

Shiammon Indian Reserve,
January 10th 1908

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At a meeting of the male members of the Shiammon band of Indians held on their reserve this 10th day of January 1908, the following resolution, moved by Chief Tom and seconded by Chief Charley, was carried unanimously; that we the undersigned being a majority of the male members of the Shiammon band of Indians of the full age of twenty-one years, do hereby respectfully ask the Indian Department to purchase for us, and pay for same from our trust funds in the hands of the Department 1860 feet wooden water pipe and fittings for same.

This pipe we wish to use in conveying a supply of pure water to our village. The supply of water at present used is unsound, impure, and injurious to the health of our people.

Chief Tom his mark,
Chief Charley his mark,
William his mark,
Pierre his mark,
Dominick his mark,
Sam his mark,
Capt. Timothy his mark,
Sam his mark,
Johnny his mark,
Andrew his mark,
Harry his mark,
August his mark,
Frank his mark,
George his mark

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January 10th 1904,

At a meeting of the male members of the Shammon Band of Indians held on their Reserve on the 10th day of January 1904, the following resolution moved by Chief Tom and seconded by Chief Charley was carried unanimously, that we the undersigned being a majority of the male members of the Shammon Band of Indians of the full age of twenty-one years, do hereby respectfully ask the Indian Department to establish a day school in our village on Shammon Reserve No. 1.

We agree to provide the school building and also to send our children regularly to school if one is established in our village. We have thirty children of school age in our band and regret very much to see them grow up without being educated and therefore ask that the Indian Department will kindly pay a teacher the usual salary paid to teachers in day schools with the above mentioned number of pupils.

Chief Tom his mark,
Chief Charley his mark,
William his mark,
Pierre his mark,
Dominick his mark,
Old George his mark,
Jim his mark,
Bob George his mark,
Frank William his mark,
Capt. Sam his mark,

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Jan. 11, 4

Rev. Dear Sister,

I am in receipt of your account, dated 7th instant, for hospital attendance to an Indian of the Shiammon band. This Indian I think belongs to the Klahoose band, as on the 26th ult. the doctor wrote me reporting the placing in St. Paul's Hospital ^{on 12th ult.} of an Indian boy named Billy of the Klahoose band suffering from tuberculosis of the spine bone. As the doctor's report was forwarded to the Department I will ask you to be good enough to make your account conform to the said report as regards the name of the patient and the band to which he belongs. When sending me the account again please let me know if the patient is still in the hospital.

I am sorry to be troubling you so much but under the circumstances it is unavoidable.

Yours truly,
R. M. Brown,
Indian Agent;

Rev. Sister Mary,
Superior, St. Paul's Hospital,
Vancouver B.C.

R.S.

My letter of 24th Dec. 1904 should have been for amendment - R.M.B.

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Feb. 4, 4

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ult. together with which you enclosed copy of an agreement signed by several members of the Shiammon band of Indians in connection with your proposed application for certain concessions on the Loguana Indian Reserve.

In reply I beg to state that it will now be necessary for you to make application, in duplicate, setting forth clearly the nature of the privileges sought. If right-of-way for road is required it should be so mentioned and the same suggestion applies to burning, pasturage and camping. Your application should be accompanied by a sketch, in duplicate, of the reserve, showing where the proposed road would be located. It would also be well to mention that you have agreed with the Indians interested to pay a yearly rental of \$100.00.

I may state for your information that the Department has already granted certain concessions, on the Loguana Reserve, to Messrs Menill Bros. and yours must not conflict with this. When you spoke to me some time ago in connection with this matter I understood that it was on one

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Jan. 12th 41

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 11th instant, No. T. 4. 518, advising me that the B. C. Mills, Lumber & Trading Co. had sent you the sum of \$100.00, in payment of rent for lease on Shiammon Indian Reserve for year ending 7th January 1905, also requesting rent returns from this office in support of this payment. In reply I beg to enclose herewith the returns asked for, in duplicate.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Yours obedient servant,
Wm Donald,
Indian Agent,

W. D. Howell, Esq.,
Indian Superintendent,
Victoria, B. C.

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of the reserves of the Klahoose band
that you wished to locate your works.
I may add that all the Shámmoon
Indians are interested in the Square
Reserve and the Copy of a agreement
which you sent me does not contain
a majority of these names and I am
therefore of the opinion that it may
be necessary for me, after receiving
your application, to go to Shámmoon
and hold a meeting of the band in
connection with the matter. However
if you have this agreement in duplicate
properly signed and witnessed, we
might send it on and perhaps with
some explanations it may go through.
All Indian names should be signed
thus - Sub list mark - otherwise they
will not be accepted.

I was in Vancouver yesterday and
tried to find you but failed.
Should you require any further
information it will be cheerfully
given.

Yours Truly,
E. C. Dore and,
Indian Agent,

R. H. Higgins, Esq.,
1067 Melville St.
Vancouver, B.C.

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July 4, 4

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose
herewith cheque for the sum of \$25.00
in payment of rent of lease held by
Shulin Bros, on Shiammon Indian
Reserve, for year ending 22nd
January, 1905, also rent return
in duplicate in support of same.

Your obedient servant,
R. McDonald,
Indian Agent,

A. W. Spence, Esq,
Business Agent
Victoria, B. C.

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to inform
you that I am in need of the map
of the Shiammon Indian Reserve which
I sent you some time ago and would
thank you very much if you would
enclose it to me by first mail.
As it is important that I should
have this map on or before Saturday
that I trust that you will not
overlook the matter.

Yours very truly,
R. M. Macdonald,
Indian Agent,

M. H. Higgins, Esq.
Vancouver, B. C.

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Dear Sirs,
I have the honor to enclose
herewith a copy of a letter, dated the 5th inst,
received by me from Chief Charley
of Shiammon, in reference to fishing
lines lost and supposed to have been
taken away on your boom.

I will thank you very much if you
will keep a good lookout for these lines
when the boom arrives, and if you
find them kindly notify me.

Yours truly,
J. McDonald,
Indian Agent.

B. C. Mills, Lumber & Trading Co.
Vancouver, B. C.

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Apr. 22, 4

Dear Chief,

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr Springer stating that you would wish me to visit Skeamum when the priest is there. In reply I may say that I am very sorry that it is impossible for me to go to your village at present as I am very busy. However I will visit you as soon as ever I can and I want to go to Squinel Cove at the same time as I have not had an opportunity of visiting that place yet.

I hope you and all your people are quite well.

Yours truly,
C. McDonald,
Indian Agent.

Chief Sam Simsting,
30 Skeamum Camp,
Skeamum, B.C.

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Indian Office, New Westminster, B.C.
July 18th 1904.

August,
Siammon, B.C.

Dear August;

I am in receipt of your letter of the 26th ult. having reference to certain money which you state Mr. C.V. Smith of Vancouver owes you for furs. In reply I beg to inform you that I called on Mr. Smith on Saturday last in connection with this matter and he says that he can prove by the purser of the Steamer Cassiar that the letter containing your money was delivered to the boom man at Siammon and that he (Mr. Smith) will get a letter from Mr. Chick to that effect.

Mr. Smith further stated that the furs were shipped East by him some time ago and it is therefore impossible for him to return them to you as you desired.

Mr. Smith is very sorry that you did not receive the money but he does not consider that he is responsible for the loss as he sent it in the usual way.

Yours truly,

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Indian Agent.

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Indian Office New Westminster, B.C.

July 18th 1904.

Dear Sir;

The bearer Jim William, an Indian of the Sliammon band complains of being very sick and would like to go to the hospital for a short time. As he is very destitute and if you think you can do anything for him by placing him in the hospital for a short ^{time} I think it would be well to do so. However, as I know nothing about his ailment I will ask you to be good enough to do what you think is best, and if you decide to place him in the hospital kindly report to me as usual in duplicate.

Yours truly,

R. McDonald

Indian Agent.

W.D. Brydono-Jack, Esq., M.D.

Vancouver, B.C.

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Dear August:

In further reference to your letter in connection with the furs shipped by you to Mr Smith of Vancouver, and the payment of same I now enclose a letter from Mr. H. H. Pinner of Steamer Cassiar, in which he states that the letter in question was delivered to the boom-man in the usual way. You had better show Mr. H. H. Pinner's letter to the boom-man and see what he says about it.

Hoping that you are all well.

Yours truly
C. M. Woodard,
Indian Agent.

August,
Stiammon

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Indian Office, New Westminster B. C.

August 8th, 1904.

Sir:-

I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of a letter
dated the 1st instant from Dr. Brydone-Jack reporting in St.
Paul's Hospital of Billy Harry an Indian of the Sliammon band,
for treatment.

This Indian is unable to pay for his hospital treatment.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your obedient servant,

A. W. Vowell

Indian Agent.

A. W. Vowell, Esq.,

Indian Superintendent,

Victoria, B. C.

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Indian Office, New Westminster B. C.
August 18th, 1904.

Sir:-

I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of a letter, dated the 17th instant, from Dr. Brydone-Jack reporting ~~Six~~ ~~Waux~~ ~~Wampitax~~ that he has placed in St. Pauls Hospital for treatment Billy an Indian of the Slismon band, also an Indian of the Seshelt band named Alex.

Neither of these Indians are able to pay for their hospital treatment.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your obedient servant,

R. McQuinn

Indian Agent.

A. W. Powell, Esq.,

Indian Superintendent,

Victoria, B. C.

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Indian Office, New Westminster B.C.

August 27th, 1904.

Dear Chief:-

I am in receipt of your very welcome letter informing me that your village was still safe from the fire and that you now considered it out of danger from that source.

I may say that I got a great fright last Monday morning when it was reported to me that your church and all your houses were destroyed by fire. I at once went to Vancouver to find out the particulars of the case and hunted around the city till I found a man who had come down from there on Saturday. He informed me that your town was not burned and that news was a great relief to me.

I will go up to Sliammon if possible when the priest goes up but I am not quite sure yet whether I will be able to go at that time.

I hope that you and all your people are well.

Yours truly,

R. M. Donald

Indian Agent.

Chief Tom Finney,
Sliammon, B.C.

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Indian Office, New Westminster B.C.

September 30th, 1904.

Sir:-

I have the honor to report for the information of the Department that during the month just closed, besides attending to the office work connected with the duties of this Agency, I visited such reserves as Homalco, Klahoose, Sliammon, Seshelt and Musqueam. I also visited the Indians engaged in hop-picking at the Agassiz hop-fields where I found an epidemic of measles had broken out among their children. Ten children of the Seshelt band died from this disease, while at Agassiz. The most of those who died were less than one year of age and in fact some of them were mere infants. As the parents of the children were afraid of being quarantined for a length of time they neglected to notify the Doctor until I went up there and brought him to their camp, after which those sick recovered rapidly.

The hop-picking is now completed for this season and nearly all the Indians have already left for their respective homes.

I am pleased to be able to report that the Indians engaged at the hop-picking this year were well behaved, and the liquor traffic complained of in past years was practically stamped

A.W. Vowell, Esq.,

Indian Superintendent,

Victoria, B.C.

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