

March 12, 1938

Rev. J.A.Doyle, D.D.,
Indian Industrial School,
Brandon,
Man.

Dear Dr. Doyle:

Could you take a few minutes off in the near future and dictate in a sentence or two something about the young people who have left your school in recent years and are seeking to get incorporated into the life of the country. The girl in St. Boniface Hospital, for instance, is one. Elsie McLaren is another and of course there are others. I should be glad to have this at your early convenience. It has to do with an important phase of Indian education.

Dr. Etter told me yesterday that they hope to assemble the school exhibits for New Zealand about the end of the month. While the material that Mr. Street sent down from Berens River has a great deal of value and interest, I think there ought to be some school work. I am sure your teachers will know the kind of thing that should go in the shipment.

Yours very sincerely,

Indian Residential School

Rev. J. A. Doyle, D.D.
PRINCIPAL

PHONE 2838

Brandon, Man., Mar. 15, 1938.

Rev. J. A. Cormie, D.D.,
441 Somerset Bldg.,
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Dr. Cormie:

In reply to your letter of the 12th inst., which came yesterday I will submit the names of a few of our graduates and you can select to suit your requirements.

Miss Elsie MacLaren took her Normal training while here. She will graduate in Arts from Brandon College this Spring. She is very acceptable and well recognized in the social and other activities of the College. She desires to teach among her own people, is anxious to get a school this summer. I am sure you will do what you can for her.

Miss Rosabell Ryder, from Sintaluta, graduated two years ago. She did domestic work for one year to earn some money. She entered St. Boniface Hospital nearly a year ago. As indicated by her examination marks and credits for practical work, she is doing exceedingly well. Her marks are in the 90's; for part of the time at least she stood third in a large class. She is very highly spoken of by those in charge.

Viola Brown is in domestic service in Winnipeg. Her conduct is reported as beyond reproach. She is expert in needlework. Her employer states as to cooking and housekeeping she would be a credit to any school.

Walter Baldhead graduated three years ago. He took third year at Technical School and complete Grade X the last year he was here. He worked for a year to earn money to continue his schooling. He returned here for Grade XI. He earned and saved during the summer and entered the

Agricultural College last fall. The report of his conduct, attitude toward his work and progress is eminently satisfactory.

Ewart Monias entered school at Norway House from Island Lake after he was thirteen years of age. He never failed on an examination. He came to us for Grades X, XI, XII and Normal. He is teaching at Nelson House, married to Jessie Bear, graduate of this school. She was taking Grade XI when she left to be married. Recent reports from the missionary in regard to them are satisfactory.

Maurice Gray was employed here for three years after he graduated and was an acknowledged expert with the tractor. He is now employed at the Round Lake School in Saskatchewan.
Robert-Bird

Robert Bird graduated from here, having completed the Technical Course. He was employed with us for a short time. He went from here to File Hills School, where he is putting in his third year. He was recently married.

Lancelot Ahenakew took Grade X with us. He has since secured Grade XI. This year he is attending Normal at Saskatoon and is employed to teach in the north country of Saskatchewan, commencing when Normal closes.

Gladys Haywahe took Grade XI here and part of XII, also Normal. She taught for awhile at Round Lake Indian Residential School. She is now otherwise employed at the school. She expects to teach next year.

Mervyn Deiter took Technical Course. He is employed at the Indian Hospital, Fort Qu'Appelle, and is married to one of our graduates.

Edna Deiter graduated three years ago. She has been employed in the File Hills School ever since.

Dorothy Haywahe and Helen Black are both employed in the Indian Hospital at Fort Qu'Appelle.

Frederic Baptise is a sample of a number of boys who have graduated. He was employed for two summers by one of our best Brandon farmers, who wants him back this year also.

I might mention a number who have graduated less recently.

Robert Everett is a trusted employee of the MacArthur Transportation Company here for a number of years.

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One of the Moore boys is janitor of the Earl Oxford Junior High School for at least a dozen years.

Mr. Mooso has successfully carried on a barber shop in Brandon for more than ten years.

Alfred Kirkness has served the Experimental Farm here as mechanic for at least a dozen years. He is married to a white woman. They have their own home.

John Kirkness, stockman and leader in athletics at the Mental Hospital here, has held that position for a good number of years.

Well, that is enough for today.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

J. A. Doyle,

Rev. J. A. Doyle, D.D.,
Principal.

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PS. Last night about 35 of our young people attended the Young People's service at First Church and conducted the program. Since writing the above Mr. James was phoning me and expressed his and their great appreciation of the manner in which the service was conducted and the material which our young folks gave. He said it was absolutely 100% and quite up to the standards of their services conducted by their own young people.

J. A. D.