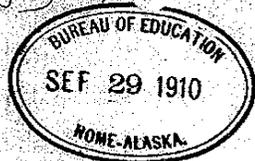


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Copy of last relating to freight sent to



Deering

Deering Alaska

Sept. 18 1910.

Dear Mr. Evans,

On the morning of the 15th inst I left Kotzebue on the Deering for Deering. Upon reaching here I found that Mr. Redwood was along "up the creek" again, and Mr. Daniels had gone outside. You have very likely had a chance to learn of the conditions through him, as he passed through Nome.

Yesterday Mr. Redwood came back and I talked with him soon after his return. Before Capt. Backlund took the goods from the warehouse he paid the full charges for storage, which were \$50.00 for a month or fraction thereof.

He took two receipts, however, saying he would present a bill to the government for one half of the \$50.00. for, since the government as well as private parties used it, then both should share the expense.

It seems that in paying for the lightering Mr. Neuson kept no account of the freight belonging to the Government.

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but rather lumped it all together, using up the whole amount of money \$532.00 given by the St. Helens capt. His receipts were sent you on an earlier mail. (respond)

Barbkend paid \$50.25 for lighterage charges on the Volante goods. This amount Redwood has sent forward to the St. Helens people.

Dr. Newson has nothing here to show how many tons of government freight were landed, but the \$50.25 which Barbkend paid Redwood would cover 42% tons. As I figure it, there would be \$50.15 for that amount.

There were 152 tons lightered, taking out Barbkend's 42% tons would leave 109% tons for the government. at \$2.50 per ton = \$381.85

Mr. Redwood thinks vouchers ought to be issued here for that money, which the captain paid over to Dr. Newson. I tell him that our figures may not be accurate in the number of tons. Still it will do no hurt to forward the vouchers to you, signed by Redwood.

H.H.

It may hasten the settlement. If this matter has already received your attention, then the voucher may be destroyed. Redwood is quite complimentary in speaking of the speed the government is using in straightening out this tangle.

He says it usually takes a year or two for Uncle Sam to get going. Perhaps the home office accounts for the promptness of this year. If next, the whole thing is bodled through home there will be here call for straightening out messes, none will occur.

School has not yet started at Deering. Mrs. Newman said, that after her return from Kitzbue, she saw no winter's supply of fish laid by by the natives, so, she started them away to get fish, consequently no school. I have noticed quite a goodly number playing around the Eskimo village as I have visited there at different times. Guess the children are numerous enough to begin school with, if the family were ready.

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Alfred, the new man's little boy has had what they call Typhoid Fever - and was all right when I came here, that is he was getting all right. We had potassium for dinner and at night his temperature went up to 104.5° . Today, Sunday, he is better having a temperature of 103° but they help to keep up his strength by continually applying hot water bags and flexions.

Dr. Neuman is going to take us another apprentice. I told him two, but he says there are not two boys qualified. Might not older ones be taken then?

Your letter of Sept 1 - stating the Johnny and Billy matter is at hand. I will see that they get the deer if they show up during the winter. Did you not notice in your instructions that \$190.00 would not make an even payment with deer. Shall I allow \$15.00 more and give them four deer each? Either that or one boy gets $\frac{1}{4}$ ^{deer} - the other 3 and \$15 we still owe him according to your figures. Please advise.

There does not seem to be any boy here at Deering at present.

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is the kind we want at the deer herd.

I have learned of three, from the herders, and Dr. Hurson thinks they are all right, but they are all away. I will have to leave the matter of choosing the apprentice, ~~sent~~ to Dr. Hurson for with his boy in this critical condition, he can think of nothing else. If he gets well I think it will be another Ughid patient he will not give him a ptarmigan for dinner.

Dr. Hurson does not like to take on more than one apprentice, for the number of deer which the mission now has. He thinks the Rules and Regulations only calls for one apprentice for 144 deer and he is very much against taking on a second one. I did not press the matter, for I knew that even if he did not see the government view point at the present time, he might see it by and by. He tells me that natives want to buy fawn deer so by selling them he will distribute the fawns.

Friday - Sept. 23.

The Bender Bros. come into Deering on Monday night the 19th. Since no school was going on at Deering and the boy so sick, I thought it best to come away.

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On Wednesday morning ^{the} we started Ladie Creek and Onward and I came ashore at m.e. On Wednesday a storm came up and nothing could be done in landing the freight. The Wangs, Sacks were also at anchor and could not get in. Thursday was also a stormy day and nothing could be brought ashore. Today - Friday - is still stormy.

On Wednesday - when I came I found the entire school and the two living rooms, and Remick alone in the school room painting. He had been all the week on the job and had only about two thirds of the walls done and the ceiling not touched. There was a chance for me. I asked for a paint brush, but Mrs. Cox said the Government had no other brushes - wonder when all these which were sent at the building of the school house went too? Well I found one at Tom. Berryman's and started in, and have kept right at it until we finished the job last night.

I will see that Bids for the Kibute mail route are forwarded. I have already talked with Allen - He is happy over the prospects.

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VII

When you returned those bills of sale of female deer - was there some special reason for it? I know you sent some fees to the Commissioner for at former times you have sent them forward to him.

I got into the concentration with Mr. Cox last night and had only covered a few of the items your letter contained when a lieutenant from St. Michaels - who has been looking into Jade Ant, came in so I have not taken up all as yet.

The lieutenant is an eastern man and is a graduate of the school in Vermont where I reg- istered, and he has played foot ball against my academy team. - Rather interesting you see to meet men over in this section of the world.

Your letters by Mr. Cahill in the Bender Box he put into my hands at sleeping and the other those of earlier date came in the regular mail. All contents will be covered out as you direct.

Yours -
C. W. Hanksworth.