

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE VARIOUS

Public Officers and Institutions

FOR THE YEAR

1887³

VOLUME II.

AUGUSTA:

BURLEIGH & FLYNT, PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1889.

REPORT OF THE AGENT

OF THE

Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians,

FOR THE YEAR

✻ 1887 ✻



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REPORT.

To the Honorable Governor and Council of Maine.

I hereby submit my Report as Agent for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, for the year ending November 30, 1887.

The appropriations for the year, by a Resolve of the Legislature of 1887, were as follows, viz :

For May dividends.....	\$500 00
November dividends	500 00
distressed poor.....	3,200 00
agricultural purposes.....	600 00
bounty on crops	200 00
plowing	150 00
salary of Governor.....	100 00
salary of Lieutenant Governor.....	40 00
wood.....	500 00
contingent purposes.....	150 00
dressing for land.....	150 00
salary of priest.....	200 00
educational purposes.....	600 00
salary of Agent.....	200 00
superintendent of farming.....	100 00
basket ash.....	100 00
Robert Talbot, sheep.....	60 00
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	\$7,350 00

Amount expended by C. H. Porter \$2,376 62

The balance of appropriations has been expended by me as follows, viz :

For May dividends	\$136 60	
November dividends	402 40	
distressed poor	2,717 78	
agricultural purposes	204 00	
bounty on crops	192 11	
plowing	150 00	
salary of Governor	37 00	
salary of Lieutenant Governor	20 00	
salary of priest	200 00	
wood	88 25	
contingent purposes	91 18	
dressing for land	150 00	
educational purposes	472 52	
salary of Agent	133 34	
superintendent of farming	100 00	
basket ash	119 15	
Robert Talbot, sheep	60 00	5,274 33
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		\$7,650 95

RECEIPTS.

May 17, warrant on State Treasurer	\$1,800 00
Aug. 10, " " "	1,800 00
Dec. 30, " " "	1,373 38
Amount of warrants as above	7,350 00
Amount of over-expenditure	300 95

This statement shows a small over-expenditure. This was caused by a large amount of sickness in the tribe near the close of the year, and was principally paid out for care of the sick, doctor's bills, medicine and funeral expenses.

The population of the tribe April 1, 1887, was.....	535
Deaths since that date	20
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Population Nov. 30, 1887.....	515

AGRICULTURE.

The crop raised this year is as follows, viz :

Potatoes	2,909	bushels.
Oats	172	“
Beans	99	“
Turnips.....	65	“
Peas, carrots and onions, etc.....	15	“
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	3,260	“

EDUCATIONAL.

The schools have been faithfully cared for by Sisters Mary, Rose and Mary Berchmans.

The general condition of the Indians seems to be satisfactory, and in the short time I have been Agent I have not discovered any means within the proper control of the State, to further promote their welfare, as my predecessor had devoted much time and thought to their interests and in connection with the priests and the Sisters of Mercy had brought to bear all possible influences for good among them.

Respectfully submitted.

H. C. MUNSON,

Agent Passamaquoddy Indians.

CALAIS, November 30, 1887.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN COUNCIL, December 30, 1887.

Read, accepted, and usual number of copies ordered printed.

ORAMANDAL SMITH,

Secretary of State.