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Her services will enable me to properly treat the numbers of cases that now cannot be properly treated. She will disseminate knowledge of the principles of nursing and far more than pay for the expense of her engagement by the saving of life and productive energy she will effect. It is my opinion that about \$300.00 a year in addition to what she receives from her own Order will be the cost of obtaining the services of such a nurse.

I further suggest that upon notification by me, the Agent should, to my satisfaction, disinfect any house designated. The cost of such disinfection is small, -from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per house and the Agent and myself can easily arrange details if the Department will approve of such disinfection being done.

I further suggest that medicines such as cod liver oil, or food medicines, should be supplied in sufficient quantities by the Department at the Band's expense. The cost of this would be about \$200.00 per annum, and if the Department prefers to grant me this sum for such medicines, I will see that the supply is adequate and properly directed.

I further suggest that I be relieved of the work of making returns as at present. These serve no useful purpose to the Department. In the place of them I propose supplying the Department quarterly with a return on the enclosed form. This you will see contains valuable information, which the old return does not.

If the Department approves these suggestions, I am safe in saying that useful as well as humane steps will be taken and that appreciable

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OTTAWA, 11th August, 1903

Sir,

Continuing the subject of our conversation of this morning I beg now to put into writing as you desired, the most pressing needs of the Magitoulin Island Indians in respect to health.

The mortality amongst them is enormous, unnecessary and reducible. It is largely reducible by simple and inexpensive means.

At present in sickness they have the attendance of myself and they receive the kind but untrained nursing of the reverend fathers and sisters of the Roman Catholic mission at Wikwemikong. But in cases of severe sickness ^{including} and typhoid they have not such skilled nursing as is needed, and necessary surgical operations cannot be attempted for lack of skilled nursing.

The reserve has no hospital accommodation, nor any means for the isolation and care of the tuberculous. It is without sanitary inspection, and houses in which fatal contagious diseases occur are not disinfected in a way to afford protection.

The amount paid to me for attendance and medicine is insufficient to permit me to supply such medicines as cod liver oil, which is essentially a good, to the extent it should be supplied. I have therefore to direct the suffering to buy it for themselves, and this they are often unable to do.

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The unnecessary waste of life under these conditions is very great. Humanitarian considerations are violated and an immense waste of productive energy occurs by the dying off of young men and women in the early days of usefulness.

I now suggest a few of the most essential and comparatively inexpensive means of bettering the health of these Indians and reducing their mortality.

Tuberculosis is their great scourge and practically nothing is being done to reduce mortality from this very curable ^{yet} highly infectious and fatal disease.

Two large tents, one for each sex, should be obtained and a cook tent and utensils for the use of both. Convenient latrines should be provided. The cost of this tent establishment would be about \$300.00, including the cost of necessary furniture for about 12 patients. Everything would be of the simplest. The description of tents, etc. will be given if the Department approves the plan.

In this tent establishment I will put cases now despondent but, in my opinion, curable; and the results will justify the expense and teach the Indians a lesson which will lead to the ultimate increase of the establishment. In the meantime, to just the extent to which infected persons are removed to the tents, will the danger of their infecting others be decreased. And those placed in the tents will be able to pursue their usual avocations.

I further suggest the employment of one trained nurse of the Victorian Order, to be quartered at the mission and to be subject to ^{my} ~~the~~ direction

and appreciated results will follow.

Respectfully submitting this report, I am

Your obedient servant

J. W. Minton

Medical Supt. to Indians of
Manitoulin Island.

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