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Squamish Mission

November 20th.1895.

The Honorable

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs

Ottawa

We have duly received the letter by which you informed the Chiefs of the Squamish, Seshelt, Cliamin, and the Clahoos tribes, that the Government has been pleased to grant us the Industrial School we are in great need of, for the education of our children, we hasten to offer you the sincere thanks of our people for the grant placed in the Estimates, for the construction of the school buildings, on our Squamish Indian Reserve.

We take this occasion to humbly beg that said school building be large enough to accommodate at least one hundred and fifty children, there are over three hundred children in the four tribes to be benefitted by the said Industrial School.

We are happy to state that our people were so overjoyed to hear that you would

would give us an Industrial School, that they put themselves at once to clear and grub, the ten acres of land we have selected and reserved for the site of the school.

We will have the ten acres free of stumps and entirely cleared, by the first of April next.

We remain your humble servants

Harry	his x mark Chief
Tom	his x mark Chief
Charley	his x mark Chief
Joseph	his x mark Chief
Joe	his x mark Chief
James	his x mark Chief

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OTTAWA 30th Dec mber 1895

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant enclosing copies of correspondence from the Chiefs of the Squamish, Seshelt, Cliamin and Clahoes tribes, and from Mr Agent Devlin on the subject of the proposed establishment of an Indian school at Squamish Mission; and in reply I beg to say that the minds of the Indians should be disabused as to the character of the proposed school, provision having been made simply for a day school building and not an Industrial or Boarding School. #

Ad.

I may add that at the time of my interview with these Indians I was under the impression that it was a day school that was asked for, and having this interview in mind, I inadvertently overlooked the mention of an Industrial School, which accounts for the wording of my letter of the 18th September last; and I regret having to disabuse their minds.

Your obedient servant,