmental Engineer.

L. K.

September 13,1924.

Dear Mr.Abraham,-

We have decided not to do anything this season with reference to the proposed settlement scheme for the Caldwell Indians on St.Ann's Island. I will no doubt have an opportunity of discussing this with you personally before long.

With special reference to your letter of
July 22nd, it seems clear that there are some cases
mentioned therein to which we should give special attention,—
the John Peters case for instance. Would it not be possible
to provide for these old women in some way,— in an institution,
or if that were not possible, allow Peters some monetary
assistance for their support.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

R.H.Abrahom, Esq.,
Agricultural Representative for the
Department of Indian Affairs,
Chatham, Ont.

Ottawa, 16th September 1924

Sir,-

In reply to your letter of the 3rd July last, submitting accounts for \$450.00 advanced to you in connection with surveys at Walpole Island for this Department, I beg to say that your account should be made out in duplicate and each page of both copies should be certified by you.

You should send Wr.Abraham receipts to cover all advances you have received from him and he should turn those receipts in to the Department for reimbursement.

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

Dunn Es., B. So.,
Water Powers Branch,
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, Ont.

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The Bishop's Room Bishop Gronyn Mall

London, Canada Sept. 1924.

Chas. Stewart,

Ottawa, Ont.



Dear Sir:

Many thanks for your letter of September 4th to mine of the 31st of July. In that letter, I have striven to set forth to the best of my ability the universal condition of the Indians on Walpole Island. The declaration and promises contained in Royal Proclamations and Government Documents, they value very highly, and I think that we ought to be very sorupulous in observing the letter and the spirit of such Documents.

Believe me, yours faithfully,

D. H. /C.

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8986-1 AND DIRECTOR J. SCHOOL CE WEST POMINION WATER POWER AST SEP 18 1924 Ottawa, 16th September, 1924. KGC/HR 311% Referring to our letter of June 28th last, in which a report prepared by Mr. Thos. H. Dunn, C.E., of this Branch, on the subject of draining a portion of the Island of Ste. Anne was forwarded to you, we are ending you, under separate cover, a plan on tracing lines showing the design of the pumping plant to complete the report above referred to.

SEP 23 1924 white print of the general plan having reference to slight revision considered desirable in the location of the pumping plant. The plan should be substituted for the one previously forwarded to you. SEP " 1924 BUTTEYS We shall be glad to furnish you with any additional particulars or details that you may wish regarding the project. RET. W HIMM ATTAIN Your obedient servant, **BEP** 19 1924 J. B. Challies, Director, Power & Reclamation. ARCHITECT. Dr. D. C. Scott, FaR. C. S., Deputy Supt. General, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa. Indian Affairs. (RG 10, Volume 2043, File 8986-1A PUBLIC ARCHIVES ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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CHATHAM, ONT.

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Dear Dr Selth, -I have just had archie Dodge Bhoof. of the Saldwell Indians in to see me in regard to the settlement of his tribe on St anno Island. He seems very much dessapounted that we are not going on with the scheme this year. He is very anxious to discuss the abole question with you and intends to go to Ottawa to see you on monday Oct 20 if this is satisfeeding Kindly let me know what to tell to you. Dodge. Personally I would like you to yours truly Duncar 6. Scatt Eng heto. SHatraham

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October 13, 1924.

Your letter of the 6th instant, with reference to the desire of Archie Dodge, Chief of the Caldwell Indians, to take up with the Department the question of the settlement of these Indians on St. Ann's Island, has been brought to my attention on my return, and in reply I have to say that I expect to be here on October 20. I think if Dodge comes to Ottawa, you had better come too, as I wish to discuss the whole matter with you.

Yours truly,

Deputy Superintendent General. R. E. Abraham, Esq., Deputy Staricultural Representative
For the Department of Indian Affairs,
Chatham, Ont.

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This is to certify that I Tilas Thomas do exchanged my lot lot no 348 on St linns Island containing seventy acres. Isaale for South half of Island and in consideration to received sum of one dollar. This 14 the day of may 1924. Ligned Silas Thomas Witz Isuse MElakey Simon Black bird Walfole Island Out-

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INDIAN SOLDIER SETTLEMENT

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His Majesty King George the Fifth as represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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Ottawa, October 22nd, 1924.

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I am inclosing herewith vouchers amounting to \$675.00 for the purchase of lots 345; 349 and 350, St. Ann's Island, locations secured for the proposed Caldwell Indian Reserve. Also please find inclosed deeds from the locatee in each case, to George Isaac, a member of the Walpole Island Band, and from George Isaac to the Deputy Superintendent General. Isaac purchased the land and paid cash in some cases, and gave land which he owned on the main land in other cases.

The prices paid to Isaac I consider to be fair and reasonable.

Your obedient servant,

(R.H. Abraham), Agricultural Representative.

J.D. MoLean, Esq., Aset. Deputy and Secretary, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Ont.

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Ottawa, October 31, 1984.

Seputy & Secretary.

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Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd inst. enclosing Convoyances to His Majesty of Lote 348, 349 and 350 St. Ann's Island.

In reply I have to say that these Conveyances appear to be in order except two from which the seal of the grantor has been emitted and I am returning them to be com-Enol. pleted accordingly.

> As we have no record here of the ownership of As we have no record here of the ownership of the lots in question prior to the receipt of these Conveyances it would be more satisfactory if we had declarations from Silas Thomas, william Altiman, and fil Greenbird setting forth that they were the owners of the property in question prior to their conveyance to Mr. George Isaac who conveyed to His Majesty. These declarations should set forth the length of time that these declarations have been in possession of the property and it would be well for them to state from whom the property was acquired by each of them. Could you secure these declarations?

> > Your obedient servant

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Agricultural Representative,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Chatham, Ont.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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CANADA

CHATHAM. ONT. NOV. 10, 1924.



I wish to acknowled a receipt of your letter of October 31, number 8986-1A in regard to the locations of low Number 348349350. St. Annes Island, and in reply I beg to say that your Miss Ocivy furnished me with the following information. Lot 348 as held under location ticket 2787. Lot 349 as held under location ticket 2788. Lot 250 as held under location ticket 3034.

you state in your letter that
you are returning deed s to have them completed.
I beg to say that the deeds returned were
conveyances from George Isaacree the Deputy
Supt. General. The balance of the deeds mailed to you were not enclosed in the letter.

I trust that this information will clear up the question.

I also wish to point out that the cost of the lots to me was \$550.00, and that the amount I received from the Denartment to nurchase with was \$500.00. There is, therefore, a balance owing me of \$150.00. I would be glad if you would forward me a check to cover this balance.

Yours truly.

J. D. MC LEAN. BSQ. AGR. REP. DEPT. OF IND. AFF.

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Oğtawa, 19th November, 1924.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, returning deeds from George Isaac to His Majesty King George the Fifth, and note your observations with respect to these transactions.

In reply I beg to say that in our letter to you of the Sist ultimo we overlooked the fact that the parcels of land in question were held under Location Ticket which disposes of the matter of title. I beg to point out, however, that as set forth in our said letter some of the deeds were not sealed and they were returned to you for such completion which apparently has been overlooked. I am returning these deeds for completion, that is to have Mr. George Isaac place is seal opposite his signature in the presence of Isaac McGahey.

Anc.

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Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

R.H.Abraham, Beq.,
Agricultural Representative,
Chatham,
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Ottawa, November 21, 1924.

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(Incl.)

Referring to your letter of the 22nd October, I return herewith the voucher therewith submitted for expense which you incurred in connection with the purchase of lots at St. Ann's Island for Caldwell Indians. It would appear that this voucher is incorrect. The total amount which you paid this voucher is incorrect. The total amount which you paid George Island, of the Walpole Island Band, for the land seemingly was \$025.00, and, as you received an advance of \$500.00, the balance due you apparently is \$125.00.

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

R.H.Abraham, Esq., Indian Agricultural Agent, Chatham, Unt.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS INDIAN SOLDIER SETTLEMENT

This Indenture

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and

His Majesty King George the Fifth as represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

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of the first part,

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His Majesty King George the Fifth as represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

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Walfold Islams Reserve in the Provence of St Tanas

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In Chitness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals.

Signed, Sealed and Belibered

In the presence of

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INDIAN SOLDIER SETTLEMENT

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of the first part,

His Majesty King George the Fifth as represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

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His Majesty King George the Fifth as represented by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

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In Witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals.

Bigned, Sealed and Belibered

In the presence of

Irace Mc Lahry

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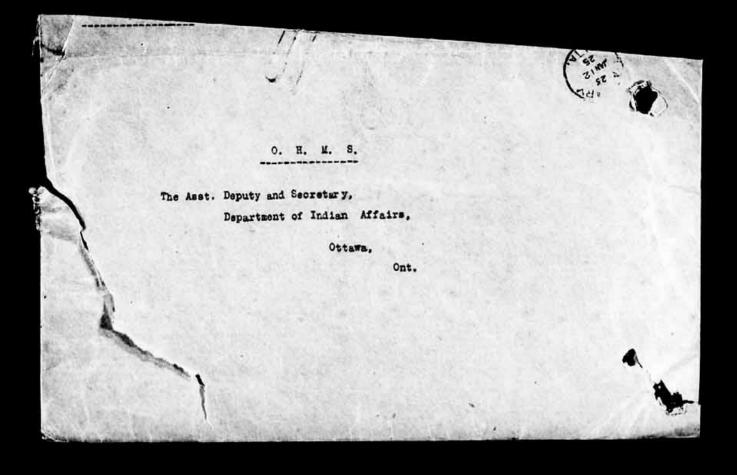
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OTTAWA, 12th January, 1925

Sir-

I beg to adwise you that the necessary action has been taken to secure, for the Caldwell Indians, Lots Nos 348, 349 and 350, at. Ann's Island, Walpole Island Indian Reserve, and you will, therefore, be good enough to forward the Original and Duplicate of Location Tickets Nos 3854, 2788 and 3034, covering these lands, in order that they may be placed on file and the records of this transaction closed.

With reference to Location Ticket No 3854, I would say that a new ticket will be issued (after receipt by the Department of the outstanding copies of it) in favour of George Isaac for the N½ of Lot No 32, Block "H", covered by this ticket and retained by him.

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Your immediate attention is called to the foregoing, as it is essential that final action should be taken in this matter.

Your sectiont servant

In charge Lands Timber Branch (J. C. Caldwell.)

Thomas Paul, Esq., Indian Agent, ARNIA, Ontario.-

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8986-1A INDIAN OFFICE JAN 23 1925 At Sarnia, Ontario. January,21st.1925. Jan.12th.1925. Sir:-In reply to your letter, of the 12th.inst.regarding Lots. Wos.348,349, and 350, St. Ann's Island, for the Caldwell Indians, at Walpole Island, beg to inclose Location Tickets, Nos. 3854, 2788, and 3034, covering these lands, as requested by you, in forder that the transaction may be closed. Your obedient servent J.D.McLean, Esq. . Asst. Deputy & Secretary. Ottawa . Ontario.

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OTTAWA, 29th January, 1925-

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WITH ENCLOSURE.

Referring to your letter of the 21st Instant and prior correspondence, I enclose Location Ticket No 3869, in duplicate, in favour of George Isaac, covering the Ni of Lot No 292, Block H, Walpole Island Indian Reserve, the duplicate to be kept of record in your office and the original given to the Locates.

Location Tickets Nos 2788, 3034 and 3854 (the latter being, in part, replaced by Location Ticket No 3869), have been cancelled

Your opedient servant

In charge finis & Timber Br.

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Thomas Paul, Esq., Indian Agent, SARVIA, Ontario.-

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DEPARTMENT OF ANDIAN AFFAIRS

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Dr. Scoft,-

Ottawa, February 8, 1928.

I find that we paid Dr.Jas.W.Rutherford, of Chatham, \$50.00 in June last (File 8986-2A) for attending Caldwell Indians, and later informed him that he might submit accounts through Mr.Sexsmith covering further attendance if he found it impossible to make collection from Indians.

Dr.Rutherford sent in on the 3rd instant an account of \$117.00. His letter was written on House of Commons paper. It was not until the receipt of this letter that we were aware Dr.Rutherford was elected a Member of Parliament for Kent County.

It is understood that, while the doctor retains a seat in Parliament, he is precluded from receiving payment of Government moneys in the way of fees, etc., but I submit the matter to you.

There is a memorandum of the 13th December, 1902 (file 9-43) written by Mr.Rimmer, which bears on this matter. I submit the file herewith.

I may add that Dr.Rutherford attended in a confinement case on the Sarnia reserve recently during the absence of the doctor on salary, and the Agent recommended payment to the amount of \$15.00. Request for payment was made by the Sarnia Council. The Department in reply pointed out that the account showed the doctor had received payment in cash from some person to the amount stated. Later, Telford Adams, who paid the doctor, received a cheque for \$15.00 from Sarnia Band Funds.

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Chief Accountant.

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February 9,1928.

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Dear Sirse

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, with reference to your accounts for services to Indians.

I would point out that these accounts apparently are affected by the disabling provisions of the Senate and House of Commons Act (Sections 15 and 16). Evidently this circumstance was everlooked when you received payment of your previous account of \$50,00 in June last.

Yours very truly,

Jas. W.Rutherford, Req., M.D.,
M.P.,

House of Chamens, OTTAWA,

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