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These transcribed documents date mainly from 1883-1888.

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| G 8701 | B - 1 | Aug. 31, 1883 | Letter | Matheson, Samuel G., St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Thomas and John attending College. See L.B."C" p.293, 03 September 1883. Replied arrangements proposed OK. | No Cover |

“My dear Mr. Norquay We have decided to take Thomas & John into residence if it be agreeable to you and them. According to our rules we cannot admit lads over 16 years of age but we are willing to make an exception in favor of your sons. We should be glad if Thomas wd consent to act as Captain of the school. He could have special privileges owing to his age which I will explain when I see him. John, of course, wd have to be governed by the ordinary rules of the school. If he objects to this I dare say Mr. Hamber[Hawkes?] wd take him in. I should like to know as soon as possible whether the arrangement commends itself to you. I am very sincerely yours, …”

Note on reverse: “Replied arrangements proposed OK”

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| G 8701 | B - 3 | Aug. 29, 1883 | Letter | Lacasse, L.J.N. | St. Leon, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to dinner on 20 September after the Lorne Agricultural show. Replied 11 September 1883. See L.B."C" p.299. Accepted the invitation. | No Cover |

Invitation to dinner after Lorne Agricultural Show -- accepted for 20 Sept/83

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| G 8701 | B - 4 | Aug. 29, 1883 | Letter | Eason, Alfred | St. Leon, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to dinner on 20 September. Replied 4th September accepting the same. See L.B."C" p.296. | No Cover |

I’m the caterer – would lose if you aren’t coming – are you? Reply on back – yes.

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| G 8701 | B - 5 | Sept. 6, 1883 | Letter |  | Bailey, H.H. | Rat Portage, Man. | Norquay, John | Algoma election re Gadbois as returning officer. Replied on 8th September. Answer not copied. | No Cover |

Stationery of Sec Treas, Rat Portage MB: “Algoma election 28th inst & hope Varennes will be the same day. Should like to see T.A. Gadbois Returning Officer….

2nd Please send us the smallpox money. We understand McCarthy has sent your Govt bal remaining from fines &c.

3 We believe your police force here might be reduced to say 5 or 6 men. A great change has taken place since the two Ont specials were sent to Wpg jail. Burden returning to this place without his men. Public see now that Man[itoa?] is ahead as Burden did not bring back his men, but came enraged saying ‘It is a d-d shame’ ‘It is a d-d outrage’

Believing that our great Liberal Conservative party will come out ahead election day. “Replied 8th Sept Answer not copied”

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| G 8701 | B - 6 | Aug. 15, 1883 | Telegram | Shields, Jno | Rat Portage, Man. | Norquay, John | 500 copies of Mr. N.'s speech for distribution. Action not known. | No Cover |

“Please get five hundred pamphlet forms of your speech printed and send me for distribution”

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| G 8701 | B - 7 (a) | Aug. 28, 1883 | Letter | Pennefather, Mrs. Mary | Norquay, MB | Norquay, John | Re: Her husband getting Government [appointment]. | No Cover |
| G 8701 | B - 7 (b) | Aug. 13, 1883 | Letter | Pennefather, Mrs. Mary | Norquay, MB | Norquay, John | Re: Position of Supt. of Asylums for her husband.  Replied Sept. 7, 1883. No copy taken. | No Cover |

a) Private: …my husband is making arrangements that will be all right if he gets the appointment from the govt that he asked for but otherwise … is he certain of it? If not, please tell him – “Irish men are [? Impetuous] and do not always listen to their wives. Please say nothing of my having written to you. I never interfere with my husband’s acts but here in a strange country one does not know well what to do.”

b) “I was sorry to hear that Mrs. Norquay was not well. If you are coming out here on the 21 of next month it would give me much pleasure to see Mrs. Norquay and the change might do her good….”

Note on back: “re the position of Supt of Asylum for her husband”

JN replied on 7 Sept, no copy taken [Betsy]

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| G 8701 | B - 7 | 24 Dec, 1878 | Letter | A. Boyd | Stoke on Trent | Norquay, John | Going out of town a few days and requesting any  papers for signature be sent. | No Cover |

[this is mis-filed but here it is] “My dear Norquay Your letter came too late only arrived this morning and long before this is penned your agonies will be over and once more you will reign or your career be ‘bust’ for the present. You have had my wishes for your success and if you had spoken before in time for a letter to arrive out I would have tried harder, and I think I could have got over Donald’s unwillingness to vote etc. I did write to him some time ago and told him I hoped he would vote for you and coupled my desire with the hope that you would not go in for taxing our lands. I suppose I shall hear in due course how you have got along and hope I may hear of your success.

We are having a deuce of a winter here in Scotland, trains frozen up etc, and here if I only had a cutter and a good horse I would show the benighted natives the joy of travelling on runners. As it is the people go grinding about on wheels in the most depressing manner. I keep no horse here or I would improvise a cariole or something. You see here in the country we never give a frost credit for lasting more than a day or two. But we have had frosts for a fortnight and more. I shall be very glad if you can find time to write me a little of your local news, especially if you are successful in your war.

With best wishes for Xmas and the New Year, believe me, yours very truly, A Boyd I see St John is running for St. James again. I thought he was Indian Commissioner – how is this then? And is Howard Receiver. I heard, or I heard also his appointment would not stand.”

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| G 8701 | B - 12 | Aug. 24, 1883 | Letter | Miller, J.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Varennes. | 2 pp. No Cover |

Cheap stamp on paper as letterhead for his office at corner of Main and St. Mary Sts, declaring he is James A. Miller Q.C. D.C.L.

“My dear Norquay re Varennes I yesterday wrote to find out definitely what day the Algoma election was fixed for and will let you know my reply.

LaTouche Tupper spoke [?] last night and said that he had been out of employment for some time now and that he could not afford to spend as much acting as [?]man – he said you had promised him a position at Rat Portage and he heard nothing about it now and his enthusiasm to work in the Cause was considerably cooled. You had better see him privately when he comes in tomorrow.

Now as to Self: I do not propose to go out and run as a private individual for I know it would be a great handicap and unless I went as ‘Attorney General’ I would not go at all. So far as it is looked at pecuniarly it would pay me much better to stick to my profession. I think everyone will admit that – so that unless Sutherland is quite agreeable and your colleagues also approve you may as well at once understand my position. If you and your colleagues therefore wish me to assist you let it be done at once and I will at once be prepared to make arrangements to have my cases fixed for certain days so as to interfere as little as possible with giving me plenty of time in ‘Varennes.’ I also want to see ‘Corrigan’ as soon as possible for he I believe proposes to stay in the field. Please have a meeting of Council and let me know [?] now your decision. Faithfully yours

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| G 8701 | B - 13 | Aug. 28, 1883 | Letter | Tennant, J.F. | Emerson West, Man. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter returning thanks for contents. | No Cover |

“Your letter received and I return my hearty thanks for the intentions you conveyed … and sincerely hope of course that your efforts in my behalf will not be fruitless. Trusting you will come on Conqueror in the Rat Portage business, I remain, Your sincere friend,”

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| G 8701 | B - 14 | Jan. 4, 1879 | Order in Council copy [extract] | McBeth, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Date Captain Kennedy's appointment. S.M. for County of Lisgar. | No Cover |

Handwritten “Order in Council Dated 4th January 1879 Portion of order reads: “On the recommendation of the Hon. John Norquay that William Kennedy of the Parish of St. Andrews Gentleman be appointed a Stipendiary [magistrate] for the County of Lisgar vice The Hon. Donald Gunn deceased JMB CEC [?? Unsure re all these initials]

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| G 8701 | B - 15 | Aug. 30, 1883 | Letter | Bailey, H.H. | Rat Portage, Man. | Norquay, John | General information as to affairs in Rat Portage. No answer that I am aware of. | 2 pp. No Cover |

“…there has been quite a change for the better since you were here our opponents started too fresh and the decided stand taken by your Govt has done an immense amount of good. Nothing but a large amount of money paid right & left the last day or two before election can save the Grits here from a terrible defeat we are gaining ground every day there has been a lull on our opponents side…I hope the Varennes election will take place same day, for it will save a very great expense getting voters together. I understand Mr McCarthy has transferred the balance of funds that remain in his hands to your Govt - & I hope the same can be sent to some party or parties here to investigate and pay as far as it will go the smallpox claims remaining so long unpaid. The Ontario Council are now working expending funds placed in their hands by the Ont Govt or their supporters and they must keep it up until after election as they have commenced & they claim there are going to…. I trust we may hear from the fund I speak of, and that it will be used legitimately and at the same time make a point for the good cause.

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| G 8701 | B - 16 | Aug. 25, 1883 | Letter | Setter, Christabella | Portage la Portage, Man. | Norquay, John | Family matters. | No Cover |

“Dear Uncle Norquay [no bungee term] Mama says that, if you are willing to let Nellie put up with our poor accommodation, she will be only too glad to have her come up. Oh I shall be so glad to have her come she and I shall have a glorious time. I don’t know about the town passing a bylaw for our admittance into pound, the city fathers might be afraid to trust us in among the other arrivals. We might do some damage. Do try to bring Nellie up next week so as to start with me on Monday week. Papa has gone down with our cricket club to play Stonewall boys, I laughed at him for going, they might as well tell the Stonewallites to consider the game theirs and save themselves the trouble of playing. I have to go down to town so I can’t wait to write a long letter. So goodbye with love to all from all and a big hug for yrself from me Christabella Setter.

I can’t find a nice envelope anywhere so I have to send this in one of the office ones. C.S.

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| G 8701 | B - 19 | Aug. 16, 1883 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Matters looking bright. | No Cover |

“Matters looking favorable Writing you particulars”

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| G 8701 | B - 20 | Aug. 6, 1883 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Recommending Mr. Howard for a judicial position. | No Cover |

G.R. Howard, lawyer in Wpg., seeks some judicial position – “He has I think the support of the Chief Justice and of several of your leading men. If you can do anything for him I would take it as a personal favour.”

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| G 8701 | B - 21 | Aug. 17, ? | Telegram | Sutherland, A.M. | Rat Portage, Man. | Constantine, C. | Tell Norquay coming in tonight. | No Cover |

To Chas Constantine: “Telephone Norquay will be in tonight meet me at train”

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| G 8701 | B - 22 | Aug. 1, 1883 | Letter | Kempson, Joseph | Birmingham, England | Norquay, John | Meeting Board of Governors of Ladies' School. The whereabouts of his son. | No Cover |

“I am in a great state of anxiety respecting the whereabouts of my son Arthur Henry Kempson, who was last heard of from a place called ‘Point Grand Maurais.’” He said he was coming home, but we’ve heard nothing, our letters returned, he had been working in a “timber or lumber wharf on the banks of some river in Manitoba…” he’s about 40, has lived in Canada for many years, said he was “doing tolerably well…”

Acton Burrows is acting as secretary at this time – August 1883

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| G 8701 | B - 23 | Aug. 14, 1883 | Letter | Pennefather, John D. | Norquay P O MB | Norquay, John | On sundry matters. Dealt with by Acton Burrows. | No Cover |

Acton Burrows note on top: “I have answd re game guardian”

Issue: “Would Mr. Burrows appoint Stephen Mackintosh one of the Council of Lorne Conservation of game for his district he tells me they are destroying very young chickens and flappers around him which he is anxious to stop. He lives in the Pembina [?] …”

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| G 8701 | B - 24 | Aug. 9, 1883 | Letter | Fraser, James, Mayor | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Address presented to Premier. Borrowing by trustees of money. | No Cover |

Formal handwritten script from mayor and council welcoming JN to Pilot Mound, “what is generally admitted to be The Garden of the province. It must be very gratifying to you in passing through this section of country to witness the very remarkable progress made in the cultivation of the soil … in so short a period; it being only a little over four years since the settlers came into this section of the province….” We now need “railway facilities” – please note the many school houses and teachers of high standing

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| G 8701 | B - 25 | Aug. 16, 1883 | Letter | Setter, Christabel [!] | Portage la Portage, Man. | Norquay, John | Family matters. | No Cover |

“Dear Uncle Norquay I have just got your jewelry from the jeweler it cost $7.00 instead of six as he at first thought so I got it for you & you can send the dollar any time soon. I cannot write you a long letter today I am writing this during my dinner hour so excuse my scribble. We are all every well & I hope by this time that Auntie Betsy is allright. Oh how I wish you would send Nellie up here to school with me I am sure you would be satisfied with Miss Hay’s teachings. Goodbye with love to all from all

I remain Yr loving Christabel

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| G 8701 | B - 26 | Aug. 9, 1883 | Letter | Machray, J., Secretary House of Bishops | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. N. appointed a member of Committee and etc. | No Cover |

JN has been nominated to committee on Constitution & Canons & a General Board of Missions

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| G 8701 | B - 27 | Aug. 11, 1883 | Letter | Bannatyne, A.G.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Bedson, S.L. | Certain money matters.  Letter to Bedson from Bannatyne which Bedson forwards to Norquay with a note on the back. | No Cover |

Letterhead: John McKilligan “Agent for the Estates of Hon. A.G.B. Bannatyne and Andrew McDermot’s Executors” Letter to S.L.Bedson, signed by Bannatyne: “My dear Bedson: I do wish when you can, we could try and make some settlement with Sweeney, as he is finding it too much for him to carry longer & wrote me again about it the other day. Have you not arranged with the C.P.R. for the ties – and Norquay goes to Ottawa soon as he returns. When you come in let us try & do something.”

Bedson scrawl on back: “Confidential My dear Norquay If anything is to be done about the asylum site I sincerely wish you wd make some arrangement soon, if there is no chance of paying anything, at present, can you give a Minute to effect that it is in course of settlement &c, &c I am in a fix SLB

The office note on the subject of the letter: “Certain money matters”

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| G 8701 | B - 28 | July 28, 1883 | Prospectus | Taylor, Collinge & Co. | Brandon, Man. |  | The suspension of the Mail induces them to start a journal "The Blade" | 2 pp. |

Given the suspension of the Mail, we are starting a LibConservative paper, the Blade

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| G 8701 | B - 29 (a) | July 9, 1883 | Withdrawal Notice | Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Withdrawal of $1000.00 re: Honourable C.P. Brown. [app] | No Cover |
| G 8701 | B - 29 (b) | Aug. 13, 1883 | Prommissory Note Refusal Notice | Carey, Eugene D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for payment of said note. | No Cover |

a) Merchants’ Bank: your account has been “charged with $1009.20 being Note Brown” -

b) $1000 note made by C P Brown payable to the order of W N Kennedy and endorsed by you was presented to Merchants Bank, payment was refused, and holders of the note look to you for payment thereof… and the said note was this day protested by me for non-payment” Eugene D. Carey Notary Public”

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| G 8701 | B - 30 | Aug. 15, [1883] | Postcard | Matheson, Samuel P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting Board of Governors of Ladies' School. | No Cover |
| G 8701 | B - 31 | Aug. 14, 1883 | Postcard | Bernier, T.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting of Council of University of Manitoba. | No Cover |
| G 8701 | B - 32 | Aug. 14, 1883 | Postcard | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting of Council of Board of Agriculture. | No Cover |

Meetings of Bd of Gov of Ladies School 15 Aug,

of U of M Council “to consider Dr. Isbister’s will” 22 August

of Board of Agriculture to hear addresses by H G Joly (former premier of QC) and 2 others on “Horticulture and Forestry”

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| G 8701 | B - 34 | Aug. 16, 1883 | Telegram | Sutherland, A.M. | Rat Portage | Chief Constantine | Rat Portage troubles. | Written in code with Translation 3 pp. No Cover |

To Chief Constantine care T McQuigley: “Manitoba constable arrested in discharge of his duty and badly beaten by Ontario officer Ontario officer assisting arrest and our authority come out immediately not later than Saturday with 20 good men See Norquay. Must act at once.” Subject note on cover: “re Rat Portage troubles”

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| G 8701 | B - 35 | Aug. 11, 1883 | Letter | Brown, J. Stevenson | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Baron de Longueuil falling into proper hands. | No Cover |

“Baron de Longueuil” traveling to Wpg – not in connection with the Coy – it is desirable that he should fall into proper hands.”

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| G 8701 | B - 36 | Aug. 11, 1883 | Invitation | Grant, W. S. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to Fall Regatta. | No Cover |

Winnipeg Rowing Club holds fall regatta on 11 Aug – invites Hon J Norquay & party

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| G 8701 | B - 37 | Aug. 8, 1883 | Invitation | Street, George N. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to the Manitoba Rifle Association. Replied 15 August. L.B."C" see p. 261. |  |

MB Rifle Assocn invited JN “& Ladies” to annual meeting at rifle range, Stony Mtn, on 15 Aug., 10:00, lunch at 1:00

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| G 8701 | B - 38 | July 25, 1883 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | After he had gone west to Medicine Hat re coal mines. Replied to 26 July 1883. See L.B."C" p. \_\_\_ ??? | 2 pp. |

Letterhead Saskatchewan Coal Mining & Transporation Co. Ltd Head Office 576 Main St Winnipeg Mines at Medicine Hat NWT

“Dear Sir I will be at Brandon all day tomorrow and leave Friday for Medicine Hat & expect to remain at the coal fields two weeks in order to get the Co & Works fully organized and systemised. I hope all the Goods for the Co including mining plant lumber machinery steam power and a full equipment for commencing the works successfully [sic] I feel it my place and duty to as much [sic] on the spot as possible as the whole thing depends on getting out the coal We must make this undertaking a success I shall write the office often also yourself If you conveniently call at the office occasionally it would be well you & I must work together in this matter & make our financial position better I have already placed your stock at $2500 trusting this our first business will be but an introduction to a further and productive future. Yours truly J.E. Woodworth P.S. If you can do anything for Mr Ransom in giving him a position he would be very thankful.

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| G 8701 | B - 39 | July 20, 1883 | Letter | Wagner, Wm | Ossowa [Ottawa?] | Norquay, John | Coulttee as Deputy Attorney-General. Replied 20th July 1883. See L.B."C" p. 233. Appointment made. |  |

“My dear Norquay I could not see you any more after our first interview when I was last in town to say a few words in re Cantlie [illegible] – not that I have any doubt about your word given to me only to set matters at rest – Ardagh is sworn in, yet he has some work to make up – and naturally he should get pay for it – now my proposition to you is – appoint Cantlie let him help Ardagh and for the time that the work in arrears has to be done let Ardagh draw this pay and let Cantlie be without it. Hoping this will find your approval, I remain, yours very sincerely, Wm Wagner

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| G 8701 | B - 40 | Aug. 24, 1883 | Letter | Tennant, J.F. | West Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | The Collectorship of Customs. Replied 25th August. See L.B."C" p. 278. |  |

I applied to be collector of customs at Turtle Mtn. – “urgent need of more officials to guard against smuggling on our frontier.”

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| G 8701 | B - 41 | July 26, 1883 | Letter | Wilson, D.H., M.P.P. | Nelson , Man. | Norquay, John | Registration Division asking that A. Laughlie be appointed Registrar of Dufferin County and Mr. Knox of Rock Lake. Replied 6 August 1883. See L.B."C" p. 248. |  |

“I wish to see A. Laughlin appointed Registrar for Dufferin County and Mr. Knox Reg. for Rock Lake.

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| G 8701 | B - 42 | July 20, 1883 | Letter | McLeod, William | High Bluff, Man. | Norquay, John | Writing to Ottawa for patent for his lot.  Replied 23rd July 1883. See L.B."C" p.230. | 2 pp. |

“You were kind enough when up here at Mr. Black’s election to say you would interest yourself in regard to obtaining patent for my present lot.

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| G 8701 | B - 43 | July 25, 1883 | Letter | Lawther, John | Shell River, MB. | Norquay, John | Asking help to get patents for certain lands. Replied 6 August. See L.B."C", p. 250. |  |

Could you help me get my patents?

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| G 8701 | B - 44 | June 22, 1883 | Letter | Bliss, George P. Brandon Rifle Association | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking that his name be placed on their list as a patron of their association. |  |

Please be on the list of our patrons?

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| G 8701 | B - 45 | Aug. 13, 1883 | Letter | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale, Man. | Norquay, John | Taking objection to Rapid City (reformer) papers having government advertising. Replied 15 August 1883.  See L.B. "C" p.257. |  |

“I see my recent issues that the ‘Rapid City Standard’ an organ violently opposed to your Administration, and to myself – has become your advertising medium – while the ‘Minnedosa Tribune’ is out in the cold. The ‘Gladstone Life’ [/] is also in for Govt favours while the ‘Tribune’ is not so fortunate. I know very well that all this comes by accident – and that it is in no way intended to be a slight on Conservative faces. Yet – it has the effect of discouraging our friends in their efforts to support us – Were an opposition (Reform) Government in power, our organs would get no support – and why they (the Reform organs) should be subsidized by this administration I fail to understand. You promised me when I was in Winnipeg that Mr. Gibbens of the ‘Tribune’ here should have a share of the printing – it being the only Govt organ in the County. Mr. Howard also promised me that Mr. Gibbens would get a share – we find that as yet he has had no Departmental printing – and in fact has not got the Govt advertising. If Govt favours are to be centred on Winnipeg – they cannot expect rural sympathy. Would you kindly see to it that our mutual friend Gibbons gets the share of patronage he certainly deserves.”

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| G 8701 | B - 46 | July 21, 1883 | Letter | McLeod, William | High Bluff, MB. | Norquay, John | Patent of his lot. Replied 24 July. See L.B."C" p. 237. |  |

I moved to High Bluff in June/July 1871. Didn’t apply for patent bec govt had mortgage on my land – now 12 years have passed, it’s time. Sw ¼, S 11, Township 12, R6W, Wood lot 88

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| G 8701 | B - 47 | Aug. 23, 1883 | Letter | Rowe, Amos | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Complaining of the Free Press getting printing matter re: Burrows. Replied 24 August. See L.B."C" p. 275. |  |

Encloses Acton Burrows signed pamphlet done at Free Press office. He wants to avoid the Times. He should be controlled by the Govt – if this is how he behaves, “is he to be trusted with government secrets?”

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| G 8701 | B - 50 | Aug. 1, 1883 | Assessment Notice | S [?] Vaughan | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Answered 15 August. See L.B."C" p. 262. Protested against. | No Cover |

Ward 1, Town of Selkirk: J Norquay Lot 7 St Peters 2170

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Pt Lot 61 St Clements 1520

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| G 8701 | B - 51 | June 29, 1883 | Letter | Brereton, J.W. | Rat Portage, Man. | Norquay, John | Granting of licences in Rat Portage. |  |

Mayor Oliver is trying to injure the conservative cause in the Algoma election bec MB licenses are not to hand – tell Nursey to send them to me at once “as the Ontario party are telling the people not to accept Manitoba licenses as they will give them all licenses. It is quite clear Oliver (the Mayor) is not working for the interests of Manitoba.”

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| G 8701 | B - 52 | June 15, 1883 | Cover Only | Mowat, John | Colville Landing, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | A claim to his property. Wrote to Ottawa 23 July.  See p. 230. This statement of property and acknowledgement from Department of Interior sent to Edward Osler at his request. [No Document] |  |

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| G 8701 | B - 53 | July 13, 1883 | Letter | Bowell,  Minister of Customs | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Joseph Tennant for position in Customs  Department. No action. | 2 pp. |

Yours of 7th re Joseph Tennant apptmt to Customs Dept at Turtle Mtn noted – not aware of any need for such apptmt now.

“Permit me to congratulate you on the proceedings and result of your session, and the fight with the Grits. Though there may be some few points on which I might differ, on the whole you have been able to ‘wallop’ the fellows in right good style. Trusting you are enjoying good health after the fight.”

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| G 8701 | B - 54 | May 9, 1883 | Letter | Machray, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Wishing to know Mr. N.'s political platform. | 2 pp. |

I would like to have details on MB relations with Ottawa, esp on public lands; Archdeacon Pinkham and the Bishop will help me on some details – Machray is writing an article.

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| G 8701 | B - 55 | July 23, 1883 | Receipt | Greenwood, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt of $3.00. Book - Life of Sir John Macdonald. |  |

Receipt to JN who paid $3.00 for book Life of Sir John Macdonald ordered by Dr. Harrison

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| G 8701 | B - 56 | June 30, 1883 Aug. 5, 1883 | Notice of Notes Due | Bank of Ottawa | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note due of $1000.00. Note due $1009.25. | 2 pp. |

Your note for $1000 falls due on 30 June. Then, note for $1009.35 due on 5 August. Cover sheet is Provincial Treasurer Dept, but marked in handwriting, “Private”

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| G 8701 | B - 57 | May 3, 1883 | Receipt | Canada Life  Assurance Co. | Hamilton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Receipt of Premium. |  |

Received from JN on 10 May sum of $20.80, being ½ year premium on assurance of $1000.

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| G 8701 | B - 58 | 1883 | Assessment Notice | Assessor | St. Andrews, Man. | Norquay, John | Assessment on certain lands. |  |

Pt Lot 62 St Peters – 10 acres

Pt Lot 111 St. Peters – 10 acres assessed $60 each

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| G 8701 | B - 59 | May 14, 1883 | Receipt | Shand, James, Orkney & Zetland Association | Edinburgh, Scotland | Norquay, John | Receipt for 10 shillings. |  |

Received from JN 10 shillings to the funds of assocn.

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| G 8701 | B - 60 | July 1, 1883 | Receipt | McNabb, Andrew | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $5.00.  Paid 24 July 1883. |  |

Buggies etc, paid 24 July 1883 -- $5.25

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| G 8701 | B - 61 | July 23, 1883 | Letter | Fraser, James, Mayor | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to picnic 9 August. Accepted. See L.B."C" p. 238. |  |

Invitation to picnic and banquet on 9 August, inauguration of our incorpn as town. “We will arrange to meet all at Manitoba City so that you can arrive here the same evening.”

Note on cover sheet: “Accepted see L BK p 238 25 July”

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| G 8701 | B - 62 | March 2, 1883 or 21 March? | Letter | Lieutenant Governor Aikins | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Wishing Mr. N. to call relative to certain legislative matters. |  |

“My dear Mr Norquay I congratulate you on your escape yesterday from what might have been a serious accident.” I have “a despatch from Ottawa referring to legislation that has taken place to which your attention was directed.” We should talk about this – ‘I am in every day until 2 o’clock…”

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| G 8701 | B - 63 | June [1883] | Memorandum |  | [No Location] |  | Honourable Jno Norquay in account with Government of Manitoba. |  |

Salary: 1 Dec / 82: $250

15 Jan / 83 $250

27 Jan $250

19 Apl $250

9 June $250

Total $1150

19 Feb Sessional Allowance $250 =

$1400 All of these were paid by cheque

Bal from 1882 as Provl Treasurer 16.46

Salary 6 mos as Provl Treasurer 1500.00

Salary 6 mos as Pres of Cl [Council] 250.00

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| G 8701 | B - 64 | June 22, 1883 | Letter | MacArthur, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Cheque No. 2000 for $3000.00 asking when they shall present it at the Bank for payment. |  |

Re cheque for $3000 – on what date should it be presented to bank?

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| G 8701 | B - 65 | June 21, 1883 | Letter | McMicken, G., Real Estate Loan Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Loan of W.B.Scarths due and asking that the same be paid. |  |

“I wish again remind you of the instalment of Principal and interest now overdue in loan to you by W.B. Scarth and assigned by him to my company, if not paid before the 25th inst. I will be obliged to hand it to our solicitor for collection, your immediate attention to this will save costs which I wish to avoid

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| G 8701 | B - 66 | June 21, 1883 | Letter | McDougall, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | A call of 10% re N.W. Electric Light and Power Co. |  |

Stationery of North-West Electric Light and Power Co Wpg Pres C.J. Brydges

Mtg of directors – second call of 10% on the subscribed capital agreed – payment requested. We have to pay for electric plant now.

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| G 8701 | B - 67 | July 24, 1883 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting 1:30 on 24th of Coal Co. |  |

Please be at Coal Co office at 11:30 am for “a meeting of importance… and it is necessary you should be there…”

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| G 8701 | B - 68 | [July 2, 1883] | Postcard | Grisdale, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of Synod. |  |

Notice of meeting of synod 8 August

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| G 8701 | B - 69 | July 9, 1883 | Postcard | Adams, C. | Prince Albert, NWT | Norquay, John | Arrived at Prince Albert OK and acknowledging receipt  of letter. |  |

Quick scrawl on card: “Got here on 6th All well – fine trip – will be some time before can be located – crops good – got yrs – glad to hear all is well Yrs C Adams

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| G 8701 | B - 71 | April 7, 1883 | Letter | Darre, John | Edinburgh, England | Norquay, John | Sending copy of report for past year and asking that Mr. N. become a life member of the Orkney and Zetland Association. |  |

Sends annual report, says Council “will be very glad if you can see your way to leave your name added to the list of Life Members. We are sure there are many successful Orcadians & Shetlanders resident in Canada who would willingly join the Association, were it brought under their notice, and the benefit of your name, which is so influential in Manitoba, would go very far indeed to secure this result….”

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| G 8701 | B - 72 | May 7, 1883 | Receipt | Jonasson, Frederickson & Co Steamer Victoria | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Bill of lading. |  |

As late as 1883, JN was using steamers for shipping – received 600 pounds of wire coils and a 10 pound package of staples, cost $1.50, and paid it. It was to be in “like order and condition (danger of fire, explosion, bridges, collision, and all other known and unknown obstructions to, and dangers of, navigation excepted)”

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| G 8701 | B - 73 | June 9, 1883 | Assessment Notice | Harris, J.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of assessment on H.B. Co. Block 2. |  |

No. 1681 Norquay [owner] Lot 205/8 Block 2, HB Co value 10,000

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| G 8701 | B - 75 | May 28, 1883 | Letter | McDougall, H.NorthWest Electric Light and Power Co Ltd | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | North West Electric Light & Power Co. - 1st call of 10% - $100.00. |  |

“Dear Sir: …the first call of ten per cent has this day been made by the Directors of the subscribed Capital of the Company and that the same is now due, payable at the office of the Company in the City of Winnipeg… 10% on 10 shares $100.00”

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| G 8701 | B - 76 | Aug. 1, 1883 | Letter | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale, MB “Harrison Ranche” | Norquay, John | Sundry matter. Action: acknowledging receipt of letter of 25 July 1883. | 2 pp. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay I have yours of the 25th inst promising attention to grants [permits?] to the Counties of Minnedosa and Ivanhoe.”

Thanks for promise to visit this fall “if your health permits. I will now set to work to cultivate Ducks and Prairie Chickens for your especial delight in killing.” Let me know when to expect you “You will of course charge it up to ‘Inspection’ as I can furnish you with much to inspect. Mr. Brown might also need to take a tour about the same time, in fact I think his Department requires more information concerning this County and I can give him much that it is desirable he should know. Kindly throw out the suggestion to him & as he is not very well I can advise him professionally at the same time. That would be double charge to enter – one for ‘inspection’ the other for ‘being inspected’ – happy thought!!”

I hear Rev Pinkham Supt of Education is resigning – consider hiring Wm Tytler, BA Toronto, now at Guelph High & Public schools -- good man – “…it would be an advantage to the Province to secure him as he is a wide-awake man and thoroughly acquainted with ‘the ways of the world’”

I enclose $3 for the book on Sir John “I have not commenced it yet but am sure I will enjoy it very much.”

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| G 8701 | B - 77 | Aug. 6, 1883 | Postcard | Archibald, Howell, H.M.& Vivian Barristers | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting Directors - Winnipeg Water Power Co.  No action. |  |

Meeting of provisional directors of the “Winnipeg Water Power Co” Friday at 3:00 at our office for organization. Please attend. H M Howell

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| G 8701 | B - 78 | Aug. 9, 1883 | Telegram | Tupper, R.L. | Rat Portage, Man. | Norquay, John | Success. |  |

“We beat them by a large majority See Times”

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| G 8701 | B - 80 | Aug. 13, 1883 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Private. | Copy |

“Please meet me your office this evening seven o’clock”

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| G 8701 | B - 81 | Aug. 4, 1883 | Letter | Fraser, James, Mayor | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Picnic on 9 August. |  |

All ready for picnic and banquet “a very large turnout expected” – “the ultimate success of our enterprise depends on your presence here.”

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| G 8701 | B - 82 | Sept. 12, 1883 | Telegram | Kennedy, Roderick | Napanee, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking him to send Dr. Kennedy $25.00 to Port Arthur. Action: Sent him $50.00 draft the same day from  Merchants' Bank. | Copy |

“Please send twenty five dollars to Alexander Kennedy Port Arthur mail you draft today”

Action notation on back of cover sheet: “Sent him $50.00 draft the same day from Merchants Bank”

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| G 8701 | B - 83 | Sept. 10, 1883 | letter | Royal, J. | St. Boniface, Man. | Norquay, John | Trip west and dropping him a word about will be  sufficient pass. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. | Copy |

“My dear Norquay Mr. Egan the CPR Genl. Superintd. Informs me that your assent to the accompanying the members of the local Legislature on their trip west to Calgary will be quite sufficient for my passage on their train. Will you be good enough to drop me a word about it? And oblige Yours truly J. Royal”

Action note: “Dealt with by Mr. N. personally”

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| G 8701 | B - 84 | July 11, 1883 | Letter | Robertson, F.W. | Stonewall, Man. | Bedson, S.L. | Asking that Robertson be appointed as Justice of the Peace. | Note on back from Bedson to Norquay. |

Dear Mr Bedson: I’ve been appointed Justice of the Peace – can’t get my commission – will you find out how – I was sworn in 4 months ago. Note scrawled on it by Bedson: this is a young man with family at Shoal Lake “& is doing very well – he is one of the class of friends we want. 27/8/83”

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| G 8701 | B - 396 | [No Date] 31 Oct 1883 | Printed Pamphlet | From Edinburgh |  |  | Notice of a publication of a book on the Orkneys by James Wallace, late Minister of Kirkwall, published by his son. |  |

Announcement of book publication of new edition of James Wallace A Description of the Isles of Orkney (first publd 1693)

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| G 8701 | B - 397 | Dec. 11, 1883 | Letter | Walker, James | Calgary, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Accepting the Agency of Saskatchewan Coal Co. at the  above point. Answered 14 December. See L.B."D" . |  |

Stationery of Bow River Mills, James Walker, Lumber Merchant, Calgary:

“On train: Dear Mr Norquay: I am sorry I missed you yesterday. If agreeable to you I will take the agency of your Coal Coy at Calgary allowing you $4.00 per ton for coal on board at Medicine Hat and will agree to sell it in Calgary at such reasonable prices as will secure the largest sales. If this offer meets your wishes please write me at Galt, Ont, so that I may secure scales &c. to enable me to handle the business properly. I will be returning about the 1st of Jan.”

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| G 8701 | B - 398 | Dec. 28, 1883 | Letter | Taylor, E.A., Bank of Nova Scotia | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | An overdue acceptance of $193.44 signed by J.E. Wood. |  |

I hold on behalf of our customers Doull & Miller an overdue acceptance of $193.44 signed by J E Woodworth Man. Director Saskatchewan Coal Mining & Transportation Co. This has been several times presented at the Co’s office & payment promised but not yet received. Will you kindly inform me whether the new Co assume this indebtedness & if so when some arrangement of it may be looked for.”

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| G 8701 | B - 399 | Dec. 28, 1883 | Letter | Nugent & Jameson | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Darlingford and the granting of 4 acres of land upon the erection of a mill. Referred to Solicitor. |  |

Stationery Nugent & Jameson barristers

“Messrs Findlay Bros have laid before us the agreement made by yourself on behalf of the proprietors of Darlingford in which you agree to give them a deed of the mill site 4 acres and a residence lot adjoining same upon their erecting a mill &c as per terms of the agreement. They claim to have fully performed their part of the agreement and are now very desirous of obtaining the deeds. Will you kindly give the matter your immediate attention, and let us know how soon they may be able to obtain them. You are doubtless aware that they have received the $500.00 cash bonus payable to them under the agreement.”

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| G 8701 | B - 400 | Dec. 28, 1883 | Letter | Kennedy, William | St. Andrews, Man. | Norquay, John | Recommending Dr. Ballenden for a position. |  |

“My Dear Mr Norquay We have just now living with a relative – a nephew of the late John Ballenden at one time a Governor of Assiniboia. He came to this country in June last hoping to find something to do but so far he has been disappointed. He has some knowledge of medicine & is also more or less acquainted with mining life having been brought up in the ‘Black Country’ where his father has been a life long medical attendant on miners. Could you not give him a position at some of your mines where with being a medical man he could also make himself generally useful? I would take it as a great personal favour done to myself if you could do anything for him in this or any other way. Wishing you the compliments of the season & that every good thing may ever attend you & all yours. I remain, very truly, Wm Kennedy

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| G 8701 | B - 401 | Dec. 20, 1883 | Resolutions | Alex Fleming Pres  Geo Purvis Secretary | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Copy of resolutions submitted to the Government for consideration. By Manitoba & Northwest Farmers Union Convention. |  |

“Resolutions adopted by the Manitoba and Northwest Farmers Union Convention 20th December 1883 1. That this convention believes that immediate steps should be taken to construct the Hudson’s [sic] Bay Railway, and hereby appoints a Deputation to wait upon the Local Government at the earliest possible opportunity and urge the necessity of submitting a scheme at the next meeting of the Legislature, pledging the credit of the province to secure the completion of such construction at the earliest possible date, and that such committee be also instructed to urge upon said Government the necessity of encouraging the construction of Railways to connect with the American system at the southern Boundary –

2. And the right of the Local Government to charter Railways anywhere in Manitoba free from all interference;

3. And that it is the duty of the provincial government to make such amendments to the municipal act as shall empower municipal councils to build or assist in building elevators, grain warehouses, and mills within the limits of such municipalities.

To be presented by Messrs. Wm Winter, Brandon; P Mutchmor, Emerson; W. Poulting [?] Smith, Plum Creek; Alexander Morrow MPP, and R. Gerrie Winnipeg

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| G 8701 | B - 402 | Dec. 10, 1883 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking what coal will be sold for at Virden wholesale and retail. Replied 14 December. See L.B."D". |  |

“Dear John Please write & let us know as soon as possible what will be the prices (retail & wholesale) of coal at this place. WE are 180 miles nearer the coal fields than Winnipeg and 48 nearer than Brandon and we naturally expect to get a little cheaper here than it is sold there. I shall not order any for this place until I hear from you. I think if it was sold at a reasonable figure I could sell some here but I can do nothing until I get a price list I am quite well. Yours truly Thos Norquay”

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| G 8701 | B - 403 | 1883 | Postcard | Norquay, Miss | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to drive to the College for her. Complied  with. |  |

“Please drive up for me on Friday as owing to the change in the train service I can not come otherwise. Be sure to come. Yr loving daughter C.E. N.”

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| G 8701 | B - 404 | Dec. 10, 1883 | Letter | Monkman, James | Peguis, Man. | Norquay, John | Mr. Muckle at Registry office examining titles - is he authorized? Called and talked over matter with Mr. Norquay. |  |

“Dear John I was at your offices the other day to see you. Agent Muckle has been at the Registrar’s offices three or four days he reports that he is to challenge all titles of land bought from Henry Prince and disown as many land owners as possible. Are you aware of his appointment as Commissioner or is he again acting on his own responsibility. As in the hay question, Mr. McCall told Philip and Mr. Osler the other day that he finds out that Mr. Graham did authorize Chief Wm Prince and his Council to issue permits to cut hay. I will be at your office Thursday night if possible and talk the matter over. And also to attend court Friday on that same wood case. L.S. Gray vs. Monkman.

Always yours truly Jas Monkman

P.S. I put my case into Blanchard’s hands will be a case of proving title to property.”

JN writes at bottom: “Father has Patents for 2 lots on east side. JN”

Action: on reverse side: “Called and talked over matter with Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8701 | B - 405 | Dec. 2, 1883 | Letter | Monkman, James | Peguis, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Hay. Did Mr. N. get any answer from Ottawa. Phillip has placed wood question in hands of Glass & Glass. Called and got the information. Mailed copy of reply from Mr. Van Koughnet 15 December. |  |

“Dear John: I saw Jas Colcleugh last night was speaking about your wood. I suppose would be advisable to sell it, as I am altogether put out of my calculation by Muckle’s action against me about my hay. I expect all my time will be taken up this winter buying and hauling hay from wherever I can find it, is all I am doing at present. It is pretty vexing. Muckle’s servant man reports that your letter was sent back to Muckle and you can write as many letters as pleases you of the same kind but I shall not get one straw of that hay until I pay the dues claimed. I met A.M. Muckle at a meeting the other day and felt like giving him the Devil but he acted so sheepish could give me no chance would not speak, but says lots behind my back, is particular good friends with old Henry Prince. I shall not pay one cent more on that hay, but it is strange here is other parties hauling hay who never paid one cent. Are we put to defiance to turn our own property.

Did you never get an answer at all to your letter. Philip has put his wood question into Glass & Grass hands to manage the last letter he got seems favourable the day before Comissioner Wallsh [sic] started for Ottawa.

I see by the report Muckle sent to the Government 1882 gives us nontreaty residents of this parish a pritty black name. And he is trying to make things as awkward for us as possible.

Is there no way of getting that mean beggar out of office & put a stop to his nonsence for he is nothing but a lieing beggar only fooling the government. And prides himself with his friends in puting us to so much truble and expence I say it is a shame that we are so long unrepresented in Parliament on account of this bloody Reserve and the residents getting poorer every day. Before we can get our property question settled will about cost all it is worth. And that Beggar just laughing in his sleaves. If it is only a change of Government as is the saying will make the change don’t even dear [dare?] to oppose Boss for there is more going in his favour than you are aware of.

It is reported that Muckle has been three or four days at the Registrar’s offices and intend to change all land there is any doubt about such a bought from Henry Prince and all lands unoccuppied.

This will end in blood shed before very long and something must be done.

Always yours truly J. Monkman

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| G 8701 | B - 407 | Dec. 14, 1883 | Letter | His Grace Archbishop of St. Boniface | St. Boniface, Man. | Norquay, John | Thanking Mr. N. for giving Mr. Le Conte de Bosden employment. Answered by Mr. N. himself 17 December 1883. |  |

Thanks for giving employment to M. Le comte de Boisclair [Bosdan?] “The gentleman is well satisfied & very thankful. So I am myself and warmly acknowledge your kind attention. ‘Ki nanaskomitin’ Respectfully yours…” [Cree: “thank you from the bottom of my heart”]

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| G 8701 | B - 409 | Nov. 22, 1883 | Letter | Paterson, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to respond to toast "Provincial Legislature"  at a dinner at Grand Union in honor of St. Andrews Day. |  |

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| G 8701 | B - 410 | Nov. 26, 1883 | Notice | McNabb, Archibald of British Canadian Loan and Insurance Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Interest and Principal on mortgage due $2625.00.  Paid interest and Company have allowed principal to run for a time. |  |

The sum of $2625 upon your mortgage is due 1 Dec. (2500 principal, 125 interest)

“Action: Paid interest and Company have allowed principal to run for a time”

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| G 8701 | B - 411 | Nov. 30, 1883 | Receipt | Gouin, James A. Russell House | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | To account rendered $4.95. |  |

Balance of bill owed: $4.95

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| G 8701 | B - 412 | Nov. 19, 1883 | Letter | Soderman, C.F. | London, England | Norquay, John | Thanking Mr. N. for his favor of the 19th ult. |  |

Thanks for “the most valuable information” in your letter of 19th ult.

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| G 8701 | B - 413 | Dec. 4, 1883 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | The appointment of Medical Superintendent to the Asylum. |  |

Don’t appoint medical superintendent of the asylum until I have had a chance to explain about the very competent party that I wish to see appointed

PS: I will see you immediately on my return from the East. DHW

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| G 8701 | B - 414 | Dec. 3, 1883 | Letter | Patterson, Abraham | Alexandria, MB. | Norquay, John | Re a bill and returns. |  |

I sent you a bill in Sept – please attend to same

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| G 8701 | B - 415 | Nov. 14, 1883 | Letter | Wilson, D.H., M.P.P. | Nelson, MB | Norquay, John | Stating he has a friend he wishes appointed Medical Superintendent of the Asylum at Selkirk and also remarks as to the Assize Court being established at Manitoba City. |  |

My Dear Norquay I see by the ‘Times’ you have called for tenders for the erection of the Asylum…. I have a medical friend whom I would like to see engaged as Medical Superintendent…. When I lay the matter fully before you I think you will have no scruples in according him the position.

“Ellis (lawyer) prsprietor of a portion of the townsite of Manitoba City states on the authority of J.H. McTavish that you have pledged the location of the assize Court and Jail at that point. I trust such is not the case however I presume it is used for the purpose of booming the townsite. By the way I wish to have the naming of our sessional clerk – kindly drop me a note regarding the above matter. I hope you have a pleasant trip to the coal mines & that your investments in that enterprise be highly remunerative. Yours …”

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| G 8701 | B - 416 | Dec. 13, 1883 | Letter | Miller, D. of Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to call at Bank on his way down. |  |

“I shall be glad if you can make it convenient to call at the Bank when passing.”

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| G 8701 | B - 418 | Dec. 8, 1883 | Postcard | Cowley, Abraham | Dynevor | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on December 13th at 3 o'clock of Provincial Synod. |  |

Meeting of committee on Constitutions & Canons, 13 Dec. 83

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| G 8701 | B - 419 | Nov. 26, 1883 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing a cash statement re Manitoba 1st Syndicate and stating he has drawn on Mr. N. for $396.00 at three days' sight. | 2 pp. |

“Enclosed I send you memo outline of cash received and expended, and a list of parties interested in the Manitoba First Syndicate. You will see by the properties still on hand that even in the present depression there will probably be no loss. The draft falls due on Dec 7th. Your share as you will see by the statement amounts to $396.00 for which sum I purpose drawing on you at three days sight. Kindly accept draft and oblige, yours truly…

“Memo re Manitoba First Syndicate”: It appears that they bought 1 lot in Portage ($2450), 33 lots in Cursitor [sic] estate ($3000), 3 lots in House Estate Broadway ($3000), 3 lots with Queens’ Hotel and small store in Rapid City ($2000), the Winnipeg Post Office lot ($19,600). The latter was sold for $26000. This leaves balance of $5147.94 – and JN’s share is $395.99. Thus – “probably no loss” [but no gain either]

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| G 8701 | B - 420 | Dec. 10, 1883 | Notice | McKilligan, Jno. B. Secretary, Prince Rupert Lodge A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting on 18 December 1883 at 7:30 P.M. $8.00 due. |  |

Dues of $8.00 by 21 Dec. Meeting on 18 Dec. Ballot for initiating new members including J.W. Colcleugh, and election of officers, of whom 18 are eligible for position of W.M. [no mention of JN]

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| G 8701 | B - 421 (a) | [No Date] | Letter | Pugh, R.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | A few alterations he wishes made in Agreement. Will call tomorrow at 12 o'clock. Alterations herewith. |  |
| G 8701 | B - 421 (b) | [No Date] | Application | Pugh, R.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Copy of application for loan at Merchants' Bank. |  |

Application to Merchant’s Bank from Sask Coal Mining and Transportation Co. Ltd, Winnipeg MB for $10,000 to carry on the business of coal mining, to be drawn during 3 months on the endorsement of Amos Rowe, Wpg; John Norquay, Edward Benson, W.M. Carruthers, Jacob Klotz and Thos Renwick

Note: pencilled handwritten 4 pp document re danger of machinery becoming unfit for use, or being resold, or damages to be paid in case of default, or in the case of a strike or a refusal to work by the miners or laborers employed in or about the said mines

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| G 8701 | B - 422 | Dec. 1, 1883 | Letter | Johns, James T. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. he is still in Ottawa and still expectant. |  |

Letterhead of Ottawa Citizen publishing co, I’m in Ottawa, left MB reluctantly, bear me in mind – jobs?

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| G 8701 | B - 423 | Nov. 30, 1883 | Postcard | Bernier, T.A., University of Manitoba | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting 6 December at 2 P.M. |  |

Meeting of U of M council, 6 Dec. at 2:00

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| G 8701 | B - 424 | Dec. 5, 1883 | Postcard | Pinkham, W. Cyprian | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of the Mission Board December 12, 4 P.M. in the Education Office. |  |

Meeting 12 Dec

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| G 8701 | B - 426 | Dec. 1, 1883 | bill | Hingston, J. Smith (guns | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To account rendered $9.05. |  |

Shells, powder, shot, wads, -- $9.05 on 12 Oct 1883

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| G 8701 | B - 427 | Dec. 3, 1883 | Postcard | Sheppard, Walter B., Secretary, Selkirk Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a committee meeting on December 4th at 4:30 P.M. |  |

Committee meets 4 Dec.

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| G 8701 | B - 428 | Dec. 3, 1883 | Letter | Allen, John, Secretary,  Keewatin Mining Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on Wednesday the 5 December at 12 o'clock noon. |  |

Meeting of shareholders, 5 Dec. at 12:00

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| G 8701 | B - 429 | Dec. 10, 1883 | Postcard | Matheson, Samuel P. St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of the Board of Governors at the  Ladies' School at Bishop Court on Tuesday, December 17th at 4 P.M. |  |

Ladies’ School Bd of Governors, 11 Dec.

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| G 8701 | B - 430 (a) | Dec. 7, 1883 | Postcard | Bernier, T.A., University of Manitoba | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of the Council on 17 December at 3:30 P.M. at the Education Office. To consider the proposed statute on medical degrees. |  |
| G 8701 | B - 430 (b) | Dec. 7, 1883 | Notes | Bernier, T.A., University of Manitoba | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | The disposition to several accounts re: amendments to unknown statute. | 4 pp. |

Council of U of M 17 Dec – re proposed statute on medical degrees, disposition of money accruing from marriage licences [!?]

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| G 8701 | B - 431 | Nov. 5, 1883 Dec. 3, 1883 | Notice of Meeting | Hope, D., Secretary, A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | $3.00 due meeting on the 10th inst. | 2 pp. |

Mtgs 12 Nov and 10 Dec – dues owing of $3.00

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| G 8701 | B - 432 | Dec. 1, 1883 | Receipt | Bawlf, N. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To account rendered $35.70. |  |

250 sacks feed etc. $35.70

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| G 8701 | B - 433 | Nov. 1883 | Receipt | Hudson Bay Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Provincial Government | To account rendered $23.45. | 2 pp. |

1 Robe $9.00 and account 14.45 = total 23.45

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| G 8701 | B - 434 | Sept. 1, 1883 | Receipt | Mulholland Bros. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To account rendered $34.11. |  |

August 1883: 10 gals boiled oil 20.00 and 2 – 5-gal cans = 1.50

plus account owing 24.61 = total of 36.11 – and paid in cash on this: $2.00

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| G 8701 | B - 435 | Sept. 1, 1883 | Receipt | Watson Manufacturing Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $32.14. |  |

Bill incurred on 22 May -- $32.14

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| G 8701 | B - 436 | Oct. 22, 1883 | Notice of Meeting | McKilligan, Jno. B., Secretary, A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting 30 October 1883. Dues $7.00. |  |

30 Oct mtg at 7:30 p.m. punctually” Prince Rupert’s Lodge

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| G 8701 | B - 437 | Oct. 5, 1883 | Postcard | Dominion Express Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | 3 Tubs, 1 Pail, 1 Box. Express $1.90. |  |

On the back of this postcard, an innocent bill for $1.90, Norquay doodles, signs his name and initials, and writes “$600, 60 shares, Mine is so good, 60 shares JN The mine is so good” and, “Shields 60 shares”

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| G 8701 | B - 438 | Nov. 1, 1883 | Letter | Conklin, James, Secretary, St. Andrews Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Annual meeting of the above society on 6 November 1883.  Dues $8.00. |  |

Agm on 6 Nov, and arrears of $6.00 plus dues of $2 = $8 due.

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| G 8701 | B - 440 | Nov. 3, 1883 | Letter | Prest, W.A. | Portage la Prairie MB | Norquay, John | Assessment on Portage la Prairie lots. $84.57. |  |

Sec Treas of town office, replying to JN letter of 2 Nov, statement of your assessment is:

Lots 109-122 Setter Est. Taxes 1883 5.88 1882: 12.54

Block A S.W. Georgen Est. “ 18.14 “ 48.01

Total $84.57 Kindly remit.

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| G 8701 | B - 441 | Oct. 10, 1883 | Letter | Wood, R.J., Secretary, Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of dues $32.17. $22.00 paid. |  |

Your name on list of members’ accounts unpaid -- $32.17. Those whose name is on the list are excluded from the privileges of the Club. Cover sheet Action note: $22.00 pd

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| G 8701 | B - 442 | Oct. 1, 1883 | Notice of  Meeting | Hope, D., Secretary, A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting on the 8th and $1.00 dues. |  |

Dues of 1.00

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| G 8701 | B - 443 | Nov. 12, 1883 | Letter | Hays, J.A. | Deloraine, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed a Justice of the Peace. |  |

Acting agent of Dominion Lands, seeks apptmt as Justice of Peace: “I am a Conservative, a supporter of your administration” and have letter from J H Metcalf, MPP for Kingston ON, saying he spoke to you about this –

Cover sheet: appointment not made up to 31 Dec 1883

JN writes on back of letter: “I think the applicant has already been placed on the list if so write him. JN”

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| G 8701 | B - 444 | Dec. 24, 1883 | Letter | Pugh, R.H. | Chicago, Illinois  Leland Hotel | Norquay, John | Stating he has received Mr. N.'s telegram and is awaiting contract and sample of coal and asking several questions. | 2 pp. |

I duly received your telegram and await the contract & sample of coal…. Asks questions: what is character of your roof, and distance for safely keep props from the working face of the coal; are there any pyrites, sulphur or other hard substances that will injure a heavy pick; of what is the underlying strata composed, and whether hard or soft; is the coal vein horizontal; if not what is average angle; what is the width of your rooms

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| G 8701 | B - 445 | Dec. 26, 1883 | Letter | Ptolemy, W.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support his application for the position of Queen's Printer. |  |

Howard may soon resign as Queen’s Printer. I can do it along with my accountant work in Treasury Dept – hope you will support my apptmt and “I assure you the additional salary can be put to good use by me.”

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| G 8701 | B - 446 | April 25, 1883 | Letter | Burrows, Acton, Deputy Minister of Agriculture & Statistics | City | W.J. Hinman, Government Veterinary Inspector | Copy of Mr. Burrow's letter re the instructions from the Department of Agriculture being disregarded. |  |

Letter from Burrows to W.J. Hinman, Govt Veterinary Inspector, who acted without govt instructions [there was then an acting minister of agriculture – JN?] in going out of the city re a case of glanders and if you do so again, you will be asked to resign.

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| G 8701 | B - 447 | 1883 | Memorandum | [N. A.] | [No Location] |  | The salaries of the Court officials. |  |

Court officials’ salaries, 1883: G H Walker $2000; Mills $1200; Prudhomme & Sherwood $900; Tait $720; and in Equity Court, W. Leggo $2400; A Lemon $1600; and J H Inkster $900. Country court was Betournay $1200; Deputy $600; Surrogates clerk $1800; Accountant $1200; Stamp distributors $800; and in Legislation W.L. Cantlie $800

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| G 8701 | B - 448 | Dec. 31, 1883 | Letter | Hall, John R. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter enclosing and recommending to favorable consideration the application of Alex Ross for patent of homestead. |  |

Minister of Interior’s Secretary notes JN’s letter of Dec 14 recommending consideration of application by Alexander Ross for patent to sw ¼, S 18, Twp 12, Range 6, East of Principal meridian – have referred to Commr of Dom Lands, Wpg

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| G 8701 | B - 449 | Jan. 8, 1884 | Letter | Glass, Chester | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Sending a copy of his book, second edition entitled  "The World Around It And Over It". |  |

MB Club stationery – present you with copy of 2nd edn of my book The World Round it and Over it

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| G 8701 | B - 450 | Dec. 29, 1883 | Letter | MacDonald, John | Portage la Prairie, Man. | "Big John" [Norquay, John] | Acknowledging receipt of letter from Attorney-General informing him of his appointment as Clerk and Registrar of the Surrogate Court for that district. |  |

“My dear ‘Big John’ I am in receipt of a letter from the Attorney General, informing me of my appointment as Clerk and Registrar of the Surrogate Court for this District. I feel very grateful to you for your kindness to me which I feel more than I am able to express. We are all in good health. J.J. and Willie are well, times are confoundedly hard on us all, the compliments of the season to you and yours, yours truly Johnnie”

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| G 8701 | B - 451 | Dec. 26, 1883 | Letter | Drummond Bros | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Saying if Brandon debentures not disposed of yet, it will give them pleasure to dispose of them in Scotland or elsewhere at 2 1/2% for commission. |  |

Brandon debentures – if not yet sold, we will sell them “here or in Scotland” if you put them in our hands and name the lowest price you will accept – “Our commission is 2 ½ % which we have to divide with our Scotch friends.”

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| G 8701 | B - 452 | Dec. 31, 1883 | Letter | McDougall, Ronald | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Hearing Mr. N. wants to purchase a Scotch Plaid. He offers to sell him one he brought from Scotland. |  |

“Sir Having ascertained that you wish to possess a ‘Scotch Plaid’ I beg to inform you that I can give you one which I brought here about three months ago from Glasgow Scotland.”

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| G 8701 | B - 453 | Dec. 31, 1883 | Letter | Pelky, James A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Recommending Mr. D.E. McKenzie for the position of Postmaster at East Selkirk. |  |

Recommends D.E. McKenzie, councillor and my store manager in East Selkirk, “a man of sober habits and trustworthy,” to position of Post Master there.

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| G 8701 | B - 454 | Dec. 29, 1883 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Stating Mr. N.'s draft for $399.00 was presented and paid by him and that he has redrawn on him at 21 days adding interest. |  |

Stationery of Scarth, Cochran & Co. “My Dear Norquay Your draft for $399.00 was duly presented and paid by me today & I have redrawn on you at 21 days adding interest.”

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| G 8701 | B - 455 | Dec. 31, 1883 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man.F1676 | Norquay, John | Stating a car load of coal is there and asking Mr. N. to pay freight charges. |  |

To JN Prest Saskatchewan Coal Mining Co

“A carload of coal here pay freight charges sixty seven dollars fifty”

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| G 8701 | B - 456 | Dec. 31, 1883 | Letter | Mowat, John D. | Lower Fort Garry, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking if Mr. N. got answer from Minister of Interior re: his claim to part of Lot No. 1, St. Clements. Note from J. Norquay to look in his papers. |  |

Any answer to your letter to Min. of Interior last summer re my claim to Lot 1, St Clements.

JN Note on back: “There is a long comn from the Dept of Interior about this claim will Mr. Pritchard please look up my papers – find it for me. J Norquay”

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| G 8701 | B - 457 | June 1883 | Bill | Saunders, B. & M. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | To account of $171.85. |  |

Amount owed 1 Jan/83 $100.85

February “Black Berlin [illegible: Shorty?] Coat

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“Black Berlin Coat & Hat

Pr Try Angola Trousers 34.00

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| G 8701 | B - 458 | Aug. 27, 1883 | Letter | Pink, Robert CPR Western Division Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Woodworth, J.E. | Re: Coal. |  |

Pink to Woodworth, Genl Mgr of Sk Coal

Tested coal shipped to Egan in Engine #73 running on gravel train from here to Birds Hill, “and altho the results are not as satisfactory as I could wish I think that it will make a very good coal for household purposes. The advantage the coal possesses are, it does not clinker burning to a white ash, and not much smoke, consequently little waste….” The engineer says “he could not get more than from 60 to 80 lbs steam, the coal being too light for steaming purposes, it also takes a much greater quantity to do the same amount of work than what would be required of the coal at present in use.”

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| G 8701 | B - 459 | Dec. 7, 1883 | Letter | Miller, James A. | Ottawa, Ont. Russell House | Mowatt, O. | Disputed territory. | Damaged copy, 7 pp. |

“private” – this is addressed to “My dear Attorney” is this Oliver Mowat?

Rec’d yours of the 5th before I left Toronto. You asked at Winnipeg: “what was the use of Manitoba and Ontario quarrelling’ I wish you would meet me here to try our hands at an arrangement, I will be in Toronto &c.’ To that I replied I regret that there should be any occasion for Manitoba and Ontario quarrelling, but we must have the question settled, and that sooner than have a failure I would go down’ to which you replied ‘I am glad that you are resolved that the boundary question shall be settled. It cannot be done by telegraph, I shall be glad to see you here.’

I come for the purpose of settling such disputes as Manitoba and Ontario were interested in, and want to prevent any quarrelling between those two provinces. Up to the time our last interview we were arranging most amicably for the settlement …. Your letter now purposes:

1 That the Dominion should be a party, otherwise the reference would not settle the boundary question Besides the Privy Council would not probably entertain the reference otherwise, as the Dominion claims a very substantial interest in the territory &c. I cannot see why if we agree as I understand we have already agreed upon all the evidence documents &c, which are to be submitted, Ontario and Manitoba should not settle that case.

2 Why the case should not be submitted to the Dominion, and

3 Why the case having been settled, Ontario and Manitoba should not ask the Governor General to move Her Majesty the Queen to submit the case for the opinion of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, and then I can obtain the consent of the Dominion Government to advise His Excellency to recommend Her Majesty to ask for that opinion.

4 Then the Dominion Manitoba and Ontario should and would agree to be bound by the opinion so to be given and would on a request made to the Colonial Minister, procure an Act of the Imperial Parliament to legalize that opinion, and the passage of that Act would bind not only Manitoba and Ontario but also the Dominion.”

The only matter we are quarrelling about is ON’s western bdy and northern bdy to the west of the western boundary. “The Dominion so far as that is concerned has no locus standi in settling that.”

More details ….

“I have had today a conference with Sir John, purely confidential and is now communicated to you as such. He agrees with me in the above, but I am sure that I can procure the consent of the Governor in Council to be bound so far as the Boundary between Manitoba and Ontario is concerned by the opinion that may be expressed by the Privy Council, and that they will recommend Parliament to pass an Act which will put it beyond any future question.”

“As to your second clause in letter, the matter of a private arrangement as to lands or timber in the territory in dispute should be a matter for the Ontario and Dominion Governments. I do not feel that on behalf of my Government I should ask the Dominion to enter into any arrangement, no matter how beneficial or favourable, in the meantime but that should be a matter of subsequent arrangement between you and the Dominion Government, and I should be glad to know that you may make such an arrangement.”

Third, fourth, fifth clauses – re the latter – our courts “have exercised jurisdiction throughout the disputed territory in the neighbourhood of Rate Portage and the Lake of the Woods… I could not consent that the laws of Ontario which might affect priority proceedings as also registration of judgments, should prevail.”

“…I have conceded to you the right, east of the height of land, to govern and while I think perhaps we should have the same right west of the height of land, I am willing to concede the point that you allow your laws to govern your court, and our laws to govern ours.”

“I do not see any necessity for any delay in procuring the opinion of the” JCPC. We believe it should happen in June.

Cover sheet: “Copy of despatch from Hon Jas. A. Miller to Hon. O. Mowat 7 Dec 1883 Re disputed territory”

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| G 8701 | B - 460 | Nov. 24, 1883 | Letter | Cameron, John R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal mine re: transfer of shares. | 2 pp. |

Two letters: “Please take notice that I have transferred my interest in…”

a) 500 shares of SK Coal to Alex McIntyre –

b) 452 ½ “ “ “ to Fred L. Waterous

Kindly see that the stock is allotted to him.

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| G 8701 | B - 461 | Nov. 19, 1883 | Indenture of Agreement | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) |  | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Company. |  |

Agreement between JN representing SK Coal Co, and Amos Rowe: Rowe “will forthwith procure” from CPR an order “for at least one hundred tons of coal daily to be supplied from the Saskatchewan Coal Mines at Medicine Hat…” Rowe will receive 250 shares of SK Coal stock. Jacob Klotz witness.

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| G 8701 | B - 462 | Dec. 9, 1883 | bill | Tweed & Ewart | Medicine Hat, Alta. | Saskatchewan Coal Co. | Bill. |  |

Merchants – bacon $45.50, plus oats $51.86, corn beef $30, bacon $38.25, can milk $14.40, box soap $5.40, and 1 Brl Biscuit $7.20 = 193.61, cash pd 20.00 = owe $173.61 and H. Beatty certified “quantity of goods & cash correct”

Plus more bills from 8 to 17 December including stove, bacon, stove pipes, yellow oil saltpetre pushing the bill up to $354.59

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| G 8701 | B - 463 | Dec. 1, 1883 | Receipt | MacNab, A. & Son | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $125.00 in full of six months interest on mortgage to B.C. Loan & Insurance Co. |  |

Received from JN $125, payment in full of 6 months interest on his mortgage to British Canadian Loan & Investment Co.

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| G 8701 | B - 465 | Dec. 26, 1883 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking that Mr. N. would consider his letter favorably as to the Edgehill School grant of $250.00 as it would strengthen the party in that district. |  |

“My dear Norquay Do please do what I want for this school district. It would be a very great help to me, and would render the Government popular where there is a very large vote, and one which, though it is a grit vote, has always given a majority for me, and consequently one that if we treat well we can turn into a vote for the Government.”

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| G 8701 | B - 466 | Sept. 24, 1883 | Letter | Foreside, J. | Clearwater MB | Norquay, John | Recommending Joseph Lawrence as a Justice of the Peace being one of the two who voted for Mr. N. at Crystal City. J. Lawrence appointment. |  |

I see you plan to cancel apptmts for JP and appoint “a new lot” – I recommend Joseph Laurance of Clearwater – farmer, merchant, well qualified – “he is one of the 2 that voted for you at Cristel City last election There is three reformers Justice of Piece at Clearwater …so by your appoint mr. Laurance we shall have one good JP on hour side….” [sic]

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| G 8701 | B - 467 | 17 March1883 | Letter | Douglas, C.S. | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Result of civic election. |  |

“Glory hallelujah Nash 29 majority Carney forty seven, Burnham eighty three Nash one hundred twelve 112 83 47 242 votes” C A Douglass [CS?]

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| G 8701 | B - 468 | 1883 | Notice | Renwick, T. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of $398.00 note falling due 18 December 1883. |  |

Federal Bank of Canada, Wpg – Your note for $398 which we hold falls due on 18 Dec

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| G 8701 | B - 469 | 1883 | Memorandum | Norquay, John |  |  | Copeland Cowland of Poplar Heights makes application  to be appointed assessor [for] the C.J.D. [Central Judicial District]. |  |

Copeland Cowland of Poplar Heights appln for assessor for Central Judicial District

Signed by JN with note: “To be fyled for Council”

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| G 8701 | B - 470 | Nov. 28, 1883 | Letter | Adams, Joseph | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Private family matter. |  |

Lindsay P. Albert Dear Uncle: I just drop you a few lines to let you now that I don’t forget you there was a wedding here on the 21 of November I have to cut hay next summer and papa has to rake hay when the boys were of papa and I had to go for hay I have some hay for say and mamma has some too. I cant be able to go to school this winter. One day papa whent to town he brought a mask soon as we saw him coming we whent and meet him and i put the mask on and I whent to mamma she wouldent look at me She just turned her Face at once. This is all the news I have just now. Joseph Adams [sic]

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| G 8701 | B - 471 | July 26, 1883 | Receipt | Ponton, A. for REL Co | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $1877.00 being for installment of principal and interest on lots 205 / 208. |  |

Letterhead of Real Estate Loan Company of Canada ltd, Winnipeg

“Received from Hon J. Norquay the sum of eighteen hundred and seventy seven dollars being for Instalment of Principal & Interest due on lots 205/208 in Block 2, HBCo Reserve due on 8th June 83.

The balance due on above lots on the 8th Dec 83 with Int will be $1768.00.

On reverse: Huston fine 100

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| G 8701 | B - 472 | Feb. 16, 1884 | bill | Scott, D. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $4.00. |  |

Mattress 9 Jan. 4.00

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| G 8701 | B - 473 | Dec. 26, 1883 | Letter | Ptolemy, W.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Brown, C.P. | Stating the Government have paid $43,500.00 re: Brandon Court House and Jail. |  |

From W. J. Ptolemy, Accountant Treasury Dept to C P Brown – to date Govt has spent on Brandon court house and jail $43,500. The appropriation for same is $50,000.

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| G 8701 | B - 474 | Dec. 31, 1883 | bill | Saunders, B. & M. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $126.00. |  |

Bill to June 30 is $171.85. Received cash 50.00; Interest owed 4.15 == $126.00 owing

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| G 8701 | B - 475 | Dec. 22, 1883 | Letter | Ryan, D. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter and stating he does care to enter any more speculations until Spring. |  |

Stationery of Horn Silver Mining Co of Frisco, Utah, offices Wall St NY.

“Hon. John Norquay Dear Friend Yours of the 12th came to hand yesterday….”

“I am sorry I can’t make you the loan you ask for as you know I am tied up in real estate & the hotel scheme in St. Paul requires all and more than I can spare. I do not wish to go into any more enterprises until spring. Very truly yours, D. Ryan”

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| G 8701 | B - 476 | Dec. 10, 1883 | Telegram | Douglass, C.S. [MPP] | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Delegation will be at Government Buildings tomorrow morning. |  |

‘Delegation will be at Government buildings ten oclock tomorrow morning”

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| G 8701 | B - 477 | Dec. 26, 1883 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E.[MPP] | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Shares to be issued to him. |  |

“My dear Sir: Mr. Pyke left the mines on Friday last and up to that time no cars had left the mine and there are some 80 cars standing on the track everything was all right at the mines the drifts were all full of coal also outside where ever they could pile it. People here are anxious for the coal & since they have gone back to using Eastern soft coal they see the superiority of our coal. We are now using soft coal in our house from the CPR and the difference is marvelous, we can’t keep fires all night the House is being smoked up the pipes & stoves full of soot and it is very disagreeable whereas the Sask coal is clean no soot don’t go out & no smoke I tell you its worth more in every way than Pennsylvania Soft Coal or any other Soft Coal I ever used. Pyke says the coal now got out at the mine is far superior to what had ever been shipped I think now our coal will bring in price equal to any other coal and as the coal will coke we have surely a profitable thing. I would like to have the certificates of stock as soon as possible leaving the 28000 in your hands for a while I am anxious for this for more reasons than one for if the 24000 is issued in my two son’s names as long ago arranged it may save trouble and which you would appreciate if you knew my reasons and I don’t see why the delay. $24000 in B.F.W. and $24000 in J.F.W. and $1000 in my name as per memo given you some time since. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am yours truly J.E. Woodworth”

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| G 8701 | B - 479 | Dec. 20, 1883 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man. | Jack [Norquay, John] | County Clerkship. | 2 pp. |

“Dear Jack In thinking over the matter of the county court clerkship I think it would be better that I should not be appointed to the office. I had spoken to Mr. Cain to accept the office telling him I would recommend him and on second thoughts would rather not accept. I shall post him in the business and receive all the emoluments as long as I wish to do so. I have written to Mr. Woodworth recommending Cain and as it is the fees I want and not the office, it will serve me better than being appointed. I rec’d your letter re price of coal. I am quite well shall not be home till after New Year some time. Would have written to you before but no trains running. Wishing you a Merry Xmas and a happy New Year, Your affte brother Tom.

P.S. Remember me to all your family on Xmas day and give them a New Year’s kiss for me. T.N.

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| G 8701 | B - 480 | Feb. 6, 1884 | Notice | Carey, Eugene D. Notary Public | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a promissory note dated 3 January going to protest amount $328.70. |  |

A promissory note dated 3 Jan 1884 for sum of $328.70 made by Dennys F. Knight payable to you one month after the date thereof at Merchants Bank and endorsed by you was presented by me to bank and payment refused, and Merchants Bank look to you for payment. And this bill was today protested by me for non-payment.

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| G 8701 | B - 481 | 1883 | Memorandum | Monkman, James | St. Peters, Man. |  | Lots 148 and 150. |  |

This page, in Norquay’s writing, seems to be intended to set straight the land ownership in a part of St. Peters:

“Lots 148,150 bought & paid for by Wm Monkman before transfer now devolving on Jas Monkman.

164, 165, 166 Philip Monkman

Thos Peebles 79 west side RR lot 65 formerly belonging to H Norquay

John Clements 54 West Side RR [does this mean “John Norquay” in St. Clements? On lot 54 west side of Red River?]

Jas Monkman 96, 102 West Side

Devised by Wm Monkman

Robt Harper bought in 58 & 59

Geo Kingsbury from Francis Rose

Cesar More

John Lee Lewis Smith

Edward Thomas

John Anderson

Henry Cochrane before transfer 104 St. Pet

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| G 8701 | B - 482 | Feb. 29, 1884 | Receipt | Brady, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $37.50. Paid receipt herewith. |  |

Hon John Norquay: To Chas Scribner’s Sons to me Part “Ornamental Arts of Japan” $37.50

Received payment

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| G 8701 | B - 483 | Dec. 10, 1883 | Telegram | Lawson, J.P. | Stair, N.W.T.[Medicine Hat] | Norquay, John | They have loaded 8 cars Saturday and 7 today. If much more coal required send more miners. |  |

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| G 8701 | B - 489 | May 1, 1883 | Receipt | J Hingston Smith guns | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $13.00 Paid. |  |

“Loaded eight cars Saturday seven today fifteen miners left if much more coal required send more miners”

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| G 8701 | B - 484 | Oct. 5, 1883 | Receipt | Clements, George | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Account rendered $69.00. Paid. |  |

Merchant tailor’s bill: 16 April Suit for son $34.00

4 Oct: Suit for Alex $35.00 Pd. “cash per A N $35. Cash 9 Oct $34.00

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| G 8701 | B - 485 | Dec. 11, 1883 | Telegram | Lawson, John P. | Medicine Hat, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Blacksmith leaving and asking for another. |  |

“Blacksmith left us can you send another at once one accustomed to tools”

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| G 8701 | B - 486 | Dec. 31, 1883 | Receipt | McKeachie, M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $8.00. Paid. |  |

8 Dec – 2 horses and sleigh $8.00; fixing harness 3.00 C.Lg flour 3.00 total 11 – 3 = $8.00

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| G 8701 | B - 487 | Dec. 1, 1883 | bill | Watson Manufacturing Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of account rendered $32.14 |  |

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| G 8701 | B - 488 | Dec. 1, 1883 | Telegram | Shirtcliff, A. | Maple Creek, Sask. | Norquay, John | Telegram. Re: Saskatchewan Coal Mine. | 2 pp. |

“On west-bound train Have no power to stay proceedings, men have nothing to eat, provisions under seizure, creditors advised by lawyers that they will be liable for all debts incurred if they allow the mine to be worked, better arrange at once to have men fed & come or send someone to arrange with creditors to allow the mine to be worked Let me know if you arrange to have men fed that I can postpone sale to satisfy their claim

$3.00 Bill incurred 1 Feb, -- settled 13 June

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| G 8701 | B - 490 | Dec. 22, 1883 | Receipt | Sutherland & Jackson | Medicine Hat, Alta. | Norquay, John | Order to deliver note of $512.00. Saskatchewan Coal Co. |  |

A Note of the Federal Bank of Canada, Winnipeg, “Received for collection from Sutherland & Jackson, Sask Coal & Mining Co due April 9 $512 & Interest”

“Receipt from Federal Bank on Sask Coal Mining Co Note placed there for collection”

“Please deliver note for $512 and Interest to the Hon. John Norquay as the same has been paid, and oblige, yours, Sutherland & Jackson (To the Manger of the Federal Bank)”

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| G 8701 | B - 491 | Nov. 27, 1883 | bill | McFarlane, W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account $1.25. |  |

1 pair felt slippers $1.25

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| G 8701 | B - 492 | Nov. 24, 1883 | Telegram | Begg, A. | London, England | Norquay, John | Cable "Mailed on 6th". |  |

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| G 8701 | B - 493 | Aug. 29, 1883 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan horseshoe | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $10.75. |  |

11 June repair buggy .75

18 July 1 new wheel on buggy 6.50

21 Aug 1 Bar shoe .75

25 2 shoes set .50

30 4 new shoes by Charlie 2.00 $10.75 pd.

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| G 8701 | B - 494 | July 5,1883 | Letter | Robinson, Jerry | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing account. Paid 6 July 1883. |  |

Bill sent 5 July, pd. 6 July – no details

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| G 8701 | B - 495 | May 31, 1883 | Receipt | Alexander & Bryce | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered. $3.80 Paid. |  |

28 April Miss Norquay – 1 pr corset $1.50 plus earlier bill 2.30 pd. by cheque 8 June $3.80

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| G 8701 | B - 496 | May 16, 1883 | Receipt | Scott, D. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered. $9.50 Paid by Cheque. |  |

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| G 8701 | B - 497 | May 3, 1883 | Letter | Sanderson, James F | South Qu'Appelle NWT | Norquay, John | Half breed claims. | 2 pp. |

Mr Norquay Sir i sand this noat with Jas Tanner to go and see you to help him to find my halfBreed Right a miner clame and my wife Maria McKay of Hedeling [Headingly] age 27 and if you don’t find it Right and let me no what to do about it i came down with Indins and i will Be going Back tomora and maby go to Batlford and fort Pit and if you get a chanct to Put in a good word for me to the indian department do so and i don’t think i will make you asamed [ashamed] if you get me a jab Jas will tell you all about me i am sore that i canot go and see you my self and now i must close

Hoping you and yours all well I remin yours truly James F. Sanderson

And I sand you the Bill of My Catell Killed by Big Beaer and Little Pines Bands of Indins at Walsh last fall this is Quit [quite] an acloss [action?]for a Poor Man

Next sheet: “Fort Walsh October 1882 and Nov 82

Catell Killed By indins Eight cows and one Steaer Price $50.00 pr head $450.00

James F. Sanderson Fort Walsh NWT to Hon John Norquay Winnipag

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| G 8701 | B - 498 | March 14, 1883 | Letter | Ross, Killam & Haggart | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Interest in arrears on Mortgage. British Canadian Loan & Insurance Co. |  |

“We are instructed by Br Cdn Loan & Inv Coy to serve notice of sale in all cases where Int is in arrears on their Mtgs. Please send us a cheque for the amt of your arrears before Friday or we must follow out our instructions.”

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| G 8701 | B - 499 | March 10, 1883 | Letter | Nash, W. Hill | Emerson, Man. | Sutherland, A.M. | Government granting $4000.00 toward erection of traffic bridge at Emerson. |  |

Hon A M Sutherland Attorney General “I wrote to the Premier about the four thousand dollars promised towards the erection of a traffic bridge here. We have commenced the reconstruction of it and were in hopes the Government would let us have the four thousand dollars towards paying the first estimates. I notice Mr. Norquay has been ill. Would you mind telling me if any favorable action is likely to be taken in the matter….”

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| G 8701 | B - 500 | Nov. 6, 1883 | Letter &  Receipt | Wilton, Maxwell | High Bluff, Alta. | Norquay, John | Stating he has shipped 108 bushels of oats. | 2 pp. |

“Dere Sir I send you Wone hundred and eyeht bushels of ots and fifteen pound I hope the will plase you the are first clas ots I had to pay 50 cents to sela the sacks Wich laves you in my deet $2.60 youres truly Maxwell Wilton Accompanied by CPR shipping bill: 21 Sax oats 9 Sax oats -- 37.17 lbs.

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| G 8701 | B - 501 | Oct. 10, 1883 | Telegram | Fuller, Thomas | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking receipt of telegram of 7th to Sir Hector Langevin re: heating apparatus in Parliament Buildings. | 2 pp. |

a) to JN: “Am instructed to reply to your telegram of seventh to Sir Hector Langevin plans are ready for heating apparatus Parliament Building & tenders will be invited immediately should apparatus not be completed by opening of Legislature Building can be heated by stoves Thomas Fuller

b) JN and CP Brown to Langevin, Minister of Public Works: “We want to call our House for first February in New Buildings all can be arranged but no time should be lost in heating will you please advise Superintendent Smith to proceed”

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| G 8701 | B - 502 | Oct. 1883 | Letter | Ramsay, W.M. | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Notice of premium falling due 6 December 1883. |  |

Standard Life Assurance Co – premium on policy of $37.10 due on 4 Nov, last day for payment 4 Dec

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| G 8701 | B - 503 | Nov. 27, 1883 | Receipt | Dufour, W. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $62.50. |  |

Auction Mart, real estate: bill on 7 Nov for “1 dinner set $60.00” and “2 packing cases @1.25= 2.50

Recd cash 50.00 and cheque 10.15 = 60.15 [yet the total price noted is $62.50]

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| G 8701 | B - 504 | Nov. 13, 1883 | Letter | Lang, James | Langvale, Man. | Norquay, John | Municipalities Act. Referred to Department of Attorney General for action. | Torn |

When does Municipalities Act of last session take effect?

JN note on letter: “Will the Atty Genl please send circulars to wardens JN”

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| G 8701 | B - 505 | Nov. 6, 1883 | Letter | Lane, F. | Darlingford, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking if he is to be discharged from office on 20th or if some provision has been made for him. |  |

“Dear Sir: I received instructions from Our Inspector to hand over all Books and Papers to A. Laughlan and John Know and that my services would not be required after the 20th of this month. Am I to understand from this that I am to get the Grand Bounce? If this is so I feel an injustice has been done me as I received my appointment before those West of me received theirs and I supposed that seniority of appointment would be followed. If I am to be turned out without an appointment I would like to know it directly from yourself so I can look for something else to do. I have tried to do my duty faithfully as a Public officer and shall continue to do so til the 20th when I will retire unless some provision has been made for me. Asking an early reply I am, yours respectfully, F. Lane”

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| G 8701 | B - 506 | Oct. 1, 1883 | Receipt | Wright & Arbuckle horse | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $17.75. Paid. |  |

Aug 14: 1 pr rubber rattlers for Buggy 25

1 check rein 75

21 2 bridle fronts 1.50

1 web halter .75

1 tie line .50

29 1 riding bridle 4.00 total 7.75 pd. 1 Oct

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| G 8701 | B - 507 | 1883 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. | Norquay, MB | Norquay, John | Re: Fooling Lyman and his London friends. | Torn |

“Dear Mr Norquay I do not care to fool Lyman & my London friends any longer. Please let me know whether you care to go on with this matter or not. If so you will require to let me know something definite at once as I must write or telegram him at once Yours truly J Pennefather

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| G 8701 | B - 508 | Oct. 12, 1883 | bill | Hingston Smith, J. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $9.05. |  |

2 P F Shells 3.00

2 ½ lbs Min S Powder 2.50

15 lbs Chilled Shot 2.25

1 bag felt wads 1.00

1 box chem [di?] .30 9.05

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| G 8701 | B - 509 | Dec. 23, 1883 | Telegram | Bowes, J.R. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Telegram: "I am leaving for Winnipeg tonight." |  |

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| G 8701 | B - 510 | Nov. 27, 1883 | Receipt | Brydon & McIntosh piano | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $6.50. Receipt herewith. |  |

9 Nov 1 piano stool 6.50 recd payment

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| G 8701 | B - 511 | Dec. 12, 1883 | Letter | Timewell, Arthur T. & Co. | Brandon, Man. | Brown, C.P. | Western Judicial Buildings. |  |

Architect and surveyor, civil engineer: Woodworth requested that I measure the portion of the brickwork at the judicial bldgs. – the number amounts to 431,146 – taking them as 20 bricks to cubic foot, but a percentage should be deducted bec. many Portage la Prairie bricks were used on the inside, and were not good enough for the fair work – “My own opinion is that 25,000 or 30,000 would be a fair quantity to deduct for this.”

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| G 8701 | B - 512 | Dec. 14, 1883 | Letter | Mustard, J.W. | Stony Mountain, Man. | Bedson, S.L. | Test of American and Saskatchewan Coal. | Copy |

Copy: Engineers report, Manitoba Penitentiary [to Bedson from Mustard]

“…in testing the two kinds of coal, by the amount of water a ton of each kind would convert into steam, the result of the test was as follows: The quantity of water used while burning the ton of American Coal was 1575 gallons with an average pressure of 25 4/7 lbs. The ton of Saskatchewan coal 1445 gallons with an average pressure of 22 ¾ lbs. The only difference in the conditions of the test that I am aware of was, that the furnace was hotter when beginning to use the American coal, than it was when commencing to use the other, which would reduce the difference a little.”

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| G 8701 | B - 513 | Nov. 29, 1883 | Telegram | La Riviere, A.A.C. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Telegram: "$10,000 will be paid immediately,  $15,000 next year etc." |  |

“Ten thousand dollars will be paid immdy fifteen thousand next year & fifteen year after Starting to meet Miller in Toronto Cannot return before tenth Dec”

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| G 8701 | B - 514 | Nov. 19, 1883 | Letter | Cantlie, L.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of Mr. N.'s memo re Mr. Lang's letter re Municipal Act. |  |

Cantlie is Deputy Atty General MB – The attorney-general says, re Lang letter of 13 Nov, that a copy of the Municipalities Act was sent Lang last week. “The whole of this act is now proclaimed and circulars are about to be issued informing those interested of the dates when the different portions of the act come into force….”

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| G 8701 | C - 1 | Feb. 27, 1884 | Letter | Allan, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for balance of Mr. N.'s share of joint note which would amount to about $95.00 with interest costs and protest. Replied 29th February. See Private L.B."D" Page 89. |  |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I have to dun you for money before you have quite reached home but it is purely a case of necessity. I have a note to meet on Saturday at the Imperial Bank which I don’t want to ask a renewal of and if you are in funds & could let me have the balance of your share of that Joint note of ours which would be about $95.00 with interest & costs of protest &c you would much oblige Yours very truly John Allan

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| G 8701 | C - 2 | Feb 27, 1884 | Letter | Barry, Thomas N. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing Box for the evening of 27th and stating will be pleased to have Mr. N. witness the Lights of London at the Princess Opera House. Replied 29th February. See Private Letter Book Page 90. |  |

Hon Sir Enclosed please find Box for tonight. Will be pleased to have you witness the Lights of London at the Princes Opera House Replied 29 Feb 1884

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| G 8701 | C - 3 | Feb. 27, 1884 | Letter | Fraser, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Congratulations on noble stand Mr. N. took at Ottawa. Stating John P. Matheson is to contest Rockwood versus Jackson with good prospects of success and asking Mr. N. to get Bedson to fall into line and to write Mr. Vincent re same. Replied 29th February. See Private Letter Book "D" Page 91. |  |

Stationery of License Commissioners of MB: Dear Sir – congrats on ‘noble stand’ JN took in Ottawa

“As you are probably aware, John P. Matheson is to contest the seat in Rockwood versus Jackson with every prospect of success, would you kindly use your influence with Mr Bedson to fall into line and give Mr Matheson his moral support and influence.

PS Please write Mr. Vincent on same subject” Replied 29 Feb

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| G 8701 | C - 4 | Feb. 28, 1884 | Letter | Knight, D.F. | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. he is unable to meet his note of  $328.00 and asking Mr. N. to protect same as he expects to be able to meet it shortly. Replied 29th February. See L.B. "D" Page 92. |  |

“Dear Sir: I am unable to meet my note in the Merchants Bank for $328 at present owing to the fact that I have been unable at present to collect moneys that are due to me but I have good prospect of being able to do soon if you would kindly take the note up and hold it for a short time, I shall ever feel myself under the deepest obligation to you.

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| G 8701 | C - 5 | Jan. 8, 1884 | Letter | Ives, H.C. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Stating if he will return pass to him he will make the addition requested re letter Mr. Manvel. |  |

If you will return the pass to me, I will make the addition to the pass that you requested in your letter to Mr Manvel. [St Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Rly Co]

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| G 8701 | C - 6 | March 1, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing a photo of coal location for Wilson and asking Mr. N. to send Lawson an order for coal for Government. |  |

“I send you with Ritchie a photo of map of our coal location wich [sic] you desired for Mr. Wilson. Do not forget to drop Lawson a few lines today & give an order for coal for Government.”

“I have called meeting for 4th inst 10 a.m.”

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| G 8701 | C - 7 | Jan. 8, 1884 | Notice | McKeand, M., Secretary A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting $8.00 dues. |  |

JN owes $8.00 in dues – mtg on Jan 15. Prince Rupert’s Lodge

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| G 8701 | C - 8 | Jan. 8, 1884 | Postcard | Grisdale, J., St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of College Council on 9th January. |  |

Important business – mtg of St J College Council 9 Jan at 3:00

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| G 8701 | C - 9 | Jan. 7, 1884 | Letter | Hargrave, J.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to try and obtain a pass for him over C.P.R. |  |

Stationery of Hargrave, grocer: I’ve spoken to Egan re a pass – ‘he either forgot the matter or does not want to grant me a pass. I believe if you would kindly ask him to give me a pass he would do so. I think I could run out to Emerson & other points occasionally & perhaps make sales of coal which would be mutually beneficial . Hoping I have not intruded on your valuable time. I am Yours very respectfully,

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| G 8701 | C - 10 | Feb. 26, 1884 | Letter | Miss C. Setter | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Friendly note on family matters. |  |

Dear Uncle Norquay We got a letter from Bella some time ago & I have not had time as yet to answer it. Papa is quite well again & I hope Auntie has quite recovered from her recent illness. Poor Alec Sutherland is very ill I hope we shall soon hear better news from them. Mrs. Black is very anxious about him. There is very little illness in the Portage yet anyway, rather different from Winnipeg from all accounts. I am not at school today for it is an awful storm, a regular Nor-West Blizzard. Mama is keeping in good health all this winter quite different from her usual ill-health. There is no news of importance in the Portage just now so I will close for this time with love to all, I remain, your loving niece, Christabel”

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| G 8701 | C - 11 | Feb. 21, 1884 | Annual Report | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Annual Report for 1883. |  |

313 members (27 new in 1883), 8 died, 4 withdrawn, 2 struck off.

Gain on wine account $1433; on billiard account $975; on card account $54; loss on table account $2233 – total gain $230.06. C.J. Brydges President

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| G 8701 | C - 12 | Feb. 26, 1884 | Postcard | Grisdale, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of Council on the 29th inst. |  |

St JC council Friday 29 Feb at 4:

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| G 8701 | C - 13 | Feb. 22, 1884 | Receipt | Gouin, James A., Russell House | Ottawa, Ont. | Leacock, E.P. Norquay, John | Receipted bill of $23.40. |  |

Bill from Russell House to Leacock and JN for sundries, $23.40

On back: “I send you a last remembrance of Tunny he charged the 40 [% ?] straight He is worse than [illegible]

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| G 8701 | C - 14 | Feb. 29, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to call at Bank on following morning. Called on 4th March 1884. |  |

Mgr of Merchants Bank -- please call at bank tomorrow morning – note on cover sheet – “Called on the 4th Mch”

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| G 8701 | C - 15 | Jan. 7, 1884 | Appeal Letter | St. John's College Ladies' School | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | An appeal for funds to be applied on College debt. | 2 pp. |

Opened “about six years ago” – in debt – asks for funds

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| G 8701 | C - 16 | Jan. 7, 1884 | Notice | Bacon, M., Secretary A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on 14th inst. Dues $3.00. |  |

Dues owed $3.00 to Ancient Land Mark Lodge

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| G 8701 | C - 17 | Jan. 9, 1884 | Letter | Hargrave, J.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Order to deliver cheque for $331.38 account 31 tons coal. Refused to do so. |  |

“Please deliver to bearer check for $331.28 for thirty ton coal.”

Cover sheet: “Refused to do so.”

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| G 8701 | C - 18(a) | Jan. 7, 1884 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Resolutions passed by Municipality re: P.O'Keefes account. | 3 pp. |
| G 8701 | C - 18(b) | Jan. 7, 1884 | Letter | Cantlie, L.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Sadlier, B.A. | Fees for P. O'Keefe. | 2 pp. |

b) is a letter to Sadlier, EJDB, from Attorney General Miller’s office re the witness fees of O’Keefe at last court of assize. Says O’Keefe can sue the Eastern Judicial District Board for this fee if he thinks it’s worth the $23.30 at stake, so that the boundary question can be settled by a court of competent jurisdiction.

a)Leacock takes umbrage – Miller insulted the municipalities in “instructing one of his employees to sue” them. And he “chided so haughtily a member of the Government” – member Leacock himself. But “I am anxious to avoid a row as it will hurt us all…” Ask Miller to destroy the enclosed letter “and substitute in its place one stating that while the Government do not waive their claim on the Board should the Rat Portage district be adjudged to be a part of Manitoba they agree without prejudice to pay all expenses heretofore incurred or to be incurred in the disputed territory….” Or I’ll push the matter. I like Miller and regret disagreeing with him – but “I will not allow any committee I am on to receive ironical and bullying letters without redress…” [fairly pompous guy]

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| G 8701 | C - 19 | Jan. 31, 1884 | Letter | Allan, W.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to lunch. |  |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I have been unlucky in finding you at home. Will you do me the pleasure of lunching with me tomorrow. My wife leaves for England on Tuesday next & she would be very much pleased to meet you before going away….” 37 Sparks Street …{Ottawa?]

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| G 8701 | C - 20 | Jan. 23, 1884 | Letter | Tupper, R.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Election in city. |  |

“Dear Sir You will remember asking me as regards your chances of election in the city should you conclude to run. I have enquired quietly & carefully and the feeling amongst all parties (and the Grits have talked it over) is that you would go in by acclamation. I would have written before but had not time since I returned from La Verendrye where you were sustained as usual. Give my love and also that of Tait & the mayor to the widow we fancy seeing you in the red chair and get us a good photograph.

“Trusting you will have a pleasant trip and come back successful. I remain as ever, faithfully yours, R. L. Tupper”

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| G 8701 | C - 21 | Feb. 2, 1884 | Letter | Dr. Benson | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal. |  |

Stationery of Sask Coal Co “Dear Sir: Mr Rowe left for Ottawa this morning after having sold Egan what coal there was on the track here which left a balance in our hands $4378. but out of this Mr. Rowe took the $3000 which he advanced at the first leaving us something over $1300, he Rowe has not received his stock yet and we think no stock should be issued to anyone till everything is settled. Rice also brings J.E.W.’s account out as owing us over $2500, and other matters coming to light every day. The last being a blank order to Mrs. Bowes to get what she wanted & have it charged. I expect word from Chicago by Monday which I expect will bring us an offer for stock if so I will telegraph you. There is no use saying anything about what I have written till you see for yourself still I think you should be posted. Before I forget it I want to make a request for myself. If you see anything going in my line of business such as med adviser for your Rocky Mountain RR or anything else put a good word in for me as I am anxious to give up practice as soon as possible.

If Pugh’s extention [sic] of time is up I think I would not extend it till you see Rowe as from what he has heard from Egan and others it should not cost it nearly half of their contract price of course we will let you know what the Americans say when they come in which we expect will be this evening. Yours &c E. Benson

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| G 8701 | C - 25 | Feb. 3, 1884 | Letter | Dr. Benson | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal. |  |

SK Coal Co: Dear Sir: I wrote you yesterday but as Messrs Bruce and Wilson have returned from the West and are inclined as I think to be a little sharp I think it as well to give you some idea of what we think of the affair. In the first place Mr. Pugh’s advertisement in the American papers for capitalists so Wilson told me read about as follows ‘Wanted some capitalists to go into coal mining in which there is one dollar per ton clear profit’ and on this Wilson met Pugh and came on to examine, so Pugh must have thought he had a soft job. And now in the face of this he told me he wanted more simply because he no doubt has heard that we were hard up. Or else he would like to take the mining and selling all in his own hands and allow us so much a ton royalty. There is one thing sure we must not pay any more than the $2 and I think it should be less as far as coal for the Winnipeg market is concerned we must at present mine it so that we can sell it at $2.00 at the mines if we want to keep the city trade. Apparently we cannot look for much reduction in freight and Egan says we must sell cheaper or produce cheaper and then we can sell cheaper. Another thing that should be seen about is how much coal is carried for a ton, in the States and the lower provinces at the mines you get 2250 lbs for a ton and RRs carry that for a ton so as to allow for shrinkage [sic] here they seem to consider 2000 lbs a ton and therefore a great many of the cars if not all of them are short in weight and I hear Hargrave is going to enter suit for shortage in weight against the CPR as Hon. C.P. Brown claims something afer [sic after? Over?] 18 tons shortage by city weigh scales compared with CPR weight. [added note:] “I think the shortage was only 7 ½ tons I compared weights although Pritchard said it was 18 tons. J.E.K.”

We are of course very anxious to hear from you and at the same time look forward to its being good news for us as everything seems to depend on you with whatever assistance Rowe can give you, And no doubt if we can keep the think running for six months if the worst comes we can no doubt sell to advantage as Hugh Sutherland and others tell me there is great demands for such investments in the Old Country. Yours &c E. Benson Ansd dated 3rd Feb 84

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| G 8701 | C - 26 | Jan. 26, 1884 | Letter | Ryan, T. | Ottawa, Ont. | Leacock, E.P. | Private. |  |

From committee room 9, Senate – I’m in Ottawa until Wed. next – a note here will find me.

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| G 8701 | C - 27 | Feb. 3, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Bella | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Private [family matters]. |  |

“My dear Papa I have written several times in hope that one stray letter might reach you. Do not think that we have forgotten you for we have done nothing of the kind. Mamma and I are both wondering where all the letters I have written have gone too [sic]. We have received all your letters and I think I have answered all of them. Mamma is not very well just now though she is not in one of her very bad headaches. She sends lots of love and kisses to her very dear old pet and is longing to see him. We were hoping to see you back this week and I was telling everyone that I expected you this week but would you believe it they only laughed at me and said that if you came back in three weeks from now you would make good time. I hope you will make extra good time and be back before the other three weeks are up. Kate came back on Saturday evening Edward is getting better now so Kate came up to us Kate says that he is only about half the size he used to be. I am going to have a little tobogganing party on Thursday evening. I shall have about twelve or fourteen. Nellie was down on Saturday and she called at the College for Horace but he would not come for he wants to come down when you get back and he says if she had been down he would not get down when you come. I hope you are quite well and getting on well with your work. We examine the papers all the time to try and catch something about you but there is nothing at all scarcely. We hope to see you home very soon[.] never mind the business and come back. Kate sends her love to you and Andrew does the same. I also send my love and kisses for my very dear old papa. If you [ ] kiss that spot that is where I kissed the paper and it will be like kissing me. I remain dear papa, your loving daughter, Bella Norquay

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| G 8701 | C - 28 | Jan. 28, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Andrew | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Private. |  |

‘My dear papa There has nothing been very notable scince [sic] you left here Mamma has been unwell all last week and Kate is down nursing Edward The Doctor was here last week to see Mamma. Jonny letter has come back and he says he would like to have seen you on business, he says he will not go back until he hears his wages are raised. I think I am getting on better at school because I was put into the Junior four Arithmatic [sic] class. No more news at present with love to you. I remain dear papa your ever loving son Andrew Norquay

“Recd Feb 4 Ansd”

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| G 8701 | C - 29 | Feb. 3, 1884 | Letter | Luxton, W.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Extension of boundary. Meeting about St. Boniface  scheme. | 2 pp. |

Manitoba Free Press stationery Kenny & Luxton, Publishers Wm F Luxton editor and general mgr.

“Private Confidential My dear Norquay Perhaps you know more about the matter than I do – indeed it is more than likely you do; but at the risk of that I must tell you something of matters here re H.B. route.

Glass started the meeting held in the city the other ev/g ; but it was intended to endorse his scheme and to send the Mayor to Ottawa to promote it. Resolutions had already been prepared to that end for submission to the meeting. But coming out a number of us put our foot in it; and the consequence was the objectionable resolutions were dropped and others substituted. You of course have rec/d copy of whole series. Common impression here is that if Hugh Sutherland has not yet captured the two west side schemes under the Amalgamation Act that he is certain of accomplishing it. I think even Duncan Macarthur believes this.

At present at any rate public opinion is solid that if Govt (Provl) give substantial assistance they must have control.

Hugh S’s friends are restive under this – indeed they do not hesitate to object to it already, and are undoubtedly not in line with public opinion on the question. A strong suspicion is gaining ground that in some way (it is hinted through Stewart Tupper) they are pulling wires to prevent extensions of boundary. Should that be so, and should the effort be attended with success it is obvious that Province would be at their mercy – they holding the only charter that could be got, for a year [?] to come.

Now, I can assure you, that you are safe in insistingupon extension of boundary asked for, and receiving all but unanimous support of Province, in resenting a refusal.

If you don’t get it, Sutherland will assuredly have you at his mercy. Get it, and you are as independent as a bug [boy? Illegible] on ice, to use an elegant expression.

By the way I should have explained that we did not ‘sit on’ Glass because we were necessarily opposed to his scheme, but for reasons following: it is premature to discuss schemes; it would create division where harmony is much required; and it would certainly array all western part of province against it, in the fear that it was a Winnipeg scheme.

Perhaps we walked into hands of Sutherland in measure, but we wanted to work with no person’s hands, we were doing that which we considered to be in best interests of country.

The Alpha and Omega of your policy now should be Extension of Boundary. Insist upon it and get it and you have won. Yours truly W. F. Luxton

P.S. Bruen’s [Brown? Burns?] speech at mass meeting was an exceedingly clever effort. W. F.L.

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| G 8701 | C - 30 | Jan. 10, 1884 | Letter | Thompson, Jas. | Quoys St. Margaret’s Hope Orkney | Norquay, John | Private. | Original & Copy 2 pp. |

Re ancestry of the late John Tait “whose sad and truly melancholy latter end 23 Sept 1879 you intimated to me by letter at that time; as you only said he hailed from the Orkneys about 1829 and as the name was extinct in our island, I fully concluded Mr. Tait must have belonged to some parish in ‘Pomona’ so at that time I gave up further enquiry. As you may perhaps be aware my second son John is now in Winnipeg H.B.Co offices Northern Department, and my good friend Captn Kennedy of Maple Gove having invited him down there to spend the Sunday, he went to church with the Captn and his family and inside that sacred edifice he noticed a marble slab on the wall ‘In memory of John Tait late of South Ronaldshay etc’ erected I think by Dr. Schultz.”

With this, I could investigate – “…youngest son of the late James Tait, in the ‘Eastside’ of this island, two married sisters long since dead, an elder brother James “an officer of the H.B. Co finally settled at Red River and died long ago…”

I met Mr. Bannatyne and family in Edinburgh for the first time – “(of course I knew his father). He had just then returned from Orkney, but from want of time had been unable to visit South Ronaldshay altho’ the place of his nativity…. Mr McMicken and his son were with him.

Hope you will visit the “little ‘sea girt isle’ of Ronaldshay on which lived and died your worthy forefathers of the long past”

Happy new year

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| G 8701 | C - 31 | Feb. 2, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas (son) | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Private. |  |

St. John’s College My dear father I have not received an answer to my last and it is now over a week since I wrote you. Horace has and so has Alex and I think all the people who did themselves the honor of corosponding [sic] with you except myself, so I begin to think there must be something in the wind. I saw Bella the other day at the concert at the new College and she told me that she had received several letters from you since you arrived in Ottawa. I hope your mission will be [word missing] for I think your actions are being watched with greater anxiety by the people this time than ever before, in regard to our northern boundary, some declaring that you should even threaten to give up your position as premier if your demands are not acceded to believing that such a course would bring about an advantageous settlement for there are a great many in this province who think that the Government would do almost anything for you in order to retain your support and cooperation in this country.

It has also been rumoured that you are going to accept a seat in the Dominion Cabinet – that of Minister of the Interior, of course I do not know whether you intend to pursue such a course or not but I think you could not do better especially since you have had notions of giving up the leadership of this party and allowing some one else to run the Government for a while, I should think that it would be just as good to play second fiddle in the Dominion Cabinet for a salary of seven or eight thousand a year, as to do so up here for a salary of two or three thousand. I hope you will get back soon for I am thinking long to see you again. We are quite well here at present.

We had a grand concert at St John’s new College on the 30th. There was present about three hundred people.

The cabinet were all there but you and the reporter also has your name down as being present but Jack [Tom’s brother] says that it is his name. He has taken down and prefixed the title Hon to [too]

I hope you are quite well so I will say goodby for the present. I remain your loving son, Thomas Norquay

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| G 8701 | C - 32 | Feb. 3, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal. |  |

‘My dear Mr Norquay

The Americans have returned from the mines as telegraphed you last night. We had an interview with them last night but as they are very reticent could get no proposal from them as regards taking out coal. Had another interview this morning when they decided to go to Ottawa to see you. They do not want Pugh in the concern as he has no means, no influence & no experience, and I think they (Mr. Wilson) have telegraphed Pugh today that they would not entertain the Contract. Mr. Wilson wished to see Egan before leaving but I urged him to go to Ottawa at once if he had any intention of going into the proposed business. I told him that Mr. Van Horne knew all about our coal & was thoroughly posted in every particular concerning it by Mr. Egan, so he decided going to Ottawa at once. Mr. Wilson appears anxious to get the mining of our coal as also became otherwise interested [missing word: in?] it if he can get his terms. No doubt he thinks he caught a soft snap from us as he has heard of our embarrassment no doubt, so keep a watchful eye on our interests. As before stated he gave us here no idea of what his intentions are on the proposals he desires making.

Mr Wilson as far as I can learn is a man of means and thoroughly posted in all mining affairs and would make a splendid manager and be a valuable acquisition to our Company, provided we can get his services without cutting our own throats. It appears he wants the whole concern without paying much for it.

Mr. Pugh’s time according to agreement is up and of the extension you gave him is also expired. We will have no more to do with him as Mr. Rowe will tell you also.

I hope the negotiations for funds you are about making is not pending on any negotiations with these Americans, for funds we must have & very soon.

From Mr. Wilson’s conversation I gather that he wants more for taking out coal than amount mentioned in Pugh’s contract whereas figures show that it can be taken out for half that amount, Mr. Rowe has figures from Pennsylvania mines.

If you & Mr Rowe succeed in getting the contract and also funds which latter must be got, we can run on long enough to effect a sale of the whole concern. I am sure a sale can be effected provided we can keep on running well & smoothly for six or eight months, so please keep this particularly in view.

I hope it may not be many days before you will telegraph me funds. Yours very truly Jacob E Klotz

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| G 8701 | C - 33 | Feb. 6, 1884 | Letter | Notmans Studio | [No Location] | Norquay, John | Photo. |  |

“The enlarged sample photo that you ordered is received. Will you kindly call and see if it meets with your approval.”

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| G 8701 | C - 35 | Jan. 12, 1884 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John (in Ottawa) | Coal Co.'s stock and other matters. | Original & Copy 5 pp. |

“Dear Sir I was very much disappointed this morning when visiting your office & found you had left I remained over today on purpose to see you as you informing me on Thursday night you was going home Friday and would be back Saturday and we would met. I had many things to see you about, however it can’t be helped now & I can’t get home till Monday. I wrote you from Brandon Re Coal Co Stock but got no answer from you. When I resigned the office of manager of the Coal Co I had every confidence I would be farely delt [sic] by knowing you were President, but I don’t know anything of how the business is going and have very little faith in the men belonging to the Company forming the directorate outside of your self, and I fear the Company will never be what it ought to be with such men as Benson Klotz Rowe Carruthers &c having the business to do I know they have done me an unwarranted injury and that report Dr. Benson made to me about Egan &c, &c, is false and there is not one of the Company stands so well today save yourself than I do, and I know they can’t begin to do the business or influence for bettering matters than I can. I am disgusted at there puttering you can however watch how things go and rectify where and when needed. Now if you can sell any stock for the Company’s benefit down East please if possible sell five or ten thousand for me I will take as low as $50.00 a share, I am sorry you did not let me have some stock as I asked you, I could have placed it to fill some holes that I cant otherwise satisfy for the present, my brother also writes me today you have not sent him his stock $50,000. I have looked up my available property with Renwick to secure that $12,000 hired from him and now I am unable to use either stock or property this is very unfair to me and what I did not expect, I hope you will be able to effect arrangements with the Dominion Government re extending the province of Manitoba north and other matters you intend bringing to there notice that are of great importance to us at the present time and that that will work out the salvation of this country.

Wishing you a prosperous and effectual visit to the Capital, I am yours very faithfully, J E Woodworth

P.S. I am awfully sorry I did not see you before you left I wanted to see in respect to my brother D.B. please give him my regards. JEW

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| G 8701 | C - 36 | Jan. 15, 1884 | Letter | Whimster, D.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Political matters. |  |

Writes to JN to wish him well in Ottawa negotiations, and to ask that he convey greetings to Schultz “in the fight he is waging with disease…”, but really to say that “I was never so rich and never so poor as I am today. I have some very valuable property on which I cannot realize at present and some of it has had to be encumbranced. My pinching difficulty is to find means to pay the interest accruing.” If you or Schultz find “some situation to which a reasonable salary is attached, I could get along nicely….I am sure I may rely on both of you as kind personal friends and that you will do what you can. Ever yours, kindly and most respectfully, D.B. Whimster”

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| G 8701 | C - 38 | Feb. 1, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Horace | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | [Family matters]. |  |

St. Johns Coll Dear Papa I received your letter yesterday. Louis was up here yesterday and I nearly went down whith [sic] him only that I heard Mr. Mathesone was not in. Louis said mamma was not very well. I thank you for the money that you sent me. We are quite well. Nellie went down with Louis as also did two other girls. There was a consert at the Uneversiy but the masters would only let the fourth form go. I forgot to tell you that I am in the third form that is the form below Toms. Bella was up to town this week but I did not see her. We had an examination in Arithmetic Mr. Chamber [?] doe every month and I came out first – 84 – out of 86 I bet [beat] the rest of the class by nearly twenty. I would of sent you the paper but I lost it. I go up to town every Saturday to see Alex and in that way I can get news from home every week. The debate last night was which was the more destructive fire or water and the afermetive side one [won]. I do not expect to go home till you return and then we will all have one grand meeting. I am sure Alex must be lonely up there alone. There is one boy that tries to bully me a little [but I don’t do an][this is crossed out]… yesterday he came and slapped me in the face when I was studying my lesson so I jumped up and chased him round the school and would have given him something to think over if Mr. Walkerton [?] was’ent in the room. I think I have given you all my news so with my love and good wishes and kisses I will say good bye Horace”

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| G 8701 | C - 40 |  | Feb. 7, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal property. |  |

SK Coal stationery “My dear Mr. Norquay I have this day received a very good and exact map of our coal Property from Mr. Lawson. I send you herewith a copy of section 7 traced from said map, which although rough gives the exact position of spur, Drifts, etc, from which you will notice that all our works, operations, etc are on the centre of the east half of 7. The west half being cut up much by the River & many coolies is not worth near as much as the East half, which I presume has been given to Mr. Smith. This for your information should you entertain the idea of amalgamating with Smith. If you and Mr Rowe succeed in getting a Contract from Mr Van Horne we need then no amalgamation with anyone. Such a Contract would also deter anyone from opening up a new mine.

Letters from mines this morning show that miners are still threatening to strike for higher wages. We cannot deal effectually with them until we have sufficient funds in hand to pay them off not only to end of month but to payday. Pay sheet to end of January (for January) about $5400. I will not have near this amount although Mr. Rose thought he left me in a good position to get funds sufficient for January Pay Roll.

Our financial situation is growing more serious from day to day. Creditors are coming daily demanding pay and it takes a good deal of persuation [sic] to get them to wait. I have up to now succeeded in preventing them entering suit against the Co, latterly on the strength of your wire to me as regards hopes to sell stock sufficiently to relieve all embarrassments. Most of them will sue as they told me if funds are not ready by the 15th inst.

Farrer told me this morning that the test made here at Wpg station gives better satisfaction than anticipated, and said Mr. Egan & Reid were rather more favourable now – I mention this privately for your information.

Get as much land as possible, & for nil [? Illegible] as a bonus. I am sorry the Gov. will not advance us $20-$40,000, it might well do it, same as they gave to an eastern R. Road in which a minister is interested, that road will never refund and we would & that very soon.

Send me something tangible soon. Yours very truly Jacob E. Klotz

[fluent, clear, effective prose]

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| G 8701 | C - 41 | Jan. 19, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W.Secretary to ministers, cabinet? | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Accident insurance policy. |  |

#C39: Pritchard to JN in Ottawa, 25 Jan 1884: Minister Brown instructed me to answer the enclosed letter of 17 Jan from Macklin saying you’re in Ottawa and I will hand it to you when you return.

#C-41: “I found your accident insurance policy on the Hartford Con Co. and placed it with your other insurance papers.”

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| G 8701 | C - 42(a) | Jan. 23, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Letter from Supt. Baker of the Manitoba &  NW Railway Co. | 3 pp. |
| G 8701 | C - 42(b) | Jan. 23, 1884 | Letter | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Rail rates. | 2 pp. |

Pritchard: “I enclose a letter from Superintendent Baker of the M & NWRR together with a cutting from the ‘Manitoba Free Press’ re an interview you had with a ‘Montreal Star’ reporter. Hon Mr Brown has written Supt Baker that his letter has been forwarded to you in Ottawa.”

Enclosure: 23 Jan/84: stationery of Manitoba and North-Western Railway Co of Canada, Portage la Prairie MB, Office of General Superintendent:

“My dear Mr. Norquay I enclose a slip from the Free Press of yesterday.

If you are correctly reported you have unwittingly no doubt done us an injustice, and I regret that you should not have been in possession of the facts, before the interview took place.

As a matter of fact we have adopted C.P.R. rates precisely even down to their latest reduction, and I don’t think, taking everything into consideration that we could do more, do you? Yours very truly W.R. Baker”

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| G 8701 | C - 43 | Feb. 9, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Horace | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Private. |  |

Dear Papa I received your letter on Wednesday and was glad to receive your advice. I will have to hurry up just now as it is after dinner and I am going up to town and even if I was not I would keep the other boys who would take my letter. The debate last night was which was more useful a horse or an ox and my side won I was on the ox side and ever invincible there was no good to try against me. I hope that you are well and will come home soon. I have not been home yet and don’t suppose to get home sooner than you. As I will be keeping my partner who by the way is the head boy in school and a youngester [sic] about my own age and size we make a good team.

So with my good wishes and prayers, I remain your affectionate son Horace

PS I will write more fully during the week.

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| G 8701 | C - 45 | Dec. 18, 1883 | SK Coal Mtg  Minutes |  | City (Winnipeg) |  | Extracts of minutes of meetings of Saskatchewan Coal Mining Co. & copy. | 2 pp. |

Two identical extracts, in two different hands, from the minutes of SK Coal meeting in Wpg on 18 Dec 1883 Present: JN President; Amos Rowe vp; Jacob Klotz Sec; D. E. Benson; J.R. Cameron. JN clearly signed one, and the other records his signature.

Motion of Cameron, Benson seconds, that JN “be requested to go east and be authorized to make such arrangements to raise fund sufficient to carry on the mining operations of the Company and he can be empowered to dispose of sufficient stock for that purpose, or mortgage the real and personal property of the Company as in his discretion may seem best.”

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| G 8701 | C - 46 | [No Date] | Memoranda | Norquay, J. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Showing amount of stock held by original promoters of Sask. Coal Mining Co. | 2 pp. |

Handwritten Memo 2pp [I think in JN’s hand]:

“shows the amount of stock held by the original promoters….”

J E Woodworth 1400 shares $140,000

J R Cameron 1125 112,500

W M Carruthers 500 50,000

Jacob E Klotz 750 75,000

Edwd Benson 500 50,000

4275 427,500

“The following amounts of stock have been allotted to the following gentlemen and are not assessable”

Norquay 250 $25,000

Hugh J Macdonald 50 5,000

C S Tupper 50 5,000

Thos Renwick 200 20,000

Amos Rowe 175 17,500

725 $72,500

“Of the 4275 shares held by the original promoters ten per cent by the articles of incorporation deposited with the Secretary of State is disposable for treasury purposes, besides which I have power of attorney signed by all the promoters authorizing me as President to dispose of such amount of stock as may be necessary in the interest of the business generally & especially to meet liabilities incurred in the development of the property. The Company own 960 acres of coal lands on which yearly payments $4400 are payable for the next seven years. The improvements consist of 1 store 60 x 24 containing two offices and ten rooms overhead. 1 Boarding House 80 x 16 with addition off 40 x 20 capable of seating 80 men comfortably and having a room for men to use as reading room & to write letters if necessary, a blacksmith shop with carpenter shop attached fully equipped with necessary tools. A magazine 20 x 14, a stable 30 x 20 an engine house 30 x 30, a bank head over three hundred feet long, a railway track 1 ½ miles, 10 levels averaging 300 ft each & 4 ponies 2 teams of horses, a small blacksmith shop near the mouth of the pit. Goods in store to the value of four or five thousand dollars

[sgd] J Norquay

President

Another men’s house 40 x 20 & I forgot to mention that boarding house has sleeping accommodation for forty-five or fifty men.

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| G 8701 | C - 47 | Jan. 22, 1884 | Letter | Gemmel, John E. | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Souris & Rocky Mountain Railway Co. | 2 pp. |

Stationery of Selkirk *Herald*  to JN in Ottawa: while you’re there, if “you could lend a helping hand to the Souris & Rocky Mountain Railway, I would consider it a great personal favor. As you are doubtless aware my father is heavily interested in the Company; was one of the first promoters; and has spent more money in its interests than any other person, and I may also state that had his advice been followed, the road would have been in running order over a year ago.” You know they floated bonds and “all that is required to negotiate bonds to the extent of $9,000,000 is the guarantee of the Dominion Government that the land grant solicited by the Company will be given them. $250,000 has already been deposited as a guarantee of good faith by the parties who will purchase the bonds, and will be expended as soon as the land grant is passed by the Government. The balance of the $9,000,000 will follow and you can imagine the benefit of expending this amount of money in the province besides opening up a large and valuable portion of it. I have every reason to believe that the personnel of the Company will be changed at once, and that several of the parties now interested in it and who have made themselves obnoxious will be ousted. I am in possession of many of the facts, but it is not necessary to state them here. …Yours respectfully J.W. Gemmel

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“”Particularly private P.S. A little news from Selkirk may be of interest. Our mutual friend Jim Colcleugh was elected ‘Warden’ of the County Council today. They are celebrating the event at the Lisgar pool table this evening. At last advice, the warden-elect had succeeded in ‘holing’ one ball, after making ten ‘scratches.’ Co[illegible] Times has issued a challenge (free-for-all) to tell ‘funny yarns.’ There are no takers yet, when will you be back? JEG”

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| G 8701 | C - 48 | Jan. 26, 1884 | Letter | Drummond, C.S. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Hudsons Bay Railway & Steamship. Communication with Liverpool. | 6 pp. |

Handwritten “Private and confidential” “Sir Referring you to our conversation of yesterday and to your request that I should place the substance of that conversation in writing permit me to repeat the statements which I made.

Hudson Bay Railway and Steamship communication with Liverpool:

When passing through Montreal in October last I called upon Mr George Drummond…” re possibilities of HB route. He gave no formal support but “would be glad to obtain an indication of the feeling towards the enterprise” in UK. I found Mrssrs Saunders Needham & Co, one of the largest shipping firms and who are also extensive brokers…” They would supply steamships and transport all goods conveyed to port by railway, and would get letter from Br govt saying it would cooperate with Cdn govt in “testing the value of the route by the straits.” In London I met with “capitalists and others regarding the scheme and the railway to the interior.” I was told we needed 1. information on the feasibility of the route,2. on the Cdn govts interest, 3. the lack of railway company’s approach to government, and 4. the lack of statistics on probable imports and exports.

On you, JN, “it rests very largely with yourself to answer and assist in the answer” to 1, 2, and 4.

Such a scheme could be floated if MB “was at the back of it.” If you authorized me to talk to “various syndicates in London and Berlin… I could obtain from them such a proposition as would be satisfactory alike to yourself and the Province. If the province of Manitoba desired to obtain say two or three millions at the moment I think there would be no great difficulty in obtaining it at 5% or possible 4 ½ %....” thus Drummond’s interest in “the credit of the province…”

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| G 8701 | C - 49 | Feb. 16, 1884 | Letter | Macpherson, D.[Ottawa] | [No Location] | Norquay, John | Statement of revenues of Manitoba for last year not yet received. |  |

Haven’t received statement of MB’s revenue for last year – subcommittee of Council can’t “make any progress with the consideration of the case you have submitted” until you give us this.

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| G 8701 | C - 50 | Jan. 15, 1884 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. J.N. | Norquay, MB | Norquay, John | Adulterating articles of daily consumption. |  |

“I see by papers you are gone to Ottawa. Cares of state and convivialities of the metropolis will make you forget a solitary medico living hard by a town called after you, lamenting over frozen grain and farmers grievances. You mentioned the Dominion Govt appoint analysts. Now if it was for nothing else than to keep the bars throughout Manitoba from selling poisonous decoctions such an official is wanting. But I believe an immense amount of adulteration is practised in many of the articles of daily consumption. So I drop a line to jog your memory. Very truly yours, John P. Pennefather

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| G 8701 | C - 51 | Jan. 16, 1884 | Letter | Luxton, W.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Accepting seat in cabinet. | 2 pp. |

“Confidential: My dear Norquay ….It seems to go by the most common consent here that you are the coming man. Well, ‘Barthis [illegible] is willing.’ I am quite confident that it would be received with very general satisfaction throughout the province….everybody thinks it would be advantageous to have one of our own Manitoba men in the Cabinet…”

But – not till after the session, esp if “you succeed in the matter of the boundary extension necessary to aiding the H.B. Railway scheme. Personally, I should ever so much like to see you put that scheme through as your final act in provincial Legislature.”

And there are other reasons why I wouldn’t like to see “any other person attempt to lead the local House this session. These I need not mention.”

Finally – what if you accepted the cabinet seat and the Govt was dftd in the general election “which I firmly believe, and fervently hope, they will be?”

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| G 8701 | C - 52 | Jan. 17, 1884 | Letter | Brown, C.P. Dept Public Works MB letterhead | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing pass and acknowledging letter from St. Paul. |  |

“Dear Mr Norquay First I enclose pass.

I have just returned from Selkirk checking location of asylum & think it all right. Miller has retd from Rat Ptge where he had a successful time. All is running well or as well as usual. I got your letter from St. Paul with Leacock’s, & contents noted and will act in accordance with suggestions. I note what you say in your St Paul letter & have been thinking hard at it but have not yet agreed in my mind how or what is to be done. After you are settled at your hotel or stopping place I will be able to write more definitely, on all matters, & in the meantime, till I hear from you, will not write more. Yours faithfully, C. P. Brown”

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| G 8701 | C - 53 | Jan. 17, 1884 | Letter | Young, Archibald | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | As to becoming Director of Souris & Rocky Mountain Railway Co. |  |

Stationery of “The Souris & Rocky Mountain R.R. Co’y”

“My dear Sir I have heard from Mr Murdoch, and Mr Beaty that you are willing to become a director in our Co’y.”

I originated the idea and am delighted. I had hoped to see you here but missed you.

“…the qualification will be properly arranged by us – that is Gemmel and myself – I write to let you know so. Yours sincerely Archibald Young”

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| G 8701 | C - 55 | Jan. 17, 1884 | Letter | Begg, Alex | London, Eng. CPR office Cannon St. [not possible? Just letterhead available? | Norquay, John | Enclosing Pass for self & W. Leacock. |  |

“Dear Mr Norquay I called three times at your room but you were out. I enclose pass for you & Leacock to Ottawa & return. An annual pass is to be made out for you. Speak to Ogden & he will see to it. I wish you would mail me that statement of Ptolemy’s addressed to me care of Theo H. Lee, American Bank Note Co, 142 Broadway New York

I will copy & return it to you at whatever address you give at once & without fail. It would help me much to get that statement. I am sorry I did not see you but will attend to everything we spoke of last night. Yours sincerely, Alex Begg

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| G 8701 | C - 56 | Jan. 17, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. SK Coal | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Arthur Kirk & Son writing party to keep draft for  collection over until 1st February. |  |

Letterhead of MB Treasury dept – “Arthur Kirk & Son write stating they have given instructions to party holding draft for collection to hold the same until the 1st Feby. I have told Klotz and have written thanking them for their kindness….

Hope you will have a good time down there and meet with all the success you would wish for.” [JN at Russell House]

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| G 8701 | C - 61 | Jan. 21, 1884 | Letter | Ham, Geo. H. Selkirk Club Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for Sessional Clerkship for W.H. Disbrowe. |  |

“My dear Mr. Norquay There! You’ll say, Ham wouldn’t have written me unless he wanted something. Perhaps he wouldn’t But it isn’t for himself. Our old friend, Dizzy – known to the outer barbarian as W.H. Disbrowe, Esquire, is, it is hardly necessary to say, desperately hard up. He was asking me for something to do, and I suggested a sessional clerkship during the ensuing (Local) session…..

Like a good fellow, old boy – notice how familiar I am with Premiers and the like – put Dizzy on the list; drop me a line that you have & your humble servant as in duty bound will ever pray. But enough of this.

I wrote an article for the Marquette Review last week about Manitoba’s representation in the Dominion Cabinet. It didn’t appear, however but possibly will this week. If it does, it will make you blush when I send you a copy of the paper, as I shall if it comes out, don’t give me away, as its not desirable for me that the others mentioned should know the author, that is, it is not desirable for me.”

“I hear that Mr. Carling is going to send us another carpetbagger as Deputy Postmaster. Stop it if you can. There is a strong feeling that one of the present staff should be appointed, and if someone not already here gets the office there will be hades to pay.

“Times are as usual – everybody hard up. Mr. Rowe goes east next Monday. I am going to do a little extra work in the Times if possible – and endeavor to earn a few honest dollars – for a change. In the meantime, I remain yours in all the bloom of a youthful aldermanship and misfortune of poverty, Yours very sincerely, Geo H. Ham N.P. No Poker

If you can’t read one-half of this, it’s owing to the d—bad ink in the club and not to the bad writing.”

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| G 8701 | C - 62 | Jan. 22, 1884 | Letter | Begg, Alex | New York | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of note and statement, etc. | 3 pp. |

Stationery of Windsor Hotel, NY “Dear Mr Norquay I received your note and the statement. I have however since then been kept on the jump here and have not been able to copy it. I will do so however on board ship and mail the original at once on my arrival addressed to you at Winnipeg and marked private. I am also writing to Eden tonight in the sense we spoke of and have enclosed a letter addressed to you in the sense you desired. I thought it better to send the letter in this way as I did not like addressing it to Ottawa in case of mishaps. This thing will come out all right rest assured for you must see that I would not willingly do you or anyone else wrong. I depend on you for the sake of old times & my attachment to you to see that my good name is protected. I know Mr. Brown who you will remember I have always upheld since I really knew him will second your efforts & if it takes a lifetime I will never abuse the trust in me. When I come out next summer you will see everything put right. I wish you every success Mr. Norquay my heart warmed to you as of yore but I was nervous when I first went to see you lest you would treat me coldly. Remember me to Mrs. Norquay Alick & the other children, & to Mr. Brown. Yours sincerely Alex Begg”

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| G 8701 | C - 63 | Jan. 22, 1884 | Letter | Street, G.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Announcing election as Vice Patron of the Manitoba Rifle Association. |  |

JN elected honorary vice –patron of the Manitoba Provincial Rifle Association

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| G 8701 | C - 64 | Jan. 23, 1884 | Letter | Benson, Dr. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal. |  |

Stationery letterhead of some animal in an engraved circle “inconcussa virtus” [Benson family, Lane family, and Baron Bingley motto] “virtue unshaken”:

My uncle in Chicago called at the Palmer House “before you arrived and again shortly after you had left and was very sorry he had not seen you as he thought that he could have put you on the way of accomplishing what you went for.” If you aren’t successful “down there, … see him on the way back.”

“We are very anxious to hear from you and know how things are going, and what our chances are. Rowe is at present at the mines paying off the men and everything seems to go on all right out there with a few exceptions of a minor character. The doctor went out a week ago so I suppose they will be satisfied on that point. I am at present trying to sell out our store out there and have some hopes of doing so but cannot say so yet.

“There is more coal coming in at present than Hargrave can pay the freight on so he turned five cars over the Hon C.P.B. and wanted the C.P.R. to take some but they informed him that they had got several cars in from the mine last night direct to use here but for what I cannot tell you.

“I suppose you have posted yourself on coal rates on the various roads down there so as to be able to argue our case on the rate question if you have not already settled it with Mr. Van Horne. Yours &c, AW Benson”

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| G 8701 | C - 65 | Jan. 23, 1884 | Letter | Hope, John & Co. | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Coal business. |  |

“I have been thinking over the subject of our conversation about the coal-mine, & I have come to the conclusion that I will not embark in it. My experience in such companies has been uniformly unfortunate, and I prefer to have what little money I have to spare more under my own control I am losing no time in telling you in order that you may not count on me. But let me see you note the less when you come down. Yours very sincerely, John Hope”

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| G 8701 | C - 66 | Jan. 23, 1884 | Telegram | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal business. |  |

“Do not delay We are pushed hard daily Answer prospects” JN at Russell House

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| G 8701 | C - 67 | Jan. 24, 1884 | Telegram | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal business. |  |

“No word from Chicago Man depend you succeeding at Ottawa affairs serious”

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| G 8701 | C - 68 | Jan. 24, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal business. |  |

“Since writing you yesterday I received this morning your dispatch which is very discouraging I assure you. As our affairs are looking more gloomy from day to day I again wired you tonight “No word from Chicago man depend on you succeeding at Ottawa affairs serious” I assure you if assistance is not received soon we are gone beyond hope of recovery. All are pressing hard for money and Renwick among the lot. I have just been told by a Gentleman privately to whom Renwick spoke about our position, intimating that he (R) had friends who had enough money to push the mines etc, and from all I could gather from this Gent R. intends putting the screws on us to get hold of the mines. Now my dear Norquay do urge Sir John to do something for us, he can do it & no doubt will do it for you, so stick to it. If we are sold out I am a ruined man. Your own position you know best you know the prospects before us if all goes right, so I again beg of you induce Sir John to do something for us in the shape of a loan & save us from ruin. Yours very truly Jacob E. Klotz In haste”

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| G 8701 | C - 69 | Jan. 26, 1884 | Letter | Benson, Dr. E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal business. |  |

Carruthers of Carruthers & Brock says Hon Jos Howland seems anxious to get into our company and might either lend us money or take stock “so if you can see him in any way perhaps it would be as well to do so.”

“The Chicago men arrived here night before last ….I have had a long talk with them but they will say nothing till they return [from the mine]. We expect Rowe home tonight. And we are still in hopes that you will be able to get the money for us.

“I met Hugh Sutherland yesterday and he talks amalgamation of the Souris Co. with ours and force the C.P.R. in the matter of coal rates for his and his friends influence to get what the C.P.R. wants from the government so I hope you will be able to do something in the line of rates on the same ground[.] Egan will do nothing more than he ever would but now uses your letter as an excuse although he has not been putting on demurrage as before but says he will do so. They are taking very little from us at present. Please write and let me know what the chances are. Mr. Wilson one of the Chicago men told me last night if he liked the look of the mine and we would offer any inducement he would like to manage it for us of course I gave him a good answer. Yours &c. E Benson”

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| G 8701 | C - 71 | Jan. 29, 1884 | Letter | Gemmill, Mrs. Emily. | Edgehill | Norquay, John | Invitation to dinner. | CallingCard |

Please “will you dine with us quietly on Thursday evening at six? My father is here too, which will be an additional inducement. [card of J.A. Gemmill 14 Victoria St]

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| G 8701 | C - 72 | Jan. 30, 1884 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | Winnipeg | Norquay, John | Enclosing pass from Supt. Baker over M & N.W.R. | 2 pp.  Pass |

MB Dept Public Works stationery, “Dear Norquay All are well Your daughter was here today goes to St John’s College estbt [?] tonight with Mrs. B. Yours truly CPB

Contains wallet card: Complimentary pass 1884 Hon J. Norquay on the Manitoba & North Western Railway Accompanied by a note: “with compliments of W.R. Baker” [Genl Supt Portage la Prairie]

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| G 8701 | C - 73 | Jan. 15, 1884 | Telegram | Rowe, Amos | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Egan away. One of Renwick's notes due - wire Klotz $8000.00 Merchants' Bank. |  |

“Egan away hence can’t get funds your letter to him injurious one of Renwick notes due part must be paid wire Klotz eight thousand dollars to Merchants Bank quickly Amos Rowe” JN at Russell House

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| G 8701 | C - 74 | Jan. 18, 1884 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Board of Trade appointing delegates to attend meeting at Grand Forks on 27th inst. |  |

“private Dear Mr Norquay The Board of Trade have appointed a delegation to attend the convention at Grand Forks on 27th (I believe if the date). You need have no apprehension that this movement is in other hands than men who will keep a good cheque [check] on the power sought to be utilized in accomplishing a matter of so much importance to the country. The next step would be (if you do not at once succeed) is an ordinary telegraphic dispatch that the news [??] of the fact; or the unlikeliness of you succeeding. As soon as this is known Logan will call a mass meeting[.] All is ready – I will write Tilley on some matters soon.

I may go to St. Paul or part way soon but if I do I will telegraph you so unless you get such a message I will be here

Don’t arrange to go into the Govt till after Session under any circumstances unless you are pretty sure you might miss it if delayed – in such an extremity damn them let us sink or swim take care of yourself &c -- & the best interests of the country. This is the only letter I will write which may not be shown & I will feel anxious till I hear from you that you have burned this one. Sutherland is afraid that if we win at last Martin will get some credit. Well that is no matter – let us win & trust to luck who gets the cr I will write you letters for the express object to use if you in your prudence wish to do so although they may be marked ‘Private.’

Board of Trade is down on Millar. The men in the coal were about striking & Rowe got $2000 from C.P.R. & I paid the $331 to them also. I (we all) thought it best & I brot the matter before Council today for authority to order 500 tons @4.00 we pay freight &c as a help to a provincial industry. Let us know every move so we can move here too, & you need not be too plain for we will both have to read between the lines. All well, faithfully yours C.P. Brown.”

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| G 8701 | C - 75 | Jan. 22, 1884 | Letter | Sutherland, A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Judge Miller & Judge Ardagh's letters. |  |

Stationery of Dept of Provincial Secretary: “Dear Norquay I saw Judge Miller’s letter to you this morning about the house districts it is important that these should be conterminous with our Judicial Districts otherwise I am afraid the act will be unworkable here Judge Ardagh wrote privately to McCarthy asking to see that some person was appointed co-commr with him who would work harmoniously, especially in the appointment to be made by the board such as Inspectors &c. He even suggested that our Govt or some members of it shd be consulted. Of course I suppose the M.P.s wd resent this. Ardagh’s letter was private. His idea was to ensure Latouche Tupper’s appointment as inspector. If Logan was sure to be chairman of the Court House Board & thereby become a commr of course Tupper wd be all right but with the present or proposed arrangement is carried out [sic] every thing is uncertain and even the Act itself unworkable. I don’t think there is anything new Sure you are kept posted by means of the papers and I understand Brown has also written you fully. If the Govt are going to do any thing for us as they must sooner or later for G—d’s sake let them do it before Martin & Co get there & claim the credit of it. I saw your interview at Montreal it was what I call vague omi[illegible] & foreboding especially in regard to the annexation feeling here on the whole I think excellent. Stick to it and we cannot fail to succeed We will be most anxious to hear what the prospects are at the earliest possible moment. I am afraid that Leacock will lose the wardenship of the county he gave me to understand that he had all the Reeves supporting him and asked me to see Logan which I did several times Now it turns out that Green & Thompson are aspirants themselves and it is doubtful how the thing will go – but I carried out my promise to him & can’t do more whatever the result may be. Yours truly A M Sutherland

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| G 8701 | C - 76 | Jan. 23, 1884 | Telegram | Pugh, R.H. | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Telegram re: meeting on return. |  |

“Yes he would like to meet you on his return here R.H. Pugh”[ to JN in Ottawa]

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| G 8701 | C - 77 | Jan. 25, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal Mine. |  |

“…matters are growing worse from hour to hour.

“I had a talk with Mr. Hugh Macdonald this morning and asked him about prospects of getting loan from Gov he says ‘it will be difficult no doubt but if Mr. Norquay focuses the Gov hard enough & sticks to it, he will no doubt get a loan.’ Now I again appeal to you to do your utmost to get that loan thereby getting us out of this dilemma. I am nearly used up worrying. My head is just bursting of pain thinking of the fix we are in, so come to our rescue with all your powers you can bring to bear with Sir John.

‘I hope the box I am in is sufficient excuse in troubling you so much. Yours very truly Jacob E. Klotz

If Gov does not assist us we are gone before negotiations can be entered into at another place.”

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| G 8701 | C - 78(a) | Jan. 26, 1884 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing collection of evidence of parties in parish of St. Anne's relative to rights to certain lots, etc. | 8 pp. |

“Dear Norquay I enclose a collection of evidence of several parties in the Parish of St. Annes relative to their respective rights to have certain lots in that Parish and Powers of Attorney to draw the scrip.

My interest in the matter consists in the fact that several years ago I purchased the rights of the parties whose names are on the list enclosed, to the Scrip. I think called ‘Hay Scrip’ & in that course of business conveyed such right to other parties.

I am now called on to refund the money not only the amount paid but increased by subsequent profits by a re-sale interest &c &c. What I want is to get these parties’ claims acknowledged to their respective lots so I can make their claims to the Scrip good which was to be issued in lieu of outer 2 miles.

The accomplishment of this matter in such a way that I could get the scrip would be worth several hundreds of dollars to me which I will divide even with you if you get this done. One thing which we must guard, is to know if any subsequent power of attorney may be in existence, or to know the exact moment at which to present my P. of Atty & get Scrip. Let me first know what shape it is in & then the next step may be decided on.

Two of my constituents have sent me the enclosed letters relative to their purchase. It would be doing me, as well as them, a great favour if these patents may be issued immediately. If you would kindly have it done I would be very glad to be able to write them at once.

Sanford is & others are pestering the life out of me to get patents to the marsh lands. I can’t settle some old matters till this is done. The govt is in a very anomalous position till we get these patents – all well – sincerely yours C.P. Brown

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| G 8701 | C - 78(b) | Jan. 22, 1884 | Letter | Butler, J. | Chater, Man. | Brown, C.P. | Re: Land. |  |

Enclosure a) J.W. Butler in Chater, to CP Brown Wpg 22 Jan 1884

“I have just paid the Land Office in Brandon the sum of $800 for the purchase of my homestead & pre-emption …” [w ½ Sec 12, Tp 10 R 18] Could you push Min of Interior to issue patent – I paid supposing I would receive the patent at once.

Note on bottom, perhaps JN: “10/2/84 Not reported by Agr [illegible] as yet

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| G 8701 | C - 78(c) | Jan. 23, 1884 | Letter | Murgatroyd, | Chater, Man. | Brown, C.P. | Re: Land. |  |

Enclosure b) D. Murgatroyd (Chater) to CP Brown 23 Jan 1884

I paid $800 for hmstd and preemptn [E ½ Sec 12, Tp 10 R 18] – now informed “it may be a year before Patent will be issued; as it is important I should have full possession at an early date…” please help me to secure it promptly

Note on text: “19/2/84 Patent being prepared”

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| G 8701 | C - 79 | Jan. 26, 1884 | Letter | Jones, R.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Appointment as appraiser with a better salary. | 2 pp. |

I’ve been appraiser of Customs at this Port for 3 years – expected better salary as minister promised – the Collector says plans have changed – “I wrote Capt Scott” to see why – could you look into this on my behalf

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| G 8701 | C - 80 | Jan. 28, 1884 | Telegram | Rowe, Amos | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal Mine. |  |

“Just returned from mines situation here such that something must be done in next few days answer progress immediately”

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| G 8701 | C - 82 | Jan. 29, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Insurance policies. |  |

Recd your letter of 24 Jan—asking “the date your policy on the Hartford Conn Co expires…”—it runs to 24 March 1884. The Canada Life expires on 1 June 84, the Standard Life on 4 May 84 “so that before a renewal of any of these policies is necessary we hope to have you back again safe and sound.”

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| G 8701 | C - 83 | Jan. 30, 1884 | Letter | Pugh, R.H. | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Arrival of Wilson at Winnipeg. |  |

Stationery of Leland Hotel, Chicago “My dear Sir My man Mr Wilson arrived in Wpg last Thursday and left by first train for M.Hat. I expect he would arrive there last Monday then will probably be in Chicago next week & would like to see you. Let me know when you will be here and I will wire you when he leaves Wpg for Chicago. R.H. Pugh”

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| G 8701 | C - 84 | Feb. 2, 1884 | Telegram | Rowe, Amos | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Starting for Ottawa in morning. |  |

“Start for Ottawa in morning Egan suggests this. Amos Rowe”

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| G 8701 | C - 85 | Feb. 3, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Introducing Messrs. Wilson & Bruce. |  |

“This will introduce to you Messrs Wilson and Bruce from Pittsburg, who have just returned to here from a visit to our mines….” They will explain their object.

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| G 8701 | C - 86 | Feb. 4, 1884 | Telegram | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal mine. |  |

“Americans leave for Ottawa tonight mailed you letter tonight”

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| G 8701 | C - 87 | Feb. 3, 1884 | Telegram | Klotz, Jacob E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal mine - arrival of Americans. |  |

“Americans arrived very reticent don’t extend pugh’s time more tomorrow”

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| G 8701 | C - 89 | Feb. 7, 1884 | Telegram | Klotz, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Coal mine. |  |

“Americans before leaving told Egan coal could be put on cars at forty cents”

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| G 8701 | C - 90 | Feb. 7, 1884 | Letter | Young, D. | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Mrs. N.'s illness. |  |

“Dear Mr. Norquay As you have doubtless heard of Mrs. Norquay’s illness I thought it would be better for me to drop you a few lines in order to relieve your anxiety about her condition. Since you went away Mrs. Norquay has only had one attack of neuralgia which lasted the usual time, but was followed by a state of great weakness so that she has been confined to bed for the last ten days.

“I am glad to say however that she is gradually improving. She still feels very weak when she gets up, but as long as she remains in bed feels comparatively well. I saw her this evening and can say that she is doing very well and you need not feel uneasy. You may rely on me giving her my best attention. Mrs. Jock [?] is spending a few days with her which will do her good.

Wishing you every success in your mission. …”

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| G 8701 | C - 91(a) | Feb. 8, 1884 | Letter | Macintosh, C.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing letter from S.S. Phillips. | 2 pp. |

I’m sending letter from old friend, Phillips – hope you can give him the position. “I sent him to the North West years ago and he has flourished well – and you could not by any possibility get a more reliable man.

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| G 8701 | C - 91(b) | Feb. 4, 1884 | Letter | Phillips, S.S. | Brandon | Mackintosh, C. | Asking for position of jailer for Pilot Mound District. |  |

Wishes to be jailer for Brandon district. Woodworth MPP here won’t help me though “I worked for him during his election and voted and gave my horse and sleigh to convey his voters free of charge but his opposition I believe to arise from a matter outside of Politicks the cause I think Mr. D.J. O’Conner could explain to you it is in relation to a disputed land claim.”

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| G 8701 | C - 92 | Feb. 8, 1884 | Letter | Sanford, W.E. | Hamilton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Transfer of Marsh lands. |  |

Typed, stationery of Sanford Wholesale Clothiers

“No doubt you have received before this letters from Mr. Brown on the subject of transfer of marsh lands. In view of the possibility of annoyance and difficulty in that quarter I should appreciate very much your personal interest and attention in this matter. Would you have the kindness to write or wire me what prospects there are of an immediate transfer of this land. I hear occasionally that things in the North West are still very dull…” “Dictated”.

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| G 8701 | C - 93 | Feb. 8, 1884 | Letter | Luxton, W.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Hudsons Bay Route. |  |

“My dear Norquay I at any rate am getting very anxious, in view of the reports now coming from Ottawa as to the result of your mission in so far as the H.B. route is concerned. It looks to me as though delay is to be the order of the day. That exploration business has that appearance exactly. Now I assure you the people here are in no mood to tolerate anything of the kind. The Province was never so red hot on any question before as on this. They believe (and it cannot be denied they have been educated to so so) that with the extension of the boundary, to get the whole territory within jurisdiction, the Province can float the scheme, and they will never believe otherwise now until capitalists have declined to take it up. Unless I am entirely mistaken when you meet the Legislature you will require to be able to tell the Province that you have secured definite promise of extension and that you are prepared to, and will aid H.B. Railway to the full extent of its cost, or otherwise that you exhausted your every power to get such promise and yet failed and that you resent the refusal of Ottawa, and consider such refusal arbitrary and unwarranted, or you will find yourself in a minority in the House. You are going to make a spoon or spoil a loom this time, or I am mistaken. I hope you will make the spoon. I have indicated the only way you can do it. There is no politics in my plans. I have only in view the Provinces and your own interests. Yrs truly “

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| G 8701 | C - 96 | Feb. 9, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Jack | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | [Private]. |  |

On college stationery with letterhead: “St. John’s Coll Dear Papa I have not got much news to tell you just now except to just let you know that we are all well up here. None of us had gone home yet. The last time I heard from home mamma was well. I don’t think we will be able to go home till two or three weeks yet. Horace don’t seem so lonely now. I recived [sic] your letters day before yesterday but was unable to answer them till today. I have lots of work to keep me busy now. Mr. Matheson is eager that I should get on. Tell me in your next letter what time you will come back because I don’t know whether to write again. I hope you will not find so many mistakes in this letter. Wishing that you will succeed I now close Your son Jack”

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| G 8701 | C - 97 | Feb. 10, 1884 | Telegram | Miller, Jas. A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Tom came from College and asked to have you telegraphed for. |  |

“Tom came from College & asked to have you telegraphed for, have sent messenger down & will write particulars on his return”

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| G 8701 | C - 98 | Feb. 10, 1884 | Telegram | MacBeth, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mrs. Norquay. |  |

“Was at your house this morning Mrs. Norquay much better, Saw Dr. Young he says no cause for alarm no necessity to return”

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| G 8701 | C - 100 | Feb. 11, 1884 | Telegram | Young, D. | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Telegram re Mrs. Norquay. |  |

‘Mrs. Norquay steadily improving will be up tomorrow”

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| G 8702 | C - 101 | Feb. 12, 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, J. | Ottawa, Ont. | Benson, E. | Re: Coal. |  |

JN to Benson: “What is meant by producing so much coal wired Klotz to dismiss men & only retain enough to supply demand”

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| G 8702 | C - 102 | Feb. 15, 1884 | Telegram | Young, D. | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Mrs. Norquay. |  |

‘Mrs Norquay about same except return of neuralgia Sunday anxious for your arrival advise when will leave”

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| G 8702 | C - 103 | Feb. 16, 1884 | Letter | Kingswell, Nicol | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing pass over Michigan Central for 1884. |  |

House of Commons stationery: “I enclose to you the pass over the Michigan Central for 84 which you asked me to procure for you. It will take you over the C.S. (Canada Southern) lines as well as Michigan Central.”

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| G 8702 | C - 104 | Feb. 19, 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | When starting for home. |  |

“When are you starting for home Mother ill A Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 105 | July 19, 1884 | Letter | Pennefather, J.P. | Norquay, MB | Norquay, John | Asking whether he is going to be appointed medical superintendent of Asylums. Replied. See L.B."D" pp 42 & 43. |  |

Provl asylum nears completion “I should like to know if you have altered your mind with regard to the appointment of Medical Superintendent. I observe that Dr. –[illegible: Gruief?] who was recommended to you by some medical men in Winnipeg after you have promised the post to me, has been appointed health officer for Selkirk, so I presume he is not looking for it. If it be necessary to get recommendations I can get a very largely signed one. …”

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| G 8702 | C - 106 | July 1, 1884 | Letter | Macdonald, John A. | Les Rochers, St. Patrick, Que. | Norquay, John | Farmers Union & its actions. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

“Private Mr dear Norquay I have received your note of the 24 June and its enclosure. I never heard of such madness as these Farmers’ Union people are exhibiting. I am glad you are taking the precaution of watching Purvis & Howes.

If the letter is in Howes’ handwriting, there is enough in it to warrant his arrest but perhaps it will be better to await further developments.

I telegraphed you today in cypher to warn Colonel Haughton [?S: L?] to look after the arms.

In case of necessity the detachment of Mounted Police might be strengthened at Winnipeg and made available as a Constabulary for you.

I shall be here for the two months -- & shall be glad to hear from you by cypher & letter. Yours faithfully, John A. Macdonald”

Cover sheet: “Re the Farmers Union and its actions”

Action: “Dealt with by Mr. N\_\_”

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| G 8702 | C - 107 | June 9, 1884 | Letter | MacArthur, Duncan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Reduction of loan $3318.00. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |  |

Private: “In order to reduce gradually the loan of $3318 …” -- I’ve had 12 notes of $50 prepared, running from 1 to 12 months, and a demand note for the balance for $2718. “…if you will kindly sign these and return them to me…”

Action: “Dealt with by Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 108(a) | June 30, 1884 | Letter | Harris, J.R. [or Foster] | Brandon | Constantine, C. | Farmers Union matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |
| G 8702 | C - 108(b) | July 2, 1884 | Letter | [Harris, J.R.] | Brandon | Constantine, C. | Farmers Union matters. |  |
| G 8702 | C - 108(c) | July 4, 1884 | Letter | Foster, J.R. | Brandon | Constantine, C. | Farmers Union matters. |  |
| G 8702 | C - 108(d) | 1884 | Letter | Gibson, M. | Brandon | Constantine, C. | Farmers Union matters. | 2 pp. |

Cover sheet for all four: Constantine is Chief of Provincial Police

Action: “Dealt with by Mr. Norquay”

a)J.R. Harris to Constantine on letterhead of Grand View Hotel, Brandon, 30 June:

“Dear Constantine: this is Monday morning, and I think I have hit on a good plan of working if there is anything in the matter I will be in a good shape to find out. Purvis’s office is here in the Masonic block and I can get access to it and there are other little wrinkles I have in my mind that I won’t mention until I see further. Chief Murray came up here on same train with me and the way he is working I don’t like. He has been on a big drunk with some of the country people from Minnedosa and he was up all night Saturday night, hired a horse & buggie at daylight, Sunday morning, and went through the country and came back at night and was not in his bed on Sunday night but I think he was at the whore houses. I will find out to night. I am going to clerk in Cummings store for a while till I get a job to suit me so any letters you send may come to Cummings & Cameron to my own address. Murray has been a big drunk. I have not got much to say this time, but perhaps with the next. I have met a good number of farmers and a good many union men all from my own country and personal friends of my own, so I am in luck. Yours very truly J. R. Harris

Or Foster Huston will understand the signature any letters that comes to me or Harris send to Brandon care of Cummings and Cameron. Good day”

Note on top: “Forwarded for Mr. Norquay’s information N. Constantine” He also added a “Mr.” to Harris’ salutation at the beginning, presumably for JN’s consumption

b) plain sheet “Dear Constantine 2nd July 1884 I wrote you a few days ago and I suppose you got my letter I sent it to my wife as directed. I have been out through the country buying eggs, and I have been talking with a good many farmers quietly and they say that there is not one quarter of the farmers belong to the Union and that any farmer with any sense would take no stalk [sic: stock]in the Union. There are a few here who took a prominent part namely, Dr. Fleming President, Crerar, Bailey, Purvis, Sifton, Rev. Nelson Brown, Stewart, P. Smith, a bad one, Lang, Gosnell, and Kenneth McKenzie They have a public meeting here on the 20 of June and none since. This man P. Smith is the worst of the lot—and I am sticking to him pretty close of course I am a stiff Grit and that pleases him. I have had him drunk twice but he won’t say very much, the only thing he says is he don’t blame Norquay I am going through Purvis’ office tomorrow night if everything works well. I have been filing old keys all week to fit. I take a file and some keys and go out in the country to fit them up and I expect some of them will let me in. I will have to be very careful. There is another man here lumber yard man John Christie, who is a great Union man and he is a particular friend of mine. Charley Whitehead was vice President but resigned on account of them bringing in politics. The farmers I have been talking to who don’t belong is Capt Vanlett, John McPhail, Billie Haggerty, Donald McPhail, Archy McPhail, all living about 5 & 10 miles out. As far as I can find out they have no oath, but still they may have. Purvis is a Portage la Prairie man Smith lives out towards Nelson and writes a good many letters to that part. I believe it would be well for me after a while to go out there and see how the farmers are there. The city council here sat on the Union pretty hard. Murray was up here on a big drunk. Answer Box 144 Brandon”

Note on top: “Forwarded for Mr Norquay’s information V.C.C.P.” [?]

c) “Dear Constantine Brandon July 14th 1884

I went through the office last night and found the place vacated. The Farmers Union have paid the rent up till the first of July and failed to come to time and the place was taken away from them so they have no office now, and Purvis has no private one, he is a Portage man. This I found out this morning after all my trouble in getting keys to go in it appears they have not agreed among themselves and some of them have quit altogether. As far as I can learn they have no private meetings around here and it seems from the people generally they are a fraud and about busted. There is nothing new on the subject I am going out through by Turtle Mountain I know some farmers out there. Black Jim McKay has skipped the country. I had a letter from my wife she told me. She was at Rat Portage I don’t know of any more. I have been talking with the majority of the Union men & also others and I believe that letters from Mc Howes was a fraud until I find out something different it was talked of last winter but not lately. I mean a rebellion. Last winter a man named Donaldson a farmer living near here, said he would go in for a rebellion. Yours &c

Was McHowes, letter of a late date or last winter.

J.R. Foster, Box 144 Brandon

Note at top: “Forwarded for Mr Norquay’s information VC CP”

d) pencil on 2 loose sheets of paper, no date

Dr Sir You are well aware of the evidence in my possession since the 18th. Allow me to report to you since that date of Mr. Mack Neiman [Herman?] movements & actions. To start with he is drinking a great deal of whiskey & will at any time talk freely on the subject of the position of the two parties & tells of how the Grits are having secret meetings all over the country and that the day is not far distant when they will rise up & demand their rights. The most prominent among his associates is Judge Ryan I think he is an ex-Judge. He receives a good deal of mail & does considerable [untriey?] & acts very uneasy most of the time as though he was expecting some one, always looking behind him. Mr. Ryan took the west bound train the fore part of last week He did not buy a ticket & I asked him his destination & he evaded the question.

I have watched with Hermis [Herman?] every night since the 18th until he retired with one exception when he went out west & I went as far as to find he was at the Nevuse [?] [house] & returned to town. I am satisfied they have a secret organization & administer an oath I have used all my endeavors to find it out. The nature of it but he will not give it away. I have a plan I can get at Mack H. Baggage & will if you say so go through it and if it furnishes noting we can take up Ryan Purvis & Co for my own protection. I would like to be sworn in & then if anything occurred I could fall back on the fact that I was duly authorized &c. I am not a member of any force and the detective business I have done I have done on my own hook let me hear from you at once. I have the Honor to be Respect

N W Gibson Bellevue Hotel

**Constantine writes below:** “Forwarded to Mr. Norquay for his information.

I strongly object to Gibson request of being sworn in as a Constable. I propose to use him, but [not] for him to use us. Murray pretends that he was up at Chater to see his child. The evidence such as it is does not carry out that idea. Perhaps it would be well to keep Gibson a few days longer. I feel pretty sure that he is working with Murray for his own advantage and not for any desire to help the Govt. N Constantine”

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| G 8702 | C - 109 | July 2, 1884 | Letter | Haggart, John | Perth, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing I.O.U. for $191.00 and asking immediate payment of the balance ($42.00). Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |  |

“Dear Norquay Enclosed I send you your I.O.U. for $191 and as I am hard up I have drawn on you at ten days sight for the balance $91. Weather very warm here. Yours truly, John Haggart”

Cover sheet -- Action: “Dealt with by Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 110 | March 13, 1884 | Invitation | Lieutenant Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner 13th March. Accepted. |  |

Invites “Hon. Mr. Norquay” to dinner on Thursday 13 March at 7:30

Action: Accepted

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| G 8702 | C - 112 | March 18, 1884 | Letter | Whitcher, A.H. Dominion Lands Office | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing letters patent for Lot 17 in the outer 2 miles of the Parish of St. Andrews. Receipt acknowledged by Mr. N. personally. |  |

Encloses letters patent Lot No. 17, in the outer two miles of St Andrews parish. “Please sign accompanying receipt and return it to me in the official envelope herewith.”

Action: Receipt acknowledged by Mr Norquay personally

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| G 8702 | C - 113 | Jan. 1884 | bill | Wilson, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $34.50. P.O. order sent for same to Alamonte. See L.B."D" p132. |  |

Wilson is “The Cheap Dry Goods House Dealer in Staple and Fancy dry goods”

Owed 29.35 on 31 Aug, and bought 5 pr hose, 1 pr gloves, making it 34.80

Note on cover sheet: P.O. Order sent for same to Alamonte. See LB D page 132

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| G 8702 | C - 114 | [1884] | Memorandum Office: Assessment Schedule |  | [No Location] | Norquay, John | Schedule & statement of property for the information of the Assessor of the Municipality of Town of Selkirk. No action. |  |

Cover sheet: “Schedule of statement of property for the information of the assessor of the Mplty of Town of Selkirk” – “John Norquay” – but nothing filled in.

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| G 8702 | C - 115 | Ma [?] 16, 1884 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P. | “Kildonan” | Norquay, John | Election matters in Kildonan. Dealt with Mr. N. personally. | 4 pp. |

‘My dear Mr Norquay I had a long interview with George Munroe he talks like a fool and is as obstinate as a mule. I tried every ground with him but he would not budge. Penrose and (he pretends) J.R. Cameron, Benetto, and others are supporting him, Kenny Polson is also wrong. Now as far as George himself is concerned Jack can beat him three to one but there is no question if he runs the Grits won’t lose the opportunity of a split vote but will bring out a man and in that case Jack would have Munroe taking some few old settlers and some town Conservatives and crippling him to fight a solid Grit opposition. In view of the fact of Jack’s having given up so much and also for poor Aleck’s sake, Jack must be got in and there is one eventuality in which George would I think give way altogether or at any rate would do so if the Grits brought out man that is Jack’s entirely filling Aleck’s place. I did not mention this to you before but I am strongly impressed it would be the wisest plan. Harrison, Wilson and Wagner want it and I think it would suit them better to see an outsider than one of themselves triumph over the others, they of course look at me as an aspirant but I know too well the position that is to say I know your personal feeling to me but I also know that the members on our side dislike me so that my presence in the Council would be as embarrassing for the Government as Jonah was embarrassing for the whale and I could not ask or expect it – but I think it is a matter for serious consideration as to Jack and I think it would cause less jealousy and be wiser than the appointment of any other fellow. This is only scrawled in a hurry. Pray excuse it. Yrs very truly Ed P. Leacock

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| G 8702 | C - 116 | July 18, 1884 | Telegram | Attorney-General Miller | London, Ont. | Norquay, John | Cypher telegram. No action. |  |

Cypher “Sumter McCarthy Dominion Lean Manitoba past Done Time Cantlie”

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| G 8702 | C - 117 | July 9, 1884 | Letter | Fraser, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter dated yesterday re:  certain monies due. No action. |  |

Dear Sir: Re your letter of yesterday – I had planned to talk to you re certain monies due, and settle in full, but “a party I have been negotiating with did not show up this morning as he had promised but I have no doubt he will at an early day. With kind regards, I am &c, yours truly John Fraser”

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| G 8702 | C - 118 | July 22, 1884 | Letter | Alcock, W.G. | Melbourne, Man. | Norquay, John | Offering a 1/4 section of land joining the town site should they appoint him registrar at Virden. No action. |  |

“Private & Confidential Dear Sir Should there be any change of Registrar at Virden and that you should think well to appoint one to that position There is a fine quarter section of land here joining the Town site of Melbourne within half a mile of the junction of the NWCRR at your disposal. It is worth $3000 now and may be worth a great deal more before long – there about 30 acres broke & fenced & in crop.

If no change is intended, please think no more of this, but I heard that the present registrar does not intend remaining. ….”

‘No action’

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| G 8702 | C - 119 | July 22, 1884 | Letter | Osler, Edward | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating J. Mowat of Lower Fort Garry has requested  him to get statement from Mr. N. re: his lot in St. Clement and asking that the same be sent to Fisher and Curran who is acting with him. Reply see L.B."D" p145. |  |

“My dear Mr. Norquay Mr. J. Mowat of Lower Fort Garry has requested me to ask you for a statement he sent to you some time ago in regard to his claim to the land next to Cloustons near the fort.” Please send to us – we are trying to “secure him some compensation for the improvements he has made upon the property for the past twelve years.” [St Clements parish]

Action: “Sent July 25 see LBD 145…”

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| G 8702 | C - 120 | July 22, 1884 | Letter | Chapleau, P E, Sheriff NWT | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Repaying over certain monies to the Watrous Engine Co. |  |

Rec’d your despatch of yesterday re SK Coal matter – “I wrote to Mr. Ashdown a few days ago explaining the cause of the delay in paying money over. When the sale took place, Mr. Lougheed attorney of Calgary and Mr Mitchell, attorney of Med Hat, on behalf of Messrs Ashdown and Galt, served me with a document protesting against the payment of the money realized at the auction, to the Waterous Engine Co, and claiming the same for their clients. On the strength of that protest I send out Interpleader Summons which have emanated, they have been waiting for the matter to be settled by the Court. I since received a notice from Messrs Nugent & Jameson, stating that an agreement had been arrived at between the Waterous Engine Co, the Messrs Galt and Ashdown, and to pay the money as per agreement copy of which was enclosed. I took for granted that such an agreement was arrived at but as I can only recognize Messrs Lougheed and Mitchell in the case, I am obliged for my own protection to wait for their withdrawal of the protest they served me with before I pay the money to anyone.” I’ve written Lougheed, when I hear from him, “I shall pay the money over the Clerk of the Court and give him copy of agreement as to division of the same.”

“NB: In the N.W. Territories, the law provides that the Sheriff shall pay money realized in executions to the Clerk of the Court & not to plaintiffs or plaintiff’s attorneys.”

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| G 8702 | C - 121 | July 12, 1884 | Letter | Green, James A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Adding his good wishes to those of Civil Service Officials. Replied. See L.B."C" p642. |  |

Civil servants have presented JN with a painting of himself – Green wishes to add his respect and good wishes. “As an old civil service man, I well know how keenly the employees appreciate courtesy and kind words from the Head of the Government and how seldom it is that their good qualities and worth are so kindly acknowledged and appreciated as you have done at all times….” [portrait]

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| G 8702 | C - 122 | July 18, 1884 | Receipt | Haggart, John | Perth, Ont. | Norquay, John | Note at sight for $42.00 drawn on Mr. N. Paid as per instructions by A.W. Pritchard at Bank of Montreal. |  |

Haggart’s note for $42 drawn on JN, Merchants Bank, Wpg,

Action: paid as per instructions by A W Pritchard at Bank of Montreal

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| G 8702 | C - 123 | July 9, 1884 | Letter | Knight, D.F. | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing note showing it has been paid. Asking cancellation of mortgage. See L.B."D" p140. |  |

I enclose the note to show that it has been paid and discharged by the Merchants’ Bank – please forward to me the cancellation of mortgage “I thank you for staying any proseadings the Bank might have taken against me.” Replied LBD p 140

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| G 8702 | C - 124 | July 16, 1884 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating he is going out to see the steam plow work at Stony Mountain on Saturday and asking if that will suit Mr. N. Replied. See L.B."D" p141. |  |

AB is Deputy Minister: his stationery is headed Dept of Agriculture, Statistics, & Health

“Dear Mr Norquay You told me the other day you would like to go out and see the steam plow in operation on Mr. Colquhoun’s farm at Stony Mountain. I have arranged to go out with Mr. Brydges, on Saturday, leaving here by the 2 o’clock train.” Let me know if that suits.

Replied see LBD p 141

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| G 8702 | C - 125 | July 11, 1884 | Letter | Beaty, James [lawyer] | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing Power of Attorney to sign re: N.W. Central Railway Co. Replied. See L.B."C" p643. |  |

Enclose power of attorney to sign as to selection of two new Directors, as consequence of the resignation of Mr. Felt QC and the absence of Mr. Printing …[??]

I have to go to England in a few days – none of the shareholders will pay any money & I do not know what to do with them. I have asked for a free grant. Your should did well in their Resolution but I wish everyone interested to demand it for railways. A few public meetings judiciously arranged would do a great deal of good.

Cover sheet” “Enclosing power of attorney to sign re NW Central Ry Co”

Replied – see LBD page 643

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| G 8702 | C - 126 | April 12, 1884 | Letter | Bain, Blanchard  and Mulock | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Co. creditors. Dealt with  personally by Mr. N. | 2 pp. |

Re your request to our clients, messrs Bell Lewis Yates and Walsh to secure your company’s creditors – they must receive an answer “from their Buffalo friends. This cannot be received under ten to 12 days….”

“In the meantime it is all important to stay the sale of any property at the mines as the plant would not be worth hardly anything to remove.

“Within say 12 days our clients will be able to advise you whether they can meet your request and secure your creditors in such a Settlement as may be agreed on.

“In the present mixed state of your affairs we agree with you that it is undesirable for all parties concerned to force matters – you need not fear an assignment. When your creditors come to know your title as we do they will be just as jealous to protect as you now are: for if the Company should assign there is no doubt the government would be relieved from any promises….”

“Action: dealt with by Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 127 | June 25, 1884 | Letter | Ryan, D. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Not able to go into copper mines in this country - time fully occupied in the States. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |  |

“My dear friend: yours of the 17th at hand some days ago, but owing to sickness in the family I have not been at the office for some days. We have an addition to the family Mrs R & Boy is doing fine. I hope your expert will find the copper mines what they are represented to be for in my opinion there is a good future for that class of mines as the Calumet & St. [SJ?]have decreased it’s output very much this year. I am very sorry I can’t go into the business with you as I have so much on my hands that it would be impossible for me to go up or take any part in it. I am going out to Colorado & Utah next week…” [dealt with personally]

Attached to this letter is one that doesn’t belong: Wpg, 31 August 1884:

Original in JN’s writing, signed by him, to MacArthur, Boyle & Campbell, Wpg

Gentlemen: Received your letter of 28th inst – “although Mr. Leacock was appointed Commissioner by the Government, the Corporation of the City of Emerson are liable for his remuneration, and must be looked to in reference to the same.”

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| G 8702 | C - 128 | June 28, 1884 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Friendly note. No action. | 2 pp. |

Stationery of Walker House, Toronto, “My Dear Norquay Yours received glad to hear from you also of the encouraging aspect of a bountiful harvest for Manitoba time will yet bring her back to that state where capitalist [sic] will be glad to invest money within her borders in the different enterprises in which she will abound but it will be through her real worth and actual resources in being developed … we should stand by her in everything and be strong in our love for her prosperity and faithful to her interest…” etc.

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| G 8702 | C - 129 | June 26, 1884 | Postcard | Prest, W.A., Town Clerk | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Appeal against assessment of Portage la Prairie property. No action. |  |

Re your appeal of assessment – court of appeal will sit 3 July/84

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| G 8702 | C - 131 | July 1, 1884 | Letter | Woodworth, D.B. MP | Kentville, Nova Scotia | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Co. Its exact standing asked for. Replied 10 July 1884. See L.B."D", p137. |  |

“Dear Norquay” What is present worth of Sask Coal stock and its prospects – what are you going to do in regard to it ?

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| G 8702 | C - 134 | June 22, 1884 | Letter | Sinclair, David | Fort McLeod, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Enclosing communication to his father and asking Mr. N. to forward the same. Complied with and wrote stating same had been done. See L.B."D" p134. |  |

Please see that enclosed letter reaches my father, Bakie Sinclair, “a halfbreed who used to live at Little Britain. I have written to him several times but have received no reply…” JN did so. LBD p 134

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| G 8702 | C - 139 | June 28, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | About a talk with Carruthers. No action. |  |

I talked to Carruthers “he again assured me that he wanted nothing unreasonable, only certain services acknowledged. He has not stated the amount he wants as compensation for his services. I told him to make out his a/c and see you at once about it. He intends going east as soon as he gets his money from Waterous and I urged him strongly to see you and get affairs settled before he starts for home. Make it a point to see him & have this matter settled somehow. Yours very truly Jacob E. Klotz

Should you have occasion to write me, my address is Preston Ontario.

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| G 8702 | C - 140 | March 29, 1884 | Letter | Johns, James T. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter and enclosing  clippings. | 3 pp. |

Johns had asked for apptmt in MB govt, JN had said the position had “already been promised.” Johns thanked him for his prompt reply, and enclosed short clippings, 3 from Ottawa Free Press, 3 from Wpg Free Press, 1 from Wpg Sun, 2 from Toronto Telegram

JN left Ottawa because of wife’s illness, asked McPherson for reply to his mission. JN asked Manitoba MPs to support his demands, but Royal and Scott refused. Watson is uncertain.

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| G 8702 | C - 141 | July 25, 1884 | Letter | Egan, J.M. General Superintendent Canadian Pacific Railway | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Refusing passes for Secretary Pritchard to Ontario. No action. | 2 pp. |

Re your note, and request for pass for Pritchard, to Ontario and return – outside my jurisdiction to I sent it to Montreal – they refused to comply.

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| G 8702 | C - 144 | July 28, 1884 | Letter | JM Sutherland & TB Beynon | Virden, Man. | Norquay, John | Complaining of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors at Virden. Replied 28 July 1884. See L.B."C p663. |  |

We ministers of the gospel in Virden and surrounding country wish to promote peace and welfare of the people – “use of strong drink [is] one thing most injurious to the temporal and spiritual welfare of our people.” It’s being sold openly in our town, resulting in “frequent cases of intoxication, profanity, theft and violence.” Some of the resident magistrates say that this area is under the NWT liquor law – if so can we have NWMP constables acting here as they do in Regina? Sutherland is Presbyterian pastor and Beynon is Methodist pastor [alcohol]

Replied 28 July 84 – LBC 663

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| G 8702 | C - 145 | July 25, 1884 | Letter | Daley, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of telegram re: debentures. No action necessary. |  |

Drummond wants interest on debentures. He asks too much – more than he is owed. I’ll be down Monday to adjust the $20,000.

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| G 8702 | C - 146 | July 25, 1884 | Letter | Evans, R.T. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend Agricultural Exhibition at Brandon October next. Replied 30 July L.B."C" p666. |  |

Invitation to Brandon fall exhibition second week of Oct.

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| G 8702 | C - 147 | July 24, 1884 | Letter | Pope, J.H. Dept Agric | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Free grant to railway constructors. No action. |  |

Rec’d your letter of 19th re railway land grants, sent to Sir John in Riviere du Loup. “I need not say to you that personally I would be prepared to make great sacrifice to open up Manitoba & North West even more than we have already & I will do all I can but fear it will be too late for any changes to do any good this season if one was made my colleagues are nearly all absent.”

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| G 8702 | C - 148 | July 8, 1884 | Letter | Smith, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Order for Saskatchewan Coal. No action. |  |

Office of Dominion Public Works, Wpg: “I have just been handed your letter by Mr. Carruthers. Re coal, I regret that at the present time I am not in a position to give any orders, but I beg to assure you, that your request will receive my most favourable attention when purchasing coal for the public buildings.”

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| G 8702 | C - 149 | July 29, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Pritchard | Note due at McArthur Boyle & Campbell's office. Paid discount $62.50 and got new note. A.W.P. |  |

JN to “My dear Pritchard Will you please go to McArthur Boyle & Campbell’s offices & find out the discount for 3 months of my note due & prepare a renewal I will give you the amt of discount to retire the matured one. Yours, J Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 150 | April 25, 1884 | Receipt | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Brown, C.P. | Cancelled note for 3 months taken up and discount paid and new note made. No action. |  |

Note for $2,000: JN promises to pay Hon. C.P. Brown 3 months hence. Annotated on back: Interest $62.50. And also on back: Brown waives notice of protest on 28 July/84

Subject description on cover sheet: “Cancelled note for 3 months taken up and discount paid and new note made”

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| G 8702 | C - 151 | July 22, 1884 | Letter | Bernier, T.A., Chair Eastern Judicial Board | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Indemnity and allowance to be made to members of Board. Order in Council drawn naming certain allowance. | 3 pp. |

Reply to JN request re board’s view on indemnity and allowances -- $5 per meeting day for members plus one day travel in each direction. Evening session $2.50

10 cents/mile for travel.

Why? Abolition of county councils increased work load, loss of work time on farm, etc – budget estimate: $1622 – thus, about $325 for each member.

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| G 8702 | C - 152 | July 28, 1884 | Letter | McDonald, Wm. | Rossburn, Man. | Norquay, John | Election of a trustee who had not paid his taxes  illegal and Mr. Somerset's action in the premises.  Wrote Coultlee on 2nd August. See L.B."E" p1. |  |

Difference of opinion between Supt of Education in this district and the ratepayers. At annual school meeting in Feb, I and others objected to a trustee remaining in office when he hadn’t paid taxes for 1883. Majority present overruled us. One of the ratepayers then recommended another man for trustee. We opposed. Failed to change the situation.

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| G 8702 | C - 153 | Aug. 1, 1884 | Letter | Carter, H.V. Secretary-Treasurer  of Town | Minnedosa, Man. | Norquay, John | Grant to the town of Minnedosa. Replied August 4. See L.B. "E" p2. |  |

Re an allotment made the town for bridge work. We need the funds – could you look into this matter

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| G 8702 | C - 154 | July 7, 1884 | Letter | Pitman, W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Lot S.W. corner of Macdonald & May. Dealt with by Mr. Norquay. |  |

To JN: “I understand you have the Lot S.W. corner of Macdonald and May St for disposal. Please give us the terms.

“Action: Dealt with by Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 155 | July 26, 1884 | Letter | Lesueur, W.D. Assistant Secretary PO Dept Canada | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Mathew Whaley as Postmaster at Shellmouth in County of Marquette. No action. |  |

Notes JN’s recommending Mathew Whales as Postmaster at Shellmouth

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| G 8702 | C - 156 | July 17, 1884 | Letter | MacArthur, Duncan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing certificate for 20 shares of MCRy. |  |

Encloses certificate for 20 shares of Manitoba Central Rly on which $200 has been paid up. Meeting tomorrow at Col Scoble’s office

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| G 8702 | C - 157 | July 21, 1884 | Letter | White, Richard Mgng Director | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Gazette stationery of GaPrinting contract. |  |

Stationery of Gazette Printing Co, est. 1778, re printing contract. We answered an ad, tendered, were awarded “a contract for certain work practically for three years -- we execute satisfactorily a small part of the work and then are told that you want it for Mr. Rowe and we are led to believe that you will insist on his indemnifying us. We don’t want to embarrass or annoy you but we appeal for ordinary business courtesy & fair play….”

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| G 8702 | C - 158 | July 22, 1884 | Memorandum | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice from Andrews & Co., Chicago. Mr. N.'s desk shipped. |  |

JN orders something, perhaps his desk, from Chicago

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| G 8702 | C - 159 | June 25, 1884 | Telegram | Begg, Alex | London, England | Norquay, John | Cable. "Leave Aug. remain in Winnipeg all Sept." |  |

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| G 8702 | C - 160 | July 26, 1884 | Letter | Douglas, P.B. for the  Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter of 9th ult. Enclosing Quit Claim deeds re: Pruden Section 9 Twp. 16-6-E. |  |

Min of Interior acknowledges receipt of your letter, 9th ult, accompanying 2 deeds John Pruden and Peter Pruden to Wm Pruden, in support of latter’s claim to a patent of Section 9 – Tp 16-6-E. “…the application will be submitted to the Department of Justice for opinion as to title.”

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| G 8702 | C - 161 | July 24, 1884 | Letter | Rennie, Alf. H. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking for an appointment should a vacancy occur in offices. |  |

Remember my name if apptment comes up “that I can fill.”

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| G 8702 | C - 162 | July 23, 1884 | Letter | Drummond, C.S. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter dated 22nd inst. |  |

Drummond Bros, Montreal and Wpg – rec’d your letter of 22nd, thanks.

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| G 8702 | C - 163 | July 25, 1884 | Letter | Purvis, G.W., Secretary Manitoba & N.W. Farmer's Union | City (Winnipeg) Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing a resolution passed at one of their meetings re: waiting upon the Premier to find out what steps he has taken to carry out their bill of rights. They waited upon the Premier, an account of which interview appeared in the Free Press. |  |

Stationery of Manitoba and North-West Farmers Union “Co-operative and Protective” Alex Fleming Pres, Geo Purvis Sec.: “Sir:” – bumits copy of resolution adopted by Directors of this union yesterday: that Pres and Sec. visit JN, to see what his Govt will do “towards carrying out its pledge of support to the declaration of rights adopted by the Farmers’ convention.”

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| G 8702 | C - 164 | Sept. 25, 1883 | Letter | Allan, Captain John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing blanks re: Keewatin Mining Co. No action. |  |

Stationery of Keewatin Mining Company, Wpg, John Norquay Pres and John Allan Sec Treas : “Dear Mr. Norquay I send you twelve blanks to sign. I will fill them up & make the necessary entry to make them valid. Mr. Harris gets his own stock from among them & will make some transfers which will save us several entries on our stock books.

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| G 8702 | C - 165 | Nov. 21, 1884 | Letter | Bell, John H. | Emerson Man. | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. that Dennis F. Knight wants to part with right of way to Railroad over his property and that mortgage held by Mr. N. is in the way. He asks a release. Replied 10th. See L.B."C" p499. |  |

Bell is lawyer in Emerson: Denys F. Knight asks me to write you re a mortgage held by you on his property in Emerson. He says the mtge is paid – last instalment of $600 or so you hold his note for. He wants to make title to the right of way of the railway running through his land and your mtge stands in the way. He wants a release or discharge of your mtge as it affects the right of way. If you will give only the land of the right of way, that’s also fine.

Replied 10th[?] see LBC 499

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| G 8702 | C - 166 | June 21, 1884 | Letter | Macdonald, Hugh J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mining Co. Think Mr. N. replied to this himself. |  |

Stationery of Macdonald & Tupper, JB McArthur and H J Dexter Solicitors to CPR, Merchants Bank, Cda NW Land Co, MB and NW Rly, Wpg and HB Rly, etc.

I’ve just received a letter from your secretary re transfer of Carruther’s stock in SK Coal. “Kindly let me know what authority you had for making this transfer, and if under Power of Attorney. Either let me see said Power or tell me where it is, so that I may call and inspect it. Of course if it does not give you power to assign, except for a special purpose, the transfer is bad, but if it is a general power to sell you are quite safe. If Carruthers succeeds in upsetting this what steps do you intend to take to carry out our agreement with our creditors.”

Action: Think Mr. Norquay replied to this himself”

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| G 8702 | C - 167 | June 16, 1884 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | New York | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter addressed to Nova Scotia and asking Mr. N. to write him in Toronto.  Replied 23rd June. See L.B."C" p99. |  |

Stationery of C.W. Bertaux, Shipping and Commission Merchant, New York

Received your letter in NS, haven’t heard from you here – “with some of my most intimate friends am seeing the sights of Gotham and will be in Toronto about 20th & hope to hear from you…”

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| G 8702 | C - 168 | June 18, 1884 | Bill & receipt | Ponton A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $76.50 interest. No action. |  |

The Real Estate Loan and Debenture Co – bill for $76.50

Noted below same date: received payment.

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| G 8702 | C - 174 | June 25, 1884 | Letter | Aikins, J.A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter re: passes for Mr. & Mrs. P. No action. |  |

Stationery of Aikins, Culver, and Hamilton, lawyers

Received your letter, will see what I can do.

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| G 8702 | C - 179 | April 17, 1884 | Letter | Carruthers, W.M. | Medicine Hat, Alta. | Norquay, John | Private letter on situation of matters of the mine. Dealt with Mr. N. |  |

“Dear Sir I find there 52 men here. None of them have been paid in full & according to the decree of Major Shirtcliff’s court they are to get their board and $1.00 per day until paid This is a daily cost of about $90.00 besides Shirriffs fees &cc. making at least $100.00 per day. Surely if Mess Bell Lewis Yates & Walsh intend doing a business they will put a stop to this expense. If Waterous judgment is good (there seems to be some doubt about it), it will come in ahead of the men and I don’t think there is property enough here ‘sold at auction’ to pay both claims. I would not like to see the men loose anything. In concluding the agreement with the leases we must protect the men if it is not already done. I find all the books have gone to Wpg & I cannot send you a statement as intended. I think some competent man should be set to work to make a statement if it is possible to do so the books being in such a state.

(Private) Major Shirtcliff was here this pm & becomes responsible at Med Hat for provisions for the men & we are to hand over the check when it comes from the Dept so your better [sic] mark it paid on the books I mean the chk supplied M Police. He seems willing to assist us in any way possible. Yours truly Wm M Carruthers

The pig [?] business is good have 40 now & prospect good. [coal]

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| G 8702 | C - 180 | Jan. 28, 1884 | Letter &  Receipt | Douglas, A. & J. | Glasgow, Scotland |  | Letter of thanks for money received and receipted account for plaid. |  |

We cashed your P.O. and return our thanks. “If there is anything your Excellency may want from Scotland at any time we shall do our best to send it you. We have not heard from the Reverend Mr. MacDougald again but hope he may be getting on well. Waiting further commands, we are, yours respectfully, A & J Douglas

Bill enclosed: “Jan 28th 1884: 1 Scotch plaid #1.25 Paid 1 April 84.”

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| G 8702 | C - 181 | April 7, 1884 | Letter | Johns, James T. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing a cutting from the Toronto News of April 2nd re: "Provincial Rights in Manitoba". No action. |  |

*Toronto News* 2 April 1884 “Provincial Rights in Manitoba”

“…Taken in connection with the restiveness and dissatisfaction which prevails among the Quebec Bleus, the changed attitude of Premier Norquay is significant as indicating that Sir John Macdonald’s centralizing policy has reached its limit….”

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| G 8702 | C - 182 | April 11, 1884 | Letter | McLean, Hector | Minneapolis, Minn. | Norquay, John | Stating he is about leaving for England for the purpose of making a sale of land there and would like a letter of recommendation from Mr. N. Replied 24th April.  See L.B. "C" p128. |  |

Plans to sell MB lands in England “(my own and some others that have been entrusted to me)” – a letter of introduction would be very helpful – “as the political leader in our province …” – presumably a Manitoban?

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| G 8702 | C - 183 | April 9, 1884 | Letter | Pyke, E.A. | Hotel in Columbia, South Carolina | Norquay, John | Asking for balance of $147.00 which he loaned loaned Rice to pay some men that  were leaving when he was in  employ of Co. Dealt with by Mr. Norquay. | 2 pp. |

Dear Sir The Coal Company has been owing me a balance for work done by me last fall & also money loaned to Company. I have written Mr. Klotz & Rice & also telegraphed & I have not received any answer when I left Winnipeg they promised to send me the balance of my account in ten days after I left – it is now over two months… balance is $147.00…. I am in great need of it… I let Mr. Rice have this money last November to pay some men that was leaving the mines. I think the least the Company might do is to pay me as I done all I could for them when I was in there employ….”

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| G 8702 | C - 185 | April 21, 1884 | Letter | Pennefather, J.D. | Norquay, MB | Norquay, John | Regretting that he did not secure appointment of  Superintendent of Asylum at Selkirk. Dealt with Dealt with by Mr. Norquay |  |

“My dear Sir Yours of April 18th to hand of course I accept the explanation. I should have thought nothing about it but when I mentioned to you my desire for the position, and knowing it was a Dominion appointment – you said you could arrange it – ‘these were your exact words’ – “I am perfectly certain that I could have got the appointment from the Ottawa Government had I not in accordance with your desire delayed taking any steps concerning it. I do not for one moment consider I have any claims on the Dominion or local government But there are persons of great influence with the former who would have exerted themselves for me on my asking them to do so. However it is now past remedy….”

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| G 8702 | C - 186(a) | April 17, 1884 | Letter | Green, Jas. A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking a position for his son and enclosing  application for said position from his son. |  |

Due to CPR cutbacks, he has lost his job along with 8-10 other clerks in traffic mgrs. Dept.

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| G 8702 | C - 188 | April 17, 1884 | Clippings & Note | Johns, James T. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | "Toronto News". No action. | 2 pp. |

*Toronto Telegram* 18 April – JN criticizes Dominion Govt – he “shifts with the wind, but all the time he keeps his eye firmly fixed on power and place….”

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| G 8702 | C - 189 | April 24, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Loan to the S.M. & T. Co. No action. |  |

Sorry to have missed meeting you. Must make “speedy arrangement as to the loan to the Saskatchewan Coal Co. I understand however that… there is still a probability of Messrs Bell Lewis Yates & Co leasing the mine….” We await the result of that meeting.

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| G 8702 | C - 192(a) | April 8, 1884 | Letter | Macnab, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Insurance in "Scottish Imperial" of $12.00 on Mr. N.'s house and stables on Lot 8, St. Andrews. Dealt with by Mr. Norquay |  |

Insurance of $1200 on your house and stables on Lot 8, St Andrews, premium due to Scottish Imperial, of $12.00 for 1 year, or $24 for 3 years.

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| G 8702 | C - 192(b) | April 15, 1884 | Letter | MacNab, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Property reinsured. |  |

Reinsured farm buildings for $12.00 with Caledonian – please send us your cheque.

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| G 8702 | C - 193 | Oct. 27, 1883 | Memorandum |  | [No Location] |  | 27th October 1883: $24.32. Imperial Bank. No action. |  |

Imperial Bank 27 October 1883 $24.32. B. Vandin [?]

William George Ptolemy signed on back of this odd memo

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| G 8702 | C - 194 | April 22, 1884 | Mtg tickt | W H Hughan sec, HistSciSocM | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to a discussion on Red River etc.,  its currents, changes of banks, etc. No action. | 2 pp. |

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| G 8702 | C - 195 | May 7, 1884 | Invitation | Attwood, Col. P.H. Prince Ruperts Lodge | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Requesting Mr. N.'s company at Reception Banquet & Ball given by above Lodge. Acknowledged. No copy kept. |  |

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| G 8702 | C - 196 | April 2, 1884 | Invitation | Farrell, Richard Proprietor Standard Opera House | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Requesting the pleasure of Mr. N.'s company at  opening on 23rd April. No action. |  |

Grand opening of theatre 23 April

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| G 8702 | C - 197 | April 28, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager, Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Regretting that he could not keep appointment Dealt with by Mr. Norquay |  |

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| G 8702 | C - 198 | April 10, 1884 | Letter | Donald, Chas. | Morris, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N.'s advice as to putting up a water mill in that municipality. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

Re: “I am thinking to put up a water mill here the french people of the mincipility [sic] have promised to help me. Would the goverment [sic] give me any assistance as our minicipility is in such truble [sic] we have no chance as the other mincapilities are throwing in dets all the time the people from Morris are settling on this side of the river now and stoping the English people from paying tax and trying to prevent the bonnus [bonus] they expect to get the tax and bonnus money themselves to handle. As for my friend Mr Hull they were not fit to be trusted. With the bridge they had at the Marah river he took it for his grainery wich cost the minicapility eight hundred dollars a man like that I think should not be writing to the goverment and publishing so much I was wishing very much to see you but could not get down Will you be so kind if you should see Mr. Thomas Trutwade to ask him how my mother and all the people are down that way I wrote time and again but never receive any answer so thought you would be likely to know. Give answer soon, Yours Respect Charles Donald Morris” [bungee]

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| G 8702 | C - 199(a) | April 15, 1884 | Letter | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing copies of documents prepared by J. Taylor marked A, B, C, D & E in support of his petition which Mr. N. kindly laid before the House a few weeks ago. Dealt with by Mr. N. in House. | 9 pp. |

Taylor forwards five documents, marked a-e, “in support of my petition which you kindly laid before the House a few days ago.”

“The petitions of the Red River people will be on fyle in England. I find by reading up the old records that a Bill was introduced in the British Parliament with the object of forming us into a Crown Colony, but for some reason or other it was not pressed. A Bill passed appointing magistrates for this Country but they were never sent out here. The petition sent to Canada asking for annexation if not in the Govt offices can be had at the office of the Toronto *Globe*, as it was printed in that paper.

“I saw a map of Canada the other day that was printed in 1857 which places the northern boundary of Canada up about the Slave Lake, and gives the Hudson’s Bay Co the territory surrounding Hudson’s Bay only. The whole question of the H.B.C.’s bargain will be opened up sooner or later & it may just as well be taken hold of now. There are men in this country that could give very valuable evidence. Life is uncertain, and to delay the matter would be to lose useful information.

Thanking you very much for presenting my petition & hoping that the prayer of the same will be granted. I remain, Yours faithfully James Taylor”

“Action: Dealt with by Mr. N in the House”

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| G 8702 | C - 199(b) | Jan. 1862 | Memorial |  |  |  | Document A. Copy of a Memorial of the Legislature of Minnesota, to the Congress of the United States. |
| G 8702 | C - 199(c) | April 11, 1862 | Minutes |  |  |  | Document B. Copy of a minute of a meeting of the  Council of Assiniboia held April 11, 1862. |
| G 8702 | C - 199(d) | March 7, 1860 | Resolutions |  |  |  | Document C. Copy of Resolutions passed at a  meeting of Half-Breeds held on 7 March 1860. |
| G 8702 | C - 199(e) | September 1860 | Petition |  |  |  | Document D. Copy of a petition of Indian Chiefs in Ruperts Land to the Honourable in the House of Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain & Ireland, in Parliament Assembled. |
| G 8702 | C - 199(f) | March 21, 1859 | Petition |  |  |  | Document E. Copy of a petition of Peguis … presented to the Duke of Newcastle when Colonial Secretary ... |

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| G 8702 | C - 200 | Nov. 15, 1883 | Receipt | Bell, Wm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To account rendered $17.50. No action known of. |  |

Clothing merchant – 9 Jan – 2 shirts @ $5 = $10.00 and 2 grey flannel shirts @ $2.75 = $5.50 plus other [wool?] – total $19.80

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| G 8702 | C - 201 | May 1, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob, Secretary S.C.M.&T. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of the Saskatchewan Coal Mining Company on following day. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

Special meeting of board of directors tomorrow, Friday 3:00 “for the transaction of important business.”

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| G 8702 | C - 202 | April 7, 1884 | Assessment Notice | Harris, J.W. Assessment Com. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Lots in H.B.Co. Reserve, Block 2, Lot 205/8. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

Lots in H.B.Co. Reserve, Block 2, Lot 205/8. Dealt with by Mr. N.

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| G 8702 | C - 203 | April 3, 1884 | Letter | Harder, M. Asst. Traffic Manager C.P.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of private note which he has handed to Mr. Egan requesting that Gentleman to comply with Mr. N.'s requests. No action. |  |

I only received your private note of yesterday and have handed it to Mr. Egan, requesting that he comply with your request. “It is he who arranges all such matters.”

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| G 8702 | C - 205 | April 4, 1884 | Telegram | Wilson, Wesley | New Bethell, Pennsylvania | Norquay, John | Copy. Stating his wife is dead and asking Mr. N. to write him present status of affairs at Pittsburgh Replied by telegram same date. |  |

“My wife died this am Write me present status of affairs to Pittsburgh Wesley Wilson”

“Action: replied by telegram same date”

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| G 8702 | C - 206 | March 27, 1884 | Invitation | La Riviere, A.A.C. | St. Boniface, Man. | Norquay, John | Funeral of his mother-in-law. No action. |  |

Printed announcement, black-edged, “Died. At the residence of Hon. A.A.C. LaRivière, at St. Boniface, on Wednesday, the 26th instant, Marie-Archange D’Aragon-LaFrance, widow of the late Gédéon Bourdeau, aged 62 years, 1 month and 10 days.

“Sir: you are respectfully requested to attend the funeral…. From the residence of Hon. A.A.C. LaRivière, Provencher Avenue, St. Boniface, to the Cathedral”

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| G 8702 | C - 207 | March 27, 1884 | Letter | Sutherland, Hugh | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | He has drawn on Mr. N. at 10 days sight for $70.00 -  balance due since trip from Rat Portage. No action. |  |

H of C stationery: “Sir: I drew on you today 10 days sight for $70.00 balance due me since trip from Rat Portage. I was taken short and had to do it, so plese excuse & accept. Yours very truly Hugh Sutherland”

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| G 8702 | C - 208 | April 7, 1884 | Letter | A. MacNab & Son | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | They hold order of John Parr`s against Mr. N. for $90.00 and asking if it would be paid on presentation. Replied 21st April. See L.B."D" p126. |  |

“Dear Sir, We hold an order for …$90.00 on you from John Parr of Lothair P.O.

Please drop us a note and say if this would be paid on presentation.”

Action: replied 21st see LBD page 126

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| G 8702 | C - 210 | June 13, 1884 | Letter | A. MacKeand & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Requesting a statement furnished of Mr. N.`s claim against Saskatchewan Coal Co. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

SK Coal co – new letterhead w/o JN name

“Sir You are hereby requested to furnish the undersigned with a statement of your claim against the Saskatchewan Coal Mining & Transportation Co.

“Said statement to be made in detail and to be accompanied by a statutory declaration of the correctness thereof.

“Your immediate attention will oblige I am, yours truly

A. MacKeand Secy”

“Action: Dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay” Private

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| G 8702 | C - 211 | June 18, 1884 | Letter | Bryce, George Manitoba Coll | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Soliciting Mr. N.'s name as a member of British Association. No action. |  |

I’ve been asked by Dr. Harrington of Montreal to seek a few applications here for membership of the British Association. About 120 members will be visiting Winnipeg so we should have some local members. $10 fee. “No action”

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| G 8702 | C - 212 | May 28, 1884 | Letter | Beaty, James MP | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | North West Central Railway Co. No action. |  |

Printed form letter re: Directors of NW Central Rly of Toronto, formerly “Souris and Rocky Mountain Railway Company have assurances that the land to build the road is granted; that is, 6,400 acres per mile, for 400 miles, at $1.06 per acre, payable when lands sold, or within three years after the grants from time to time. Of course the road has to be built 70 miles before the 1st of October, 1885, and 50 miles a year thereafter, otherwise the land will not be conveyed.

“We have a cablegram from our financial agent in London that he has an offer of $1,000,000 to be paid down as a guarantee for obtaining future monies….”

All shareholders should share the expenses – “you hold 50 shares, equal to $5,000, one percent thereon is $50.00 which please remit at once….” James Beaty, Pres. NWCRCo. “No Action”

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| G 8702 | C - 213 | July 4, 1884 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | The appointment of a Provincial License Inspector. See L.B."C"p623. |  |

Private received “your letter of 2nd inst as to license inspector. Perhaps you are not aware that the ‘Dominion License Act’ is not in force in Brandon, or any part of the ‘added territory.’ Consequently no Inspector can or will be appointed by the Dominion Govt. This Territory is still covered by ‘North West Liquor Act.’ But as your Govt have undertaken to grant licenses & applications are going in every day to the [illegible] & I don’t see how you can get on without an Inspector here. Who is to see that the law is carried out? Who is to inspect premises of applicants? Without an inspector the law is a dead letter. Yours faithfully T. Mayne Daly” [on stationery of Daly & Coldwell law firm, “money to loan”]

[See lbc p 623]

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| G 8702 | C - 214 | July 1, 1884 | Bill | Saunders, B. & M. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Amount of account rendered $132.00. Do not know of any action. |  |

Just a straight bill, usual form, “amount of a/c rendd $132.00 Kind regards”

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| G 8702 | C - 215(a) | June 9, 1884 | Letter | Douglas, C.S. M.P.P. | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Recommending Mr. G. Gow for a position under the Government. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

Douglas is editor of *The International* Emerson (estd 1878)

“Dear Mr. Norquay Nash’s patronage has grown so small that he has been obliged to dispense with the services of Capt. Geo Gow. Poor Gow is left flat on his back, with nothing to do, not enough money to buy bread for his family and unable to find work here of any kind. Could you not find him some position in the Government employ….”

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| G 8702 | C - 215(b) | June 9, 1884 | Letter | Douglas, C.S. | Emerson, Man. | "Uncle John" [Norquay, John] | Re: Promised cheque. |  |

A second letter, identical in form to the above:

“Dear ‘Uncle John’: What about that cheque you promised to send up? Have been looking very anxiously for it since I returned home. The Government ‘Cow’ is the only one that gives cash these days – at least she is the only one of the kind that I have to milk. Pardon me for jogging your memory. My impecuniousness must be my excuse.

Yours lovingly C.S.D.

“Dealt with my Hon. Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 216 | June 4, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to call at Bank at earliest convenience. No action. |  |

“My dear Mr Norquay will you kindly call at the Bank at your early convenience & oblige …” “No action”

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| G 8702 | C - 217 | May 21, 1884 | ‘Private’ Letter | Adams, Chas. | “Kirkpatrick” Prince Albert | Neestaw [Brother-in-Law, Norquay, John] | Friendly letter on family matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

“Dear Neestaw I recd your letter of 2nd inst by last mail & we were glad to hear you were all well. I have to go down to P.A. today as Maria was taken pretty bad last night with croup & as it may return again tonight we must have medicine ready for it. I can only write a short letter this time. All the children are well, baby has 5 teeth, doing fairly can rattle out ‘Papa, papa.’ Well, we hope to be in our house next week. Our claim – I was to get an answer from land board in 3 weeks – tis now over 3 months since I got a re-hearing of case for it, N.W. & S.W ¼ of 32, 46, 26 W 2nd, South ¼ for homestead N ¼ for pre-emption they offered me 80 acres of NW ¼ each for homestead & pre-emption, I would not settle on it if got only that in a present [?] – very much broken – only if get it as I want it will take it, fellow that held it before went to Ontario – never returned – I have lived on claim since Ap 2nd in tent, wish you could see Walsh or Pierce of land board as I am about breaking – too bad if not allowed it.

Glad to hear of Delegation’s success this time, the whole North-West interested in what you are doing & delighted

French & Eng halfbreeds joined in grievances sent delegates to Riel in Montana Jas Isbister championing Eng. side – left – 19th. Riel to be invited in.

All join in love & best wishes to you all – in haste as I have a long journey to make today. Yours ever, Keestaw

P.S. very sorry about poor T. be as merciful as you can possibly be – Sister feels it very much. Yrs. CA

“Action: Dealt with by Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 218 | May 21, 1884 | Letter | Beaty, James | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Stating he asked Mr. Young to send him an account of all transactions in connection with the North West Central Railway. Co. No action. |  |

Stationery says St. James Square, Toronto: “My Dear Sir: I have demanded from Mr. Young an a/c of all transactions in connection with the Railway. I am anxious to get at the bottom of everything. You will no doubt have people asking you about the matter & especially the lawyers who have claims against the contractors. Would you be kind enough to say to them to send any claims… to me here.

“I had Mr. Stewart Tupper in on the way from Winnipeg & on his way to London England. Sir Charles Tupper & Mr. Macpherson are also going. Mr. Hay M.P. & Mr. B [illegible –Banting?] two of our Directors also going on the same vessel; the [illegible] Sir Charles Tupper is thorough in his support of Railways in the North West and of this one in particular. I am satisfied he looks to this to carry out his idea of making the country ‘Herring-boned’ with Railways. Mr. Stewart will also work well & I am quite confident that we will get the money. Yours faithfully James Beaty

PS: Court open Monday appoint Otter of Judge absolutely necessary selection from Province preferable.”

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| G 8702 | C - 219 | May 8, 1884 | Receipt | Sinclair, Thomas  Registrar | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | To register Quit Claim, etc. $4.50. No action. |  |

County of Lisgar: “To Reg. Quit Claim Matthewman to you & abstracting 50 lots: $4.50

“Certified duplicate forwarded by Book Post today T.S.”

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| G 8702 | C - 220 | June 17, 1884 | Letter | Allan, Captain John M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking balance on note of $71.00. Paid. |  |

My dear Norquay Can you let me have the balance due on your note viz $45.00 I also enclose you an I.O.U. for $97.00 which if you can cash we will cry quits & begin afresh. I am stuck for the money for the third payt. on this lot to the H.B.Co and they have threatened to sue at once if not paid. If you cant let me have the cash give me your note at thirty days and oblige Yours truly John Allan

Action: Paid

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| G 8702 | C - 221 | May 31, 1884 | Letter | Beaty, James | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter re matters in  connection with North West Central Railway Co. No action. |  |

“I received your letter & acceptance of stock five dollars; which will be credited on accounts of the ‘assessment’ made by circular the other day. Also the [illegible] Since we accepted the Act of last session at the meeting which you attended the name of the Company is ‘The North West Central Railway Company.’ We want to drop the old name everywhere. I returned from Ottawa this morning. The land is granted. The money is said to be forthcoming. However we have to wait for further developments on that score. We will now expect the shareholders to support the matter in money & every way possible.

Yours faithfully…”

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| G 8702 | C - 222 | May 30, 1884 | Receipt | Kenny Bros. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | To account rendered $9.00. No action. | 2 pp. |

Merchant tailors, Sparks St Ottawa: “We have sent per express the two pr trousers one ea for yourself and Hon. A. Murray and trust they will open up to your satisfaction.

Trousers: $9.00 No Action

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| G 8702 | C - 223 | April 18, 1884 | Letter | MacNab, A. & Son | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Insurance on his buildings at St. Andrews. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

We wrote about renewing insurance on your dwelling at St Andrews: $12.00

Also re an order on you made by John Parr of Lothair MB. The amount of the latter - $90.00 – addressed to you as Provl Treasurer.

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| G 8702 | C - 224 | May 14, 1884 | Telegram | Howard, Thos. | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Mr. Allan Stickney and himself go up to Ottawa tomorrow - might wish to see him. No action. |  |

“Will you remain in Ottawa Friday Mr Allan Stickney & myself to up tomorrow night & want to see you Thos Howard”

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| G 8702 | C - 225 | July 3, 1884 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Portrait. Dealt with by NurseyMr. N. |  |

Leland Hotel stationery: “Dear Sir… my homemaker who took charge of shippment of your Portrait invoiced it merely as a frame a habit he follows in order to save costs of expressage… but he evidently forgot that this express package was going to another country and would likely be opened by the Canadian Govt in crossing the line. I therefore feel anxious about the matter & hope you will be able to rectify the matter.”

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| G 8702 | C - 226 | May 26, 1884 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E. | Boston, Mass. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. t o excuse his absence during last sitting of House. No action. |  |

“Excuse my absence my address will be Kentville Nova Scotia J E Woodworth”

Cover sheet: asking Mr. Norquay to excuse his absence during last sitting of House”

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| G 8702 | C - 227 | May 21, 1884 | Letter | Young, Archibald | Toronto, Ont. 50 Church st | Norquay, John | Enclosing transfer of S. & R.MN. R.R. Co. stock and asking that it be signed and returned by next mail. Complied with by Mr. N. |  |

“Dear Sir Please sign the enclosed transfer of Stock (S & R M RR Co) and return it to me by return mail.

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| G 8702 | C - 231 | March 8, 1884 | Letter | Bell, John H. barrister | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. if he would have any objections to assigning to a third party the mortgage he holds against Knight if note of $328.00 was paid by said third party. Replied 10th March. See L.B."C" p499. |  |

Dear Sir Mr D.F. Knight is making arrangements to meet a note made by him in your favour for some $328. You hold a mortgage as collateral to this note. Mr. Knight may require to have this mortgage assigned to enable him to raise the money & he requests me to ask you if the mtge is still in your hands and if you would have any objections to assigning to a third party who would advance money to take up the note.”

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| G 8702 | C - 232 | [No Date] 1884 | Postcard | Dominion Lands Office | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice that the Patent of Lot No. 45 in Parish of  High Bluff is now ready for delivery. Patent had been mailed to Mr. N. His receipt on file. |  |

Patent issued to you for Lot No. 45 High Bluff is now ready for delivery

“Action: went to the office and found that Patent had been mailed to Mr. N. & his receipt on their file.”

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| G 8702 | C - 233 | 4 March, 1884 | Newspaper Clippings | Johns, John T. | Ottawa, Ont. |  | Cuttings from different papers. No action. | 2 pp. |

*Ottawa Free Press*: 3 March/84:

Cabinet on Saturday decided not to extend boundaries of MB but to grant 12,800 to company for construction of HBR, that even numbered sections of unsold land be transferred to the province, and that an increased subsidy be granted. Pushed through hurriedly before convention in Wpg on 5th. “Whether this will meet the demands of the province remains to be seen.”

*Ottawa Citizen:*  4 March/84: Govt have agreed to put $150,000 in the Supplementary Estimates to “fit up an expedition to Hudson’s Bay and Straits for the purpose of obtaining information as to the feasibility of utilizing them for navigation purposes. A sailing vessel will be secured for the service.”

*Monetary Times*: 29 February/84: MB seeks extension of bdy in 3 directions plus patent to all public lands now unceded within the province and proposes to pay a proportionate part of the HBC purchase money. In US, Louisiana Purchase became the common property of the Union. Why should Ottawa give in to “the pretence of a right in the Province to the lands…” If granted to MB, other new provinces of the North-West would want the same treatment consider now, “while the power to avert the danger remains.”

*Ottawa Free Press:* 28 February/84*:* The claims before John A are those of all Manitoba: “Next to the C.P.R. question, this matter which involves to a great extent the future welfare of Manitoba, forces itself into prominence. It will require to be treated in a statesmanlike manner….”

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| G 8702 | C - 234(a) | Feb. 6, 1884 | Letter | Douglass, A. & J. | Glasgow, Scotland | Norquay, John | Enclosing a letter for Mr. MacDougall and asking that the same be forwarded to him if Mr. N. knows his address. Also stating he has forwarded by Globe  Express a Scotch Plaid. Bill enclosed L1 15s. P.O.O. sent. | 2 pp. |
| G 8702 | C - 234(b) | Feb. 6, 1884 | Letter | Douglass, A. & J. | Glasgow, Scotland | MacDougall | Re: Plaid for Mr. Norquay & personal note. |  |

Revd MacDougall requested a “Scotch Plaid” – and said we could draw upon you for the amount at the Montreal Bank – no need, send us a cheque or a P.O.

Action: PO sent

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| G 8702 | C - 235 | April 19, 1884 | Letter | Harris, F.M. St. George's Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to a dinner given by above Society. Dealt with by Mr. N. | 4 pp. |

Ticket for St Geo Society annual dinner [complimentary -- $2.50] – and “two ladies’ tickets for admission to the gallery.” [complimentary $0.25]

Action: dealt with by Mr Norquay personally

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| G 8702 | C - 236 | March 27, 1884 | Letter | Phillips, G.P. | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to sell or lease them a piece of land in town of Selkirk. Replied 1st April. See L.B."C" p523. |  |

“Dear Sir I wish to address you in reference to securing from you a piece of land to make brick in the town of Selkirk. Dr. Young informed me that you owned Lot 61 in this town. Mr Howell and myself have a lot of Brick plant on hand and intend starting a brick yard here. We would like to know what you would sell a half acre for west of Main Street on lot 61. If you do not care to sell wd you lease it for a term of two or three years. We want to locate as soon as possible so as we can get our wood on the ground before the snow goes off. Please wire me ….” Howell & Phillips

Replied 1 April – see LBC page 523

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| G 8702 | C - 237 | [No Date] 1884 | Invitation | Young, R.T. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Conductor Ball. Order Railway Conductors. No Action. |  |

Order of Railway Conductors, second annual ball and banquet – to JN and ladies Princess Opera House 14 April

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| G 8702 | C - 238 | March 17, 1884 | Memorandum | Moffat & Caldwell bankers | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating that note due on 24th March is to the order of A.A. Andrews, Insurance Agent, City. No action. |  |

Yours of 15th to hand, the $60.00 note is signed by you as Pres of SK Coal Co. and payable to A.A. Andrews Insurance Agent, City

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| G 8702 | C - 239 | Jan. 3, 1884 | Telegram | Lawson, John P. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | They are shut down for want of powder and pet rails. Reply telegram sent same date. |  |

“Are shut down for want of powder and pet rails all our stuff used up” [coal]

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| G 8702 | C - 240 | Jan. 3, 1884 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Wishes his and his sons stock issued stock and expressing wishes as to success of mine. Money matters. Replied 10 January. See L.B."D" p79. |  |

“My very dear Sir: how is the coal mine progressing Have you any offers for treasury stock yet the 10th (pay day) is near at hand will the money be ready I feel naturally anxious for the coal is wanted so much there must be a grand success in this enterprise for us you have not sent my any stock yet or at least I have not received any The best part of my available property has been hypothecated to Renwick for Security for that $12,000 for the Coal Co and I am unable to use it and I must have something to work with for I cannot collect anything these times there will be sufficient left in your hands after giving 24,000 to each of my sons as per memorandum left with you and then again I want it fixed. So there will be no trouble (unnecessary) trusting you are well & have enjoyed the festive season and wishing you a happy and prosperous new year.”

“Action: Replied 10th Jan see LBD page 79”

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| G 8702 | C - 241 | Jan. 1884 | Postcard | Matheson, Samuel P. St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting on 7th January at 4 P.M. No action. |  |

Ladies School governors, 7 Jan. 4:00

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| G 8702 | C - 242 | Jan. 1884 | Invitation | Memorandum | [No Location] | Norquay, John | The pleasure of Mr. N.s company requested at annual dinner of N.W. Comm. Travellers Association of  Canada on 4th inst. No action. |  |

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| G 8702 | C - 243 | [No Date] Jan 1884 | Letter | Blanchard, S. Barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Ownership of inner 2 miles carries with it ownership of outer 2 miles unless it is specially exempted in Mr. N.'s case. There is no doubt about it. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

“My dear Norquay The ownership of the inner two miles carries with it the ownership of the outer two miles unless it is specially exempted. In your case there is no doubt about it. There is only a very small piece in the outer two mils of 61 as the quarter section survey comes in almost to the two mile limit. The deed is only an ordering deed of conveyance with covenants against your own acts and is not a guarantee of title. You only covenant that you haven’t already sold it to anyone else. Yours truly S Blanchard

Action: dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 244 | Jan. 4, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob Saskatchewan Coal Mining & Transportation Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing a note for signature and asking that it be returned by bearer and some remarks as to things at Mines. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

SK Coal stationery: “Mr dear Mr. Norquay: Please sign enclosed note & return by bearer, it is a renewal.

Enclosed also telegram from Egan – a nice state of affairs at mines. I just telegraphed to Bowes about it in presence of Mr. Rowe.

Hope to see you here this P.M. Yours truly Jacob E. Klotz”

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| G 8702 | C - 245 | Jan. 5, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to call at Bank first time he is downtown. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

Please call at bank “when passing, as soon as you can make it convenient.”

Action: dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 246 | Jan. 1, 1884 | Letter | Kennedy, Wm. | St. Andrews, Man. | Norquay, John | Note sent by Dr. Ballenden re position as doctor at mines. Dealt with by Mr. N. | 2 pp. |

‘My dear Mr Norquay In the hope that you will be able to give the position to Dr. Ballenden to act as the doctor at your mine, he will go to Winnipeg tomorrow & present you with this note. I think he will answer or rather fulfil all the duties you can require of him & in addition be otherwise useful, from having had a long experience in one of the most extensive mining districts in England.

I notice that you are soon to leave for Ottawa. Would you kindly send me a cheque for the $25.00 you promised to me through Mrs. K, & with wishing you & all yours every present as well as future blessings, I remain very truly yrs, W. Kennedy”

Action: dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay

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| G 8702 | C - 248 | Jan. 6, 1884 | Letter | McDougall, Rev. Ronald | Queen’s Hotel, City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | He is leaving for Chicago and Scotland and asking Mr.  N. to send him $15 or $20 re plaid. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

I leave for Chicago tonight, then Scotland “and I wish to ask would you kindly send me fifteen or twenty dollars and as I am going home to Scotland in spring I will pay for the Scotch Plaid…. I am not returning again to Manitoba for some time so if you wish the Plaid soon please send me the money and oblige….”

Action: dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay

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| G 8702 | C - 249 | Jan. 7, 1884 | Letter | MacArthur, Duncan. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to sign deeds representing security for his note of $3318.00. Dealt with by Mr. N. [Damaged] |  |

“Please sign and return for bearer the accompanying deeds representing the security for your note of $3318.”

“Action: dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 250 | Jan. 9, 1883 | Telegram Copy | Harder, Wm Traffic Mgr CPR | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Two cars of coal shipped from Stairs to East Selkirk in  mistake. Replied same date by telegraph to send them on to Winnipeg. [Damaged] |  |

“Two cars coal from Stair consigned to E. Powell East Selkirk [illegible: conse gull?] cannot be found understand were shipped to him by your order say quick what you wish done with them Wm Harder”

“Replied same date by telegraph to send them on to Wpg”

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| G 8702 | C - 253 | Jan. 1884 | Invitation | Freemason Lodge | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Ball on 4th January 1884. |  |

Pequonga Lodge AF and AM and Golden Royal Arch Chapter GRC – invite Bro John Norquay and Ladies” to second annual ball “Masons appear in Regalia”

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| G 8702 | C - 254 | Jan. 10, 1884 | Letter | Allan, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing I.O.U.s and asking Mr. N. to make the same good. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

Dear Mr Norquay Can you let me have the coin for the enclosed I.O.U.s for I am completely strapped on all sides Leacock went back on his note and I had to pay it 548.00 [illegible: $48.00?] then our joint note for 582.00 including interest was charged against a draft of $500 I drew besides which I paid $116.00 wages for Keewatin since we gave the note so that I am on my beam ends with a note of $146.00 payable tomorrow to my grocer hence I am in an awkward plight.”

“Action: dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 255 | March 1, 1884 | Receipt | White, Manedian & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To account rendered $17.00. No action. |  |

2 boy’s suits 14.50 plus 1 suit u clothing 2.50 plus 1 cap - $17.00

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| G 8702 | C - 256 | March 7, 1884 | Letter | Adams, Chas. | Lindsay, P. Albert | Nustaw [Brother-in-Law, Norquay, John] | Family matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |  |

“Dear Neestaw It is quite a while since I wrote you. When I did so last I was in [illegible – ustacirs] as to how things were going with us. Since then my claim for that land was refused & I have not been able to get any that was worth having until last week when I am told I shall get it now tho’ the terms are not yet known at the lands office. I have been all week getting logs chopd in the woods my brothers all helping me – on Monday Horace cut his foot bad so that he is lying since. Last night in making a crutch for him I cut my left hand with a knife severing the artery so that I am unable to do anything too now. Tom is alone now – off to the woods in the day & attending the cattle & cutting wood at night & morning. How we shall get on before the thaw come I can’t tell. Tis true my brothers are very obliging & helpful.

Joseph is unable to go out for the last two weeks with his old cough again at times he is very bad. All the rest are quite well. Your sister as well as baby are all right. Kati & Maria amusing each other as neighbours are not near -- doctors more so. Your sister had to sew up my hand using her needle & thimble while the blood was spouting.

My brother Joe lost his son Tom from inflammation of brain from fall off high Alex Foulds, my nephew, cut his foot & nearly bled to death, then about 6 weeks in bed but can drive or is driven out now.

Mail in on the 2nd but have not got it yet – so far – anxious to know how you got on. Everybody interested in your mission below – say what affects Manitoba affects us in N.W.T. Your actions endorsed by all out this way, Grit & Tory, with few exceptions. Last we heard you were to leave on 12 ulto to come home – telegram, a mass meeting to be held at Wpg.

Will you let me know what you charge me for Jack – further I will ask you if you are able to spare it to lend me the price of him at interest for a year or two. I am pretty hard up for funds & if you could oblige me I shall be deeply grateful, please answer soon.

Tell Alex I can’t write him this mail yet – he owes me a letter anyway. Maria says – tell ‘Auntie Norquay’ & uncle “We love him’ & Kati sends her love too. We wish to be remembered to you all. Tom, Jack[,] Pord [?] & all the rest of you

Ever yrs afftly Chas Adams

P.S. you must excuse my writing, never good, is worse with the hand in sling.” [bungee]

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| G 8702 | C - 258 | March 25, 1884 | Letter | Munson & Allen Lawyers | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | A. Begg et al to Norquay. Power of Attorney not satisfactory. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |  |

Mr Eden asked us to examine power of attorney from Alex Begg and Mrs. Begg to A.F. Eden under which they desired him to execute the mortgages of lots 748, 749, 750 in block 3 of the HBC reserve. This power of attorney does not properly empower him to execute such a mortgage “as is called for under the agreement between Alexander Begg and yourself.”

We have prepared mortgages, sent them to England for execution – “and we feel confident that we will be able to hand you the same duly executed within six weeks.”

“Action: dealt with by Hon Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 259 | March 24, 1884 | Letter | Carruthers, G.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for $140.00 rent for office on lot, Main St.  Rented by Saskatchewan Coal Co. Replied 25th March 1884. See L.B."C" p.518. |  |

Coal company rent has not been paid – you are president -- 4 months = $140 – when can it be paid?

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| G 8702 | C - 260 | May 1, 1884 | Letter | Wickson, A., A-  Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Knight's note. Replied 6 May 1884. See L.B.:"D" p129. |  |

“Dear Sir: Re Knight’s note: We have just been informed by our Emerson Branch that the bal\_ce of the above note – now in your hands – could probably be collected in a short time. If you wish to have it collected you might send it either to us, or to our Emerson Branch direct as I have written them that you possibly would do so.

“We will be happy to do what we can in your interest.

Replied 6 May see lbd page 129

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| G 8702 | C - 261 | Dec. 31, 1883 | Letter | Manvel, A.,  General Manager St. P.M & MRR | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Enclosing annual pass over road for 1884. Mr. N. acknowledged receipt. |  |

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JN acknowledged receipt

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| G 8702 | C - 262 | May 1884 | Invitation | Tees, J.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner to Mr. Barker. Acknowledged 28 May 1884. See L.B. "D" p130. |  |

Manitoba Alliance, dinner for secretary of UK Alliance – 9:00 pm for 9:30 dinner

Lbd p 130

***By this point – that is, May 1884 – JN’s office is yet more organized – shorthand notes on incoming correspondence to serve as guide to response and for the entries on the subject line of the cover sheets, with a clear reference to action, and especially to answers recorded in the Letterbooks.***

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| G 8702 | C - 263 | June 27, 1884 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | The appointment of Evans and not Hughes as  License Inspector. Replied July 2, 1884. See L.B."C" p 623. |  |

Hughes is going to Wpg to get apptmnt as license inspector. “Now I hope the Govt will not override my expressed wish in this matter & appoint Hughes instead of Evans.

“The appt of Hughes created enough trouble before. He is entirely unfit for that, or any other position, & I think is crazy, whatever you do do not appoint Hughes as you might as well have a wooden man.

“Besides in the absence of J.E.W. I expect that you will consider my applications, which always receive his approval & he consults me on all his appts. Yours faithfully…”

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| G 8702 | C - 264 | June 27, 1884 | Letter | Tennant, H. MPP | West Lynne | Norquay, John | The School Lands he wishes the Government to give his brother Joe for inspection. Replied 28 June 1884.  See L.B. "C" p 617. |  |

My brother Joe – apptd now to inspect school lands in one place, would prefer something closer to his home in Turtle Mtn.

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| G 8702 | C - 265 | June 28, 1884 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. N.'s debt to Man. Club defined. Cheque given Burrows by Mr. N. |  |

Club committee considered your letter and your wishes. You paid your account in full to the end of August 1883. Sept -- .75 for liquors and in October $31.44 being for 4 seats at the Archibald dinner at $7.06 each. You are credited with a payment of $22.00 leaving $10.17 to your debit. As the late Mr. A.M. Sutherland was the only guest you had at the dinner the Committee have decided to credit you with the amount charged you for Messrs. La Riviere & Allan, viz $15.72. This will leave you a credit to your house a/c of $5.55.

Your semi annual subscription due on Jan 1 last, amounting to $12.50, has not yet been paid.” Plus July 1 sub. – 12.50 – so you owe $19.45.

“Please send me a cheque for this amount so that your name can be removed from the list of members who are posted for arrears of subscriptions.”

“Cheque given Acton Burrows by Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 266 | April 18, 1884 | Letter & Ticket | Woodside, H.J.watchmaker jeweller | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend banquet for Robert Watson, M.P. at Portage la Prairie. Replied 23 April 1884. See L.B."C" p535. | 2 pp. |

Invited to banquet for Watson MP on 24 April – complimentary ticket #16 enclosed.

“Your late speech has given great satisfaction to the Liberals of this town.”

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| G 8702 | C - 267 | March 20, 1884 | Letter | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing petitions to be presented to the House. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

“Dear Sir [encloses petition with documents attached – not here] “which, if you will present to the Local Legislature you will do not only myself but all of your countrymen a very great favor.”

This is “a matter of such importance – a matter that strikes at the root of all our grievances in this country…”

“As I am one of your constituents I feel that I am not intruding too far by asking you to bring the matter forward.”

I can give you copies of: “Lord Lisgar’s Proclamation to the people of this country in 1869, Gov. McDougall’s proclamation in 1869, Louis Riel’s proclamation in 1870, just after the close of the Legislative Assembly of Assiniboia to which you were elected by the people of St. Margaret’s, Louis Riel’s protest to the action of Dennis and Snow, and that of the Dominion Government, in which he sets forth the reasons for killing Scott &c, Col. Wolseley’s proclamation and several other documents that may be of some service to you in connection with your present parliamentary duties.

Your speech and that of Mr. Leacock’s yesterday will be read with satisfaction by all old residents. I think I may safely say that this is the first time that the matter has been brought so prominently before the new population of the country, and it certainly is a question that should be gone into. The public will now begin to realize the fact that the natives of this country have been badly dealt with, and that the grievances now are nothing compared with what we had to suffer. Mr. Leacock scored a point last night.

“I trust that although occupying only a menial position in the country my petition will not be treated with contempt, 27 years residence in this land should entitle it to some weight. Hoping to hear from you, I remain, Yours sincerely, James Taylor”

“Dealt with by Hon. Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 268 | March 19, 1884 | Letter | Setter, John Jas. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Neestaw [Brother-in-Law, Norquay, John] | Political Issues. Replied 22 March 1884. See L.B."D" p114. | 3 pp. |

Stationery of Sheriff’s Office, Portage la Prairie

“My Dear Neestaw I am glad to see the first test question has passed so favourably. I am especially glad that Mr. Jackson has had ‘backbone’ enough to vote as he has done.

“The ‘Free Press’ I see in yesterday’s header is fairly screaming itself hoars, [sic] in fact does not know how to view this strange departure from its pet hoby [sic] ‘Farmers Union’ tho’ it was so sure that the Govt would be sure to leave the old well known paths; by simply drawing the proverbial herring across the political path and by shouting ‘Farmers Union’!! to keep the Blood Hounds astray, but when after such mighty efforts the Members foolishly self impale themselves it seems more than it can bear, and tho’ there is no politics? in the movement it lashes itself into such fury that the dying effort is planely [sic] evident; I trust that you will have the continued support of the majority of the House, for I fear that an appeal to the country would only delay the successful prosecution of our cause.

We are now having our great case the Vineberg vs. Haggarty Slander case, the court room was never before so packed, every witness is getting a thorough roasting at the hands of Howell.

Maurice has again beaten the whole school, by some 40 marks. Christy Bell was far ahead in all the branches except Algibra [sic] in which she is still deficient, but doing well.

Snow is fast going here and wheeled rigs are now to be seen everywhere. I hope that Betsy is better. Keestaw, John Jas Setter”

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| G 8702 | C - 269 | April 22, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D. Mgr | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to call at Bank or he will call at  office if an hour is mentioned. Replied 23 April 1884. See L.B."C" p536. |  |

You come here or I’ll come there – name the hour

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| G 8702 | C - 270(a) | June 1, 1883 | Letter | Ruttan, R.A. Farrell, S.W. Trustees | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Agreement between Samuel W. Farrell and Robert Anderson Ruttan of 1st part and Mr. N. and others of 2nd part. | 6 pp. |

Dear Sir As trustees of Darlingford townsite, we agree to pay you $4000 in cash when the CPR creates a passenger and freight station, and constructs switches or side tracks freight, passenger and switch accommodations equal to “those of Morris or any other station similarly equipped”, said station to be on nw ¼ of section 7, twp 3, range 7, west, and CPR to agree to permanently operate the same.

“If you want a more formal agreement than this we will give it to you

but nothing can be more binding.

“Mr. Van Horne said last night that in the event of the Company building a station at Darlingford it would have first class accommodation, as above stated. Yours truly”

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| G 8702 | C - 270(b) | June 4, 1883 | Letter | Ruttan, R.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Land agreement details. |  |

“Private Re Darlingford I enclose letter from Mr. Farrell and self and joint agreement relating to the $20,000 payment – the $4000 mentioned in letter is to be an a/c of the $20,000. Keep the letter, sign and return the agreement. It will be given up to you when the station is built.

“If we can make other pay ts in addition to the $4000 from time to time – before the property returns the purchase money to us, you may be confident that we will do so – not keeping to the letter of our agreement & thus exceeding our necessary performance.”

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| G 8702 | C - 270(c) | Jan. 31, 1883 | Agreement |  |  |  | Land agreement original. | 4 pp. |

Samuel William Farrell and Robert Anderson Ruttan: agreement with Honourable John Norquay of the second part, and Arthur Wellington Ross and Henry Ruttan civil engineer of the third part re north half of section 36, twp 2, range 8 W of principal, and section 1, twp 3, range 8, and se ¼ of section 12, tw 3, range 8, and sw ¼ of section 6, twp 3, range 7 W of Principal Meridian, and certain parts of nw ¼ of section 6 conveyed by William Christopher Alderson to the parties of the first part, and section 7, twp 3 in range 7 (now being contested in a suit in Equity), and said lands area intended to be a townsite, -- to be sold by the trustees for the benefit of all parties hereto in equal shares after deducting expenses for development,

“And the party of the second part has performed certain services in connection with said property for which he is to receive twenty thousand dollars out of the proceeds of the sales that are intended to be made of said lands in town lots…”

…the parties of the first part will as soon as the moneys to be realized from the sales of said lands, having deducted expenses (which are to be the first claim on said moneys), will be paid to party of the second party to a total of $20,000, and any moneys realized thereafter to be shared equally between all the parties

Signed by Farrell, R A Ruttan, Ross, Norquay, and H Ruttan

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| G 8702 | C - 271 | Sept. 9, 1884 | Letter | MacNab, A. & Son | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Amount of insurance since June 1 on mortgage held by B.C. L & I Co. $25.00 and on 12 April $12.00. $140.90 due to date. Paid this amount by cheque on Merchants' Bank. |  |

British Canadian Loan and Investment Co we may have misled you in yesterday’s conversation – “the interest on your mortgage as well as the insurance premium is overdue: – former since 1st June $125.00, and latter due 12 April $12.00 – with interest now amount to $140.90

“Paid this amount on 12th Sept by cheque on Merchants’ Bank

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| G 8702 | C - 272 | Sept. 24, 1884 | Letter | Monkman, A.lawyer | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Great NW Joint Stock Building and Loan notification for payment. Replied 28 September 1884.  See L.B."D" p158. |  |

For Directors of Great North West Joint Stock Building and Loan Co y – “unless you pay up premium and 20 per cent on the amount of stock subscribed for by you in that Co y on or before the 1 Oct. I am to take immediate proceedings to collect all arrears.” Total arrears $300.

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| G 8702 | C - 273 | Sept. 22, 1884 | Letter | Setter, C.C. | Broadview NWT | Norquay, John | Coal oil min. Replied. See L.B."D" p157. |  |

“My Dear Norquay I was talking to a man out here from the north he says that he has discovered a mine. I think by the way he presents it to me it must be a coal oil mine. But he calls it a tar mine. He say that he can put in a stick and lift it up & it will bring from it just the same as soft tar does now dear John if you think this will be anything to my profit be good enough to let me know immediately he is a man that can show me 3 places like this. I am at present out here for the horse that I left out here this summer & bad luck follows me here again. I don’t know how my family is getting along all this time in talking about my horse I forgot to state he is stolen When you write adress [sic] letter to Virden. Hoping to here [sic] from you by return mail this is no fraud. Yours truly C.C. Setter

Replied see LBD p 157

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| G 8702 | C - 274 | Sept. 16, 1884 | Letter | Matthewman, A.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Half-fare ticket to Man. Replied 21 September 1884. See L.B."D" p155. |  |

Wants special fare “delegate tickets” good for 40 days for self and son – ask Min of Agriculture – would save me one fare. “We are all well and were very sorry to hear of Mr. Murray’s mishap…”

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| G 8702 | C - 275 | Sept. 8, 1884 | Letter | Wilson, Wesley | Mahoning Furnace PA | Norquay, John | Coal matters. Replied 12 September. See L.B."D" p149 |  |

What price could be got for best Penn coal per ton in Wpg? SK too far west – so water transport from Port Arthur might work. “Would you care to become interested if any money can be made.”

“What became of the Saskatchewan operation?

Mr. Little wrote me from DuBois Pa under date of 24th June that Mr. Ashdown had charge of the matter and that mines had been idle since about the time I was there. Little asked me to write Ashdown which I did under date of July 3rd asking him to give me particular & what they proposed doing with the mines & property. He replied by telegraph under date of July 12th as follows: ‘Mines been closed since spring were arranging to reopen prospects good. Come up and arrange, Answer’

I thought the matter over, and on July 18th replied by telegraph as follows: ‘Cannot go immediately, write me fully what shape matters are in, and your very best proposition.’ Since which I have had no reply

I should be pleased to have an early reply from you as to first part of this letter, and to hear what have become of Saskatchewan. Hoping you are well, and having your usual good luck, politically & otherwise. … Wesley Wilson”

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| G 8702 | C - 276 | Aug. 5, 1884 | Receipt | Stalker & Hutchings | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Account rendered $1.50. Paid 5 August 1884. |  |

4 repairs to bridle between Feb and Nov 1882 -- $1.50 Pd. 5 August 1884

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| G 8702 | C - 277(a) | Aug. 28, 1884 | Letter | McArthur, Boyle & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. Leacock assigning to them all monies on  Emerson Commission. Replied 30 August. | 2 pp. |

Leacock assigned to us all monies coming to him from Emerson Commission. When will settlement take place?

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| G 8702 | C - 277(b) | Aug. 30, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | McArthur, Boyle &  Campbell | Copy of reply. |  |

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| G 8702 | C - 278(a) | Aug. 28, 1884 | Letter | Egan, Jas. M. General Superintendent C.P.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing duplicate annual pass over W. Div. of road. Acknowledged 30 August. | 2 pp. |
| G 8702 | C - 278(b) | Aug. 30, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Egan | Copy of reply. |  |

Duplicate annual pass 1070 “good over the western division of the road.” JN thanks

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| G 8702 | C - 279 | [No Date] | Letter | Germain, Geo postmaster | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. Cleverley phones he wants to see Mr. N. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |  |

Stationery of Dept of Prov’l Secretary: Mr Cleverly telephoned – could JN attend meeting of hotelkeepers tomorrow and if so at what time? I’ll phone him back with reply.

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| G 8702 | C - 280 | May 28, 1884 | Letter | White, Fred N.W.M.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Order for coal. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |  |

Stationery of NWMP Comptroller office: “My dear Norquay I have your telegram respecting coal for the Mounted Police. My instructions are to call for Tenders. This I shall do by advertisement in the Winnipeg Times. There should be no question about your Company getting the contract – you are so near the Ry

“Our people who burnt Belly River & Medicine Hat coal last winter report that one ton of the former is equal to two tons of the latter. What say you to this?”

“Dealt with by Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 281 | May 29, 1884 | Receipt | Canadian Express Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Customs release on 2 pair pants. No action. |  |

Declared Cdn manufacture or have paid customs duty: 2 pr pants value $18.00

Kenney Bros. consignor

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| G 8702 | C - 282 | Sept. 11, 1884 | Letter | McKilligan, J.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Bedson, S.L. | [Partial letter only] Note $518.93. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

McKilligan, land broker, writes Bedson to say “your note due 9th at the Montreal Bank due yesterday $518.93 [the rest of the page is torn off -- ?]

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| G 8702 | C - 283 | Aug. 28, 1884 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Medicine Hat | Norquay, John | Medicine Hat Coal Mine. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

“Dear Sir….After examining the mines & the market &c I have an idea to offer the Company to pay them a Royalty for the mine & work it myself if this is ever done & can work it for all it is worth & make a good thing for the Company & a fair thing for myself.”

Don’t say anything … “I will make it all right with you if I get it. Mrs. Woodworth is with me on this western trip. With kind regards, I am yours &c &c

[ps] I can raise sufficient capital & satisfy Company & the business. Yours J.E.W”

“Dealt with by Mr. Norquay personally”

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| G 8702 | C - 284 | 1884 | Invitation &  Tickets | Leclere, Geo & Stevenson, S.C. | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Tickets for family and self. | 3 pp. |

Grand Dominion Exhibition – special family ticket for JN and family at official reception for GG 9 September

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| G 8702 | C - 285 | 1884 | Prospectus | St. John's Ladies' School | City (Winnipeg) |  | Terms of tuition. |  |

Bella, etc – boarding and tuition prices, laundry,6 towels, dinner napkins and ring, 1 clothes bag, visitors on Saturday at 5:00, and visits out on first Wed. of each month

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| G 8702 | C - 286 | April 4, 1884 | Letter | Chapleau, James E.G. Sheriff | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Medicine Hat Mine. Answered by Mr. N. on 7 April. No copy kept. |  |

Coal: “Dear Mr. Norquay …let me know what you want to have done about that Medicine Hat matter… I have given instructions to suspend proceedings until further orders….”

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| G 8702 | C - 287 | Sept. 18, 1884 | Letter | Walker, Judge D.M. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | McDonald & Livingston's cheques. |  |

Have your letter re cheques to McDonald & Livingston – the former “was for pursuing criminals, the other I can’t just now say what it was for but I recollect taking the precaution to get endorsation by McDonald to show that money was not for me.”

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| G 8702 | C - 288 | Sept. 17, 1884 | Stock Call | Jameson, R.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Call of $1.00 share. Total $20.00. |  |

Printed form – The Great North-West Joint Stock Building & Loan Company – directors make a call of $1 on the 10 shares of stock allotted to you -- $10.00 now due, plus premium for 10 = total due of $20.

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| G 8702 | C - 289 | Sept. 1884 | Letter | Saunders, B &.M. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Account rendered $132.00. | 2 pp. |

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| G 8702 | C - 290 | Aug. 1884 | Receipt | Smith, Mrs. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To mess account rendered $11.00. Paid in cash. | 5 pp. |

Meal tickets July 1884 for 65 meals, and August 1884 – for 39 meals: all at .25 per meal

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| G 8702 | C - 291 | March 17, 1884 | Letter | Ruttan, H.N civil engineer. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mine. |  |

Re my conversation with Renwick at SK coal mine: “If matters are as he supposes with regard to the position of the mine, & the possibility of making a long term contract with the Canadian Pacific at $4.00 per ton I will have no difficulty in getting the money required to work the mine. The new people coming in on the ground floor. Renwick said you would give be particulars….” Let me know a time

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| G 8702 | C - 292(a) | March 2, 1884 | Letter | Carruthers, W.M. Saskatchewan Coal Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Copy of letter of the above company. |  |

SK Coal letterhead, Wpg: “Dr Sir: I will place some money to your credit in Ontraio Bank tomorrow don’t know just how much but will do the best we can. The contract with Wilson ’50 cts. Royalty is signed it will take effect 1st April.

They seem in somewhat better shape here than I expected. I have not seen Mr. Norquay yet but hope to find him tomorrow. Will tel[egraph] you if anything good transpires.

Please tell the Dr. that it is impossible to send him any drugs by this train as all express matter has to be sent in by 4 pm on Saturday. W.M. Carruthers

P.S. I collected $300 from Smith & Ferguson. Klotz has wired Hesson & Woodworth to send cash to you by express W.M.C.

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| G 8702 | C - 292(b) | March 10, 1884 | Request for Payment | MacDonald, H.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Promissory Note. |  |

To JN as Pres of SK Coal: a promissory note dated 6 Dec 1883 for $89.81 made by you in favour of George McCuaig, payable 3 months after date thereof, at the Federal Bank of Canada, and endorsed by George McCuaig et al was presented to me for payment, and payment was refused. Bank look to you for payment thereof. HJ Macdonald, notary public

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| G 8702 | C - 292(c) | March 11, 1884 | Letter | MacDonald, H.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mine. | 3 pp. |

“My dear Mr Norquay I hope you will pardon me for troubling you when you have so much public business to attend to, and when your bed is certainly not one of roses, but the matter on which I am now writing to you is I consider of such importance to all interested in the Saskatchewan Coal Mining & Transportation Co., yourself among the number that I feel myself justified in trespassing upon your time.

“I have just learned from Mr. Renwick that he has obtained judgment against the Company and that he intends to proceed at once against us in the North West Territories.

“He will undoubtedly be in time to catch the next court in Medicine Hat and as the procedure there is very summary he will soon be in a position I presume to place the Sheriff in possession of the Company’s property at the mine. As the title to the land is still in the Dominion Govt he cannot of course touch that but he can satisfy is claim and play the mischief with the Company be putting their plant &c up for sale, and if he does this all the other creditors of the Company will come swooping down upon it.

“Cannot something be done to ward off this blow for a short time?”

Renwick has to be satisfied that shareholders are taking steps to sell enough stock to pay good proportion of amount owing

“…You might drop him a line re-assuring him on this question and by so doing greatly benefit this Company of which you are President. Yours very faithfully….”

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| G 8702 | C - 292(d) | March 21, 1884 | Letter | Waterous, L. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mine. | 2 pp. |

To JN as Pres of SK Coal: “Your offer dated March 17 on behalf of the directors of the [SCMC] duly received, would say I cannot entertain the same for the following reasons. When the matter was first discussed it was on the basis that the liabilities were $50000. Since then I have been advised of a further claim of $28,000 with interest held by the H.B.Co….” And I would be “at the mercy of the directors” for a further cost.

“These matters deserve your careful consideration. While I am ready and prepared to assume the $50,000 liability and strain every point to put the business of the Company on a paying basis, I must ask you to reconsider my former offer and give the same a further consideration on account of having to assume the responsibility of the H.B. Co claim. Trusting a suitable arrangement may be arrived at as early as possible…”

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| G 8702 | C - 292(e) | March 29, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mine. |  |

Sir: A meeting of the creditors of the above Company will be held at the Company’s office …[Winnipeg] 3 April 1884 at 10:00 am] to consider the affairs of the Company.”

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| G 8702 | C - 292(f) | April 5, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mine. |  |

Meeting of shareholders on Wed 9 April at office of Provincial Treasurer in the Departmental Buildings “to consider the financial position of the Company and the advisability of assigning for the benefit of the Creditors…”

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| G 8702 | C - 292(g) | April 8, 1884 | Letter | Lawson, John P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mine. |  |

“Mines: Dear Sir As you have been absent from Winnipeg, it is possible you cannot understand my telegrams. …[I enclose letter from Carruthers]: “…he collected $300 and promised to put money in the bank to my credit, but owing to his accident he must have forgotten about it.

Since which time all the coal raised with two exceptions has been ship’d to Wpg by the Secy’s orders who promised to put finds in the bank from the proceeds of the coal sold there, but Mr. Egan’s absence has prevented him doing so.

“Last winter the Coy gave Tweed & Ewart Med. Hat their note for the amt due them. That note on maturing was protested for nonpayment. To keep Tweed & Ewart quiet I had to give them coal. You telegraphed me to send 4 cars to JE Ross Moose Jaw on Sutherland & Jacksons a/c I sent them two only as more at a time would only embarrass him. So you will see that these orders embraced all the coal raised since that date, and that I was unable to realize any money form the coal sales to keep the boarding house running. So I telegraphed you to send money to feed the men.

Tweed & Ewart refused to give any more supplies for the boarding house before Mr. Bowes left stating the Coy. Owed them already and that they did not want to have any trouble. So you see I have been hard pushed, trying to keep the men quiet when they were neither paid nor properly fed. Still in spite of difficulties all the men with two exceptions kept quiet until the 3rd inst when two executors amt. to $3500 with costs (Waterous’) were served. The men then god wild and as Major Shirtliff was at the Hat at the time they sued before him and he not being able to put them off any longer gave them judgment for the men with costs & board up to the 16th inst. And if not paid then, then the property to be advertised for sale, and the men to be paid $1 per day and board. As I udnersand it from the 16th in until paid, I think it is an absurd judgement I don’t think they can make any such terms. But at all events nothing will be done until the 16th. Then the property will be advertised for sale probably 10 days notice. So that will bring it to about the 26th inst before the property will be sold & you may be able to arrange matters before then.

I may mention that when Major Shirtliff asked me at the court what defence I had to put in I said I did not think I would be carrying out your wishes to put in a defence, that you wished to see the men paid, but there was no funds to do it with that you had arranged with Wilson but he was delaid [sic] by sickness & his wife’s death hence the delay in paying the men. I said it was of no use putting in a defence anyway.

I saw Mr. Egan on Saturday he called here with a Major Walsh to see the mine. I was at the Hat when they called but A Cameron showed them thro’ the mine Walsh expressed himself well pleased with what he saw and told me the coal stood 6 to 9 to the best Pennsylvania steam coal – that is 1 ½ tons of ours to equal 1 ton of Penn. Selling ours at 3.75 would be $5.63 for ours to equal 1 ton of Penn. And they cannot lay their coal down here under $12.

I waited on Mr. Egan to see if he would take a few cars of coal so that I could raise money to keep the boarding house running. But he would not do anything. He introduced me to Major Walsh talked about the mine then left me with Walsh….

P.S. I believe if the locomotive furnaces were properly fixed to burn this coal there would be no such proportion of difference. The exhausts are all too strong, and such & throw out the hot coals before it is consumed consequently causes just so much waste. JPL

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| G 8702 | C - 292(h) | June 6, 1884 | Letter | Carruthers, W.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Mine. |  |

In reply to your letter of the 2nd inst I have to state that I cannot see myself justified in signing the agreement between the Sask Coal Coy & Messrs Ashdown Shorey & MacKeand as you request. I have placed the matter in the hands of JW Fisher Barrister of this city who will act for me in the future. I have the honor to be sir your obt servant,

W. M. Carruthers

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| G 8702 | C - 293 | June 1, 1884 | Invitation | Nursey, Mrs. Walter | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To attend Mozart's 12th Mass to be performed by Holy Trinity Church Choir. |  |

To Hon Mr Norquay & Ladies, compliments of Mrs. Walter Nursey, at Holy Trinity Church on 3 June “The offertory will form the nucleus of a fund for the improvement of the choir”

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| G 8702 | C - 294 | May 15, 1884 | Assessment Notice | Grasse, H.W., Assessor | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Assessment on Emerson property. | 2 pp. |

Block 32, Lot 1, value of real property $130.

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| G 8702 | C - 295 | June 10, 1884 | Assessment Notice | Urquhart, Wm. Mc. Assessor | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Assessment on property. |  |

Ne ¼ of Section 25, Range 5, twp 11, 160 acres, assessed at $800, 2 days statute labour

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| G 8702 | C - 296 | May 13, 1884 | Statement of Account | Merchants' Bank | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to verify and return statement herewith enclosed. No action. |  |

Asks JN to verify and return to bank a statement re bill held for collection at Merchants’ Bank of Canada, Winnipeg, D.F. Knight Emerson, due 6 Feb 1883 $148.39 plus interest

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| G 8702 | C - 297 | Aug. 9, 1884 | Letter | Archibald, Howell & Vivian | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking most convenient time for Mr. N. to attend a meeting of S.C.M. & T. Co. Dealt with by Mr. N. |  |

Urgent that mtg be held of SK Coal co – phone our office re time that would suit you and we will notify other directors

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| G 8702 | C - 298 | [No Date] | Memorandum |  | [No Location] |  | Different sections with prices opposite them. |  |

Memo of prices of different sections of land in sec 11, twp 11, range 4, 5, and 6 – vary from 2.50 and 3.50 to 8.00 – presumably per acre?

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| G 8702 | C - 299 | Sept. 15, 1884 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. Warden, Penitentiary | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Discounting note for $1475.00. |  |

Stationery of Manitoba Penitentiary

“My dear Norquay Is it not possible to discount the note for $1475.00? You see by enclosed from Bannatyne how anxious I am to procure the $400. & relieve Bannatyne. Nursey will explain to you that some things will have to be assumed in connection with orders given in behalf of the luncheon – Moore for crockery & Reynolds for fruit etc which he wd not take back all these came by train on Saturday & I had to pay expressage. Yours, S.L. Bedson

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| G 8702 | C - 300 | Sept. 6, 1884 | Receipt | MacArthur, Boyle & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) |  | Notice of note for $51.35 falling due on 12th inst. |  |

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| G 8702 | C - 301 | Sept. 5, 1884 | Letter | Manbey, Wm. J. | Minnedosa, Man. | Norquay, John | Government Grant of $500.00 towards opening up the Eastern approach to town. |  |

Reeve of Municipality of Odanah – surrounds Minnedosa – Dr Harrison MPP tells me of provl grant of $500 to open the eastern approach to the town if RM would supplement it with grant of $250. Council voted down the request, bec. RM is “already frightfully in debt. I then had an interview with Harrison at Rapid City at which unfortunately I had no witness but a lady who of course I cannot mix up in the affair. The Doctor then and there promised me that he would at once write to Winnipeg and ask you to make the grant free from the condition of our supplementing it….” Another councillor also heard this promise later. But Harrison “has since publicly declared that both Kempshell and myself are liars. I am well aware that he is instigated in this course by JS Armitage & other of my personal enemies. I believe however that you have had sufficient evidence of the Doctor’s treachery during the past twelve months to understand what I mean.”

“The doctor will eventually divide the blame between you and me.”

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| G 8702 | C - 302 | March 17, 1884 | Letter | Macdonald, Hugh J. | City (Winnipeg) Man. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of copy of writ of summons in Federal Bank v. Rowe et al and asking if Mr. N.desired an appearance entered - if so to kindly let him know nature of defense. |

“If so kindly let me know the nature of the defence to be set out and I will have the affidavit prepared and sent to you to be sworn to. As in the case of the promissory note, before we can get in to defend we must satisfy the Court that we have a good defence on the merits.

“I understood from what you said at the meeting on Saturday that you had never signed this note, but I may possibly have misunderstood what was said, and I should be obliged if you will advise me as soon as possible.”

No comment on action

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| G 8702 | C - 305 | July 26, 1884 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Stating that as he has to make a professional visit to St. Paul he may come here. |

Leland Hotel Chicago stationery “Dear Sir Since writing you last I have had a proffessional [sic] call from Parties living in St. Paul and it occurred to me that while so far from here, I might take a run up to Winnipeg and remain long enough to do justice to yourself and me on the Portrait…. You passed through here very hurriedly, and gave me little time for a sitting, and certainly no time for reviewing my work except through the hazes of a memory of transient origin. In the ordinary routine of my Portrait work, I take pains to satisfy my Patrons fully before it leaves my Studio with the proviso that after it has been accepted and hung in its place I am prepared to make any change that may be required….”

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| G 8702 | C - 306 | Aug. 31, 1884 | Bill & Receipt | Hudson Bay Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To account rendered $12.00. Receipt herewith. |

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| G 8702 | C - 307 | Aug. 11, 1884 | Letter | Allan, Captain John, MPP | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for a cheque for $116.00 on advance of  sessional allowance. |

“… I am on my beam ends and Brydges is pushing for his payments on these three lots of mine I have arranged with him to pay up the interest which falls due tomorrow & if not said sale will be cancelled please oblige, yours very truly, John Allen

P.S. I could hold a cheque until Friday if you have not funds available at once. JA”

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| G 8702 | C - 308 | Aug. 9, 1884 | Letter | Osborne, John, Secretary Manitoba Central Railway | City (Winnipeg) Man. | Norquay, John | Notice of adjourned meeting. Asking Mr. N. to attend or send proxy. |

Pres Duncan MacArthur; Sec John Osborne; VPres Hon. W.N. Kennedy; Mg Dir/Treas Col T.C. Scoble today’s meeting adjourned for want of quorum. Important business for mtg on Tuesday 12th.

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| G 8702 | C - 310 | Aug. 12, 1884 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Account rendered for suit tweed $25.00. Paid. |

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| G 8702 | C - 311 | Aug. 27, 1884 | Invitation | His Honor, The Lieutenant-Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner on 27th August. |

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| G 8702 | C - 312(a) | Aug. 25, 1884 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Nursey, W.R. | Acknowledged receipt of Express parcel and re: coming West. |
| G 8702 | C - 312(b) | [No Date] | Letter | Nursey, W.R. | City (Winnipeg | Norquay, John | Re: Phillips, John |

Walter Nursey’s stationery says he’s provincial auditor – His note says Phillips will be here shortly.

Phillips’ letter [Leland Hotel stationery] says he received JN’s of the 19th. “While it is not customary to acknowledge Express’d money packages, yet, I intended to notify you, and thank you for such favors. …” The timing of my trip West is uncertain – “The matter of expense is nothing. I want to see that country; time, and engagements here are the hindrances. Respectfully yours…”

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| G 8702 | C - 313 | Aug. 7, 1884 | Letter | Dorsey, T.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to Ry conductors picnic on 12 August 1884. |

Stationery: “Hall of North Star Division, NO. 47 Order of Railway Conductors

F.J. Dorsey Secretary Thos. R. Simpson C.C.

Picnic at West Selkirk

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| G 8702 | C - 316 | June 6, 1884 | Letter | Bishop of Rupertsland | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a proposed meeting of trustees of Isbister Fund on Monday afternoon. |

Handwritten, from Bishop’s Court: “As everything is now completed, …meeting of the trustees of the Isbister Bequest at the office of Mr. D. MacArthur, Bird Block…”

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| G 8702 | C - 317 | July 3, 1884 | Letter | Allan, Captain John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking $500.00 - on account of sessional allowance. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I called but could not find you I wanted to ask you since you have been good enough to offer me an advance on my sessional allowance whether it would be within the bounds of possibility to let me have the $500.00 as it will almost take that amt. to square me up for Brown’s note of $200.00 has not been paid & I shall require to count that in with what I want for immediate use. Now I ask this from you as a favor if it is in your power and if so I should like very much to get it today….”

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| G 8702 | C - 318 | Aug. 30, 1884 | Receipt | Bannatyne & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $20.75. |

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| G 8702 | C - 319 | 1884 | Letter | Butler, J.W. Major | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to dine with him at 7 p.m. |

Queen’s hotel Wpg stationery “Dear Mr Norquay “Come & dine this evening at 7 p.m.

I have just arrived from England with my children & the Honble Miss Wragge a friend of my wife. Yours very truly J.W. Butler Major”

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| G 8702 | C - 321 | Oct. 2, 1884 | Letter | Johnston, J.J. | Grafton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Keewatin Gold Mining Co. Replied. See L.B."D" pp159 & 160. |

Dear Sir: I last February received from Mr. Meagher [?] of New York some mining Stock certificates, of the Keewatin Gold Mining Co, your signature is attached to them as President dated 5th October 1883. I have heard nothing of the Co since, is the stock good is Mr. Meagher authorised to receive payment for said stock is he Vice President of the Co, is there such a Co as the Lake Winnipeg Mining Co and is he Vice President of it can you inform me what the prospects of the Cos are… I would like to know who Mr. Meagher is and what authority he has…”

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| G 8702 | C - 322 | Oct. 7, 1884 | Receipt | Bannatyne & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $20.00 in full of account to date. Paid by A.W. Pritchard. |
| G 8702 | C - 323 | Oct. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Forrest, G.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $7.00. Paid by A.W. Pritchard. |

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| G 8702 | C - 324 | Sept. 30, 1884 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $38.50. Paid by A.W. Pritchard. |

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| G 8702 | C - 325 | Oct. 4, 1884 | notice | McArthur, Boyle &  Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of your note falling due on 13th October for $51.80. Dealt with by Mr. Washburn. |

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| G 8702 | C - 326 | Sept. 26, 1884 | Letter | Lowe, J. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Delegates' tickets to Matthewman. No action called for. |

Re special delegates’ tickets – Mr. Matthewman called, and I found that “he had taken an active interest in immigration matters, and had sent some families forward; so I had, therefore, no difficulty in countersigning a ticket for him, on the request made by you.”

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| G 8702 | C - 327 | Oct. 1884 | Invitation | Stobart, F.W. Winnipeg Rowing Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Attend a Ball in aid of Boat House. |

Complimentary – to “Honble John Norquay & family” 9 Oct 1884 Victoria Hall

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| G 8702 | C - 328 | Sept. 1884 | Invitation | Nicholls, W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Attend a debate on 26 September 1884.  No action. |

Literary Institute of St. John’s College – public debate on Friday 26 Sept 7:30

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| G 8702 | C - 329 | Oct. 16, 1884 | Letter | Turriff, Malcolm | Rapid City, Man. | Norquay, John | N.W. Central Railway Co. Replied 20 October.  See L.B. "D" p162. |

Knowing you’re a director, and interested in the welfare of the country – wants to know: has the NWCRly “got the land grant free, and if there is any prospect of it being built in the near future. These are questions which greatly concern the people here.”

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| G 8702 | C - 330 | Oct. 18, 1884 | Letter | Burnham, Asa M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Wishing the Government present at a meeting of Forestry& Horticultural Society and asking Mr. N. to state a convenient time. Replied 20 October 1884. See L.B. "D" p163. |

They wish members of govt to attend such a mtg

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| G 8702 | C - 331 | Oct. 8, 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking who County Clerk Dennis is who has been lately appointed. No action. |

“Hear County Court clark Dennis appointed who is he answer”

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| G 8702 | C - 332 | [No Date] | Memorandum | Nursey, W.R.,  Provincial Auditor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing a Japanese specific supposed to be a  cure for neuralgia. No action. |

“I got this in Chicago for Mrs. Norquay, thinking it might relieve her neuralgia. It’s a Japanese specific said to be ‘immense’. I bought it at the ‘Nee Ban’ Japan store. Ask her to try it. You merely rub it on the part affected. It’s very strong.”

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| G 8702 | C - 334 | April 30, 1884 | Letter | Nash, W. Hill, Mayor | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Tennent’s Amendment to Municipal Bill. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

We’re concerned about Tennent’s amdmt – everyone here indignant that he’s betraying the interests of Emerson “just to forward the interests of his brother in Morris. Parties of both sides of politics have one opinion. Had he succeeded the Menonites [sic] of Douglas Municipality as well the French this side of Gauthier would have been greatly inconvenienced in Court Matters. …I know what bother you must have to keep such things in line. I write to let you know that I and many other friends have a keen appreciation of your kind interest in our welfare.”

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| G 8702 | C - 335 | Aug. 4, 1884 | Letter | Scott, Thomas & Royal, Joseph | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Public reception to Sir Hector Langevin. |

Printed form – you are a member of the committee giving a public reception to HL. Will meet on 5th inst.

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| G 8702 | C - 336 | April 15, 1884 | Receipt | White, Manahan & Co | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Account rendered $17.00. Paid and receipted. |

2 boys’ suits $14.50 and 1 suit U clothing $1.50, cap $1 = $17.00

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| G 8702 | C - 337 | May 26, 1884 | Letter | Burgess, A.M. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing schedule. |

“Strictly private My dear Mr. Norquay You will please consider the enclosed schedule as strictly confidential. As I told you, I never give information of this kind; but I am quite sure you will give me no cause to regret having made one exception to the rule.”

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| G 8702 | C - 339 | Feb. 27, 1884 | Letter | Begg, Alex | London, England | Norquay, John | Stating he has sent Mr. Eden the fullest powers to act for him, etc. |

CPR London stationery, 88 Cannon St Dear Mr. Norquay I just drop you a line to say that I have written Mr. Eden and sent him the fullest powers to act for me as you and he may determine, & in this have endeavoured to carry out your wishes as expressed to me in Montreal. I have been looking over the memo you sent me and the more I look at it the more I feel that everything can be satisfactorily traced & put straight. I am afraid however no one can do it without my assistance & Mr Eden will tell you how I propose to do it. There is so much red tape here that I’ve had a lot of bother getting the necessary powers made out for Mr. Eden & at the last moment just because Mrs. Begg was a minute behind time at the Lord Mayor’s office I could not get the document attested. It will however go on Saturday & will not therefore be much behind this letter. I hope you are getting on all right & that you will bring the Dominion Government to time. Remember you have on one hand a Conservative Governor & on the other you must not neglect public opinion. Keep your own men well in hand there is nothing like the caucus for that. It is what is saving Gladstone now. But I have great faith in in you – bend when necessary – be strong when necessary. Your sincere friend Alex Begg”

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| G 8702 | C - 340 | March 15, 1884 | Letter | Wickson, A. Acting Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note for $328.70 made by Mr. H. T. Knight due 6th February last and endorsed by Mr. N. is still unpaid. |

“Will you be good enough to arrange it at your earliest convenience.”

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| G 8702 | C - 341 | March 6, 1884 | Letter | Barker, Robert J. | Alameda, NWT. | Norquay, John | Asking for political literature, etc. |

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| G 8702 | C - 342 | Nov. 21, 1884 | Letter | Ptolemy, W.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | He is obliged to absent himself tomorrow on account of his sister's marriage. |

MB Treasury Dept stationery – “If I am wanted Washburn and Pritchard know where I live.”

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| G 8702 | C - 343 | March 5, 1884 | Invitation | St. Patrick’s Benevolent Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Complimentary ticket to banquet on 7 March 1884. |

St Patrick’s Day invite, on green stock, “First Grand Annual Banquet C.P.R. Dining Hall 17th March

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| G 8702 | C - 346 | March 12, 1884 | Letter | Ross, A.W., M.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Resolutions passed at Selkirk etc. |

House of Commons stationery: “My Dear Norquay I got your telegram about the meeting at Selkirk and was very pleased to get the [illegible: wire?] for two reasons first on account of the resolution itself in the confidence it conveyed from my constituents and secondly as it showed you put me properly before my constituents. For the latter I was as much pleased as for the former as I saw that in your interview with Free Press reporter you never mentioned my name and as I had a rumour sent me that you were not doing me justice. Now I withdraw what I said in my former letter on that subject.

I am exceedingly sorry the meeting of the Farmers’ union went as far as they did as it [circulated?: word missing]without the country immensely and the articles now appearing in the Free Press are either the results of lunacy or the very worst species of demagogueism. It is more difficult to do anything here now after those insane resolutions as the Govt say nothing will satisfy the Manitobans and there is no use in attempting it. I saw both Sir John and Sir Charles today and impressed upon them the necessity of doing something at once as your House was meeting tomorrow. I was very sorry to hear of Alex’s death. Yours truly…”

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| G 8702 | C - 347(a) | April 19, 1884 | Letter | McArthur, Boyle &  Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mortgage $3318.00 |

Our solicitors’ costs in this matter are $45.00, which amount we have been called upon to pay.” Please send cheque.

A note on the bottom suggests they received payment

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| G 8702 | C - 347(b) | June 9, 1884 | Receipt | McArthur, Boyle & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Demand Note. |

Dec 31 – demand note $3318.00

Cr. 9 June: by 12 notes $50 each = $600

Demand note: $2718.00

The new notes add up to the original debt of $3318.

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| G 8702 | C - 349 | July 15, 1884 | Letter | Van Horne, W.C., V.P, C.P.R. | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Medicine Hat coal. |

“My dear Mr Norquay I was very sorry to have missed seeing you when last in Winnipeg, but my stay was unexpectedly cut short by important business east.

I had a talk with Mr. Egan about the Medicine Hat Coal matter and urged upon him the importance of using all of that coal he possible could. We are unable to consume a very large amount of that coal owing to the small number of trains necessary on that section of the line, but you can safely count on Mr. Egan taking every pound he can.

We dare not make any contract for any considerable amount of coal because the business is extremely variable.

I would be glad to aid you to a greater extent, but we have not a dollar to spare and like most of our friends in the NorthWest have to ‘skin along’ the best we can.

Yours very truly W.C. VanHorne Vice President Dictated

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| G 8702 | C - 350 | [No Date] | Lease | Saskatchewan Coal Co. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Copy. [Incomplete] |

One draft page, probably in JN’s hand, of a potential agreement with Waterous:

“Company lease for the term of five years all material plant animals & buildings in connection with the Saskatchewan Coal mine …Mr. Waterous in consideration of the above agrees to pay off all liabilities of the Company incurred to date all payments accruing on land and to keep the mine in good working order…and to hand all plant & machinery & buildings back to the company on the expiration of the lease… .

To ensure a dividend at the end of the third year of ---percent to the stockholders and of --- percent at the end of the fourth year and --- percent at the end of the fifth year.

The Company [to buy new capital goods invested during this period] …at a valuation not to exceed in any sense the sum of $20,000. The Company will also hand over to Waterous their stock to the amount of

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But C-438, on stationery of MB Treasury Dept, is another draft of the first part of the lease:

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| G 8703 | C - 438 | 1884 | Memorandum | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) |  | Notes re: leasing of Sask. Coal Co's. mine. |

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| G 8702 | C - 351 | July 8, 1884 | Letter | Osborne, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Manitoba Central Railway Co. |

JN – at mtg today of directors, you were elected a director. [Osborne is Secretary of Co]

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| G 8702 | C - 352 | March 13, 1884 | Letter | Munroe, George F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Electoral Division of Kildonan & St. Pauls. |

On the stationery of law firm Ross, Killam & Haggart: Private & confidential: Since “the death of poor Aleck” several have asked me to run there. “…a number of aspirants and the sooner you get some person in the field the better so as to keep the party together…. I want your advice in the matter.”

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| G 8702 | C - 354 | March 6, 1884 | Letter | Whitcher, A.H. Dom. Lands Office | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing Patent for Lot 45 High Bluff. |

Please sign receipt & return

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| G 8702 | C - 355 | Jan. 1, 1884 | Letter | Smith, Mrs. J.W. | Gladstone, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking that her husband have contract of digging drain. |

Looks like her brother is C.P. Brown and that Brown wants to undercut her and her husband – and Smith (her husband) invested in tools, tents etc. to do the ditch last year, before the govt cut off the job, and Smith would like to finish the job – “I ask you if it would be fair to give this job to another and leave us thus embarrassed more especially as the times are so hard and we struggling to pay our honest debts…” – we’ve taken “our second homestead” on it, encouraged other settlers to move in because of the ditch’s potential to open good land – “it is the prettiest part of the country I have yet seen…”

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| G 8702 | C - 356 | March 5, 1884 | Protest | Carey, Eugene D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a note of $1500.00 made by C.P. Brown payable to order Mr. N. protested. |

A promissory note dated 2 Jan 1884, for $1500.00, made by C.P. Brown, payable to JN, 2 months after that date at the Merchants’ Bank, was presented for payment, and payment was refused, and Bank as holders of note look to you for payment thereof. Said bill was this day protested by me for non-payment. Carey is notary public. The form is for Bain Blanchard, as solicitors for Merchants’ Bank

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| G 8702 | C - 357 | March 6, 1884 | Protest | Vivian, Henry notary public | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of $400.00 note re: Saskatchewan Coal Co. having gone to protest. |

To JN, Pres of SK Coal, note for $400, made 3 Dec 1883, due 3 months, payable to JE Woodworth, at Federal Bank of Canada, endorsed by Woodworth and by “SK Coal and Mining Coy per you…”

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| G 8702 | C - 358 | March 6, 1884 | Protest | Brophy, Gerald T. notary public | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Saskatchewan Coal Co.'s note for $1213.74 having gone to protest. |

To JN re note for $1213.74, made by you, SK Coal, payable to Dick & Banning, due in 3 months, payable at Federal Bank

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| G 8702 | C - 359 | March 3, 1884 | Notice | Bacon, M. Secretary, A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting and dues due $5.00. |

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| G 8702 | C - 361 | March 3, 1884 | Telegram | Rowe, Amos | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Shall he sell Saskatchewan Coal Mine? |

“Private Shall I sell mine on similar terms as you offered it to Wilson here give me instruction I will look after your interest Amos Rowe”

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| G 8702 | C - 362 | March 1, 1884 | Telegram | Kenney, W.N. | Ottawa, Ont. | Brown, C.J. | "Other matters progressing favorably in addition to Ross Norquay telegram." |

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| G 8702 | C - 363 | March 5, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to see him re: unpaid balance of Coal Co.'s note due 8th inst. |

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| G 8702 | C - 364 | March 5, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Knight's note for $330.74 has gone to protest look after it. |

Knight has not yet paid his note endorsed by you for $330.74… “Kindly give it your attention & oblige…”

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| G 8702 | C - 365 | Jan. 26, 1884 | Telegram | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Telegram "Hearty Congratulations". |

Might be a different year? [eg: election 1883?]? “Hearty Congratulations Jno A. Macdonald”

**Fistful of telegrams:**

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| G 8702 | C - 366(a) | 7 March 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, John |  | Wilson, Wesley | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Company. |

Sent to Pittsburgh by JN: “Wrote you last week can you take hold before first April. Coal now mined reported one hundred per cent better by Little. J Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 366(b) | March 13 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, John | Pittsburg | Wilson, Wesley | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Co. |

JN to Wilson Pittsburgh: ‘As anticipated creditors crowding & will proceed to execution on twenty seventh unless relief in meantime their object to get hold of mine J Norquay”

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| G 8702 | C - 366(c) | March 14 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, John |  | Lawson, J.P. | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Co. |

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JN to Wilson Pittsburgh: “Require twenty thousand. Proposals from creditors to take property pay off debt & give percentage to owners prefer dealing with you. J Norquay”

C - 366(c)**Ibid: 25 March:**

“When do you leave Am holding creditors at bay Can save mine if you arrive soon J Norquay”

C - 366(c)**Ibid: 1 April:** “Wire me what you intend doing meet creditors third April”

C - 366(c)**Wilson to JN 11 March 1884:**  “Your letters and telegram came during my absence Will try & get there before time named”

C - 366(c)**Wilson to JN 14 March 1884:**  “What is least sum that will prevent their closing in Wesley Wilson”

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| G 8702 | C - 366(d) | 19 March/84 | Telegram | Lawson, J.P. | Stair, Station | Norquay, John | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Co. |

To Lawson: “Am arranging for transfer to capitalist who will pay off all liabilities & work mine miners will be paid sooner by abstaining from striking J Norquay”

**Ibid: 25 March:** “Received word money will be here first April Cannot do anything sooner try to protect property from being sacrificed will wire if any arrangement made before J Norquay”

**Ibid: 2 April:** “Company doing best to get money to pay workmen No coal sales consequently no money. No intention to defraud men of one cent but cannot make money J Norquay”

From Lawson to Norquay, 25 March: “Have you made arrangements to pay the men twenty attachments will be taken out tomorrow telegraph instructions”

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| G 8702 | C - 366(e) | [No Date] | Telegram | Norquay, John & Rowe, A. | City (Winnipeg) | VanHorne, W.C. | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Co. |

Norquay and Rowe to CPR: “When in Ottawa we get promise CPR would take sixty tons coal daily Egan refuses to take any What is the reason. Company depended on promise or would have stopped work long ago. Answer J Norquay A Rowe”

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| G 8702 | C - 367 | Dec. 23, 1884 | Notice | Brydges, C.J. President Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A meeting of the Club. |

Extraordinary General Mtg, 30 Dec, 4:00 to reconsider resolution passed on 10th re annual subscriptions

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| G 8702 | C - 368 | Dec. 11, 1884 | Telegram | Douglas, C.S. | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Writing to different parties to come up and vote for Nash as Mayor. Replied 11 December. See L.B. "E" pp 101, 102, 103, 104, & 105. |

“Please write notes to J Ashdown A F Eden Thos Howard J H McTavish re coming down vote Nash. Will have special train Monday put it strong make personal matter we must have thirty votes from Winnipeg C S Douglas” [tick marks beside each name except Eden: presumably notes sent to them]

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| G 8702 | C - 369 | Nov. 1884 | Receipt | Portage la Prairie Tribune-Review | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | To account rendered $7.70. |

Subscription from April 1883 to Jan 1885, plus arrears from Oct 1882 to Feb 1884

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| G 8702 | C - 370 | Dec. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To account rendered $7.25. Paid. |

1 bar shoe .75; 2 shoes @ 1.00 and 2 shoes set @ .50 = $1.50; 2 more shoes + set = $1.50 Repair cutter $3.50 Oct/Nov 1884 = $7.25 Pd.

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| G 8702 | C - 371 | Dec. 12, 1884 | Letter | McMeans, L. lawyer | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Keewatin. Acknowledged receipt 17th December 1884. See Private L.B. "D" p183. |

Kindly leave your proxy as director of K.W.M. Co for Allan – to use it in your absence -- as it may be important

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| G 8702 | C - 372 | Dec. 30, 1884 | Letter | McMeans L. | City (Winnipeg) | Pritchard, A.W. | Returning letter from R.W. Prittie re: Saskatchewan Coal Mining Co. No action. |

McMeans is returning letter from Prittie – ‘I am not in any way connected with that Co.”

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| G 8702 | C - 373 | Nov. 30, 1884 | Receipt | Hudson Bay Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $28.00. Paid by  cheque on Merchants' Bank December 5, 1884 |

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| G 8702 | C - 374 | Nov. 1884 | Invitation | McQueen, A., Secretary St. Andrews Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner on 1st December. Replied.  Accepted. See L.B. "D" p168. |

St. Andrew’s Society anniversary dinner, Leland House, Monday at 8:00 and to respond to “the following sentiment: Provincial Legislature” Accepted.

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| G 8702 | C - 375 | Nov. 8, 1884 | Letter | Adams, Horace C. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Uncle [J Norquay] | Family matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“My dear Uncle I received your kind and welcome letter of Oct 22nd & was sorry to learn from it that Auntie is not very well but I hope she will be better soon. Mamma and all the rest are quite well but I am still unable to work I was again down to the Doctor & he says I just went down in time for him to prevent consumption & he said for me never to neglect a cold and if I would that would be the last of me. Tom is busy putting up a sheep house & papa is minding a cutter for Andrew Spence. We did not get our crop threshed yet but I expect we will be getting the mill about a week or so from now. Andrew Spence took seven first prizes at the show which amounted to $49.00 & Uncle Robie took seven too but only amounted to $17.50. Tom bought a new horse and he is a regular flier. Papa is teaching singing down at the South Branch every Friday night at half past six.

Baby is running about smart and just trying hard to speak he is already master of a few words & names he can say papa & mamma & Rita & Joe, Tom & Hoyis & Dido & this & me. The rabbits are very plentiful out here this year papa was out hunting one day for about 4 hours and he killed 21 rabbits & 7 partridges.

Kiss Auntie for me & tell Pood [?Pard?]to be sure and write. And with love to yourself, I remain your loving nephew Horace C. Adams

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| G 8702 | C - 376 | Nov. 27, 1884 | Letter | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson, Man. | "Uncle John" [Norquay, John] | Requesting pleasure of Mr. & Miss Norquay`s company during their stay at Emerson. |

Stationery of The International “The Only Paper published in southern Manitoba” est. 1878 Douglas is editor and manager:

“Dear ‘Uncle John’: Mrs Douglas and myself would be much pleased to have you and Miss Norquay as our guests while you are in Emerson…” stay over to Saturday, do some work for Nash “in certain quarters…”

Action: telegraphed, accepting same 28 Nov.

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| G 8702 | C - 377 | Nov. 20, 1884 | Letter | MacKeand, A., Sec-Treas Saskatchewan Coal Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Special meeting of Co. on 22nd November. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Special mtg of directors of SCMT Co “to amend bylaws and for general business” 11:00 am Saturday

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| G 8702 | C - 378 | Dec. 1, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. P.[rivate?] Secy | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Financial matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Treasury Dept stationery, AWP signs the letter, cover sheet says “P.Secy Govt Offices”

“Mr dear Mr. Norquay Would it not be well to have a meeting of the shareholders of the Darlingford property and see if anything could be done to liquidate matters. Surely something can be done to save the estate from being eaten up by the mortgage.

Having a great desire to see you free from encumbrances of this kind and knowing perfectly well you have enough to engage your mind and time without being bothered with financial difficulties I would respectfully suggest that your financial matters be placed as much as possible into my hands. I could keep track of cheques given and watch the bank account as well as any notes falling due. If you were then asked to endorse you could call me and ask what obligations you were under & whether they were such that in the event of this party asking you to become his surety failing to meet his note if it would be possible for you to do and I then could explain that you had a certain amount to meet on this that or the other and that it would be out of the question for you to attach your name to any more paper and this would throw some of the responsibility of your refusing to endorse on me and relieve you. In your position so many call upon you for monetary assistance thinking you are so well able to bear the brunt when the case is so entirely different. The financial considerations for the position you occupy being very meagre.

I would further suggest that a full list of liabilities be drawn up and an estimate made of the expenditures necessarily to be incurred during the year and see what amount would have to be set aside to meet these and how long it would take to bring around a clear sheet. This has been my policy in my own little affairs and it has taught me to be economical and to put every cent to a useful purpose and as it has shown me just as far as I could go it has saved me many dollars which might have been almost thrown away. Yours AWP

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| G 8702 | C - 379 | Nov. 17, 1884 | Letter | Hoare, Charles S. Manager Imperial Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a note made by S.W. Farrell for $550.00 asking Mr. N. to provide for same. No action. |

A note made in your [JN’s] favour matured on 11th and is still unpaid. If not paid by 30th, I will have to report this in default…

Shorthand notes: didn’t try to translate but could do so

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| G 8702 | C - 380 | Oct. 28, 1884 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Gurney occupying the two Registry offices in the Co.of Brandon. Replied 14 November. See L.B."D"`p167. |

If vacancy in Registry Office in County Norfolk, why not put Gurney there. “It seems to me there is a grand chance now to amalgamate the two offices in this county & give Gurney the office at Carberry.

“To my mind it will help the Govt out of a dilemma & solve the [illegible] question why should there be two Registry offices in Co. Brandon?”

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| G 8702 | C - 381 | Oct. 29, 1884 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Recommending W.F. Scarth for position of Clerk of County Court at Virden. |

Scarth is postmaster at Virden, “a good friend of the govt.” and would be a “first class” choice.

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| G 8702 | C - 382 | Nov. 5, 1884 | Letter | Hunt, A.C., Acct.,  Manitoba Penitentiary | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking that they be supplied with coal as they are entirely out.  “November 20. Saw Macdonald, agent for Sask Coal Co. and he tells me 30 tons went to Stony Mountain on 18th and they will shortly fill the whole order, no less than 14 or 15 cars being enroute now A.W.P.” |
| G 8702 | C - 383 | Oct. 28, 1884 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Recommending W.J. Halliwell, Reeve of Woodworth as Registrar of Dennis. Replied 14 November. See L.B."D" p166. |

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| G 8702 | C - 384 | Nov. 21, 1884 | Receipt | Kenny Bros. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing account for $9.00. Replied 26 November.See L.B. "E" pp 67 & 68. |

Trousers on 12 May -- $9.00

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| G 8702 | C - 385 | Nov. 3, 1884 | Letter | Rowe, Amos Editor "`Times" | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | It was never the intention to charge him with weekly Times. Circular sent by mistake. |

“Yours of this date to hand and contents noted. Permit me to say that it was never intended to charge you for the ‘Wkly Times’….

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| G 8702 | C - 386 | Nov. 5, 1884 | Letter | Young, Frederick | London, England | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. he has been elected a Non-Resident Fellow of Royal Colonial Institute. Replied 24 November. See L.B."D" p171. |

Elected on the recommendation of Alex Begg and Alexander Ridington

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| G 8702 | C - 387 | Nov. 24, 1884 | Letter | Strachan, J.K. Secretary Dominion Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. he has been elected a member of  Club. Replied 26 November. See L.B. "E" p70. |

“general meeting…27th inst…proposal that the Club be carried on in future as an exclusively Conservative Club.”

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| G 8702 | C - 388 | Nov. 13, 1884 | Letter | White, Richard | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Rowe allowing note to come back unpaid, etc. |

Gazette Printing Co “Mr dear sir: As I feared Rowe has allowed his note to come back unpaid. I have asked by friend Mr. Macfarland to try and get it fixed. Would not the simplest way be just to send us the orders we ought to have had under our contract. Please do what you can in the case. Yours truly …”

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| G 8702 | C - 389 | Nov. 11, 1884 | Letter | Nash, W. Hill, Mayor | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing complimentary ticket to Masonic Ball and supper. |

Emerson Lodge No 6 “Dancing in the Opera House, supper in the Carney House”

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| G 8702 | C - 390 | Oct. 24, 1884 | Receipt | Harder, William | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $3.50 for 1/2 ton of coal. |

Manitoba Cartage – received from Mr Norquay $3.50

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| G 8702 | C - 391 | Oct. 24, 1884 | Receipt | Ogilvie Milling Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Bill for $10.60. Paid. |

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| G 8702 | C - 392 | Dec. 4, 1884 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | Emerson account. |

Leacock encloses “my account as to Emerson. The report is finished awaiting Judge Ardagh’s signature. It took me two days to draw it and Arnold three to have it dictated to him and to copy it. This makes the account $29.00 more than before.”

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| G 8702 | C - 393(a) | July 22, 1884 | Letter | McArthur, Boyle &  Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Emerson Commission asking a cheque for same. Action: Dealt with by Mr. N. |
| G 8702 | C - 393(b) | July 20, 1884 | Letter | Leacock, E.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Emerson Commission. |

a) we had to make advances, so Leacock has given us a letter – please bear in mind.

b) Leacock letter (copy): “I have assigned all monies to be received by me to Mr. Duncan MacArthur…”

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| G 8702 | C - 394 | Oct. 17, 1884 | Letter | Shields, Jno. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Use of Mr. Shield's car to Rockies. Dealt with  by Mr. N. |

“My dear Norquay Your 18th ult came duly to hand regarding the use of car You can have it as far as I am concerned with all my heart but J J McDonald has I believe the care of it and I forwarded your letter to him asking him to reply to you. I have been absent or I would have attended to the matter before Kindest regards to Mrs. & Miss Norquay

Yours faithfully….”

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| G 8702 | C - 396 | Oct. 29, 1884 | Invitation | Georgen, Mr. & Mrs G. Vances | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Wedding reception for their sister. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally |

Reception at Vances Georgen on 5 Nov 12:00 to 2:30 JN and Mrs. N invited

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| G 8702 | C - 397 | Oct. 31, 1884 | Protest | Archibald, Heber, Notary Public | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of promissory note dated 28 July for $2000.00 in favor of C.P. Brown being protested. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Note made by JN in favor of Hon. C.P. Brown payable 3 months at the office of MacArthur Boyle Campbell, and endorsed by Brown, was presented by Archibald, and payment refused. D. MacArthur, holder of the note, looks to you for payment. And the note was this day protested for non-payment.

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| G 8702 | C - 398 | Oct. 13, 1884 | Letter | Boyle, Peter [or Royle?] | At Sea, S.S. America | Norquay, John | Thanking Mr. N. for the courtesy shown him while in Manitoba. |

“…thanks to you for the great kindness and courtesy you showed to me on my recent visit to Winnipeg under most discouraging and damping circumstances.

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| G 8702 | C - 399 | Oct. 14, 1884 | Protest | Ross, James A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice that a Promissory Note for $550.00 has been protested (Re Darlingford). |

Note dated 11 July 1884, made by you, payable to S.W. Farrell 3 months after date thereof at Bank of Nova Scotia, and endorsed by S.W. Farrell & others…

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| G 8702 | C - 400 | Oct. 14, 1884 | Notice of Stock Call | Jameson, R.W. G.N.W. Joint Stock Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | A call of $1.00 a share on stock of the Co. |

You, JN, have 10 shares of stock allotted to you as per your subscription for same and $20.00 is now due.

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| G 8703 | C - 401 | Oct. 22, 1884 | Letter | Mulholland, Joseph | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. N. appointed to Committee to draft an address to Sir John Macdonald. |

You were appted at a meeting of Conservatives to be member of committee drafting a congratulatory address to Sir John A. “at the coming celebration of his entry into public life.” Committee will meet Friday at 3:00

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| G 8703 | C - 402 | Oct. 22, 1884 | Memorandum | Stern, R., Manager Bank of Nova Scotia | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Arranging for past due bill for $550.00. |

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| G 8703 | C - 403 | Nov. 22, 1884 | Letter | White, Richard | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Contract, etc. |

Thanks for yours of 18th inst – I’ll try to see Rowe while he’s down here and to get “any sort of a satisfactory settlement with him.

“You are under a misapprehension however in supposing I was a party to ‘the sacrifice.’ It was made independent of me and I was helpless to prevent it without kicking up a row with your Government and creating scandal. I see no reason why you should not in common justice give us some work now. A few blue book orders would soon make it all right….”

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| G 8703 | C - 404 | Aug. 4, 1884 | Letter | White, Richard | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Notes from Rowe etc. |

My son returned from Wpg today “He arranged that matter with Rowe accepting two notes for $250.00 ea due 1st Nov & 1st Feby next. I am advised that as a commercial matter the notes are not considered good – but have been accepted as fixing the liability – and looking confidently to your promise to see that we are paid. Thanking you for your attention to this matter & courtesy to my son, Yours faithfully.

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| G 8703 | C - 405 | Aug. 4, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man. | Brother [Norquay, John] | Private matters. |

“My Dear Brother Your very welcome letter came to hand by today’s mail and I was happy to hear that Neetim [my sister in law, your wife] was out on a pleasure trip I hope her old friend the sick headache won’t claim acquaintance with her this time but that she will enjoy her visit. I wrote to Keetim [your sister in law – my wife] by today’s mail by the time you receive this she will be in receipt of my letter. I was sorry to learn from a letter I recd from her on Saturday that the Twins had the measles. I hope to be able to go home soon and see you all. [translations by Ovide Mercredi: email to gf, 9 Nov 2013]

I am happy to state that I have kept to my resolve to quit the cursed drink and once the resolve is made I find the craving leaving me. The crops all look well up this way. There is a great deal under crop in this section of the country. There is a talk of another elevator being built at this place by Mr. McBain. They want a bonus in the way of wheat from the farmers and they seem willing to grant it. When you have leisure drop me a line. You do not know what a boon it is, give me the general news. I shall do the same to you. You say you are a green widower. I have been so long from home that I almost feel like a yellow widower if such a case ever was. Since quitting the drink I have been working like a good fellow. If you have a spare copy of the Times send it along. There are a good many Grits here but today I and another man were taking stock and I think we can down them (to use a vulgarism). Sheriff Clements is here today selling those blasted Plummer Waggons I foolishly went into last year. I shall not conclude this letter until I have had a good chat with him when I may have some more news to communicate.

I have had a chat with Clements and he wishes to be kindly remembered to you. He says he has lots of horses now and if you should come to Brandon, do not fail to call on him. He is living in Woodworth’s house on First St. Walker and his family are all quite well. The Judge is looking and feeling well. I think I have now exhausted my budget of news therefore will conclude this letter with best wishes to you and all the family. Your loving brother, Tom.

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| G 8703 | C - 406 | Sept. 8, 1884 | Telegram | Pritchard, A.W. | Port Arthur | Norquay, John | Telegram. Delay in reaching Winnipeg. |

“Stormy weather and washouts have delayed me expect to get in Tuesday noon”

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| G 8703 | C - 407 | Sept. 11, 1884 | Receipt | MacNab, A. & Son Br Cdn Loan Co | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipts for $125.06 & $15.90. |

Received from JN $125.00 on accont of mortgage – next payment due 1 Dec $125.

And received from JN $15.90, in full Ins from 12.00 interest 3.90

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| G 8703 | C - 408 | June 9, 1884 | Receipt | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Knight, D.F. | Balance note Norquay $149.20. |

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| G 8703 | C - 409 | April 29, 1884 | Letter | La Riviere, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | More French representation in the Cabinet. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay I understand that it is your intention to fill at once the vacancy now existing in the cabinet, and I therefore beg to inform you, that my friends in the house have expressed the opinion that their wing of the party is entitled to one more representative in the Government. I hope you will duly consider their claim. Yours very truly …”

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| G 8703 | C - 410 | Dec. 8, 1884 | Letter | Rennie, A.H. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | 800 bushels of oats at .33 cents. Shall he buy. |

I wrote you last week – no reply – “I can get 800… shall I buy & ship them to you as they are really first class & I think they will be higher soon. When do you leave for Ottawa. …

[ps] Kind regards from Mrs. R.

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| G 8703 | C - 411 | Aug. 13, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Leacock, Ed. P. M.P.P. | Letter signed by Mr. N. addressed to the above re: address to Sir Hector Langevin. |

JN – a draft of letter, on Treasury Dept stationery – to Leacock

Acknowledge receipt of your letter of 12 Aug re city of Emerson’s request “that you prepare a case for them to submit to Sir H. Langevin.” Also have letter from Mayor and minute of Council urging extension of your instructions “to ascertain what arrangements the creditors of the city would be willing to make” “…I will submit the matter to my colleagues and communicate the result to you as early as possible. Yours truly J Norquay

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| G 8703 | C - 412 | Nov. 12, 1884 | Letter | Osborne, John, Secretary Manitoba Central Railway | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting to be held on 17 November 1884. |

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| G 8703 | C - 413 | Dec. 4, 1884 | Letter | Sinclair, Thomas,Registrar County of Lisgar | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing abstract of Lot 83, St. Andrews. |

“Dear Norquay Alec [?Abe?] Timms [Tinny?] could have got a formal abst but he will not want it. Enclosed however is the needful. How [does?] a full house take you?

Yours truly Thomas Pritchard”

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| G 8703 | C - 414 | Dec. 3 & 4,  1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. King at Emerson interfering with Civic Election. |

I wired the Bank’s Genl Mgr re your letter of 2 inst and I am instructed “to express to you his regret at hearing that Mr. King had taken any part whatever in civic election matters which course is directly contrary to the rules for the guidance of the bank’s officers. Mr. Hague has telegraphed him to refrain, and to apologize.”

King says “he has taken no part whatever in the matter” We will look further …

Next letter, same day, Miller to Norquay: King wired me that he has done nothing. Bank “is far from wishing its officers to take prominent or influential part in political or civic contests.” I am communicating with King in cypher.

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| G 8703 | C - 415 | Dec. 6, 1884 | Invitation | Strachan, J.K., Secretary Winnipeg Cons. Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Attend a meeting of the Club on 10th. |

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| G 8703 | C - 416 | Nov. 26, 1884 | Letter | White, Fred Comptroller, NWMP | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Passing Order in Council re: extension of Mounted Police to Manitoba. |

“My dear Norquay May I remind you of your promise to pass the order in Council re” the extension of Mounted Police to Manitoba. I left the Police Act with you. When are you coming down? Yours sincy

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| G 8703 | C - 417 | n.d. 1884 | Letter | Adams, J.H. | Deer Hill,  Prince Albert P.O N.W.T. | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Family matters. |

“Dear Uncle I received your letter Mamma is off to Uncle Robert’s today. Horace is off too to St. Andrews Church its only Ann and Kate and Maria and myself I was raking hay yesterday I sold my colt to Horace for Pressey I have to get her. When she is twelve years old because I want to get a team of horses from her Tom is off to the Stoney Creek making hay out there for Mister Beatty he will be back next week.

He has to come home on foot and carry his blanket and his blanket. I have no more news Mama send her love to you and all Yours truly nephew J.H. Adams

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| G 8703 | C - 418 | Dec. 10, 1884 | Letter | McMicken, H.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Pass for Mr. Pritchard. |

On stationery of CPR, City Ticket Office, H.G. McMicken Agent: “Dear Norquay

I have written to the Milwaukee Road for a pass to Chicago for Mr. Pritchard. I will send it to you on arrival. Sincerely

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| G 8703 | C - 419 | Nov. 29, 1884 | Letter | Aikins, Culver & Hamilton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Calling attention to amount of prom. Note made by Farrell in favor of and endorsed by Mr. N. Paid in full. |

“We are instructed to collect from you the amount of a pro. note made by S.W. Farrell in favor of and endorsed by Hon. J. Norquay. Unless settled at once we shall be compelled to sue.”

Action: Paid in full

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| G 8703 | C - 420 | Oct. 10, 1884 | Letter | Brown, Wm. | Edinburgh, Scotland | Norquay, John | Enclosing account and asking remittance of same. Paid by P.O. |

Bookseller – enclosed has been rendered more than once – kindly remit

Action: Pail by P.O.O.

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| G 8703 | C - 421 | March 12, 1884 | Letter | Howard & Brophy, lawyer | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Claim of Vulcan Iron Works for $32.50. |

To SK Coal Co – “Dr Sirs The Vulcan Iron Co have placed in our hands for collection a claim against you for $32.50. Unless the sum is settled by Friday we will proceed to collect at once.”

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| G 8703 | C - 422 | March 12, 1884 | Protest | Wilkes, Walter A. notary public | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Sask. Coal Co's. note for $4101.00 due 9 December 1884 gone to protest. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Ross Killam & Haggart to JN, promissory note dated 9 Dec 1883 for $4104.11 made by JN as Pres of SCMT co payable to Thos Renwick in 3 months, at Federal Bank, endorsed by T Renwick and another – payment was refused, protest entered….

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| G 8703 | C - 423 | March 12, 1884 | Protest | Wilkes, Walter A. | City (Winnipeg) | SK CMT Co. Ltd. | Sask. Coal Co. note gone to protest. |

SCMT Co promissory note dated 9 Dec 1883 for $4104.11 made by J Norquay Pres, payable to T Renwick in 3 months at Federal Bank etc.

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| G 8703 | C - 424 | Dec. 10, 1884 | Letter | Kennedy, W.T.B. Registry Office | Virden, Man. | Norquay, John | Answering letter of the 8th inst. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay In answer to your letter of the 8th I would say that Mr. Norquay is still in Virden – not doing very much I am afraid. I see very little of him & when I do he invariably tells me that he is winding up some business matters & intends to go down shortly. On the whole he is keeping pretty straight I think. He assisted me a great deal the first week I was here making me snug in the new office which has been fitted up & always assists me with his advice when I am in doubt as to a matter. But he keeps a great deal to himself & I only see him at rare intervals. He has been here ever since I came. Yours sincerely….

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| G 8703 | C - 425 | Oct. 14, 1884 | Protest | Carey, Eugene D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note of $1300.00 made by C.P. Brown. |

Promissory note, dated 11 July 1884, for $1300.00, made by C.P. Brown, payable to you, 3 months from date, at Merchants Bank and endorsed by you…was presented to bank and refused payment…

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| G 8703 | C - 426 | 3 May 1884 | Notice of name change | Beaty, James President | Toronto, Ont. |  | Railway notice. |

Notice: Act to amend act incorporating the Souris and Rocky Mountain Railway Co and change name to North-West Central Railway Company – special genl mtg of shareholders 20 May 1884 in Toronto

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| G 8703 | C - 427 | Feb. 7, 1884 | Telegram | Rowe, Amos | City (Winnipeg) | Farrer, E. | Shaping policy of Times to support Dominion  Government. |

Handwritten copy of telegram from Rowe to Edward Farrer: “Shape policy of Times to support Domn Govt”

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| G 8703 | C - 428 | July 20, 1884 | Letter | Miller, Jas. A. | London, England | Norquay, John | Boundary question. |

“33 Gloucester Pl, Portman Square”

“My dear Norquay We started on case on Tuesday and have been at it ever since. The award was questioned first, and as if it was sustained Manitoba would be out of it, McCarthy and Robinson attacked it. McCarthy only spoke on our side. Robinson saying he had nothing to add. Mowat and Scoben[?] (QC) a brother of Col. Scobie’s tried to uphold it -- and after this argument was over the Lord Chancellor said that ‘their Lordships are of opinion that the award has no legal force and on … [?] to have argument proceed.

“The Court I should have said is composed of Lord Carlingford (President of the Privy Council), Earl Selburne (Lord Chancellor), Lord Aberdare (President of the Geographical Society), Sir Barnes Peacock, Sir Montague E. Smith and Sir Robert P. Collier.

“Mowat led off and took the rest of Tuesday and part of Wednesday – and had a pretty hard time of it. They and particularly the Chancellor criticized all the time and got him very confused and he lost the order of his argument. He made a poor case of it as well all thought. When he got through, Scoble took it up for Wednesday and part of Thursday. At conclusion of his argument the Committee required us to retire and when we returned stated that they saw four counsel on each side and their Lordships wished it understood that it was all one case and that only two would be heard on each side – this drove The Hon. David livid [?] – the expert as Mowat called him, and left it to McCarthy for us and Robinson for Dominion so that I [J?] McMahon &c are out – and so is Mr. Mowat’s other Counsel in Haldane.

“However what with references maps extracts and pages to get ready for reference and consultations every night and all day Sunday we have all we can do to see that everything is so brought out as to be understood and that nothing is missed. It will take McCarthy all day tomorrow and I think part of Tuesday -- if he takes up the balance of argument as well as he has up to this there will not be any left for Robinson. It is hard to say how the Committee are. They seem to have an opinion that the description in the Quebec Act ‘To the Banks of the Mississippi and thence Northward &c.’ means ‘the whole bank**s** of the Miss[issippi] i.e. as far as the banks go to its source and thence North. However what I think they will hold is that the height of land from Pigeon River up to Savann on C.P.R. and along it is the boundary, which will give Ontario Port Arthur and up to Savanne: that is my present impression before we have concluded our argument and I hope to have cabled you before this reaches you -- their decision. I have taken passage home for the 9th of August and if I get through this week will have 10 days for sight-seeing. For up to this time it has been constant work for both myself & Jukes. We could not have got on[,] McCarthy & Robinson say[,] without the latter, and I quite agree with them. I am wonderfully well pleased with McCarthy. At first I thought we would never get him & Robinson fully posted but now I am satisfied that no one could be better.

I am very much behind in Wpg news as I have not had time to go down & read the papers at the Govt offices but will do so in a few days & get posted.

I hope you are getting through the heated [term?]. We have had fearfully hot weather here. And everyone is on the lookout for ‘cholera’ but it will not get here before I leave I think.

We are having a full short hand report of all that Jukes placed before the Council so that you can see exactly what we do. It takes from 100 to 125 pages daily and you will have quite a book to read when I get back. Remember me to all & hoping to report successfully in a few days. Sincerely yours James A. Miller

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| G 8703 | C - 429 | Sept. 26, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man. | Brother Jack [Norquay, John] | County Court Clerk for County of Dennis. |

Dear Brother Jack I wrote to you some time ago anent the appointment of a county court clerk for the County of Dennis, recommending as reminding you that I suggested M. John Cain to the position. He is my Deputy as Registrar. I hear that Mr. F. Scarth is applying for the office. Under no circumstance have him appointed.

He has insulted our mother’s name. Will explain when I see you. I am well barring a bad cold. Write or telegraph whether the appointment is made. If Scarth appointed rescind have reasons. Your brother Tom

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| G 8703 | C - 430 | Dec. 9, 1884 | Letter | Archibald, Howell Hough & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sinclair to Hope. |

“We send you herewith discharge of mtge from yourself to Thos Sinclair which plese sign in presence of a witness & have the affidavit of execution sworn and return dischge to us. We have sent deed &c to Mr. James for completion…. [etc]

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| G8703 | C - 431 | Aug. 2, 1884 | Letter | Osborne, John, Secretary Manitoba Central Railway | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting of Bd. of Directors on 9 August. |

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| G 8703 | C - 432 | Aug. 15, 1884 | Letter | Woodworth, D.B. [M.P.] | Kentville, NS [?] | Norquay, John | Sask. Coal Mine. |

“My Dear Norquay Your letter kindly answering mine recd. Since then I have seen Geo Stephen Pres of CPR about the Company’s mine & he says he will see Van Horne & assures me the mine shall have fair play. So let me know from time to time how Egan is acting & we will see to him, & straighten him out. Sir John told me he heard a good many complaints of Egan’s arbitrary conduct & he shall not ------ ----- the interests of the pioneer coal mine that deserves so well at their hands.

Write me again prospects of mine & what the stock is now etc. I wrote Ashdown & he did not condescend to answer. Yours sincerely D. B Woodworth”

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| G 8703 | C - 433 | Nov. 15, 1884 | Letter | Strachan, J.K.,  Secretary Dom. Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of opening dinner being postponed. |

Ppd to 18th inst at 8:00

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| G 8703 | C - 434 | March 1, 1884 | Letter | Saunders, Bernard | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Parcel containing pants. |

We send the pair of trousers you ordered. ‘I went down to the train last Sunday mng expecting to meet you on your way up from Ottawa but found you had flown. I hope you found Mrs. Norquay better and the rest of the family well. We had a Winnipeg blizzard here yesterday. If you have any prospectus of your coal mine send me same down. I will try and put them in the right quarter for you. Kind regards, yours truly Bernard Saunders

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| G 8703 | C - 435 | March 1, 1884 | Receipt | Robinson, Jerry & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $2.10. |

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| G 8703 | C - 436 | 14 Jan. 1884 | Bank Slips & Envelope | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Money deposited Bank of Montreal. [Envelope damaged]. |

Credit Trust account J. Norquay $330.00

And credit Merchants’ Bank $250.00

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| G 8703 | C - 437 | April 1, 1884 | Letter | Setter, Colin C. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Sueing Alloway & Champion. |

Mr. Norquay Dear Sir I suppose that you were so Busy since Parliament opened that you could not write to me about what Mr. Brown knew about the case that I am about sueing [sic] Alloway & Champion for my lawyers seems to think that what Mr. Brown knows about the case is sufficient to convict them that is when they were willing to take the money from him Mr Brown told me himself once out at Gladstone last summer that we he said were going to settle it with them once so he did not say any more to me about it on account of the wagon coming up to where we were talking he was in a hurry. I am thinking of going out west But am [sic] not got anything to help me of[f] with[.] I have got nothing hear to do in the way to earn a little for my family support hoping you will do your Best for me as I am very very hard up. I remain yours truly

Colin C Setter

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| G 8703 | C - 439 | April 1884 | Receipt | Brown, William | Edinburgh, Scotland | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered. 14.6 Paid. |

2 Jan 1884 purchase of L Wallace’s Orkney 14s6p

Paid 19 Nov 1884.

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| G 8703 | C - 440 | Nov. 29, 1884 | Receipt | Richardson, Robert D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered. $3.80 Paid. |

1 Cornell’s Geog. $2.00; 18 sable brushes .70; drawing paper .20; 2 cornet brushes .10

1 vol Mrs. Hermens [?] poems .80 Total $3.80 Paid

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| G 8703 | C - 441 | Nov. 3, 1884 | Receipt | Richardson, Robt. D. | City (Winnipeg) | Miss Norquay | To amount of account rendered. $20.00 Paid. |

SPCK books – 13 copies of one, 5 of another, 1-2-3 of six other titles; 8 copies of 3 “juvenile” titles – a total of 22.05, but discount made this $20.00 Paid.

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| G 8703 | C - 442 | Dec. 4, 1884 | Letter | Cunningham, A.H. | St. Laurent, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: 300 rabbits. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay Mr. Wm Vincent called on me today and while chatting told me you enquired of him wanting about 300 rabbits.

And as I am out here this winter trading and have good fresh rabbits would like to supply you. I would sip [bungee] them to you from Reaburn station for the 10c a piece which he said you were willing to pay. Kindly let me know as earlie [sic] as possible. Yours respectfully A H Cunningham

Norquay wrote on the page: “I have already got all the rabbits I want & only paid 8c a piece for them”

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| G 8703 | C - 443 | Dec. 15, 1884 | Invitation | Steep, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Medical Students Dinner 19 December. |

Students’ Association annual dinner –Grand Union Hotel, 9:00 on 19 Dec.

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| G 8703 | C - 444 | Dec. 6, 1884 | Letter | Archibald, Howell Hough Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sinclair mortgage. |

“Re Sinclair We have received abstract of title from Mr. James & find that the mortgage from Thos. Sinclair is to you & not to Mr. Hope. Will you kindly say whether the deed is to be drawn up in your favor or in favour of Mr. Hope?

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| G 8703 | C - 445(a) | Nov. 22, 1884 | Letter | Merell & Ryan chemist | Saint Paul | Norquay, John | Re: Certificate of assay |

You, JN, requested Dennis Ryan of our firm to assay a sample of ore. Here it is.

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| G 8703 | C - 445(b) | Nov. 21, 1884 | Certificate | Lehnen, N. | Saint Paul | Ryan, Dennis | Certificate of assay. |

Assayed for Dennis Ryan: Galena ore Silver: 38 ¼ oz per ton

Value at $112 per oz. = $42.56

Lead: 60 percent

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| G 8703 | C - 445(c) | Dec. 10, 1884 | Letter | Fulsher, Fred | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking copy of assay on ore from Dennis Ryan  for Frank W. Robinson. |

To JN: “Please allow the bearer, Mr. Robinson, to copy the assay of ore that I gave you.”

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| G 8703 | C - 446 | Dec. 3, 1884 | Receipt | Killam & Haggart | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $40.00. |

JN in account with Killam & Haggart:

“Debit: to Re Harriet Johnson an Infant: Fees & disbursements issuing Half Breed order and preparing all necessary affidavits and deeds transferring lands from Harriet Johnson to you: $40.00

This is our bill.” Paid 5 Dec 1884

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| G 8703 | C - 447 | Dec. 1884 | Letter | Bain, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Thomas Sinclair's mortgage. |

“Thomas Sinclair of 29 High Bluff tells me that you are removing from his property a mortgage you hold as security for the conveyance by one of his children of certain other lands. If this is true, I would be glad if you could hurry the matter through, as he is owing me some monies, & is prevented from borrowing elsewhere & paying me by your mge.’

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| G 8703 | C - 448(a) | March 29, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Miller, D. | Re: Meeting of Saskatchewan Coal Co. Creditors. |

Mtg of creditors of SK Coal will be held on 3 April 1884 at 10:00 “to consider the affairs of the Company.”

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| G 8703 | C - 448(b) | April 2, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Mgr Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Expecting payment of a $3000 Sask. Coal Co. note. |

Received above letter from Klotz, and informed him that “the Bank will expect payment in full of the Coy’s note for $3000.00 – endorsed by yourself & others -- upon the day of maturity, 15th inst.”

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| G 8703 | C - 449 | Dec. 13, 1884 | Receipt | American Express Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for buf tongues. |

Received from JN, Wpg, destined for JN, Ottawa “Buf Tongues” value $2.00

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| G 8703 | C - 450 | Oct. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $15.50. Paid.  Receipt herewith. |

Sept: 2 shoes set .50; 2 shoe set .25; 4 shoes set 1.00 Account payable 13.75

Total $15.50 Paid.

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| G 8703 | C - 451 | n.d. 1884 | Memorandum |  | [No Location] |  | Memo of Address to British Association. |

3 handwritten [JN’s hand] pages. Presumably his speech of welcome -- Document begins:

“I thought it might be considered superfluous on my part to attempt to supplement the welcome extended to you by His Honor. I cannot but state on behalf of the people of the Province the gratification & honour they feel at the visit of this influential Association to this part of the Dominion. We rejoice to think that the latent resources of Canada evidences of which you do now possess will receive at your hands an impetus that will tend eventually towards their development. We fully appreciate the responsibilities of our position & the great task before us as a people of establishing order & settling the wider expanses of Canada and welcome with satisfaction your present visit especially at this juncture in our history when every effort is being put forth to secure access to the unsettled portions of our territory & we cannot but regard the presence of so influential an association in our midst as a good medium & potential factor through which much important information will be disseminated regarding our country & through which many prejudices regarding our soil our climate & capacity for affording homes to intending immigrants will be done away with. Offshoots of the mother country we cherish British institutions and British connections & it would appear most apt in the nature of things & peculiarly acceptable that the medium of scattering to the winds those prejudices whether in regard to our natural advantages or in regard to our sentiments of loyalty should be effected largely by an association which has the proud prefix of British as a distinguishing feature. We venture to hope that the knowledge gained of this portion of Her Majesty’s dominions will be disseminated by your body with a disinterestedness that will commend itself largely to those seeking homes on this side of the … [document ends, page or more missing]

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| G 8703 | C - 452 | Nov. 21, 1884 | Receipt | Clements, Geo. Merchant tailor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipted account for $50.00. |

9 March Suit for Thomas $38.00

10 May Suit for John Geo $33.00

Paid 8 July $50.00 Balance $21.00 Paid 24 November

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| G 8703 | C - 453 | Oct. 31, 1884 | Receipt | Banning, Dick & Co.lumber | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipted account for $50.00 leaving a balance of $86.00. |

Account owed $92.10; 2000 ft spruce siding = $44.00 Total $136.10

Paid 4 November on account: $50.00

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| G 8703 | C - 454 | Oct. 30, 1884 | Letter | Fisher, F.W. Dept of Public Works | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to endorse note for Mr. Brown. Done. |

“Will you please endorse the enclosed note for Mr. Brown. It is a renewal of one due on Monday the 3rd Nov with yours & Mr. La Riviere’s endorsation. I have taken time by the forelock in case you might be leaving.

PS I leave it with Mr. Pritchard & will come in if you wish to see me.”

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| G 8703 | C - 455 | Oct. 9, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man. | "Brother" [Norquay, John] | Re: the discharge of his duties. |

“Dear Brother Mr. Howard was here yesterday evening and most likely will report to you and the Government that I have been very derelict in my duties as Registrar.

I have to acknowledge that I have been, and must also say that Mr. Howard has been most kind and considerate towards me and whatever the outcome of his report may be I can have no other feelings but respect for him. In all or nearly all cases there I have not immediately attended to the parties the fees were not prepaid and as you know I was not obliged to attend thereto, more especially as I have been out of pocket when I had to pay the 10% to the Government. I have had a good talk today with my deputy, Mr. Cain and we are both to start in to the books in earnest. If you can do it give me a chance to have them posted before I send in my resignation. I have had a very bad cold for the last month and have not felt fit for anything but am thankful to say feel much better today. Think will be all right in a day or two. Kindest love & best wishes to Meetim and all the family. Your loving brother Tom”

[Additional page:]

“Strictly private Dear Jack: if possible I wish to hold this office for another quarter so as to have the books posted before I leave. If I resign I wish my deputy appointed to the office. Tom”

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| G 8703 | C - 456 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Letter | Luxton, W.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Political situation. |

Free Press stationery “My dear Norquay You really can form no idea of the strength of feeling here at present time on ‘Manitoba Rights,’ I will call it. A great deal is manifesting itself, but that is as nothing to what is so far latent. Purvis has arrived and last ev/g reported to the Council of the Farmers’ Union and not having attained anything by mission to Ottawa it was decided to call a convention for 5th prox. I am perfectly sure that unless you succeed in meantime in getting nearly all demands, not least, extension of boundaries, there will be a big time -- I believe a general uprising against Dominion. It is safe to say at least 90 p/c of population are in sympathy with most extreme policy that can be adopted. Nearly everybody is in entire sympathy with your reputed determined stand. Of course there are a few who would like to see you fail to give them a chance; but they are few indeed, and you but have to stick to your position, get your demands, or resent not getting them and you are a hero. An opposite course will be as certainly followed by opposite consequences. I am leaving for London Ont. This ev/g. But shall only be away about week or ten days. These are too anxious times to be away from ‘base of operations.’ Yours truly W.F. Luxton

PS: London address 464 King St.

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| G 8703 | C - 457 | Feb. 19, 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Telegram. Mrs. Norquay seriously ill. |

“Mother seriously ill no news today A. Norquay”

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| G 8703 | C - 458 | Feb. 21, 1884 | Telegram | Sutherland, W.R.D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Alick's condition. |

“Alicks condition scarcely satisfactory unchanged today he returns thanks”

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| G 8703 | C - 459 | Feb. 19, 1884 | Telegram | Wilson, Wesley | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania | Rowe, Amos | Asking how long Mr. N. will be in Ottawa. |

Wilson to Rowe: “How long will Mr Norquay remain in Ottawa yet answer”

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| G 8703 | C - 460 | Feb. 20, 1884 | Telegram | Young, D., M.D. | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Mrs. Norquay's condition. |

“Mrs. Norquay doing well your starting has good effect not slightest reason for anxiety D. Young”

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| G 8703 | C - 461 | Oct. 14, 1884 | Promissory  Note | Ross, Jas Notary public | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Promissory note $550.00 favor Geo Farrell. Paid. |

Wpg 11 July 1884 I JN will pay to S.W. Farrell in 3 months $550. Endorsed by SW Farrell, John McDonald, Manning & Co. Bank of Nova Scotia

14 Oct Bank of Nova Scotia, holders of promissory note, presented note, teller answered “no funds” – I (Jas A. Ross) protest.

**Note on bottom: “$250 pd. Nov 3”**

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| G 8703 | C - 462(a) | Nov. 20, 1884 | Letter | Nixon, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | McTavish, J.H. | Re: Mowat's claim. |

Nixon, CPR Western Division solicitor, to McTavish, CPR Land Commissioner

Re lots 83 & 90 (Thos Mowat) St. Andrews the amount due for Right of Way through said lots is $14.70 and a cheque for the amount has been waiting for Mowat for a long time but unfortunately for him there is an undischarged mortgage amounting to $600.00 an execution $282.72 and unpaid taxes for 1883.”

I told him Bannatyne & Co held an execution against him, plus the mortgage against one of the lots – if he solved both, he could have cheque. “Be good enough to explain this matter to Mr. Norquay. Yours truly Thomas Nixon”

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| G 8703 | C - 462(b) | Nov. 20, 1884 | Letter | McTavish, J.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mortgage on Mowat's land. |

Re your [JN] letter of yesterday, Mowat can’t give title to the CPR – due to mortgage and unpaid taxes. “Can anything else be done in the matter?”

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| G 8703 | C - 463 | May 23, 1884 | Letter | Boulton, G. D'Arcy | Toronto, Ont. | Van Horne | Re: addressed to Mr Van Horne re Boulton's indebtedness to Mr. Norquay |

Stationery of Northern & NorthWestern Railways, Toronto: “My dear Van Horne: As I knew Norquay long before we met in his room it was not necessary for him to try and make you responsible for my liabilities. I had overlooked my indebtedness to him and to calm his fears I now enclose my cheque for $49. I am under the impression that I am also a defaulter to you personally & if you will let me know how much I will remit. Yours sincerely G D’Arcy Boulton”

**Van Horne scrawls on bottom of letter**:

“Hon John Norquay – D’Arcy says that is a d---d piece of impertinence on your part. WCVH”

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| G 8703 | C - 464 | Nov. 10, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, Kate | St. Andrews, Man. | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Re: $500.00 mortgage on their place falling due on following month. |

“Dear Uncle I come to you for help as I know of no one else to go to. I never knew we were so near ruin as we are until yesterday when I came home Mr Sinclair told cousin Nancy to warn us in time that our place is mortgaged and the time will be up next month. What are we to do, do you think you could sell our grants for us so as to secure our home if they should sell as a disadvantage [sic] we don’t care My grant is in County of Lisgar Township No 14 Range 3 E prim Merdn Sec NW ¼ of 21 & E ½ of NE ¼ of 20 and Sarah Am in the County of Selkirk Township No 12 Range 8 E Princ’ Mern Section SW ¼ & N ½ of SE ¼ of 9. If you think you can sell them for us please write and let me know for we are in an awful fear, mamma is getting to look so miserable I don’t know what to think Have you hear from papa since he resigned his office Mamma has not got so much a one line [sic] Oh uncle do try and help us through I know you have lots of work of you own I cant best ask your aid. Your loving niece Kate Norquay

PS I think the place was mortgaged for $500 hundred” [this will be brother Tom’s family?]

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| G 8703 | C - 466 | Nov. 11, 1884 | Protest | Culver, W.H. notary public | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a $550.00 note made by S.W. Farrell gone to protest. |

To JN: Note dated 8 August 1884, in favor of you, payable 3 months, at Imperial Bank, endorsed by you, payment refused by Imperial Bank – note was today protested…

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| G 8703 | C - 467 | Nov. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Brown & Cablentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $32.25. |

16 Oct – 2 ties, sox, gloves, gloves, I doz hdfs, 1 P[?].L. Cap ($9) = total of 15.25

20 Oct – 1 OverCoat = $17 Total of 32.25

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| G 8703 | C - 468 | 1884 | Memorandum | Bedson, S.L., Warden | Stony Mountain, Man. |  | Re: Tripe. Newspaper clipping. |

A newspaper clipping – article on “tripe” – underlined by Bedson “Those who eat tripe are men who have had their stomachs play mean tricks on them, and they eat tripe to get even with their stomachs, and then they go and take a Turkish bash to sweat it out of the system.”

Bedson writes: “Shall I send you any more tripe?”

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| G 8703 | C - 469 | Dec. 3, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: King taking part in Civic Election at Emerson. |

Acknowledges receipt “of your private note of 2 inst. I was quite unaware that Mr. King had any predilection for the party mentioned. I have telegraphed him to come here by first train; in the meantime I have instructed him to take no part in the election matters. I must thank you very much for writing to me.”

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| G 8703 | C - 471 | Dec. 3, 1884 | Letter | Maxwell, Andy | Camille, [MB?] | Norquay, John | Relating the misfortune he met with while shooting rabbits. Replied 12 December. L.B. "D". Pages 178 & 179. |

“My Dear Mr. Norquay I am sure you will be sorry to hear that I shot off three of my fingers, after I got through threshing I went out to get a few rabbits about a mile behind my place. I had some good sport and got half a dozen in a few minutes, as I started for home I spied a rabbit a good piece away, and thought to have a long shot; there was some snow on my gun and I ran the back of my hand along when bang went the gun, at that moment the rabbit jumped in front of me and I let drive at him before I thought of my fingers, when I pulled by glove off the fingers were dangling about by pieces of tendon, I tried to cut them off but my knife was too blunt, so I picked up my game and gun and started for home, and arrived there with what was left of me all safe and sound, I then cut off the fingers tied up my hand and sent for the Doctor, up to this time I did not mind it so much, but the heat of the house started the bleeding and all I could do would not stop it, it bled away from 3 oclock in the afternoon till after 1 oclock in the morning when the Doctor came, Dr. Pennefather cut off the shattered bones and sewed them up, thenDr. Baldwin came two or three times and dressed it, after Dr. P took out the stitches it went all to pieces again, and a lot of powder [?] discharged from the inside and I tell you it was pretty painful.

I can see the end of the bond sticking out of one finger and the Dr. is trying to coax the flesh out over it, I have only the thumb [and] little finger and about an inch of the index finger left, but it takes me most all my time nursing even that much.

It will be a long time before I will be able to do any work with it I am afraid, and it is going to be a hard winter on me, but still it might have been worse.

I don’t often get off such a long string about myself but it seems like talking to you and you are the dearest old friend I ever had in the world, man it is wearying lying here day and night missing my paw, my poor old wife has had her hands full, feeding the horses and pigs, carrying wood and water attending to the young ones and the old one, and to make matters still more complicated, we are expecting a stranger about Xmas verily it never rains but it pours.

Dr. Pennefather tells me they intend inviting you out here for a hunt if you do come don’t fail to come and see me, and above all don’t shoot your fingers off, my little boy calls me Two fingered Mac, but it would hardly do to call the Premier two fingered Jack.

I am getting pretty tired so will have to wind up for just now, Hoping to hear from you, I Remain, Yours sincerely, Andy.

PS Kind regards to Mrs. Norquay and family – Andy

Send me a few sheets of note paper if you have them handy

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| G 8703 | C - 472 | Aug. 4, 1884 | Letter | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson, Man. | Norquay, John | The Royal Commission. |

Private and confidential people here “are satisfied with the Commission now, and have hopes that something good will come out of it. The expression is frequent here that a better man for the position than Mr. Leacock could not have been selected….”

But this is “a friendly warning…” We still have “a crank or two left.” I support Commission and the Govt – pay no attention to such suggestions – “kindly consult your friends here before acting.” [The crank may be “Tennant.”]

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| G 8703 | C - 473 | Monday 1884 | Letter | Allan, Capt. John | St. Andrews, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. for money. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I have a note for 60.00 due on the 24th inst at the Imperial Bank favour of Hunt & Dickson I wish you could let me have the balance of that old note still due by you $45.00 & we will call all the old poker debts square for the other $15.00 You will oblige me so much by doing this as these fellows will allow the note to go to protest if not paid and I cant manage to pay it I am broke for two months at least & if I can get this note paid I will be in a position later on in December to square up my other little indebtedness Please carry this through for me and I will write them to telephone your office least you might forget about it. I remain Yours truly John Allan”

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| G 8703 | C - 474 | Sept. 22, 1884 | Letter | R.Rupert’s Land, Bishop’s Court | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Isbister books. |

The books are arriving shortly – “Has a room been set apart for receiving them where they can be unpacked and examined?

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| G 8703 | C - 476 | Nov. 18, 1884 | Letter | Tennant, H., M.P. | Emerson West | Norquay, John | Civic election. |

Yours of 14th to hand, yes I’m involved in civic election here, but not as relates to Joe – I seek to “wrest the power from the present occupiers of the civic chair.” “My constituents on the west side of the river earnestly desire to have a change for they have never had the slightest consideration from the party at present in power…” indeed it has been the cause of setbacks – this is “distinctly not a party fight but a personal one, though Nash and Douglas are strenuously attempting to place false issue before the electors by proclaiming it such.” Forsythe, “an unmitigated ‘Grit’,” is in their camp, but many good Conservatives are not. Nash and Douglas didn’t note for Reeve of Franklin to give the election to “Dick the Grit” rather than Geo Allen. And they put up Jno Molloy (“a pronounced Grit) to beat Joe in his own ward at the last municipal election…”

In my case: “who brought out George Wild against me & gave him Government support? I did not blame you for it, but I knew from whence the shot came….I am a Conservative…”

I run a newspaper “on an absolutely independent course in politics…”

And “Let me add a parting shot: many of the fairest minded people here think it nothing less than a scandal that the bailiff, W. Williams, should be entrusted with the office of getting signatures to the Mayor’s requisition and perform the gratuitous office of principle [sic] detective of the words and movements of myself and friends.”

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| G 8703 | C - 477 | April 14, 1884 | Letter | Carruthers, W.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to look after his interest in Sask. Coal Co. during his absence. |

Enclose power of attorney and ask you to look after my interest during my absence. If certificates are signed and given out, make mine: 1 for 2 shares, 2 for 5 shares each, the balance in five or six equal parts. “One of the 5-share certificates I intend giving to Richardson a reporter on the ‘Sun’ I do not intend to acknowledge any of the certificates of the other Company notwithstanding Dr. Benson’s desire that I should do so…. I leave this morning for the mines to look after the Coy’s interest. As we have no representative there I think it advisable to go. I am also anxious to get out of the Town. I will send you a statement of all coal shipped & cash received &cc. It may be the means of ascertaining what has been done with our funds.”

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| G 8703 | C - 478 | Dec. 18, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note for $399.00 returned in favor of W.B. Scarth. |

Printed Form reads: Pay to the order of Federal Bank of Canada $399.00 value received and charge the same to account of -- J. Norquay (signature)

“To W.B. Scarth Toronto”

Letter: Dear Sir: According to arrangement I enclose you draft on W.B. Scarth for $399.00

Yours truly J Norquay

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| G 8703 | C - 479 | June 20, 1882 | Receipt | Watson, John | St. Peters | Monkman, James | His note for $90.00 paid by Mr. Norquay |

Printed form: particulars filled out: James Monkman St. Peters, Post Office: Peguis

What given for: 1 Ramsay Wagon Agent: Park Entd D,B,274

And the actual form: “Ayr Ontario, 20 June 1882: One 1 Jan 1883 I promise to pay John Watson Wpg, $90.00 [sgd]: Jas Monkman

On the back of this form: “Pay to Watson Mfg. Co. 1883 6 Feb:

received cash from Hon John Norquay $60.00

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| G 8703 | C - 480 | May 26, 1884 | Telegram | Setter, John Jas. Sheriff, W.J.D. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Court House site. |

“The Council have unanimously passed bylaw closing Duke Street for Court House site. The mayor will be down today. See my letter by today’s mail If Council meet today confirm site”

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| G 8703 | C - 481 | April 19, 1884 | Letter | Clements, Stephen Sheriff, W.J.D. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Assurances of support if election should take place. |

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| G 8703 | C - 482 | Oct. 1, 1883 | Letter | Allan, Capt. John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing certificates of stock for signature. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay Will you sign the stock certificates I send by bearer – five in number I should had had them signed on Thursday last but you were not to be found…. For transmission to England for Palmer.”

“S. B. Smith 10 No 45; Albert Hodgson 60 No 46; Thos Sinclair 120 No 47

2 Blanks 48 & 49

Signed by me today 1st Oct 83 JN” and with no explanation, on another side: “Campbell”

Additional page with note: “J.W. Harris Keewatin Mining stock signed by me today to extent of 3284 shares”

Another additional page: “Keewatin Stock: Edward Whyman 100; Frederick Munn: 25, 25, 25, 25

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| G 8703 | C - 483 | June 6, 1884 | Telegram | Macdonald, E. Chairman, Council | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking if Board can go on with buildings under by-law assented to. |

“Can Board go on with buildings under bylaw you assented to or is all that has been of no use anxious to know answer”

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| G 8703 | C - 484(a) | May 9, 1884 | Letter | Renwick, F.Mgr Federal Bank Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Brown, C.P. | Enclosing order for $1150 to Prov. Treas. Re grant to S.L. Bedson. |
| G 8703 | C - 484(b) | May 9, 1884 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Brown, C.P. | Re: $1150. |

Renwick writes Brown enclosing order from Bedson for $1150 “due us and I would earnestly request you to send me a cheque by our messenger as I have personally held the matter over as long as is in my power and Mr. Bedson has informed me that you would meet his and our needs and issue a cheque.”

Enclosure: to Provl Treasurer: “Please pay to the order of T. Renwick of Federal Bank” $1150.00 “on account of grant to the undersigned who will give required voucher when required.

[sgd] S.L. Bedson”

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| G 8703 | C - 485 | June 9, 1884 | Receipt | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | MacArthur, Boyle & Campbell | Cancelled note in favour of McArthur etc |

I promise to pay MacAthur etc $50.00 one month after date, interest @ 10%.

[sgd] J Norquay”

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| G 8703 | C - 486 | Jan. 1, 1884 July 1, 1884 | Receipts | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for annual subscription of $25.00. |

Two receipts – received from JN $12.50 on each occasion

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| G 8703 | C - 487 | May 9, 1884 | Letter | Mowat, O. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Dominion License Act. |

“private Attorney General of ON My dear Sir:

Under Dominion Act of last session c.32 – “power was taken to refer the question of the Dominion License Acts to the Supreme Court” and provinces could “become a party to the case” and be heard.

“It occurs to me that it would be for the common advantage of all the provinces that all should apply to be parties. The effect of this would be to take the matter as far as possible out of the arena of politics, and I believe all the provinces prefer dealing with the subject under their own provincial laws, instead of the subject being regulated by Dom. legislation. I should be glad to hear from you. Yours truly

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| G 8703 | C - 488 | Jan. 23, 1884 | Receipt | Spencer, G.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Account rendered by G.H. Spencer $311.75. Paid. |

29 days lodging and a huge consumption of drink, food, cigars, Appolinaris @.20 – 6 at once for example, 3 lunches and 3 dinners some days, oysters, rye and sauternes and St Julienne and brandy and pomeroy and Cappolinges[?], Irish whiskey, claret, flowers, cigarettes, black ducks, “drinks”, “Collins”

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| G 8703 | C - 489 | Jan. 2, 1884 | Letter | Johns, James T. | Ottawa, Ont. | LaRiviere, A.A.C. | Asking to be appointed Clerk Executive Council. |

Yours of 28th to hand. Glad to hear of membership of the Committee on the Internal Economy of the House [Brown, Murray, LaRiviere] -- could not be “more unanimous in my favor” – hope it will be favorable to my expectations

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| G 8703 | C - 490 | July 7, 1884 | Letter | Farrell, Mr. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Darlingford note. |

Stationery of Canada North West Land Co. Ltd [Cdn directors: D A Smith, A G Ramsay, E B Osler, W. B Scarth] “My dear Mr Norquay I have yours w note in Bank of Nova Scotia $650.

I have carried Dfd [Darlingford] until it has taken all my money, some $7000 – all my savings from my daily work, and now I am obliged to ask the other proprietors to come forward and help to carry it.

You know of course that I am not now connected with the NB Can Invt Coy, and, this of course places me in a worse position. I asked Mr. Taylor to renew the note, but he would not do so.

I shall call up tomorrow after I have seen him, and can find out what he will do.

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| G 8703 | C - 491 | May 26, 1884 | Telegram | Setter, John Jas. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Gov't placed in false position re: site. |

“Government placed in a false position re site. The impression is out that they will not accept any but between Main & McLenaghen Sts Please wire contradiction. John Jas Setter”

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| G 8703 | C - 492 | June 27, 1884 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: License inspector. |

“Please do not promise any appointment for License Inspector till you get my letter mailed this morning T. Mayne Daly Jr.”

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| G 8703 | C - 493 | June 23, 1884 | Letter | Fraser, James, Mayor | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Recommending A.McDougal of Pilot Mound for any position vacant in the gift of the Gov't. |

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| G 8703 | C - 494 | April 24, 1884 | Receipt | Hoare, Chas. S. Mgr., Impl Bank. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Note of $650.00 made by Mr. N. re: S.W. Farrell due 5th May 1884. |

Imperial Bank note made by you [JN] for $650, and due 5 May, and you are requested to provide for same

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| G 8703 | C - 495 | May 31, 1884 | Receipt | Andrews, Miss I. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $2.00. |

Miss Norquay bill

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| G 8703 | C - 496 | June 2, 1884 | Telegram | McDonald, John | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Court House site. |

“Mayor McDonald is assailed by our friends and foes and has after consultation among some of our friends come to the conclusion to leave court house site with your Government Would be good if the matter were decided as soon as possible John McDonald”

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| G 8703 | C - 497 | May 23, 1884 | Telegram | Tupper, J. Stewart | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. if he telegraphed Sir John as promised. |

Did you telegraph Sir John as promised? Please wire me St Louis Hotel quick copy of your telegram I leave for Quebec today three oclock J. Stewart Tupper”

On top of telegraph form: “Repeated this message to you on train to Wpg from St. Paul AWP”

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| G 8703 | C - 498 | July 31, 1884 | Receipt | MacArthur, Boyle & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) |  | Notice of a note falling due on 12 August. |

Your note for $50.90 due on 12 Aug”

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| G 8703 | C - 500 | July 30, 1884 | Telegram | Johnson, J. Commissioner of Customs | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Mr. Bowell absent. Mr. Pope says it is proposed to make the advance. |

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| G 8703 | C - 501 | July 31, 1884 | Telegram | White, F. | St. Patrick, Que. | Norquay, John | Re: Enclosure not received with letter. |

“No enclosure recd with your letter twenty second Please send the copy of report therein referred to. F. White”

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| G 8703 | C - 503 | July 26, 1884 | Telegram | Courtney, J.M. D.M. Finance | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Matter still before Gov`t. |

“matter still before Govt you had better communicate with Mr Bowell asking Minister of Finance I leave on Monday J M Courtenay”

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| G 8703 | C - 502 | July 28, 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Daly, T. Mayne | Copy. |

“Come tomorrow John Norquay”

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| G 8703 | C - 504 | July 26, 1884 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Telegram "I will be down Monday with other debentures & will close matters." |

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| G 8703 | C - 505 | July 9, 1884 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | "Council meets tomorrow night expect to close this week." |

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| G 8703 | C - 506 | July 23, 1884 | Telegram | Miller, James A. | London, England | Norquay, John | Committee draw line from N.W. angle. |

“Committee draw line from North West Angle north Dead against Hudson Bay Company having owned territory Miller”

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| G 8703 | C - 507 | July 23, 1884 | Telegram | Smith, W.P., Jr. Chief Inspector | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Pat Rigney prosecution. |

‘In what way I have not received instructions as to prosecute Pat Rigney but have ask the Board what to do in the matter W.P. Smith Jr Chief Inspector”

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| G 8703 | C - 508 | July 18, 1884 | Receipt | Blair & Larmour | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $26.03 & receipted. |

Re 28 Sept 1883: 1 Jacket 14.00; 1 gloves 1.75; s muslin , tape, wadding, silk, velvet, cord, silk

Making 8.00 total $26.03 Received payment 18 July 1884

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| G 8703 | C - 509 | May 31, 1884 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $12.00. Paid. |

Blacksmith: shoes and repairing cutter Sept/83 – May/84: $12.00 Paid

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| G 8703 | C - 510 | June 20, 1884 | Receipt | Clements, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $71.00. $50.00 paid on it. |

Suit for Thomas $38.10 9 March/84

Suit for John Geo. $33

Cash on a/c $50.00 8 July 1884 thus owe $21.00

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| G 8703 | C - 512 | July 14, 1884 | Telegram | Mawhinney, Isaac, M.P.P. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | "Black has done nothing. Yet will I have to come down. Answer" |

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| G 8703 |  | C - 513 | July 9, 1884 | Memorandum | Bank of Nova Scotia | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to attend to the $650.00 note. |

“Kindly attend at once to your dishonored note endorsed by S.W. Farrell & others $650 now overdue some days.

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| G 8703 | C - 514 | July 4, 1884 |  | Letter | Patton, F.L., Manager Federal Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking payment of $1500.00 Bedson payment this week. |

“Dear Sir If it is possible for the S.L. Bedson payment of $1500 to be made by the Government this week I shall be greatly obliged if you will forward me a check for this amount.”

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| G 8703 | C - 515 | July 2, 1884 | Receipt | Bannatyne & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $19.85. |

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| G 8703 | C - 517 | June 19, 1884 | Receipt | Wilson, Geo. | Altamonte, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $36.80. Paid. |

“Received payment in full Geo Wilson”

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| G 8703 | C - 518 | June 30, 1884 | Receipt | Dick & Banning | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $13.08. |

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| G 8703 | C - 519 | May 2, 1884 | Letter | Brown, Hon. C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Printed Notice of Mrs. B.'s funeral. |

“Died at Winnipeg on Thursday May 1st, Emma, beloved wife of the Hon. C.P. Brown, aged 30 years

Funeral from family residence, 80 Logan St., 3:00 pm, to Brookside Cemetery

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| G 8703 | C - 520 | April 9, 1884 | Letter | Moore, A.J., Secretary | Nelson, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing copy of a minute passed at a Public Meeting re: pressing upon Dom. Gov't. for redress of grievances set forth in the farmers bill of rights etc. |

No enclosure: “Sir: At a public meeting of a large number of farmers held near Nelson on the 8th ult the following resolution was passed, a copy of which I was desired to send to the Provincial Government:

Moved by Mr. Benjamin Leary seconded by Mr. Campbell, that this meeting urges upon the Provincial Government the necessity of pressing upon the Dominion Government for the redress of the grievances set forth in the farmers bill of rights & also that the Domn Govt should at once extend the boundaries of this Province to the Hudson’s Bay to enable our Government to charter & build a railroad to that point under Provincial control, & that Secretary of this meeting forward a copy of this resolution to the Provincial Government.

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| G 8703 | C - 521 | May 2, 1884 | Receipt | Wilcox, A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $75.00 Board. |

“Received from Hon Mr Norquay the sum of seventy five dollars in payment of board.

A.M. Wilcox [what is this, I wonder?]

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| G 8703 | C - 522 | March 14, 1884 | Telegram | Wilson, Wesley | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania | Norquay, John | "What is least sum that will prevent their closing in." |

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| G 8703 | C - 523 | 1884 | Price List | Douglas, A. & J. | Glasgow | Norquay, John | List of prices. |

Yarns and fancy wools, Shetland shawls and men’s socks, etc – Shetland agents

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| G 8703 | C - 524 | April 18, 1884 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. | Norquay | Norquay, John | The position of Public Analyst. Answered. |

“Dear Sir: I think under the circumstances I might reasonably have expected you would have informed me that Mr. J. E. Wright had been recommended for the post of public analyst and saved my applying to Sir John Macdonald for an appointment which was practically filled, on the recommendation of your Government. Yours truly J D [?] Pennefather

Written on text: “Answered: My dear Doctor” – no more written here

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| G 8703 | C - 525 | March 4, 1884 | Copy of Telegram | Colcleugh, James, Mayor | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | County Council meet re Registry. |

“County Council meets tomorrow to consider registry business James Colcleugh”

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| G 8703 | C - 526 | 1884 no date | Memorandum | JN scrawl? | Victoria Hall |  | Subjects to be discussed at Victoria Hall. |

“No 1 Enlargement

No 2 Acquisition of Lands with enlarged Boundaries

No 3 Co-equal rights with the other provinces This latter includes many items – No 3 will follow No 1 & 2 Victoria Hall K McKenzie”

[Probably JN’s own note on farmers’ mtg in Portage, Wpg, or Brandon?]

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| G 8703 | C - 528 | March 18, 1884 | Letter | Beaty, James, M.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Claimants for work done on Souris & Rocky Mountain Ry. |

“My Dear Mr Norquay: I received your letter as to claimants for work done on the Souris & Rocky Mountain Ry & all I have to say is that it is the intention of the Directors, it is my intention, that the new Company shall pay all the liabilities for work done on the Road. So far out of the first monies received on behalf of the Company all lawful claims of that character shall receive attention & especially claims for labour. Yours faithfully James Beaty”

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| G 8703 | C - 529 | April 12, 1884 | Telegram | Lawson, John P. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | "Sale on seventeenth under districts warrants issued by miners." |

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| G 8703 | C - 530 | March 31, 1884 | Receipt | Blair & Larmour | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of account $26.03. |

28 Sept 1883: Dry goods: jacket - $14 plus gloves, muslin, tape, wadding, silk, velvet, cord, silk – all for pennies each, plus “making $8.00” Total is $26.03

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| G 8703 | C - 531 | March 19, 1884 | Telegram | Macdonald, Sir John A. | Ottawa, Ont. | AAC LaRiviere | Re: Advance of $75,000.00 to lunatic asylum. |

“Private We will propose advance of seventy five thousand dollars in aid of lunatic asylum to be repaid on terms to be agreed on hereafter. You will get about eleven thousand on readjustment of subsidy say if this is satisfactory and if boundary will be attended to Prorogation in a few days. John A. Macdonald” [or is the date 9 March – this is a handwritten copy of the telegram]

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| G 8703 | C - 532 | April 5, 1884 | Telegram | Lawson, John P. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | "Court yesterday. Judgment to men, etc." |

“Major Shirtliff’s court yesterday Judgment to men with board bill paid sale after sixteenth particulars by mail”

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| G 8703 | C - 533 | March 24, 1884 | Postcard | Covert & Co. | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Receipted account for $32.50. |

JN enclosed money to “Lone Star Shirt Co” – fine dress shirts, collars, and cuffs – located in the Palmer House, Chicago

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| G 8703 | C - 534(a) | April 5, 1884 | Telegram | Wilson, Wesley | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania | Norquay, John | Letter & telegrams received. Funeral Monday. |

“Your letter and three telegrams received today funeral Monday after which will telegraph you further Wesley Wilson”

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| G 8703 | C - 534(b) | April 5, 1884 | Telegram | Lawson, J.P. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Saw Egan cannot sell coal, etc. |

“Saw Egan Cannot sell coal men starving send money to supply boarding house JP Lawson”

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| G 8703 | C - 535 | April 4, 1884 | Telegram | Sheriff Chapleau | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | "Nothing will be sold, etc." |

“nothing will be sold as requested I write you tonight Sheriff Chapleau”

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| G 8703 | C - 536 | April 3, 1884 | Telegram | Lawson, John P. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Executions issued sale on Monday. |

“Two executions issued by Waterous for thirty five hundred dollars Sale on Monday the 7th better communicate with Sheriff Chapleau Regina let me know result JP Lawson”

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| G 8703 | C - 534(a) | April 5, 1884 | Telegram | Wilson, Wesley | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania | Norquay, John | Letter & telegrams received. Funeral Monday. |

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| G 8703 | C - 535 | April 4, 1884 | Telegram | Sheriff Chapleau | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | "Nothing will be sold, etc." |

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| G 8703 | C - 537 | March 1, 1884 | Receipt | Hargrave, J.G grocer, coal | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account for coal $4.67. |

31 Dec. “to 935 Coal $4.67

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| G 8703 | C - 538 | March 1884 | Receipt | Pyke, M.M. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Account for $1.10. |

Washing in Ottawa laundry in Feb – paid in March

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| G 8703 | C - 539 | March 16, 1884 | Receipt | Wellband, William | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Account for $8.50. |

23 Nov/83 – 1 pr dress shoes $7.00, 1 boots repaired 1.50 paid.

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| G 8703 | C - 540 | March 22, 1884 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob, Secretary Sask. Coal Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to come to settlement with Waterous. |

“My dear Norquay Come to settlement & definite conclusion with Waterous, if it is impossible to get more interest on stock out of him, or a reduction on his demands for stock accede to his demands & have this matter ended.

“Try and secure something extra for me, similar to the offer made to yourself by Waterous. Yours truly”

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| G 8703 | C - 541 | March 9, 1884 | Receipt | Holland, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Account for tuning & adjusting piano $6 |

Nov/1883: $1.00 paid, $5.00 still owed

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| G 8703 | C - 542(a) | March 19, 1884 | Letter | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Old bill of rights [Riel 1869] |

“My dear Mr. Norquay Mr Turner has just handed me your letter asking for the old Bill of Rights. I am sorry that I do not have it by me here as I would have been very glad to let you have it. There are two of these Bills, one that was drawn up by the French & English in the old Court House on the 1st Dec. 1869, and another drawn up afterwards by Riel & his Government. There is a copy of the last Bill of Rights the one you ask for and printed in English amongst Mr. Bannatyne’s papers. Mr McKilligan I think would let you have that one. If you had asked me yesterday I could have had a copy ready for you. Yours in haste, Jas Taylor”

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| G 8703 | C - 542(b) | March 22, 1884 | Letter | Wickson, A. Acting Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Advising Mr. Knight has paid on account his note $186.51. |

Knight paid on a/c his note $186.51. “Of this sum I have applied $6.20 to extinguish the balance of the note due to the Bank, and have placed $180.31 to the credit of you’re a/c here.”

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| G 8703 | C - 543 | March 18, 1884 | Telegram | Young, Dr. | Selkirk, MB. | Norquay, John | "Need not send Dr. Codd unless you hear from me. D. Young” |

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| G 8703 | C - 544 | March 18, 1884 | Telegram | Ross, A.W. | Ottawa, Ont. | Rowe, Amos | Re: Gov't. giving up annual subsidy of $45,000 for odd sections. |

“Will government give up annual subsidy forty five thousand for odd sections A.W. Ross”

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| G 8703 | C - 545 | April 16, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Overdue note of Sask. Coal Co. |

“I beg to call your attention to the dishonored note of the [SCMTCo] endorsed by yourself and others and protested for nonpayment yesterday. I am extremely desirous of getting this paid at once. I would have taken a renewal for a few days pending settlement with Bell Lewis Yates & Co but the note offered to me yesterday lacked one of the names and this of course rendered it impossible for me to take it. It is extremely inconvenient to hold this note in an overdue shape. Yours truly…”

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| G 8703 | C - 546 | April 14, 1884 | Letter | Fraser, James, Mayor | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Municipal Act. |

“Hon John Norquay I see you are having a holy time over the Municipality Act. I think you should not submit to having it abolished it will work all right through time by having some amendments. There was just as much opposition to the present municipal system when it was first introduced….”

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| G 8703 | C - 547 | April 15, 1884 | Protest | Carey, Eugene D. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Norquay, John | Notice of a Sask. Coal Co. note of $3000.00 gone to protest. |

Promissory note dated 1 March 1884 for $3000 made by SK Coal to order of Amos Rowe – due one month at Merchants Bank, endorsed by Rose, Klotz, Benson, Carruthers, and you – payment refused, said bill now protested.

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| G 8703 | C - 548 | April 14, 1884 | Telegram 10:30 | Ashdown, J.H. | Poplar Point, Man. | Norquay, John | "Lewis Carruthers & Waterous on train rearrange events." |

“Lewis Carruthers and Waterous man board train. Your arrangements seem to have fallen through What is present position Answer immediately J.H. Ashdown”

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| G 8703 | C - 549 | April 14, 1884 | Telegram  11:30 | Ashdown, J.H. | Baget, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Judgment against Sask. Coal Co. |

“Letter Macdonald got unsatisfactory Lewis upset by Renwick saying must be paid five thousand Judgment and merely goes because promised and awaits advise from Walsh before acting Answer J.H.Ashdown”

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| G 8703 | C - 551 | Feb. 28, 1884 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Hudson Bay Ry. |

“Hugh Sutherland persuaded Government he can float scheme and got them almost to refuse extension other members fooled by him. He is gone to Montreal. Tell MacArthur wire warning there. Ed P Leacock Collect”

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| G 8703 | C - 552 | Feb. 22, 1884 11:32 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John Queen’s Hotel | "Ross & I saw Stephen." |

“Ross & I saw Stephen last night they see chief this morning quite a talk over your leaving Ed P. Leacock”

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| G 8703 | C - 553 | Feb. 22, 1884 4:50 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John Queens Hotel | "Saw Popes approve of Ross telegram." |

“I saw Pope approve Ross telegram but if I were you I would answer Pope’s to you asking for some assurance as is wired in it E.P. Leacock”

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| G 8703 | C - 554 | March 5, 1884 20:10 nite | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking to be made aware of any steps taken by Gov't. |

“Let me know any movements that may affect future developments Funny reports in circulation You know I should understand matters J.E. Woodworth”

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| G 8703 | C - 556 | Feb. 29, ?28?]1884 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | "Railway bill passed 3rd reading." |

“Railway bill passed third reading. Leacock left. What can I do for you here? When will your house meet JE Woodworth”

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| G 8703 | C - 562 | March 8, 1884 | Telegram | Colcleugh, James | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Public meeting re: Hudson Bay Ry. |

“Public meeting here Monday evening Hudson Bay Railway You are invited to attend can you come”

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| G 8703 | C - 563 | March 14, 1884 | Telegram | Colcleugh, James | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Copy of resolution passed re: A.W. Ross, M.P. |

“Resolved that this meeting express unqualified approval of the conduct of the Hon Jno Norquay Premier of this Province on the occasion of his late visit to Ottawa in the interest of this province to obtain better terms & would also embrace this opportunity to express their approval of the conduct of A W Ross Esq Member of Parliament for the County of Lisgar & tender to him their sincere thanks for the assistance and support rendered to the Hon Jno Norquay on his late mission to Ottawa Yes Wired Ross morning following meeting here Gilhurly [?]

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| G 8703 | C - 564 | Feb. 22, 1884 | Telegram | Brown, Hon. C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Sutherland about the same. |

“Sutherland about the same nothing new from Mrs Norquay When will you be in St Paul C P Brown”

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| G 8703 | C - 565 | Feb. 25, 1884 | Telegram | Brown, Hon. C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking what train Mr. N. on and what time he will arrive here. |

To JN at Merchants House “What train are you on when will you arrive here and via which road C P Brown”

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| G 8703 | C - 566 | Feb. 24, 1884 | Telegram | Brown, Hon. C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | "News from family favorable. Sutherland no better." |

JN at “Palmer House or enroute St Paul via C M & St P Last night news from family favorable Sutherland no better intend meeting you Merchants St Paul not sure C P Brown”

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| G 8703 | C - 567 | Feb. 22, 1884 | Telegram | Mulvey, S. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. what he has succeeded in obtaining from Fed. Gov't. |

“Have you succeeded in obtaining extension of boundary & control of public lands If not have you declined acceptance of any terms that might imply consent with less than the just demand of this province. Answer quick Meeting tonight S Mulvey Chairman of Committee”

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| G 8703 | C - 568 | Jan. 10, 1884 | Telegram | Pugh, R.H. | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Re: Sask. Coal mine. |

“Will you extend time to enable practical capitalist inspect mines answer R.H. Pugh”

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| G 8703 | C - 569 | Feb. 28, 1884 | Telegram | Amos Rowe | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Did you do anything in Toronto or Chicago with me &c |

“Did you do anything in Toronto or Chicago With me answer Amos Rowe [?]

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| G 8703 | C - 570 | March 6, 1884 | Telegram | Galt, A.T [S?]. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Secession resolutions and preventing the same. |

“Private Understand Secession resolutions are under discussion at Winnipeg. Meeting cannot fail to injure most seriously North West interests in England. Pray exert your influence against such an action. A.T. Galt [A.S?]

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| G 8703 | C - 571 | March 5, 1884 | Telegram | Macdonald, Sir John A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | "Endeavor to arrange for amalgamation of companies. |

“Endeavour to arrange for amalgamation of companies on terms satisfactory to you as to representation on Board & otherwise John A Macdonald” [HBR? SK Coal? NW Central Rly?]

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| G 8703 | C - 572 | March 5, 1884 | Telegram | Crawford, Wm. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Taking Greenway into cabinet. |

“Report here says you are going to take Greenway into Cabinet and go to the Country Is it true Answer Wm Crawford”

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| G 8703 | C - 573 | March 1, 1884 | Telegram | Nash, W. Hill | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: Expecting Mr. N. down by morning train. |

“Expect you Tuesday come down morning train to Gretna Will meet you with team answer W. Hill Nash”

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| G 8703 | C - 574 | Dec. 20, 1884 [?] | Telegram | Tilley, Sir S.L. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Former order for $10,000 lapsed & parliamentary authority must be obtained. |

“The former rate for ten thousand dollars unfortunately lapsed and the recent Order of Council provided for its payment as soon as parliamentary authority has been obtained We must await that authority

S.L. Tilley”

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| G 8703 | C - 575 | Feb. 25, 1884 | Telegram | Ham, Geo. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John Merchants Hotel | Re: Writing out interview with himself & sending to "Times". |

“Strong feeling here in your favor write out interview with yourself & telegraph it to the Times if not able to tonight write it on cars & send from some station Early as possible Geo. H. Ham”

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| G 8703 | C - 576 | Dec. 29, 1884 | Letter & Ticket | Langridge, W.R. Secretary, N.W. Com. Trav. Assoc. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to their annual dinner on 2nd January 1885. $2.00 – but Complimentary ticket  Acknowledged. See L.B. "D" p190. |

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| G 8703 | C - 577 | Dec. 30, 1884 | Invitation | Man. Medical College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Conversazione on 5th January 1885. No action taken as I did not know who was Secretary of Faculty. |

Regrets sent on 31 Dec./84 – This was on opening of the new College, corner of Kate and McDermott

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| G 8703 | C - 578 | Dec. 1884 | Invitation | Baruyck, F.D. Hon Secretary Lib.-Cons. Party of Ont | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | To attend a banquet to J.A. Macd. On 18 December in Pavilion, Horticultural Gardens, Toronto. Telegraphed Mr. N. at Toronto we had invitation to banquet for him here. |

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| G 8703 | C - 579 | Dec. 12, 1884 | Invitation | Werthing, Louis Pres. Hanuccah Ball. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To attend same. Acknowledged receipt. Sent regrets See L.B. "D" p176. Jews |

“First Grand Annual Hanuccah Ball for the benefit of the Synagogue Congregation – Sons of Israel, Wed. 17 Dec. 1884 at the New Oddfellows’ Hall $2.00 commencing at 9:00 pm

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| G 8703 | C - 580 | Dec. 10, 1884 | Invitation | Brown, R.C. et al Masonic Fraternity, Portage | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Festival of St. John Evangest 6th Ann. Ball. See L.B. "D" p175. Regrets |

$2.50 “Italian String Band will be in attendance”

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| G 8703 | C - 581 | Feb. 9, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Sask. Coal Co. mine. Replied 11 February. See L.B. "E" p193. |

“Private: Dear Norquay I write you in confidence and as your friend & you mine.

I have tried to assist the Sask Coal Co in every way possible imparcially [sic] but my advice has been wholly ignored…” They could have been profitable “but to the contra the Company advised wholly by Ashdown with the cooperation of Shary [?] & McKeand will run the business to a worse confusion than ever before ….it is a pity a business of that magnitude should be murdered thus. Now take my advice and when everything is seemingly prosperous sell your interest in the Company every dollars worth [sic]& get clear of every liability possible and let in fall on the proper heads your [sic] not to blame fo those present errors….Ashdown is a bad egg I will explain….Success to Hamilton’s election he is my choice Yours …J E Woodworth”

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| G 8703 | C - 582 | Feb. 4, 1885 | Bond Prospectus | N.W. Central Rwy. Co. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Confidential circular. No action. |

Dr. James Beaty Pres.; L A Billy MP Rimouski VPres; John Norquay; Robert Hay Toronto; Robert Beaty Toronto; L J Riopel MP Quebec; D B Woodworth MP Kentville NS; Warring Kennedy Toronto

To build 400 miles from Sydney on the CPR to Battleford, with free grant of land 6,400 acres per mile = 2,560,000 acres worth from $3 to $10 per acre; Bonds $25,000 per mile -- 400 miles = $10 Million. $3,000,000 now for sale/

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| G 8703 | C - 583 | Feb. 9, 1885 | Receipt | Br. Can. Loan & Invstmnt Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Receipt for $125.35 on account of interest due on mortgage. No action. |

Received from JN $125.35 re mortgage No M.111 made by him to the Company

Interest due 1 Dec 1884, on $2500 of Principal overdue

Now overdue interest balance of $2.00

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| G 8703 | C - 584 | Feb. 12, 1885 | Letter | Halloway, A., Sec-Treas, St. Georges Snow Shoe Club. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. that the club has appointed him an honorary life member. Replied 13 February. See L.B. "E" p 206. |

“I am also requested to say that the Members express the wish that you may long continue to attend our gatherings.”

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| G 8703 | C - 585 | Feb. 9, 1885 | Letter | Taylor, H.J., Pres. Mountain Conservative Assoc. | Crystal City | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. a Cons. Assoc. for electoral Division of Mountain has been formed. Replied 11 February See L.B. "E" p195. |

“…over one year ago we formed at Crystal City a Conservative Association for the electoral division of Mountain and that the Association has now nearly one hundred members.

At the annual mtg in CC in Feb 1885 we decided to draft petition “to be sent to the Dominion Government praying that they would consider the great worth of Railway facilities through our country south of Rock Lake. And asking that when the extension Railways in the Northwest Territories is being considered this section of the country will receive due consideration.”

Very many settlers in this area “are already deeply in debt with farms mortgage. Owing to the low prices of grain, the distance from market, and the expense of living they are not only unable to pay of this debt but on the contrary are becoming every day more deeply involved. Some of our best settlers who obtained their patents have left the country and their lands are vacant. Others intend to go as soon as they can do so, and we feel that unless something is done at once to relieve this part of Manitoba it will lose many of its best settlers; and the remaining ones will be those that are in debt, and discontented, and discouraged….” [farm protest]

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| G 8703 | C - 586 | Jan. 16, 1885 | Letter | Tomlinson, R.H., Manager B.C.L. & Inv. Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Arrears on mortgage held by them against Mr. N.'s property and asking for an interview at the "Queens", Toronto. Replied 31 January 1885.. See L.B. "E"p157. |

Br Cdn Loan and Investment Co – I wrote you in reply to your letter” respecting the arrears on your mortgage – I see you are at the Queen’s here in Toronto – can we meet “where we could discuss the matter.”

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| G 8703 | C - 587 | Feb. 3, 1885 | Postcard | Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of goods leaving Blue Island consigned to Mr. N. No action required. |

Office of the General NW Agent 400 Main St Wpg: “…shipment mentioned below, consigned to you, was delivered to Blue Island [rail car?] Jan 29, Car 1188c: 1 Qrt C[?] Spirits”

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| G 8703 | C - 588 | Feb. 16, 1885 | Letter | Reed, W.A. Master Mechanic, CPR | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. N.'s son working in shops. Replied 19 February. See L.B. "D" p215. |

“Dear Sir Your son was on hand this a.m. and I find that he is not equipped with proper clothing for working in the Machine Shop. Please have him furnished with same.

“He will commence at small machines in the Machine shop, and will work his way up through all the machines, to the lathe. It entirely depends upon himself, as to time and promotion, if he gives his mind to Mechanical work, and attends the drawing classes, which are held twice a week in the library, there is no doubt a to his being able to obtain all information required for the making of a mechanic. At the same time he is not to be afraid of work….”

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| G 8703 | C - 589 | Jan. 30, 1885 | Letter | Fisher, F.W. Public Works Office | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | I enclose note of $1000.00 for your signature. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

I enclose note – will you kindly sign it -- “and let me have by tomorrow, as it is statement day with the Bank & they are urging its arrangement. I regret to hear of your indisposition & hope it will not be for long.” Fisher, for C P Brown

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| G 8703 | C - 590(a) | Jan. 29, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. Warden Penitentiary | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing letter from Fred White re: Jack Allan. Wrote Fred White 30 January. See L.B. "E" p142. |

Bedson: “My dear Norquay” – see letter from Fred White – even if force is not increased, 2 inspectors “will have to go” – so get promise of one or other, and Jack Allan “will be safe in a short time.

“I returned from the Portage last night and drove direct home. The matter between Setter and the Gaoler was a small matter. It was simply that Moss refused to take charge of an Indian woman cleaning out the offices and subsequently regretted it and did so…. I merely reprimanded him sharply – poor devil he thought he was to be hung….

“I send you tripe and moose meat today.”

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| G 8703 | C - 590(b) | Jan. 22, 1885 | Letter | White, Fred | Ottawa, Ont. | Bedson, S.L. | Re: John Allan |

“My dear Bedson I have your note respecting John Allan….” I’ll do all I can for him – but many applicants, no vacancies right now…

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| G 8703 | C - 591 | Jan. 21, 1885 | Letter | McOuat SecTreasurer School Board | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to be present at opening of the new school house on 22 January 1885 & formally open same.Replied 31 January. See L.B. "E" p 161. |

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| G 8703 | C - 592 | Jan. 14, 1885 | Letter | Crerar, John Barrister | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | In case W.J.D. for County Court purposes is changed &appointment of another Judge is thought of would Mr. N. remember him. Replied 31 January. See L.B. "E" p159. |

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| G 8703 | C - 593 | Jan. 21, 1885 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Welcoming Mr. N. home. Re: Municipal Act & asking Mr. N. to come over and see him as he is ill in bed. Replied 31 January. See L.B. "E" p154. |

Sorry can’t meet you at the station and welcome you back after your long absence – “I have been in bed for nearly three weeks…” Anxious about Ottawa news. Will be in court house tomorrow, “as the case of McLaren and myself is just coming on.”

“You will find that the question in re the Municipal and Judicial District Acts is lmore lively even than it was last year. I am getting several letters every mail from my constituents about it, and I believe it is the same all over the Province. There will have to be a great deal done to modify the acts, and the make the working less costly….”

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| G 8703 | C - 594 | Feb. 2, 1885 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account for January & December $6.00.Paid receipt herewith. |

Dec 6, 9, 11, Jan 2, 10, 31: Repair cutter, set 4 shoes, 2 bolts for buggy, 4 shoes, repair cutter pole

Paid $6.

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| G 8703 | C - 595 | Jan. 31, 1885 | Receipt | Miller, D., Mgr Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of discounting for C.P.Brown. Mr. N.'s note for $1000.00. No action. |

To JN: we have discounted for C P Brown your note for $1000 due on 9 March 1885

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| G 8703 | C - 596 | Jan. 12, 1885 | Letter | Scott, William | Rapid City | Norquay, John | Redistribution of seats. Replied 30 January. See L.B. "E" p151. |

If you split Minnedosa riding on north-south lines, I can carry the south. “I will pledge myself to support you in any Government measure that may come up, but will canvass the riding as an Independent.

If you split it “the other way” then Conservative cause is hopeless – will lose both Harrison’s seat and the other.

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| G 8703 | C - 597 | Jan. 23, 1885 | Letter | Manvel, A. Gnl Manager St. Paul M. & M. Ry. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Enclosing annual pass a/1034. Acknowledged 30 January. See L.B. "E" p148. |

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| G 8703 | C - 598 | Jan. 24, 1885 | Postcard | American Express Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of goods having arrived at Mr. N.'s address. Mr. Nursey got this. |

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| G 8703 | C - 599 | April 7, 1885 | Letter | Frankland, Thomas Dep. Registrar | Stonewall, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing Q.B.Order and deed from Johnson. |

Rockwood Registry Office stationery – I send Order B.R. and Deed from Johnson, both of which have been registered as requested by you April 6th.

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| G 8703 | C - 600 | April 10, 1885 | Letter | Sutherland, W.R.D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Health Act Amendments. |

Wants JN’s attention to amendments “in order that I may commence at once with the organization of the Dept…”

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| G 8703 | C - 601 | April 10, 1885 | Letter | Peebles, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Sword belts. |

Sword belts for officers – none in store.

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| G 8703 | C - 602 | April 15, 1885 | Letter | Paisley, James R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of Pioneer Mining Co. at 10 o'clock 15th. at American Hotel |

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| G 8703 | C - 603 | April 6, 1885 | Letter | Walker, D.M. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Mr. Leask & the Dept. of A.S.& H. |

“Private Mr Dear Norquay Do hear Leask out – he’s a good man and should remain in the office of issuer of marriage licenses “… You see I still have an eye for your future in all parts of the province.”

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| G 8703 | C - 604 | April 4, 1885 | Letter | George  [Geordie Adams?] | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Friendly note. Congratulations of Terms, etc. |

“[sic] Portage la Prairie: Der John I am trying to scrible a few lines to let know that we are only in midling helth at present. I am geting over a bad cold Mary has not been this while past she fels bad since hearing the news from Batleford.

Hoping these few lines will find you all in good helth We did not get a word from West latly. If you got any word from Charley [Adams?] we would like to hear We herd that Andrew Spence Robi and some of the Pachas [Pocha?] are with Riel

You must be very busy at present In reading the papers last week I felt proud to see that there is another native coming to the front

I congratulat McBeth and I congratulat your Government in having so promising a young man

Thomas Sinclair asked me to write to you and ask you if you could help him as he is in a bad possision The mortgage on his place will be closed if he don’t pay the int and also the mortgage on all his stock

The int now required would amt to about $200

Wishing you all well Yours ever faithful Geodie [?]

I hop you will be able to come and visit when you get throu the sesson I would like you would spend an evening with us”

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| G 8703 | C - 605 | April 6, 1885 | Letter | Strickland, S.G. General Agent Man. & N.W.T. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing annual passes over St. P. M. & D. Ry. |

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, and Chicago & North-Western Railways:

10 William St Winnipeg Enclose annual passes over both lines – hope you will try our line from Saint Paul to Chicago “which I think you will find second to none.”

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| G 8703 | C - 606 | April 8, 1885 | Letter | Shorey, S.O. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing Petition of S.C. & T. Co. |

Dear Mr Norquay Herewith I send you the petition of the Saskatchewan Coal Co. Mr Ashdown and I were talking about the probable attitude of Mr Woodworth in the matter and we decided to say to him that if he would support the application & say that he was not now connected with the Co in any way, but had been, and knew all the difficulties we had labored under, money spent etc and the herculean efforts made to give the people of Manitoba cheap fuel that we would consider his application for remuneration for services which he claims. We do not wish to say so in so many words, but hint to him that it would be best that he should as I may not see him. Will you kindly speak to him on the subject. Yours faithfully S.O. Shorey

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| G 8703 | C - 607 | April 6, 1885 | Letter | Bell, Robert | Rockwood MB | Norquay, John | Voting openly or by ballot & enclosing some  suggestions as to the same. |

Dear Sir” recently the Times spoke of a voter option, open ballot or secret ballot. FP now opposes that approach. Luxton once supported it.

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| G 8703 | C - 608 | April 5, 1885 | Letter | Ham, Geo. | Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Doings at the Front. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay I feel it my duty to drop you word of the terrible experiences we are undergoing. Thank God – and Major General Bedson – we are here, and although a hostile herd and a dire drought prevail, we are safe. The first deadly peril we encountered was this morning, when we attacked breakfast without a matutinal cocktail. But notwithstanding the great disadvantage we were under, we met the enemy boldly and manfully and we are his. I don’t take a drink very frequently. Circumstances over which I have no control, prevent me. What this contingent lacks, however, is clubs and a few copies of Acton Burrows crop reports. With the latter we can capture the enemy. With the former we can beat the troops. If you can’t send the clubs, forward a little coal oil, & oblige yours eternally, Geo H. Ham”

On the reverse are the printed “Instructions to Depot Clerks” of the North-West Field Force from Major-General Middleton and Chief Transport Officer S.L. Bedson. Ham has carefully stroked out various words, replacing “Transport Station” with Poker Station, “map” with flask, “supplies” with drinks or liquor.

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| G 8703 | C - 609 | April 3, 1885 | Letter | Carling, John, Postmaster General | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. W.P.R. Street, Q.C. of London Ont, Chairman of the Coms. to look into Half-Breed Claims. |

“My dear Norquay Permit me to introduce to you Mr. … “who goes to the North West as Chairman of the Commission appointed by the Dominion Government to look into and adjust the Half-Breed claims. Mr. Street is very highly esteemed by all who have the pleasure of his acquaintance and is a particular and personal friend of my own….”

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| G 8703 | C - 610 | March 31, 1885 | Receipt | Montgomery, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $20.00. |

Winnipeg Hotel Please remit $20.

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| G 8703 | C - 611 | April 1, 1885 | Receipt | Forrest, C.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $2.00. |

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| G 8703 | C - 612 | March 20, 1885 | Letter | Bengough, Thomas & Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Stating they are about to publish a print of leading  cons. of country. |

“Would you kindly send us your autograph and inform us where we can obtain the best portrait of yourself.” “stationery reads: W.M. Bengough Lithographic Artist and Illustrator”

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| G 8703 | C - 613(a) | March 17, 1885 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Paterson, G.W. | Re: Patent. |

From JN: “Sir I understand a patent awaits my application for the S ½ of N ½ LS 9 & 10 Sec 20 Twp 12 R 6 East. I presume this is a wood lot I bought some time ago please send the same to me….”

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| G 8703 | C - 613(b) | March 28, 1885 | Letter | Paterson, G.W. Dept of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Patent |

“There is in office a Patent for the same numbers L.S. as you mention but of Sec. 19 of same T/R. Did you make a mistake? A Patent is also on hand for Sec 31-6-2 W. If this is yours make appn for it.”

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| G 8703 | C - 614 | April 1, 1885 | Letter | Lewis & Kirby Insurance Agents | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Premium on house. |

Your policy in the Caledonian Insurance Co for $1200 on your house expires on 13 April, Premium is $12.00

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| G 8703 | C - 615 | March 2, 1885 | Receipt | B. & M. Saunders | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $169.00. |

Please send us $169.00 on your account.

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| G 8703 | C - 617 | March 31, 1885 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of account $33.25. |

Tailors: 1 Feb – account = 17.25; plus 24 Feb 1 Suit & gloves $36.00;

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| G 8703 | C - 618 | March 16, 1885 | Letter | Hagel, N.F. barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Time he will meet Mr. N. |

“My Dear Rennie I can see Mr. Norquay any this this afternoon. I have just got out of court for the day. I have telephoned as well.” Scrawled on note: “8 p.m. tonight”

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| G 8703 | C - 619 | March 9, 1885 | Letter | Costigan, Hon. Jno. Private | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for a cheque of $60.00. |

“My Dear Norquay Will you kindly send me your check for $60.00 as I am obliged to raise money to meet a large note on the 17th. I congratulate you on result of the election. I understand Wright took hold and worked well. Yours very truly John Costigan [MP – Minister of Inland Revenue stationery]

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| G 8703 | C - 620 | March 17, 1885 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Acknowledge receipt of letter & suggesting a small committee to wait upon Mr. N. |

Stationery of “Office of Canadian Pacific Railway Townsite Trustees 181 Main St Winnipeg”

“My dear Norquay I was glad to get your note today. Your views are exactly my own. I have called the Executive committee together tomorrow at 4 PM and with your permission will read them your letter, & suggest a small Committee to meet you. I suppose you have seen the names of the Committee. I am sure they are all good men & fine & will be glad to work hand & glove with you in furthering the good old cause. Kindly send me word by Willie when we can meet you. Yours very sincerely, W.B. Scarth

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| G 8703 | C - 621 | Rec’d March 1, 1885 | Letter | Setter, John James | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Neestaw [Norquay, John] | Invitation to come up to Portage la Prairie.Stationery of Sheriff’s office, Central Judicial District |

“Dear Neestaw When are you going to fulfill your promise to come up? I hope my sister is not again poorly, you should surely have a days relaxation come & have a game of cribbage, & perhaps of Poker, you surely deserve a days rest now, you will have plenty to do when the house meets, and a days rest I am sure would be relished by you now.

Joseph has called his constts to meet him before going down, and if he takes their several suggestions he will most likely occupy the whole session, in this way you may have some rest.

The family all well, but I never go home from the office but they want know if you have not yet given any intimation of when you are coming, they are looking for you. Yours truly John Jas Setter

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| G 8703 | C - 622 | March 10, 1885 | Letter | Washburn, A.S. | New York | Norquay, John | Election & his health. |

Has been ill – “Be sure I shall take your advice and not commit the mistake of leaving contrary to his [the doctor’s] directions.

I have this morning gotten the Winnipeg papers with the glorious news: allow me to congratulate you. It is quite a victory & you deserve it. I shall take it upon myself to send my felicitations to the Hon The Attorney General….”

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| G 8703 | C - 623 | March 14, 1885 | Letter | Macdougal, J. | Lower Fort Garry | Norquay, John | Re: S 1/2 of N 1/2 LS 9 & 10 Sec 20 Tp 12 R 6E. |

Stationery of Clerk’s office, Municipality of St. Andrews:

Re S ½ of N ½ LS. 9 and 10, Sec 20, tp 12, Rge 6, E

“Dear sir: referring to yours of 7 inst: The above is the description intended in my letter of 3 inst and refers to lands 9 miles east of Gonor Station and in the neighborhood of Cooks Creek.”

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| G 8703 | C - 624 | March 13, 1885 | Letter | Hope, John | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter & saying he would like matters in order before he goes to Europe on 1st May. |

Stationery of John Hope & Co. “My dear Mr. Norquay Many thanks for your kind letter.

I am going to Europe with Mrs. Hope about 1st May, & I should like all these matters to be in order before I go.

I have been watching your Election fight & giving silent congratulations.”

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| G 8703 | C - 625 | March 14, 1885 | Letter | Brooks, G.B. Editor "Siftings" | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on 16th of those taking shares in “Siftings” at Leland House. Please attend. |

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| G 8703 | C - 626 | March 16, 1885 | Letter | Real Estate Loan Co of Cda | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of indebtedness $1886.30. |

“Sir: This Company’s claim is for the final instalment on your mortgage, the 8th Decr/83 -- $1700.00

-for interest the 8th Decr/84 6 mos @9% -- 76.50

-for subsequent interest on $1776.50 -- 39.70

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Notice has been given to Mr. Scarth of his joint liability as guarantor of this security, which the Company desire to have paid up. Yours truly J. Bawden Mgr. [?]

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| G 8703 | C - 627 | March 11, 1885 | Letter | Biggs, Dawson & McPhillips | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing a statement of amount due under mortgage.T. Taylor to G.G. Wishart. |

“Herewith we enclose statement of amount due under mortgage R Taylor to GG Wishart. On our receiving a cheque for the amount from you, we will have executed an assignment of this mortgage to you.”

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| G 8703 | C - 628 | March10, 1885 | Letter | Alderson, W.C. | Darlingford | Norquay, John | Congrats on victory won by Mr. Hamilton and stating he is $9.00 out by the visit to Winnipeg |

“I congratulate you on Mr. Hamilton’s victory. I was nine dollars out by my visit, which in my present circumstances I can ill afford to lose. I need say no more.

With my best wishes for yr continued success in holding the public reins. Yours obediently,

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| G 8703 | C - 629 | March 12, 1885 | Letter | Bernier, T.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Private  Re: Translation. |

“Sir In compliance with the desire you expressed the other day, I take the liberty of calling your attention to what appears to me mere misunderstanding re translation.

The difficulties seem to be:

1st As to counting pages, the contention on the part of certain officers of the Govt, being that figures are to be deducted – on the ground that figures need not be translated –

True it is – figures cannot be translated – but true it is also that when it comes to the correction of the proofs containing figures, those proofs then need to be corrected – and one would rather translate a page of ordinary matter than correct proofs of figures, because figures have to be compared one by one, whilst ordinary matter is much easier to read; the general sense helping a great deal….

2 another difficulty is as to the payment of the extra charge made for the translation of your budget speech of last year – The reason why the charge was not made in accordance with the general rule is because that speech being a very important and no ordinary speech in the language it was delivered, to do it justice in french, regard had to be paid the literary part of it. What would be a tolerably good translation, and a very correct one, were it for statute, would not be such a translation so as to be a recommendation for a speech…. I had to put it in such a shape so as to make it a credit to us in french as it was in english. Any one will recognize that such work requires more application and more hability [sic], than the ordinary translation of statutes.

3 as to paying 50cts per page for correcting proofs, reading revises, preparing the marginal notes, and for supervising generally the publication of french editions of legislative documents or statutes -- …”

[this has been the practice for all my previous accounts and has been “accepted and paid without any delay, remark, or difficulty whatever.” Same for others doing this work. “It is now more than a surprise to me to be deprived of so much.” You may wish to change, of course, but please pay for past work at that rate.

4 re translation of statutes, where argument might be that the translation of the draft bills should cover this item. Due to amendments in the House, these bills do require that the translator go over them and compare with the English version. Besides, when I was sent the statutes, I had not seen the translation of the drafts and did the work myself.

“I hope that these explanations will be taken in favourable consideration, and that the matters to which they refer will be settled at the earliest moment possible.

“There are standing accts which I would like very much to see settled for, like many other people, I need my earnings very badly.

“I mark this letter private, because it is not my attention [sic] to attach to it the nature of a claim nor of a contention – but merely to explain matters in order to post you personally on the subject; and to answer to the desire so kindly expressed by you. Allow me to remain, Yours truly …”

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| G 8703 | C - 630 | Feb. 25, 1885 | Letter Private | Isbister, Mary | Barnsbury, England | Norquay, John | As a trustee of Isbister Estate would Mr. N. give info about property at St. Andrews. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay As one of our Trustees will you kindly give me some information about out property at St Andrews My grandson Alick told me he bought it for me & I ought now to have the Title deed, but no doubt his sad sudden death is the cause of its not been sent [sic]. I may mention here that its not my intention to sell any of my land I’ll take this opportunity to thank you all for your kind interest you have taken in our affairs. I have written a long letter to Billy [?] by this mail I hope she will answer it hoping you are all well. Yours affectly Mary Isbister”

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| G 8703 | C - 631 | March 7, 1885 | Letter | Collins, W.A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Stating he has been unable to secure employment from Mr. Pope & asking Mr. N. to write to Sir John in his behalf re: travelling immigration agent. |

House of Commons stationery: [see above summary] then – Since there will be “a great falling off in Immigration to the Province of Manitoba and N.W. this year from reports brought before the house…”

US uses these agents to good effect

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| G 8703 | C - 632 | March 11, 1885 | Letter | Walker, D.M. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. Moody. |

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| G 8703 | C - 633 | March 11, 1885 | Letter | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Congrat. On success of recent election. Farmers union. Sir John visit to N.W. |

“…The Farmers union is after you and they hold a meeting here on Friday night where it is reported Purvis & Bailey [?] will hold forth. They are not so strong here as you would think….

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| G 8703 | C - 634 | March 11, 1885 | Letter | Fraser, James Secy pro-tem | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting on 14th inst for organization of above assocn Lib Cons Assocn |

Mtg on 14th at Tremont House at 2:00 pm to form a Conservative Association.

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| G 8703 | C - 635 | March 2, 1885 | Notice of Meeting | Ancient Land Mark Lodge | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on the 9th Inst. & dues $5.00. |

Mtg at Masonic Hall arrears $4.00 plus dues = $5.00

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| G 8703 | C - 636 | Feb. 17, 1885 | Telegram | Young, D. | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | “Letter received please send man at once” |

Action: dealt with by Mr. Norquay

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| G 8703 | C - 637 | Feb. 23, 1885 | Receipt | The Real Estate Loan Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of indebtedness $1814.00. |

Mortgage due -- $1700 plus interest of $114 = $1814

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| G 8703 | C - 639 | Feb. 2, 1885 | Letter | MacArthur, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | University funds. |

“You are quite right as to the payment of the grant of $500 for 1884 – it was included in the cheque for $3300 and duly credited to the university – and has been exhausted by payments. Could you manage to make the payment for 1885 now We have a large account of the Free Press for printing which is long outstanding and which should be paid as well as some other a/c which are urgent. Yours truly”

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| G 8703 | C - 640 | March 3, 1885 | Letter Private | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: The "Terms" - Original & Copy. |

Rec’d letter from “Sir John himself” details of deal – “I think you did well in agreeing to accept the $100,000 in lieu of lands & all the other allowances are very satisfactory except the basis of the debt allowance on a population of 125,000. I think you erred here egregiously. But what I most particularly find fault with is your intimating your willingness to forego all claim to compensation for costs re disputed Territory. I can’t for the life of me understand this.”

He criticizes strongly: “I always thought you were very foolish to go back upon your original ideas…” etc “I am very much mistaken if the house will accept these two items, and agree to accept the terms without these being changed. I for one as a supporter of your Govt must certainly declare that I cannot swallow them….”

[This letter is a scrawl. JN has had his secretary make a second, legible copy – both copies are here.]

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| G 8703 | C - 641 | March? 1885 | Letter Private | W.Y.L. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Asking for a small balance due for February for which he gave a receipt. |

“I think there is a small balance from February for which I gave you receipt and which is needed badly and would be thankfly received by Your humber serv—WYL

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| G 8703 | C - 642 | March 31, 1885 | Letter | MacKeand, A. Secretary Treasurer SK Coal Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting of directors on 1st April 1885. |

Meeting of directors of SK Coal at J H Ashdown’s Wed, 1 April

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| G 8703 | C - 643 | March 27, 1885 | Letter | Washburn, A.S. Deputy Prov. Treas. | New York | Norquay, John | Re: State of his health, etc. |

Sciatic nerve – doctor’s care – “a piece of platinum heated mechanically to a heat below welding iron would melt – and in this state passed with quick movement up and down the whole length of the bare leg following the course of the sciatic nerve. That has been so frequent that I was afraid of breaking down under it…. A terrible gruelling … My hand shakes.” But getting better

“My friend informs me that there is an enormous amount of money lying idle in the hands of the banks alone here waiting and anxious for investment, bonds preferred; so that if Winnipeg is desirous of consolidating & paying off her debt, she can borrow here now on easy terms of interest and at good par value.”

“I cannot sympathize with you in your fatigue after the battle [better terms in Ottawa]. The man who took the bull by the horns and swung the ‘Old Guard’ into line does not require sympathy, he must be congratulated.”

Hope to leave for Wpg soon.

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| G 8703 | C - 644 | March 27, 1885 | Letter | McPherson, D.L. Min. of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Acknowledge receipt of letter of 17th inst. Re position for Mr. Cross. |

Received your letter of 17th re W.H. Cross application for job in NW. No vacancies at present.

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| G 8703 | C - 645 | March 16, 1885 | Letter | Minister of Justice Campbell, A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Different appointments as QCs & re: judges for Man. |

Yours of 11th re Hagel’s application to be made a QC, and also suggesting Mr. C.E. Hamilton & Mr Hugh J Macdonald – “I will bear these suggestions in mind.”

Also rec’d your letter enclosing copy of Chief Justice’s letter “on the subject of the business of the Court of Queen’s Bench. I am glad to see that the Chief Justice thinks that four judges will be sufficient in that Court. Now! I want you to repeal so much of the Queen’s Bench Act as provides for a fifth. We are ready to give you two new County Court Judges, but we want the fifth Q.B. judge taken away first. This I told you when here, and I think have since repeated in a letter. I should like to have a distinct assurance on this point.

“As regards the jurisdiction of the new County Court judges it was understood when you were here that you would try and equalise their respective counties or districts…. I am told that you talked here of so dividing them as to give to the French parishes one judge would, if you gave him nothing else, not give him enough to do, and that he would only have to drive down there to draw his year’s salary. This of course would not do. I wish you would consider it and let me know what would do, and we will try and manage it. As to giving them ‘equal status & jurisdiction,’ if you mean cross jurisdiction, that is, jurisdiction each in the county of the other, you would have to legislate, and we would have to alter the commissions from the form hitherto adopted, but it could be done.” Faithfully yours A Campbell

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| G 8703 | C - 646 | March 25, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. if he dropped a line to Van Horne about pass for him. |

Manitoba Penitentiary stationery “My dear Norquay I send your suit made up except the buttons on coat & trust these you can get a tailor to do.

Did you remember to drop a line to Van Horne about my annual pass? I hope you can induce him to grant it You may mention how I defend the Coy in every way when any question crops up and how I have sent grub &c out to the passengers when they have been snowbound even trams I have sent to transport passengers. I don’t wish to beg him for the pass, but I certainly feel a little annoyed that I shd be left out when I know of others still having the favour extended to them who have by no means the claim that I consider my actions have given me. Yours sincerely

PS Nellie came out here yesterday with Mrs B [?Miss S?]

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| G 8703 | C - 647 | March 19, 1885 | Memorandum | Sinclair, Thomas, Registrar | Registry OfficeSelkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing abstract asked for. |

Also asks about “my I.O.U. order”

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| G 8703 | C - 648 | March 3, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Horace C. | Red Deer Hill Prince Albert | "Dear Uncle" [Norquay, John] | Private family matters. |

“My dear uncle I am happy to say I received your letter today. Papa & all the men around are off to a big ‘Riel’ meeting at the South Branch. The french had a big meeting again last week & there was four hundred men present. There was a talk that Riel was going to be arrested so there were (61) sixty one armed men guarding Riel for a while so he is not arrested yet, & I think it is not likely he will be arrested at all. Tom is still hard at work, cutting rails. We have two thousand rails hauled already & we require one thousand more. Momma & all the rest are quite well. I am getting much better two. I am getting fat on cod liver oil. I weigh one hundred & fifty six (156) pounds. I am eleven pounds heavier than Sam Leask. Sam was up here yesterday he has a nice team. One of them a two hundred dollar horse nearly died this winter. Sam says he had all the resignation papers ready but he would not sign them (that is the horse). My mare died last month. She broke her halter line & got entangled with it & old Jessie had her all kicked to pieces. She had her head split pen & her body was all cut up. We are having nice warm weather now & half of the snow is gone & the roads are getting bad. Remember me to the boys, and with best love to you & Auntie I remain, your loving nephew, Horace C. Adams

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| G 8703 | C - 649 | Feb. 7, 1885 | Letter | Parr, John | Lothair PO | Norquay, John | Starting a Cons. Assn. |

Bradwardine could you come – get off the train at Griswold, we’ll meet you – this is a very Conservative municipality

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| G 8703 | C - 650 | March 20, 1885 | Letter |  | City (Winnipeg) | Alec | Asking him to get Hon. Jno. to secure him a job on  H.B. trip. |

“Dear Alec I have applied to the ‘Marine and fish’ man for a job on his Hudson Bay trip and would be grateful if Hon John would do the required thing for me. …write to Ottawa for me.

On reverse of this letter is handwritten [probably? JN’s hand] cypher telegram, with translation:

Smitten mouldiness Highlander doubtless freezing wheeling sage castor parallelogram unhappy vigilant blandisher

“Send me good detective Farmer Union require watching now that Troop away”

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| G 8703 | C - 651 | March 14, 1885 | Letter | Spence, Andrew | Prince Albert PO, Red Deer Hill | Norquay, John | Securing him an Indian Agency at Battleford. |

“My dear Norquay Private I must again be the first to write to you. Although you have treated me with silence. I know you have not altogether forgotten. It is not certainly what I ever expected from you. I must confess my dear Norquay I feel the cut very keenly and it is enough.

I now again as usual write in full confidence that you will give me an answer favourably by return of mail. Report says out here that you are to be Minister of the Interior. If so its no use for me to go round the bush as you will read me through anyhow I therefor humbly beg of you to secure for me an Indian agency appointment at Battleford District if you can.

PS if your appointment be correct I think it will have a good effect on the Natives however I wont say until we see if report is true….”

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| G 8703 | C - 652 | March 24, 1885 | Invitation | Munro, Geo. F. | Middlechurch | Norquay, John | Bachelors of Kildonan request pleasure of Mr. N.`s company at Thompson’s Hall Parkdale |
| G 8703 | C - 653 | March 1885 | Invitation | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant-Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner on 31 March 1885. |

To Hon Mr, Mrs, & Miss Norquay

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| G 8703 | C - 654 | March 1885 | Invitation | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant-Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner on 19 March 1885. |

Just to Hon Mr Norquay

On back in careful pencil: “Thibedeau Bros telephone: We have just received a telegram from Battleford: ‘All the white population is in the Barracks. Rebels went through our stores this morning. We are trying to protect our lives from the Indians. Impress authorities with the graveness of the position. Sgd McHaffety & Blinkswell”

They are customers of ours and reliable parties”

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| G 8703 | C - 655 | March 24, 1885 | Postcard | St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A meeting of the Commission to inquire into the boundaries of the Church Parishes. |

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| G 8703 | C - 656 | March 21, 1885 | Postcard | Ruperts Land | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting of Bd. Isbister Fund on 23 March 1885. |

At the Banking House of Messrs MacArthur, Boyle & Campbell

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| G 8703 | C - 657 | March 23, 1885 | Letter | Pentland, Wm. Geo. | Birtle | Norquay, John | Enclosing paper published in Birtle. |

“As you may perceive we have a newspaper published here. I now enclose you one read on the situation. It strikes hard on the Grits…”

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| G 8703 | C - 658 | March 1885 | Letter | Somerset, J.B. Supt. of Education | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to the closing exercises of Provincial Normal Schools on 26 March 1885. |

Printed invitation – “These exercises will consist of teaching by the students, readings, essays, and addresses.” “No Action”

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| G 8703 | C - 659 | March 11, 1885 | Protest | Merchants' Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Protested note of $1000.00 & notary's paper attached. Action: Gave new note for 3 mos. On 11th inst. Pd. Int. & Notary's fee $23.32. |

Note was due 9 March, made by JN, who promised to pay C.P. Brown

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| G 8703 | C - 660 | Feb. 20, 1885 | Letter | Washburn, A.S. | New York | Norquay, John | Giving his address & prospect of his recovery.  Action: answered by Mr. N. personally. |

I’m feeling better. Living at 51, West 25th St, New York

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| G 8703 | C - 661 | March 2, 1885 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $10.00. Paid receipt herewith. |

Private: 2 Feb – 4 shoes = $2.00 then setting shoes over the next 3 weeks, and repairing sleigh as well as cutter pole – a total of $10.00 – Paid.

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| G 8703 | C - 662 | Jan. 26, 1885 | Letter | Setter, John Jas.Sheriff’s Office stnry | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Neestaw [Norquay, John] | Welcome home. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“My Dear Neestaw You do not know how proud I am of you. I hope that you have at last succeeded with your pet desire, that of placing our Province on the same footing as any of the older ones. I infer as much from your remarks, the night of your return; I shall now be looking forward your elevation [sic] to the premiership of the Dominion, at no very distant day. I would have been down to join the friends in giving you a welcome, but my poor wife is too porly [sic] to leave, or rather I may say she was at that time, she is still week [sic] but some better, she is very week, and it will be sometime before she will be able to be round again.

I have not heard from any of your family this winter, how are you all, is my sister any better? I see that papers say that there is a prospect of your going to England on a lecturing tour won’t you make those ‘wise men of the East’ stare eh? When they have ocular & auricular demonstration of the products of this great country! Hurrah.

Poor Farmers Union what has come of them? They were gathering for a good shot at you, and were going to make all sorts of demands on you, but so far the Free Press has not published anything very startling that they have done. I fear that a nice little Grit game is busted; and they are sneeking off home, they made sure that you would fail in your mission, wanted to make capital out of it get some cons inveigled into their camp, then if you had failed force the Legislature to bring on an election and bring on Grit rule in the Province, but I trust that your success has so effectually taken the wind out of their sails that such a catastrophy has been avoided. Accept my most sincere congratulations, love to the family, children well, Neestaw, John Jas Setter

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| G 8703 | C - 663 | Feb. 2, 1885 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Chairmanship of Judicial Bd. No action. |

I hope Boulton is not Chairman. I should be appointed. He’ll bring trouble.

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| G 8703 | C - 664 | Feb. 3, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Hoisting flag on Gov't. bldg. at half mast out of respect to Mrs. B. [Burrows]. |

MB Dept of Agriculture stationery [probably he was in the bldg. by chance]:

“….kindly give instructions to the proper person…. Mr. Lariviere’s given orders to close his Dept.”

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| G 8703 | C - 665 | Jan. 24, 1885 | Letter | Ruperts Land, R. Head Master | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing school report of John, Thomas, & Horace. No action. |

“…our entire satisfaction with their conduct & attention to their studies. Horace is making very excellent progress – but John seems to me to find his work hard & I do not think his progress has been all that could be wished.

Mr. Thomas Norquay gives us also in his conduct & diligence the fullest satisfaction – but he also has to labor hard & his marks on the Christmas exams did not turn out well. He seems to forget & get confused….”

JG [S?] Norquay: Autumn 1884

Place in form 10th, being 7th in 3rd class

Classical History and English – Seconds; Arithmetic and Mathematics – Thirds; Religious Instruction first.

Horace Norquay: 2nd in 2nd class: Latin, English, Math, Bookkeeping, Religious Instruction – seconds; Arithmetic, Greek and French – thirds

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| G 8703 | C - 666 | Jan. 15, 1885 | Receipt | Quetton, St. George Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Invoice 20 Gal. Old Rye $30.75. Accepted draft for amount. |

Wine merchants: Keg of Old Rye

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| G 8703 | C - 667 | Feb. 3, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Political situation. No action that I know of. |

“My dear Norquay …I think you shd send down and ask Blanchard to come and see you. Our two Tory clerks [?clubs] instead of helping you do the very reverse and dictate to you. Blanchard says if you have a choice and he is a good man you shd be supported & he will do all he can to that end. If he works and becomes interested your choice cannot be beaten. A line to him wd bring him up to see you at once I am sure.

Poor Mrs. Burrows is having a very hard time she has been dying since 5 a.m. & it is a most sad sight. Yours in haste S.L. Bedson”

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| G 8703 | C - 668 | Feb. 25, 1885 | Postcard | Bernier, T.A. Registrar, U of Man. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to meeting of Council. No action. |

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| G 8703 | C - 669 | March 6, 1885 | Letter | Ruperts Land, R. Head Master | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | App't. of gentlemen to determine boundaries of existing Parishes. Replied 9 March. L.B. "E" p263. |

Machray hopes John will help – “It is important that there should be on the Commission those who are acquainted with the old parish boundaries.”

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| G 8703 | C - 670 | Feb. 21, 1885 | Letter | Hope, John | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Properties purchased on Joint a/c. Replied 7 March. See L.B. "E" p257. |

“My dear Sir I am waiting for the particulars of the investments you made on our joint a/c, & the particulars of which you promised to send immediately on your return home. Please send them on receipt & oblige, Yours very truly John Hope” [Letterhead plain – “John Hope & Co.”]

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| G 8703 | C - 671 | Feb. 23, 1885 | Letter | Peterson, Andrew | Carlton, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Afraid Mr. N. misunderstood nature of the contract he wished to secure. Replied 7 March. See L.B. "E"p248. |

“Dear Sir Your kind letter of Feb 7th to hand. I thank very much for your kindness in offering to use your influence to Sir Hector Langevin to get me the job of dlivery the pols. But I am afrade you misunderstood my letter. I would like to get the job of putting up the Telegraf lin between Duck Lak & Carlton, as I understand the Government du not issue Tenders for putting up the lin (of men diging the holes putting up the pols & stretching the wire) but give it out to who ever the please at so much per mile. I understand that the partes that put up the line to Prince Albert in 83 got $60.00 per mile….”

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| G 8703 | C - 672 | March 3, 1885 | Letter | Macdougal, J.  Sec Treas St A Municipality | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Dom. Lands List showing name of John Norquay as one who had patents in office of Interior. Replied 7 March. See L.B. "D" p227. |

“Dear Sir In looking over a Dominion Land list (dated 15 Jany 1885) of ‘patents detained by Dept awaiting the order of Patentees’ I find the following entries: ‘John Norquay (Patentee)

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Are you the lucky man? Yours truly J Macdougall”

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| G 8703 | C - 673 | March 4, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Election. Replied 7 March. See L.B. "D" p1885. |

“Just arrived home feeling pleased over the greatest victory you & the party ever had & congratulate you and ourselves.” I’m sorry Silcox voted for Luxton. “…the reptiles got him.” Etc.

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| G 8703 | C - 674 | [No Date] | Invitation | Blanchard, Sedley, Chair Philharmonic Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Requesting pleasure of Mr. N.'s company 29 January 1885. No action that I know of. A.W.P. Secretary. |

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| G 8703 | C - 675 | Dec. 31, 1884 | Letter | Adams, Charles | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Neestaw [Norquay, John] | Family matters. No action. |

“Dear Neestaw I am not sure that you may be at home when this reaches Wpg but I shall write it all the same.

I am not going to write you as usual, but on a very important affair to us. I had prided myself that our crops tho’ very poor, still I tho’t we would be able to rub along, but on fanning I find that it was so light & without substance that it mostly blew away with the chaff & now find ourselves with 27 bus for seed & 26 for bread. Under these circumstances I would ask you to try & make me a loan of say $150 or $200. I may not be able to pay it back in one year but may in two. I don’t ask otherwise than as a loan – here I could get one at 18 per ct but I can’t pay that.

We will have to go to Troy too as almost everybody is going this winter for flour. It is quite an Egyptian famine, or another Grasshopper year. We are trying to find out the state of the country in view of asking aid from Govt for seed for next spring.

We are in pretty good health, Horace is not getting worse, Joe is beginning to go out now, all the rest quite well, Horace won’t do anything this winter per doctor’s advice.

We have had very cold weather as cold as I have experienced with scarcely an exception. I hope in Red River you have a pleasanter season than is experienced out here this year but I trust all will rug through yet.

Kind regards to you all at home & with the compliments of the season, I am, dear Neestaw, yours ever, Chas Adams

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| G 8703 | C - 676 | Jan. 26, 1885 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Political matters & welcome home. No action that I know of. A.W.P. Secretary. |

My Dear Sir Welcome home old man & more power to your elbow.”

You have made a good impression as a public speaker in the East. I hear you want to do away with the Judicial Boards – don’t – I have experience greater than anyone else in Govt . “I am being abused, of course I expect this, but I don’t mind it, as I am conscious of having done my duty & they can howl their heads off. I have licked the buggers any time they have tried their hands at me….”

“I hope you will consider that I am an applicant for the chairmanship again & not forget me. Yours faithfully T.Mayne Daly”

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| G 8703 | C - 677 | Jan. 15, 1885 | Invitation | Prince Ruperts Lodge | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on 20 January & of dues $3.00. No action. |

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| G 8703 | C - 678 | Jan. 1885 | Invitation | Aikins, Mrs. J.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to an "At Home" 22 January 1885. No  action. |

22 Jany evening at 9:00 o’clock – Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Norquay “Music”

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| G 8703 | C - 679(a) | Jan. 15, 1885 | Postcard | Ruperts Land R.(Machray) | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting of trustees of Isbister Fund on 17 inst. No action. |
| G 8703 | C - 679(b) | Jan. 21, 1885 | Postcard | Ruperts Land R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting of Isbister Fund Jan. 23. |

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| G 8703 | C - 680 | Feb. 24, 1885 | Letter | Haggart, Wilkes &Ross Barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating Mr. Alex. Miller has placed in their hands for collection an a/c of $126.00 for hay. No action. |

An account against JN – 16 tons of hay @ 8.00 = $128.

Less 500 lbs 2.00 = $126

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| G 8703 | C - 681 | Feb. 28, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Election. No action. |

“Dr Sir Your tele received I shall bring all down possible that will vote for Hamilton. Towers is in a towering rage about not getting Hotel License he applied (he says) to you Hamilton and several more Conservatives in authority but the license board gave the licence away to others some that did not have licence before and working Grits Viz Peling of the Royal & others.”

Woodworth then names some people who support or don’t support their party.

Election: “It looks more serious on our side than expected and not a stone should be left unturned. I am sorry we have such a paper as the Times to advocate Conservative interest, it is time it was supplanted, & the editor and hypocrite (Beaton of the Brandon Sun) you know about how things are and after this election is over & Hamilton established in his seat I would try and improve the Government organ. On to victory, Yours &c in haste, J.E. Woodworth”

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| G 8703 | C - 682 | Feb. 25, 1885 | Letter | Stewart, James | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter re: election south Winnipeg. No action. |

“My Dear Sir Your letter received, you may be sure that I don’t vote Grit under one or two thousand dollars bribe, and I do not suppose they can afford that. So I think that when the time comes around I shall probably drop a vote for Mr. Hamilton.”

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| G 8703 | C - 683 | Monday n.d. 1885 | Letter | Bannatyne, A.G.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Election matters (Winnipeg South). No action. |

“My dear Norquay I just recd yours. John Lane will be all right & you can count on him. Regarding Jemmi, I have done all I could without going, as I thought too far but have put his mother & Mrs. Donaldson on his track.

Altho’ not known to be working I will do all I can for you, but there are some fellows among our country men you can never be sure of until you have them.

Is there no way you could reach John Bourke? Change him you can get some others, but you have to be careful with him. Yours very sincerely, A.G.B. Bannatyne” [pride][countryborn]

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| G 8703 | C - 684 | n.d. 1885 | Memorandum |  | [No Location] | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to see certain voters. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

“The Hon. Mr. Norquay will please call on the undermentioned voters of Ward 4 and see what he can do with them: H Bose; R.B. Ferguson; A Holloway

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| G 8703 | C - 685 | Feb. 1885 | Postcard | Matheson, Samuel P. St. John's Ladies School | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting of Bd. of Gov. of Ladies' School on 26 February. No action. |

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| G 8703 | C - 686 | Feb. 25, 1885 | Receipt | Irwin, Wilson, Agt. Travelers Ins. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of premium of $50.00 falling due 26 March.  No action. |

Annual premium due

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| G 8703 | C - 687 | Feb. 10, 1885 | Invitation | Prince Ruperts LodgeAF&AM | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting on 17th. Dues to 27 December 1884 Dues: $3.00. No action. |

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| G 8703 | C - 688 | Jan. 23, 1885 | Letter | Crerar, John Barrister | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Stating Mr. N.D. Ennis of this place has made appl.  for position of Land guide & asking Mr. N. to endorse appl. No action. |

Re apptmt to replace Mr. Falk, who has been appted to Sweden? “If the Government has any intention of directing any of the Emigration from Sweeden [sic] and Norway in this direction he would make a good man for the position as he speaks the Scandanavian [sic] languages well and besides has a good connection in the Old Country through his brother Mr. John Ennis who is general passenger superintendent of the Allan Line. …”

Give him a lift –

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| G 8703 | C - 689(a) | Jan.16, 1885 | Letter | Adams, J.H. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | "Uncle" [Norquay, John] | Family matters. No action. |

‘My Dear Uncle I received your letter of the 27th of Dec. last night. There is to be a grand supper at Charley G. Birds And a ball after it to night I think there is to be some people going to come from Prince Albert and there is some people is going to the ball from 5 or 6 miles from here. Papa and mamma and Horace and Tom and Kate are off too We are at home just now. Ann and Maria and Conrad Ernest And myself are home.

There was a meeting at Prince Albert yesterday at 3 o’clock in the evening there is to be another one on Wednesday 21first papa has to be down there again. I hope you will try to come out here some time next summer. I haven’t any more news just now and these few remarks…. I remain your loving nephew, Joseph H. Adams

PS Mamma sends her love to you and so do I

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| G 8703 | C - 689(b) | Jan. 2, 1885 | Letter | Adams, J.H. | Red Deer Hill Prince Albert | "Auntie" [Norquay, Mrs. J.] | Family matters. |

Same envelope presumably (but addressed to Mrs. J. Norquay Parkdale): “My dear Auntie I am glad to say that we are all well at present. Mister J.F. Pritchard is going to get ordained next Tuesday sixth of January. Our neighbour over here is going to rent his farm and one cow and 19 hens and some pigs and his House too that is Alex McKay. I heard there was to be a Dance to night at St. Andrews and there is a meeting too. There was a Dance last night up at Uncle Jonny’s and another one at Jonny told us there is to be one yet next week at Albert Hudgeons [?] on Wednesday I think. The people that went to Troy came home with frozen cheeks and frozen faces I wish you all a merry Christmas and Happy New Year I remain Your loving nephew Jos. H. Adams

PS Mamma sends her love to you and all. J.H. Adams

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| G 8703 | C - 690(a) | Dec. 22, 1884 | Letter | Prittie, R.W. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Sask. Coal Co. Replied 9 February. See L.B. "D". p198. |

Prittie is a real estate agent – he asks a series of sensible questions about the financial situation and prospects of SK Coal Co. – “I understand you are a Director”

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| G 8703 | C - 690(b) | Jan. 13, 1885 | Letter | Prittie, R.W. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Sask. Coal Co. |

Identical to above – answered 9 Feb.

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| G 8703 | C - 691 | Jan. 30, 1885 | Letter | Pentland, Wm. Geo. | Birtle | Norquay, John | Congrats on success at Ottawa & re: Major Boulton as chair of Board. Replied 7 February. See L.B. "D" p194. |

Congrats on “your great success at Ottawa and on your many great speeches in favour of our Great Chieftain and rest assured we are all proud of you.”

Warns of people undermining Boulton re position of chairman of the Judicial Board in Brandon. Crawford & Crerar “put a job (and a dirty one) to defeat Boulton…” – they got reeves to choose an alternative – Wm Crerar of Silver Creek “and is without exception one of the most Rapid Grits in the Dominion today.” Boulton “is one of our most active workers here he will do more to help the Railway interest than any one else in this part of the country.”

“Another feeling… that too much influence and money is going to Brandon….”

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| G 8703 | C - 692 | Jan. 12, 1885 | Postcard | Murray, William | Minto, D.T. | Norquay, John | Wages due on Souris & Rocky Mt. Ry. Replied 9 February. See L.B. "E" p177. |

Postmarked at Gretna, but he writes “Minto D.T.”

“Would you be so kind to tell me about our Wages on the Souris & Rockie Mountain Railway. My name on pay roll for I. J. Eaton & Coy for work in 1883

Oblig a Workman William Murray”

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| G 8703 | C - 693 | Feb. 4, 1885 | Letter | McDonald, Robt. | Violac Dale, [?]Man. | Norquay, John | Asking a loan of $600.00 for a friend of his who is a Cons. & in trouble. Replied 11 February. See L.B. "D" p203. |

The friend is “one of our supporters has got into difficulty with a Grit and is going to be sold out…” If you could assist him to make a sale “he & our party would feel very thankful. It is a splendid ¼ s with 60 acres broke & a comfortable frame house and two stables and a good well 8 miles from the PNW Railway he would take $600 down and time for the balance….” I’ll be in High Bluff in a week, write me there.

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| G 8703 | C - 694 | Dec. 18, 1884 | Letter | Adams, Horace | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | "Uncle" [Norquay, John] | Family matters. Replied 9 February 1885. See L.B. "D" p195. |

“My dear Uncle I suppose you are tired waiting for an answer to your last letter which I only received a few days ago as I was away from home when it came and after I came home I had no opportunity of answering it till now. I am very happy to hear Auntie is getting so strong. I hope she keep on getting stronger all the time. I heard she was going to set Rabbit snares which I hope she will & give you a good meal of them which I am sure she will be able to do if they are as plentiful down there as they are out here.

A young man down at the south branch got his hand torn to pieces by a threshing mill & could not get it cut off till two days after. Mamma & all the rest are quite well so with best love to you and Auntie I remain, Your loving nephew H Adams

P.S. Maria is sending you a letter of her own inside of mine which I will have to translate”

“The contents of Maria’s letter is as follows: Dear Uncle Baby is a bad boy he climbs on the boxes & on the chairs & on the table. And I sending lots of kisses to you & to Auntie & to Bella & to all [---?] cousins. Me not nagadooun [nasadoonoo] now cause me got a spark & him gives me money I am your little Maria”

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| G 8703 | C - 695 | Feb. 4, 1885 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Organizing Cons. Assocs. throughout that District & asking for outline of terms obtained. Replied February. See L.B. "D" p193. |

‘My dear Sir I go west & then north next week for the purpose of organizing Conservative associations throughout our District. I want to do the thing quietly & without any fuss so say nothing about it.

In speaking to the people I would like to be able to give them an outline of the terms the Govt at Ottawa have made – now I don’t mean you to tell me what you can only say to yr colleagues or to the House – but a general idea as outlined by the papers.

“…Can I tell our friends that the question of redistribution will receive the attention of the house this session?”

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| G 8703 | C - 696 | March 1, 1885 | Letter | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale P.O. | Norquay, John | A redistribution bill. Replied 7 March. See L.B. "E" p256. |

‘Harrison Ranche Newdale P.O. Manitoba”

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| G 8703 | C - 697 | Jan. 9, 1885 | Letter | Gemmel, F.P. | Selkirk Man. | Norquay, John | Stating he wishes to sell his farm in Clandeboye  district & asking Mr. N. to refer anyone who wishes to purchase to him. Replied 12 February. See L.B. "D" p205. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay…” I hope South Winnipeg is a victory.

Re throne speech – perhaps wise not to promise redistribution this session: “times are hard, and then people are apt to want changes & an unfavourable verdict might be snatched. If such a Bill passed this session there would be a clamour by the Opposition for a dissolution – and with good grounds for doing so. If the bill is passed we would almost be compelled to dissolve.

“What would you think of indicating that as a Census is to be taken this summer – it will be a guide for proper representation and say that Bill will be introduced as soon as the necessary information by Census is got. Put that in the “Speech” – and it will be an assurance that before another general election comes on a redistribution will be made. It will take another year, with good reasons for doing so.”

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| G 8703 | C - 697 | Jan. 9, 1885 | Letter | Gemmel, F.P. | Selkirk Man. | Norquay, John | Stating he wishes to sell his farm in Clandeboye  district & asking Mr. N. to refer anyone who wishesto purchase to him. Replied 12 February. See L.B. "D" p205. |

“Dear Sir I have a farm of 160 acres in Clandeboye settlement which I wish to sell and thinking you may have some friends that would like to buy such a place….probably you know the place as it is the same farm Donald Gunn had on Muckles Creek near the spring, there is 40 acres cultivated and […?] a good log house and a stable to hold 40 head of cattle all in good repair. The creek runs through it. My price is $3000.00 one half cash the balance can remain on note. There is also 20 acres wood lot 7 miles from there which goes with it….

My reason for selling is that I wish to commence business again here.”

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| G 8703 | C - 699 | March 9, 1885 | Protest | Carey, Eugene D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a promissory note going to protest. No action. |

Note dated 6 Jan 1885 for $1000, made by you, payable to Hon. C. P. Brown in 2 months…”

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| G 8703 | C - 700 | March 2, 1885 | Receipt | Scott, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Amount of a/c rendered $13.00. Paid. |

Thos Scott is dealer in furniture – JN paid by cheque

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| G 8703 | C - 701 | March 9, 1885 | Receipt | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Amount of a/c rendered $3.00. Paid. Receipt herewith. |

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| G 8703 | C - 702 | March 17, 1885 | Letter | Van Horne, W.C. | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Passes for Messrs. Bedson & Constantine. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Re your note of 7th inst – “I must say that a year ago we were obliged to draw the lines very closely in the matter of passes, and I do not think either of these cases will come within our present rules, unless it may be the case of Mr. Constantine. Mr. Egan issues all the Western Division passes, and I have written him on the subject….”

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| G 8703 | C - 703 | Feb. 27, 1885 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking that a voters list be sent him. Action: Telegraphed list of voters. |

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| G 8703 | C - 704 | March 2, 1885 | Telegram | Colcleugh, James | Lower Fort Garry | Norquay, John | John Kuan's vote. No action. |

“John Kuans {?} is an alien and his vote was objected to at previous election. Is just recovering from erysipelas in face and has not been out of doors for two weeks.”

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| G 8703 | C - 705 | Feb. 23, 1885 | Letter & Tickets | Black, J. Harry | Kildonan | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to give an address at a concert to be held in Kildonan. Dealt with by Mr. N. himself. |

Kildonan Mutual Improvement Society –“Grand Concert” in Kildonan East School on Friday 27 Feb.

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| G 8703 | C - 706 | Friday morning n.d. 1885 | Letter | Giles, J. Bevans | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking where concert is to be held. Dealt with by  Mr. N. |

Attorney General Dept, MB – where is the concert and at what time – I may be able to drive there directly

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| G 8703 | C - 707 | Feb. 26, 1885 | Letter | Robertson, J.P. Librarian | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Articles in Free Press. No action. |

“Sir: articles from first half of the year 1883 in the Free Press “that will be of interest to review in connection with others already handed you from old files of that journal.”

“10 Jan/83: Free Press indifferent support of Killam

11 Jan: Argument Liberal Party in accord with Provincial Rights here

18 April: Proving necessity of exploratory expedition through Hudson Straits to test navigability

14 May: Better Terms & Boundary question discussed

18 May: Criticism Governor’s speech opening Manitoba Legislature

28 May: Criticism of Joe Martin’s election for Portage la Prairie

Yours respectfully, J.P. Robertson Librarian

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| G 8703 | C - 708 | Jan. 22, 1885 | Letter | McQueen, A., Secretary St. Andrews Soc. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notification of dues for fiscal year ending 3 November 1885. Amount $2.00. Replied 27 February. See L.B. "D" p224. |

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| G 8703 | C - 709 | Feb. 18, 1885 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking if he knows anything about certain lands in question and enclosing a letter from Minister of  Interior. Replied 25 February. See L.B. "D" p221. |

See attached letter [not here] re the lands in question – “It seems to me they would be a good purchase, and I would be glad if you could give me any information about them.”

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| G 8703 | C - 710 | Feb. 13, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Sask. Coal Co. No action. |

Re yours of 11th in answer to mine of 9th:

“Your views as to prospect of our mine I believe every word and a better property does not exist in the N.W.T. but my warning was under the present management the way the business is done it will never succeed. I have never been given a fair show in the old or new Co and would have had the business in a far better condition if left to work out its salvation but still my judgment is left me and I can advise my friends if that advice is not heeded my duty is performed. I hope to see you some day soon and a quiet conversation will do no harm at least to your success to Hamilton Yours ever J E Woodworth

(Over)

If the coal mine was properly managed it would pay right along and it is easely [sic] managed with proper men (any business that is not conducted on business princibles [sic] the judgments of God will follow it) I have writen [sic] the Company a letter of resignation from the Board of Directors whose ever hands the coal mine falls into when it leaves this present (save your good self) foolish Coy will make it one of the finest paying properties in the Country. I wish I owned it but under the present management I would not have it as a gift thanks for your answer to Daly re chairmanship W.J.D. I am satisfied as it could not be chair under the circumstances. Truly yours J.E.W.”

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| G 8703 | C - 712 | Feb. 12, 1885 | Notice | Whimster, Rev. D.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Funeral of son John. |

Son of Rev Whimster, aged 6 years

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| G 8703 | C - 713 | Feb. 12, 1885 | Letter | Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating they have Discounted note for Mr. Whiteway referred to in your  [Mr. N.'s] favor of 11th inst. No action. |

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| G 8703 | C - 714 | Feb. 16, 1885 | Letter | Walsh, A. Comm. Dom. Crown Lands | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. Cowan who wishes to invest in mining stock. No action. |

David Cowan will hand you this note – the son of an old supporter of mine – he came “to consult me as to the advisability of his taking an interest in a mine in the Rockies, controlled by a company in which he is told you are interested. I do not feel competent to advise in the matter …” and ask that you give him the information

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| G 8703 | C - 715 | Feb. 17, 1885 | Letter | Murray, D.B. Chief of Police | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Prosecution of Ed. McKewon & Ike Fullerton who are charged with prizefighting. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Case “will come up in the Police Court again tomorrow and if it will assist you by withdrawing the case, if such is your wish, I will be pleased to do so or in any other way you think best to act in this matter.”

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| G 8703 | C - 716 | Feb. 10, 1885 | Letter | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Stratford, Ont. | Norquay, John | Denying truth of article in Free Press re: being closeted with Ottawa ministers & Election matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

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| G 8703 | C - 717 | Feb. 10, 1885 | Letter | Giles, J. Bevans | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for loan of $15.00.  Action: Granted. |

Atty Genl stationery: “My dear Mr Norquay: if there is enough left may I ask you for the little loan of $15. I require to remit the amt to one impecunious Young at St. Andrews. Faithfully yours J Bevans Giles”

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| G 8703 | C - 718 | Feb. 12, 1885 | Letter | Collins, W.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Leaving for Ottawa & election in Winnipeg South. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

I have a chance to get a job in Hon Mr Pope’s dept and must go to Ottawa quickly. I know Hamilton will win by 100 votes so am not concerned re loss of my vote. “I have handed all the books and voters lists which I had to Mr. Scarth and the Sectries and given them all the information I could in every way within my power as to how I made the books out and how to count the votes …

“would I be asking of you Mr Norquay too much to see if you could obtain for me in any way some ‘assistance’ towards the purchasing of my ‘Railway Ticket’ for I find that he cost of ticket is $54.00 to Ottawa and I have been disappointed in getting in some monies owing to me by parties here….”

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| G 8703 | C - 720 | Feb. 11, 1885 | Letter | Egan, Jno. M. General Supt., CPR | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating he has seen Mr. Reed re: taking his (Mr. N.'s) son into the shop “and will be ready to do so any time he comes down.” Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

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| G 8703 | C - 721 | Feb. 13, 1885 | Letter | Collins, W.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Ticket to go East. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Can’t get sufficient funds for the ticket. Could you phone Campbell of CPR who could arrange a ticket. Or “I would give you my promissory note at 15 days for the amount and have it paid without fail.”

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| G 8703 | C - 722 | Feb. 20, 1885 | Letter | Setter, John Jas. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Election in Winnipeg South. Replied 23 February. See L.B. "E" p218. |

“Dear Sir I am very anxious about Winnipeg South, how goes the fight? I trust you win, but you have a man that is hard to beat, he has an able and unscrupulous Paper at his back, a host in itself. Then there is the old guard, not a bit satisfied with their defeat, they may vote all right but otherwise be a stumbling block. You have one good man anyway, that is Rennie, he is a most indefatigable worker, only give him scope, he may be sometimes too impetuous but on the whole I would have a man that will do too much than one who will do too little, he is a man who will die for his friends, never hesitates a moment to fire a broadside into any camp of anyone who may dare say a word against any friend of his, this has brought much abuse on his devoted head. I should not be surprised if the same parties who were so jealous of him when I took him into my service, would now be after him again. I only wish that my office could stand it, I would never have let him go from me…. I am glad that you have found a place for him…

Mrs S. is very much better, I hope my sister & the family are well, but this election will prostrate her again I suppose. Love to all, John Jas Setter”

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| G 8703 | C - 723 | Feb. 17, 1885 | Receipt | Quetton, St. George & Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to accept draft for amount of Invoice. See Private L.B. "D" p217. |

Wine merchants owed $30.75

“We hope you received goods sent you 15th ult in good order. Kindly accept draft for same @ 30 days”

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| G 8703 | C - 724 | Jan. 25, 1885 | Letter | Tidsbury, George | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Congrats on success in Ottawa. Replied 30 January. See L.B. "E" p134. |

-Supports E. McDonald ex mayor of Portage for chair of Judicial Board

-“I suppose your [sic] aware there is a great howl Throughout the whole Province against the Judicial Board taxes is getting very high the people is complaining greatly against you Hon Gentlemen for appointing so many High Salaryed [sic]officials in the Board and making them pay them they say if you will have them you should pay them or else let them have a voice in the appointing of them.…”

I’ll be in Winnipeg for 2-3 days “on the McLoud vs McLatchie Case… “ best respects to Mrs. Norquay and all the family and I hope they are all well. I still Remain your old Friend Geo. Tidsbury”

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| G 8703 | C - 725 | Jan. 20, 1885 | Letter | Street, Geo. W. Sec. Man. Rifle  Assoc. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating Mr. N. has again been elected Vice- Patron of Assoc. at annual meeting & requesting he will act as such. Replied 30 January. See L.B. "E" p133. |

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| G 8703 | C - 726 | Feb. 9, 1885 | Letter | Boulton, C.A. | Russell, Shell River | Norquay, John | Thanking Mr. N. for appointing him Chair of Judicial Board.  Replied 13 February. See L.B. "E" p204. |

“My dear Mr Norquay I am much obliged to you for appointing me to the position of Chairman of the Judicial Board. …

“I must congratulate you upon the impression you have made in the stand you have taken in your recent visit to the East, and the great ability with which you have maintained the credit of our province and I hope you will be spared to fill the position that is undoubtedly within your grasp, as the future leader of the whole of the Province and Territory in Dominion politics, which will be no mean position, and can be made of great advantage to yourself and the country you represent. You can rely upon my strong personal support because I believe the ability and experience you possess can do more to advance the interests of the country than any one else….”

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| G 8703 | C - 727 | Feb. 18, 1885 | Letter | Alderson, W.C. | Darlingford | Norquay, John | Election. Replied 20 February. See L.B. "E" p220. |

“Honble and dear Sir: I have yr favor, in which you ask me to come into W’peg and vote for Mr. Hamilton, also to talk over Darlingford matters. As a Conservative, I shall be glad to vote for Mr Hamilton; but there are two drawbacks. First, no taxes have ever been paid on the lots owned partly by me, which I suggest invalidates my vote – you know best; second, owing to my having lost all my money by the Darlingford adventure, I am unable to pay my expenses to and out of yr city. ….

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| G 8703 | C - 728 | Feb. 21, 1885 | Letter | Kennedy, Eleanor | Maple Grove [St Andrews] | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend a concert on Friday 27th. No action. |

“Dear Mr Norquay We have decided to have our concert here on Friday next the 27th & thank you to give us a couple of readings & songs. I also want you to ask Mr. McBeath to give a recitation & Tom to bring down his violin. The tea is in the reading room from 5 to 7, the concert from 7 to 9 in the school room. I will send you up some tickets to sell by the first chance. Now […?] you are not to make any other engagements for that evening. Will you call at Richardson’s & ask for the books ordered there for Nellie some time since, she is much in need of them. Hoping that Mrs. Norquay has benefited by her visit to the mountain & that dear Nellie is better, with kind regard, I remain, Yours sincerely,

Eleanor Kennedy

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| G 8703 | C - 729(a) | Feb. 26, 1885 |  | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing communication from Geo. Morton re: aptmt of Wilson as Bailiff County Court. of Turtle Mountain. Replied 27 February. See L.B. "D" p222. |

I acknowledge your letter of 31 Jan re apptmt of Wilson as bailiff. “In reply I am still satisfied that the man Wilson …is a Grit & a genuine Scotch Grit.” I enclose letter from Geo Morton on the subject.

W.S.A. Heaslip “is a good Tory” and wd do the job.

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| G 8703 | C - 729(b) | Feb. 14, 1885 | Letter | Morton, G. | Turtle Mountain | Daly, F.M. | Re: Appt. of Wilson. |

“…I fear a great blunder will be committed if Willson is appointed Baliff [sic] …he is a genuine stiff Grit …It will give offense to many Conservatives in this county. Samuel Heaslip wants the appointment and he deserves it….

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| G 8703 | C - 730 | March 16, 1885 | Letter | McPherson, D. Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Wm. Davis making second entry. No action. |

Permission was granted to Davis to make a second entry for land

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| G 8703 | C - 731 | April 15, 1885 | Letter | Alcock, W.G. | Melbourne, Man. | Norquay, John | Stating there are several suspicious characters around there. Replied 17 April. See L.B. "G" p236. |

“Dear Sir There has been for a day or two several very suspicious looking characters apparently of the Fenian stripe about here up and down the railroad track and about Pine Creek Bridge on the CPR. They are bad looking customers and we do not consider the bridge very safe with them about I think it would be well to have it looked after….”

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| G 8703 | C - 733 | April 22, 1885 | Letter | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound, Man. | Norquay, John | Forming Southern Jud. Dist. Replied 24 April. See L.B. "D" pp238 & 239. |

Yours to hand, you have misunderstood my letter of the 13th re forming a Southern Judicial District of counties of Dufferin and Rock Lake. “I am satisfied with your answer the people do not want any extra taxation at the present time…. Etc.

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| G 8703 | C - 734 | April 24, 1885 | Letter | Whiteway, James | Lake Winnipeg | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to protect his note.  Action: Acknowledged receipt which was enclosed by Mr. N. & no copy kept. 29 April 1885. |

If I can’t get there in time to extend “that note” for another three months, “until the money comes from by Brother William will you be so kind as see to it for me that is for you to pay the interest for another term of three months…. I am awkwardly placed only us two and to leave my wife with the horses alone would not be right.”

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| G 8703 | C - 735 | Sept. 29, 1884 | Letter | Codd, Donald | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Public lands |

Includes 2 enclosures: "Statement of the Area of Land in the Province of Manitoba as decided by the Privy Council" (2pp) and "Statement showing the area of the Province of Manitoba, according to the Boundaries decided upon by the Committee of the Imperial Privy Council. Also the Lands disposed of up to the 3rd of Oct. 1883 and the Revenue derived" (1p.).

Codd’s letter says the Dominion Lands disposed of, up to 31 Oct 1882, included just under 6 million acres (homesteads 2,064,189 acres = $204,166;

Preemptions 2,014,675 acres = $76,573.

sales 1,864,342 acres = $1,495,832.

Total 5,943,206 acres = $1,776,571.

Plus 1883 returns – estimated at $370,000

Total - $2,146,571.

Total area of MB = 74,253,440 acres

Lakes 7,563,520 = 66, 689,920 acres

Set aside:

Indians 430,720

HBC 1/20 1,711,968

CPR 1,395,200

MNWRy 429,440

Scot, ON&MBLandCo 67,840

ShellRiver Colon Co 71,680

Educational 2/37th 3,604,480

Homestead 3,744,156

Preemptions 2,300,995

Sales 2,025,782

Half Breed children 1,400,000

Forest Tree cultivn 7,597

MB Act free grants 326,400

Land disposed of: 17,516,258

Undisposed of: 49,173,662

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| G 8703 | C - 736 | April 13, 1885 | Letter | Lewis & Kirby | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Informing Mr. N. they have renewed his policy  re: BCLI Co. Ltd. 14 April. See L.B. "D" p234. |

We have renewed your policy No. 413135 “Caledonian” as instructed by the Brit Can Loan & Inv Co. Please remit the premium of $12.00

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| G 8703 | C - 737 | Feb. 28, 1885 | Receipt | Kennedy, Alex | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered & receipted $2.40. |

8 doz pass books -- $2.40 Paid Alex Kennedy, Bookbinder

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| G 8703 | C - 738 | Dec. 13, 1884 | Receipt | Royal Colonial Institute | London, England | Norquay, John | Receipt for 1 pound 1 shilling for L1.1.0. |

Received from JN as subscription for 1885 as non-resident fellow

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| G 8703 | C - 739 | Feb. 11, 1885 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Appointment of Major Boulton as Chairman of W.J.D.B. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Re apptmt: [Daly seems to have wanted it]: “Now do you think this is fair square & above board? Has it come to this that notwithstanding my not being accorded the common courtesy of replys to my letters to you … that I am not to treated [sic] with the decency it is supposed is meted out to the commonest hireling, by my being officially informed that Major Boulton has rec’d the app’t. Why have you not informed me of this…. I think upon reflection Mr Norquay you will see that I have not been properly treated by you in this matter. I don’t give a damn for the appointment, never asked for it originally… but what I do kick about & what I do think is contemptible & small & that is that you had not the manliness to write & tell me that Boulton was appointed….

“I want you to recollect that singlehanded & alone I wrested this constituency from Sifton et al without your help or the help of a member of yr gov’t

“I am no lick spittle or toady & don’t you forget it, I am as independent as the devil….”

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| G 8703 | C - 740(a) | Sept. 28, 1884 | Requisition | Bedson, S.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Attorney General [Norquay, John] | Requisition for chairs, carpets, etc. for office at asylum. |
| G 8703 | C - 740(b) | Nov. 17, 1884 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | [Norquay, John] Attorney General | Re: Requisition of office furniture. |
| G 8703 | C - 740(c) | Nov. 18, 1884 | Letter | RW Cantlie | City (Winnipeg) | Bedson, S.L. | Re: Requisition of office furniture. |
| G 8703 | C - 740(d) | Nov. 20, 1884 | Memorandum | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Requisition of office furniture. |

Bedson submitted requisition on 28 Sept for table, chairs, carpet, “lounge” and doormat. CP Brown, as Minister,[17 Nov 1884] returns it to Bedson, “Inspector of Prisons and Asylums”, because Council decided not to fulfil it. Bedson then wrote Norquay [20 Nov 1884]: “I cannot understand this. You promised me [...] old room. Brown said he wd. See it furnished if I had a requisition sent to him. The action is to say the least very queer. How is it?

Attorney General office (Cantlie) returns Bedson’s requisition with a copy of Brown’s letter.

***Note: this is taken from a much later file:***

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| G 8728 | C - 2894 | Jan. 2, 1884 - July 29, 1885 | Memo | Ptolemy, W.J. | [No Location] |  | Memo re: Begg |

This is a brief memo from Ptolemy and seems to relate to the Asylum spending in the months from 2 Jan1884 to 29 July 1885. On back of document: JN’s defence of self in Leg speech?

“Memo

Debit: Jan 2/84 Ck No 758 to H M Howell a/c J.W. Smith $6676.97

Credit: Dec/84 Voucher 2044.49

28 Mar/85 By Proceeds of Note of 4400.00 4326.45

2 Apr/85 By Cash 306.03

$6676.97

Debit: June 28/85 Cheque of March 28 charged to a/c $4400.

Credit: June 29 Cash 750.

“ Proceeds of note for 3677.00 3650

$4400.

Debit: July 29/85 Cheque of June 29th charged to a/c $3677.00

And scrawled in pencil on reverse – perhaps by JN? Perhaps for reply in Assembly to charges?

“Asylum job

J H Bell

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& Enlargement of Province –“

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| G 8703 | C - 741 | March 1885 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $9.00 & receipted. |

March/85 – horseshoer and blacksmith: 9 March 1 spoke and tyre set on buggy 1.50

Making and fitting girons for sleigh 3.00

Whiffletree plus scrap and clip 1.25

1 shoe and 1 set 1.25

Repairing sleigh .50

2 shoes 1.00 and on the 31st March – 4 shoes set – total = $9.00 Pd.

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| G 8703 | C - 742 | April 18, 1885 | Receipt | R.R. Keith & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $1.35 & receipted. |

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| G 8703 | C - 743 | 1885 | Letter | Matheson, Samuel P. St. John's LadiesCollege | City (Winnipeg) | Re: Norquay, Nellie | To amount of account rendered $240.11. |

“I am being dunned on every hand. Try to send me a […] to keep me out of prison.”

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| G 8703 | C - 744 | April 6, 1885 | Letter | Bohon, G.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating he may be called upon to go to Gen. Middleton headquarters. |

“Dear Sir: I may be called upon to go to Genl Middleton’s headquarters: Who do you desire here to give the government & officials justice during my absence? Yours G B Bohon[?]

Scrawled below in another hand, perhaps JN: “Whe can you see Mr. Eagan or address a note to him?” [boulton?]

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| G 8703 | C - 745 | March 25, 1885 | Letter | McPherson, D.L. Min. of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Wm. Crawford, M.P.P. for a survey. |

Received your letter of 7 March, recommending William Crawford MPP for a survey. – Small area only this year – not likely.

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| G 8703 | C - 746 | March 28, 1885 | Telegram | White, Fred | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | “Shall not require more horses at present for police” |

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| G 8703 | C - 747 | March 30, 1885 | Telegram | Norquay, A. | FtQu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | "I am well". |

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| G 8703 | C - 748 | March 29, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Offering Jack Allen position on transport services. |

“Can you spare Jack Allan if he joins my transport service have offered him appointment Allick all right”

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| G 8703 | C - 749 | March 31, 1885 | Telegram | Middleton, Fred MajGen | Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Sending particulars of pay etc. |

‘Yes and send particulars as to pay etc. They must provide horses and arms if possible”

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| G 8703 | C - 750 | March 31 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | “Just returned from Fort Qu'Appelle Alick there looking OK after his march I transported them most of way in waggon.” |

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| G 8704 | C - 751 | April 1, 1885 | Telegram | Middleton, F. | Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | “At present have scouts enough will apply to you if men are wanted” |

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| G 8704 | C - 752 | May 7, 1885 | Receipt | Pickard & Co.[Rickard?] | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $5.00 & receipted. |

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| G 8704 | C - 753 | Dec. 31, 1884 | Receipt | Dick, Banning & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $111.09 ($40.00 paid on account). |

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| G 8704 | C - 754 | Sept. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $13.75. Paid. |

Shoes set (4) = $1. Previous bill = 12.75 (4 shoes set, 2 shoes, repair buggie, 4 shoes set, Paint and repair buggie $9.50 in June/July) Paid $13.75 in Sept.

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| G 8704 | C - 755 | Jan. 10, 1885 | Letter | Norquay, Bella | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John (in Ottawa) | Family matters. |

From “Government offices My dear Papa I came up today expecting to hear that you would be in Winnipeg tonight. I have not written because I thought that you would miss my letter. Mamma had one of her headaches but it was not very severe this time.

“The boys went back to school on Thursday Jack has not gone he waits till you return. Mr. Matheson wishes to see you as soon as you return about Jack. He is very anxious to get Jack back. There has been nothing going since I wrote last. Christie McDonald died very suddenly of convulsions. She had taken salts and got cold with them. The doctor said it went to her heart. She died New Year’s Eve. Nellie had a bad cold and we had the doctor in to see her she is all right now. When do you intend to come home. We are thinking long for you. Andrew is quite excited over the idea of getting a toboggan. He has a slide made already. I came to get forty dollars $40.00 from Mr. Washburn as the money you left us has run out. I hope you are quite satisfied with the results of your mission. We saw by the papers that everything was gained.

With lots of love and kisses I remain dear Papa Your loving daughter Bella Norquay”

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| G 8704 | C - 756 | April 5, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | General Middleton's Camp, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Transfer of Alick to transfer service. |

‘My dear John I wired you today about Alick the General will transfer him over to my staff. Jarvis would not let him go and your wire will do it. When our advance takes place tomorrow I hope we will go ahead quickly I want the general to rush now and have told him I can transport the whole Force to Crossing of River in six days from here. I am only now waiting to get orders from him. We will be glad to get a good time from you on our return. Yours, S.L. Bedson”

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| G 8704 | C - 757 | May 8, 1885 | Receipt | Forrest, C.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $3.75 & receipted. |

Repairs to watch and ring $3.75

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| G 8704 | C - 758 | April 23, 1885 | Letter | Shorey, S.O. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Woodworth's claim on S.C.M. & T. Co. & passage of bill. |

“Dear Mr Norquay: Woodworth is writing Mr Ashdown and demanding $150 for services at the mine, which he calls expenses. Mr. Ashdown has written him and promised to bring the matter up at the next board meeting and try to get a settlement for him. He (Woodworth) threatens a suit if we do not pay him, of course he could not collect – but we want his assistance to push the bonus through, and we do not wish to quarrel with him at any rate, will you please smooth him down, & tell him it will be all right, I hope that you will push the bonus matter through speedily – as a little money now would be as good as more later on. Yours faithfully”

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| G 8704 | C - 759 | Feb. 24, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Silcox's vote in Winnipeg South. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay Yours of yesterday re Silcox is here. I am sorry to hear of your fears of Mr. Silcox going over etc. I am writing him and hope to some effect. I would come down if I thought to help and will now if necessary & if possible will be in Winnipeg election day. I am writing Mr. Silcox and urging him to stand by the Party &c &c you are having a big fight although many things appear against you at present conflicting statements and Ottawa report of terms &c Still you will come out safe I am glad to see you drawing a straight party line to do that and stick to it is a safe policy. I am very anxious for your Government. Our Judicial board is in session now and I am with them [?] considerably and trying to help things generally we have reduced official salaries of judicial board $2500 anything I can do please command me, yours faithfully”

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| G 8704 | C - 760 | Jan. 19, 1885 | Letter | Campbell, A. Minister of Justice | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Appt. of Q.C.'s in Man. |

“Dear Mr Norquay Sir John Macdonald has transferred to me your note to him of the 16th of January re the appointment of QCs in Manitoba. You had probably forgotten at the time that you wrote that I had explained to you personally that the appointment of Mr. Biggs & Mr. Ewart had taken place – they were to be gazetted on the 8th of November. And I had also explained that in making such appointments both sides of the Bar as regards politics have to be considered. It would never do to ignore a man’s position in the profession, because of his politics. I am sure, when you consider the matter, that your natural fairness of mind will lead you to this conclusion which is, I think, the one generally admitted in England and in her Colonies. Faithfully yours, A Campbell”

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| G 8704 | C - 761 | April 8, 1885 | Letter | Van Horne, W.C. General Manager, CPR | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Mr. Montague & etc. Replied April 14. See L.B. "D" p368. |

“Confidential My Dear Mr Norquay As your name appears among the promoters on an enterprise of which Mr. Montague Leet [?] figures as manager or High Commissioner I send you the enclosed letters to show you what kind of a man he is. When in Winnipeg last a scurrilous article was shown me which I was informed was in Mr Leet’s handwriting (and the enclosed letters prove it to have been such) and which was to be published in Mr Leet’s paper if we did not meet his wishes in some matter of passes or something of that nature. Kindly return the enclosed letters, and oblige, Yours very truly

W.C. Van Horne”

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| G 8704 | C - 762 | April 15, 1885 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $43.25. |

Paid $10.00 on account

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| G 8704 | C - 763 | Feb. 14, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Joseph H. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | "Uncle" [Norquay, John] | Family matters. |

“Red Deer Hill My Dear Uncle I am sure that you was waiting for a letter from me all this while back. Horace had to kill his mare on Thursday morning nocked [sic] her on the head with the ax she was just only breathing that was all. The lines got about her leg and I suppose when she would hit against old Jessie the old mare would kick her. Her head was all brocken she could not drink or eat her legs was all bluddy she was just weak she could not stand I suppose it was when she tried to get her life back her eyes was brockled [?] she could not see they were all red They strung her up she was just crazy when they had her strung up Joseph House and Mr. John McKay and Edwin Spence and papa and Horace had to string her up. It was a fine little mare. She lived a day and a night. Papa was off for wood that morning when Horace killed her papa was going to kill her but he did not have the heart to kill her. He left word for me to kill her but I did not have the heart to kill her so Horace took the ax and nocked her on the head. It is nothing but Ball this winter now. There was one surprize party here and another surprize party at Joseph House on Thursday there is to be a ball at Jim Brown’s too some of these days There was a Ball last night at the St. Andrews School and singing and reading too. Our hens are laying now some times we get 7 eggs and 6 & 8 & 6 & 4 &5 a day. The Boys were out cutting rails. Tom and John James S[wain?] were out Horace went out for them today. Papa and I went for hay today Please Uncle send me out some stamps because I cannot write to you if I don’t send [?...?]some from you. Papa is always growling about the stamps when ever I write to you and any of you people. Mr. Jackson and another fellow came here today. I am happy to say that we are all quite well at present. I must close with love to you and all, I remain your loving nephew Joseph H. Adams

Mama sends her love to you.

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| G 8704 | C - 764 | April 9, 1885 | Telegram | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Cipher message. |

“Much obliged for letter indocile chop Haddington soakers botanical brogue Expatation.

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| G 8704 | C - 765 | Feb. 1, 1885 | Receipt | White Manahan & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $19.50 & receipted. |

Sep/Oct 1884: Boy’s suit $11; ditto hat $1.50; 1 suit $7 = $19.50 pd. Feb 1885

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| G 8704 | C - 766 | Jan. 26, 1885 | Letter | Luxton, W.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Reproof to Brandon mail. |

“My dear Mr Norquay I am particularly pleased at receiving your kind note of this a.m., as it had entered into my mind that you might consider the F.P.’s [P.P.’s] reproof to the Brandon Mail entirely gratuitous, for you cannot be unconscious of the fact that you are too well known and understood by all classes of our people to render anything like a ‘defence’ of you in the respects in which you were attacked by the Mail aught but superfluous.

Had you been annoyed, which I am glad you are not, my defence or rather apology would have been that the reproof was intended to be administered to the Mail in general principles, as a protest against the use of such insolence towards any man as he indulged in against you. Yours truly W F Luxton

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| G 8704 | C - 767 | Oct. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Bell, William | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $4.37 & receipted.  Paid 14 May 1885. |

For wool and gloves purchased in Dec 1884 etc

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| G 8704 | C - 768 | Feb. 15, 1885 | Letter | Densmore, J.P. | Rat Portage | Coblentz, A. | Voting in Winnipeg. No action. |

Very hard times here, no money for work – got your note re coming to Winnipeg for election. Fare and living costs would be $23.60. ‘If my vote is worth enough for them to pay the expense I would come and do what I can.”

“No action this letter is addressed to Mr. Coblentz”

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| G 8704 | C - 769 | April 24, 1885 | Letter | Tupper, La Touche | Calgary N.W.T. | "Old Friend" [Norquay, John] | Camp life. Acknowledging 28 April. No copy kept as it was enclosed by Mr. N. |

“My Dear Old Friend I cannot let the mail go without at least one line to you. We are all O.K. Clinker built and copper fastened. Tom is getting so fat you would hardly know him he eats five meals a day and spends half his spare time hunting another he would break the heart of any quarter master who was mean about grub. He spends a good part of each day with me and is going to make a grand soldier. Kingston Military School ought to be his destination. Col Smith is sure if right is done to be in charge of Alberta district – and this will give Leacock Con and myself the Brigade staff appointments. The Col says we are the best staff he ever had. I don’t know as to myself but he is right as regards the other two. We seem to be getting ahead of the Scott Tuttle Battalion every day in soldiering though they beat us hollow at giving concerts and ‘whooping her up’ and stuffing reporters we have one detachment at Crowfoot, one at Gleichen, one at Langdon and one at McLeod – surrounding the Blackfoot & Bloods & Sarcees – 5,000 warriors against our Battalion 70 police - & 45 mounted rifles. The Blackfoot will remain O.K. Crowfoot dined with us last night[.] I’ll look after Tom as I promised. God bless you, LaTouche”

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| G 8704 | C - 770 | April 19, 1885 | Letter | Sinclair, Samuel | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking forgiveness for not working on election. |

“Onerable Mr John Norquay Dear Sir I am very sorey that I did not do some work fore you when you asked me to settle for the ten dollars you obliged me with at your last election Now I am bean sick for this last 6 months and I am getinge weaker every day with the liver and lung disease I am troubled very much for not settling with you when I was well for I do not now [know] that I can pay you at all for I am living hear in want of many nesserys for my surfing body Onerable Mr Norquay I would be very glad it you would forgive me or send me some reply to content my mind for I am lieing in a very weak state at present for I hardly can rite I am so weak. That is all I hope you will give me a reply. Y T Samuel Sinclair”

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| G 8704 | C - 771 | April 24, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Clarkes Crossing,  N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Account of fight. |

“Had very not work for over four hours about fifty killed & wounded on our side rebels loss not yet known Aleck Nursey and self OK let wives know S L Bedson Collect

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| G 8704 | C - 772 | April 24, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Clarkes Crossing, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | "Engaged all OK". |

From camp near Clarke’s Crossing: “Engaged all O.K.”

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| G 8704 | C - 773 | April 23, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Clarkes Crossing, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Leaving wires. No news for few days. |

“We leave telegraph line tomorrow no news from our column for a few days Alick OK with Nursey”

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| G 8704 | C - 774 | April 30, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Clarkes Crossing, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | "Swinford just died. Alick OK. |

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| G 8704 | C - 775 | April 28, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Clarkes Crossing, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Waiting until wounded provided for, etc. |

“We wait here until wounded are provided for all well”

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| G 8704 | C - 776 | March 4, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Ft. Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Alick's welfare. |

“Will see after Alick and his wants I have forwarded stores now to Touchwood in advance of column wish you were here as extra ADC

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| G 8704 | C - 777 | March 1, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Congrats on vote. |

“Congratulations on vote move forward forward [sic] tomorrow Alick OK

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| G 8704 | C - 778 | April 27, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Fish Creek, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Just returned from Battleford etc. |

“Just returned from scene of battle All OK rebels skiddadled [sic]”

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| G 8704 | C - 779 | April 5, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Ft. Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Wiring General Middleton to place Alick on transport service. |

“Wire Genl Middleton to place Alick on transport staff I will also mention to him”

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| G 8704 | C - 780 | April 10, 1885 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Reduction of his salary. |

Confidential: “Dear Mr. Norquay Referring to our conversation of this morning, if you think the direct and indirect salaries I am receiving from the Govt are too much I am willing to [?illegible], provided my salary as Deputy Head is left as at present, to the salary I receive from the Board of Agriculture being reduced by such an amount as will make my combined salary from the two sources equal with the maximum amount paid by the Govt. during the current year to any other Deputy Head. Yours very truly…”

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| G 8704 | C - 781 | April 21, 1885 | Letter | Black, W.P. | Carberry Registry Office | Norquay, John | Re: The Mawhinney matter. |

County of Norfolk – I’m paying up the amount in the Mawhinney matter -- $51 two weeks ago, $50 more today, and $100 at beginning of month – “so that I shall be able to meet the whole amount very shortly.”

Ps: “Congratulate you on magnificent budget speech”

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| G 8704 | C - 782 | April 21, 1885 | Letter | Setter, John James | Portage la Prairie, Man. | "Neestaw" [Norquay, John] | Family matters. |

On stationery of Sheriff’s Office, Central Judicial District, PlP:

“My Dear Neestaw I am sorry to state that my poor wife is again seriously ill I was up all night last night, I fear that some night she will slip away from me, these fearfull spells must tell very severely on her, I suppose that you are oppressed with the same fears continually, our poor wives have surely had their share of earthly suffering. I am just afraid to leave her now at all, I somehow feel differently this spring, she used to have such wonderfull recuperative powers, but this spring there is very plainly a difference, how is my sister? Give me the address of old Aunt Mary, I want to send her a letter before she dies, she must now be growing very feeble. Yours truly John Jas Setter”

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| G 8704 | C - 783 | May 4, 1885 | Letter | Setter, John James | Portage la Prairie, Man. | "Neestaw" [Norquay, John] | Friendly family matters. |

Same paper: “My congratulations Neestaw, You have weathered the storm once again this has been your hardest session, your ‘Loyal Opposition’ are getting out of patience that the country does not kick you out & let them in, I see that they stole a march on me Saturday, they are made up of just such dirty stuff as that, you will have an idea of what I have to put up with from the Hon member form P.L.P. even in my line, he manages to give me more trouble than all the other members of his profession in the Province put together. I see that Conclin [?] too does not thank you for allowing him his sessional indemnity last year, you need not be surprized at anything a Grit will do for they are as full of the dirtiest of nastiness as an egg is full of milk. I fear that Miller would have to produce some curious vouchers if compelled to do so & had taken them, our old friend James thought that he was the only man in Manitoba who could fill the position of Registrar General, R.M.H. ditto, and I do not know how many more of them, but they feel pretty crestfallen when Big Jim Miller’s name was announced, ah ha said James I see now the true inwardness of this matter it is for the purpose of making a place for Miller, I told him that it was the first time that I ever heard that Greenway ever sought a place for Miller for he claims…. [more – same tone]

“It seems to me that Genl Middleton is afraid of the Rebs, I believe that he got licked at Fish Creek or he would not delay so long where he is, I don’t think that he will find any of them at Batoche’s when he gets there, they will have left before this, then he will boldly march up to ----------- then the next thing will be to treat with the beggars this I think you will find will be about the way it will turn out.

“Ann is better again today tho she has been poorly for the last few days, I am afraid to write about her for I no sooner say she is better than I have to say she is worse again…

“I hope that the boys at the front are safe & that they will distinguish themselves, & also that my sister is gaining strength, best regards to all, Keestaw John James Setter

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| G 8704 | C - 784 | March 30, 1885 | Letter | Setter, John James | Portage la Prairie, Man, | Norquay, John | Congratulations on vote. |

“Dear Sir My congratulations for your late victory, another score, I hope that the d d hotheads may not mob the Buildings, but they may be just fools enough for it, for I can see that the Grits here are in sympathy with the rebellion out west, & were they not such d cowards they would do the same here, and if they have power enough in the city they may take advantage of the present disturbance, anything to embarrass the Govt, I have very great fears for the safety of the poor settlers out west in the event of a general Indian uprising many a poor settler will pay the last debt, I only hope that Gen Middleton may make a dash and put a stop to any further rising, prompt action may save many lives, delays are dangerous….

“I have written to Mr. Wilson re the Indians in this locality they should be seen to, I know that it is not in hands of the local Govt but I see by referring to the Canadian Almanac that Mr. McColl’s headquarters are at Regina…

“I have just hard that the Arms, Clothing, &c of the Vols have been wrecked by Fenians, I hope this is not true.

“All well here, I hope Mrs. N is better, Yours truly …”

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| G 8704 | C - 785 | Feb. 17, 1885 | Receipt | Manitoba Cartage & Warehouse | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $5.30. |

1 pkg spirits shipped from Emerson to Wpg by CPR

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| G 8704 | C - 786 | April 28, 1885 | Letter | Sinclair, A.M. Pioneer Mining Co. Acting Treas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice that a resolution has been passed ordering the collection of his note. |

Motion at recent mtg of Pioneer Mining Company that you be asked to pay your note of $500.00

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| G 8704 | C - 787 | May 1, 1885 | Letter | Paisley, James K. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to attend a meeting of Pioneer Mining Co. |

Tomorrow, Saturday, at 3:00 at American Hotel

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| G 8704 | C - 788 | Feb. 27, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Bringing down voters (South Winnipeg). |

I’ve just wired you – send voters list – I’ll get every vote I can – Grits are doing all they can in this town – “Let me know by wire (in some other name) of any persons you know of in or about this city who has votes that we can secure.”

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| G 8704 | C - 789 | April 18, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Winnipeg Man. | Norquay, John | Re: SCM&T Co. |

SK Coal – Private “Dear Sir I only gave you warning last winter Re your connection with Coal Co you know what your answer was I wrote you as a friend, having lost all faith & trust in the Vice President…”

Believing he wld “bring the Company to grief also he would leave you in a bad fix if he got the chance. I was employed by him to go to the mines last October & went & remained there until 13th Dec at which time he wired me to come to Winnipeg to annual meeting I came & returned to the mine again when I found the manager was put in charge My services being no longer required I returned to Brandon…”

I reported accurately. If my advice had been taken Co wld be in better condition… “but finding what kind of a man the manager was and also finding out the leader Mr. J.H. Ashdown I resigned all connection and gave away my stock giving up the thing as a dead loss under such a mismanagement foolish & unprincipled conduct of J.H. Ashdown he ignored me & my advice altogether…”

So I left quietly and wrote you “my caution & to warn you in time.”

I didn’t ask for wages but just expenses -- $150.00. Ashdown says he has no power to act. “I have been treated like a dog by this Ashdown…. [I] shall try to protect you ….”

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| G 8704 | C - 790 | April 15, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Chas. ‘Keestaw’ | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | "Neestaw" [Norquay, John] | Family Matters. |

“My dear Neestaw I suppose you are all interested in the state of affairs out this way, certainly it is a sad state, however we are all safe so far. You were not far wrong in your opinion of that beggar Riel he nearly getting the Eng hf brds in trouble but their loyalty was too strong for his taste & did not go to extremes. The moment he took up arms all with very few exceptions took arms against him….

“…but how far can Indians be trusted when let loose you know as I do….”

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| G 8704 | C - 791 | April 30, 1885 | Letter | Bedford, James J. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Apologizing for not meeting note. |

Sorry about this cheque- I apologize

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| G 8704 | C - 792 | May 5, 1885 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Thanking Mr. N. for Alick's letter. |

“Many thanks for the letter. It is beautifully written and you ought to be proud of it.”

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| G 8704 | C - 793 | May 1, 1885 | Letter | Lancefield, Geo. R. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for $4.50 for "Canada under administration of Lord Lorne". Replied 11 May enclosing ck.  See L.B. "D" p250. |

We sent you this book some time ago – please send cheque

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| G 8704 | C - 794 | May 5, 1885 | Letter | McArthur, J.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Payment of demand note of $500.00. Replied May 8. See L.B. "D" p250. |

Pioneer Mining Co, also known as Otter Tail Mining Co, asks you to pay $500 but on a demand note from you to the Company. If not completed in 30 days, your interest in the company will be forfeited. Motion by Walsh and Paisley to that effect.

McArthur & Dexter are in the firm of Macdonald & Tupper.

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| G 8704 | C - 795 | May 5, 1885 | Letter | Klotz, Jacob E. | Preston, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Coal business. Replied 8 May. See L.B. "D" p248. |

I wrote several times to Dr. Benson – no answer. Is he sick or absent from town?

What progress has the C.P.R. made with ‘test’ of our coal as ordered by Van Horne? Any progress in floating our mine in London, Eng?

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| G 8704 | C - 796 | April 13, 1885 | Letter | Maxwell, Andy | Camille, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking a loan of $40.00. Replied 8 May. See L.B. "D" p247. |

Can’t meet interest payment due 1 May. Loan of $45? “which I will be able to pay you back during the summer, I don’t say anything about security because all I have, is yours already, myself included.

“You have known me now for some fourteen years and can readily understand the pull it is to have to ask you for a favour of this kind….” “My hand is all healed up but is very tender yet, but I will be able to put in my crop.”

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| G 8704 | C - 797 | March 28, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Horace | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Family matters. Replied 8 May. See L.B. "D" p246. |

“My dear uncles, aunties & cousins I now once more write you a few lines ‘perhaps it might be the last time’ to tell you that we are in a very dangerous position we all have to go and take up arms tomorrow and fight for the Crown there is no knowing how many of us there is that will live to see the end of this Rebellion. But we will pray that God will do what serveth him good and I hope & pray that he will make us victorious in this battle. The Rebels are coming nearer & it is likely we will have to go to war in a few days….

“I am rather excited just now, but will try & keep cool. H.C.A.”

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| G 8704 | C - 798 | May 2, 1885 | Letter | Campbell, G.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Collins ticket to Ottawa 48 5/100. Replied 4 May. See L.B. "D" p244. |

W.A. Collins’ ticket to Ottawa -- $48.05 – I have your note of 3 Feb re above. Collins declines to pay – please fix it asap

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| G 8704 | C - 799 | May 1, 1885 | Letter | Irwin, Wilson agent,Travellers Ins. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing duplicate receipt re Policy #568774 on the life of Mr. N. Replied 4 May. See L.B. "D" p243. |

To W.A. Pritchard re insurance

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| G 8704 | C - 800 | Feb. 24, 1884 | Letter | Adamson, Robt. | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Re: S.C.M. & T. Co. |

Addressed to JN at Palmer House, Chicago, on stationery of Grand Pacific Hotel Chicago: “Dear Sir, I forgot to mention to you this afternoon that since you left Winnipeg I have been in correspondence with a firm of Brokers re Saskatchewan mine and that they have held out very good prospects of floating it at a price which would give the present Coy $400,000 &c. (The terms which were spoken of between Mr Klotz, you and myself).” Should I not see you in the morning Klotz can give you all information as I gave him a Memo &c of what is required by the Brokers. Yours very truly…”

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| G 8704 | C - 801 | Dec. 11, 1884 | Letter | Gladstone, W.E. | London, England | Potter, T.B.M.P. | Re: The Cobden Club. |

Advt emphasizing Gladstone’s support of the Cobden Club in London

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| G 8704 | C - 802 | Oct. 31, 1884 | Handbill | Benson, E., M.D. | City (Winnipeg) | "To The General Public" | Re: Flogging of McCormick. |

Printed flyer headed: “Dr. Benson’s Version of the Flogging in the Gaol Yard”

Daily papers have it wrong – I’m gaol physician, attended as official duty “no matter how much it grated on my own feelings, which it did….” – 12 lashes, “not one drop of blood drawn…” he did not faint nor “lay on the floor of his cell writhing in agony, but on the contrary sat up on his chair quietly and in a short time afterwards eat a hearty dinner.” [sic]No reporter was present and I was not interviewed by a reporter, knowing him to be a reporter. Nearly every statement in the papers is false.

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| G 8704 | C - 803 | Jan. 27, 1884 | Letter | Colcleugh, James | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Lot 244, etc. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

“My dear Norquay On the memorandum I gave you the first Lot 242 has been patented. On looking over my papers I see it has been confounded with Lot 244 which latter is the one I got from Jacob Spence and in the department it appears as applied for by him. I wish you could get the Bailey lot (31) shoved through for me I want to use it. Lot 30 claimed by Johnie Clarke at Lower Fort has never been applied for see what shape it is in at the Department If you could get that it is the prettiest lot on the river lies just between the Bailey lot and John Pruden’s. Hope you will get my wood business fixed and have my bond released. Hudson Bay Ry excitement keeps hot. The whole country anxiously waiting the result of your mission. Shove it to them strong and you will be backed. By the bye I hear a whisper that the supplementary ½ breed list would be allotted this session. Now they could be picked up pretty cheap if there was a certainty that they would be dealt with soon. Worthwhile inquiring – Get a list of St. Andrew, St Clements & St Peters. Yours, James Colcleugh”

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| G 8704 | C - 804 | Oct. 23, 1884 | Letter | McLelan, A.W. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter recommending an Insp.of Fisheries. |

Minister of Fisheries to JN – I have your recommendation for fishery inspector.

“I am very glad to learn you had better weather after the scientists and Ministers left you.”

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| G 8704 | C - 805 | Sept. 1, 1884 | Letter | Donkins, R.B. | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter of 16th inst. Re $12.60 allowed him. Dealt with Mr. N. personally. |

Received your of 16th that your govt has allowed me in the cause re vs. Harry Stephens the sum of $12.60 for expense in taking Harry Stephens to Winnipeg jail on 12 June 1882. I refer you to NO. 185 in 1882 Accts.

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| G 8704 | C - 806 | April 24, 1885 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Calgary, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Wiring Caron again on subject Harrison  spoke to him about. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

“If you wire Caron again at once on subject Harrison saw you about things are in such a shape I think appointment would be made”

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| G 8704 | C - 807 | March 18, 1885 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Thanking Mr. N. for tickets to opening of House & asking one for Mr. Curris. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“My dear Norquay Many thanks for card to opening. Mr. Currie is very anxious to see it. Can you oblige me by giving him one.”

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| G 8704 | C - 808 | Feb. 24, 1885 | Letter | Walker, Judge D.M. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: C.C. clerk for Deloraine. |

I recommended Joe Stuart of Deloraine, backed by Mr Young member. This was in Miller’s time. “I can assure you Joe Stuart is a Conservative and does good fighting for the cause in the South…..”

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| G 8704 | C - 809 | Aug. 14, 1885 | Letter | Osler, Edward | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Appt. of a Constable at Bad Throat River on L. Winnipeg Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

My dear Mr. Norquay Can you make any arrangement to have a constable appointed out at Bad Throat River on Lake Winnipeg he could also be a game protector. There is going to be a number of men lumbering in the neighborhood all winter and I am requested by the mill owners and contractors to have such an appointment made and would suggest the name of Mr. John Wood….”

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| G 8704 | C - 810 | Aug. 8, 1883 | Telegram | Fraser, J.W. | Manitoba City | Norquay, John | Stating he will meet Mr. N. tomorrow 9 Aug. Dealt with by Mr. N. [Copy] |

“will meet you tomorrow bring all you can with you see train get on time”

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| G 8704 | C - 811 | Aug. 11, 1884 | Postcard | H.S. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: advertisement in Weekly Free Press. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Addressed to JN in “Parkdale” [crossed out are “City” and “St Andrews”]

Interesting puzzle – hard to decipher – “Taking increased value of property into consideration, in addition to ordinary dividends quite 550% [?] guaranteed within 7 years on original capital. HS” [Hugh Sutherland?]

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| G 8704 | C - 812 | 1884 | Receipt | Spencer, J.H. | [No Location] | Laycock, | To amount of account rendered to Leacock & receipted $33.40. Paid. |

Jan 23 Lunch 40 c Ale 20c

24 Breakfast 40c

25 Breakfast 40c

26 Drinks 40 c & 20c

29 cash for telegram 1.35

1 cigars 45c 6 Drks 60c 1.05

21 27 days lodgings $29.00 Total 33.40 Recd Payment

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| G 8704 | C - 813 | May 15, 1885 | Letter | Lyons, Thomas, Sr. | St. Clements | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to secure from Dom. Govt. for him the post of Light House Keeper at Mossy Island. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

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| G 8704 | C - 814 | May 4, 1885 | Telegram | Smith, Col. Osborne | Calgary, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Report of progress. Dealt with by Mr. N.. |

“All well with Winnipeg Light Infantry & my column now advancing on Edmonton the Battalion are developing into the best soldiers I ever saw marching from twenty two to twenty five miles daily over bad roads & fording rapid streams Kildonan Company doing very well John doing very well W. Osborne Smith Lt Co

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| G 8704 | C - 815 | Nov. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Bank of Nova Scotia | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $250.00 to be applied on note due 14th.  No action. |

Received from Hon J Norquay -- $250.00 – to be applied in payment of note due 14 Oct.

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| G 8704 | C - 816 | 1873 | Act |  |  |  | Act establishing the Michigan State Board of Health. No action. |

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| G 8704 | C - 817 | 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note stating he is going to Portage tomorrow. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

“My dear John Finding you were very busy and having an engagement to stay with Darby Taylor I will not stay tonight as he is to come to the Portage with me tomw. [sic] In the matter in point I will merely take the testimony on both sides and make report to the Government of such gen. nature and my recommendation as to action – I will send all papers to you. I will wire Setter to say I am coming up and to be on hand. Yours SLB

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| G 8704 | C - 818 | Aug. 25, 1884 | Letter | Constantine, C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Appt. of a constable at Bad Throat River. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

Stationery of Office of Provincial Police C. Constantine Chief Provincial Police: Rec’d yours of 3rd inst enclosing Osler letter re constable at Bad Throat River. None is needed there – only 2 cases from that country in 3 years. “If any are appointed, it will be for the purpose of serving the personal interests of parties there and not for the sake of general justice.” Osler’s nominee is “not a fit and proper party…

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| G 8704 | C - 819(a) | March 16, 1885 | Letter | Morrison, John, Blacksmith | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: $115.00 owed him by Kilpatrick & Armit. Dealt with by Mr. N. |
| G 8704 | C - 819(b) | Feb. 1, 1885 | Receipt | Johnson, S.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Morrison, John | Mdse. For Selkirk Asylum. |

“Dear Sir I don’t like to trouble you with what to some would be a triffle [sic] but to me is of great importance. I have an account of $115 against Kilpatrick & Armit for last summer’s work on the asylum, I gave my iron merchant S.F. Johnson an order on them he has lost patience waiting on it and pressing me hard for his account, which I will enclose and I have no means of paying it but Kilpatrick’s account and what makes my case worse I have indirect accounts amounting to more than the direct. I may mention one of them I boarded my son, a man and two team of horses till they wrought for over $400.00 at the asylum he did not get paid and of corse [sic] neither did I and I think my direct account should have been put in the workingman’s wage class.

“If you can do anything to help me out of my difficulty you will do a great favour to yours respectfully, John Morrison, Blacksmith, Selkirk”

The actual bill, dated 1 Feb/85, is for $146.14 and includes $4.25 interest.

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| G 8704 | C - 820 | May 26, 1885 | Receipt | Bishop Engraving & Printing Co. (Ltd.). | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: prices charged for ribbon. Handed to me by Mr.  Black, Acting Auditor who dealt with the same. |

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| G 8704 | C - 821 | May 16, 1885 | Receipt | Miller Morse & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $16.55 and receipted. |

Builder’s hardware – 2 coils barb wire $15.96 and a dog collar for .60 Pd. $16.55.00

Plus engraving (on dog collar?) plus interest – still owed $9.60.

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| G 8704 | C - 822 | May 24, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Leaving PA today and Alick in charge of P.O. Nursey goes to front. |

From PA via Humboldt: “We move to Battleford today I leave Alick here in charge of field force post office Nursey to go to the front S L Bedson”

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| G 8704 | C - 823 | May 8, 1885 | Letter | Bengough, Wm. Publisher "Grip" | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Requesting Mr. N.'s autograph & photograph. Replied 22 May. See L.B. "D" p256. |

For “a fine print consisting of a group of the leading Conservatives of Canada. As your photo is necessary to complete the group….”

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| G 8704 | C - 824 | May 15, 1885 | Letter | Munson, Allan & MacBeth | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing deed Norquay to Hope. Replied 16 May. See L.B. "D" p251. |

Encloses copy of deed from yourself to John Hope registered at Portage la Prairie county office for NE 1/4, 25,11, 5 West

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| G 8704 | C - 825 | Nov. 28, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | McTavish, J.H. | Re: Thomas Mowat's claim against CPR for right of way. On back of folio 1. Note to Norquay from Baird & 2. Note to McTavish from Nixon. |

JN official letter to CPR Land Commissioner J H McTavish – Thomas Mowat would never mortgage his property. The Thomas Mowat referred to by Mr. Nixon must be the one “who lives out at Oak Hammock and who has a place at St. Andrews which place has been taken from him by mortgage foreclosures and executions against him.

Annotations on back: Mr Nixon explains below, giving numbers of lots with neighbor’s names “Will this be sufficient to identify the Thos Mowat? J H McTavish

2nd annotation: “We have deeds from Thomas Mowat for right of way over 83 & 90 St Andrews. There is a mortgage for $600 on S. 1 Ch of 90 held by Robt. Young. There is also an execution Strang vs. Thos. Mowat for $287.72.

80 St And D McDonald

81 M McDonald

82 A Peebles & Mrgt Bird

84 B BAllendin

85 JC Corrigal

86 Wm McDonald & Thos Norquay

89 C Moore

91 B Sinclair

92 Robt Saunders [all this signed by Thos Nixon]

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| G 8704 | C - 826(a) | Feb. 3, 1885 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Campbell, G.H. CPR offices | Re: Ticket for W.A. Collins. Dealt with by Mr. N. |
| G 8704 | C - 826(b) | May 7, 1885 | Letter | Campbell, G.H. Ticket Agent, CPR | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Rate reduction on passage. |

JN wrote Campbell of CPR asking its assistance to Mr. Collins – ticket at reduced rate to Ottawa: “I will settle the amount if not paid by him within sixty days but cannot do so at present.” Annotation on letter: $48.05

To JN from Campbell: yours of 4th inst to hand – I enclose your letter dated 3 Feb. I regret that I couldn’t obtain a reduction

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| G 8704 | C - 827(a) | Feb. 19, 1884 | Letter | R.L. | DeptInterior Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Claim of Anne C. Murray. |

RL at Dominion Lands Office to JN: “RE claim of Anne C. Murray to Lots nos 2 and 15 in Parish of St Clements

The will of Alexr H. Murray appears to devise all the property to wife and children. If all children are of age, a quit claim from each of them to the mother together with a Stat Declaration showing that all AHMurray’s children “have so quitted claim, I think it would be O.K.” If children not of age, consult lawyer re filing of stat declarations…

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| G 8704 | C - 827(b) |  | Memorandum |  |  |  | Parish lots in Parish of St. Anne. |

Lots 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 and 47 – original claimant Duncan Nolin, Charles Nolin, Alex Nolin, Jos Nolin, F.H. Gagnier, Francois Nolin.

Charles still claims lot 40. Many more details here.

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| G 8704 | C - 827(c) | 1884 | List |  |  |  | List of papers enclosed. |

List of declarations from A. Nolin, Pierre Falcond, etc. re various claims to lots in St Anne – this material seems to belong to C.P. Brown

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| G 8704 | C - 827(d) | March 23, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Falcond, J.B. | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 47 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(e) | March 26, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Flamond, Jean | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 42 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(f) | March 23, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Huppe, Isadore | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 40 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(g) | March 26, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Nolin, Alexander | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot W 1/2 42 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(h) | March 23, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Huppe, Julien | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 79 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(i) | March 27, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Nolin, Charles | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 40 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(j) | March 27, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Nolin, Charles | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 41 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(k) | March 27, 1877 | Power of Attorney | Gagne, Xavier | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 43 Parish of St. Anne. |
| G 8704 | C - 827(l) | March 23, 1877 |  | Nolin, Duncan | St. Anne |  | Re: Lot 38 & 39 Parish of St. Anne. |

These people nominate John F. Bain, lawyer at attorney to apply for scrip which they are entitled to under provisions of O-i-C 17 April 1874 and all are signed on March/April 1877. CPBrown and Chas Nolin (JP) witnessed most but not all. Six of the applicants signed with X, but Chas and Duncan Nolin signed for themselves.

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| G 8704 | C - 828 | [No Date] | Memorandum |  | [No Location] |  | Report of a Comm. of the House re: printing statutes.  Dealt with by Mr. N. while in Ottawa. |

Handwritten memo, listing papers and reports, presumably those tabled in the provincial assembly, including recommendations on what should be printed and in how many copies – eg: 1500 copies of the Municipal Act in English, 500 in French, as well as 1500 copies of Act respecting Agriculture, Statistics and Health in English, 500 in French

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| G 8704 | C - 829 | April 17, 1885 | Telegram | Leacock, E.P., M.P.P. | Calgary, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Arrived safe etc. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Arrived all safe nobody ill please wire us news daily while here hope leave Wednesday”

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| G 8704 | C - 830 | Jan. 24, 1885 | Confidential Memorandum | Lewis, Major John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Secret society formed in Winnipeg Dealt with by Mr. N. while at Ottawa. |

For Norquay’s information: “Since seeing you I took an active part in the Emerson election – never having taken off my clothes from the time of the Request until Dr. Nash was elected.”

“My other work… slowly but surely….The Secret Secession Rebel Society has been in active operation during the whole of last year, or until their books were burned as already reported. (Allow me here to call your attention to H.J. Clarke’s speech at the late Farmers’ Union meeting here in corroboration of what I have already reported ….

“Greenway was within the inner circle … he signed the castiron pledge….

“…The Farmers Union is on the wane. Still it requires a kick and now is the time…. I had a man to be proposed and accepted by them….he says that it, at the bottom, is a pure and simple Clear Grit Institution – its first principles inside being political death to you….

Luxton sent for Purvis, who went with Baily and Brown: “Luxton d—d them [sic] up hill and down dale for having permitted H.J. Clarke to make such a speech as he did. To use his own words: ‘You have played Hell with me. That man Norquay is coming home here with better terms and were it not for your inviting Clarke to make that speech I could have neutralized his popularity somewhat but as it is now the Reform party here is gone to the Devil.’

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| G 8704 | C - 831 | May 11, 1883 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne, Mayor | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Brandon Registry Office. |

“Private Confidential” 4 handwritten pages – criticism of selfish Woodworth, warning not to appoint Woodworth’s son – would “do the government incalculable injury….”, but rather to close one registrar office (of two in the city), release one employee, keep the other.

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| G 8704 | C - 832 | June 20, 1883 | Copy of Letter | Daly, Paul K. Sask. Coal Co. | Medicine Hat | Lawson, J.P. | Report of coal by Paul K. Daly. |

Daly reports as locomotive foreman, to Lawson as Engineer, Sask Coal Mines

“Dear Sir In compliance with your request to have my verdict on the result of yesterday’s test of your coal, I desire to say: The test was made on Engine ‘78’ Engineer J.P. Murray between here and second siding one of the hardest pulls on the road, with a full train. Mr. Murray reports to me that it done well and he believes it is going to be a very superior class of steaming coal. For my own part I might it [sic] has surpassed my expectations altogether. I examined the fire and ash pan of Eng 78 upon her return and found neither ashes nor clinker. It is slow on the start but makes a very hot fire after it gets burning. … As you say you are only ten feet from the surface: my firm conviction is you will have a very superior class of coal as you get deeper down. A great deal depends upon the way it is fired on a locomotive. Different kinds of coal requires different kinds of firing. No doubt after your coal comes into general use and the men using it become better acquainted with its nature they will get better satisfaction. Though yesterday’s test I consider as a first trial was all that could be desired. The engine having steamed in first class shape. Trusting that your enterprise will meet with the success it deserves. I am Sir Yours respectfully, …. “

Annotation on back of document: “original report of Daly was sent to Mr. Van Horne”

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| G 8704 | C - 833 | Oct. 30, 1884 | Report | Order in Council | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Flogging. |

Copy of a report of a committee of Executive Council, approved by Lt Gov, 30 Oct 1884: supplementary rule re maintaining discipline and security in gaols of province, to have “a retroactive effect in the discretion of the Attorney General” – in cases of breaches of prison rules, gaoler may order corporal punishment not to exceed 25 lashes at any one time, in presence of gaol physician, and “when practicable the other prisoners confined in the said Gaol shall be compelled to attend the infliction of such punishment.” And the physician shall within 5 days make a special report on the case….

This copy made by C A Sadleir, Clerk, Executive Council on 14 November 1884

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| G 8704 | C - 834 | May 28, 1884 | Telegram | White, Fred | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Coal. |

“Am writing you about coal”

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| G 8704 | C - 835 | July 18, 1883 | Letter | Macdonald, John A. | Riviere du Loup | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. White. |

“Private My dear Norquay Mr White the comptroller of the Mounted Police will give you this. As he was going to visit the NW on police business, I think it as well that he should talk over the recent action of the Ontario Govt when at Winnipeg.

Mr. White acts as my private secretary, as well, and is quite confidential. Yours faithfully, John A Macdonald

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| G 8704 | C - 836 | March 15, 1885 | Receipt | McFarlane, W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered & receipted $10.00. |

Boot and shoe store – paid.

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| G 8704 | C - 837 | Dec. 17, 1885 | Bill | Br. Can. Loan & Inv. Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Due on mortgage $126.00. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

$125 due on 1 Dec 1884, plus $1 interest to 1 Jan/85.

“Please see if you let me have $500 on a/c of principal as promised.” R H. Tomlinson, mgr.

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| G 8704 | C - 838 | March 3, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, Mrs. S.L. | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to Stony Mt. on same date as Snow Shoe Club there. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“The snowshoe club pay us their annual visit on Saturday evening next; & I write to ask the pleasure of Mrs. Norquay’s & your company, also Miss Norquay’s & Miss Nellie’s. We can put you all up. I’m sure Mrs. Norquay would enjoy it, so try to come….”

“PS Telephone me”

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| G 8704 | C - 839 | Jan. 8, 1885 | Letter | Sibbald, J.G. | New York | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of $69.00. Dealt with by Mr. N.while at Ottawa. |

Letterhead of “Stroud, Sibbald & Co New York”

“My dear Mr. Norquay Your kind favor of 3rd inst duly to hand covering $69 – for which I thank you.

I trust you have been more successful with ‘the Boys’ in Montreal since my departure.

Hoping I may have the pleasure of soon renewing our acquaintance, believe me, Yours faithfully, J.G. Sibbald” [poker?]

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| G 8704 | C - 840 | Jan. 8, 1885 | Letter | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Setter as Local Homestead Insp. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

Also: “The result of the elections for county councillors is favourable to me altho we lost our man here in Louise the other three is with me, and two of them has written me to except [accept] the Wardenship which I probably will do.”

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| G 8704 | C - 841 | Jan. 3, 1885 | Copy of Letter | Norquay, John | Ottawa, Ont. | White, Fred | Copy of a letter sent Mr. White re: O in C re: Mounted Police in Man. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

Encloses copy of minute of council on 15 July 1884 “requesting the use of a squad of twelve mounted policemen to patrol the International Boundary between Pembina & the western limit of the Province and further that the services of the said Mounted Police may be availed of by the Provincial authorities when emergencies arise requiring force beyond that at the disposal of the authorities of the Province.”

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| G 8704 | C - 842 | Dec. 30, 1884 | Letter | Bourdeau, G. D. Prov. Secy. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing O in C re: Mounted Police for Man. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“According to your telegram of this date, I have the honor to enclose you a certified copy of the Order in Council re use of Mounted Police in Manitoba….”

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| G 8704 | C - 843 | Dec. 12, 1884 | Letter | Falk, Carl | Odanah, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support his applic. as Homestead Insp. or Emigrant Agent. Dealt with by Mr. N. while at Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 844(a) | Dec. 31, 1884 | Letter | Brown, C.P. LaRiviere, A.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Commissioners of Internal Economy also a statement of Expenditure on Account of Legislation. Dealt with by Mr. N. while at Ottawa. |
| G 8704 | C - 844(b) | Jan. 8, 1885 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Covering letter re: Expenses. |

“Commissioners of Internal Economy” – statement: Appropriation has been exceeded by $23,610.22. We suggest application to Lt Gov for a warrant to cover this amount.

Excellent table presenting costs: members’ indemnities $20,000; salaries of Speaker, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Librarian, Law Clerk, Sessional Writers, Sgt at arms, messengers and pages, total of about $9,000.

Bills and printing and dept reports about $30,000.

Sgd: W.R. Nursey, Accountant.

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| G 8704 | C - 845(a) | Dec. 18, 1884 | Letter | Campbell, A. Minister of Justice | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Additional County Court judges. |

JN in Toronto at Queen’s Hotel: I’ve rec’d Ardagh’s private letter “in which he begs me to ask you for your opinion” re eligibility of Prudhomme for Junior County Court Judge – and I’ve received other letters from Wpg on this. “I should therefore be glad in advance to know what your views are. I will consider whatever you may communicate to me on the subject as entirely confidential.”

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| G 8704 | C - 845(b) | Dec. 23, 1884 | Letter | Campbell, A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: County Court Judges. |

Thanks for yours of 22nd – will be confidential. “Can you suggest the name of a French speaking lawyer who would be qualified for the office of County Judge out of the Winnipeg Bar”

And re provincial legislation on judicial districts – it would be good if you would change your law, create a new division, not have junior judges

“The difficulty is that we want a man who can speak French, but who is acquainted with English law, which most of our French Canadian friends are ignorant of.”

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| G 8704 | C - 845(c) | Dec. 30, 1884 | Letter | Campbell, A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: County Court Judges. |

Mr Burbidge says that “you think Mr. Prudhomme would be as satisfactory an appointment as could be made. I can hardly reconcile this with your note to me of the 22nd, but, if you have seen occasion to change your mind and really believe that Mr. Prudhomme’s appointment would be a tolerably good one and satisfactory, I should like to know.”

If we appoint 2 more county court judges, you should repeal your Queen’s Bench provision of 5 judges – 4 would be “ample provision….”

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| G 8704 | C - 846 | Dec. 20, 1884 | Letter | Norquay, H. | Parkdale | "Pater" [Norquay, John] | Family matters. |

“Dear Pater We got home from college yesterday & found them all well at home. We are just out of oats for the horses the last was fed this morning I think. I wish you could be home for Christmas. We have hollowdays [sic] till the seventh of January. Jock Ross is going to be in on Sunday. Uncle Tom came home yesterday with us he had two trunks. I don’t have much news as I was only down this morning I past second in the examination [illegible] Latin & Greek I would probably have come out first – as it was I be[a]t them in English & Mathematics in Latin I came out pretty far down but passed all right there dosent [sic] seem to be much fun I bought a football blader & I have no cover so I am as bad off as ever till I get one. We all send you our love wishing you a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year with many happy returns of the same & hoping that you will be successful I must now close, Your Affectionate Son, H. Norquay”

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| G 8704 | C - 847 | [No Date] | Memorandum |  | [No Location] |  | Custom papers showing duties paid from 1 March 1881 to 31 March 1883. |

“Duties paid by the C.P. Railway Co at the ports of Winnipeg and Emerson

From 1st March 1881 to 31st March 1883 $569,369.

From 1st April to Sept 1883 45,000.

Coal duties paid at Emerson 26,000

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| G 8704 | C - 848 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Letter | Collins, W.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Position for himself under Dom. Gov't. |

Wants a good job – NWMP, etc

Then: “I had Leacock come to me Sunday about Nash’s election so I went to work and took 65 voters to Emerson Monday by special train and won Nash his election by 14 votes, only for Winnipeg he was beaten by Burnham, We had a big time. W.A.C.

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| G 8704 | C - 849 | Dec. 3, 1884 | Letter | Bethune, Alex | Archibald P.O., Man. | Norquay, John | Asking for an increase of salary as p.m. & asking Mr. N.'s assistance to secure the same. |

Postmaster – wants more money for heavy duties – much palaver about all his work.

“Oh by the by old boy. Mr Spedding of the *Pilot Mound Signal* and Mr. Wiedman formerly Registrar of Rat Portage formed a partnership in my office tonight to start a good staunch Conservative paper: *Manitou Record*, first issue to be out two weeks from today. The *Pilot Mound Signal* plant to be moved over here. Hurray for the old Conservative cause. Still to live & flourish in this Rising Town.

Now John Mrs. Bethune joins in wishing you the compliments of the season ….Hoping you will get something for me, Yours faithfully….”

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| G 8704 | C - 850 | April 10, 1884 | Telegram | Lawson, J.P. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Supplies to men refused by Tweed & Ewart. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

“Tweed & Ewart refused us supplies on your telegram”

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| G 8704 | C - 851 | 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | General Middleton's Camp | Norquay, John | Re: Their movements west & care of Alick. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Handwritten note: “Yours by Alick recd I will of course do all I can for the boy Yet I am afraid I will not be with him all the while. I cannot explain all our movements as they are by a council. We will take two routes in order to surprise and retard a retreat. Do not for gods sake mention this as it is more grave than a state secret. I have been really the most busy man on the outfit and the General insists upon my being along with him. This will separate me from Alick yet it will place him in other hands. I wired you today to know if you cd spare Jack Allan of course you can’t if you dread anything on a vote. Just imagine our expenditure. We are now paying for teams pr day $4800 and feeding them and I fully expect we will remain here for a week yet Our news is very conflicting and I have just now sent off 8 scouts to get information We expect them back in about 3 days. Drop me a line and I wish you wd direct some one to mail me the daily papers. I will let you know now and then how we are. Yours S L Bedson

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| G 8704 | C - 852 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Letter | Boswell, T. Winnipeg Rifles | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Guard on Drill Hall. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

A guard was placed at drill hall for 62 days – men are complaining they haven’t received their pay – you asked me to remind you of this – you wd look into it when you were in Ottawa

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| G 8704 | C - 854 | Dec. 15, 1884 | Letter | Boulton, C.A. | Russell | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to see Min. of P.Wks re: bridge over Assin. Also proposing a lease of school lands to immigrants – lower cost upon starting out.  Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 855 | Dec. 23, 1884 | Letter | Lewis, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Writing on Harris a/c re contract with Gelley & Co. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

I’ve asked Sir Hector Langevin to consider Harris but to talk to you first. I’m trying to keep Harris “in good humour for a while – at least until he entirely unbosoms himself…. I am preparing list of members be[illegible] the Farmers Union….. John Lewis”

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| G 8704 | C - 856 | Dec. 30, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A. W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Loan with Credit Foncier Franco Canadian. Also enclosing a list of books required to complete private library. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Got your telegram, went immediately to Howell re mortgage. He has power of attorney to sign for you. You hadn’t made application for a loan from Credit Foncier franco-Canadien, but Howell had the power to sign the application – but didn’t know what terms you wanted, nor whether loan with British Canadian Ins. Co had matured – so I wired you: “Mention the terms upon which you wish new loan and whether old company will accept principal.” “If we had this information the loan could be put through as soon as the valuator has made his report.” [to ch 74, file Pritchard]

Re books required to complete your private library: Sessional Papers 1867-8 to 1880, H of C Journals 1867-8 to 1879; Senate Journals 1867-1880; Public Accounts 1869, 1870; Census of Canada vol 1, 1881

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| G 8704 | C - 857(a) | March 27, 1885 | Letter | Constantine, Charles Chief of Police | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Action of parties who propose waiting upon Lt. Gov. & demand a dissolution. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“The latest is that on Tuesday the 31st a deputation will wait on the Lieut-Gov and demand a dissolution of the House and that in the event of his refusal will take means to effect it.”

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| G 8704 | C - 857(b) | March 26, 1885 | Letter | "T.R." | City (Winnipeg) | Unknown | Political machinations. |

Handwritten on Leland House Wpg stationery:

“heard that [Howes] ….had been offered money to go West & act in with Riel as a rebel, but same time watch his (Riel’s) movements…. I was at meeting last night in ‘Pioneer Hall’ – Harris Block – ‘Manitoba Rights’ was the order of business – about 50 present among whom were – Dr. Phillips, Dr Lynch, Ghent Davis, L.G. McPhillips, S.S. Westbrook, Stewart, the secessionist moved that all strangers present must join the association or vacate the room – I then vacated. All I could make out of the business was the meeting was composed of all Grits to buck against the Govt – Several of the names you gave me were present. More anon, Yours &C, TR

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| G 8704 | C - 858 | [No Date] | Memorandum | MacBeth, Jno | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Recommending C.E. Field as a sessional writer.  Appointed. |
| G 8704 | C - 859 | Jan. 15, 1885 | Telegram | Douglas, C.S. | Arthur, Ont. | Norquay, John | Stating he will arrive at Toronto on 15th. “Will call at once.” Dealt with by Mr. N. while at Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 860 | Dec. 26, 1884 | Letter | Wallis, C.S. | Peterborough | Norquay, John | Invitation to spend a few days with him. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“I am now going to press in writing the verbal invitation I gave you a week ago coming down from Toronto, to come & spend a few days with me in my native Town. I promise you both from myself & my old father a hearty welcome & not only my own family circle but a large number of the Conservative party here will be proud to welcome the leader of our party in our sister province…Wishing you all the compliments of the season….

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| G 8704 | C - 863 | Dec. 2, 1884 | Letter | Begg, Alex | London, England | Norquay, John | Enclosing P.O. order for $25.00. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

Encloses $25 postal order, “which will be repeated each month until I hear how you have succeeded in relieving me. I have been run off my legs since my return & am just starting for Edinburgh. When I get back next week I promise you a long & interesting letter. Ask Ptolemy to write. Yours sincerely, in great haste Alex Begg

Was sorry to see your trouble with Miller.”

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| G 8704 | C - 864 | Jan. 22, 1885 | Receipt | Metropolitan Hotel | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Enclosed is a bill $13.20 delegation expenses. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

1 day, JN and Sutherland (2 rooms plus bath @ $4 each) plus beer ($1.20), lunch $3.50

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| G 8704 | C - 865 | Dec. 14, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. Treasury Dept. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing some papers which he thinks  Mr. N may need. Dealt with by Mr. N. when in Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 866 | Dec. 2, 1884 | Letter | Macdonald, Hugh John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mining claim near Otter Tail Creek. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

“My Dear Norquay Your letter of the 15th reached me in due course, and it is hardly necessary for me to say that I am glad to hear that the specimen of ore furnished from one of our mining claims near Otter Tail Creek created such a favourable impression in Chicago. Fred Fulcher always declared it was good… and it is of course satisfactory to know that his judgment has been confirmed by the gentleman to whom you showed it in Chicago. As far as I am concerned you can rely on my doing my best to get you into the Company on the ground floor. Between ourselves I have not as high an opinion as you have of the prospects of the Company. It is not composed of business men, and consequently it is almost impossible to have things done in a proper and business-like manner, and the experience that we both had of the Saskatchewan Coal Mining Co. has taught us that men of this sort are always hard to handle…. I myself am in favour of selling out stock, lock, and barrel, but of course I can only speak for myself, and I really do not know what the other parties interested will decide on doing. I hope you are getting on well at Ottawa and will manage to arrange matters while there so as to bring your Government and that of the Dominion into perfect accord. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain, Yours very faithfully, [and Hugh John signs – the rest was written by a steno]

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| G 8704 | C - 867 | Dec. 29, 1884 | Letter | Macdonald, Hugh John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: The Pioneer Mining Co. & enclosing plans.  Enclosing report of Mr. Shaw. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

Frank Robinson suggests that I send you info re property of Pioneer Mining Co “so that you may be in a position to explain to your friends in Chicago the way in which matters stand…” – I enclose letter from Robinson to me “also a map showing the various mining claims, and an informal description prepared by Mr. Chas. A.E. Shaw C.E.”

Eight different “leads” containing, Shaw suggests, some evidence of gold, silver, copper, galena

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| G 8704 | C - 868 | Dec. 24, 1884 | Letter | La Riviere, A.A.C. Minister of Agriculture | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Private on different state subjects. |

“My Dear Mr. Norquay You will not, I presume, object receiving a letter from your old friend. I have been very busy since you left Winnipeg, Dr. Wilson having also left to go and spend his Christmas holidays at Nelson.

In answer to my letter to Mr. Brydges asking for the purchase of Lower Fort Garry, I was informed that the Company will not part with that property. I have since written again asking for a long lease, say for 10, 20 or 30 years at the option of the Government, with the privilege of the refusal to purchase when the Company would feel disposed to part with the property. I will have to wait a month or so before receiving an answer. In the mean time, I have leased about half of the Fort for the Lunatic Asylum, for which I have agreed to pay a rental of $400 for one year. Bedson is now busy fitting up the place and he hopes to be able to remove patients in a couple of weeks.

I will, towards the latter end of the week, send you a memorial asking for a land grant in favor of the establishment of an agricultural school.

I herewith enclose copy of a proposed order in council respecting the subdivision of the Eastern Judicial District into three divisions as agreed upon before your leaving Winnipeg.

I am trying to square up all the accounts for the 31st instant, and hope to succeed, except in the case you know of.

Cantlie has been trying to supply a voucher in re boundary mission to England, but several details are missing and it is almost impossible to make a complete statement. Will you not require to have statements of all moneys spent under that heading, as well as, of money spent in the disputed territory during our occupation and administration of the same, both for administration of justice and the enforcement of smallpox regulations? These two bills are very heavy and it will be a very hard work for us to justify them before the house.

Is old Sir John in good humour and do you hope for success? Please let me know.

A Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to you and our old confrere Murray!

Yours truly A.A.C. LaRiviere

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| G 8704 | C - 869 | Jan. 13, 1885 | Letter | Green, J.A. | Bleak House Québec | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to write Hon. Mr. Pope in his favor. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay In the hurry of your leaving I forgot to ask you …” – job for his son in railway or other fed. Dept.

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| G 8704 | C - 870 | Dec. 1, 1884 | Letter | MacArthur, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating their friends in London want a letter from Man.Directors of new Trust & Loan Co. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

JN is in Toronto: “My dear Sir: Our friends in London want a letter from the proposed Manitoba Directors of the new Trust & Loan Company they are organizing and if you will kindly sign the enclosed and return the same to me….”

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| G 8704 | C - 871 | Dec. 23, 1884 | Letter | Robinson, Frank W. | City (Winnipeg) | MacDonald, H.J. | A plan of the mines. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

This is to Hugh John: “Dear Sir Considering the action of the Company yesterday re Hon Norquay and his attitude and interest in the mines, it occurred to me that he should have the accompanying plan of mines and the informal description by Mr. Shaw [ cf C867]…

What we especially require at present is a few thousand dollars from parties who will take a share with us, and then we can all have the advantage of the considerable sum that will be paid for working capital by parties able and willing to invest on the showing up of the mine or mines.

This is simply a hint, but of course Mr. Norquay can see what he can do and be governed by circumstances.”

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| G 8704 | C - 872(a) | Jan. 5, 1885 | Letter | Kingsmill, Nicol | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing a pass. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

I’ve sent pass for last year to Queen’s Hotel, in case new one isn’t here in time and I’ve sent to Detroit for new one --1885 pass.

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| G 8704 | C - 872(b) | Jan. 12, 1885 | Telegram | Ledyard, H.B. | Detroit, Mich., U.S.A. | Kingsmill, N. | Re: Pass for Norquay, John. |

Will get pass for JN as soon as possible

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| G 8704 | C - 873 | Dec. 22, 1884 | Letter | Kennedy, B. | Bath, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for a position of some kind. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 874 | Feb. 4, 1885 | Letter | Lewis, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Political matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

Paisly of American Hotel will support you. I didn’t attend meeting last night – to preserve my influence. I urge requisition in favour of Hon. C.E. Hamilton from a number of sources.

I send this by my son Arthur, who talks English, French and Cree.

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| G 8704 | C - 875 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Providing for different notes which are falling due.  Dealt with by Mr. N. while at Ottawa. |

Not clear – “I am making arrangements which I hope will provide for the payment of one thousand on the 2000$ note of ours with Macarthur Boyle & Campbell & 500$ on the 2000$ light coy note in the Merchants, the latter to be renewed one month on the same undertaking of Mr Brydges and myself as to security for the 1500$ that now is held for the 2000$. Please give authority for renewals of both on these bases & [waivers?] of protest in case they should be delayed. I trust also the matters of which we spoke will also be adjusted. I am getting some money which will enable me to pay most of my pressing obligations.

Mrs. Walker is very urgent in the behalf of Fortier of Mandan [Morden?] She & the Judge will see all well. Yours truly

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| G 8704 | C - 876 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Letter & Clipping | Pritchard, A.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing 3 letters marked "private" as well as clipping from Selkirk Herald. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

Pritchard – PS – “I enclose a clipping from the Selkirk Herald which goes to show what a big man they think you in England. AWP”

*Clipped from Selkirk Herald 15 December 1884:*

James Edmunds, MD, MRC, medical officer of health in London, visited North West with British Association, and is quoted in Derbyshire Times:

Norquay weighs 310 pounds, stands 73 inches: “He is a man of Herculean frame, has a grand but soft and controlled voice, and is a most able speaker. He seems a universal favourite… He is of Orkney stock, slightly blended in two lines of maternal ancestry with Indian blood, and, as he told me himself, his father was a labourer in the Hudson Bay service. He very kindly took us an [sic] excursion to Selkirk, and on the Red River seemed as much at home in talking Indian to the native boatmen, as he was in talking English when he took the chair at Sir Richard Temple’s lecture. Taking from one of the Indians a birch bark canoe which was as crank as a cockle shell, he deftly inserted his huge body into it, and handled the paddle in a way which seemed to excite the envy of the Indians whom he ordered to row us after him in an ordinary boat.”

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| G 8704 | C - 877 | Jan. 5, 1885 | Letter | Collins, W.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to see Sir John on his behalf. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 878 | Jan. 14, 1885 | Telegram | Kingsmill, Nicol | Toronto | Norquay, John | Re: Passes at Queens Hotel & asking “Please let me know when you reach here” Dealt with by Mr. N. when in Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 879 | Dec. 13, 1884 | Letter | Archibald, Howell, Hough & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sinclair. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

“We have received a letter from Mr. James advising us that the Sinclair family are off to the Lake on a fishing expedition but are expected home today and on their return the matters will be attended to.”

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| G 8704 | C - 881 | Dec. 20, 1884 | Letter | MacArthur P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing petition re Meadow Portage Canal. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

Similar petitions will be coming from Portage la Prairie Municipal Board and Westbourne. Urge this to Min of Public Works and Sir John A.

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| G 8704 | C - 882 | Jan. 7, 1885 | Letter | Turner, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Would you see the Min. of the Interior in his behalf re: minors' grant. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 883 | [No Date] | W J Ptolemy Memorandum |  | [No Location] | Norquay, John | Bank balance 1881 & 1882. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

This is headed “Delegation” – presumably for JN to show Ottawa.

Bank balance at 31 December 1881 -- $44590.40 or in our ledger: $35591.57

1882 --$109882.52

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| G 8704 | C - 884 | April 1884 | Memorandum | Codd, Donald | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Statement of lands. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Memo regarding lands disposed of within the province of Manitoba… April 1884”

Lands not disposed of or reserved 3,566,880

Add ½ of reserved lands opened for settlement 576,200

Total area not disposed of 4,143,080

Area of surveyed portion of MB in 1878 10,814,561

Since surveyed 5,779,360

Total area surveyed within present province 16,593,921

Total area disposed of 12,450,841

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| G 8704 | C - 885 | [No Date] | Telegram | McDonald, E., Mayor | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: $70,000 by-law & afraid Gov't. not acting in good faith. Replied by wire. |

“Surprised at answer present law in favor why give way to Martin I am afraid that some member of the Government is not acting in good faith feeling very strong in favor of bylaw take advice & have it assented to at once”

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| G 8704 | C - 886 | Dec. 20, 1884 | Letter | Colcleugh, James | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Applying for position of Bursar & accountant of Asylum. Appt. made. |
| G 8704 | C - 887 | Dec. 19, 1884 | Letter | Wilson, D.  Harrison?? | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Friendly letter. Dealt with by  Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“My Dear Mr. Norquay I see by the ‘Toronto Mail’ you are playing ‘old Harry’ with the Ontario doughheads. More power to your elbow. One thing I particularly notice is the change in tone of the ‘Wpg Times.’ I have been unable to account for this up to this evening’s issue of that paper. From it I find that you and our mutual friend Amas have been travelling in family unison. I must congratulate you, not only on your associations, but on the great degree of success which attended your oratorical effort at the Sir John Banquet.

We all feel proud not only on account of the above but the length of your collar.

Matters have been going on quite smoothly since you succeeded in getting across the boundary. By the way Mr. LaRiviere and I became citizens of Uncle Sam’s domain for a few hours after you left and I am not extravagant when I say we painted the town of Neche red, but owing to the fact the we purchased a controlling interest in all the candy shops we returned financially bust – I tell you we bowled the other member of the Government out on that stock – no shares in that Coy.

Now for a little common sense – Judge Ardah was in to see me and talk over the appointment of another judge for the Eastern J.D. I have no doubt you have heard the burden of his grievance before so I will not inflict you with a rehearsal. I will simply say, if possible, have the district divided into three divisions.

Aleck and I leave for the itinerant town Monday morning. He has got off for a few days and we are going to so Southern Man with a vengeance. Dr R is coming to the city for a few days and we will attend to practice in his absence. I have not seen any of the other boys since – Med dinner last night – Brown and I honoured the occasion and at the same time sustained the good name of the Dept of Atty Gen success. More anon D Harrison

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| G 8704 | C - 888 | 1884 | Business Card & Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to call at Parkin & Co. to get a picture taken as a member of the Legislative Assembly. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

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| G 8704 | C - 889 | [No Date] | Letter | Jackson, J.W. Secretary-Treasurer | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Telegraphic copy of resolution passed by Council re $70,000 by-law. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Moved by Major McDonald sec. by Reeve Millar that this Council hear with regret that Mr Jos Martin said in the Local House that his constituents were not in favor of the seventy thousand dollar by-law. We the County Council take this early opportunity to give such statement a flat denial & would urge on the Govt the advisability of having bylaw assented to at once….”

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| G 8704 | C - 890 | May 11, 1884 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Jerry Robinson offering him money to secure contract of supplying gov't. with supplies. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“…[Robinson] had the insolence to offer me money, he was drunk so I did not knock him down but such a man needs a lesson. I therefore ask that all the Departments be notified to give him no orders…. Such insolence must be stopped as it would be horrid to be liable to be insulted by every common person in that way.”

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| G 8704 | C - 891 | June 9, 1885 | Letter | MacArthur, Duncan Commercial Bank of MB | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Statement of amounts placed to Mr. N.'s credit. |

“The sum of six thousand dollars has been placed to your credit in payment of the four lots on Kennedy Street and the following items have been charged viz: … “leaving a balance at your debit of $7278 [?? -- illegible and not really clear what this is meant to say]

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| G 8704 | C - 892 | June 7, 1885 | Letter | Van Horne, W.C. General Manager, CPR | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Passes. |

Demands have grown for passes – we adopted “a very stringent rule against their issue, limiting these in the North West to yourself and half a dozen others, and establishing similar limitations in the East.

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| G 8704 | C - 893 | June 15, 1885 | Letter | Ashdown, J.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Offer to Drummond to sell Sask. Coal mine. |

Rec’d yours of 13th re penitentiary coal and find I have Cr S.L. Bedson

By teaming coal $400

By cash $370 total $770

“I presume this covers the matter satisfactorily …”

“I am also in receipt of yours covering offer to Drummond which seems to fill the bill and I have re-forwarded to destination. Yours truly, J.H. Ashdown”

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| G 8704 | C - 894 | March 28, 1884 | Telegram | McDonald, E., Mayor | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Gov't. aid & sanction of by-law. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Council adjourned till ten oclock tomorrow Is it possible to have sanction so that we can go on with business or can we confirm bylaw now”

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| G 8704 | C - 895 | May 24, 1885 | Letter | Harrison, D.H. | Newdale | Norquay, John | Re: appt. of license insp. for counties of Minnedosa, Shoal Lake & Russell. |

From “Harrison Ranche, Newdale PO” Hopes no mistake re appmt – I informed Malcom Turriff of Rapid City of his apptmt, as by our understanding – he has heard nothing.

“Everything is going on splendidly up here – the country never looked better – every prospect of good crops. The Govt Ry Policy is very popular here – I have heard no grumbling over better terms – with a good crop and fair prices we can knock the sore-heads into a cocked hat.

“Hope Jim & Alick are all right – at the front – Riel must be hanged or shot – or there will not be a Conservative left in the Country.”

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| G 8704 | C - 896 | May 30, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | He has drawn on S.C.M. & T. Co. to amount of his a/c $150.00. |

To JN as Pres of SK coal: “Dear Sir I have drawn J.H. Ashdown Vice Pres of the Coal Co for $150.00 being amount balance my expenses while at the mines last fall nearly 3 months I have not charged one cent for my time it is for expenses only and paid out in cash and it is to the Companies’ interest to pay this honourable debt which I have asked for so many times of Mr. McKeand & Mr. Ashdown. Please if convenient see Mr Ashdown accepts the dft and you will oblige Yours truly

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| G 8704 | C - 897 | April 25, 1883 | Letter | Ruttan, R.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Darlingford. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Dear Mr Norquay Telegram just received from Farrell: ‘Consider my mission successful Tell Mrs. Farrell all well’. That looks promising.

Re Nelson land office: I find that the Department at Ottawa regulates by location. The agent’s recommendation being as a general thing acted on. Could you suggest to the Power at Ottawa the advantage of having the office on the Railway at D. and let us at same time make the change agreeable to the Agent? The sooner this is done the better for us.

[ps]: “I suppose you will tell your Ottawa friend that the location of the Land Office at D is a matter of personal interest to you”

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| G 8704 | C - 898 | Dec. 29, 1884 | Letter | Pew, C.A.C. | Welland, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. what he knows of Thomas Spence. Dealt with by Mr. N. when in East. |

JN in Ottawa: Dear Sir I have received a communication from TS, Wpg, he refers me to you – what do you know of him?

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| G 8704 | C - 899 | May 19, 1884 | Letter | Ass't. Manager, Grand Trunk Ry. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Passes. Dealt with by Mr. N. while in East. |

Re passes over this line – can’t provide passes.

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| G 8704 | C - 900 | Dec. 24, 1884 | Letter | Ptolemy, W.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Claims on Dom. Gov't. disputed territory. Dealt with by Mr. N. when in East. |

Cantlie sick – thus delay in send you “the balance of our accounts against the Dominion Government (herewith enclosed).” [JN is at Russell House, Ottawa] – I’ve found $2239.80 that might be claimed – maintenance of prisoners, cost of trials, costs in Varennes (now Ontario?) for various claims such as provincial election returning officer etc.

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| G 8704 | C - 901 | Dec. 23, 1884 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing school report. Dealt with by Mr. N. at  Ottawa. |

Report done – “Hope it is all right as there is a good deal of work on it.

It has been awfully cold here down to 53 below zero. Trusting you are well.”

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| G 8704 | C - 902 | Dec. 22, 1884 | Letter | Tuttle, Chas. R. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: H.B.Ry. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

[handwritten, but he calls it an “open letter”] Urges HBR – “a railway and steamboat line between Manitoba and Europe via Hudsons Bay” -- support from federal govt as part of “readjustment of terms between Manitoba and the Dominion…”

I was recently in Churchill with the Hudson’s Bay Expedition, upon which I obtained much valuable information calculated to establish beyond question the complete practicability of the navigation of Hudson’s Bay and Strait.”

“this alone [federal govt commitment to see the route completed within a certain period, say 18 months to start and 4 years to complete – or other reasonable time] will revive immigration and restore prosperity in the Canadian Northwest.”

“It is no longer a secret that the eastern Provinces generally and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in particular are opposed to the Hudson’s Bay railway. Longer disguise is worthless. In the face of such opposition we can hope for nothing from a private company that is not backed directly by government.”

Without such a commitment, any other type of better term arrangement is inadequate. With it, a tide of immigration and renewed prosperity will follow.

Immigrants could be landed in the Northwest at less than $20 a head – this is where the value of such a connection lies – and the cost of supplying them from Europe would be a fraction of today’s costs, and the price paid for NW products would be “at least thirty percent more than at present….”

Water connection – safe except July and August – eight months safe navigation at least.

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| G 8704 | C - 903 | June 27, 1885 | Letter | Douglas, P.B. for Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Ross, A.W. | Re: Tp 15 R 2W of principal meridian  near Shoal Lake & S.L. Bedson Dealt with by Mr. N. while at Ottawa. |

Land known as “Monkman’s Point” – the land has not been sold to Mr. Bedson and he has declined to purchase it.

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| G 8704 | C - 904 | Jan. 20, 1885 | Receipt | Leland, W.F. Leland Hotel | Chicago | Norquay, John | Delegation expenses $20.85. |

Dated 1884, but that could be clerk’s mistake

Norquay $21.85 Sutherland $9.00 Paid $30.85

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| G 8704 | C - 905 | Dec. 26, 1884 | Telegram | La Riviere, A.A.C. Minister of Agriculture | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: $1200 claim of Rowes. |

“Claim of twelve hundred dollars put in by Rowe could not be approved by Queens Printer paid Wednesday five hundred dollars pending settlement through work still in hands of binders”

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| G 8704 | C - 906 | Jan. 3, 1885 | Telegram | Rowe, Amos | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. what is trouble. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

“Just home your telegram recd what is the trouble answer”

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| G 8704 | C - 907 | Jan. 3, 1885 | Telegram | Yarker, G.W. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. when he will be in Toronto. |

“Think I shall go Kingston tonight back Monday night if that would not make me miss you here Kindly reply during today”

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| G 8704 | C - 908 | April 16, 1885 | Telegram | Sutherland, Hugh, M.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: H.B. Ry change of time for commencement.  Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“Have you changed time for commencement two years as requested my telegram and letter of sixth”

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| G 8704 | C - 909 | Dec. 27, 1884 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. Hon. | Nelson, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Alex Bethune's application for a larger salary as Postmaster at Manitou or Archibald. |

Also: “Alick Norquay I think is enjoying himself. He and Haley are after having a tussle on the carpet but neither succeeded in downing the other. Haley says on the sly I won’t try it again for fear the boy puts me down and you devils will laugh at me. We go to Manitou in the morning on consultation with D. Moore – not that piece of an a---. We return to Wpg on Tuesday. Miller’s retirement satisfactory in Southern Man. Galbraith I think will give the Gov a fair show. Winram won’t go near the office because as he says he knows ---- well it is only a matter of time when Galbraith will support the Gov. The effect of such a course will be to drive the ‘Morden News’ more surely in the direction of Good Government.

I am Yours with best wish for a happy Xmas Season, D.H. Wilson

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| G 8704 | C - 910 | Dec. 31, 1885 | Telegram | Turner, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to press his claim re his son Roderick's grants. |

“Do not forget to press my claim for scrip in commutation of the grant of my son Roderick E Turner the letter I have recd from the Minister of Interior says my claim is receiving attention I have been told the same thing before try to get this settled for me without delay George Turner”

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| G 8704 | C - 911 | Jan. 5, 1885 | Telegram | La Riviere, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Order in suspense saw Rowe etc. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

“That order in suspense awaiting your instructions saw Rowe Saturday and gave him fits will see him again wish you all possible success”

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| G 8704 | C - 912 | Jan. 3, 1885 | Telegram | Rowe, Amos | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Policy of Times newspaper. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“What Times may say cannot possible influence federal Govt as to your settlement with them Think better policy is to shape public opinion in Manitoba so that they will not expect too much & will be satisfied if you do not obtain your full demands. Think this the better course but will follow any suggestions you may make.”

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| G 8704 | C - 913 | Jan. 6, 1885 | Telegram | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to waive protest on notes  due today. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

“I have retired in full two thousand note in Merchants and have made arrangements to take up all the accommodation endorsed by you please waive protest on one thousand due today answer”

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| G 8704 | C - 914 | Dec. 25, 1884 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed P McBeth, John for  many others” | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Wishing Mr. N. Merry Xmas & Happy New Year. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from your boys here”

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| G 8704 | C - 915 | Dec. 27, 1884 | Telegram | Cormack, Mrs. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking if it is true her son's release has  been refused. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“It is reported here that my sons release has been refused is it so answer”

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| G 8704 | C - 916 | Dec. 27, 1884 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to remember him while there if convenient. Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“Kindly remember me if you can conveniently while there”

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| G 8704 | C - 917 | Dec. 30, 1884 | Telegram | Hall, John S., Jr. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Asking where he will mail him invitation to Sir John's banquet at Montreal. Dealt with by  Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“Where will I mail you invitation for Sir John’s banquet twelfth inst here answer”

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| G 8704 | C - 918 | Dec. 30, 1884 | Telegram | Pritchard, A.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for terms he wishes for new loans. Dealt with by Mr. N. while in East. |

“Mention terms you wish new loan and whether old company will accept principal”

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| G 8704 | C - 919 | April 12, 1885 | Telegram | Caron, A.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Trouble if Dom. arming home guards. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Trouble is if we gave arms to home guards we shall be left without them for our troops. Home guard should be armed by municipalities with best at disposal of citizens”

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| G 8704 | C - 920 | April 12, 1885 | Telegram | Caron, A.P. Minister of Militia | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re organization of home guards. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Sorry cannot authorize organization of home guards”

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| G 8704 | C - 921 | Jan. 2, 1885 | Telegram | Lewis, Major | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting in Brandon on 17th inst.  Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“Meeting seventeenth Brandon I will be there fifteenth and will stay and do all that can be done”

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| G 8704 | C - 922 | Jan. 1, 1885 | Telegram | AAC LaRiviere | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: greetings.  Dealt with by Mr. N. at Ottawa. |

“Thanks for your kind wishes and please accept mine in return”

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| G 8704 | C - 923 | Jan. 2, 1885 | Telegram | Kingsmill, Nicol | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. when he will pass through Toronto. Dealt with by Mr. N. while in Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 924 | Jan. 2, 1885 | Telegram | Yarker, G.W. Federal Bank of Canada | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. when he will be in Toronto &  also asking for an interview. Dealt with by Mr. N.  when in East. |

Yarker is Genl Mgr of Federal Bank “When do you come here Could I have an interview with you and when”

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| G 8704 | C - 925 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking to whom he will pay the $4000  cheque to. |

JN in Queen’s Hotel Toronto “Who will I pay four thousand dollars cheque to”

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| G 8704 | C - 926 | Jan. 2, 1885 | Telegram | Sutherland, W.R.D. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Telegram asking Mr. N. when he will return to Toronto. Dealt with by Mr. N. when in East. |
| G 8704 | C - 927 | March 13, 1885 | Telegram | Norquay, J. | City (Winnipeg) | MacDonald, J.A. | Cipher to Sir John. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 928 | Jan. 8, 1885 | Telegram | La Riviere, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Logan leaving to accompany Mr. N. to New Orleans. Dealt with by Mr. N. when at Ottawa. |

“Logan intends starting Sunday for Ottawa and going with either or both of you to New Orleans what are his prospects”

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| G 8704 | C - 929 | Nov. 3, 1884 | Telegram | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Charter for Coal Co. passed Council.  Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

“Your coal companys charter has passed council”

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| G 8704 | C - 930 | March 13, 1885 | Telegram | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | In cipher from the above. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

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| G 8704 | C - 931 | Dec. 26, 1884 | Letter | Howell, H.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Remarks upon things in general. Dealt with by Mr. N.when in East. |

“My dear Mr Norquay The Sinclair [thing?] has been discharged – I have not yet heard from the Credit Foncier people.

The news was going round here that you were likely to join the Dom Cabinet and that Sir John took this method of buying you off so that you would not press the ‘better terms’ – I am certain you will not desert us – Miller returned here last night but no friendly hand was extended to receive him. Was there ever such a lamentable failure? It has been awfully cold here 43 & 44 below 0. I hope you will spend a happy new year and come back with the best of ‘better terms.’ If you do I shall do what I can to get up a boss [?] demonstration.

Wishing you the complts of the season Believe me Yours sincly H M Howell

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| G 8704 | C - 933 | Dec. 15, 1884 | Letter | Bethune, Alex | Manitou, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to intercede with Postmaster General in his behalf.  Dealt with by Mr. N. while in East. |

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| G 8704 | C - 934 | Dec. 15, 1884 | Letter | Clouston, A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N.'s influence to secure position as Farm instructor. Dealt with by Mr. N. in East. |

Opening at Swan Lake – “having some knowledge of the language & of their habits and customs I presume I could be of some use to the Government….” [what passes for white attitude]

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| G 8704 | C - 935 | May 5, 1885 | Letter | Hamilton, C.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Position of accountantship in Reg. General Office.  Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

Wants Coleman as accountant. “As to all the other positions of which when I get back I will give you a list you will require to make choice prior to the 1st of July so you will have time to consider.

Did you see reference to your son in Times today?” [Alick, Horace?]

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| G 8704 | C - 936 | Jan. 12, 1885 | Letter | Morgan, Henry J. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Stating he enclosed something to Mr. N. at Russell House. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

Sent enclosed to Russell today but was told you had left. “As I understand you are to be at the banquet in Montreal I send it on there Hoping you will have even a better time than at Toronto.”

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| G 8704 | C - 937 | Jan. 12, 1885 | Letter & Draft | Morgan, Henry J. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing a draft for $30.00 and asking Mr. N. to accept. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

Letterhead of “Department of State, Ottawa” “If you should agree to take the same number of the Annual Register as usual will you kindly oblige me by accepting the enclosed draft.”

Enclosure: draft to JN as provincial treasurer, pay $30 to order of Merchants Bank Winnipeg

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| G 8704 | C - 938 | Feb. 28, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Prices paid for goods bought for Asylum. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

Had temporary deal with P R. Young re prices. Should I advertise for tenders until end of this year?

Ps: “the people here are going to protest agt you going to Ottawa what are we to do without you”

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| G 8704 | C - 939 | 26 March 1879? | Expense  Account | Begg, Alex | City (Winnipeg) |  | An a/c of how $150.67 was expended. Dealt with by Mr. N. in Ottawa. |

[This is in 1884-5 section but it has a date on the back that MIGHT be 1879 – when there was a delegation to Ottawa?]

“Meals on road 5.02 cigars 3.25 cabhire & busfare 11.75 hotel bills 19.10

Trip to Montreal 16.00 Extra Railway fare 2.20 sleeping cars 7.60

Travelling cap 1.50 shaving for one month 3.50 fees to porters 2.00

Postage 1.00 Telegrams 1.00 Baths .75

Tin boxes for paper and pencils 2.25 stationery 5.00

Ties gloves & shoes 9.00 theatre 4.25

J Norquay 6 + 1 = 7.00 Scrapbook & brush 3.00

Sundries 24 Feby 27 Mrch $45.00 Total = $150.67”

And on back is written: $33.00 26th March 1879” [it appears to be 1879]

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| G 8704 | C - 940 | April 24, 1885 | Letter | Setter, Miss (Christabel) | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Uncle Norquay | Family Matters. |

“Dear Uncle Norquay I have not time to write you a long letter for I am very busy but just want to remind you of your promise to send us once of Tom’s photos. Also would you please try to get us one of Alex’s, possibly the artist has preserved the negatives. You know he promised Mama one & she is very much disappointed [sic] that she did not get it. Now like a dear old uncle don’t forget these instructions & you will greatly oblige me. Mama is better this evening. Maurice has had the quinsy but is better I think today. Papa & I are quite well. I was very sorry to hear Bella was ill & hope she will soon be better. Glad to hear that Auntie is keeping up. No more this time but love from,

Your loving niece Christabel

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| G 8704 | C - 941 | Nov. 23, 1883 |  | Sask. Coal & T. Co. | [No Location] |  | Statement. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Handwritten, formal: workers employed at SCMTCo at Medicine Hat proceed against the Co under master and servant ordinance “for wages due them” up to 12 Nov 1883 and obtained judgment for same against directors – Thomas Bottress, Tweed & Ewart Francis, Dick George McQuaig, George F. Tupper, Donald Archibald, OL Main and D Cameron [all guesses only].

On 26 Nov, Mr. Bowes, paymaster of Co, came from Wpg with funds to pay the workmen, and Mr. Lawson Mgr of Coy at mines, and agreement was made to pay a certain portion of the wages due for October and reimbursing them for all lost time, and the workmen would resume work without prejudicing their claim, acc. to Mr. Clark. Delay ensued, workers sought cause of delay, interviewed creditors, and creditors said they would not allow the mine to be worked. Operations at mine stopped from 26 Nov to 5 December 1883.

We workmen endorse foregoing as true: R.A. Clark; Wm Brown; George Anderson; Ben Firmston; Thomas Paterson.

Dated Medicine Hat mines, 5 Dec. 1883

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| G 8704 | C - 942 | [No Date] | Petition | Sask. Coal & T. Co. | [No Location] |  | Copy of petition to Dom. Gov't. asking for assistance to develop coal mine. |

2 pages, carefully handwritten, not complete:

We petitioners have developed “at considerable cost and trouble” a coal mine near Medicine Hat. The fuel was needed and Company “have spared neither time or expense to place coal in the market and have in consequence exceeded the means at their disposal and incurred liabilities beyond their immediate ability to meet believing that the development of this industry would eventually place the Northwest in an independent position as far as regards the fuel supply…. [We request] that you would be graciously pleased to recognise their enterprise by assisting them with a bonus to the extent of twenty thousand dollars…or… a loan of that amount … for the term of one year….”

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| G 8704 | C - 943 | Feb. 28, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, J.A. (Mrs) | Stony Mountain, Man. | Norquay, Mrs. | Inviting Mr. N. & Nellie to spend a time at Stony Mountain. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“My dear Mrs Norquay Just a few lines to ask you to let Nellie come & stay with us, as she is so poorly I think the change would do her good, & we would take the best of care of her. I hope you are feeling well. I was disappointed at not seeing you at the concert last evening, it was a grand success, we had a very jolly evening it was a glorious night for a drive. I left my precious baby at home, & was delighted when I came home to hear he had not cried or fretted once.

With fond love to you all, & hoping to see Nellie out soon – if you will write me by Monday’s train & let me know when she can come. McCormick goes down to the Fort on Wednesday, & cld bring her up then. I remain, very sincerely yrs, J.A. Bedson

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| G 8704 | C - 944 | May 30, 1884 | Letter | Fisher, F.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to be placed in auditor's office to do extra work. Granted. |

Nursey needs assistance for a few hours each day – and the person shd be acquainted with appropriations of depts. I could do it and Mr. Brown will approve, I believe.

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| G 8704 | C - 945 | May 30, 1884 | Telegram | Pope, J.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging message & stating council meets Monday. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Received message Council meets on Monday”

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| G 8704 | C - 946 | May 29, 1885 | Letter | Brydges, C.J., H.B. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Saskatchewan Coal Mining & T. Co. | Re: S.C.M. & T. Co. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Arrears due: HBCo willing to extend time for payment of installments. IF: “if the interest and taxes are kept regularly paid up.”

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| G 8704 | C - 947 | June 11, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Fort Pitt, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Tom's whereabouts. No action. |

“Tom now at Beaver River Bigbear reported to be going in that direction”

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| G 8704 | C - 948 | June 9, 1885 | Notice | Park, Jas | St. Andrews |  | Notice of Statute labor 1884 District No. 1. |

Be present at house of John Norquay on 20 June with team & scraper at 8:00 am – you are to furnish 5 days of statute labour or commute….

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| G 8704 | C - 949 | March 6, 1885 | Receipt | Ancient Land Mark Lodge | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | $25.00 for life membership. No action. |

Seems to be a receipt for payment of $25.25

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| G 8704 | C - 950 | Feb. 4, 1885 | Notice of Note | MacArthur, Boyle,  & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) |  | $53.40 falling due 12th February 1885. No action. |

Your note falls due on 12 Feb – owes $53.40

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| G 8704 | C - 951 | May 8, 1885 May 11, 1885 | 2 (two) Postcards in pencil | Ham, Geo. H. & Bedson, S.L. | At the Front. | Norquay, John | Re: Doings at Batoche. Dealt with by Mr. Norquay. |

8 May: “Gabe’s Xing Dear Sir Major Bedson and company present their compliments to the Hon the Premier, and kindly implore him to attend an opening ball at Mr Batoche’s tomorrow. Full dress.

Seriously We are on board Northcote, Indians can be seen across river, lurking in woods, & may open fire at any time.

Later We have just struck the Doctor for a drink. SLB GHH

[A second postcard:]

May 11 On board St.[eamer] Northcote

My dear Mr. N. Had an awfully hot time Saturday at Batoche, where rebels made us run gauntlet. S.L.B. and I were on board steamer. Alick is with Middleton & we know nothing of him. Bullets crashed through cabin. One grazed S.L.B.’s thigh – pretty close call. I had some too. Red Devils bothered us like blazes. After the fight, S.L.B. and myself helped to raise the old Union Jack on steamer, & as I write she now floats proudly in the breeze. We are out of danger now, but are going back tomorrow to fight her out again. Mr. B. sends kind remembrances. Tra-la G.H.H.”

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| G 8704 | C - 952 | May 15, 1885 | Letter | Merchants' Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. Jas. Whiteway's note for $60.00 falling due on 14th. No action. |

The note of Mr. Jas [Jos?] Whiteway for $60.00 which you endorsed for him was due yesterday and was not paid. I have written to Mr W. about it. In the meantime may I charge the amount to yourself. Yours truly A. Wickson, Asst Mgr

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| G 8704 | C - 953 | 29 April 1885 | Receipt | Accident Ins. Co. of N. America / Mtl Jones, Alfred mgr | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of premium falling due. No action. |

Renewal premium is $25, due on 2 May – amount insured $5000.

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| G 8704 | C - 954 | June 16, 1884 | Letter | Miller, D., Merchants' Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to call at Bank. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

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| G 8704 | C - 955 | 1884 | Letter | Benson, E. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Re: SK.Coal M. & T. Co. |

No heading, handwritten perhaps as memo: “Mr. Rennie told Klotz and myself that Ruttan was willing to put up money and take hold of company if things were satisfactory and would call to see you so we think you had better tell him all Van horn told you and then we can hold it over the other offer. If you think best you can tell Ruttan that we have another offer. E. Benson Impress upon him the chances of C.P.R. contract”

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| G 8704 | C - 957 | March 17, 1885 | Receipt | Knights of Pythias | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $17.00. No action. |

Wpg Lodge No 1 convenes every Tuesday evening at 7:30 in Albert Hall, Harris Block, and JN owes: “Page rank $5.00; Esquire Rank 5.00; Knight Rank 5.00; Dispensation 2.00

Total $17.00

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| G 8704 | C - 958 | Feb. 28, 1885 | Receipt | Murchison & Bryce | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of account rendered $46.79. $20.00 paid on a/c. Receipt herewith. |

Silk dress $24.23, and Green dress (Miss Norquay) 6.23, plus button, skirt, lace, hose, handkerchief etc -- $20 pd on account on 15 May.

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| G 8704 | C - 959 | Feb. 27, 1885 | Receipt | Lancefield, G.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c $4.50 re: Book Canada under the administration of Lord Lorne. See L.B. "D" p251 May 11, 1885. |

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| G 8704 | C - 960 | [No Date] | Letter | Begg, Alex | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to come down to Scarth's to see him. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I am confined to bed by doctor’s orders – threatened with rupture – Tell Ptolemy not to wait for me but I would like so much if you would come down to Scarths & see me if even for a few minutes this evening Yours sincerely, Alex Begg”

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| G 8704 | C - 961 | Oct. 23, 1884 | Letter | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Gov't. appointing Crown Attorneys for different judicial  districts. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

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| G 8704 | C - 962 | May 8, 1885 | Receipt | British Canadian Loan &InvestmentCo | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $127.00. See L.B. "E" p485. |

Sum of $127 due on mortgage on 1 June

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| G 8704 | C - 963 | June 2, 1885 | Letter | Young, Dr. | Lower Fort Garry | Norquay, John | Renting of Geo. Turner's house. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

The attendant thinks 5.00/month “more than he can afford to pay, it is only occasionally he gets away at night, and his wife who works here is only home at night.”

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| G 8704 | C - 964 | May 28, 1885 | Letter | Andrews & Carbert, Barristers | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for the amount of $1857.00 due Real Estate Loan Co. See L.B. "E" p472 May 30, 1885. |

The Real Estate Loan Co seeks collection of a mortgage given by you to W.B. Scarth and assigned to that company – principal $1700; interest 153.50; costs 3.50

Total $1857.00

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| G 8704 | C - 965 | April 29, 1885 | Letter | Munson, Allan & MacBeth, Barristers | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Deed Norquay to Hope 16.13.3 East. No action. |

Part of 16.13.3 East As per your instructions, we drew up a deed from yourself to John Hope of the sw ¼ and the s ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, 13, 3 East, which was afterwards executed by you. We have had it registered at County of Rockwood Registry Office. And we “now beg to enclose the order in the matter of Harriet Johnston an Infant, Deed from Harriet Johnston to John Norquay, and duplicate deed from the Hon. John Norquay to John Hope.”

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| G 8704 | C - 966 | May 29, 1885 | Memorandum | Hall & Lowe, Photographers | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Giving their prices. No action. |

Photos of JN – various prices for copies/ 1 doz cabinets = 6.00 per dozen etc.

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| G 8704 | C - 967 | May 29, 1885 | Telegram | Moore, J.G. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: Emerson case. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Emerson case settled prosecution withdrawn defendants give up papers and have a right to be present at audit. All satisfied.”

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| G 8704 | C - 968 | June 1, 1885 | Letter | Nursey, Kate | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking advance on husband's salary. Dealt with by  Mr. N. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay Will it be possible for me to draw a small amount of my husband’s salary for next month (say $25.00) as I am really in need of money & find that I cannot draw any of his pay as a volunteer.”

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| G 8704 | C - 969 | May 29, 1885 | Telegram | Norquay, Mrs. J. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Come up on Tuesday. Went up on Tuesday. |

“No. Come on Tuesday” Annotated: JN “went to Portage la Prairie on Tuesday”

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| G 8704 | C - 970 | June 1, 1885 | Telegram | Norquay, A. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Returning home. No action. |

“Expect return early in June by Lake Winnipeg”

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| G 8704 | C - 971 | June 9, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Fort Pitt, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Tom's whereabouts. No action. |

“Did not see Tom He was off before we reached here. Will be north of Frog Lake No news yet about Big Bear”

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| G 8704 | C - 972 | June 9, 1885 | Letter | La Riviere, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to be pallbearer at Madame La Riviere's funeral. Acted. |

Formal letter in French asking JN to serve as pallbearer for Mrs. L’s funeral tomorrow at 9:00 am Annotation “Acted”

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| G 8704 | C - 973 | June 7, 1885 | Notice | La Riviere, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of Madame La Riviere's funeral. Attended the same. |

Wednesday 10 June. She was 36 years old. Annotation: “Attended the same”

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| G 8704 | C - 974 | June 12, 1885 | Receipt | Tomlinson, R.H., Mgr. British Can. Loan & Inv Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Receipt for $127.00 interest up to 1 June 1885.  No action. |

Rec’d from A W Pritchard, private secretary, and next installment due on 1 Dec.

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| G 8704 | C - 975 | Jan. 24, 1885 | Letter | Walker, Bella | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Vacant judgeship. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Remarkable lady – “Dear Mr Norquay You will no doubt be surprised to gt a letter from me but still more so I am sure when I tell you that yesterday I interviewed Sir John, Sir Alexander Campbell and Mr. Bowell with regard to the vacant judgeship in Winnipeg…. [Sir John] had just left Council and was very tired so I did not bother him many minutes or I think I could have convinced him that Mr. Walker is deserving the appointment to say the least. He was very polite, said Mr. Walker’s name had not been mentioned to him & he had had several telegrams regarding the apptmt, asked where Mr. Walker was from & I told him the County of Norfolk. He then said the apptmt would not be made very soon and he would see about it. They know so little about Mr. Walker. Everyone thinks it strange that he never comes to Ottawa to make the acquaintance of ministers and members.”

I learned that Judge Ardagh “had been spoken of as likely to get it & being a personal friend of Sir John’s he may prefer giving it to him. If Mr. Ardagh should get it, then if Mr. Walker could get the apptmt he vacates this would be the next best thing, as my great desire is to return to Winnipeg and Mr. Walker would not have those long drives over the prairie. He cannot endure many more winters such as last….Not many old members of the Bar would be likely to support him, but surely all the new ones, who benefitted by Mr. Walker’s ‘Legal Bill’ would shew their gratitude by combining in an effort to get him the position if they knew he wished it….Do please explain by letter to Sir John…all Mr Walker has done for the party and the Province and the help he has given you in improving the legislation….Believe me to be, Yours sincerely,

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| G 8704 | C - 976 | May 7, 1885 | Invitation | Aikins, Hon. Lt. Gov. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to dinner. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

To JN only – Wed. 7 May at 7:30

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| G 8704 | C - 977 | May 8, 1885 | Letter | Paisley, James, Secretary Pioneer Mining Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting on 9th inst. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

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| G 8704 | C - 978 | May 14, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Batoche, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Going to Prince Albert in morning. Alick OK etc. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Message rec’d wired today we move to Prince Albert in morning Alick in great joy doing the boy great good”

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| G 8704 | C - 979 | May 14, 1885 | Letter | Grand Lodge of Man., Mason A.F. & A.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on 15th inst. No action. |

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| G 8704 | C - 980 | May 6, 1885 | Letter | Ham. Geo. H. | Fish Creek | Norquay, John | Friendly. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Pencil, good penmanship: “My dear Mr Norquay It’s as cold as hell is warm, and Sam Bedson has just dropped in & said he couldn’t write to you, because he was so busy. As I was about doing so, he asked me to mention that he was well (and thirsty, I say this), and that he would have written could he have possible done so.

“I am an applicant for the position of registrar of city of Winnipeg. I suppose this first: If I can’t get that & you appoint Hon C.P., then I want the vacant portfolio. If Leacock gets it, I must have a seat in the House. If you take if yourself, I insist on being premier. If the Attorney General takes it, I contend I should be mayor. At any rate, I want something. The moon, a star, a game of draw, Acton Burrows, or Fort Rouge.

Gen Middleton is well. So is Sam McCormack. Sam is nearly always thirsty. Therein he differs from me. I am always thirsty.

It’s too cold to write more. But I want to say that Alick and Walter Nursey are well, growing fatter every day, and doing their utmost to uphold the dignity of the British flag and the parish of St. Andrew’s Manitoba.

Is Jack Allen dead – or only sleeping? I saw an Indian enquiring for him with a club. Tell Jack to take to the woods. I must close. We are off in the morning for a fight, and perhaps before this reaches you it may be the fortune of war that I should be dead --------- drunk (scarcely possible, though). With kind remembrances to all, believe me to be Yours &c Geo H. Ham

“I concur (as Aikins says when he signs a commitment for a lunch) SLB”

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| G 8704 | C - 981 | May 20, 1885 | Letter | Munroe, Geo. F. Barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Personal grievance. No action. |

He’s very unhappy about not getting a contract in which he and Norman Matheson had an interest. JN hasn’t treated him in the manner of an old friend since the last Kildonan election.

“Of course I expect to get along without your assistance in fact I do not want the assistance of a man who runs politics into transactions of all kinds.

“Penrose would be very useful to us in this contract on account of his extensive knowledge of the business and we are to be debarred on account of his political proclivities from getting assistance, of course if your political spite causes you to snub two of your supporters so that you can get a hit at one who is opposed to you why all right…. I hope you will sleep well after your [illiegible] act. I now believe all that I heard about you, as to myself, on account of the Kildonan election.”

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| G 8704 | C - 982 | May 18, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Section of land for gov't. agricultural farm. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Woodworth wants to sell Sec 8.10.21 – “it would be a great help to me if the Govt would buy it from me ….”

“I am hard to work farming & in office evenings.”

ps: “how do like matters in North West now Time you were out there as Governor.”

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| G 8704 | C - 983 | May 11, 1885 | Receipt | Reynolds, H.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $2.40. No action. |

G Turner bought 6 brooms for your account on day of Mr. Hamilton’s election.

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| G 8704 | C - 984 | May 12, 1885 | Letter | Aikins, Culver & Hamilton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Promissory note for $550.00 made by S.W. Farrell. No action. |

We received from Imperial Bank for collection a promissory note for $550.00 dated 31 January and due 4 May, made by S.W. Farrell and endorsed by you. Will issue writ if not paid by 14th.

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| G 8704 | C - 985 | April 30, 1885 | Letter | Ham, Geo. H. | Fish Creek N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Friendly letter about things in N.W. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Pencil on 8x11 sheet: “My dear Mr Norquay I ought to have replied to your last letter before this, but startling events and chronic laziness have prevented me. We are having a hell of a time – and more hell than time. I am not going to tell you about the fight, except to say that the boys acted nobly, and returned shot for shot. You would have died laughing if you had seen Provincial Auditor, Paymaster, Postmaster and Gunner Nursey and your intelligent correspondent crawling to the front at the beginning of the battle. He had a rifle, and I carried a box of ammunition. We sneaked through the poplar bluff, feeling very uncomfortable like as if we had a bobtailed flush in a big jackpot, while the rebels had four bullets – or more. Walter says ‘Hell,’ as he slipped on his business end over some brush. ‘Me too,’ said I, having sworn off profanity a minute before. Then we went on – not even stopping to take a drink (PS – had nothing to drink).

Then we separated. He went to the right, and I to the left. Bullets buzzed like bees, but after a few minutes we didn’t mind them, and when one came buzzing, just ducked our heads, not so gracefully as John McDougall does when meandering around with that mace of his; but just ducked as if we meant to. This continual bobbing of our heads must have greatly disconcerted the enemy. I know it tired us, and worried the spectators. Still we went bravely on, and if we didn’t win the fight, we helped the wounded, and did all we could to alleviate their terrible sufferings. Walter fired his rifle 12 times, but isn’t sure whether he killed any of the enemy or is partly responsible for our heavy loss. Enough of the battle.

Alick and Walter and myself and another galoot camp and mess together. The last one takes the cake for laziness, beating me all hollow. Nursey cooks. I am his assistant. (He says if he had another like me, he would calmly but determinedly ask to die.) Alick and his chum wash dishes, and attend to the wood and water supply. I lay the alleged table, get the grub on (and off) and after meals put away the things. We live high. Walter is a good cook, but a little too particular. He won’t let me wash in the soup pot, nor let me keep my soap in the tea bag. I can’t cook as well as he can, but I can boil water a darned sight better. This is what makes him jealous of me. After the next battle, if I get a good chance at him, I guess we will have another cook. We keep pretty good hours, to bed at 9:00 or 10, and up from 5 to 7, as circumstances require. Alick is getting along first-rate, and the trip is doing him good. He is not in much danger, although the plucky cuss wants to go to the front all the time. They won’t let him though, so you needn’t worry about him. He is perfectly happy, and adapts himself to camp life like a veteran. So when he comes home, you will find a great big bronzed boy, rugged and hearty, and with an appetite like an army mule.

Sam Bedson is in charge of the transport service & has treated me like a prince. The Globe and F.P have not done him justice, for there is little or nothing to complain of. It’s true, we were short of oats for a while, but that couldn’t be helped. On the whole he has done wonders, and if he only had a little more of that which cheers and inebriates, I don’t know but I would appoint him Commander in Chief. As it is, he divides fairly, and if I am on short allowance, I have no reason to complain. Have managed to eke out a drink daily so far, but grave fears oppress me for the future. One drink is not much, but it is a devil of a lot more than no drink at all.

Cantlie is here, fierce and brave, but I seldom see him.

We have a little poker, a very small game, but I have not been lucky of late – still am not a loser. Must close, for fear you will tear this hastily written scrap up. Give kindest remembrances to members of government, Jack Allen, and Harrison and all the others, and believe me to be Yours very tiredly Geo H. Ham”

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| G 8704 | C - 986 | May 9, 1885 | Receipt | MacArthur Boyle &  Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of note for $54.60 falling due on 12th inst. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

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| G 8704 | C - 987 | May 12, 1885 | Postcard | Ruperts Land, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting on 15 May at MacArthur Boyle & Campbell's office. No action. |

Board of Trustees of Isbister Fund, Friday at 4:00

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| G 8704 | C - 988 | May 12, 1885 | Postcard | Diocese of Ruperts Land. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting on 3rd June at H.B. Land Office. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Executive Committee, the synod of the diocese of Rupert’s Land

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| G 8704 | C - 989 | June 2, 1885 | Letter | Ruttan, R.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Marquette townsite. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I have yours of the 1st in reference to the unhappy Marquette ‘Townsite’ investment. I do not remember precisely where the lands were but think in Tp 13, Rge 2 West, the S ½ and NW ¼ section 2 – in all 480 acres.

“We paid about $7000 for one ¼ section – the one on which we too confidently expected to found our City and for the half-sec bought from Dr. Schultz paid $2000 -- $1000 cash and a like sum remaining on mortgage – we also assumed a mortgage of $600 or $800 on the ¼ section. The lands were in the name of A W Ross who gave Harry and me informal acknowledgements of our interests.

“We had thus paid out about $8000 cash and had assumed mortgages to the amt of $1600 or $1800 on this delightful property.

“The firm JFR [?] & Co paid your $2000 and afterward got your note in payment on which they themselves paid interest to Ontario Bank for a considerable period and also $200 or $300 of principal.

“In, I think, 1882 the mtge of $600 or $800 fell due and as the $1000 was nearly due Ross borrowed enough on the 480 acres to pay off the two mortgages and replaced them by a mortgage for $1800 or $2000 This mtge in default of interest payment was foreclosed late in 1883 and the lands I believe sold for barely enough to cover. I don’t know who bought but was told both by the Loan Co Agent and Worsnop (then in AW’s office) that unless interest were paid the land would be sold. I did not think it worth more than the amount of the encumbrance and presumed you and Harris had similarly with myself been advised of the Company’s intention to sell. I could not pay the interest and would not have done so had I possessed the coin.

“This is as well as I can remember the history of the unfortunate Marquette investment. I left the firm of JFR & Co in November 1883 and since then have been out of the speculator’s world. If you will come over some night and have a pipe & a glass of grog or telephone me at Dom Lands office and come to dinner we can further discuss the matter & both the wife & self will be extremely glad to see you. Yours faithfully…”

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| G 8704 | C - 990 | May 24, 1885 | Letter | EABrisebois, Major | Fort Edmonton, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Torrens Act coming into force before his return & war news. No action. |

“Dear Sir As you can see I am on the war path. Indians are quiet enough around here at present but we don’t know what will be next. Tomorrow commences a Thirst dance 25 miles from here (north) on Riviere qui Barre. I visited the camp yesterday with halfbreed scouts. No strange Indians appear to have been present although the family is very large about 200 lodges and I met 17 more going to join them. We have a post of observation near the camp (scouts) and two companies of the 92nd Batt amongst them. My Minnedosa boys will arrive Tuesday to reinforce our Garrison here.

“Now Sir what about the new Registration Act? I hope you are not going to put it into force before our return from the Campaign (if we do return) as about half of the Registrars …etc.

“I saw your son, James Sutherland, McBeth, Leacock and the others before they left, and all were well and jolly. …

Big Bear “is reported having avoided General Strange and coming this way….”

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| G 8704 | C - 991 | June 1, 1885 | Letter | Wade, Thomas A. | Camp at Frenchman's Butte N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: War in West. No action. |

Pencil: “Dear Mr. Norquay We have already had an engagement with Big Bear’s party which apparently has been strengthened by parties from Poundmaker & Riel’s forces we found them entrenched in rifle pits along the edge of a circular position about 80 ft high, their front was also defended by a marshy stream (the Little Red Deer) impassible for the cavalry – this position was tested for miles but everywhere we were met by a hot fire, & the country was also bad being thickly wooded, we lost 3 men & the fate of 16 others is doubtful, news has just been brought in by scouts that the Indians have vacated the position & are escaping & the camp is being struck to follow We are all well but Tom is in a great way about the poor McLean girls – portions of their underclothing have been found scattered all round but how they are being treated for certain we do not know please God they are not being abused but it looks very bad. I shall return the moment I honourable [sic] can, but I should like to have one more stroke for these poor girls some of whom are only children. When it comes to merely hunting detailed parties of Indians I intend to speak at once to the Colonel for permission to return & as the River is open this will only take a few days. You will see our position & I hope will sympathize with it. I am with respect, Yours faithfully, Thos. A. Wade

My compliments to Mr. Brown”

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| G 8704 | C - 992 | May 29, 1885 | Letter | Tupper, La Touche | Fort Pitt, N.W.T. | "Chief" [Norquay, John] | War in the West. |

Pencil: “Fort Pitt May 29th Dear Chief Tripped the light fantastic to the time of Rebel Bullets yesterday. Tom was in charge of guard to Gun so did not get off his old candle mould himself but was under fire 3 hours. I think he enjoyed the music he smoked most of the time. I am afraid we have our work cut out for us and are overmatched. I am afraid Riel’s irreconcilable and Poundmaker’s are with Big Bear who can expect nothing but death. They have an impregnable position almost and 180 lodges we have 440 men and only one gun with only 30 rounds of ammunition for that. Northing for our teams but grass. We have been on ¾ ration.

Five my love to all – W.L.I[Wpg Light Infantry] lost none in fight, the 65 two wounded – Steele’s Scouts one wounded – Big Bear about 20 or more. Yours La Touche

I believe the ladies of PLa.P. are sending Bandages &c to Scott’s Batt. I suppose the squaws about QuAppelle have been burning them better send some to us who are fighting. We thank the City Council for that band[?] $200 also. Yours LaTouche

Love to Brown Lariviere, &c.

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| G 8704 | C - 993 | June 13, 1885 | Letter | Robinson, J.M. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing blank form of assignment of stock. No action. |

“Dear Sir I enclose you blank form of assignment of your stock in the Portage la Prairie Printing & Publishing Co for signature. You are aware that I have arranged with Mr. Brown to have the stock not paid up transferred to me. This will relieve you from all further responsibility in the matter. Please sign and return at your earliest convenience….”

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| G 8704 | C - 995 | June 6 & 11, 1885 | Letters | Nursey, W.R. | Fort Pitt, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | The War. |

Pencil: “Fort Pitt June 6 1885 My dear Mr. Norquay The letter I wrote you the other day still lies here – no opportunity to send it till today

Position here remains unchanged. I was out to Gen/ls cam on Bear’s trail – beyond Loon Lake it is doubtful if he can proceed with Canadian horses, even with packs – the muskeg’s all damnable – a day or two will prove. B.B. has advantage of having us horse feed to carry – at last accounts McLeans all well.

In Haste, Yours very truly, W.R. Nursey

Will you have drawn for me on a/c – of salary, order of Pritchard $50.00 and ask him to forward same to Phillips of Chicago. This will include Bedson’s subs/pn. I have written to the office three times for information as to how my a/c stands but no one but Burrows has had the decency to answer. WN

Pencil: “Fort Pitt June 11th Dear Mr Norquay Courier just in General on his way back finds muskegs impassable. Expect to get orders for home immediately. Some will of course remain. I shall however of course insist on being permitted to return at once. Have not seen Tom, he is with Strange – as is Wade – Don’t suppose they will get back with us. Will pick up Alic at Prince Albert. Hope you have received my letter.

Yours sincerely Walter R. Nursey”

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| G 8704 | C - 996 | June 18, 1885 | Letter | Setter, J.J., Sheriff | Portage la Prairie, Man. | "Neestaw" Norquay, John | Invitation to Portage la Prairie on 1st July. |

Letterhead, pen “My Dear Neestaw I hope you will be able to come up here on Dominion Day….

I was so glad to hear from Ren that my sister was so well that she could drive down to the Rapids. I am sorry to say that my poor wife has not fared so well, for as soon as Betsy left she thought that she was as bad as ever & it was not long until she really was. She has had a very poor time of it again one day up & one down again &c. I am at my wit’s end to know what to do for her. There is no doubt she is slowly failing gradually getting weaker, each attack leaves her less able to recuperate, tho she has had an immense amount of vitality.

Things are looking well, the crops never looked better in this section, a good crop will I hope tend to bring us a return to prosperity & of course confidence in the greatness of our country. Children all well, any word from the boys? Neestaw J.J. Setter”

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| G 8704 | C - 997 | June 20, 1885 | Letter & Receipt | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.00. Paid receipt herewith. |

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| G 8704 | C - 1001 | June 1, 1885 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Stating he has drawn on Mr. Nursey for balance on portrait. |

“My Dear Mr. Norquay Necessity compelled me to draw on Mr. Nursey for balance [sic] on your portrait. I gave it five days so as to give a little time for arrangement of the matter and hope the demand will be honor’d in due time. I received a letter from Mr. Nursey 6 weeks ago from the Front, also yours previous to that, and nothing since.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1002 | May 31, 1885 | Letter | Maxwell, Andy | Camille, Man. | Norquay, John | Friendly. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“My Dear Mr Norquay Your kind letter came duly to hand, after many days. Since writing you things have taken rather a brighter turn and I hope to pull through yet.

I was not surprised to hear that your Boys were at the Front, if they have grown up as plucky as the determined little chaps we used to watch wrestle when you lived at Point Douglas, I fancy they will be able to give a good account of themselves when, as I hope and pray, they return to you safe and sound.

I had a nice letter from Cassils the other day. The Montreal folks are sending up a lot of clothes & things for the young ones, perhaps you as usual having put in a good word when you were down has something to do with it.

With kindest wishes for Mrs. N, and family, I remain, yours faithfully, Andy”

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| G 8704 | C - 1003 | Sept. 11, 1885 | Receipt | Prince Ruperts Lodge AFAM | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of dues $5.00. Paid. |

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| G 8704 | C - 1004(a) | Sept. 7, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Chas. | Qu'Appelle Station, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Friendly, family matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Letterhead Leland House: “Dear Neestaw You will see that I am here far away from my family, I left Prince Albert on the 2nd inst. & am en route for Regina, witness for Crown in case Queen v Scott – we start up by Wright’s train.

I am sorry to say that I left Tom very ill at home threatened with, I fear, inflammation similar to what Horace had, but hope I may be wrong – all the rest were well.

Horace has a berth with Stewart Bros, P Albert Merchants -- & is likely to do well.

Kind regards to all at home & with love am ever yours Keestaw Chas Adams

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| G 8704 | C - 1004(b) | Sept. 11, 1885 | Telegram | Adams, Chas. | Qu'Appelle Station, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Friendly, family matters. |

“Start home this afternoon Glad to hear it all well”

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| G 8704 | C - 1005 | Sept. 11, 1885 | Telegram | Taché, Archbishop | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: His Excellency's visit. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“His excellency will visit St Boniface on his return from the rockies”

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| G 8704 | C - 1006 | Sept. 10, 1885 | Telegram | Walsh, Major | Brockville, Ont. | Norquay, John | Coal Mine. Dealt with by Mr. N. [Code]. |

“VanHorne deferring not amazing orchestra rasher but misemploy a rasher that I think my converge can amazing am to because Mississippi Egan on Scare Bob”

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| G 8704 | C - 1007 | Sept. 14, 1885 | Telegram | Hammond, Robert | Port Arthur, Ont. | Norquay, John | Cannot get home. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Sorry cannot possible get home. Have coat done in time Robert Hammond”

[sketch of town lot on back 256’ x 73’]

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| G 8704 | C - 1008 | Sept. 3, 1885 | Letter | McDonald, Johnnie | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Wm. McLeod's wife going to Winnipeg to secure scrip. |

“Yours of the 1st instant re Wm. McLeod’s wife to hand yesterday. I went to Wm yesterday evening, gave him your letter, he realizes your kindness in taking such interest but he is afraid that his wife can’t go down he has only made a commencement cutting his grain and has no help but a fifteen year old boy of Mrs. Knotts, he will try and get someone to go down with her perhaps Mrs. Sinclair.

I told him whoever should go with her the best thing for them to do wd be to hire a cab to your office, and offered send my boy Donald with her in the event of his not getting any one else. Still I hear she cannot go as there is no one to look after the cows, cooking and so forth, is there no other way by which her evidence could be taken say before a J.P. or a commissioner.

Your visit up the last time has done a great deal of good. By your very able explanation of the charges that have been made a good many croakers have been silenced, and all sensible men are satisfied.”

Doubts that Martin can be re-elected – T.B. Millar would be best candidate if he would stand: “even the grittest Grits don’t seem very much inclined to substitute Greenway for Norquay.” Yours truly, Johnnie McDonald

“Old Kenny is against us body and sleeves. I have not seen him since the 13th August.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1009 | Aug. 7, 1885 | Letter | Kelso, A., Secretary-Treasurer | Roseberry P.O., Man. | Norquay, John | $5.00 sub. Promised the Turtle Mountain E.D.A.S.  No. 2. Replied September 11, 1885. See L.B. "F" p17. |

You promised donation of $5. Please send “to enable us to collect the more of a government Grant.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1010 | Sept. 10, 1885 | Letter | Hamilton, C.E., Mayor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to be present at the reading of an address to Lord Lansdown on 16th May. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

In front of the new City Hall – address to Gov Genl to be read on 16 Sept at 2.30

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| G 8704 | C - 1012 | June 25, 1885 | Receipt | Jonasson, Frederickson  & Walkley | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered. Receipt herewith. |

$2.20 Proprietors of Steamer ‘Victoria’ -- $2.20 to ship sugar and flour

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| G 8704 | C - 1013 | Aug. 25, 1885 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Friendly letter. |

Arrived safely, enjoyable trip – “…but Great Scott! Everything is dull here. The only Minister in Ottawa is Costigan – Bowell was here yesterday but left last evening for Riviere du Loup – to arrange for the reacceptance of the 5,000,000 loan of last Session. How will that ‘pan out’ alongside of Egan’s letter re the Manitoba aid?

“By the way our mutual friend Amos Rowe is here …I can assure you I was seriously embarrassed when a gentleman enquired of Mr Rowe if he were still editing the Wpg Times. I strangled a smile when he replied that he had gone out of the newspaper business.

“I see by the papers that our friends the Grits are after us hot foot – I think they are under the impression that an election is impending.

The ‘Better Terms’ and Prov Rights are being discarded – Pshaw!

“…Tell Brown that I think he had better keep the temperature down. Ward elected yesterday by a large majority – Cons feel good over it. With kind regards to all I am

Yours truly D.H. Wilson”

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| G 8704 | C - 1014 | July 20, 1885 | Telegram | Wilson, D.H. | Morden City, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to come down without fail on 22nd. |

“Come down without fail on the twenty second Wednesday I will meet you at Morden”

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| G 8704 | C - 1015 | May 3, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Battleford, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | He has business with Big Bear. |

“Better ask Big Bear have business appointment with him may detain me a few days leave here tomorrow to interview him at Pitt”

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| G 8704 | C - 1016 | Aug. 22, 1885 | Invitation | Sergeant Major of W.L.I. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Requesting pleasure of Mr. N.'s company to dinner on 24 August 1885. |

8:00 pm Monday at CPR Dining Rooms

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| G 8704 | C - 1019 | [No Date] | Letter | Kirby, Walter T. Gov't House | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to dine with His Honor. |

Lt Gov invites JN and Mrs Norquay to dinner tonight, Thursday, nd

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| G 8704 | C - 1020 | Aug. 14, 1885 | Letter | Matheson, Samuel P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking a remittance towards Ladies' School a/c. |

We have urgent bills – payment “towards your Ladies’ School account …Like a good friend send me something.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1021 | May 29, 1884 | Telegram | Norquay, Thomas | Virden, Man. | Norquay, John | Stating he will hold office for 2 years in August. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Will hold office two years from August eighty two if not paying will look elsewhere”

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| G 8704 | C - 1022 | Aug. 10, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed on Board of Directors of N.W.C.R.R. Co. |

“if the road will go on this season and you have a chance to see Mr. Beaty & convenient please see what you can do I don’t mean in any way connected with my Brother for we have nothing in common but purely for myself I can be of valuable service to the company….”

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| G 8704 | C - 1023 | July 27, 1885 | Letter | Leet, J.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for balance due of $10.00. |

Re subscription to *Manitoba and North West Monthly*

“ps: I was at the Building on Saturday but you were too busy to be seen.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1024 | June 30, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Chas. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | "Neestaw" Norquay, John | Private family matters. |

“Dear Neestaw It is quite a while since I recd your favor & I must plead guilty in not answering it sooner. As you hoped Riel has been taken, the rebellion squashed, as far as the French are concerned & I hope as far also as the Indians are also [sic]; probably you get news just as quickly & as much as we do now, that is from the front where Middleton is. Perhaps many people hardly comprehend the distance marched over by the noble troops under Middleton & Smith – or Strange – miles are to be counted not by tens but by hundreds, even since leaving P. Albert. It would have done your heart good to have seen the troops march in to P.A. dusty … [illegible] & in many instances ragged but they were heroes & though dusty they were a find sight – so hearty was their step though marched 17 miles without any refreshment & only little hault [sic] since morning. I suppose you read J.C. McKenzie’s interview of the reporters in Wpg, it gives one all that transpired then, even up to Col Irvine’s apology for his men &c &c. The police are getting their deserving in all that is said about them & even all is not told, tho of course there are good men among them & had they been under a Middleton they might have been heroes too – why not? I enclose a clip from the Montreal Witness which is very good – only they don’t have in it the Gen/l’s reply re his little devils, which he was so justly proud of.

We came home on the 26th May & we have had Alex out 3 times in all once he spent the night, poor boy he is getting homesick now & likely he is now on his way home, I have not been down since the 26th & they were expecting orders every minute. Tom & Horace are both away, the former to the front in steamer, & Horace to Troy for freight, he could not do any hard work so I had to stay at home & he had to risk it I heard of him once & he was all right I trust he will be back in a week or 10 days.

Last year the rain did not come until like tonight & only after that the grain started – this year is scarcely better the grain did start but we have had no rain since & it is burning up I fear there will be no crop again of the little people put in this spring. We put in 5 acres wheat & 5 sacks potatoes, but I am having poor hopes for the former – The authorities would not let people go to put in the little seed they had, guaranteeing that they would not see the farms in want – that is the last of it – Their behavior has all been deceit -- & rascality all through. In my opinion the principals in the Rebellion are those who were first shouting, & who shouted the loudest – ‘God save the Queen’! & wish to make outsiders believe they were the only truly loyal ones.

Re the exploits of the poor troops are a little magnified the further east you are, all right re Middleton except number enemy killed in[?] Manitoba is correct – Otter’s Cut Knife affair was a great mistake precipitating Ind. war, & it was a defeat --: attacking Indians on reserve!

In speaking of the poor troops I don’t mean it in a deprecatory sense rather the contrary I should say brave – but – I know the road they travelled & the hardship they came through & I sympathize with them in it all & for that reason I said so.

Our Joe is not very well again today but hope he will not be so bad this time. The heat is so great, even for any one well, the ground is quite hot & today there is no working outdoors – wells are drying & ground is cracking & though doors & windows open the heat is coming in, in gusts as from a furnace – can’t wear any clothes except one shirt & pants no drawers or anything else.

You speak of us leaving this blasted place! All very true but where could we go to? Do you know any place? Many come to something of same idea also, I fear this is not a farming country at all, too far north –

The children are all well – Alic will tell you about the little chicken catcher Yr sister is well though worked harder than ever before – have not heard from Bella for a very long time – kind regards to all Yrs sincerely Keestaw, C.A.”

PS: Have you forgotten about Mrs. Spence’s portrait of her deceased boy – do try & send it back please Yrs&c, CA

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| G 8704 | C - 1026 | Aug. 29, 1885 Sept. 5, 1885 | Postcards Bylaw | Bernier, T.A., Registrar U of Man. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meetings of Council on 3rd & 14th Sept.1885. Also copy of by-law adopted 30 August 1883. [3pp]. |

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| G 8704 | C - 1027 | Sept. 5, 1885 | Letter | Vulcan Iron Works | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Buggy. |

Re your letter about the buggy: the secretary of Vulcan Iron thinks the buggy was sold last week.

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| G 8704 | C - 1028 | Aug. 25, 1885 | Postcard | Matheson, Samuel | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of opening of the College. |

Autumn term begins 2 Sept – “It is earnestly desired that all pupils should be in attendance promptly.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1029 | July 1, 1882 | Receipt | White, Manahan & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.75. Paid. Receipt herewith. |

Men’s clothing from feb, april – paid in july

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| G 8704 | C - 1030 | 1885 | Receipt | Parkes & Co. | City (Winnipeg) |  | To amount of a/c rendered $5.95. Paid. Receipt herewith. |

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| G 8704 | C - 1031 | June 30, 1885 | Receipt | Murchison & Bryce | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c $27.69. Paid July 8th, 1885. |

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| G 8704 | C - 1032 | June 10, 1885 | Receipt | Munson, Allan & Macbeth | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c $17.13. Paid July 8th, 1885. |

April 20: drawing deed you to John Hope of pt of 16, Tp 13, Rge 3E, letter to Rockwood Registrar

May 9: drawing deed from you to John Hope, letter to P la P

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| G 8704 | C - 1033 | June 1885 | Receipt | R.R. Keith & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $26.73. $10.00 paid on  a/c 13th July 1885. Paid $10.00, 3rd October 1885. |

Timothy seed, red lop, turnip, seed oats barley field peas $116.73

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| G 8704 | C - 1034 | June 30, 1885 | Receipts Letter | H.B. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $22.27. Paid August 1st. Receipt herewith. |

262 lbs sugar for $22.27

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| G 8704 | C - 1038 | Aug. 5, 1885 | Letter | Robinson, J.M. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to Cons. Meeting in Portage la Prairie on 13th Inst. Replied 6th August. See L.B. "E" p615. |

Robinson is editor and mng director: Letterhead of plp *Weekly Tribune-Review* meeting 13 Aug 1885 – JN invited to attend. “You are requested to deliver an address on that occasion.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1039 | July 20, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing $10.00 borrowed & re Sask. Coal Mine. |

“Enclosed please find ten dollars cash borrowed from your dear old self while in Wpg last week please accept my thanks &c. I have just returned from west where I have been a few days on business Was in Regina few hours yesterday Saw Genl Middleton & lady had a pleasant talk met Gov Dewdney[?] …[illegible]

Will you please let me know what progress selling coal mine. I want to leave my interest in your hands to act for me receive the pay for my share & do all for me as for yourself you will act for me won’t you. If you sell of course the stock will fall back to the original place after paying off the debts the balance will go to the share holders I had $140,000 under the arrangement made last year with the new Company to only receive 25% of the 140,000 which was 35000 leaving now $105000 to be accounted for you will understand the matter so as to deal out justice please let me know what is doing I want to get something out of it in some way by letting me know particulars by letter at your convenience & trusting you are enjoying your usual good health I am, yours faithfully J.E. Woodworth”

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| G 8704 | C - 1040 | Aug. 28, 1885 | Letter | Smith, W. Osborne | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Resignation of Capt. Wade & others. |

“Dear Sir I have yours of yesterdays date, and confess my surprise at its tone.

As I do not choose to be either intentionally, or unintentionally misrepresented, or misunderstood, I give you the following facts.

Whilst in active pursuit of the Indians, who we had engaged two or three days previously, and who we daily again expected to overtake, Captain Wade and Lieut. Mills applied for either leave of absence, or leave to resign; as their Government situations according to their statements, were endangered by their absence. Leave of absence under the circumstances was of course inadmissable.

Major General Middleton Commanding in Chief was at the time in camp, and the matter was referred to him; he permitted the resignations which were duly notified in orders, and authorized a Captain to be appointed in Wade’s place, provided he was duly qualified. Lieut Thirkell who was the senior subaltern who possessed the necessary certificate, was accordingly placed in command of the vacant Company. The General Officer Commanding considered promotion in the junior ranks unnecessary. Even had such been made, promotion going by battalion and not by Company, Lieut. Norquay would not have received the grade of 1st Lieut. as others were senior to him. No other course could have been adopted in the promotions of the Regiment, without gross favouritism, and consequent discontent through the whole corps.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1041 | Aug. 24, 1885 | Letter | Smith & Ferguson | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Sask. Coal. |

Stoves, importers etc: “Dear Sir: When will Co/y be ready to ship us coal for coming winter?

If you are going to push the sale we suggest an immediate start we are prepared to handle it as formerly and our Mr. Fergusson is owner of $5,000 nominal stock we can sell 4 or 5 hundred tons here we think without trouble….”

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| G 8704 | C - 1042 | July 7, 1885 | Letter | White, Fred | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Evidence against Conkling[?]. No action. |

“My dear Norquay You wrote me some time ago for a copy of the evidence taken by the Comm/rs Bown & McArthur re Nixon Conkling &s [?] in 1879.

I have found the papers but they are in manuscript and very voluminous and I may not be able to get a copy for you until after the Session, we are all so very busy at present.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1043 | July 1, 1884 | Receipt | Sinclair, Thomas, Registrar County of Lisgar | Selkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $4.50. Paid receipt. |

5 May – to Reg: Quit Claim, Matthewman to you.

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| G 8704 | C - 1044 | July 14, 1885 | Letter | Spence, R. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Manitoban should be a morning paper. |

Re the government paper the “Manitoban” which appears in the afternoon – it can’t compete with the Free Press, a morning paper, “outside of Winnipeg” because “people want the latest news” – “In our news depots in this town the ‘Free Press’ is almost the only paper sold….Through its circulation the ‘Free Press’ is educating many hundreds of people to become Opposition supporters who might otherwise lean towards the Government….”

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| G 8704 | C - 1045 | Aug. 29, 1885 Sept. 5, 1885 | Letter | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N.'s influence to secure lots in  St. Clements. Answered by Mr. N. personally August 31st, 1885. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay I am always troubling you but the time may come when you will trouble me and when I shall be glad to attend to you. I wish you to do me a favor.”

Dom Govt through Mr. Smith is looking into my claim for patents for Lots 62 & 65 in parish of St. Clements, both inner and outer 2 miles. “The Government fear that if they issue patents to me every other land holder will claim a patent also. They are therefore more disposed to allow a compensation for the lands. I am willing to take compensation and to give up my right to the lands but the question of value comes up.

My lands adjoin the lands that were purchased for the purposes of the Lunatic asylum and I consider they are worth as much as the lands that were bought for that purpose, in fact I was offered on the 24th Dec. last, the same value for 73 feet of Lot No 61, as was paid by the Manitoba Government for the southerly balance of lot no. 61.

“Now if you would kindly write such a letter as I could lay before Mr. Smith, shewing [sic]the rate per acre paid by the Manitoba Government for the Asylum lands you would help my case very much and perhaps you could also advise that I should also get a fair compensation for my timber privilege….”

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| G 8704 | C - 1046 | May 28, 1885 | Letter | Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Application to purchase portion of SW 1/4 of  Sec.15 Tp.16 R6 East. |

Received your letter of 11th inst “making application to purchase that portion of the SW¼ of Sec 15 – Tp 16—R 6 East, not covered by Pruden’s Bay, and in reply to say that if you can satisfy the Commissioner of Dominion Lands that there are no squatters upon that piece of land, he is authorized to sell it to you at $2.50 per acre.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1047 | March 16, 1885 | Letter | Brooks, G.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a postponed meeting of shareholders of Siftings. No action. |

”Siftings” – shareholders – please attend

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| G 8704 | C - 1048 | May 26, 1885 | Letter | Hoare, C.S., Manager Imperial Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Paying $250.00 on $1000.00 note. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“I am depending on you to pay in another $250 on the $1000 note by 31st inst., $250 by 15th June & $250 by 30th June. I promised to Head Office this on the strength of your promise to me. I write merely to remind you knowing your time is fully occupied & it might slip your memory.”

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| G 8704 | C - 1050 | Nov. 2, and Nov 22, 1883 | Letter | Keewatin Mining Co. | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Claims of stock in above company. No action. |

6 brief letters, all on one 4-fold document, 3 dated 2 Nov, and 3 dated 22 Nov, all addressed to JN as President of Keewadin [sic] Mining Co, and all claiming fractions of “the one hundred thousand dollars stock appropriated to the original owners or Twelve Thousand five hundred dollars stock as my interest” : Wm Lockwood claims 1/8; George Steenan claims ¼ or $25,000; William Flager claims 1/8; George Harvey ¼; George Harvey also says $10,000 of the above stock has been sold to William Litchfield of Rat Portage and $2500 was sold to Alexander McIntyre – and both are entitled to that amount of shares; and J.R. Cameron claims ¼ of the stock plus ½ of the quarter claimed by Geo Harvey -- in all $37,500.

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| G 8705 | C - 1056 | Oct. 10, 1884 | Letter | Johnston, J.J. | Grafton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Keewatin Mining Co. No action. |

“Your favour of the 6th is duly received I was not aware of any change in Keewatin M Cy. I suppose the reason I was not notified of the change was, that my stock certificates are not registered, if you would kindly inform me what is the address of the proper person to send them to for registration, I will attend to it. I have paid for them and if there is ever anything to be had from the mine I may as well have a share. Reorganising the Co won’t affect my claim.

Please give me a list of the officers of the reorganised Co and oblige, yours truly …”

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| G 8705 | C - 1057 | Sept. 30, 1884 | Bill | Dick, Banning & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $92.10. |

Lumber – 13 2x12, 13 2x4, plus boards plus shingles

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| G 8705 | C - 1058 | April 1, 1884 | Telegram | Lawson, J.P. | Stair, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to send telegram stating S.C.M. & T. Co. are not disposing of property. |

“miners say company disposing of property send telegram to contrary it will quiet them pit idle”

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| G 8705 | C - 1059 | July 29, 1885 | Receipt | Stovel, Joseph | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $35.00. |

Tailor – coat – pd $20 in August

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| G 8705 | C - 1060 | Aug. 3, 1885 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $15.00. |

Tailors & clothing -- $15.00 on account

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| G 8705 | C - 1061 | July 1, 1885 | Receipt | Wm. Whitehead & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $1.00. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1062 | July 2, 1885 | Receipt | Forrest, C.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $4.00. Pd. August 3rd.  Receipt herewith. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1065 | 1885 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $8.50. |

4 new shoes $2.00; 2 single trees, 4 shoes set, new wagon reach, 1 draw clip on buggy

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| G 8705 | C - 1066 | Oct. 17, 1884 | Receipt | Scoones & Wolf | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $30.50. |

Royal Auction Mart: card box & cards $1.00; slipper pocket $1; side saddle $18; round cart table $9; Paid.

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| G 8705 | C - 1067 | June 5, 1885 | Letter | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale P.O. | Norquay, John | Tenders for freighting put in by himself & others. |

Tenders – freighting by myself etc. – “preferably Saskatchewan Crossing to Battleford – if not that one, Calgary to Edmonton….”

“I have been anxious to hear result of fight with Big Bear – trust may come out all right & that Tom & Aleck may then come home – covered with glory & rags.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1068 | June 16, 1885 | Letter | Cruikshank, A.A. Acct. Penitentiary | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Enclosing forms of tender for Coal. Sent forms to  Mr. Ashdown. See L.B. "D" p263 June 17, 1885. |

“Thinking that possibly your Company might desire to tender for the supply of coal for this Penitentiary for the coming year I beg to enclose you herewith Tender Form and specification for said commodity.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1069 | Dec. 12, 1884 | Letter or Memo | Lewis, Major John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Formation of a secret society. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Confidential… At your request I beg to submit the following, of which I have already become possessed Re the existence of a secret society … – the object of which is to forcibly secede from the Dominion.

[I mentioned this to you a month ago – heard of it from John Cornish]

Details from James H Harris, painting and glazing contractor:

“The Society has been in existence for about twelve (12) months….they have enrolled amongst them many prominent men, and he was particular in mentioning that quite a proportion was Conservatives. … [including]Harris, John Cornish, R.H. Attwood, and H.J. Clarke. The latter, he claimed, was their guiding star and adviser…. the object of the Society was, just as soon as the Lakes were frozen up, to forcibly seize the Government Buildings, munitions of war, and stores – especially mentioning their intention to seize the Government accounts and the Receiver General Office – to cut the C.P.R., if necessary, east and west – to establish a Provisional Government – and to immediately cable the Queen what had occurred – to declare themselves to her truly loyal, only being desirous of forming an independent province apart from the Dominion….”

I warned him of dangers. When next they met, he decided to burn “all books and papers in the stove in presence of the meeting….”

But they weren’t giving up: “He told me that they had the same object in view – that after they had gotten the possession of their Public Lands – Timber and mines, capital would flow into the country, and that Manitoba and the North-West would be more prosperous in every way….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1070 | Dec. 28, 1884 | Letter | Fulsher, Fred | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Terms on which Mr. N. was admitted into the Pioneer Mining Co. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Please excuse delay – I was waiting for a meeting – “I wished to have you taken into the Company free, but H.J. McD said it would not look well. And we would not like to put you down as a dead head but give all honour & thanks due your position I was then answered that I might inform you to consider one twentieth of all. I do not know how much will be put on the market at first….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1071 | 1884 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating he has list of land from Allan but no mining property. |
| G 8705 | C - 1073 | Dec. 10, 1884 | Invitation | McLelan, Hon. & Mrs. A.W. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Their daughter's marriage to Mr. Albert Aikins. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

Wedding is on 10 Dec. 1884

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| G 8705 | C - 1074 | Sept. 5, 1883 | Receipt | Meagher, M.U. Keewatin Mining Co. Ltd. | City (Winnipeg) |  | Receipts for certificates of stock. No action. |

Meagher received 14 certificates of stock in Keewatin Mining Co. [JN is President, John Allan is SecTreas]

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| G 8705 | C - 1075 | July 11, 1885 | Letter | Carruthers, G.F. Acting Mayor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Inviting Mr. N. to be present at reception of the  Volunteers. Replied 13th July. See L.B. "D" p273. |

And to “deliver a short address of welcome.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1076 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Invitation to wedding | Conrad, John Howard | Providence, R.I. | Norquay, John | Invitation to his wedding on above date. No action. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1077 | July 3, 1882 | Letter | Miller, D., Manager Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note of W.N. Kennedy's note for $9800 due 30th ult. |

Unpaid note of W N Kennedy for $9800 due 30th ult.

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| G 8705 | C - 1078(a) | July 21, 1885 | Telegram | Beatty, James | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | N.W. Central. No action. |

“Free grants allowed from Brandon via Rapid City and Ellice”

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| G 8705 | C - 1078(b) | July 11, 1885 | Letter | Setter, Christabel | Portage la Prairie, Man. | "Uncle Norquay" | Family matters. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Dear Uncle Norquay We were so disappointed at your not coming in to see us on your way down from the West but I suppose you had no time to spare. How is Auntie Betsy keeping? Mama is improving slowly & I think will soon be well I took part at Miss Kay’s closing entertainment last Monday as you will see by the Tribune Review. It was a very pleasant little affair altogether. The St Andrew’s Society had a grand celebration on the 1st up here. Papa was out in the sun all day and got so burnt that his nose is all peeling and he is rather ashamed to be seen by anyone. Can you tell me when the review of the troops is to be held? I should like to get down to see the boys so much. Try to let me know. I want you to wish Bella many returns of her birthday for me today. Are you coming up to the Grand Reform Picnic? No more news so with best love from all Believe me Yrs affect/ately Christabel”

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| G 8705 | C - 1079 | June 8, 1885 | Letter | Allan, Capt. John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing some I.O.U.s & asking for a cheque for $25.00. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Brigade Office Dear Mr. Norquay Enclosed find some IOUs amtg to $77.50 from which there is $19.00 to be deducted the last being $9.00 the last time we played & I credited it on the back of the IOU leaving $48.00 Send me a cheque for $25.00 & clear up the IOUs Yours very truly John Allan

I am dead broke.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1080 | July 6, 1885 | Letter | Beaty, James, M.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | N.W. Central. Replied July 11th, 1885.  See L.B."D" p271. |

House of Commons stationery – scrawl: “Private…My dear Sir We have varying fortunes with our railroad [[--]a few weeks since, the Govt began to insist on going further west & has so discouraged all my contracts with the bondholders, the contractors & the CPR, all of which are based on the station at Sidney on CPR. Thence to Rapid City & then to Ellice as formerly understood. They insisted on a point further West – whether Brandon or Oak Lake they will not say. There was no use doing much more at the time, in view of that policy until I ascertained the effect of such a change on the contractors. I wrote to them & find they are willing to go on so as the mile grant is secured & no matter where the road starts from. I only received this news on Thursday & I informed the Govt of the new situation. I expected an order in Council on Saturday. I am not informed that anything has been done. What is wanted is immediate action so that we can build this summer fifty miles from Sidney or Brandon or some point. Can you do anything to expedite matters? Do so & oblige Yours faithfully James Beaty”

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| G 8705 | C - 1081 | July 8, 1885 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Portrait money. Replied July 11th. See L.B."D" p272. |

Phillips needs cash – he drew upon Nursey, bank in Wpg refused it and said “Mr N. is at the rebellion.” I need money for the portrait.

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| G 8705 | C - 1082 | June 30, 1885 | Receipt | Lusted, Thomas, Registrar | Stonewall | Norquay, John | Receipted a/c for $4.00. Paid. |

To Thos Lusted 7 April 1885 “deed from Johnson”

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| G 8705 | C - 1083 | Dec. 29, 1884 | Receipt | S. & H. Borbridge | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $.60. Paid. |

Repair leather trunk -- .60

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| G 8705 | C - 1084 | Dec. 31, 1884 | Letter | Tomlinson, R.H., Manager British Canadian Loan & Investment Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Mortgage. No action. |

Re our letter concerning interest payment past due, and replying to yours of 29th inst – “When I saw you in Winnipeg recently you spoke of paying $500 in January. If you could do this I think the Company would be willing to extend the loan for a fresh term at a lower rate of interest ….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1085 | Aug. 16, 1883 | Letter | Knappen, P.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating he is leaving for England tonight & wishing Mr. N. to write him his personal opinion of Lake of the Woods Gold Mine. Dealt with by Mr. N.. |

I “desire & hope that you will write me a personal letter at once in regard to your opinion of the Lake of the Woods Gold Mines mentioning the Canada Gold Mine with others …. If you wish me to place stock for Mr. Brown & yourself please state amount and upon what terms. I will use my influence & energy for all parties interested.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1086(a) | July 28, 1883 | Telegram | La Rivière, Hon. A.A.C. Prov. Secretary | City (Winnipeg) | Hardy, A.S., Prov. Sec. Ont. | Re: Riotous proceedings at Rat Portage. |

Copy: “Riotous proceedings are taking place at Rat Portage, professedly in the interest of Your Government, and supposed to be with your sanction. Manitoba officials violently interfered with, all endeavours to keep the peace there will probably be unavailing so long as proceedings referred to are supposed to have the countenance of either Government….” We wish to have “nothing but the most friendly relations” with your Govt. “Please answer to Mr Norquay at Rat Portage today.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1086(b) | July 28, 1883 | Telegram | Hardy, A.S. Prov. Sec. | Toronto | La Rivière, A.A.C. Prov. Sec. | Re: Problems at Rat Portage. |

“We very cordially reciprocate the pacific and friendly sentiments expressed in your message and are satisfied that Mr. Norquay’s interview with our officers at Rat Portage will be satisfactory and convince him of their entirely peaceable intentions….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1086(c) | July 30, 1883 | Letter | La Rivière, A.A.C. Prov. Sec. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Telegrams and Rat Portage. |

Hardy’s reply (enclosed) is “perfectly non committal…” I sent our telegram to “prevent the Ontario government from pleading ignorance of what was taking place and hold them responsible of the action of their officers at Rat Portage.” I showed it to Fred White, who “approved of it very strongly and sent a copy to Sir John….White said it was a master stroke on our part.

“The office is besieged by parties anxious to get news. Several prominent Grits disapprove the Free Press.

“Mr. Sutherland is expected to return this evening from the west.

“All quiet here but very warm.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1087 | June 30, 1885 | Letter | Ruperts Land, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing Horace's school report. Report July 8th. See L.B."D" p267. |

Report: “He has distinguished himself greatly in the late exam. Though pushed upwards into his present form he has taken the 1st place in it -- tho’ no doubt we have lost the 3 boys who last year were at the head of the Form. The Papers were I believe pretty hard for this Form – otherwise he wd have taken I suppose 1st Class Form marks (75 pc since 1st class is 67).

We had the great pleasure of electing him a scholar on the Found/n. This is only $20 a year ($5 a term) but it is the chief distinction of the school. In his conduct he gives perfect satisfaction.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1088 | May 1, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | S.CoalM. & T. Co. No action. |

“Dear Norquay I give you again warning re SCM &T Co (Limited) & would now say get your name off of all obligation possible at once or if not able to do that get notes collections & anything that will secure you Do this carefully saying you cannot continue your name upon paper given connection with the Government & in asking for the $2000 to be granted to the Co by the Government. The year is up re contract with the Creditor and the Co owe the CPR $20,000 & they will be looking for their pay soon. I am taking no action in the matter but know those interested will take action very soon of course my advice has not been taken in the past but nevertheless I have been in the main right all the way through & feel [?]to continue to give you timely warning. I have no faith in Mr Ashdown’s conduction [sic] of business or in his intentions You went with the enterprise through my influence & I feel [?] to see you out of it as best I can my ability being limited I work the more faithful [sic?] Yours ever J.E. Woodworth

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| G 8705 | C - 1089 | Aug. 3, 1885 | Telegram | Norquay, Thomas | Battleford, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | On way home. No action. |

“On the way home will leave here tomorrow all well”

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| G 8705 | C - 1090 | May 29, 1885 | Receipt | Strong & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $10.50. Paid. |

Formerly Bannatyne – perhaps tea

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| G 8705 | C - 1091 | Nov. 29, 1884 | Bill | Dick & Banning Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $144.69. $50.00 paid on a/c. |

Flooring - $8.60 plus old account –

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| G 8705 | C - 1092 | Sept. 1, 1884 | Receipt | Wright & Arbuckle | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $10.25. Paid. |

1 pr nickel mounted hames ($8), plus strapping, whip, trace

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| G 8705 | C - 1093 | June 5, 1883 | Letter | Murdoch, Wm. | Port Arthur, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Election for Algoma West. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Election is on 26 June, have written LaRiviere, need help in Rat Portage and Rainy River – see Archbishop Tache, “to get the priest to speak to his people…” At the moment the priest refuses to interfere.

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| G 8705 | C - 1094 | Aug. 4, 1885 | Letter | McDonald, E. | Portage la Prairie, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to come to Portage la Prairie on 13th inst. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1095 | [No Date] |  | Memo | [No Location] | Norquay, John | Case of S.CoalM. & T. Co. |

Ashdown hardware letterhead, handwritten in pencil: “Mr Norquay will see Mr Aikins and see if his company will agree to an output of twenty thousand tons per year or more. How long a lease and if they will agree to a lease of one year to be renewed, and also privilege of sale, and length of notice in such case and see if they will allow 30 cents on their debt and 15 cents to company.

“Take plant at valuation now and at end of lease.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1096 | July 27, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to get him contract with N.W.C.R.R. |

To JN as Director of NWCR: “My Very dear Sir In the event of the NWCR commencing this season I would like very much to be of assistance in serving the Company. I can be of valuable service to the company in many ways and would ask you to recommend me to your company and use your influence in giving me a show in the construction and business of building the road. I shall do all in my power to advance your interest.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1097 | July 25, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking for the names of directors of N.W.C.R.R. |

Wants the names of the directors and asks what are prospects of it commencing his summer?

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| G 8705 | C - 1098 | July 24, 1885 | Letter | La Rivière, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to suggest a name of doctor to be apptd health officer for County of Lisgar. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1104 | Aug. 3, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking for letters of introduction from Mr. N. to friends in British Columbia. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1105 | Aug. 1, 1885 | Letter | Fonseca, N.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Norquay v. Fonseca. |

“Dear Sir You will remember when I called upon you re Norquay v. Fonseca, I made a proposition to add to the amt of security and be relieved of the debt. You kindly gave me a note to the Atty Gen who after hearing my proposition asked me to write to him, and send a diagram of the property. I did so, after waiting some time I was notified by Pendergast & Peck[?] to call, I met Mr. Peck who asked me what extension of time I wanted. I referred to my communication which when he had read, stated that he did not understand the proposition before, that he would see the Atty Gen, and inform me, well I had no word up to last week, when I was more than surprised to find that judgement was entered pro confessor [?] I consider that an undue advantage has been taken, see yourself how this action cripples and completely hampers me.

If I had shown any disposition to be unconcerned in the matter why the entering judgment would have been perfectly correct. I offer what I have, what more can any one do.

I thought that I would recite the circumstances to you, and ask your best services in the matter. When the Govt pays no taxes, the offer I make is an excellent one. I am desirous of having the two last exempt just note…[?]

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| G 8705 | C - 1106 | Aug. 22, 1885 | Letter | Beaty, Robt. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: N.W.C.R.R. Co. |

“Dear Sir Your telegram to my brother James has been sent to me from his office as he is still in New York.

…The delay in legislation caused some of the parties engaged to go on with building the North West Central to back out. When he went to New York after the House adjourned and found this state of affairs, he thought he found new parties who would go on and take place of those who were dissatisfied but on Tuesday last on the ground that the act was not passed he was refused again. Then new men had to be found and from a letter written on Thursday he had strong hopes again of success. This letter was followed by a telegram today confirming his hopes. Today he thinks he has the right men.

“… You may not be aware that the Govt has changed the Order in Council agreeing to accept the work to Rapid City as sufficient for the year.

Respectfully yours Rob’t Beaty”

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| G 8705 | C - 1107(a) | July 12, 1885 | Telegram | Tupper, La Touche | Fort Pitt, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | “re state of things at Fort Pitt’  Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Two hundred fifty of Big Bears band surrendered to Col Smith & are prisoners we will have balance in day or so – Our prisoners outnumber us but are disarmed and all stolen property taken from them Col Smith very ill Tom is well Latouche

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| G 8705 | C - 1107(b) | July 16, 1885 | Telegram | Tupper, La Touche | Fort Pitt, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: State of things at Pitt. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

“Wandering Spirit and Sandfly with seventy lodges ours[.] unconditional surrender everything given up Col Smith better be given a little welcome for us LaTouche”

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| G 8705 | C - 1108 | June 30, 1885 | Receipt | Ogilvie Milling Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $27.75. Paid. Receipt herewith. |

1000 bran, 680 oats, 5 strong

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| G 8705 | C - 1109 | Sept. 13, 1883 | Telegrams | Gigot, E.F. | Marquette | Norquay, John | Stating he has missed train & wanting Mr. N. to say  where he can overtake them. No action. |

From Marquette to Brandon: 9:32 – JN on “Spl [special] passenger train at 10:45”

“Missed train this morning plese wire me where I can overtake you, am on No. eleven”

From PlP: “am after you on passenger train Can I catch you at Brandon answer on train”

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| G 8705 | C - 1110 | July 24, 1885 | Notice | Beaty, James, Pres. N.W.C.R.R. | Toronto, Ont. | Shareholders | Special meeting of the N.W.C.R.R. |

Meeting in Toronto on 11 Aug to elect directors, approve mortgage, issue bonds, approve construction of section of road from Brandon, and of contract with Govt of Canada re change of route and free grant of lands, and to issue paid up stock….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1112 | Sept. 17, 1885 | Memo | Anderson, T.H. Bank of Ottawa | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for book with final returns. |

“Dear Sir: Kindly send me your book with final returns…” [meaning?] [coal?]

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| G 8705 | C - 1113 | Aug. 10, 1885 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enquiry after Mrs. N.'s health. Answered from  residence at St. Andrews, no copy kept. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay I am just come up to enquire for Mrs. Norquay. I am grieved to learn she is still so ill. I would come down to see you but Rennie tells me he thinks you prefer being alone. If I can be of any use do let me know.

Yrs ever truly Ed. P. Leacock”

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| G 8705 | C - 1114 | Aug, 7, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter re: Dr. Cosmos. |

Thanks for letter to De Cosmos. “I may say that I am very well acquainted with De Cosmos being a native of Nova Scotia and from an ajoining [sic] county to mine in that province and family name Smith but after he went to B.C. he had his name changed….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1115 | Aug. 10, 1885 | Letter | Washburn, A.S. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Expressions of regret re: Mrs. N.'s illness. Answered from St. Andrews. No copy kept. |

MB Treasury Dept letterhead: “My dear Mr. Norquay Mrs. Washburn joins me in expressing our sincere regret at Mrs. Norquay’s severe illness and hope that she will be soon restored to health….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1116 | Sept. 10, 1885 | Telegram | Keele, F.S. | Poplar Point, Man. | Norquay, John | Stating David Spence has received a serious gun shot injury and is going to hospital. No action. |

[as above – and then] “…Please make arrangements.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1118 | Sept. 19, 1885 | Letter | Macdonald, Hugh J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: His having expressed an opinion hostile to his gov't. & denial of charge. Action:Saw Hugh. |

Written by secretary on law office letterhead, signed by Hugh: “My Dear Norquay On our way back from Government House on Thursday evening after the dinner party, Hamilton told me that someone had informed you that I had not only expressed an opinion hostile to your Government but had stated that I could no longer support you, and even intimated, if I mistake not, that I was actuated by feelings unfriendly to you personally. … no such statements ever passed my lips, and that no thoughts of such a kind ever entered my brain. … I am too good a partyman to alter my allegiance, and the Party has been altogether too true to my father to allow me to think for a moment of deserting it, but as far as you yourself personally are concerned I have only to say that ever since my arrival in Winnipeg you have always treated me with kindness & civility, and so far from speaking of you personally in an unfriendly manner I have always both considered & spoken of you as a friend, as such I still consider you. If you have no objection I should be very much obliged to you if you would tell me who your informant was….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1119 | May 7, 1885 | Letter | Irvine, Wm., Assessor | Almasippi P.O.,Boyne MB | Norquay, THOMAS | Assessment which Mr. N. says is too high. No action. |

Tom complained of his “extraordinary high assessment” -- the assessor replies here – lower than surrounding municipalities, and yes, you couldn’t sell it for that value – “it is a well known fact, that no land here, will bring its actual market value at present…. I might also state that when the government Inspector values lands here, that are nearly all swamp, at three dollars and three dollars and a quarter per acre no person can complain of their assessment. In this municipality there are some thousands of acres of land locked up in the hands of speculators, and no doubt held at a high price, which has a very detrimental effect on the settlement and welfare of this country, and something must be done to settle these lands….”

“PS: By the government Inspector valuing these swamp lands at three dollars per acre it lost us one actual settler last week.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1120 | Nov. 16, 1884 | Letter | Campbell, Archie | Poplar Point, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Car load of oats. Came down & saw Mr. N. |

“Dear Sir Your car load of oats will be shipped tomorrow [sic] Delivered in good order 250 sacks with 30465 lbs oats the freight of sacks to Poplar Point cost me 200 25ct [$2.25?] which you will be kind enough not to over look as a poor boy like me requires all the dimes I can make Yours truly Archie Campbell”

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| G 8705 | C - 1121 | [No Date] | Invitation | Miller, Mr. & Mrs. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Mr & Mrs | Re: Their niece's marriage on 25 September 1885 [or 1884?]. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1122 | July 16, 1885 | Postcard | Shorey, S.O. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of the Memorial Comm. |

Re canvass for subscriptions for the monument to be erected in the City Hall square – meeting of committee for ward 2, JN a committee member

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| G 8705 | C - 1127 | Feb. 9, 1885 | Receipt | Kenney Bros. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $9.00. Paid. |

Trousers – “The above escaped your attention when leaving the city. Kindly remit and oblige”

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| G 8705 | C - 1128 | Aug. 6, 1884 | Receipt | Orkney & Zetland Assoc. | Edinburgh, Scotland | Norquay, John | Receipt for 10 shillings |

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| G 8705 | C - 1129 | Sept. 4, 1885 | Receipt | Hope, J.tents | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $7.00. Paid. |

1 tent 7x7x8 (27 July 1885)

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| G 8705 | C - 1130 | Nov. 27, 1884 | Letter | McMeans, L., Barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Keewatin Stock. No action. |

Dear Sir Capt John Dealy holds vouchers for 2490 shares of Keewatin stock. His certificates for same should have issued while Capt Allen was secy for that reason Allen has signed as secy. The certificates to be of a date bringing them within his time of office.

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| G 8705 | C - 1131 | Aug. 27, 1885 | Letter | Checkley, E.J., Mgr Preston Banking Co. | Preston, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Value of shares S.C.M. & T. Co. See L.B. "F" p2. 1 September 1885. |

“Dear Sir I am at present interested in stock of the Saskatchewan Coal mining & Trans Co/y of which I see you are President. Will you kindly say in your opinion what these shares are worth? & have they any market value” Mr. Otto Klotz informed me they would bring 75c per $ could such a figure be obtained do you think?...”

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| G 8705 | C - 1133 | July 25, 1884 | Postcard | Pickle, S.J. | Darlingford, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Statute Labor. No action. |

“Sir, as I am pathman again this year I will have to inform you that your statute labor on the East half of 7NWest Quarter 7 in township 3 range 7 in my labour beat is 5 day which I would like to have as soon as possible as I want to get the work done the amount of $7.50, $1.50 per day Please remit at once and I will get the work done for you

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| G 8705 | C - 1134 | March 6, 1885 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $15.00. No action. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1135 | May 8 & 27, 1885 June 4 & 15, 1885 | Receipts | Wellband, William | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $16.00. Paid. |

Shoe repairs “worked slippers” “lace boots” “worked shoes” “lace boots” {8 times in 2 years}

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| G 8705 | C - 1136 | April 28, 1885 | Notice of Protest | Merchants' Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note of James J. Bedford $75.10. |

Cheque dated 17 April for $75 made by James Bedford payable to Provincial Treasurer or Bearer at the Merchants Bank and endorsed by J Norquay, Provl Treasurer, and Emerson branch of bank refused payment, and ask you for payment

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| G 8705 | C - 1137 | July 22, 1885 | Accounts | Sask. Coal Mining & T. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | ‘In a/c with W. Woodcock, in a/c with Prov. Gov't. | Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Photocopy: looks like 4 versions of the coal accounts, the fourth dating from 23 July 1885

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| G 8705 | C - 1138 | April 28, 1885 [or 1884?] | Letter | Inkster, Colin Sheriffs' Office, E.J.D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Henry et al vs Woodworth, yourself & others. No action. |

Please sent cheque for $216.09 to meet the execution in a suit…

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| G 8705 | C - 1139 | Feb. 23, 1885 | Letter | Sec., Rideau Club | Ottawa, Ont. | Bedson, Samuel L. | Re: Census Commission job for "Sec." Dealt with by Mr. N. |

To Bedson: “My dear Sam [re commissioners to carry out census of MB and NW this year] “… I cannot see why a native (myself for instance) should not get it, instead of the haughty foreigner from Ontario. Now will you see Norquay on my behalf and get him to write Pope….”

In haste, as ever, SEC [or Secretary of Rideau Club?]

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| G 8705 | C - 1140 | May 17, 1885 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Fort Victoria, [Edmonton?]N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Military matters. No action. |

Negative gossip: “…I am sorry to say things are not bright. General Strange who was always an eccentric man has gone completely off his base. He has split up the Regiment into small unprotected detachments without proper links of communication….”

“just as the movement [of troops] was passing the large boat with our men within an oars length he let down his breeches and sat over the stern of boat which they passed, seeing Mrs. Jones of course the men pretending not to know him began chaffing him, and as he does not appear to have taken [illegible …] the contortions of his countenances both in front and rear were the object of the utmost ridicule and the advice tendered him was not of a nature tending to heighten him in the men’s esteem….

He is a pigheaded fool and will certainly lead us into a useless massacre and perhaps get us disgraced….

“… I think Osborne Smith won’t stand much more of it, if he resigns Con, Tupper, myself and most of the officers including I think Tom would do the same, get canoes and go down to Carleton and cut our way through to join Middleton, so as to prevent a charge of cowardice….”

“…Tom well and growing fat, he is a first rate boy. Tupper, Con and I reside in a tent, we are great chums and have lots of fun….”

“…have you seen the wife…”

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| G 8705 | C - 1141 | July 25, 1883 | Receipt | Wilcox, Mrs. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Meals. To amount of a/c rendered $21.75. Paid. |

Mrs. Wilcox kept a weekly record of meals on printed mess tickets, with columns for breakfast, lunch, dinner for each day. Norquay signed off at the end of each week to verify the total.

In the week of 14th – 17th June he had 3 meals (1 of each perhaps) on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and 1 on Sunday, and 1 extra on Friday – 11 total.

Next week, 18-23 June , he had 4 on Friday and a total of 14 between Monday and Sunday.

25 June – 1 July, he had 1 on Monday, and 4 each day on Tuesday- Thursday, plus 5 on Friday and Saturday and 1 on Sunday – a total of 24.

2-7 July: brft, lunch and dinner on 3 days, plus an extra dinner on Wed, and extra brft on Friday – a total of 21 meals that week

10-14 July: 3 on 3 days, 2 on Friday, and 4 on Saturday – total 15

16-21 July: 4 on Mon, 8 on Tuesday, 5 on Wed, and 3 on Saturday – total 20

Total of 105 meals at 35 c per meal = $36.75. Cash $15.00, Balance $21.75

Paid 25 July.

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| G 8705 | C - 1142 | Feb. 4, 1885 | Telegram | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Guelph, Ont. | Norquay, John | Telegram “Returned here from Montreal. When should I come to Winnipeg” Answered by telegraph. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1143 | Sept. 19, 1883 | Letter | McTavish, J.H. C.P.R. Land Commissioner | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Station grounds at Parkdale. No action. |

‘Personal: Dear Norquay Glad you got back safe & hope you enjoyed yourself.

Mr. Egan & I took a run down to West Selkirk Sunday to look over the Line for Station Grounds and I think we will be able to give you a siding on Lots 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, the latter being yours I think, possibly 9 would also be required. The lay of the land north of the curve looks suitable and distances come about right. Can you secure us Rt. Of Way & Station Grounds?

We would like to pay you the compliment of naming the child ‘Norquay’ if you could unchristen the Southern Manitoba abortion. Where is it, anyway? I can’t find it on any map. Give me your views on above & believe me, Yours faithfully, J.H. McTavish”

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| G 8705 | C - 1144 | 20 Feb 1885 | Memos | Lewis, Major | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Hamilton's election. No action. |

“Memo W J OConnor is solid

Thos Seaborn – thanks to Hon Dr. Wilson – has now his coat offl

Chas Fiddler was made drunk last night by the Grits and encouraged to raise a row – He sobered up after a while – thanks, I think, to a few words from Jim – came into the committee room – and declared himself as most strongly in favour of your Govt….

This morning I was told by Mr Ferguson favouring you Windsor but that he could arrange for even bets –

Alexr – McIntyre and C.B. McIlroy are doing good work – quietly and rightly.

Mr Thibedeau feels fearfully angry with how financial matters are being handled

In several cases a most positive refusal has been given to pay legitimate expenses.

Every $ that can be used legally must be used.

To show you how men feel about this I may say that I myself asked Alex Logan to subscribe. His answer was not a damn cent. I asked why? He said if a man like Hamilton cannot fork over his own expenses, when he is being now supported by the whole party, and when he is being honoured so rapidly, let everything go to H—l.

There is Frank Clarke on duty all the time. You know how popular he is. His friends come to see him – and he according to the decisions of your courts, can entertain ‘his friends’ because he has always done so.

Can he afford to spend his money and go in debt to elect Mr Hamilton?

Memo From Luxton Committee From Frank Clarke

Ward 1 – doubtful

Ward 2 – a majority for Luxton

In Ward Three eight men have been added to the Committee whose business it is to act as spies and attend Hamilton’s committee meetings.

Ward 4 – Solid for Luxton

A 4th page puts these down numbers of each of the wards – over 800 votes in total for Hamilton, 250 for Luxton, 150 doubtful, and 850 “Away” – a margin of over 400 for Hamilton.

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| G 8705 | C - 1145 | April 23, 1885 | Letter | Girdlestone, G.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Position of immigrant agent for J.B. Sheppard. Replied April 24, 1885. |

Letter supporting Sheppard’s apptmt, formerly of HB Land Office

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| G 8705 | C - 1146 | Jan. 15, 1885 | Letter | Howell, H.M. Barrister, etc. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing a letter from Lewis & Kirby re: mortgage to B.C.L. & I. Co. See L.B. "C" p191 16 January 1885. |

Lewis & Kirby of North British & Mercantile Ins. Co write to Howell on 9 Jan 1884:

As you requested, we wrote mortgage co in Toronto. They say: “Mr Norquay’s mortgage matured 1st December 1883 & since then has stood as an overdue mortgage. He has spoken of paying something on a/c. We are not pressing him for the principal but would like to get the overdue interest $125 [?] due 1st Dec. If he wants to pay mortgage off I suppose he can do so upon usual terms of overdue mortgages viz: - six months int. in advance.”

Howell writes to Pritchard, as JN secretary, on 15 Jan 1884: “Re Credit Foncier loan: I have not heard from you lately …. The loan company …say they require payment of 6 months interest in advance. I do not think Mr. Norquay would approve of this & he gave me no instructions to pay it nor did he expect there would be such a demand. I think you had better write Mr. Norquay to see the Company. They have no local agent here, their headquarters apparently are in Toronto.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1147 | July 24, 1885 | Letter | Setter, Colin C. | High Bluff | Rennie, Mr. | See Mr. N. & get him a place on Committee. No action. |

“Mr Rennie Old friend Just a few lines asking you to do me a little obligement.” I could assess NW Rebellion losses. I’ve asked JN but he might forget. I know all the parties, and all the country, and “how to drive through it & as I have lost all I had up there & not able to strand expenses to go out there for the purpose of getting my claim good it would be a good chance for me however try your best for a good old friend that run so many damn risks out there this spring….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1148 | May 27, 1885 | Letter | Allan, Capt. John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to get him a permanent position on theforce of Mounted Police. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Please write Caron and Sir John

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| G 8705 | C - 1149 | Sept. 22, 1885 | Letter | Tomlinson, R.H. Mgr British Cdn Loan/ Invst Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking to have a clear certificate forwarded for taxes on different lots. |

EJD report on taxes due on lands in which our Co have an interest, including “those mortgaged by you as follows: Lot 8, and S ½ 228, and N ½ 229 St Andrews” – the first for ’80, ’82, ’83. Please pay these amounts at once – total of $89.00 roughly

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| G 8705 | C - 1150(a) | Sept. 29, 1885 | Invitation | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to dinner on above date. |
| G 8705 | C - 1150(b) | Sept. 28, 1885 | Letter | Kirby, Walter S. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner has been postponed. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1151 | Sept. 22, 1885 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon, Man. | Norquay, John | Williams getting up a Petition to gov't. re: investigation into Court House & Gaol construction. |

Joseph Williams has 300 names on petition re court house – seeks impartial arbitration

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| G 8705 | C - 1152 | Sept. 26, 1885 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Education report: progress Estimate. |

Printing costs – confidential – please use this estimate to put through a payment for The Manitoban – the Provl Exhibition prevents me from completing a review of their other bills.

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| G 8705 | C - 1153 | Sept. 26, 1885 | Telegram | McKenzie, A.G. | EastSelkirk, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Renting of house. |

“you can have house for twenty five dollars per month”

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| G 8705 | C - 1154 | Aug. 10, 1885 | Letter | MacLeod, William | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Re: Half Breed Scrip for wife. |

My wife is entitled to it – rough spelling, writing, prose. “My Dear John” please tell the commissioners “that you know her well and that she never got her half breed scrip yet”

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| G 8705 | C - 1155 | Sept. 18, 1885 | Letter | White, Fred, N.W.M.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Police wanted at Manitou. |

White is Comptroller of NWMP – marked ‘Private’ -- a report from detachment in Southern Manitoba says many railroad men and navvies around Manitou – windows broken – people want police. White says: “If you want the Police to preserve order on the line of construction of the Manitoba South Western Railway you should telegraph at once a request to that effect and I will get the necessary authority from Sir John.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1156 | Sept. 7, 1885 | Letter | Monkman, A. Barrister, etc. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Payment of his mortgage. |

Local lawyer – broke— “The only way I can see at present see [sic] of paying my mortgage which has been assigned to you in your official capacity is by doing any attorney or solicitor work which you may favor me with….If not I am afraid I must lose the property. Please advise.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1157 | Sept. 10, 1885 | Letter | Miller, James A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Deduction from salary on a/c of superannuation. |

Re Civil Service Act and deductions – salary is the lowest paid under the system to any Head…” -- $2880 after waiving the deduction

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| G 8705 | C - 1158 | Sept. 4, 1885 | Letter | McDonald, Robt. | Viola Dale, Man. | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of Mr. N.'s letter offering to recommend sale of his place. |

“Hon sir: I am in receipt of your kindley [sic] offering to recommend the sale of my place the reason that I am so anxious to sell I have no team I bought a team…. [it was foreclosed on] … the reason he took them are that I put a piece in the Times against the farmers union ….

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| G 8705 | C - 1159 | Sept. 21, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Wanting Mrs. N. to accompany Mrs. B. to Portage la Prairie on Friday next. |

“My dear John I will have to go up to Brandon again on Friday. I could not get through with the new gaol difficulty on my last trip, can you let Mrs. Norquay come up Mrs Bedson will be with me and a change will do her good. Mrs. Walker was asking about Mrs. Norquay & I said I wd try and arrange this trip. I will see you before then. Meanwhile let Mrs. N. know. Sincerely yrs. SL Bedson

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| G 8705 | C - 1160 | Sept. 16, 1885 | Letter | Bishop of Ruperts Land | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Mr. May and the incumbency of Stonewall. |

“I regret to say that I cannot give my support to the appointment of Mr. May and should regret his appointment. I do not think that we could appoint him to Stonewall.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1161 | Sept. 21, 1885 | Letter | Balfour, G.H. Mgr, Union Bank of Lower Cda | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sask. Coal Co. |

“Dear Sir Under the assignment from the Saskatchewan Coal Coy to the Union Bank of LC dated April 1st 1885 signed by you as President & J H Ashdown Acting Secty under the Coy’s seal, of all accounts due to the Coy to the Union Bank of LC this will authorize you to pay to Mr Ashdown all or any money received from the Manitoba Penitentiary on a/c of said Coy.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1164(a) | Sept. 5, 1885 | Letter | Mulholland, Jas. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Disbrowe. |
| G 8705 | C - 1164(b) | Sept. 5, 1885 | Telegram | Disbrowe, W.H. | Montreal | Mulholland, Jas. | Re: Police appointment; asks for recommendation from Norquay and others. |

Mulholland (hardware store) says Disbrowe is a supporter of JN, and is “dead broke without a dollar in his pocket…” needs apptmt.

Telegram from Disbrowe to Mulholland says police aptmt wld be helped by wires from JN etc.

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| G 8705 | C - 1165 | Aug. 31, 1885 | Letter | Pennefather, John P., M.D. | Manitou, Man. | Norquay, John | Notifying Mr. N. of a proposed Cons. Meeting at Manitou on 23rd September. Written to. |

“…It is very necessary that you should refute viva voce the charges made against the Government by word of mouth in this district half an hours talk is worth more than a months issue of the Manitoban and Conservative feeling requires stimulation. If you can combine business with pleasure birds are very plentiful at Swan Lake and Norquay….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1166 | Sept. 4, 1885 | Letter | MacLeod, William | High Bluff | Norquay, John | His wife is going to Winnipeg to draw scrip. |

“My dear friend I have to in form you that my wife is to go to Winnipeg on Mondays train If you could possable meat hir at the staison as she has no frinds at Winnipeg and never was there before my friend I can ashure that it is a great trouble to both of us just now in the mittle of harvest I hope that she will get the money in state of the land

I remain yours truly Wm MacLeod [bungee]

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| G 8705 | C - 1167 | Sept. 2, 1885 | Letter | White, Thos. Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Issuing the [Rebellion Loss] Commissioner & re: visiting Manitoba. |

Will draw your recommendation of John McBeth for the Commission to Sir John’s attention. Will leave here “for the Northwest… on Friday week or the week after and will talk over this and other matters with you

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| G 8705 | C - 1168 | Sept. 15, 1885 | Letter | White, Thos. Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Claim of Ann Sarah Paul. |

Re yours of 9th re claim of ASP “under the Manitoba Act … the original allotment was cancelled by Order in Council of the 19th of November 1881, and the lot, as stated by you sub-divided into wood lots; that in lieu of the cancelled allotment, other land was set apart for her in St. Norbert, to the same extent of 240 acres, the patents for which were sent to the Agent of Dominion Lands at Winnipeg on the 11th of May, 1882, where I presume they now are, and can be obtained upon her applying to the Agent.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1169 | Sept. 1, 1885 | Letter | Forget, A.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Claim of Mrs. McLeod for scrip. |

“…if she is entitled to the Halfbreed Grant as a resident within the Province of Manitoba on 15th July 1870, she may at any time between now and 1st May 1886 put in her claim before the Land Commissioner here…” If NWT, no arrangement yet established.

“Mr Goulet will continue to receive claims here until the 9th inst. If it was possible for Mrs. Macleod to come now, it would of course be much safer. This suggestion I make, assuming that she is a North-West claimant.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1170 | Oct. 20, 1885 | Letter | Setter, Jessie C. | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Wishing to know names of the adjudicators of  rebellion claims. See L.B. "F" p20. November 6, 1885. |

Dear Sir: Wishes names and addresses of the Commissioners “in regard to the settling of the losses of the late rebellion…. I remain your old Friend, Jessie C. Setter”

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| G 8705 | C - 1171 | July 24, 1885 | Bill | Orkney & Zetland Assoc. | Edinburgh, Scotland | Norquay, John | Asking for subscription of 10 shillings. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1172 | Oct. 20, 1885 | Letter | Sanderson, James T. | Medicine Hat, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Half Breed Scrip. |

“Med Hat October 20 1885 Hon. John Norquay Sir I ought to of ancerd your cind leter to me about my pattend [?] came But before I got your leter i got one from the land ofice wanting me to Sand them my adres and that they would sand it to me I sant it to them and never hard from them Since But i wis [wish] to go and see my mather this fall and i will go and get it then and will Be very glad to git your advice or help to get thim i must say that i was very much oblige to you for your ofer and if they don’t sand them to me or if any thing suld happen that I canot go down I shall have To get you to get them for me and in the mane time if you see any thing that you think i am fit to do out hiair i wis you would Post me or Put it in my way

And now i must close with My Best Wises to you and family, your Truly

James F. Sanderson” [bungee]

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| G 8705 | C - 1173 | Aug. 18, 1885 | Bonus Certificate | Canada Life Assurance Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Policy 24668 on life of Hon. Mr. Norquay. See L.B. "F" p19. November 5, 1885. |

“Sum assured: $1000 on the life Hon. Jno. Norquay.” Bonus additions declared 1880 $25; bonus addition declared before Aug 1885 $131.25;

Sum, with additions, as at 18 August 1885: $1156.25

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| G 8705 | C - 1174 | Oct. 22, 1885 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Re: Portrait money. |

Nursey doesn’t pay as promised. “Now My Dear Mr Norquay I think it time for you to take a hand in this affair and wipe out this blot on the escutcheon of your surroundings.” I need the money.

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| G 8705 | C - 1175 | May 14, 1885 | Letter | Bank of Montreal | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Balance of Trust a/c $28.80. |

Credit in your trust account -- $28.80

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| G 8705 | C - 1176 | Oct. 23, 1885 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.C. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Visit to Winnipeg delayed. |

“Owing to land slide Lake Superior section cannot reach Winnipeg until Friday evening”

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| G 8705 | C - 1177 | Sept. 27, 1885 | Letter | Adams, J.H. | Prince Albert, Red Deer Hill | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Private family matters. |

“My Dear Uncle, I am sure you thought that I had forgotten you It is quite a while I wrote to you last. We had a fine time here on the 17 of Aug we kept up mammas and Papa china wedding 20 years married the men and women started to Dance in the evening and they danced until morning there were over a 100 men and women a children Mr. Pritchard was here too and Mr. and Mrs. Oram and Willie Bear oh, I could not count them all. My colt got I suppose It ws a month ago it is all right now. One of the ones got cut off with the mover Horace is working down a Mr. Stewart he gets $25.00 a month

I gues It is time to quit. I remain your loving nephew J.H. Adams

P.S. tell Auntie I cannot write to her yet until I get some note paper. I hope you will excuse me. I had no other paper. J.H.A.

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| G 8705 | C - 1178 | Oct. 31, 1885 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Printing of public accounts to June 30, 1885. Mr. N.spoke to Ptolemy. |

Confidential – we aren’t busy in Manitoban office – if accounts to 30 June are ready for printing, let us have them.

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| G 8705 | C - 1179 | Nov. 1885 | Note due Notice | Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note falling due on 4th November. |

Your note for $150 due on 4 Nov.

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| G 8705 | C - 1180 | Oct. 27, 1885 | 2Letters | B. & M. Saunders | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Notice of having expressed suit of clothes. |

1st letter: Have sent suit and a pair of trousers

Additional letter: “Dear Norquay From the enclosed you will see we have sent your last order – what has come of you are you investing your finances in the Rapid City & Souris RRd – do try and spare us some & if you can send us a cheque per return mail this will strike you at the end of the month and just the time to look at your band a/c I hope Mrs. Norquay & family are well all well this end with their kind regards, Yours truly

Bernard Saunders”

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| G 8705 | C - 1181 | Nov. 7, 1885 | Letter | White, Thos. Minister of Interior | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking a conference re lands. |

“I am very anxious to have a conference with yourself and colleagues before I leave for Ottawa, with a view to settling certain questions concerning School lands, swamp lands, the University land grant, &c.” What time can it be held—before next Friday

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| G 8705 | C - 1182 | Oct. 21, 1885 | Subscription Letter | Gautier, F.E. Hist. & Sc. Soc. of Man. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking subscription for said society. |

HSSM has moved into rooms in Stobart Block – needs donations for furnishings

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| G 8705 | C - 1183 | Nov. 9, 1885 | Letter | Disbrowe, W.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support his application for a position on the Colonial Exhibit staff. |

Thanks for letters re my apptmt to NWMP – “that now is a thing of the past” – Col Exhibit staff position – please write for me

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| G 8705 | C - 1184 | Nov. 5, 1885 | Letter | Saunders, B. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Letter from Fred Mackenzie and re a/c. |

“Its quite refreshing to get your letter on Monday. I got the most insulting letter from that Damnd 2C Fred McKenzie because he didn’t & hasn’t paid for his 2C Robes (sold for cash). I asked him to return them as they were as good as [illegible] …and we could sell them at once – ‘he wouldn’t have a Tailor talk to him that way and no respectable Tailor would – he would pay when he could… now Norquay that’s thro that Damd Dead Beat Law you passed & I told him so …. I will stand all the old Rye you want when you are here -- Come along – all well & lots of Beef. Yours truly….”

[PS] Come on & take Tom White’s place he is to be Minister of Finance [?] vaccinated”

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| G 8705 | C - 1186 | Oct. 19, 1885 | Receipts | Robinson, Jerry | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $5.50. |

26 July – 2 flannel shirts 1 Sept’84 (Next bill -3 Feb ’85) – paid 19 October 1885

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| G 8705 | C - 1187 | June 29, 1885 | Receipt | Winram, R.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $8.00. Paid July 8th, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1188 | May 30, 1885 | Receipt | Robinson, Jerry | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $1.35. Paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1189 | 1885 | Letter | Bell, W.P. Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Shooting excursion to Rush Lake. See L.B. "F" p18 October 16, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1190(a) | Oct. 29, 1885 | Receipt | Leacroix, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $17.50. |
| G 8705 | C - 1190(b) | Jan. 5, 1885 | Receipt | Brown & Strutt | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $3.50. Paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1191 | Oct. 1885 | Receipt | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Complimentary dinner to His Excellency $10.00.  No action. |
| G 8705 | C - 1192 | July 27, 1885 | Receipt | Hope, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $7.00. Paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1193 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Receipt | Wellband, William | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Alex | To amount of a/c rendered $8.00. Paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1194 | Nov. 16, 1885 | Receipt | Setter, Wm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $50.00 on a/c of steer. |
| G 8705 | C - 1195 | Oct. 17, 1885 | Receipt | Thompson, J. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $140.46. By cash $50.00. |
| G 8705 | C - 1196 | Oct. 17, 1885 | Receipt | Park, Wm. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c $65.50. By money $65.50. |
| G 8705 | C - 1197 | Sept. 16, 1885 | Receipt | Winnipeg General Hospital | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: David Spence. To Private Ward for 6 days $15.00. No action. |
| G 8705 | C - 1198 | June 1, 1885 | Receipt | White, Manahan & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.75. Paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1199 | Nov. 11, 1885 | Receipt | Scott, Thomas | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $24.60. Paid $23.00. |
| G 8705 | C - 1200 | Oct. 7, 1885 | Receipt | Hunter, R.J. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $44.00. No action. |
| G 8705 | C - 1201 | Oct. 29, 1885 | Receipt | Johnston, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $2.50. Paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1202 | Nov. 1885 | Receipt | Maycook, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Miss | To amount of a/c rendered $1.90. Paid November 12, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1203 | July, Aug., Oct. 1885 | Receipt | Hudson Bay Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/cs rendered $1.25, $35.75 & $26.00. Paid $8.00 on November 13th being full amount of Mr. N.'s a/c. Rest is owed by his sons. |
| G 8705 | C - 1204 | 1884-85 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $42.25. Paid on different dates $35.00. |
| G 8705 | C - 1205 | Nov. 1, 1885 | Receipt | Miller Morse & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $26.81. Paid $10.00 on a/c November 13th, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1206 | Aug. 1885 | Receipt | Strong & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $25.40 13th November.  Paid on a/c $10.00. |
| G 8705 | C - 1207 | Oct. 28, 1885 | Receipt | Furner, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $19.00. $10.00 paid on a/c 13th November 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1208 | Sept. 28, 1885 | Receipt | Ogilvie Milling Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $12.00. Paid $10.00 on a/c November 13th, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1209 | Nov. 2, 1885 | Receipt | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.35. Paid $10.00 on a/c November 13th 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1210 | Dec. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Jackes, F.R. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $87.35. Paid $20.00 on a/c December 10, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1211 | Dec. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Kenneth Murchison & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $5.70. Paid December 10th 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1212 | Dec. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Miller Morse & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.96. Paid December 10th, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1213 | Nov. 2, 1885 | Letter | Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Olaf Christianson's lot in Parish of St. Peters.  No action. |
| G 8705 | C - 1214 | Oct. 8, 1885 | Receipts | Larcroix, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Gov't. of Manitoba | To amount of a/c rendered $17.50. Mr. N. says this is paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1215 | Nov. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Scott, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $25.50. Mr. N. says this is paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1216 | Nov. 7, 1884 | Receipts | Scott, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $13.00. Mr. N. says this is paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1217 | Oct. 31, 1884 | Receipts | Mulholland Bros. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $47.86. Mr. N. says this is paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1218 | Oct. 28, 1884 | Receipts | Clements, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c $20.00. Mr. N. says this is paid. |
| G 8705 | C - 1219 | Nov. 6, 1885 | Notice of Interest Payment | British Canadian Loan & Investment Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Interest on mortgage falling due December 1st $125.00. Sent draft for $125.00 December 10,  1885. See L.B. "F" p22. |
| G 8705 | C - 1220 | Nov. 2, 1885 | Receipts | Richardson, W.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $38.85. Paid $15.00 on a/c December 10, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1221 | Nov. 22, 1885 | Receipts | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $16.05. Paid $10.00 on a/c December 10, 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1222 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipts | Strang & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $10.00 on a/c. |
| G 8705 | C - 1223 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipts | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c $7.25. Paid 10th December 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1224 | Nov. 30, 1885 | Receipts | Ogilvie Milling Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $4.40. Paid $4.00 December 10. Receipt herewith. |
| G 8705 | C - 1225 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipt | Furner, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $9.00 balance of a/c. |
| G 8705 | C - 1226 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipts | Stovel, Joseph | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $10.00 on a/c. |
| G 8705 | C - 1227 | Nov. 21, 1885 | Promissory Note Due  Notice | Aikins, J.A.M., Barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note for $520.00 made by S.W. Farrell going to protest. No action. |
| G 8705 | C - 1228 | [No Date] | Invitation | Knights of Pythias | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to a social Assembly. No action. |
| G 8705 | C - 1229[a] | Dec, 8, 1885 | Meeting Notice | Prince Ruperts Lodge | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting on 15th and dues of $2.00. Noaction. |
| G 8705 | C - 1187 | June 29, 1885 | Receipt | Winram, R.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $8.00. Paid July 8th, 1885. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1188 | May 30, 1885 | Receipt | Robinson, Jerry | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $1.35. Paid. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1190(a) | Oct. 29, 1885 | Receipt | Leacroix, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $17.50. |

Painting Concord wagon $15.00, fixing trimming

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| G 8705 | C - 1190(b) | Jan. 5, 1885 | Receipt | Brown & Strutt | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $3.50. Paid. |

20 Aug 1883 – 1 rubber rug – pd by JN in store

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| G 8705 | C - 1192 | July 27, 1885 | Receipt | Hope, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $7.00. Paid. |

1 tent 7 x 7 (8 oz)

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| G 8705 | C - 1193 | Dec. 17, 1884 | Receipt | Wellband, William | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Alex | To amount of a/c rendered $8.00. Paid. |

2 pr lace boots

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| G 8705 | C - 1194 | Nov. 16, 1885 | Receipt | Setter, Wm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $50.00 on a/c of steer. |

JN pd $50.00 for “white & red steer” – [farm]

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| G 8705 | C - 1195 | Oct. 17, 1885 | Receipt & bill | Thompson, J. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $140.46. By cash $50.00 pd off on 17 Oct. |

Groceries, nails, jars, baking powder, rice and to “William Park”

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| G 8705 | C - 1196 | Oct. 17, 1885 | Receipt | Park, Wm. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c $65.50. By money $65.50. |

A laborer: cutting 20 cords wood $12.00; 40 ½ days work $40.00; 13 days work $13.00

= $65.50 Paid, including installments from “Hon John, Alex, John James, and goods at J. Thompson’s store.

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| G 8705 | C - 1197 | Sept. 16, 1885 | Receipt | Winnipeg General Hospital | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: David Spence. To Private Ward for 6 days $15.00. No action. |

For David Spence (deceased) Please remit to Clerk of the Directors

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| G 8705 | C - 1198 | June 1, 1885 | Receipt | White, Manahan & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.75. Paid. |

Overalls $1; jumper $1.25

Delivered to son: 1 suit $13; 1 rubber coat $4; other $1.50

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| G 8705 | C - 1199 | Nov. 11, 1885 | Receipt | Scott, William | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $24.60. Paid $23.00. |

Scott threshed 615 bus @4 c/bus = $24.60. JN paid $23 on account. [farm]

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| G 8705 | C - 1200 | Oct. 7, 1885 | Receipt | Hunter, R.J. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $44.00. No action. |

Overcoat $38; Dressing 3 skins and cutting up & putting on two - $6 = $44

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| G 8705 | C - 1201 | Oct. 29, 1885 | Receipt | Johnston, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $2.50. Paid. |

Repairs to Concord buggy

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| G 8705 | C - 1202 | Nov. 1885 | Receipt | Maycook, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Miss | To amount of a/c rendered $1.90. Paid November 12, 1885. |

Canvas, pattern, wool and needles for Miss Norquay March 1885

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| G 8705 | C - 1203 | July, Aug., Oct. 1885 | Receipt | Hudson Bay Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/cs rendered $1.25, $35.75 & $26.00. Paid $8.00 on November 13th being full amount of Mr. N.'s a/c. Rest is owed by his sons. |

Gloves for Miss Norquay $1.75, shoes $10.00

Suit and pair of pants for $34.00 are owed by his sons.

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| G 8705 | C - 1204 | 1884-85 | Receipt | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $42.25. Paid on different dates $35.00. |

Ties, sox, gloves, hkchfs, Persian lamb cap - $15.25; overcoat $17 (October)

1 pr pants November -- $10 = $42.25

Plus:

24 July 1885: suit – son $35, gloves $1, Altering Buff[alo] coat $5 = $58.25

Pd $15 on 7 March, and $10 on Apl 21 –

And owes $33.25

12 Nov – pd. $10.—

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| G 8705 | C - 1205 | Nov. 1, 1885 | Receipt | Miller Morse & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $26.81. Paid $10.00 on a/c November 13th, 1885. |

Nails, paint & 2 padlocks plus account of 25.61 = $26.81 in July and Sept/Oct

Pd cash 13 Nov -- $10.00

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| G 8705 | C - 1206 | Aug. 1885 | Receipt | Strang & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $25.40 13th November.  Paid on a/c $10.00. |

JN address is Parkdale: tea for 22.40 and soap for 3 = $25.40 in August

Pd $10.00 in November

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| G 8705 | C - 1207 | Oct. 28, 1885 | Bill | Furner, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $19.00. $10.00 paid on a/c 13th November 1885. |

Hats, etc ? 15 Oct/85 “Sir Your cheque would be handy.” [dated 28 Oct.]

Pd $10 on 13 Nov.-4-13

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| G 8705 | C - 1208 | Sept. 28, 1885 | Receipt | Ogilvie Milling Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $12.00. Paid $10.00 on a/c November 13th, 1885. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1209 | Nov. 2, 1885 | Receipt | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.35. Paid $10.00 on a/c November 13th 1885. |

2 pr ladies boots 10.00 ; 1 pr gents boots $6; 1 pr felt slippers $1.35; (Sept);

I pr slippers October $3; = $20.35

And note the pattern above – pd $10.00 on account 13 Nov – sounds like Pritchard had his way.???

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| G 8705 | C - 1210 | Dec. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Jackes, F.R. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $87.35. Paid $20.00 on a/c December 10, 1885. |

1 Jewel Oak Heating stove $21.00 and 1 Black Diamond Cook Stove $39.00

Plus pipes, elbows, collars, zinc sheet, floor platform, damper, screws and labour cost of $3.75 – total $83.70 on 5 October – pd $20.00 on 10 Dec. [new Hallet St. house?]

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| G 8705 | C - 1211 | Dec. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Kenneth Murchison & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $5.70. Paid December 10th 1885. |

Wool rug $5. In Sept. Pd. Total of $5.70 on 10 Dec.

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| G 8705 | C - 1212 | Dec. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Miller Morse & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.96. Paid December 10th, 1885. |

Barn door roller, flour sieve, milk strainer, hardware -- $30.96

Pd. $10 on 13 Nov, and $20.96 on 10 Dec.

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| G 8705 | C - 1213 | Nov. 2, 1883 | Letter | Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Olaf Christianson's lot in Parish of St. Peters.  No action. |

Your inquiry on behalf of O Christianson’s lot -- #5 in St Peters’

The adjoining lot, #4, is the one claimed by Christianson, and we assume you have mistaken the lot. In the file, Albert Peterson was in occupation on #4 on 15 July 1870. There is no conveyance from Peterson to Christianson – he was asked for it on 13 Dec. 1882.

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| G 8705 | C - 1214 | Oct. 8, 1885 | Receipts | Leacroix, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Gov't. of Manitoba | To amount of a/c rendered $17.50. Mr. N. says this is paid. |

For painting Concord wagon

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| G 8705 | C - 1215 | Nov. 1, 1885 | Receipts | Scott, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $25.50. Mr. N. says this is paid. |

1 cabinet - $8; 1 -- ¾ bed - $5.50; 2 Com bed $7.50; 3 curtain poles $4.50 –

Total $25.00 Pd. By cheque 2 Nov. $10.00

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| G 8705 | C - 1216 | Nov. 7, 1884 | Receipts | Scott, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $13.00. Mr. N. says this is paid. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1217 | Oct. 31, 1884 | Receipts | Mulholland Bros. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $47.86. Mr. N. says this is paid. |

Nails and tarpaper, plus earlier bills

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| G 8705 | C - 1218 | Oct. 28, 1884 | Receipts | Clements, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c $20.00. Mr. N. says this is paid. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1219 | Nov. 6, 1885 | Notice of Interest Payment | British Canadian Loan & Investment Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Interest on mortgage falling due December 1st $125.00. Sent draft for $125.00 December 10,  1885. See L.B. "F" p22. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1220 | Nov. 2, 1885 | Receipts | Richardson, W.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $38.85. Paid $15.00 on a/c December 10, 1885. |

Practical upholsterer and carpet sewing, laying:

Fitting and re-laying dining room, new carpets, altering and laying old carpets, repairing cane chair, restuffing and covering 1 lounge chair, 1 easy chair, 1 rocking chair:

$40.10 –

**Note:** on the back of this bill, Pritchard has laid out a plan for December: Richardson 15; Stovel 10; Murchison 5.70; Jacques 20; Draft 125; Ryan 10; Ogilvie 4; Strang 10; Furner 9; Brown 7.25; MM & Co 20.96 = 256.96 **taken from** $333 – leaves 78 – 11 = $67

[*I wonder how JN liked being managed so strictly?]*

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| G 8705 | C - 1221 | Nov. 22, 1885 | Receipts | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $16.05. Paid $10.00 on a/c 8 Nov & $10 on December 10, 1885. |

Sept -- 2 pr ladies boots $10; 1 pr gents $6; Oct/Nov - slippers , overshoes – total $20.05

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| G 8705 | C - 1222 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipts | Strang & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $10.00 on a/c. |
| G 8705 | C - 1223 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipts | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c $7.25. Paid 10th December 1885. |
| G 8705 | C - 1224 | Nov. 30, 1885 | Receipts | Ogilvie Milling Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $4.40. Paid $4.00 December 10. Receipt herewith. |
| G 8705 | C - 1225 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipt | Furner, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $9.00 balance of a/c. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1226 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Receipts | Stovel, Joseph | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $10.00 on a/c. |

Purchased coat & vest $35 on 24 July, pd. $20 on it 3 Aug, and $10 on 10 Dec.

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| G 8705 | C - 1227 | Nov. 21, 1885 | Promissory Note Due  Notice | Aikins, J.A.M., Barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note for $520.00 made by S.W. Farrell going to protest. No action. |

Note made 18 August 1885, by Farrell, $520.00, in favour of you, payable in 3 months, and endorsed by you was presented to Bank by me, and payment refused. Imperial Bank looks to you to pay same.

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| G 8705 | C - 1229[b] | Nov. 24, 1885 | Letter | Spence, Andrew | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Difference between him and Mr. N. See L.B. "F" p25. December 12, 1885. |

Rec’d your letter of 27 March. Didn’t reply. “You give me a sort of a queer hint about my feeling towards you when leaving which was communicated to you. Therefore the friendship which was a matter of mutual gratification to us had come to an end. Your conclusion was too hasty. You should consider you do me an injustice as a friend & a true friend as you well know haven’t I stuck to you through good report and evil report haven’t I believed in you when no one else did. But circumstances makes the case different Your position brings to you many friends therefore you can well dispense of poor Andrew Spence yes go on treat me like a foe with silent contempt, &c. But for all this you will allways [sic] command a warm spot in my heart. And now to our local matters out here.”

Things are quiet – rebellion – no crops, “and a good deal of discontent will prevail during the winter…”

Dewdney lacks tact. If he leaves, “cannot you secure the appointment a little of your natural shrewdness would go a long way to help the settlers and at the same time make your work pleasant and I’m sure would be hailed with joy by your poor unfortunate countrymen and other classes generally….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1230 | Nov. 25 & 26, 1885 | Receipt & Meeting Notice | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.00 and $22.00. Also notice of annual meeting on 19th inst. See L.B. "E" p778. December 12, 1885. |

Arrears on 26 Nov 1885 of $22.00 due to dinners for Bedson ($12) and Gov Gen ($10)

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| G 8705 | C - 1232 | Dec. 7, 1885 | Letter | Saunders, Bernard | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing a/c from Hunter. See L.B."F" p23 December 12, 1885. |

“My dear Norquay Enclosed find receipted a/c from Hunters for your sons a/c. …

I hope you enjoyed your trip to New York. We sent your parcel per Express & hope you got it in good order. Nothing new here except the weather…

Bedson and Secretan are here the latter to go back to Ottawa tomorrow Bedson to Chicago to meet his wife ….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1233 | Nov. 23, 1885 | Telegram | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Stating he will take legal means unless  paid for portrait. |
| G 8705 | C - 1234 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Memo | Nursey, W.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Money paid Phillips on portrait. |

Phillips’ telegram says “further silence will cancel respect legal means yet left answer”

Nursey is Provl Auditor: “Dear Mr. Norquay I heard from Mr. Phillips this morning. He tells me he saw you in Chicago & you paid him twenty dollars – during your absence I sent him a draft for the balance (since collected by me –

He has now received from me $190.00 in cash and I have paid besides $12.00 leaving the fund indebted to me $2.00. In his letter he entirely ignores the sum of fifty dollars (being second payment of that amount). Nor does he acknowledge the $30.00 and $20.00 sent him by draft on subsequent occasions. I have proof of these remittances.

There is yet to collect of promised subscription $37.00. I will make an effort to get these in – recoup you your twenty and try & close the matter up. I am afraid he has not stated to you the full facts. The amounts remitted by me from time to time are as follows -- $50.00, 50 – 40 – 30 -- & 20. Yours truly Nursey” [ = $190.00]

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| G 8705 | C - 1235 | Nov. 20, 1885 | Letter | Chapleau, J.A. Secretary of State | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Confederation Medal. See L.B. "F" p28 December 14, 1885. |

GG in Council award you medal struck some years ago, “in commemoration of the Confederation of the British North American Provinces… conveying to you this token of His Excellency’s evident appreciation of your public services.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1236 | Dec. 14, 1885 | Receipt | Brown, Phillip | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $1.60. |

JN paid $1.60 for threshing done by William Scott [farm] [This is the second or third such receipt for Scott, each written in ink and signed by Philip Brown – is Scott illiterate?

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| G 8705 | C - 1237 | Dec. 14, 1885 | Letter | Farrell, S.W., Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: debt to Manitoba Club. |

Re your letter: “…it would be better to pay the $20 due on subscription a/c and resign – at any future time, you could then come back, say within 2 years.

“No doubt the Bedson dinner was expensive, but such breakages & drinking cost money – with regard to the Gov Genls dinner, your name was put down by Thos Howard. Others have paid who were not present. Very faithfully yours….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1238 | July 14, 1885 | Letter | Carruthers, G.F. Acting Mayor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Oversight in not mentioning carriage would be placed at disposal of Gov't. in Torchlight procession upon for return of Volunteers. |

Reception Committee will supply carriage for JN and cabinet, to follow the Lt Gov in the “Torchlight procession” that is intended “to do honor to the returning Troops.” The carriage will pick you up at Parl Bldg at 8:30.

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| G 8705 | C - 1239 | Oct. 5, 1885 | Letter | Bourdeau, G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for pass to Oak Lake & inviting Mr. N. to go for a shoot. |

Dr. Wilson and you could shoot at Oak Lake – please get me a railway pass [letterhead of Dept of Provl Secretary!]

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| G 8705 | C - 1241(a) | Oct. 27, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Charles | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Neestaw | Re: Family matters. |

“Red Deer Hill Prince Albert Dear Neestaw

I recd your welcome letter the other day & I need not say how glad to hear of you all when you wrote – you must have had a very anxious time with poor sister of course we were in perfect ignorance of her illness & knew nothing until you & Bella wrote. We really sympathise with you in the unfortunate result. [Betsy]

We too are far from being anxious our case is poor Horace who has been very poorly all fall … I fear his lungs are pretty badly affected…

Tom has lately retd from Troy where he went for “come for food for our household” [?sic] he is well & so are all the rest of us – our baby is over his 2 yrs & is a very big boy & as things look he has a chance of being still bigger before he gets his nose broken.

“We had as you know a visit from the ‘Spoon feeder’ – he made himself very gracious – should he accomplish one quarter of what was asked of him (which by the way is nothing less than the rebel wants) he will be thanked, but should he evade what he apparently approved of he had better not pass into P.A. next year as he thinks he may do. Hoping you are all well & with our united best wishes & love I remain, Affectionately Keestaw Chas Adams

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| G 8705 | C - 1241(b) | Nov. 17, 1885 | Letter | Adams, Jos. H. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Re: Family matters. |

My Dear Uncle I am sure you thought that I was going to forget you We are having very bad weather just now. It is bad for buggeys and bad for cutters. There is good skating now the ice is 3 inces [sic] thick papa just got through making two tables one for us and one for Charles Bird, and I think that he has to make another one for Alex McKays. He is going to make 5 cutters too this winter. Tom will be going to Troy this winter. Papa is going to get cut logs this winter for a work shed. I have not much news just now, I remain, your loving nephew, Jos. H Adams [bungee]

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| G 8705 | C - 1242 | Dec. 9, 1885 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for answer to telegram. |

“No reply to my telegram about Secretan and railway wire him Russell Ottawa regarding prospects”

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| G 8705 | C - 1243 | May 11 and June 5, 1885 | Letter | Norquay, Thomas (son) | Edmonton and Frog Lake, N.W.T. | Father [Norquay, John] | Re: The war. |

Edmonton 11 May: “My dear Father I received yours of the 28th of April last night. I was glad to hear that Mamma & all the family were quite well I am thankful to say the same for myself

We arrived in this place yesterday at 1 o’clock & pitched our tents in the flat to the east of the fort at 3 o’clock. The people of this place are the greatest lot of Jobe’s [sic] comforters I ever met as they tell us that we will all be shot going down the river.

We are to go to Pitt by barge built for that purpose and now lying at the edge of the bank ready for us to get into.

We have had splendid weather all along the march. I met Mr. McDougal who was in town last fall with Kenneth McDonald. Edmonton is a fine place built up the river the banks of which are about 250 ft high.

The fort has a stockade round it but it is not a very strong place.

The town which extends down the river for about a mile is very finely situated there is not much of a town there being only one row of houses along the bank.

About 14 of our boys were run in to the guard tent last night for being drunk where they got the whiskey is a question I could answer but they got it.

Leacock is getting into very bad odor with the whole regiment and so is the Colonel. both the Colonel & Leacock don’t like Wade for something and are down on him for everything he does or does not do I think he will resign this commission as soon as his leave of absence has expired.

I do not think that Colonel Smith is the great Muckanny [?] he was said to be before he left Winnipeg.

Please write me a little longer letter next time but I don’t know where it will find me for we are going into the heart of the Indian country to try if possible to rescue those unfortunate people who had the bad luck to fall into the hands of the devils.

Big Bear is still on the north side of the river and is reported to have 900 men with him & how we with about 250 men are to drive the old rascal out of his stronghold is rather difficult to explain. However we are going to try & if we don’t do it we will make an effort.

You can address my letters to c/o Col Smith via Edmonton

Hoping you are still quite well, I remain, your living son, Tom.

“June 5th 1885 Frog Lake

My dear Father long before you receive this letter you will have seen Wade & Mills both of whom will be able to tell you all about me. We left Frenchman’s Butte on the 3rd of June & made a long march of 27 miles the first day.

We found more dead bodies today at the settlement & I think that more is still to be found but we are pushing on as hard as we are able in order to head off Big Bear who we are told or suppose is making for Cold Lake which is about 50 miles from us. We are making all haste to get there & General Middleton is pressing him in the rear & we suppose if we can head him off he will either have to fight or surrender.

I am writing this almost in the dark for we have no candles & I have to send out this letter by the mail man in the morning & did not know that he was going out till a few minutes ago

I at one time thought that I might have a chance to get transferred into a mounted corps but the Colonel has not as yet done anything for me.

I do not like my new Captain as well as I did Captain Wade. Major Steel has had a fight with Big Bear and had three of his men wounded.

Please address my letters to Fort Pitt via Battleford. I have no news.

Your son Tom”

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| G 8705 | C - 1244 | April 28, 1885 | Letter & Promissory Note | Dick Banning & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing note & asking Mr. N. to sign. |

In 60 days I promise to pay Dick Banning $71.10.

“Sir: We are in urgent need of money and cannot collect so will you be so kind as to sign the enclosed note and we will use it in the Bank, and address it to us….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1245(a) | Oct. 9, 1885 | Letter | McTavish, J.H., Land Commissioner | City (Winnipeg) | Egan, J.M. | Re: Location of station at Pilot Mound. |
| G 8705 | C - 1245(b) | Oct. 9, 1885 | Letter | Egan, J.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Fraser, James | Re: Location of station at Pilot Mound. |
| G 8705 | C - 1245(c) | Oct. 14, 1885 | Letter | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Location of station at Pilot Mound. |

a) McTavish tells Egan that the proposed new site of Pilot Mound (w ½ of S 23 and e ½ of S 22) can’t be used because George Wood and son refuse our request. S 25 will suffice as an alternative for the station – notes concern to be convenient to the people of “the present Pilot Mound”

b) Egan writes to Fraser (this is a copy), to say he regrets that he can’t use the 22-23 site. “I certainly do not feel disposed to do anything that would cause ill-feeling with the people at Pilot Mound, and I would respectfully ask if you cannot use some influence with Mr. Woods that would result in his complying with our request.” Let me know – “I want to go on with the grading right away.”

c)Fraser writes to JN: “you will see by them [the copied letters] that they are up to some game to beat us out of the station where the people here so much desire it to be; I do hope you will see them and have this matter settled.” They have settled on a site for Crystal City – and it’s too close to our selection for Pilot Mound, apparently. Woods consented to give them all the land they want, but his site is marshy and wet, and very bad water and is nearly 3 miles from here. [Pilot Mound as presently sited]. S. 25 is also very wet, and located next to a marsh. Reesor owns S 25 – is a speculator, and his brother who is here is not a supporter of the country. We ask you, JN, to get the site “fixed for your friends, and then CC and PM will be both happy.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1246 | Jan. 14, 1885 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Ptolemy, W.J. | Sale of furniture at old Gov't. House & Rennie's Wood a/c. |

Furniture sold for $250. Rennie’s wood contract was canceled, but some wood had been delivered – I’ve placed the latter against the former, leaving a balance due of $42.25.

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| G 8705 | C - 1247 | Sept. 14, 1885 | Promissory  Note Due  Notice | Campbell, Isaac | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Note for $75.00 going to protest. |

Note dated 14 Sept 1885 for $75 made by Joseph Morrison in favour of JN, payable in 90 days, and endorsed by you, was presented to bank and payment refused. We look to you for payment thereof.

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| G 8705 | C - 1248 | Dec. 14, 1885 | Receipt | Br. Can. Loan & Inv. Co. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Receipt up to 1 June 1886 for $125.00. No action. |

Rec’d $125 from JN for 1 Dec.1885 payment. Next instalment due 1 June 1886

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| G 8705 | C - 1249 | Dec. 16, 1885 | Letter | Douglas, C.S. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Municipal elections at Emerson. |

“private and Confidential” on CPR letterhead: warns JN of the “Burnham crowd” who have sent Geo Walton to Wpg with “a list of the names of dead men and non-residents who are to be picked up in Winnipeg.” He has written Constantine [police] asking him to watch Walton, and A.C. Smith, “Winram’s and Greenway’s particular friend, and a blatant champion just now of the Farmers’ Union. I had quite a row with him and Bailey (Farmers’ Union) in the Russell House Tuesday night over you, and very near came to blows….nothing is too vile for them to say of you.”

See Constantine and “set him to work in our behalf.” His officers should learn “the methods and ways of these men, against the time when we shall need their watchful services in our own behalf in the Provincial elections.”

And arrange for the following to come to vote: Ashdown “to be induced to remain at home…”; J.H. Brock; H.N. Ruttan; J. Balsilie; Capt. R.W.A. Rolph; A.F. Eden; J.H. Rowan; Jerry Robinson; A.E. Shantz; Geo. McPhillips; J.H. McTavish; Geo. Bailey

Defeat of Burnham means a great deal – “the collapse of their ‘organ,’ probably, and losses in other ways.”

Have Constantine come down here – his presence “would have a good moral effect on the opposition and perhaps deter them from attempting personation….”

“Help us and we will never forget you. Try and arrange to have Constantine come up and do what you can to secure us a large vote from the Capital City.” We can give our opponents “the worst licking they ever had in Emerson.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1250 | Nov. 16, 1885 | Postcard | Thompson, J. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Acknowledging favor of 14th inst. No action. |

Per J.P. Your favor rec’d

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| G 8705 | C - 1251 | Dec. 9, 1885 | Receipt | Prince, H.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Miss | To amount of a/c rendered $3.00. Paid. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1253 | Dec. 17, 1885 | Invitations | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Mr. & Mrs.John Norquay, Thomas | Invitations to dinner. |

Dinner and dancing on 17th Dec., 9:00-12:30 – 1 card for Thos. Norquay, and for 1 for Hon Mr, Mrs. And Miss

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| G 8705 | C - 1254 | Nov. 30, 1885 | Invitation | St. Andrews Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to 6th annual dinner. See L.B. "F" p21. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1255 | July 23, 1885 | Receipt | W.D. Blackford & Bros. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $10.25. Paid December 19, 1885. |

Ladies overshoes Nov 1883 $4.75; Pd. May 1884- $3.00; 1 pr ?? $8.50 in July

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| G 8705 | C - 1256 | Dec. 16, 1885 | Receipt | Johnston, Wm. | Selkirk | Norquay, Miss | To amount of a/c rendered $5.00 Mr. Johnston. Please receipt a/c & return. J. Norquay / A.W.P. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1257 | Sept. 10, 1885 | Promissory Note Payment Request | Imperial Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of $25.00 note falling due on 21st inst. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1258 | July 27, 1886 | Letter | Rupertsland, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Horace & Andrews. Conduct & progress while at College. |

“…how exceedingly satisfactory their whole course has been.

Horace has done very well though his classics suffer from his having been hurried on. They want the solid foundation of a thorough training.

Andrew is doing very well. It would not be safe to augur too much from his position at the head of the 1st form as the boys have not done much yet, but certainly he promises very well. His conduct is all we could wish.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1259 | July 28, 1886 | Letter | Graham, Joseph | Arden Station P.O. | Norquay, John | Re: Deed of Howards. |

I inquired at Gladstone – Howard has not [??] the deed to Mr Bachelor or Mr McQueen – sorry to bother you – could you inquire as to where it is

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| G 8705 | C - 1260 | July 28, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to attend to his duties in the Department while he is away. |

“Re – the asylum expecially whatever you deem expedient to do I will sign the necessary papers if you desire it when I return….” [public works dept]

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| G 8705 | C - 1261 | July 27, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, H.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Payment of goods broken on Boissevain trip. |

Re expenses “incurred by the trip through Southern Manitoba that you got up for my father and mother.” R.B. Harstone proposes to prepare itemised account for Rennie, and you could go over it to see that it’s correct, “but that it should not be in duplicate, and that the account to be handed in in triplicate should simply be for the lump sum and should contain no items. It strikes me that there may be something in what he says, as the items if read in the House might produce a bad effect. You remember what a row there was about the trip of Lieut. Govr. D.A. Macdonald to Manitoba, and what use was made in the following election contest of the whiskey, apollonaris water, &c. set out in the bill submitted to the House by Mr. Mowat….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1262 | July 20, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford P.O., Man. | Norquay, John | Asking when he is going out West. |

“the people are very anxious to see and hear you….I think the sooner the better. I also trust you will be able to give us some encouragement re the C.P.R.S.W. extension.”

I’ve been nominated by acclamation for Souris county.

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| G 8705 | C - 1263 | July 19, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Asking for statement which Mr. N. promised. |

When will you come down and make a few speeches – hope before harvest commences

Do refer matter of Handfords’ through me.

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| G 8705 | C - 1264 | July 23, 1886 | Letter | Tennant, H., M.P.P. | West Lynne | Norquay, John | Asking for leave for Charlie to go to Gauthier for a few days. |

Yours of 21st to hand. Meeting at Gauthier on 15 “was a very good one. Martin was well primed for the occasion but did not succeed in doing any harm to anyone but himself.

“Be careful of the H.B. Railway question….” – big deal [doesn’t say which way]

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| G 8705 | C - 1265 | July 22, 1886 | Letter | Foy, J.J.lawyer | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Darlingford property. |

Rec’d notice from Dept of Interior that only the first instalment has been paid on N ½ Sec 7, Twp 3, R. 7 W of 1st, and that 6 instalments ($192 with interest from date of purchase to 1886 at 6% of $295.68) are past due. If not paid by 14 March/87 sale will be canceled.

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| G 8705 | C - 1266 | July 19, 1886 | Letter | Park, R.S. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Political situation. |

Homestead inspector: after leaving you this morning on train going east I forgot to mention a candidate for Denis [?] – Dr. Guest – good man, would be necessary to convince him – you and Sir John could do it. “Rutledge is a good fellow …but he is tarnished by being an aristocrat, which he is not but you know what Ontario farmers are. Dr Guest on the contrary is one of themselves …”

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| G 8705 | C - 1267 | Aug. 19, 1886 | Letter | Archibald, Howell, Hough  & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Discharge of McNab mortgage. Returned August 21, 1886. |

A.T. McNab to Isbister “we enclose discharge of above mortgage for execution by you, same having been paid off.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1268 | July 17, 1886 | Letter | O'Brien, John Sidney | Killarney | Norquay, John | Political aspect. Also asking to be recommended toS. Mulvey for a Census Commissionership. |

We named George Morton at Boissevain meeting to oppose Hindley Young. We are organizing in the Conservative cause. If you could add funds, that would be helpful.

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| G 8705 | C - 1269 | July 26, 1886 | Letter | Morton, George | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Candidate for Turtle Mountain. Asking for printed forms and campaign assistance. |

Please come to as many meetings as possible with me.

[letterhead: Saw mill at Lake Max, Turtle Mountain, and General Merchant]

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| G 8705 | C - 1270 | July 23, 1886 | Letter | Matheson, Samuel | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A house. |

Do you want to rent it? $20/mo plus taxes

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| G 8705 | C - 1271 | May 1, 1886 | Letter | Paisley, James, A.A. | Melita | Norquay, John | Asking for political literature. |

Budget speech, debates of the House,etc. “We have our association formed and all in good working order…”

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| G 8705 | C - 1272(a) | July 21, 1886 | Letter | Munroe, James | Springfield | Little, Davis | Re: Payment of license fees. |
| G 8705 | C - 1272(b) | July 21, 1886 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Asking that instructions be given not to prosecute  Little for one month. |

a)You must pay fee under MB License Act…

b)Bedson annotation on back: “Dear Mr. Norquay: kindly direct Tupper to hold off from Little for one month & oblige me

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| G 8705 | C - 1273 | July 22, 1886 | Letter | Bain, Mulock & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Hallet, Fidler re Pruden's claim. |

To JN as Provl Treasurer: re yours of 21st, we will furnish further information as necessary

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| G 8705 | C – 1274 | July 24, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Political matters. |

Yours 21st rec’d. “I think my chances of [?---] are slim in neglecting Cypress in the interest of Mr. Hamilton waiting to hear of his success in Shoal Lake and Cypress electing ….

In Dennis, “they have the impression I am not wanted by the Government particularly as you did not mention me when up there but strongly recommended Mr. Howell & wanted them to accept him. This was privately told me by two or three, and then Daly click [clique] of Brandon have tried to do me all the injury they can. I thank you very much for your good & kind wishes….

Hon. C.P. Brown could do considerable to settle matters in Dennis if he should take a trip there.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1275(a) | July 21, 1886 | Letter | Allen. T.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking payment of a/c of $225.00. |
| G 8705 | C - 1275(b) | July 21, 1886 | Receipt | James Hope & Co. | Ottawa, Ont. | Gov't. of Man. | Re: Paper for provincial departments. |

Govt of MB bills for purchase of boxes of letterhead paper for Dept use.

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| G 8705 | C - 1276 | July 24, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting in Mr. N.'s office. |

I’ve rec’d your letter of 22nd “re Meeting of the various Candidates in your office on Tuesday 27th at 7 p.m. I will endeavor to be present.” [typed – one of the first to appear]

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| G 8705 | C - 1277 | July 23, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Thanking Mr. N. for his note and stating he will be very glad to comply. |

Re your note of yesterday: “I will be glad to be at your office at the time you mention.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1278 | July 19, 1886 | Letter | Montague, E.C. | Moropano? Man. | Norquay, John | Stating Mr. Andrews was nominated as Cons. Candidate for South Cypress. |

Re yr letter of 2nd. We had convention on Saturday 17th at Stockton – largely attended from all parts of constituency – large bec. we had decided to nominate Mr. Hamilton. But at the beginning Woodcock said he had accepted nomination at Shoal Lake. Tho disappointed, we turned to Mr. Andrews, Wpg barrister – we nominated him for South Cypress

“PS – The Icelanders of Greene [?] are all on the opposition and something must be done to break their vote as there will be a lot of them if they all have got out their citizen’s papers.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1279 | July 26, 1886 | Letter | Gigot, E.F., M.P.P. | Morden | Norquay, John | Regretting that he cannot be present at a Caucus held here on 23rd inst. –[27th] |

Can’t be “present at your office tomorrow” [27 July] Note mention in cover note of “Caucus”

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| G 8705 | C - 1280 | July 26, 1886 | Letter | Winters, Geo. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Regretting his inability to be present at Caucus held here on 23rd inst. [27th] |

Thanks for letter of 23rd. “Mr. Smart is actively canvassing and I must needs do the same. By going to Winnipeg I would lose several days which might be the means of losing several votes. I has been my experience that a great many votes will be secured to the one who first asks and as there will be a hot fight here I think that under the circumstances it would be inadvisable to leave the constituency. I would be pleased to be advised of the result of the deliberations.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1281 | July 10, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne, Jr. | Brandon | Norquay, John | The political prospects in Brandon. |

“My dear Sir I wired you this a m to say that I thought it better you should postpone your intended visit on 15th. The chief reason is that, as Mr. Brown may have told you there is considerable disaffection in our ranks we have had our choice of men reduced to Cliffe and Woodworth and as neither of these men were in any way of getting the nomination, or if they got it securing the united support, we yesterday succeeded in prevailing upon George Winters to accept the nomination if he got it on 15th of which I have no doubt. Winters (be sure and spell it with an ‘s’) is a fine fellow most conscientious and as honest as the sun, with an untarnished record and a strong party man and one who has worked well in the past and a man around whom we can all centre owing to his having been License Comr under you and the fact of being asked to come out, it might look as if he were being boomed in your interest and by you should you come up on 15th.

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| G 8705 | C - 1282 | July 27, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Rice's tender. |

“This is something that requires to be done. Is there anyone at Selkirk who can do it?

Re Rice – I have ordered that he be asked to tender on 2 coat work (of course preparation & finish) & it is fully open for further consideration. It was not shown to me that his tender differed from the others.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1283 | July 25, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Regrets that he cannot be here on 23rd inst. and  asking for statements. |

Yrs to hand re mtg at your office on Tuesday – “I regret to say that it will be impossible for me to attend as our enumerator is obliged to complete his list next week & he has not yet received his necessary instructions so that nothing could be done up to the present time. I am most anxious to attend to it & get every available name on. I regret that you have overlooked sending me the statement you promised me when on the train, regarding the different charges made by Greenway. I understand he intends holding meetings in a few days. So I trust you will be good enough to forward same at once by express to me.

Kindly reply regarding that matter of Handfords [coal steal]

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| G 8705 | C - 1285 | July 21, 1886 | Memo | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Experimental cow. |

Newspaper a/c makes mistake “re experimental cow. She was kept by Torrance from Nov 11 ‘84 to March 17 ’85 @ $1 per day $126 and he was paid $10 for [?] - $136 in all….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1286(a) | July 19, 1886 | Letter | McDonald, Neil | Brandon | Leacock, E.R., M.P.P. | Re: Lost investments. |
| G 8705 | C - 1286(b) | July 24 1886 | Letter | Leacock, E.P., M.P.P. | Birtle | Norquay, John | Re: McDonald Case. |
| G 8705 | C - 1286(c) | July 24, 1886 | Letter | Leacock, E.P., M.P.P. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: McDonald Case. |

McDonald says he “made a lot of money dureing[sic] the boom but like yourself the men i was dealing with was not honest and beat me out of it I mean Anderson & Ross…” so I’m going to go to court.

Leacock in Birtle advises McDonald to get lawyer.

Leacock sends copy to JN, “which I hope you will approve” – speaks of “my young friend ??McDonald??” [sic]

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| G 8705 | C - 1287 | July 29, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Getting away West and different contracts. |

“Rennie tells me you would like for me to stay today. My wife is camped on the bank of the stream out west & waiting day by day.

Bedson wants McOuat [?] to have the balance of the Grasmere Drain. I would do it or divide it up as follows: I want to see this & Matheson’s [?] work finished this year. I would let Scot complete his 4 miles – 16c for remainder of old work & McOuat commence at the old C.P.R. & work down 15c for new work about a mile & 16c for the enlargement to end of Scots work about 4 or 5 miles -- & I would let Matheson finish to connect at his contract 15c to the old ditch. This would snug up & put in splendid shape these two important works & meet the objection that our work is ‘not finished.’

“I put thro Howell’s old account. The govt is in no way liable but it is not a time to hairsplit. Gillies & Kirkhoffer & in fact all the candidates want local matters attended to in their several divisions. Make whatever engagements you like in my Department. Yours faithfully C.P. Brown”

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| G 8705 | C - 1288 | May 31, 1886 | Receipt | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $16.30. Paid. |

Boots and shoes store

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| G 8705 | C - 1289 | May 7, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Agriculture | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Experimental farm. |

Re yours of 3rd inst on agricultural colleges and experimental farms – happy to talk when you are here. Encloses copy of bill and Saunders’ report.

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| G 8705 | C - 1290 | May 7, 1886 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. Late Chief Transport Officer, Northwest Field Force | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to present medals to "Frenchs' Scouts". |

Letterhead of Manitoba Penitentiary – formal letter of invitation

Annotation on reverse: “My dear John You will see that I have arranged for you to be here on the 24th inst.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1291 | March 25, 1886 | Letter | Matheson, Samuel P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for 2nd installment of subscription to St J Ladies’ College. |

Your next installment is due today

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| G 8705 | C - 1292 | April 3, 1886 | Letter | Begg, Alex | London, England | Norquay, John | Enclosing copies of ‘Journal of the Society of Arts’ containing a paper he recently read on "Canada and its National Highway". |

Says Begg: “The paper was a great success.” Letterhead of CPR, Cannon St., London

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| G 8705 | C - 1293 | April 22, 1886 | Letter | Boswell, A. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Recommending Mrs. Sutherland of Newmarket for matronship of St. Johns' College. |

Also a suggestion re writing Sir John, and Beaty’s bill shd go through all right “unless the govt shd think Seward’s men are not strong enough for the work, a letter from you to Sir John might assist this, the resl/n from their people rather cut both ways. A B”

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| G 8705 | C - 1294 | July 29, 1886 | Receipt | Halingest, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $16.00 wages. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1294 | July 29, 1886 | Receipt | Halingest, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $16.00 wages. |

Ernest Halingirst [?] rec’d $16 from JN for “wages”

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| G 8705 | C - 1295 | May 27, 1886 | Letter | Ross, Daniel | Whitemouth | Norquay, John | Re: Guarantee of 4 1/2 millions to H.B. Ry. |

Congratulations on “bold measure you have had the courage to pass, namely the 4 ½ millions guaranteed to the Hudson Bay Railway It will pay and it will strengthen your hands as well….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1296 | June 18, 1886 | Receipt | Cowan, Wm., M.D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $17.00. $20.00 paid. |

– “medical attendance from January 26th ’86 to March 8th ’86 (This includes Dr. Codd’s attendance) $17.00” – scrawled across this is “Paid by cash $20.00 July 25 ‘86”

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| G 8705 | C - 1297 | May 17, 1886 | Receipt | Kern, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $5.00. Paid May 17,1886. |

Repairing, cleaning, dyeing – 1 [?] and 1 suit

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| G 8705 | C - 1298 | April 30, 1886 | Receipt | Hutchings, E.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $8.00. Paid Receipt herewith. |

Saddler: Jan/86 – 1 blanket, repair harness, 1 belly band and repair it

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| G 8705 | C - 1299 | Feb. 27, 1886 | Receipt | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Recommending Brownlee as Immigration Agent should an office be established. |

Provincial bureau to be est’d? Need a “reliable live man who is a worker & has a good knowledge of the country & also a good knowledge of human nature.” – J H Brownlee, former Brandon city engineer – perhaps now in Minnedosa?

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| G 8705 | C - 1300(a) | March 2, 1886 | Telegram | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | White, Fred,  Mounted Police | Re: Allen's leave. |
| G 8705 | C - 1300(b) | March 3, 1886 | Telegram | White, Fred | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Reply. |

JN asks NWMP “has Allan got leave and when Answer” Fred replies “yes”

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| G 8705 | C - 1301 | March 2, 1886 | Letter | Parr, John | Bradwardine, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to take up Wesley Speers of Griswold. |

Speers is a “splendid speaker…a good friend of yours ….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1302 | Feb. 10, 1886 | Letter | Beaty, James | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: N.W.C. Ry. |

“Dear Sir I completed a contract at New York to build 150 miles of the Railway this summer – the Company is to get 25 per cent of the profits between $15,000 a mile cost of construction & the proceeds of the [?Roads]. This is charged with Commissions to [?]Dr Seward, Dr Mastine [?] or so that little will come out of it I fear. The advantages I claim are: 1) we get started; 2) I keep control by getting 55 pler cent of the stock; 3) only 150miles lets [?]; 4) & we get all the bonuses; 5) & we have a future in the residue [?]. We have now to get the Legislation and the Bonuses. We are organized, but there is no help for it. Yours faithfully, James Beaty”

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| G 8705 | C - 1303 | March 2, 1886 | Letter | Bain, Blanchard & Mulock | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Co. |

Encloses copies of “agreement with creditors of 29 April 84 & of agreement between stockholders of 26 Nov 83 as desired.” [W. Redford Mulock]

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| G 8705 | C - 1304 | Feb. 27, 1886 | Letter | Meredith, W.R. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: His friend Ermatinger's book. |

C.O. Ermatinger *Franchise and Election Law* (1886)

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| G 8705 | C - 1305 | March 4, 1886 | Letter | Spenser, R.J., M.D. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Grit surgeon being appointed by the W.J.D.B. |

Majority of Grits on the WJDistrict Board, “of which Smart is the ruling spirit” and they’ve “appointed a Grit surgeon for the gaol here.”

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“It is a clear case of ‘Grit only for Grits’.

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| G 8705 | C - 1306 | Nov. 20, 1885 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.C. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to come down. No danger from smallpox. |

“Can furnish you some entertainment if you will come down here No danger from Smallpox” [JN is at Russell House Ottawa]

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| G 8705 | C - 1307 | March 18, 1886 | Letter | Bradbury, Geo. H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Running for an electoral district. |

Rec’d yours of 3rd inst. “…have I think arranged that Jonasson will support me….I am sure of a great many men who are on the Lake. I think when you get things in shape & if you decide to let me run in the interest of your party I will go out on the Lake & get acquainted with the Icelanders. I would ge Jonasson to take me on & go among them…

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| G 8705 | C - 1308 | March 20, 1886 | Letter | Elliott, Geo. B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: The Political sky. |

“…your Hudson Bay remarks made in the course of your Emerson speech. ….your enemies are keen and bitter, and they do not hesitate to put words in your mouth in the hope you would utter them in order to give themselves the chance….” He quotes Milton “O for that warning voice which he who saw

Th’apocalypse heard cry in heaven aloud” for never had you a meaner opposition than you have now.” Notes JN’s personal views on the “ballot question.”

The other guys goal: “the object is to sacrifice you in order that Mr. Greenway may get home and Luxton the printing.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1309 | March 12, 1886 | Letter | Mulock, W.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Acting in the Royal Comm. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I shall be only too glad to act in the matter of the Royal Commission. I only wish poor Blanchard was alive for he would willingly have thrown himself into the matter heart & soul on your behalf. I trust I will be able to do something for you in return for the confidence you have so generously placed in me.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1310 | March 19, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Postmastership at Rat Portage. |

It’s not open – I will not say anything until a vacancy does occur and I know who all the applicants are …”

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| G 8705 | C - 1311 | April 15, 1886 | Note to  Endorsers | Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Discounting 3 notes for A.A.C. La Riviere endorsed by Mr. N. |

We have discounted for Lariviere 3 notes for $250 each due 18 May, June, July 1886

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| G 8705 | C - 1312 | March 31, 1886 | Letter | Washburn, Mrs. A.S. | Hull, Que. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. W.'s health. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay Your note of the 24th received this morning. Mr. Washburn is at the Arkansas Hot Springs, has been there about six weeks. I went to New York with him, when he had an operation performed….” Doctors say he’ll recover, but slowly, and he’s “very despondent .. confined to his bed” Very sincerely yours Nellie Washburn

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| G 8705 | C - 1313 | April 16, 1886 | Letter | Bannerman, S. | Poplar Point | Norquay, John | Joseph Spence's expected death. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I have been requested by Joe’s boy to inform you that the Doctors have given up their father, they would like you come up and see him as he is not expected to last many days, he says that is you know how low he is you wd be sure to come. If you were to meet him you would not know him – tomorrow being Saturday you may have time. I will send a rig to the station to meet you.

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| G 8705 | C - 1314 | March 31, 1886 | Letter | Hill, J.J. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Enclosing Pedigree of Polled Angus Bulls. |

Encloses pedigrees of 2 polled angus bulls – 1 for $400, other for $600.

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| G 8705 | C - 1315 | April 2, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Militia & Defense | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Masterman & Bose's offer to furnish Gov't. with horses. |

Re your letter reporting offer to furnish horses – I’ve put their names on the list

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| G 8705 | C - 1316 | April 5, 1886 | Letter | Boddy, F.W. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Formation of Electoral district of Portage la Prairie. |

“Dear Sir There is a very strong feeling here to down Joe Martin at the next election… a number of our Conservative friends … ask that the whole of Elm River be added to Portage division. We think that High Bluff & Poplar Point is sufficiently strong as now constituted to elect a Conservative. Consequently the Portage division is entitled to all the territory to be added on the south…. It is important to down the meanest man in the house….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1317 | April 5, 1886 | Letter | O'Brien, J. Sidney | Killarney | Norquay, John | Stating Mr. A.J. Rollins is a candidate in Cons.  Interest. |

Rollins won by a large majority. C. Bate got no votes and David Hysop got only the votes of mover and seconder. We need all the assistance you can provide

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| G 8705 | C - 1318 | April 3, 1886 | Letter | Allan, T.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking pay for paper binders. |

“My dear Premier Why the deuce don’t you send $225.00 to Hope & Co for the ‘Standard Binders’? We want the money badly.

“I gave the papers to White as you directed. He wished me not to let anybody know that you were connected with the matter. I told him that was safe as far as I was concerned.

“Hoping you are well….”

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| G 8705 | C - 1319 | April 29, 1886 | Receipt | Clements, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $35.00. |

Suit for John $35.00 -- December – pd April/86

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| G 8705 | C - 1320 | Oct. 1, 1885 | Receipt | Benson, Dr. J.L. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.00. Paid $10.00. |

Surgeon dentist – pd on 12 Oct. $10

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| G 8705 | C - 1321 | July 24, 1885 | Receipt | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $21.50. By cash $15.50. Balance due $6.00. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1322 | July 24, 1886 | Receipt | Sandison, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $2.00. Paid. |

Tailor – repair coat and vest – pd cash

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| G 8705 | C - 1323 | Dec. 1, 1885 | Receipt | Young, P.R. | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $12.00. |

March 17, 1885: 1 boy’s suit $12.00 [still not paid in Dec.]

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| G 8705 | C - 1324 | Aug. 24, 1885 | Receipt | Burton, George | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $3.75. Paid. |

17 June – cleaning binding repairing – one button to [waist of?] vest

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| G 8705 | C - 1325 | March 5, 1886 | Letter | Beaty, James | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Introducing a bill to construct 50 miles of N.W. Central. |

House of Commons stationery: “Dear Sir: I introduced the bill today for time to construct 50 miles N.W.Central up to 1st Oct next year. We hope to build that length by July & 150 in all before the end of the year. I forward a notice of meeting of Directors for this day …. Fearing that you cannot come I write to say that the meeting will principally discuss the clause about the liabilities of the old Company. It seems to me it is out of the jurisdiction of this Parliament to settle questions of liability and contract. The New Yorkers are still satisfied they will carry out the contract. They are waiting for the legislation to be completed and are working their arrangements accordingly. This suit of Macdonald’s is a nuisance in its way. He is utterly unreasonable & reckless. The claimants ought to represent their interests so that he may not be able to secure the money & possible pay no one. However if he succeeds, he must be paid, although I think he will be a good while getting to the end of his suit.

The M & NW [?] ought not be allowed to come down in our territory. The House is full & probably there will be 15 to 20 French Members votes against the Govt on the Riel motion. They will have a large majority though. Yours truly, James Beaty”

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| G 8705 | C - 1326 | May 28, 1886 | Premium Notice | Standard Life Assurance Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Premium falling due. |

$37.10 due on 3 May and last day for payment is 3 June

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| G 8705 | C - 1327 | April 29, 1886 | Letter | Tennant, H., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Motion in House re: C.P.R. & incomplete grading in County of Morris., etc. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay I have heard that Mr Egan on behalf of the M & S.W. Ry.Co. is applying to you for railway aid. I moved in the House that a special committee be formed to respond to a petition from some Morris ratepayers “complaining of the state of a certain grading made by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company left incomplete and conveying a large volume of water over and flooding the lands of certain of the Petitioners.”

The CPR hasn’t responded to our concerns. Now that Egan wants aid, we “ask you to insist on his doing justice to my constituents in this matter.”  
 Also: debenture debt of Town and County of Morris – wld like to discuss with Egan “in your presence.” “The price given to change the location of the line, $100,000, was enormous. At the time the Company no doubt found benefit from it and as the town is now so involved as to be unable to pay its debt and that as I am told the Company still holds the Bonds negotiable at the present moment might enable me to procure my friends relief without asking any substantial sacrifice from the Company.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1328 | May 14, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Farrell as License Commissioner. |

Farrell has applied for this job – he was, “like many others, unfortunate from boom transactions and requiring whatever he can get.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1329 | March 14, 1886 | Letter | Hawkins, Arthur C. | Swan Lake | Norquay, John | Stating he is instructed by "Swan Lake Farmers Club" to request Mr. N. to write Mr. Hill re: the importation of a pedigreed polled Angus yearling bull. |

Ask Hill: what price for “pedigreed polled Angus yearling bull”? Also what cost of transport? And as public service, could it be free of duty?

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| G 8705 | C - 1330 | March 1, 1886 | Receipt | Richardson, W.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $25.10. Receipt herewith. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1331 | Sept. 30, 1885 | Receipt | Scoones & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Renny, Mr. | To amount of a/c rendered $100.40 & $2.00. Paid. |

Auctioneer, Royal Auction Mart: Carpets, stair carpet, stair pads, pole rings, and a $60.00 “drawing room suite”

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| G 8705 | C - 1332 | March 14, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Going to Gladstone. |

“…they have made so much ado about it, I think I will likely go.” Back Tuesday 5:30. “So it would seem in such a case it is not likely any serious trouble could be brought about thru my absence.” Wire me at Portage if you want me to turn back – could be in House by 5:30 Monday – and by going that far, “it would show I had done my best to keep my apt. Yours truly C.P. Brown

I am sorry Mrs. N. is ill again. [Betsy]

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| G 8705 | C - 1333 | Dec. 29, 1885 | Letter | Bishop of Athabaska | Southbro[?] Kent, England | Norquay, John | Re: Letters of introduction to authorities at Ottawa. |

He wants letters from JN to use in Ottawa in lobbying for “our educational efforts for the children of settlers, H.B. Co. employees & Indians in the Provincial District of Athabasca…”

“I have followed up with much interest the course of the rebellion & am truly thankful it has been so thoroughly put down….

“I trust Mrs. Norquay is enjoying better health than when we left St. Andrew’s. Mrs. Young will I know be very glad to have a line from her or Miss Norquay.

Richd Athabasca [Richard Young?]

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| G 8705 | C - 1334 | Feb. 15, 1886 | Telegram | Sanford, W.E. | Hamilton | Norquay, John | Asking recommendation of himself. Replied granting same. |

‘May I add to your letter a recommendation of myself”

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| G 8705 | C - 1335 | Feb. 15, 1886 | Telegram | Routledge, T. | Virden | Norquay, John | Asking for meeting to be postponed until 3rd March. |

“Wire if can have meeting third March gives more notice public”

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| G 8705 | C - 1336 | Jan. 4, 1886 | Letter | White, Thomas Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Harris for position of caretaker of Hot Springs. |

Rec’d yours re Hot Springs and recommending Harris. He can’t keep his position as city surveyor – how can he reside permanently at Springs? As an engineer, “he would be the right kind of man to look after the place, to lay it out, and generally make suggestions for its improvement, which might be carried out under his direction. My difficulty just now would be to give such a salary as I suppose he would ask. Have you any idea what his views are upon that point?

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| G 8705 | C - 1337 | Jan. 4, 1886 | Letter | White, Thomas Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Sheppard for a Homestead Inspectorship. |

Have your letter recommending Sheppard of Indian Head. No opening now.

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| G 8705 | C - 1338 | Jan. 6, 1886 | Letter | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking if Mr. N. would give him his support if he came out for St. Clements. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1339 | [1886] | Receipt | Man. & N.W. Ry. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing annual pass No. 27. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1340 | Dec. 29, 1885 | Letter | Campbell, G.H. C.P.R. Ticket Agent, Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for payment of W.A. Collins ticket. |

$48.05 still owed re Collins’ ticket to Ottawa. “…please fix it.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1341 | Feb. 9, 1886 | Letter | Caron, Sir A.P. Minister of M. & D. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | His son Tom's claim for remuneration for services  rendered. |

“The General has reported that your son is fairly entitled to the remuneration which he claims, and I have much pleasure in telling you that I have given instructions to have it paid.”

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| G 8705 | C - 1342 | Feb. 10, 1886 | Letter | White, Thomas Min of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: The Postmastership at Cherry Creek. |

Rogers recommends Mr. McKnight for this post. You recommended George Morton. “Rogers will likely be the candidate in that district, from what I can hear, on our side at the next election, and his recommendation should have some weight, but, of course, if you have any special reason for recommending Morton, Sir Alexander will undoubtedly act upon your suggestion.” Rogers “presses very strongly…”

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| G 8705 | C - 1343 | Feb. 19, 1886 | Telegram | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Asking to see Mr. N. Replied same day Mr. N. was in Southern Manitoba. |

“Can I see you tonight at Legislative buildings answer quick”

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| G 8705 | C - 1344 | March 8, 1886 | Notice of Meeting | Beaty, James | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Meeting of Directors of N.W. Central. |

Mtg Thursday 11 March

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| G 8705 | C - 1345 | March 8, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, A. [Postmaster General] | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | The establishment of a Post Office at Sec. 26 T 4 R 11 W. |

Rec’d your of 3rd on establishing post office – and I will have inquiry made.

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| G 8705 | C - 1346 | March 13, 1886 | Letter | Setter, C.C. | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Re: Compensation for losses sustained during Rebellion. |

‘My dear Norquay Just a few lines. Alex my brother is in from Battleford & tells me that the most of the parties out there have recd plart of the money that they put in to the Govt for their losses caused by the rebellion. Angus Miller got part of his likewise & never lost what I did You see I was only starting & had everything with me I also lost my seed grain which I’m not going to be able to get unless I get help even if I could get half the same as they are doing with the parties out west Did Mama ever write to you about my case since we are all well except Jemima she is been sick very sick this long while back [?] Hoping you are all well & hoping you are going to give the Grits fits please answer Remain Your as Ever C.C. Setter”

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| G 8705 | C - 1347 | March 2, 1886 | Receipt | Soper, J.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $12.00. Paid 2nd March. |

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| G 8705 | C - 1348 | March 16, 1886 | Letter | Macdougall, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Area wished to be embraced in Town site & station at Pilot Mound. |

Station site settled, need to cut off all the area of the former town except one half-section, to be attached to another half-section not previously therein, which will form the new townsite – we would like the new town incorporated, and not “by any means” to become part of the Municipality of Louise – we want to be the County town of Rock Lake

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| G 8705 | C - 1349 | March 16, 1886 | Telegram | White, T. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Letter delayed passing through registration hands. |

Your letter found. It was passing through registration hands. Will write you”

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| G 8705 | C - 1350 | March 2, 1886 | Receipt | Ogilvie Milling Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $2.40. |

Paid 15 March.

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| G 8724 | C - 1351 | March 11, 1886 | Telegram | Deane, R.B. | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Inspector Allan leaving Battleford for Winnipeg tomorrow. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1352 | March 15, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R.Z. | Grafton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Extension of M. & S.W.R.R. & interview with Minister of Interior of Ontario & Mr. Van Horne. |

“My Dear Sir rec’d yr letter re extension of M SW RR; “I found Sir John laid up with a severe cold but I had a very satisfactory consultation with the Minister of the Interior who gave me a good letter to Mr. Van Horne and authorized me to state that he would prefer seeing the line extended straight west than to take a more southerly course…”

Saw Van Horne in Mtl on 13th “but he seemed to have his mind fully set on the idea of working south to the elbow of the Souris and thence west through Townships (6) six which would he thought more evenly divide the country between the other two lines.”

I argued for a line between townships 7 & 8 – more existing points and population, cheaper construction.

He said he would give it a “thorough examination… but they could not build anywhere without assistance from your Government.” I suggest you offer the “required assistance but upon the express condition that they build upon the line indicated by your letter to me on the 23rd Feby. Should they only be able to complete the line as far as the Souris this season it will satisfy our people well as that will insure the ultimate extention [sic] on the proper line.

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| G 8724 | C - 1353 | March 20, 1886 | Letter | McDonald, D. | Manitoba Village Westbourne Municipality | Norquay, John | Asking what division is to be made of district around Lake Winnipeg. |

Our area needs a member of the local House. People say “that there will be a good poll polled out there now as all the Halfbreeds of Sandy Bay, Manitoba Village, Fairford and Duck Bay have left the Indian treaty….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1354 | March 20, 1886 | Letter | Howard, Wm. | Arrow River | Norquay, John | Enclosing resolutions of Conservative Association of Municipality of Miniota. |

Municipalities of Archie, Miniota, Oak River in the County of Oak Lake be a separate prov/l constituency

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| G 8724 | C - 1356 | March 8, 1886 | Letter | Adams, Charles | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Neestaw [Norquay, John] | Friendly letter. |

“Dear Neestaw I am just back again from another visit, being on the run all the time except to catch the mail, I have not seen my family for 8 days except Homer who is in town; I am glad to say he is improving well in health, and at present is confined to the store all the time. Mr. Stewart is off to Montreal & has left him in sole charge so that he has not been home for some weeks already & it will be some time yet till he can get home.

I heard that they are all well at home. Tom is off to Troy for 2 loads of seed grain -- & we hope to be able to put in a fair crop.

R. Pritchard that used to be with Boyd is the Clerk in our office but he wants to leave in a month or two, I wish you could think of him (not as Ind Agent) in some way or other, he only get $60.00 per month.

I hope you are all well at home & with kind regards to you all, I remain Yrs ever, Chas Adams”

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| G 8724 | C - 1357 | March 11, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Enclosing resolution passed at a meeting held at Menota 11 March 1886. |

Organizing Conservative associations in counties of Turtle Mtn and Souris River (2 in each) – “if we are defeated in the next election it will be owing to something quite unforeseen as I am no quite assured that we have a majority in both counties….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1358 | March 11, 1886 | Letter | Kelso, Alex Secy Treasurer E.D.A. Soc. | Roseberry, Man. | Norquay, John | Soliciting a donation to the funds of the Society. |

TurtleMt to improve breed of stock, have imported 2 purebred bulls

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| G 8724 | C - 1359 | March 2, 1886 | Letter | White, Thomas | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Claim of James Anderson for compensation for losses sustained by him in the destruction of his goods during the small pox epidemic. |

Re yrs of 2nd – re claim – “the fact of its having lain so long, and that the late Government, to whom it appears to been presented, did not settle the claim, may make it difficult to take any action at this late day.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1360 | March 19, 1886 | Letter | Street, Major Secretary-Treasurer, [Manitoba Rifle  Association] | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating Mr. N. has been appointed Vice Patron of  above association for current year. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1361 | Feb. 4, 1885 | Receipt | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Annual subscription to Club. |

To 31 Dec. 1885 -- $15 paid.

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| G 8724 | C - 1362 | May 23, 1885 | Receipt | Dublin, Dan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $25.00 on a/c of Hack Hire. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1363 | Oct. 30, 1885 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.C. Genl Mger, C.P.R. | Wolf River, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking if Mr. Smith & he can see him tomorrow, Saturday. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1364 | April 12, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Souris | Norquay, John | Re: A candidate for Gov't. next election. |

Organizn developing – will have to import candidate – “if any of those now spoken of are put forward we loose [sic] the county sure…. I am decidedly in favour of 23 being added to our county, believing that we can carry it and that by doing so it will help Turtle Mountain, exercise your own judgement in the matter. Allow me to congratulate you on the result of the Royal Comn so far and to express my conviction that your good name will be more than vindicated and your enemies completely confounded….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1365 | April 16, 1886 | Letter | Lewis & Kirby | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing check for $12.00. Premium on Policy 413135. |

Rec’d yours of 14th inst with cheque for $12. Being premium on Caledonian Policy 413,135 [fire insurance and general agents]

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| G 8724 | C - 1366 | Nov. 3/84 and Nov. 28, 1885 | Receipt | Smith Mrs. W.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $13.00 on a/c board. Also for $36.00 in full of a/c 28 November 1885. |

a) “to 42 meals as per ticket in October & Nov @ 25c = $13.00 Paid 3Nov/84 J Norquay

annotation: “Handed 13.00 to Smith myself JN”

b)28 Nov 1885: “Received from Mr Norquay the sum of $36.00 in full of account

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| G 8724 | C - 1367 | Sept. 8, 1884 | Letter | St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | $100.00 on account. |

Rec’d from Hon. Jno. Norquay -- $100 on a/c of St. John’s College

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| G 8724 | C - 1368 | March 6, 1885 | Letter | St. Andrews Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | $2.00 for membership. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1369 | March 1, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. Robert S. Gray, President of  Conservative Association for Municipality of Inchequin. |

Plus: “We had a big time at the Grit meeting at Deloraine last Monday. Greenway, Luxton and Martin had their usual ‘soup kitchen’ of choice language in connection with yourself and Govt. I was called upon to speak on behalf of the Govt and succeeded in making them mad, after which Greenway and I had a pretty neat set-to – much to the amusement and satisfaction of our friends present, the affair was not a success for the Grits, who will find that southern Manitoba is far from being ‘Red Hot’ for the opposition as the Free Press has it.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1370 | March 26, 1886 | Letter | Gibson, D. | Waneche P.O. | Norquay, John | Re: Political differences among supporters of Gov't. in Turtle Mountain. |

Mr. Alexander and Mr. Haselope [?] have been through, haven’t formed a Conservative Association despite their pretense, and have called a convention for 6 April to choose a candidate. Can you stop this? We want a voice and can’t meet then – and will nominate our own candidate, split the vote, if it goes ahead.

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| G 8724 | C - 1371 | March 27, 1886 | Letter | McDonald, John | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Political sky in Portage la Prairie and elsewhere. |

Pleased with JN speech on HBR, (clears up conflicting reports of JN’s Emerson speech – “none of which were true”). Grits had been attacking JN, saying he was opposed to HBR.

We’re very happy with your “explanation…we feel more & more every day that you are the right man in the right place, and is of the material of which statesmen are made. I may tell you that the people of this part of the country is proud of you….”

Yours truly Johnnie”

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| G 8724 | C - 1372 | 1January, 1886 | Receipt | Stovel, Joseph Merchant Tailor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c rendered $5.00. |

24 July – coat & vest -- $35 Aug 1 -- $20 pd. 10 Dec. $10 Pd owes $5

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| G 8724 | C - 1373 | Feb. 27, 1886 | Letter | Geordie | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Going to land office & getting description of Adelaide Hudson's Land. |

“Dear John I wish you would go to the land office and get a discreption [sic] of the land claim or grant of Adlaid Hudson Portage la Prairie They will have the field notes in the office by so doing you will oblige Ketutami Geordie

[Ovide Mercredi says Ketutami is “your friend” : email to gf, 9 Nov 2013]

“Our friend Tom Sinclair is fairly destitute there is a subscription list [g]oing round it hasent come to me yet, I hear the $2 to 5 is on the list, the subscription is to buy a yoke of oxen for his wife.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1374 | Nov. 17, 1885 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [Ottawa] | Re: Van Horne's demeanor. |

To Queens Hotel [Toronto? Ottawa?]: “Van Horne went east last night – He treated the matter contemptuously & refused to do anything” Alf H. Rennie

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| G 8724 | C - 1375 | Nov. 17, 1885 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [Ottawa] | Re: Mr. White's departure. |

To “Queens Hotel ” – [Toronto/Ottawa?] “Mr. White went east tonight Your family will have written to Ottawa”

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| G 8724 | C - 1376 | Nov. 20, 1885 | Telegram | Hamilton, C.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [Ottawa] | Re: Suspension of Young. |

“Via Toronto Ont I consider that Young should be suspended pending investigation answer C.E. Hamilton”

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| G 8724 | C - 1377 | March 1, 1886 | Letter | Checkley, E.J. | Preston, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Saskatchewan Coal Co. stock. |

Letterhead of Preston Banking Co: “Dear Sir We are desirous of realizing if possible upon stock we hold in Saskatchewan Coal Mining & Trans Coy. Will you kindly say what in your opinion is the best way to effect this end? I suppose as you are President of the Coy you can tell me this …is the Coy operating now & is there any prospect of their doing a profitable business? What in your opinion is the present market value of the stock?

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| G 8724 | C - 1378 | March 1, 1886 | Letter | O'Brien, John Sidney | Killarney | Norquay, John | Conservativism in Turtle Mountain area. |

Greenway organizing. We have a conservative association which needs reorganization. I tell Grits what you have done to further railway communications in this district . “I handed them a paper containing your speech at Deloraine, and they were well pleased with it….” We want to invite you to Killarney

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| G 8724 | C - 1379 | Feb. 16, 1886 | Letter | White, Thomas Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Item in estimates to assist completion of Colonization Road. |

Re your letter urging an item in estimates “to assist in the completion of the Colonization Road between Minnedosa and Lake Dauphin.” Eden spoke to me – I suggest “it was rather a work for the Local Government than for the Dominion. I will send the letter, however, to Sir Hector Langevin, upon whose report the item would have to be put in the Estimates….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1380 | Jan. 21, 1886 | Letter | Parr, John | Bradwardine, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: A Conservative Association & wanting Mr. N. to come up. |

We’re thinking of starting a Cons/tve. Assocn. “As you know the Grits have been holding forth at Virden and have organized Luxton Fisher McCadrthur and others have been up….” Could you visit? “…As we want to strike terror into the Grits hearts in this county.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1381 | Dec. 28, 1885 | Letter | Beaty, James, M.P. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: N.W. Central. |

“My dear Sir I have no doubt you have your own troubles; but they are nothing to mine. I sent up an agreement to Mr. Tupper for the claimants to sign; the very best they will ever get. If they do not come to reasonable terms they never will get anything. An engineer is to go up next month to make a temporary survey & then I think matters will come to a conclusion; if they find the costs not to be more than we represent -- $14,000 a mile – I may take the liberty of asking him to call on you. You must ‘plug’[?] the claimants, and tell them there is no company and all their process ways [?] are void as they are in fact and in law. The charter lapsed on the 19th Oct 1885 & unless it is renewed the whole thing is up & it cannot be renewed if these claimants go on with their nonsense. Of course we have the order in Council extending the time & have no doubt about the renewal unless these obstacles prevent it. I intend to repeal the Section making the NW Central liable & then they will have to come to terms. This however entre nous. These fellows who are making this ado about their garnishees will be remembered if I have to do with them. They must be resisted as illegal. I send a copy of acts & orders in council. A little more patience Yours faithfully, James Beaty”

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| G 8724 | C - 1382 | Jan. 29, 1886 | Letter | Sanford, W.E. | Hamilton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Cattle raising in the West. |

Clothier mfg: [6-story bldg. on letterhead]: could you add to your letter of reference that “from your personal knowledge of stock raising in the Northwest you know it to be one of the most successful business [illegible word?]

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| G 8724 | C - 1383 | Feb. 10, 1886 | Letter | Sanford, W.E. | Hamilton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Coal mines & cattle raising. |

“My Dear Mr. Norquay A party from Winnipeg was telling me today that the coal at Lethbridge has proved to be very inferior and is being condemned by the Railway Coy. It is not at all up to the coal at Medicine Hat Mine. I think you better put a watch on that. Would you kindly let me know by return what shape that is in and how soon you will make the necessary steps towards securing the property?

Re Townsight [sic] Southern Man: What is the outlook in this direction?”

I wrote some days ago, asking for a letter of recommend – put in your views on ranching – “Put it as strong as you like. I have letters of recommendation from Sir John, the lieut Gov, and others and should very much appreciate one from you…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1384 | Feb. 16, 1886 | Letter | Munson & Allan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Lease of Lot 8, St. Andrews to Wm. Bell Carmichael. |

Law office: Re the lease from yourself to Carmichael of Lot 8, St Andrews, “has only been executed by you up to the present time.” Ask him to call at our office and execute the same…

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| G 8724 | C - 1385 | Feb. 13, 1886 | Letter | Peebles, Col. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: $23.70 authorized to pay Tom. |

Dept payment to your son, W.L.I. – I am not sure of his address -- ask him to call at my house for cheque…

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| G 8724 | C - 1386 | Feb. 16, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Virden meeting. |

I hear Virden mtg arranged for 23rd inst. Could you speak to our City Association on evg of 24th? – “so that you might meet as many as possible & give them a few words”

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| G 8724 | C - 1387 | Feb. 9, 1886 | Letter | Kingsmill, Nichol | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Enclosing annual pass over Michigan Central for 1886. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1388 | Feb. 8, 1886 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Regretting not having seen Mr. N. when passing through Chicago. |

I gather you passed through this city yesterday – regret missing you – “I wrote Nursey some time ago to send me ballance [sic] of account on Picture…” please “wake him up to my starved financial condition and his delinquency.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1389 | Dec. 29, 1885 | Invitation | School of Mounted Infantry | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John & Ladies | Invitation to their ball. Accepted; no copy kept. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1390 | [Dec.] 1885 | School Reports, & Memo | St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Respecting Horace and Andrew. |

Andrew – 1st in 1st class, “Very satisfactory” conduct, etc, i in Latin, iii in French, i in English, ii in Arithmetic, ii in Religious Instruction 75.3%

Boarders to be in residence on Monday Jan 11th. [all on printed form for the first time]

Horace – 4th form, “3rd in class II, “Very satisfactory” conduct etc ii in Latin, Classical History, Greek, French, English, Math, Bookkeeping, and i in Arithmetic and Religious Instruction

Also: some parents have inquired about “Drill” to improve boy’s deportment – wld be given in April, cost of $1: “If you have any objection to your boy having drill, will you kindly say so.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1391 | Dec. 23, 1885 | Letter | Ruperts Land, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing report of Horace & Andrew's progress. |

Bishop’s letter – “your boys …they give us great pleasure and the very fullest satisfaction. They are two very fine boys.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1392 | Dec. 19, 1885 | Letter | Tomlinson, R.H. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Receipts for taxes 1884 & 1885 on mortgaged lots. |

Br Cdn Loan & Invstmt Co “you have not yet sent me the receipts for taxes on the lots mortgaged by you to this Company for 1884.” Please send, plus those for 1885

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| G 8724 | C - 1393 | Dec. 21, 1885 | Postcard | St. John's Ladies' School | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Miss N. | Re-opening of school. |

To Miss N. Norquay – from E. Cowley, Lady Principal – 5 Jan/86 at 9:30

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| G 8724 | C - 1394 | Dec. 23, 1885 | Invitation | McKenzie Hotel | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Grand Ball. |

Ball on 23 Dec./85 – complimentary ticket – price $2

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| G 8724 | C - 1395 | Dec. 23, 1885 | Letter | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Organization of Cons. Party & re: station at Pilot Mound. |

Yrs of 12th to hand – “we have got the Station just about where we wanted it and I can assure you that your friends here are not slow to see your hand in this matter. We had a very fine meeting here of the centerall Cons. Association on Saturday last … and the best of feeling prevailed. – names executive, says 1 delegate per 10 members of the different local associations were present [[dubious?] – leaders from Crystal City, Pilot Mound, Snowflake, incl Robt Rogers. What do you think of Cluston Thorne [Thiene???] of Lorne as candidate – let me know “your private opinion” – “I do think now since we have got thoroughly organised that we can easily defeat Greenway as the riding now stands

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| G 8724 | C - 1396 | Dec. 31, 1885 | Letter | Sanford, W.E. | Hamilton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Trip to New York & Chicago. |

Got your letter upon my return from NY – ‘I am sorry to learn that the Baltimore & Ohio cars treated you so badly & I have been congratulating myself every moment I think of it how fortunate I was in preparing you for that ‘rough shaker’. I am sure had it not been for my general supervision in helping you to chase street cars &c which are always in a hurry you would not have got through Chicago without some difficulty…. I tried to get those photos when in NY…I pressed their delivery on the ground that Xmas was coming … [I’ll send them] “together with a set of views of my own grounds and I will be glad it you will present the same to Mrs. Norquay with a Merry Christmas from her friend W.E. Sanford.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1397 | Dec. 21, 1885 | Letter | Young, Dr. | Lower Fort Garry | Norquay, John | Re: Angus Smith. Re: Concert and Dance at Loves. |

“Do you intend to keep Angus Smith all winter and how is he getting on? If he is all right and you can give him a job I want to discharge him from the Asylum before the end of the year.

“There is to be a concert in Selkirk on Tuesday night and a dance after at Jones. You ought to come down and bring the family. I see by the papers that Mrs. Norquay is becoming quite dissipated up there going to At Homes and Balls give her my congratulations but I fear she will never be able to live down here again she will find it too dull.

“If you intend going down on Tuesday I wish you would telephone me and I would try to do without my crutch for that night as I would like to see how you look with that medal on….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1398 | Jan. 12, 1886 | Postcards | Winnipeg Cricket Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of the Club on the 18th. |

2 cards, to Hon John and to J.G.

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| G 8724 | C - 1400 | Dec. 31, 1885 | Letter | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Annual subscription. |

Subscptn for 1886 -- $25

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| G 8724 | C - 1402 | Jan. 13, 1886 | Letter | Hall, John | Boynedale | Norquay, John | Enclosing copy of a resolution passed at a meeting held at Norquay on January 6th, 1886. |

Resoln from Norquay, and another from mtg called by Ellis & Rogers of Manitou and Pilot Mound calling for new riding to include municipalities of Lorne and So. Norfolk, and that J Norquay be invited to contest it.

Hall believes “there will be no difficulty in putting in our own man.” Come out and bring Howell too.

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| G 8724 | C - 1403 | Jan. 18, 1886 | Receipt | Graham, Thomas D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $150.00 on a/c of mare Nellie. |

JN pd $150 for Mare ‘Nellie” – of the total price of $200.

Note below: “you may have your pick of 2 carloads of horses”

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| G 8724 | C - 1404 | Dec. 31, 1886 | Letter | White, Thomas Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: James A. McKinnon for appointment as Inspector of timber or lands. |

Have your recommdn of McKinnon, and letters “from other influential friends in the West.” No vacancies now but will keep him in mind.

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| G 8724 | C - 1405 | Dec. 28, 1885 | Letter | White, Thomas | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: North West matters. |

I sent your note with enclosure from your nephew to Langevin, who is acting Superintendent General of Indian Affairs. He is “making a very careful enquiry into matters affecting that part of the Northwest, from which I hope good may come.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1406(a) | Dec. 29, 1885 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Re: Position for Burbridge's friend. |

“My dear John Enclosed is from Burbidge’s friend. Now I hope you will do this as it will be more than reciprocated to me by Burbidge and you will also feel the benefit if you need Burbidge. I am off moose killing. Yours S.L.B.

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| G 8724 | C - 1406(b) | Dec. 29, 1885 | Telegram | Burbridge, G.W. | Ottawa | Bedson, S.L. | Re: Holt. |

Encl: to Bedson “Holt capable and trustworthy have asked him send you evidence qualifications. Happy new years G.W. Burbidge”

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| G 8724 | C - 1407 | 1886 | Letter | Farrell, S.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking $20.00 subscription to Manitoba Club. |

Send me $20 cheque, for “the sub. and the dinners I can hold it over for a few days if you wish.

“I paid nearly all the money I received this month on those old Darlingford a/cs or I would pay the above myself.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1408 | Jan. 25, 1886 | Letter | Ashby, John B. | Norquay | Norquay, John | Notice of formation of a Conservative Association & asking for certain changes in their County. |

Association organized at Norquay – municipalities of Lorne & S Norfolk. Visit from you or other member of govt “would be productive of good results …” pls send map of our section and any pamphlets or other matter that may be useful to our cause…”

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| G 8724 | C -1409 | Dec. 31, 1885 & Jan. 30, 1886 | Receipts | H.B. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $19.15. Paid 9 February 1886. |

31 Dec – 1 gal port $6.00, 1 gal sherry $6.50, 1 doz lemons .50 plus earlier bill = $30.75

2 Jan – 2 jars

25 Jan – 1 tim egg. Plums; 1 tim roast lamb; 1 tin B. Turkey; biscuits; ½ doz Bass Ale Stout $1.75; 1 can opener, 1 lunch basket; 1 tin Lunch Tongue = $19.15 Pd. 9/2/86

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| G 8724 | C - 1410 | Feb. 11, 1886 | Receipt | Browne, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Rent for January 1886, $25.00. |

Rec’d from JN -- $25.00 “rent for house No 18 Hallet St. N. Winnipeg for the month of January 1886”

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| G 8724 | C - 1411 | Jan. 19, 1886 | Letter | Creighton, J.A. | Camille, Man. | Norquay, John | Giving a reception to Gov't. |

We want to give you &the govt a reception “when the R.Road is finished…” It shd be non-political, but “we can steal a march on the (Grits) if you could bring up a man that you think would do for here we could work some scam to feel [out] the people on him….” Hay might run again, and perhaps a local man, but we don’t need Portage man [Hay] and Moyer is “hardly the thing”; “from what I can learn, the time you and Howell were threw[sic] here the people were very favourably impressed.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1412 | Jan. 15, 1886 | Letter | Macdougall, J. | Lower Fort Garry | Norquay, John | Asking for Jemima Sanders' money. |

“Jemima Sanders… she has returned to her father’s house and will be glad to receive the money she sent for, at your earliest convenience.”

PS “Private & confidential: Old Roderick has been itching to get his hands on this money for the past month and has been anxiously enquiring of me about it expecting that you would send thru’ me.” [house maid?]

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| G 8724 | C - 1413 | Dec. 29, 1885 | Letter | Setter, Miss | Portage la Prairie | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Family matters. |

“Dearest Uncle [next genertn: no Keestaw] Your parcels came and many thanks for them. They are lovely. We are a very lonely family just now for Papa is away and we don’t know when to expect him. Tom’s letter this morning carried consternation into the camp, for he says he can’t come. Send some of the children up for goodness’ sake for we are nearly crazy without Papa. Poor Mama is suffering very much just now with inflammation of the eyes & that makes her so much worse. ….kindest love & Xmas greetings from all. Believe me, yours affect/ately Christabel

PS: I hope to see you soon.

2nd PS: Did you receive a parcel from Mrs. Rennie which we sent. I contained a present from Mama to Alec & a photo & letter of mine for Tom. C.S.

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| G 8724 | C - 1414 | Feb. 18, 1886 | Letter | Leary, Geo. | Nelson | Norquay, John | Re: Election matters. |

Dufferin So assocn has rejected me – too bad – I doubt Bolton can dft Winram. He has “the Hotel interests against him as he is a shining light in the Temperance movement; and as Winram is a genial cuss who will occasionally patronise a glass of ‘Alf & Alf’ you know how it will result, indifference on the part of the Con[servative] whiskey men and activity amongst Grit tipplers. Again we will have some difficulty in securing our fair share of the Mennonite vote. …

“As long as Morden and Manitou are in the same county you may expect nothing else but rivalry and jealousy. They are so close together that it will be an impossibility to unite them on party grounds and there is no use in shouting party when people say damn the party it is our own interests we are looking after.”

He reviews redistribution, and proposal for change from Manitou, but that “would throw Carman & Manitou in the same electoral division but further apart and the Boyne people are the most loyal to their colors of any I ever came across, and will wade through anything to score a party victory. Dr. Wilson I am satisfied or any other candidate with backbone in him would carry the county against Roblin, while the Manitou division would score one for the Govt with hundreds of majority….

PS: I think Doc Pennefather is on the lookout for some of the Norfolks. He told me if Lorne and S Norfolk were arranged he’d try it. He’s a dandy.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1415 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Telegram | Adams, Charles | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | In Cree. |

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[I am grateful for and I really miss [I’m waiting big time for] your sister ]

[translation: Ovide Mercredi 9 November 2013]

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| G 8724 | C - 1416 | Feb. 11, 1886 | Letter | Harder, William President St. Geo. S.S. Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Recording high appreciation of himself & Club for services Mr. N. provided at St. Paul. |

Snow shoe club --- “Your speeches I am sure had a telling effect and I hope you think with me that our visit to that city will result in benefit to both St. Paul and Winnipeg.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1417 | [No Date] | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Submission of $20.00 towards L.C.A. |

To prepare for elections, “a number of the leading members” of Lib Cons Assoc. have given $20 each, Hamilton said ministers “would all tumble in.” He and LaRiviere gave $20 each – can you do so too.

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| G 8724 | C - 1418 | March 19, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne, Jr. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Hudson B. Ry. & other political matters. |

I hear by Free Press that you disparaged HBR in Emerson mtg. I don’t believe it. “I simply want to put you on your guard in this matter, whatever your private views are …and more especially if antagonistic to the project for God’s sake say nothing about it….The farmers are red hot on H.B. Ry.

“The appointment of Chief Justice is a clincher.

Hope we increase number of districts in west, reduce number in east, “so as to effect as nearly as possible Representation by Population.”

How to divide Brandon, Norfolks, etc “if the small constituencies on Red River are not knocked into one or two you can expect great opposition and criticism.

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| G 8724 | C - 1419 | Feb. 23, 1886 | Letter | Norquay, John | Assessippi | Norquay, John | Re: Land sold him by John Sanderson. |

Cousin John: “Asseppie [sic] Feb 23 1886 Mr Norquay Sir Yours of the 15 inst came duly to hand I have no date as to the time I wrote to Dennis about my Land it I left a letter he wrote to me with Mr Moss I have written to Moss to forward it to you if he has it yet I believe John Sanderson has got a copy of the papers or title he gave me when he sold me the Land – as for me I lost the papers long since John Sanderson is at Fairford at present so it is dificult [sic] for me to get those papers but I have written to him to send me them if they will be any good I doe not expect the same property back but hope to get scrip or something of the kind. I remain yours truly John Norquay”

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| G 8724 | C - 1420 | March 22, 1886 | Letter | Ross Best & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to have Ministers sit for photos to send to Colonial Exhibition. |

MB Exhibit committee asks premier and cabinet to have photos made as part of exhibit

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| G 8724 | C - 1421 | April 19, 1886 | Letter | Mutual Life NY | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of premium falling due 27th. Paid by A.H.R. 27th. |

Premium comes due on 27 April -- $48.75 [pd by Rennie]

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| G 8724 | C - 1422 | March 29, 1886 | Letter | Leary, Geo. | Nelson | Norquay, John | Stating Dufferin Liberal Conservative Association at a meeting held at Morden passed a resolution of confidence in Mr. N. & his gov't. |

But: “I had some little difficulty in endeavoring to get Mr. James Waugh to withdraw an amendment to the resolution. He spoke in a very hostile manner against you …” On a vote, “Waugh stood alone.”

HBR is issue – Waugh’s brother in law “was one of the first to maintain that you would come out all right.” I have another view – “I do not think that with the solid Eastern Capital and population against it, with the Canada Pacific Ry against it, as the CPR line from Winnipeg east would be practically valueless, that we stand any chance whatever of seeing it an accomplished fact for many years.” No govt having spent millions on constructing CPR north of L Superior and with the line “a practical fact”, would now spend “millions more in demonstrating a theory such as the H.B. scheme is to a practical man not at any rate until the C.P.R. was on a substantial basis. I would like as much as any man to see the H.B. route opened up, but a the country between its shores and Wpg is as yet a desert and is likely to remain so. As the cities on the Hudson’s Bay are yet to be built and when built in that inhospitable country would probably consist of a few warehouses, I do not look for such a consummation in this decade…”

Can’t say this “in the present state of feeling….” [also in ch 72 – 1886 election]

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| G 8724 | C - 1423 | March 10, 1886 | Letter | Ruperts Land, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A meeting of Board of Isbister Fund. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1424 | March 10, 1886 | Letter | Imperial Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing duplicate passbook for Jemima Saunders. |

Duplicate passbook for Jemima Saunders’ account – in future cheques will be paid on presentation of duplicate book only”

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| G 8724 | C - 1425 | March 19, 1886 | Letter | Norquay, H. St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Father [Norquay, John] | Asking leave to become a day scholar after end of the term. |

“Dear father I am quite well. I write to you this evening because I don’t expect to see you tomorrow. We are getting on all right at our lessons, we have only to do Roman & Canadian History now & then revise. In case Mamma has not mentioned to you that I wish to stay home & be a day schoolar [sic] at the end of this term, I take this opportunity of informing you & hope that you will think favourably of it. If you think that I can be a day schoolar please mention the matter to Mr. Mattheson [sic] before the end of the term.

I remain Your dutiful son H. Norquay”

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| G 8724 | C - 1426 | April 10, 1886 | Letter | Hawkins, Arthur C. | Swan Lake | Norquay, John | Thanks of S.L.G.C. for trouble of writing Mr. Hill re:Polled Angus bull. |

Resolution of Swan Lake GC – thanks for etc., -- “club much regrets their inability to take advantage of his kindness it being out of their power to raise the funds necessary for the purchase.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1427(a) | April 14, 1886 | Letter | Bundrit, Dennis | City (Winnipeg) | Scarth, W.B. | Re: Position of enumerator. |
| G 8724 | C - 1427(b) | April 14, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for position as enumerator for Denis Brundrit. |

b) Scarth: DB “has been one of the hardest workers in getting out the Voters’ Lists and has always done his utmost for the Party.

a) DB: notes he assisted City Clerk in preparing voters lists for 4 years, was clerk to Judge Ardagh in preparing lists. Worked for the late Alex Sutherland in Kildonan, Miller in Varennes, C.E. Hamilton in this election “and always have stood by the present administrations to the best of my power and hope always to be able to do so.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1428 | April 7, 1886 | Letter | Helliwell, W.J. | Ralphton, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Split in party. |

When we talked “you asked me if we were going to get the split in our party in this county fixed up. Some one must have little to do to start such reports for so far as I know there is no split.” I want to defeat Routledge for the nomination, and so do several others. McLean & I think he would lose “if we have a square convention.” But if he wins, there wldn’t be a split.

We also need “a helping hand” with bridges to Oak Lake, Virden, and Griswold.

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| G 8724 | C - 1429 | March 18, 1886 | Letter | Beaty, James, M.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: The contract let on the M.N.W. Central. |

Received your letter – “a contract has been come to in New York with a Construction Company which has already built some roads in the United States. It is represented to be worth a million of dollars as a corporation. The shareholders in it are said to be worth $15,000,000. There is no doubt about the business character, energy, skill & railway experience of the men engaged; induced to go in by Mr. Seward whom you met. The agreement is in general terms as I stated to you before; is that the company retains control, or 55 per cent of the stock against 45 per cent; issued at $20,000.00 a mile. The Bonds to be at $25,000.00 a mile & to cover the Railway and lands. The practical result will be to get the thing a living affair and have a chance beyond the 150 miles to which this contract relates. The Profits over $15,000 a mile which is charged against the Bonds in the first instance, is to be divided 65 per cent to the construction company and 25 percent clear to the Ry Company, that however is charged with such commissions that nothing I fear will come to us in that matter. We retain all the Bonuses of all kinds – Debentures, land or money. The difficulty is this will, I fear, have to be utilized to get rid of the claims for that old grading that I consider an outrage and should not be forced upon us. We do not get the grading, when did, I was willing to pay for it. Why should we pay for it when we do not get the advantage in any sense. However we will have to work it out in the best way we can. I have drawn a new section and repealing the old one, the seventh of the Act of 1884. The expectation is to get fully to work by May & finish 50 miles before July. They agree to build 50 miles & get the land granted before they ask any money out of the Bonds. When the Road is finished to 50 miles to the extent of 7 per cent & hold the Bonds for a market for sale. Until this appears somewhat clear it cannot be said that the Road will absolutely go on. They can carry the expenditure necessary to finish the 50 miles but would like to be recouped then. I have authority to sell the Bonds or get the Loan wherever I can & can get for so doing 2 ½ per cent Com/n. I have been trying & not yet succeeded. They are also in New York & elsewhere & have great hopes of succeeding soon. I believe the contractors will go on and complete the 50 miles & take the summer if necessary to negotiate the Bonds. That will secure the charter and give time to work out the rest of it. I have to get the charter extended. I forward a copy of the proposed Bill. If we get well into working order before the House rises, I think the Govt would pass the Act confirming the land grant this session. This is my effort & so get out of Parliament & have nothing to do but finance. I do not see why 7 per cent or $17,500.00 a mile should not be had on the Bonds. The Contractors are to pay the interest until they turn the Road over after finishing the 150 miles & in the meantime account for the earnings. There is the land as security – 6400 acres @ $2.50 = $16,000 a mile. That would leave $9000 against the Railway. We have the land located out of the Colonization Company’s lands the best lands in the North West. 150 miles would run into them to some extent. I hope there will be no mishap. It never looked better. Yours faithfully

James Beaty

PS our meeting the other day – nothing was done but elect Geo Pears in place of Mr. Hay M.P. [?] McDonald’s action will have to stand over for a demurrer & will not I think come on until the fall

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| G 8724 | C - 1430(a) | May 12, 1886 | Letter | Doyle, W.A. | Beulah | Norquay, John | Re: Electoral Division. |
| G 8724 | C - 1430(b) | May 17, 1886 | Memo of answer sent | No author | City (Winnipeg) | Doyle, W.A. | Reply sent by Norquay. |

a) Doyle warns that J S Crawford of Birtle is trying to prevent the south half of Shoal Lake country being set apart as a separate constituency. Hamilton is said to agree. This is Birtle selfishness and Hamilton would be suicidal to accept it. Crawford was easily beaten (2 to 1) by Leacock, an outsider. I have always supported your govt but do not “defeat the wishes of the people of Miniota, Oak River and Archie.” We wld resign and become “freelancers – mark my word.”

b) I’ve handed this to Mr. Norquay – Hamilton has not interfered -- the bill has not yet been printed -- & I believe Norquay and his colleagues would accept your wishes. “My [unknown person] views are in favor of Archie, Miniota, and South Oak River being one constituency”

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| G 8724 | C - 1431 | 1886 | Invitation | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John Mr. & Mrs. & Miss | Dinner on 17th February 1886. |

Between the hours of 9 and 12:30 o’clock

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| G 8724 | C - 1432 | March 1, 1886 | Receipt | Smith, Mrs., Housekeeper  Government Buildings | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | $11.50 for Board ending February 28th, 1886. |

Pd by cheque 8 March 1886 – to Mrs Smith by 8 meals as per tickets in February @ 25 cents personal $2.00 plus account rendered in February 9.50 = $11.50

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| G 8724 | C - 1433 | March 5, 1886 | Notice of meeting | Beaty, James, M.P. President, N.W.C. Ry. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Meeting of the Directors at Ottawa No. 99 Elgin Street. |

Re contract for construction, proposed amending bill, and other purposes – you are requested to attend

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| G 8724 | C - 1434 | Feb. 27, 1886 | Letter | Todd, S.P. | Hillview, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Political matters. |

You made a deal in Ottawa, an opposition paper announced it, you denied it; then The Mail published it, and you admitted it. A gentleman asked why this should happen? I am a supporter of yours – please “explain the matter or clear up the misunderstanding I would like to be able to meet or contradict the statement if advanced again.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1435(a) | Sept. 8, 1885 | Letter | Imperial Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | $100.00 for Jemima Sanders. |
| G 8724 | C - 1435(b) | Sept. 10, 1885 | Receipt | Sanders, Jemima | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Sum of $100.00. |
| G 8724 | C - 1435(c) | Sept. 11, 1885 | Letter | MacDougall, J. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Enclosing receipt for above. |

a)enclosed find 10 x $10 bills being amount of Jemima Sanders cheque

b)received from John Norquay the sum of $100. [sgd Jemima Sanders] “X her mark” in presence of J Macdougall

c)to JN: Dear Sir rec’d yours “of 8th inst enclosing $100 for Jemima Sanders – I handed over the funds and took a receipt as required. Receipt enclosed. Yours truly J. MacDougall”

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| G 8724 | C - 1436 | March 2, 1886 | Letter | Bunn, Jno. R. | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Asking JN’s influence to secure position of postmaster at Rat Portage. |

“…I have presumed on the kindness with which you have always treated me…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1437(a) | Jan. 2, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | In code.3 pages! Ends “Answer quickly” |
| G 8724 | C - 1437(b) | Jan. 29, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | "When do you leave there Am acting with all haste on your message". |
| G 8724 | C - 1437(c) | Jan. 29, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | In Code "Mrs. Norquay very much better wrote you yesterday". |
| G 8724 | C - 1437(d) | Jan. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Your passes arrived - where to send them. |
| G 8724 | C - 1437(e) | Jan. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | In code. “Mrs. Norquay improving” |
| G 8724 | C - 1437(f) | Jan. 31, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: Pass Chicago to Saint Paul. Will reach Toronto Wednesday Shall I mail certificate  Mrs. Norquay no worse |
| G 8724 | C - 1437(g) | Feb. 1, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: Mailed pass to Toronto. [Note on obverse]  [see below]. |
| G 8724 | C - 1437(h) | Feb. 2, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [Queens HotelToronto] | Miss Bella will not leave her mother. Mrs. Norquay improving please wire when you leave St. Paul so I can meet you |

Ottawa at Russell House, and Toronto at Queen’s

Note on back of 1 Feb: “Govt will pass an explanatory act & legislation of Man in passing its act will refer to explanatory Fed act in [?connection?] therewith my construction of 32.43 instead of 27.77 being accepted” [meaning not clear]

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| G 8724 | C - 1438 | Nov. 24, 1885 | Telegram | Boultbee, A. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Asking Mr. N. when he leaves for New York. |

“When will you be here on way to New York and when will leave for New York”

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| G 8724 | C - 1439 | Nov. 18, 1885 | Telegram | Wilson, D.H. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John [in Toronto] | In code. |

“Send particulars….[6 words] King Street reporter in Winnipeg papers” [D H Wilson is “Fifteen Two” in code]

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| G 8724 | C - 1440 | Nov. 21, 1885 | Telegram | Sanford, W.E. | Hamilton | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Asking Mr. N. whether he will wait until Tuesday morning for him. |

“It is important I should be in Ottawa Tuesday morning Cant you remain until then”

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| G 8724 | C - 1441 | Feb. 25, 1886 | Letter | Bradbury, Geo. H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Icelandic vote. |

“I have been feeling my way quietly and feel satisfied that I can carry the Icelandic vote to a man & think I could get the most of the votes on Lake St. Martin. Of course I would get the vote of the mill men on Lake Winnipeg….” So I could win the constituency if you make it and you would like me to run. Let me know.

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| G 8724 | C - 1442 | Feb. 24, 1886 | Letter | Morgan, Henry J. | Ottawa, Ont. | Macdonald, Sir John A. | Re: Distribution of Confederation medals to Archbishop Tache & Bishop MacLean. |

Re JN’s note to you – that you referred to Mr. Chapleau. The latter will include Tache and MacLean “in the next report made to Council for a distribution of the Confederation Medal.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1443 | Feb. 24, 1886 | Letter | Maxwell, A. | Camille, Man. | Norquay, John | Apologizing for not meeting Mr. N. at end of the track. |

Because I “was tied hand and foot in bed, have been here for a month and will have to stay for some time yet. I expect to get off with the loss of a couple of toes, I had no money to pay a Doctor so I cut off one myself, I am getting used to this kind of thing but to tell you the truth it is getting monotonous.” I’ll support you if I have to crawl to the polls.

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| G 8724 | C - 1444 | Feb. 25, 1886 | Letter | Leary, William | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Enclosing rules & constitution of their Association. |

Conservative Club’s rules enclosed. We would like to go into S. Norfolk constituency. We could use a post office – 10 miles to nearest – it is said a word from you would make an office sure.

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| G 8724 | C - 1445 | March 2, 1886 | Letter | Kirchoffer, J. Nesbitt (lawyer | Souris | Norquay, John | Petition being circulated re Railway extension. Acknowledged 13 March 1886. |

Oakland RM re lack of rly – petition – “pledging the signants to vote against the Govt candidate in the event of the line not being built west from Holland…. Of course, the people in Oakland are suffering more even than we are, for lack of Railway Communication….The road is now between 30 & 40 miles from Oakland in a direct route for them and should it be now deflected south of the bend of the river by Langdale there would be the damdest row you ever heard in that country and a government man needn’t show his fact there to either Grit or Tory, for their politics are Railway.”

You should find out from Egan where they plan to go. Mtg in Oakland soon “and you can bet it will be a ‘rouser.’… I have made good use of your last letter on the same subject.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1446 | March 9, 1886 | Letter | Menarey, J.S. | Cartwright | Norquay, John | Re: Election matters. Acknowledged 13 March 1886. |

We’re not organized yet but will be soon. If Louise and Derby are thrown together Greenway would lose, esp. if R Rogers ran against him. Could I be returning officer?

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| G 8724 | C - 1447 | March 9, 1886 | Receipt | Dominion Coal Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for coal $30.00. |

Rec’d $30 from JN

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| G 8724 | C - 1448 | March 9, 1886 | Receipt | Jackes, F.R. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $30.00. |

Hardware – rec’d from JN

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| G 8724 | C - 1449 | April 5, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, J.L. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Meeting held for purpose or organizing Association & resolution passed re: Electoral Division. |

30th ult, “a very enthusiastic meeting of Conservatives was held at Menoto for the purpose of forming a county organization….” Range 23 not a good bet to add to this county “having a majority of Grits” – Resolution reads: “riding be composed of Ranges 24 to 29 inclusive, Tps 1 to 6 inclusive”

“I believe Turtle Mtn can carry range 23 without risk as that county has a majority of about 170 Conservatives as it now stands. You may rest assured, Sir, we have some good ‘Norquay men’ here and when the proper time comes we shll not be caught napping. Your present course in the House is having a most salutary effect even upon many of those who were previously opposed to your government. Keep on as you are and you will come out of this session stronger than ever.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1450 | Feb. 23, 1886 | Letter | Walker, J.W. | Stonewall | Norquay, John | Political questions & asking for the position of Sessional Writer. |

He defends “straight forward open voting” against “the ballot system” [still open in ’86?]

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| G 8724 | C - 1451 | Feb. 8, 1886 | Letter | Setter, C.C. | High Bluff | B. in Law [Norquay, John] | Re: Timber being stolen from Mr. N.'s farm. |

Re the lot I sold you – “I still own 40 acres along side it so yesterday I was informed that parties was taking out house timber from my part so today I went to see & found it to be true & also Mack was taking dry firewood of your & another party drawing oak timber from it.” Mack says you gave him care of it and that he could take all the dry wood he wished. “I and Mack don’t pull together since he left the old man because I told him only for him Alick would got something more from the old man than he did always putting stuff in the old man’s head so in account of this he’s just tried to show to these parties [the woodcutters] that he was the man for looking after your Bush & not me….”

“I am now staying up at your old place now…”

“PS Give them commissioners a stirring up down there & tell them we want our pay before the next rebellion”

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| G 8724 | C - 1452 | [No Date] | Invitation | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Dinner at Gov't. House 4 March 1886. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1453 | Feb. 19, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Wanting to see Mr. N. Asking that a time be set. |

I want to see you on private and confidential business. Would like to see you tomorrow (Saturday) evening, if convenient, at your room in Legislative Building.” Telegraph, and will get the 2:25 train.

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| G 8724 | C - 1454 | Feb. 16, 1886 | Letter | Helliwell, W.J. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting at Virden. |

Mtg fixed for 25 at 1:00. Come on train on 24th. Lindsay at Griswold wld like mtg but that wld spoil Virden mtg. – Speakers at Virden: JN, CE Hamilton; Wilson; Harrison MPP, Hugh J Macdonald; TM Daly;

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| G 8724 | C - 1455 | Jan. 19, 1886 | Letter | Clouston, A.C. | Somerset | Norquay, John | Keeping Municipalities of Lorne & South Norfolk intact into an Electoral Division. |

“I thank you for your kind expressions regarding my probably candidature for Lorne & South Norfolk, the formation of these two municipalities intact into an Electoral Division. I am aware will be strongly opposed in Manitou… Since I saw you a Lib.Con. Association has been organized at Norquay….

“Hoping you will give the Opposition such a castigation at the approaching session that they won’t have a leg to stand upon ….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1456 | Feb. 9, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Granville, British Columbia | Norquay, John | Re: Advance on sessional allowance. |

I need money, am asking for advance on Legislature a/c re sessional allowance. Times are very dull here, CPR not yet commencing operations – will remain home in Manitoba and appreciate it. I sent telegraph collect – have no money – re advance -- but no answer.

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| G 8724 | C - 1457 | Feb. 16, 1886 | Letter | Hopper, D.A. | Rapid City | Norquay, John | Re: Martin's charges at Watson Banquet at Rapid City. |

Banquet for R Watson MP: Martin “denounced you for your betraying the trust imposed [sic] in you by the People of High Bluff some fourteen years ago…You pledged yourself to oppose the French Government &c&c” Is this true?

“He also said you had nine assistants in your office as Provincial Treasurer at high salaries….True? please give names

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| G 8724 | C - 1458 | Nov. 1885 | Telegrams | Rennie, Alf. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa & Toronto] | In cipher. |

5 wires: 17 Nov 85 – Queen’s Hotel Toronto

18 Nov -- “Sheriff decline to sell at present owing to wind-up order being granted” Queens Hotel Toronto

21 Nov – cipher – “family well” at end – sent to Russell House

23 Nov – “ -- “your family perfectly well” at end – Russell House

24 Nov – “when may I expect you – Family well” at end – Russell House

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| G 8724 | C - 1459 | Nov. 24, 1885 | Telegrams | Wilkie, D.R. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Asking Mr. N. what evening he will dine with him. |

“On what evening can you give me the pleasure of your company at dinner”

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| G 8724 | C - 1460 | April 24, 1886 | Letter | Cranston, Wm. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to use his influence with Mr. Egan in his behalf to secure him position. |

Or position in govt offices…

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| G 8724 | C - 1461 | April 29, 1886 | Receipts | Brown & Coblentz | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $20.00. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1462(a) | March 26, 1886 | Letter | White, Hon. Thomas Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Order in council in relation to Swamp Lands. |
| G 8724 | C - 1462(b) | April 30, 1886 | Letter | Lyndwode Pereira Department of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Letter enclosing copy of letter of March 26, 1886 |

a)putting though o-i-c on swamp lands – 2 surveyors appted, 1 for each govt, to consider “all legal subdivisions the greater part of which are subject to overflow and thereby rendered unfit for cultivation….” – does this meet your views?

b) same

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| G 8724 | C - 1463 | March 31, 1886 | Letter | Thompson, J. | St. Paul's, Man. | Norquay, John | Enclosing note for $90.96 & reminding Mr. N. of note of $52.00 which falls due on 4 April 1886. |

General Merchant, St. Paul’s and Parkdale: [to JN in Winnipeg]:

a)31 March 1886 – your note of $52. Falls due on 4 April 1886

b)10 November 1885 – promissory note: from J Norquay promising to pay J. Thompson $90.96 in 2 months hence – “Paid” scrawled on it but not dated.

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| G 8724 | C - 1464 | April 15, 1886 | Letter | White, Fred Comptroller, N.W. Police | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: The Mounted Police required by Province. |

Last year you applied to Sir John and he consented to “the employment of a detachment of Mounted Police in Southern Manitoba” – this was a temporary arrangement “until a local force could be organized. You’ll probably need a force again in the spring. “Should you still wish the Mounted Police to look after your Frontier, I would suggest that in your application you state that the Province will recoup the Dominion for the maintenance of the detachment while on duty in Manitoba.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1465 | May 4, 1886 | Letter | Mackeand, Col. A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Distribution of medals at Drill Hall. |

Medals for the 90th – seats on platform for you and colleagues

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| G 8724 | C - 1466 | April 2, 1886 | Letter | Leary, Geo. | Nelson | Norquay, John | The political sky. |

Tell your supporters when announcements are coming – not your enemies.

“I believe your Govt stands today on the firmest footing which it has ever attained, thanks in a great measure to your own efforts.” Keep HBR construction “strategically” in abeyance.

John J Cochrane had been promised office of sheriff. No longer. Why not?

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| G 8724 | C - 1467 | Feb. 27, 1886 & April 30, 1886 | Receipts | Kenneth Murchison & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $2.50. Paid 5 May 1886. |

Bill on 27 Feb, Paid on 5 May

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| G 8724 | C - 1468 | April 22, 1886 | Letter | Helliwell, W.J. | Ralphton, Man. | Norquay, John | Two representatives for the County of Dennis. |

1885 population figures tabled in House – our County of Dennis had 2935 – probably 3400 by now – deserve 2 seats – can be sure they will be “good Conservatives”

“The country seems to feel better over the charges made against you since they are being investigated and they see what little there really is in the charges made….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1469 | April 28, 1886 | Receipt | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $16.30. No action. |

Boot and shoe – 1 March –

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| G 8724 | C - 1470 | May 1, 1886 | Receipt | Aikins, J.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $3.90. Paid. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1471 | April 30, 1886 & May 3, 1886 | Receipt | H.B. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $2.40. Paid 3 May 1886. |

Bill of Feb – pd

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| G 8724 | C - 1472 | Dec. 2 & Dec. 21, 1885 | Letters | Adams, James | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Family matters. |

2 Dec: “My dear Uncle I suppose you have give up hopes of ever receiving a letter from me again but however this will surprise you. The Indians are again gathering & another uprising is expected before very long. The citizens of Prince Albert are rather excited One Indian Instructor left his station to come & tell the Police that Indians on his reserve got a letter from some Indians & Battleford saying that if they would not join them they would have to fight against them. All the Sioux Indians from here have gone up to Carleton. Mamma and all the rest of the folks at home are quite well. Business is rather dull this while back everything quiet with exception of the Indians Give my very best love to Auntie So with love & best wishes to you & hoping to hear from you soon I remain Your loving Nephew S Adams

PS Do you care about buying any Halfbreed grants if so what will you give

Will write before Xmas again”

Red Deer Hill 21 Dec 1885 [this is a different, less mature penmanship]

“My Dear Uncle What is up with Bella that we never hear anything from her – Papa is going in to cutter making now this winter he made one cutter for us and one for sale and he made one jumper [?] for Henry Ward he is going to dig a well for us. He is making another jumper for us Papa is going to make 3 more cutters he will sell them for $52.00 dollars to the people out here but to the people he will sell three for $60.00 dollars.

I wish that Andrew was out here. I have to clean out the Bire [byre] now and water 6 cows and two oxen and 3 teams of horses pretty near every day we are got 3 teams of horses and 2 colts, a spring colt and 1 year old colt that will be 2 yrs old in the spring. Annie and I and Kate will be going to school after New Year. I wish you all a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I guess I must close with love to you and all, I remain, Your loving nephew Jos. Heywood Adams

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| G 8724 | C - 1473 | Autumn Term 1885 | Bill | St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $457.00 also arrears and interest $288.10. Re: Horace and Andrew. |

Autumn term 1885: entrance charge for Andrew $50; board for term $85; tuition $15; books $14; laundress $8.15; library .50; cash .70; cathedral .50 = $173.90

Plus arrears $288.10 and interest 7.00 minus scholarship of $5.00 = $457

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| G 8724 | C - 1474 | Dec. 17, 1885 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | Crystal City | Norquay, John | In Cypher. |

Sgd “Fred”

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| G 8724 | C - 1475 | Oct. 13, 1885 | Receipt | Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $12.00. Re: Bedson dinner. |

“To amount of subscription to complimentary dinner to S.L.Bedson Esqr, 36 present, 28 subscribers” $12.00

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| G 8724 | C - 1476 | Dec. 11, 1885 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Re: Portrait money & Alex's letter. |

Rec’d draft from Nursey of $30. on account. And he hopes to pay balance by end of month. I told him of your paying $20 on account. I give you all this privately.

PS “do not forget your promise of a copy of your son’s letter which I so much desire it will be kept sacred – also one of your speeches.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1477 | Winter term 1885 - 1886 | Receipt | St. John's College | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $582.28. Re: Horace and Andrew. |

Term Winter 1885-86 arrears 468.42 – plus 118.86 – less $5 for s’ship = $582.28

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| G 8724 | C - 1478 | 1882 - 1883 | Memo |  | [No Location] |  | Memo of a/cs amounting to $552.87. |

I’ve photocopied these 2 pages – loan to JN, payment of life insurance premiums, Miss Norquay’s bill of $50.00, suppers in May 1883 for $25 – Charles Adams for $15.00, taxes on Lot 61 and an interest payment on the lot; this could be simple enough, or perhaps not so simple – paid out of Govt funds and then reimbursed, at least for the $214.80 noted on a separate sheet, and deducted from the total of $552.87.

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| G 8724 | C - 1479 | Dec. 21, 1885 | Letter | Mandel, A. GenMgr, St. Paul, Minn.  & MB Ry. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Enclosing 2 annual passes over the St. P. M. & M. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1480 | Nov. 2, 1883 | Receipt | Tait, T.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Agreement as to Oxen. |

“On or before Nov 8t instant I agree to deliver up to Hon John Norquay at his residence in St Andrews two working oxen sold to me by the said John Norquay, the said oxen to be in good working condition having failed to pay for them as I had agreed to and in default of delivering the said oxen within the time herein stipulated by me I agree to pay one hundred and eighty dollars to the said John Norquay [A F Tait?]

Witness Thos A Wade [farm]

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| G 8724 | C - 1481 | June - Aug. 17, 1884 | Receipt | Smith, Mrs. W.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $16.25. Paid in cash  $15.00. Re: Meals. |

To Mrs Smith 65 meals @25 c $16.25 recorded in pencil on mess tickets

Tickets weekly: June/July: Monday 2, wed 2, fri 2, sat 1 = 7

7-12 July: 2; tue 4; wed 4; thur 2; fri 3; sat 2 = 17

14-19 July: tue 2; wed 2; thur 4; fri 3; sat 2 = 13

21-26 July: mon 4; tue 2; wed 1; thur 3; fri 3; = 13

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| G 8724 | C - 1482 | [No Date] | Memo |  | [No Location] |  | Lands in different parts of province. |

Very odd list of sections and ½ sections – 30 in total – one in Otterburn “subject to stake claims,” but 5 others in Otterburn not; 2 in Crystal City; 7 in Westbourne, and 15 others in various places from Darlingford to Manitoba City to Portage etc.

The meaning is unknown: family halfbreed claims allocated? Purchase and speculation?

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| G 8724 | C - 1483 | 1886 | Letter | Constantine, H.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Constantine's absence. |

“Dear Sir I have given out that Mr. Constantine is visiting in Montreal. His work took him there he got one day to run out to see his father and our son Harry. He returned that night and went to work on his case at once. I have not heard from him for some time, and of course talk all the more of his visit at his house.

Feeling sorry to trouble you. But thinking you should have some explanation – I am Yours sincerely, H.A. Constantine

Saturday evg. [very odd?]

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| G 8724 | C - 1484 | May 26, 1886 | Letter | Washburn, Mrs. A.S.[Helen] | Hull, Que. | Norquay, John | Re: The late fire in Hull. |

Re your letter of 22nd: Fire didn’t affect us. Albert’s brother is ill. Albert had the cautery applied in New York and then here, yesterday – very painful – should recover. “I hope your trip to Ottawa will take place before he leaves for New York again as I am quite sure a talk with you will cheer him up immensely….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1485 | July 26, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford, Man. | Norquay, John | Stating that it would be better to postpone his visit until 1 September. Dealt with by Mr. N. |

Harvest on – can’t get people together – wait until Sept.?

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| G 8724 | C - 1486 | May 21, 1886 | Letter | The Manitoban Ptg. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking that the Manitoban be furnished to the Country. |

MPPs ask at what rate we could provide Weekly Manitoban to non-subscribers between end of session and time of election. It would be “a thorough campaign paper,” and the Govt’s record and policy and Opposition’s course will be placed before the people “in a consecutive and systematic manner.”

Annotation on reverse: “Dear Mr. Norquay: Will you pardon me if I ask what has been done in this line, Don’t you think we should send the Weekly Manitoban to your most influential supporters until after the elections. The ‘F.P.’ will no doubt be sent far and near and we must not be behind them. Yours, AWP”

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| G 8724 | C - 1487 | May 20, 1886 | Receipt | Dom. C.C. & T. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Coal for Mr. Norquay's residence on account $28.50. Paid. |

Dominion Coal, Coke, & Transportation Co. – balance due – pd

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| G 8724 | C - 1488 | Feb. 15, 1886 | Letter | Parr, John | Bradwardine, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Election matters. |

I support you – have known you since ’74 – will be a tough election

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| G 8724 | C - 1489 | March 12, 1886 | Letter | Ellis, W.F. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Enclosing resolutions passed at a meeting held there on evening of 11th March. |

Several resolns on nomination and redistribution and redrawing of riding boundaries --

Last, moved by Pennefather, thanks to Hon John Norquay for support of interprov’l rlys, and “for his successful efforts in carrying out the extension of the Manitoba Southwestern lines and the construction of the Manitoba Northwestern, at a much earlier date than was generally supposed these lines would be built; and that they view with much satisfaction the position he has taken in calling for a Royal Commission to enquire into the gross and as this association believes, foundationless charges which have been brought against him – carried unanimously.” [excerpt from unnamed newspaper “Manitou Lib.Con. Association” is title of story]

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| G 8724 | C - 1490 | Jan. 4, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Documents from Alex Begg. |

Letterhead of Cda NW Land Co “My Dear Norquay Begg has sent me from London a whole lot of documents, which he is anxious I should see you about. I think he told me that he had mentioned the matter to you and that you would meet me when you had leizure.[sic] If you will kindly let me know what day I can see you on the subject I will bring up all the papers and go over them with you.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1491 | Dec. 26, 1885 | Letter | McDonell, John | Montrose | Norquay, John | Introducing "Son" Re: N.W.C. Ry. |

Son has info on NW Central – “I have just returned from Rapid City where we are getting everyone to sign petitions for the old Grade….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1492 | Jan. 9 & 11, 1886 | Telegrams | Operator | Cherry Creek | Norquay, John | Re: Answers to messages from Deloraine. |

“Am informed mail for Souris does not leave until wednesday & mail for Deloraine until Saturday. See yours of today from J. Norquay and advise.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1493 | Oct. 21, 1885 | Letter | La Riviere, A.A.C. | St. Boniface | Norquay, John | Re: Governor General's trip to St. Boniface. |

“I will have a cab at Government offices, tomorrow morning, at a quarter to ten, for the members of the Government who intend to accompany the Governor General on his visit to St. Boniface. You would do me a favor by accepting the present invitation. Yours truly”

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| G 8724 | C - 1494 | Dec. 31, 1885 | Letter | Saunders, Geo. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Ministers' salary. St. Andrews. |

Meetings held in St A… though you no longer give your usual subscription, could you give some? Can I talk over with you alternatives – crop the church property, how to secure cooperation of the right people etc

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| G 8724 | C - 1495 | Dec. 25, 1885 | Letter | Machray, R. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to write for the St. John's College Magazine. |

I’m helping start this magazine as a kind of editor-in-chief: “Would you kindly write a short paper on St. John’s in your time? Just anything you like in the way of recollections of the place – say half-a-dozen pages of better paper.” [check \*\*\*]

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| G 8724 | C - 1496 | Dec. 31, 1885 | Letter | Phillips, John | Chicago, Illinois | Norquay, John | Re: Portrait. |

I’ve drawn upon Nursey for the full balance bec. I’m in great need – I wired you to explain

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| G 8724 | C - 1497 | Jan. 4, 1886 | Letter | Lang, Geo. M. | Langvale | Norquay, John | Re: By-Laws of Conservative Association. |

We’ve set up a “Liberal-Conservative Assn in this district…” please send model constitn and bylaws or name of Wpg Assocn’s secretary to advise.

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| G 8724 | C - 1498 | Jan. 1886 | Invitation | Winnipeg Typographical Union | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: First annual dinner. |

16 Jan in celebration of Ben Franklin’s birthday at 8:30 at Grand Union Hotel

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| G 8724 | C - 1499 | Nov. 3, 1885 | Letter | McBeth, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment of Mulvey as J.P. Note by J.N. on obverse. Appointed Mar. 30, 1886. |

Lawyer – I spoke to you about this around the end of March and “on your authority” assured Mulvey the apptmt would be made. He acted on my assurance. Please make the apptmt and “date it from say the 30th March last. I believe it would do the Government no harm to do this and would let me out.”

JN on obverse: “My dear Charlie: Bring this matter up and get a commission corresponding to date requested if necessary. As I understand he Mulvey acted as JP supposing he had been apptd. JN”

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| G 8724 | C - 1500 | Jan. 8, 1886 | Letter | McKenzie, A.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for rent for house No. 18 Hallet St., Winnipeg. |

Yours of 5th inst with rent to 31 Dec/85 rec’d with thanks

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| G 8724 | C - 1501 | Jan. 3, 1886 | Letter | Muckle, R.J.F. | Ballydrain, Clandeboye | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment N.W.C. Ry. |

Jas Beaty is an old time friend – I need a position – please help me –experience as supply and transport agent with CPR from 81 to 84 – “through the fraud of a trusted friend I am once more ‘afoot’ & must begin the world again.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1502 | Dec. 31, 1885 | Postcard | Pinkham, W.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting of Synod. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1503 | Dec. 25, 1885 | Letter | Monkman, James | Lisgar | Norquay, John | Re: Gimli P.O. |

“I have always been of the opinion that the Icelandic Settlement was a part of your constituency.” You must help them get what they have failed to accomplish – Gimli post office has closed bec. its former contract holder (Frederickson) moved his sawmill to White Mud River, and it was no longer convenient to stop in with steamboat and barges, so he convinced authorities to move the post office to White Mud river. Help them get a Gimli p.o.

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| G 8724 | C - 1504 | Jan. 7, 1886 | Letter | Helliwell, W.J. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Chairmanship W.J.D.B. |

Our municipal elections over – 3 conservative reeves, one doubtful

WJBD – Kirckhoffer likely reelected as member for here.

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| G 8724 | C - 1505(a) | Jan. 27, 1886 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Jeffrey, J.G. | Re: Application for position; Mr. N. in Ottawa. |
| G 8724 | C - 1505(b) | Jan. 30, 1886 | Letter | Jeffrey, J.G. | Virden | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: Position as train mail clerk. |

Jeffrey writes that they had a meeting of Lib Cons. Association -- about 30 present

Hope to hold big meeting with JN present

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| G 8724 | C - 1506 | Feb. 3, 1886 | Letter | Pruden, Wm. | P.O. West Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Change of land belonging to his son Thomas. |

Pls use your influence with Govt “to effect an exchange of the land he now holds viz 240 acres Range 2 East of Principal Meridian Section SouthEast ¼ of 25 in this province county of Lisgar for 160 acres in the immediate neighborhood of Poplar Point T.16 Sec. 9. Range 6. My reasons for wishing to effect this exchange if it is possible are that my son Thomas may be located near to the claims held by my other 2 sons Willie & Jacob. So that each may help along the other.

“We are all well here. Everything in this neighborhood is quiet – but we are all waiting for the Hudson Bay Road to start – when I hope times will brighten up. Believe me, Respectfully yours, Wm. Pruden”

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| G 8724 | C - 1507 | Feb. 12, 1886 | Letter | Imperial Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking acknowledgement of letter dated 2nd inst. |

Note for $1,000 signed by you, transferred to this bank, is due on 23rd inst.

And a letter: “Please acknowledge receipt of my letter of 2nd inst & oblige…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1508 | Jan. 19, 1886 | Letter | Egan, Jno. N., Gen. Supt. C.P.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Station at Darlingford. |

West Division of CPR,

“The people east of where Darlingford Station is located are very anxious to have the station moved to the high ground near where the Tank is, but I have told them we could not do this unless it was satisfactory to you.

“If you now desire to have the Station changed, I can write them that the matter is altogether in your hands, and then you could have them understand that whatever is done in the matter, same will be a concession on your part to them.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1509 | Jan. 18, 1886 | Letter | Thompson, J. | St. Pauls, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Note at Imperial Bank of $90.96. |

Merchant in Parkdale and St Paul’s – Your note for $90.96 fell due on 13th inst at Imperial Bank – “as you were out of the city I attended to it myself. If you could send a cheque for the amt to the Bank before Friday you would greatly oblige Yours truly”

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| G 8724 | C - 1510 | Jan. 23, 1886 | Letter | Hope, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Leaving a ticket for Mr. N. |

Ticket for concert & ball – “I will call for amt of same…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1511 | Jan. 14, 1886 | Receipt | Knights of Pythias | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Amount due to Lodge $6.00. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1512 | Jan. 28, 1886 | Letter | Chicago, Minn.& St. Paul R.R. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Enclosing annual pass. |

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Company – season pass #1100

Acknowledged by AHR 1/2/86 [Rennie still there]

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| G 8724 | C - 1513 | Jan. 23, 1883 | Letter | Macdougall, J. | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Re: Jemima Sanders. |

Re yours of 20 inst – if you send the money to me, I’ll deliver it as you direct

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| G 8724 | C - 1514 | April 5, 1886 | Letter | Ballenden, John | Medicine Hat, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Asking to be again appointed Surgeon at Sask. Coal Cos. Mine. |

“Sir Two years ago through the intervention of Capn Wm Kennedy of St Andrews you were kind enough to give me the apptmt of Surgeon to the Saskatchewan Mines up here – it is said that they are about being re-opened. May I again solicit your influence to obtain a continuance of the office…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1515 | April 5, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Re: Ambitious candidate for political honors. |

Yours of 31 March to hand – many ambitious men in the county – each twp has its candidate and its local ambition. All is “above board – fair & square, and in the interest of the Party & Country. You need not fear any great dissention [sic] in Turtle Mountain, as it only wants discussion and a little tact to bring matters right. There will be a meeting on Wednesday at Boissevain when I trust all difficulties will be smoothed over…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1516 | Feb. 26, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Grassville , British Columbia | Norquay, John | Asking draft of $200.00 accepted to enable him to come to Winnipeg. |

Yours of 18th just rec’d – sorry didn’t receive word earlier of House sitting on 4th “as now it will be impossible for me to get there in time…. I did not get the funds Mr. Brown so kindly wired the Bank he would accept my dft for $200 money is very tight here & I don’t know what to do but you will find me true some way…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1517 | March 6, 1886 | Letter | Saunders, Geo. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Asking submission to Minister at St. Andrews. |

Your half-yr subscription due 1 April – we netted $15.50 at our concert

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| G 8724 | C - 1518 | May 26, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating he has telegraphed to Ottawa recommending young McDonald. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1519 | [No Date] | Invitation | St. Andrews Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John and ladies | Grand Concert & Ball on 25 January 1885. |

Monday, 25 Jan 1886 at Holy Trinity Hall at 9:00 pm “Burns’ Anniversary Entertainment”

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| G 8724 | C - 1520 | Jan. 5, 1886 | Letter | Brereton, J.W. | Cross Lake, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking for his salary as Stipendiary Magistrate for four months. |

I wrote 27 Nov – surely you don’t want me to act as Stipendiary Magistrate for 4 months and not pay me. Walker appted me in 1882 at Flat Creek “and whilst he and I were in Brandon together and living in the same house he promised me faithfully to see me paid for my services. Appted again at Rat Portage in March 1883 but office was destroyed by fire in Dec – all papers gone. But I called on you on 9 Dec and you promised me to see what you could do. I need money. At least pay for services rendered at Flat Creek, Virden, Minnedosa, Carberry, Elkhorn and surrounding country in 1882.

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| G 8724 | C - 1521 | Jan. 13, 1886 | Letter | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale | Norquay, John | Re: Gillies as Chairman of W.J.D.B. |

Helliwell asked me to endorse him, and I said I would if no one from this county applied. Gillies, mayor of Minnedosa, has been defeated, asks for the job – he is a good Conservative, has discharged his duties at the Board well – has good business habits

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| G 8724 | C - 1522 | Jan. 11, 1886 | Letter | Hooper, Jim Winnipeg Typographers'  Union | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to respond to toast "Senate, House of Commons & Local Leg. On 16th. |

Hooper is at Manitoban office

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| G 8724 | C - 1523 | Dec. 19, 1885 | Letter | Eden, Arthur F. M. & N.W. Ry. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: $2000.00 advance to Scandinavians. |

The rly co could guarantee this only if the money is paid into the credit of the rly co, “in which case we would give the men employment at once & guarantee the repayments of the money to the Government.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1524 | Dec. 21, 1885 | Letter | Stewart, James | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Asking for a loan & Gov't. Patronage. See L.B. "F" p31 24 December. |

I publish the Selkirk *Record* but have a note due of $180. “I therefore make bold to ask you if you would be so kind as to help me in this little difficulty. The note becomes due on the 28th inst.” I won’t sit astraddle the fence as the old *Herald* did – I’ll be Conservative “and a strong supporter of your Government.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1525 | Dec. 19, 1885 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Cons. Organization. See L.B. "F" pp32 & 33. 24 Dec. |

Mun. of Louise delegates from branch assocns met at Pilot Mound today, and Fraser and I will go to Lorne next to arrange Conservative organizn for electoral divn of Mountain. Wld be well if you wrote some of the people “up there at once… asking them to turn out. Advise if we shd nominate “their coming candidate at an early date, or if you would consider it more prudent to wait awhile.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1526 | Feb. 8, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Inspection & insurance of boilers. |

Boilers in govt bldgs. – please take necessary steps to inspect and insure – 3 in Selkirk Asylum, 2 in Leg Bldgs, 1 in LtGov residence, 1 in Court House, and 2 in Brandon

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| G 8724 | C - 1527 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Alcock, W.G. | Melbourne, Man. | Norquay, John | Political situation in their district. |

We live in a Grit constituency – we want to win for Conservatives. In these parts there are 10 subscribers to FP for 1 of Manitoban “and the Grit teachings are (perhaps) slowly but surely having their effect, and in many families it is sapping their Conservative principles right at the foundation. Send them free to “every applicant (or every ratepayer)”, an “ably written Conservative paper (Manitoban if you like)….”

We need meetings at Carberry and Austin or McGregor

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| G 8724 | C - 1528 | July 5 & 13, 1886 | Telegrams | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Asking if Sir John is coming out & re: Election Act. Also asking if he will accept an address at Pilot Mound. Note on reverse. |

5 July) “When is Sir John expected to be coming to Southern Manitoba Send me an election act by express”

13 July) “Will Sir John accept a short address at Pilot Mound”

Reply from WHR: “Mr Norquay away I think he would gladly accept your proposal”

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| G 8724 | C - 1529 | July 20, 1886 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Horses of Mr. Henry King of Foxton. |

Two horses affected with glanders – ordered destroyed – valued at $265 total – “He believes that his animals contracted the disease while at the front in the transport service, and he intends sending in a claim to the Minister of Militia, respecting which he is going to ask you to write.” Neither local nor provl govts will pay compensation.

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| G 8724 | C - 1530 | July 13, 1886 | Telegram | Brown, C.P. | Gladstone | Norquay, John | Asking when Sir John leaves. Note on reverse. |
| G 8724 | C - 1531 | July 13, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Birtle | Norquay, John | Asking when Sir John goes on. Note on reverse. |
| G 8724 | C - 1532 | July 14, 1886 | Telegram | Morton, G. | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Asking when Sir John will arrive there. Note on reverse. |
| G 8724 | C - 1533 | July 14, 1886 | Telegram | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Asking what time Sir John will arrive at P.M. Note on reverse. |

1530: JN away; Sir John here until Saturday I think. Will keep you posted. Rennie

1531: Think Sir John goes west Monday will keep you posted JN away. Rennie

1532: “What hour to arrive and if by regular or special”

JN away ”Sir John goes by special & will arrive there about three P.M. Thursday”

AHR Secretary

1533: “What time may we expect Sir John all arrangements made to present an address”

“Sir John will arrive there about thirteen o’clock AHR”

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| G 8724 | C - 1534 | July 10, 1886 | Postcard | Bennett & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating $1.00 will buy picture of the members of Parliament. |

Provl assembly – “We have just finished some very fine large group photos of the members of parliament and will be pleased to mail one upon receipt of $1.00

Resp/ty Yours Bennett & Co 460 Main St.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1535 | Jan. 7, 1886 | Letter | Norquay, John | Asseppie[sic] Man. | Norquay, John and ladies | Claim on Gov't. cut off by first survey re: price of land around Winnipeg & establishment of a Colony. |

Hon John Dear Sir I drop you a line to let you know that I am still in the land of the liveing [sic] and well hoping this will find you and yours in the injoyment [sic] of good health I am going down to see you about the end of this month I have a claim of the Goverment [sic] for land I was deprived of by the first survey in the country if you remember I bought land from John Sanderson consisting of about 288 acres and was left with only 35 acres I look to you as a friend and a brother to press my claim when I come down as I think I have a right to the land that cost me $250 two hundred and fifty dollars would you kindly let me know my chance of geting [sic] scrip instead I am sorry to say times are very hard in this part of the country I put in 40 acres last spring and did not get so much as feed a chicken

I doe[sic] not believe in this part of the country for farmeing[sic] the frost comes on so early yet I hope their[sic] will be a change what would be the chance of getting land for a colony there is an inglishman[sic] hear[sic] would like to know as he has a lot of friends he would felch out and settle a colony weare[sic] he to get land as a colony and knew what he could obtain it for would you kindly give me an answer so doeing[sic] you will greatly oblige yours truly, John Norquay” [cousin]

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| G 8724 | C - 1536 | Jan. 11, 1886 | Letter & Brochure | Jones, Dr. P.E. | Hagersville, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for a contribution to his journal "The Indian". |

Prospectus for subscribers – and perhaps also to write a contribution.

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| G 8724 | C - 1537(a) | Jan. 9, 1886 | Letter | Holt, Richard | Rat Portage | Bedson, S.L. | Re: Position. |
| G 8724 | C - 1537(b) | Jan. 13, 1886 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Re: Position for Richard Holt, Burbridge's brother-in-law. |

a)Modest letter seeking job – I received $2.50 to 3.50/day in the past – “ and if it will only enable me to live decently I shall not complain.”

b)”My dear John When can you let me know about this friend of Burbidge’s? I am more than anxious to secure the billet for him. I can reciprocate and give a like billet to any friend of yours. Sincerely yrs S L Bedson” [scrawled on previous letter]

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| G 8724 | C - 1538 | May 25, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Resolutions passed by Ry meeting held at Menota on 20th inst. |

Considered Van Horne’s reply to Mr Campbell “as to the probable extension of the C.P.R. South Western branch, to the Souris River this year….”

Resolutions: want to make extension to Souris R “an assured fact this year”

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| G 8724 | C - 1539 | April 29, 1886 | Letter | O'Brien, J. Sydney | Killarney | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to recommend his appointment as Immigrant Agent for the Dom. |

Mb is better than NWT for settlement – I could explain in Europe

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| G 8724 | C - 1543(a) | June 16, 1886 | Letter | Nichol, Thomas | Souris City | M. & N.W. Ry Norquay, John | Re: Route of Ry. |
| G 8724 | C - 1543(b) | June 23, 1886 | Letter | Boswell, A.R. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Route of Ry. |

a)Nichol wants the CPR Souris City line to descend into the valley and beside the river, not to stay up on the level prairie. Norquay govt “has promised to endorse the Co’s bonds on the line for an amount sufficient to bring it to the river and he is willing to make it a condition that it will run west near us.” I assured him “personally that if the govt aided the line up to us that we would return his man. J.N. Kirchaffer of Plum Creek straight west of us is the man he wants to bring out….”

b) Boswell is a Toronto lawyer, talked to JN in Toronto on this route. Can you, JN (for many reasons listed) lobby CPR to locate as desired? Our company, --- Manitoba and North West Land Company has a farm mgr Thos Nichol at Souris City and “has invested a large am’t of money in their property & it seems almost certain that a large farm will never pay 20 or 30 miles away from a market town or a line of Railway. I might say to you that our Co has resolved to act in a liberal spirit with the C.P.R. if they choose our place for a station.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1544 | June 28, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Political situation. |

Cypress constituency: I hear Argyle wants Hamilton – fine with me. I’ll not commit to any of the 5 new ridings made out of my old one: “I am for the party & not for self….”

WJD has 3 Grits, 2 Conservatives, is looking “to get something for election…”

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| G 8724 | C - 1545 | May 10, 1886 | Letter | Graham, Joseph | Arden Station, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: The Alcock property in Gladstone. |

Purchase, outstanding taxes unpaid, do you want to buy it for $25 or do you want to give us a quit claim deed and we’ll pay the $51 taxes owing….

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| G 8724 | C - 1547 | May 8, 1886 | Letter | Merchants' Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John Prov. Treas. | Statement of Bank a/c. [Provincial a/c]. |

Govt account authorized by order-in-council has now reached the limit -- $250,000.

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| G 8724 | C - 1548 | 1886 | Letter | Marks, Thos. | Port Arthur | Norquay, John | Re: Position of Chief of Police at Port Arthur. |

Re yours of the 15th: we already hired chief of police. If not, “Alexander would undoubtedly” have been engaged. Hope your session proceeds favourably.

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| G 8724 | C - 1549 | June 1, 1886 | Letter | Howell, H.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of meeting of Isbister Trustees. |

Fund – re “the university scholarships”

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| G 8724 | C - 1550 | May 6, 1886 | Mortgage due Notice | British Canadian Loan & Inv. Co (Tor) | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of $125.00 interest falling due. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1551 | June 1, 1886 | Receipt | Furner, E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $16.80. No action. |

Millinery – bill

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| G 8724 | C - 1552 | May 1, 1886 | Letter | White, Thos. Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Section squatted upon by Mr. Wm. Brown of Gretna. |

We propose to offer the land at public auction at upset price of say $5.00 per acre and if he doesn’t win the auction, the actual value of his improvements and bldgs wld be paid by the purchaser. Does your govt concur in this view?

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| G 8724 | C - 1553 | May 19, 1886 | Note | Whiteway, Jas. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John ? | Asking what value has stone left with him and asking for temporary loan. |

Has that stone I left with you of any value? “I will be going to the lake soon and the Indian will be wishing to know what it is.

“Could you lend me twenty dollars would return it as soon as possible I am nearly out.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1554 | April 29, 1886 | Subscription Notice | Royal Colonial Institute | London, England | Norquay, John | Asking for annual submission of L1.10. |

Your subscription is overdue

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| G 8724 | C - 1555 | April 30, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: your letter re order in favor of Bullock from Messrs. Phillips & Henning. |

We have to look at these old claims in general and “make an intelligent submission of the whole case.” So no, I won’t change the basis without consultation.

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| G 8724 | C - 1556 | May 14, 1886 | Telegram | White, Hon. Thos. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Selection of swamp lands. |

“I propose recommending that election of swamp lands be made between twentieth May and first October. Will this meet your views”

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| G 8724 | C - 1557 | March 1886 & May 5, 1886 | Letters | Crouter, J.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Scientific theories as to how earth was formed. |

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| G 8724 | C -1558 | July 12, 1886 | Receipt | A G McKenzie,  Browne, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | For May and June rent. |

Received from JN -- $50.00 for rent

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| G 8724 | C - 1559 | June 30, 1886 | Letter | Matheson, John P. | Stonewall | Norquay, John | Asking about Mr. Fraser's claim against Gov't. |

Warns that charges made by Biggs & Fisher against the Govt “have done harm among even Govt supporters.” J.B. Rutherford took notes – and I hear Hagel will come to Balmoral tomorrow to reply.

“There is a great split in the Reform ranks since Jackson was brought out. Several are trying to get an Independent out, Lusted is anxious to come & be the Independent….” It would be good if you came – “if not the election is gone.”

Is my father in law, Fraser, still owed money by govt for his work as license commissioner? He says so – I think you told me that his affairs with the commission had been settled.

“Crops suffering for rain; family all well. Kind regards to all….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1560 | June 22, 1886 | Letter | Merchants' Bank | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Discounting note for Mr. Setter. |

Mr. Setter found the note (re your letter) – we have discounted it for him

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| G 8724 | C - 1561 | July 2, 1886 | Letter | Locke, Corbet | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for recommendation to get loan from Isbister fund. |

I have on the suggestion of Mr. McArthur applied for $350 loan from Isbister fund on the guarantee of Mr. Scarth. “I want the money as quickly as possible not later than Friday if possible Wednesday. I want you if you will to join Mr. McArthur in recommendation.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1562 | July 1, 1886 | Letter | Morton, George | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Enclosing letter to Sir John asking him to come up to Boissevain. |

Stationery “Saw mills at Lake Max, Turtle Mountain” George Morton, Boissevain:

Promise Sir John “an old fashioned welcome…. We will hold a rousing meeting.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1563 | June 29, 1886 | Letter | Vivian, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Letter to Mr. J. P. Curran. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1564 | June 30, 1886 | Letter | Abele, Edmund R. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of letter and stating enclosure not received. |

Re retention of my office in Selkirk –

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| G 8724 | C - 1565 | June 22, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing a letter from J. Geo Dennison re: supporting Tennant in Morris. Returned Dennison's letter to Mr. Brown 17 July. |

Brown encloses letter – “I think he [Dennison] is telling the truth – for my own part I do not know that there is a member in the House I would cheerfully aid quicker than Tennant.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1566 | July 2, 1886 | Telegram | Setter, Colin C. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking if Commissioner is at Winnipeg. Replied by telegraph. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1567 | June 26, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R.Z. | Millford, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Political situation. |

“…Hamilton will do very well here, if he will go in for it.”

“I hear the survey party are at work about ten miles east and steering a course south of this point. I shall go at once and if the Engineer has no orders to examine this route we must have him instructed to that effect.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1568 | May 6, 1886 | Letter | Nash, W. Hill | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: Property owned by Mr. N. in Emerson. |

Re yours of 5th inst – you never owned lot 6, block 74, but you purchased lots 5, block 74, 9 & 10 Block 69 on 8 Dec 1880.

On 11 Aug 1880 Carney mortgaged lot 5, block 74 and other lands for $4000 to Man & NW Loan Co.

On 8 Dec 1880 you mortgaged lot 5, block 74, lots 9 & 10 Block 69 to Carney for $1040.

Carney assigned this mortgage to the N.B. Canadian Invest Co. You got this mortgage discharged.

But the mortgage to the Man & NW Loan Co still remained on lot 5 block 74, “and this is the one your interested in now. I remember calling your attention to it at the time, and you said ‘you had made enough on the other lots to save yourself’ and you ‘purchased them to help Old Tom out.’ Wishing you marvellous success, believe me, yours faithfully, …

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| G 8724 | C - 1569 | April 21, 1886 | Letter | Postmaster General | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Geo. Lindsay for Postmastership at  Griswold Station. |

Re your telegram from Carberry recommending Lindsay – will show it to Sir Alexander Campbell when he returns….

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| G 8724 | C - 1570 | July 10, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R.Z. | Millford, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Location of crossing & politics. |

Crossing Souris – 3 sites surveyed – this one is best and wld cost ‘considerably less than half of what any other on the Souris would. This I think should secure us the line.”

People on both sides are urging me to run “and unite all parties again as before but I must first get the Railway question settled as with out it I would not be able to stay in the country.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1571 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Tennant, H., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Asking that Charles Le Fleure be granted leave for a few days. |

Tennant in Wpg, asks that LeFleure [sic] a govt employee be granted leave for 5-6 days to assist me “in gaining over certain parties who I am not very sure of.”

At the meeting in Gauthier, where he will help me, I plan to “pledge myself …to support you, ‘win or lose.’”

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| G 8724 | C - 1572 | July 6, 1886 | Letter | Howard, Rice M. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Asking for extra remuneration & enclosing a deed duly executed. |

“I herewith send your deed duly executed. …” I’m better but still far from well. Can you get me extra work. “I dare say you know I have had in consequence of the great reduction to sell my household effects & abandon my house to the mortgagees. ….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1573 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Explaining why he telegraphed Mr. N. not to come up on 15th. |

Cliffe is after the nomination, is the ‘big toad in the puddle’ now – but I’m still first choice, [perhaps?]

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| G 8724 | C - 1574 | July 9, 1886 | Letter | Burbridge, Geo. W. | Dalhousie, New. Brunswick | Norquay, John | Re: McOuats tender. |

Re Mb penitentiary tenders – lowest tender must win – don’t know if McOuat was.

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| G 8724 | C - 1575 | June 30, 1886 | Letter | Niles, G.F. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support his application as Sheriff for the Saskatchewan District. |

friend of John McBeth MPP

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Keywords: Betsy, time busy, phone, duck, Sanderson, Adams, life insurance, fix [contracts], coal [Company], race [card], Rennie, patronage, Woodworth, JN shady?, Cree, neestaw

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| G 8724 | C - 1576 | July 7, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Agriculture | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Henry Beckle of Brooklyn, Ont as manager of one of the proposed Gov't. experimental farms. |

John Carling – note your recommendation

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| G 8724 | C - 1577 | July 6, 1886 | Letter | Moore, Joseph | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Birth right to scrip. |

It is my birthright to receive scrip – HH Smith is Dominion Commissioner – I proved my claim—Smith has ‘dislowed or cansled it without any cause whatsoever. Now Mr. Norquay the Government cannot expect my support or any of my friends in the parish of St. Clements except I get my scrip to which I am entitled to recive. Please see H.H. Smith and have the mistake settled….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1578 | June 12, 1886 | Letter &  Petition | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Enclosing petition to Dom. Gov't. in favor of Abell having his office at Selkirk. No action. |

“My dear John Will you take the enclosed to the Minister in behalf of Abell? During the election it wd be well to have his office at Selkirk. When are you coming back?”

Petition: re office of steamboat inspector – better at Selkirk than Wpg – most business done on L Wpg., and boats can’t go from lake to Wpg – 15 owners and captains sign

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| G 8724 | C - 1579 | June 21, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to attend a convention of 15th July in Brandon. |

Hope to have mtg in rink, name candidates for 2 ridings – can you, Dr. Wilson and Harrison also speak?

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| G 8724 | C - 1580 | May 20, 1886 | Letter | Ruttan, R.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking the whereabouts of Mrs. Sharpe. |

She used to act as caretaker in the old Leg bldg. – her evidence is required in a land case.

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| G 8724 | C - 1581 | May 24, 1886 | Letter | Leary, Geo. | Nelson, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support his application for a census commissionership. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1582 | May 19, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Agriculture | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. A.P. Stuart. |

His application for work re the exhibition – nothing to offer at present

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| G 8724 | C - 1583 | [No Date] | Dues Notice | St. Andrews Society | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for dues for 1886. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1584 | [No Date] | Letter | Warde, Professor | City (Winnipeg) | George, Mr. | Asking if he is to treat Mrs. N. further. |

To “Mr George” – “I have not been to treat Mrs. Norquay either Sunday or today (Monday) as no Buggy has been for me. From this I conclude that my services are not required any longer….” Has there been a mistake or “have you received orders not ot call for me again.” [Betsy]

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| G 8724 | C - 1585 | May 24, 1886 | Letter | Bunn, Jno. R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for employment. |

From Rat Portage, looking for work – “I am a fairly good accountant and general office man….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1586 | May 17, 1886 | Letter | O'Brien, J. Sidney | Killarney | Norquay, John | Re: Attending convention at Winnipeg and going to England as immigration agent. |

Local Lib-Conservative branch associations are overcoming divisions and forming single group as of 7 April 1886. Do come out for a visit with several Cabinet members.

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| G 8724 | C - 1587 | May 28, 1886 | Letter | Gilbert, T.W. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. and others to address meeting at Austin & Carberry. |

Have selected candidate for Conservative party – riding of Norfolk?

“My impression is that yourself, Hamilton and Harrison would do the most good [as speakers here] – explain legislation of last four years and longer, “and explain some of the Opposition dynamite.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1588 | April 14, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, G.H., C.P.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking $53.00 in payment for ticket to Ottawa. |

W.A. Collins ticket on CPR to Ottawa still not paid – about a year ago.

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| G 8724 | C - 1589 | July 17, 1886 | Letter | Fisher, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Requesting Mr. N. on behalf of Liberal Association of Russell to a meeting at Binscarth on 30th inst. |

Lib Conserv Assoc – James Fisher (law partner of J S Ewart) office in Wpg.

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| G 8724 | C - 1590 | June 25, 1886 | Letter | Merryweather & Sons | London, England | Norquay, John | Enclosing illustrated catalogue of Fire Engines. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1591 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Porteous, John | Woodlands | Norquay, John | Asking opinion of Mr. N. re: accepting nomination for Woodlands. |

I have been nominated at a Conservative convention – hope the Govt will help “I firmly believe if I get any french vote at all I can easily be elected even then if Wagner is bound to run as he seems to be I can manage him but think he should not run after me getting the nomination let me know your opinion.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1592 | July 11, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing letter from Mr. Vaughan. |

Give me back the letter. I’m going west “to join our brethren at Neepawa on 12th…. I must get a land grant from Sir John & you must help me. Yours faithfully, C.P. Brown”

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| G 8724 | C - 1593 | July 8 & 10, 1886 | Letters | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Political affairs in Brandon. |

Daly refuses to run in East Brandon. You should cancel your visit on 15th.

If Kirchhoffer gets the nomination, “he is sure to carry West Brandon against Sifton.”

“P.S. I heard a good joke on J.B. McArthur yesterday. He & a few more Winnipeggers went into West Minnedosa for the purpose of stirring up opposition to Dr. Harrison. It was arranged that J.W. Shanks should receive the nomination and then retire in favour of McArthur; but after receiving the nomination Mr. Shanks did not consider it a very good day for retiring and so held the nomination and will remain to get knocked over.”

10 July: we had a small meeting, decided “George Winters was the best available man to run in the Conservative interest…” Grits nominated Smart unanimously. “He will be a strong man to beat but I think we can get there.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1594 | July 14, 1886 | Telegram | Macdougall, A. | Virden | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend a Conservative convention on Friday 1st. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1595 | July 12, 1886 | Telegram | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Asking when Sir John is expected. |

“When is Sir John expected does he come south”

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| G 8724 | C - 1596 | July 7, 1886 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Martin McDonald as Census Commissioner. |

“Mulvey wired Cliffe he will likely have him appointed Census Commission for Selkirk please use all possible influence by telegraph appoint Martin McDonald important”

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| G 8724 | C - 1597 | July 13, 1886 | Telegram | Morton, G. | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to accompany Sir John out to end of track. |

“If Sir John has arrived try arrange accompany him here on Thursday when Conservative candidate will be chosen answer quickly I will dispatch couriers every direction and have a rousing meeting”

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| G 8724 | C - 1598 | July 13, 1886 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to telegraph he will not be there on 14th. |

‘I suppose owing to Sir John’s unexpected arrival you can’t be with us Thursday answer in terms of above”

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| G 8724 | C - 1599 | March 7, 1882 | Receipt | Borbridge, S. & H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $5.75. Paid. |

Ottawa, saddles and trunks: “1 cover for trunk 3.50 and repairing portmanteau 2.25

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| G 8724 | C - 1600 | [No Date] | Letter | Farrell, S.W. Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing $5.00 note for endorsement and asking reply to letter of June 24th. |

The subject line actually is $500.00 [sic]

“Will Mr. Norquay please endorse and return the note for $500. To replace the one due on the 19th inst. I sent it early in case you may be absent.

“I have no reply yet to my letter of 24 June.

“Please enclose the letter by post, if the bearer does not find you at your office,

& oblige, S.W. Farrell”

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| G 8724 | C - 1601 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | McDougall, A.G. | Virden | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend Conservative Convention. |

County Dennis Liberal Conservative Assoc: invitation for 16 July

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| G 8724 | C - 1602 | July 15, 1886 | Telegram | Maltby, Jno. R. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: George Winters being elected candidate for East Brandon. |

“George Winters unanimously elected candidate East Brandon. First vote Winters fourteen Woodworth seven Cliffe six. Second Winters twenty-one. Woodworth seven. Made unanimous.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1603 | July 16, 1886 | Receipt | Matheson, Samuel P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: $7.00 submission towards St. John's Ladies' School. |

JN pd 7.00, balance of his 1000 subscription

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| G 8724 | C - 1604 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to recommend his appointment as County Judge. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1605 | July 12, 1886 | Letter | Budge, D. Provincial Rights Assoc. | Gladstone | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend meeting on 27th. |

Sec Treas of Gladstone town stationery:

The Provincial Rights Association of this place invites you to a political picnic “for the purpose of discussing the political questions of the day with Messrs. Greenaway [sic], Luxton & others….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1606 | July 20, 1886 | Receipt | J.L. Blair & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $36.35. $30.00 paid 20 July. |

Still owes 6.35 [interesting strategy] – dry goods and house furnishings

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| G 8724 | C - 1607 | July 7, 1886 | Letter | Bourdeau, G., Deputy Provincial Secretary | City (Winnipeg) | Treasurer of Manitoba | Enclosing Thomas Sinclair a/c re: Royal Commissioner. |

Presumably Sinclair’s bill for service

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| G 8724 | C - 1608 | July 2, 1886 | Letter | Colcleugh, James Bursar, Asylum | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Asking for an increase of salary. |

Salary of bursar is “totally insufficient for the work and responsibility of the office.” I do the work of both bursar and accountant for $1000 but in Toronto, Kingston – two officers receive total of 2150-2200.

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| G 8724 | C - 1609(a) | July 5, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, C.S. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Enclosing a letter from Mr. Hooper. |
| G 8724 | C - 1609(b) | June 26, 1886 | Letter | Hooper, Thomas | Lower Fort Garry | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Re: Possible Candidacy in St. Clements. |

a) I spoke to you on Friday about Hooper as likely candidate in St. Clements, -- he’s “thoroughly reliable and also tractable, the latter, I suppose, being quite an important feature in the member for St. Clements.”

b) Spring Bank Farm, Lower Fort Garry [not bad penmanship]”

“I see by the papers I have been made a J.P….” thanks.

We may lose the seat here. “Old D. Glass is going to run against the Government….” Our present reeve. Robert Hay, will run for the Govt – but he asked me to do so. “…he says he has no education himself cannot read or write & the people know all this & I am afraid he will get defeated on that very reason ….”

I need money to defeat old Glass. Please ask Norquay – “it will have great wait [sic] with our Reeve what he says ….”

“PS: Keep this on the quite.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1610 | July 5, 9 & 12 1886 | Letters | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Political matters. |

Rec’d yours of 30th, etc – many pages in 3 letters re organizing and nominating in the sw MB ridings.

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| G 8724 | C - 1611 | July 10, 1886 | Letter | Rollins, A.J. | Killarney | Norquay, John | Re: Feeling of dissatisfaction against Gov't. in that  locality. |

Our final convention will be in Boissevain on 15th.

In Rock L. and Turtle Mtn, the present MPPs will win again – much dissatisfaction with Land Commissioners’ decisions “with regard to Squatters right here some who half the men in the county know are entitled according to the government’s own advertised statements to there land for 1.00 per acre are charged $2.50 and some who are entitled to it at $2.50 acording to the order in council for that purpose are not even recognised and the C.P.R. people now at this most unreasonable as well as unseasonable time of year demand payment within thirty days and of course it is impossible for farmers who have not the money in bank to meet this payment many have been asking for an extention of time until after harvest and have been very sarcastically refused. [sic]

Thus we’ll lose seats. This isn’t provincial issue, I know, “but you can’t teach the people to believe anything of the kind in supporting the local we are supporting the Dominion…..”

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| G 8724 | C - 1612 | July 7 & 13, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Colin C. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking if there could be found anyone to buy crop. Also enclosing his mother's claim for losses sustained during N.W. Rebellion. |

a)Please help us re claim – and I will have a chance to do something for you.

b) crop standing in field – do you know of a buyer? 20/25 acres “of good wheat and twelve acres of Barley also seven acres of oats which I will sell cheap.”

Price - $350 cash. Well fenced. No danger of cattle getting in.

Could take $200 plus a note till 1st Dec.

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| G 8724 | C - 1613(a) | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: campaign literature. |

Burrows says Conservative Assocn needs literature. Newspaper office can’t just produce it – would take “fully one man’s time to aid it.” Important to do something…

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| G 8724 | C - 1613(b) | July 8, 1886 | Letter | Leech, J. Hillyard | Brandon | Editor, Manitoban | Re: Information for coming campaign. |

Need info contradicting Reform journals, “containing useful facts on the ‘Crown Council’ on Norquay,” statistics for the campaign etc. – Cornwallis Conservatives.

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| G 8724 | C - 1614 | n.d. [1886] | Letter | Hamilton, Hon. C.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Certain orders in council & stating he is off for Virden. |

Put through this o-i-c as early as possible “Broughall knows what to do as soon as order in council is adopted.”

“I go to Virden & drive on to North Oak River where I speak on Monday I shall probably hold a few meetings if they are arranged. Was glad to hear of your success at Carman. Trust you will be able to come northwest before long. Let the Dundas matter stand till I come back.

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| G 8724 | C - 1615 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Taylor, H.J. | Crystal City | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to write to friends at Pilot Mound to support Rogers. |

Rogers will oppose Greenway. Local jealousies at Pilot Mound w/o substance. “I think you ought to communicate with our friends at that point to the effect that you expect them to do what they can to secure the election of Mr. Rogers.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1616 | July 14, 1886 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Colin Setter as noxious weeds inspector. |

You suggested Setter to LaRiviere. Portage district last year was in charge of Thomas Moore of Lake Francis and is again this year. He has already made his first tour of inspection….”but of course if you think it necessary his appointment for a portion of the district could be cancelled and Setter appointed though this would mean that the second tour of inspection would not be of very much use as a new man going over the ground could not take up the work like one who was around at the commencement and saw all the pathmasters. Please let me know what you want done.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1617 | March 1, 1886 | Receipt | Aikins & Ryan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $29.00. Paid 6 March. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1618 | Feb. 26, 1886 | Letter | Boswell, A.R. | Toronto, Ont. | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. Thos. Nichol, farm manager of Toronto Man & N.W. Land Co. |

Large farm at Souris City – can tell you about “the feeling of the people throughout his part of the country towards your government….”

A Reformer in Ont, but non-committal so far in MB

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| G 8724 | C - 1619 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Letter | Adams, Chas. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Neestaw | Re: His appointment. |

“Dear Neestaw I rec/d your very welcome letter by last mail & have to thank you very much for its contents.

“Since your letter cam I have rec/d the appointment & am being initiated into the business today & am determined to try my best.

“I am glad to say that we are all well & I am sure it would have done your heart good to have seen your little sister when the apt was bro/t – 11:30 p.m. Saturday night. It caused her to have no more sleep that night. I can assure you that she has had enough of farming life. Though to do her justice she never complained in the least.

“I shall write you shortly again as I have to leave on my very first tour at once.

From your Keestaw, Chas Adams”

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| G 8724 | C - 1620 | April 1, 1886 | Receipt | Forrest, C.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $1.00. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1621 | [No Date] | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Leaving for Russell. |

See my letter of today – add – I leave for Russell to consult my constituents and if they concur …” [no idea what this is about]

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| G 8724 | C - 1622 | April 1, 1886 May 1, 1886 | Receipts | Whitehead, W. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $5.50 & amount of a/c rendered $9.70 including $5.50. Paid. |

March: 1 gargle, 3 mixtures, 1 castor oil, 1 lini, 1 pills, 1 sponge, and 1 carb. glyerine

April: 3 mixt, 1 Enos fruit salt, 1 BI & wine, and 1 cockles pills. Paid.

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| G 8724 | C - 1623 | April 12, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Position in Immigrant office given to Mr. Green. |

He preferred Brownlee – a better choice. He knows Brandon – would keep immigrants here rather than letting them head west in ignorance of our advantages – “good markets & all the attributes of advanced civilization whereas in Assiniboia it is the contrary & things there are in a very crude state.”

Municipal bill – let it be amended in committee, reported to the house, then print and distribute in say 10 copies to each Secy-Treas of every municipality, then after time to digest, suggested amendments could be dealt with in the new parliament. “You may not know it, but it is a fact, that some of our rural councillors are better posted on the Municipal Act than ¾ of the lawyers in the province, they read, read, read & get to know it off by heart. Let these men have a year at it & then if they are not satisfied they have themselves to blame. One thing is certain as the bill is now it is in chaos & never should become law. The Judicial Boards are only now becoming appreciated – the expense of their introduction may have been great, but what new measure is not attended with similar results? Now things are run as economically as they efficiently can be & we hear of no grumbling here. Let well alone, I say.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1624 | Jan. 12, 1886 | Letter | Hart, Thos. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Introducing Miss Hofman, an accomplished German lady. |

Has taught German in best schools and families in London, including preparing young men for exams in U of London. She is now giving lessons in German to W.B. Scarth’s children – if your own children or others could employ her ----etc.

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| G 8724 | C - 1625 | Jan. 20, 1886 | Letter | Morton, Geo. | Cherry Creek, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support application sent to have him appointed P.M. at above place & an office established. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1626 | Jan. 20, 1886 | Letter | Nichol, Thomas | Souris City | Norquay, John | Re: Electoral district. |

CPR will extend line west from Treherne about 40 miles next summer – you should cut districts from Turtle Mtn and Brandon to create a new riding including Municipality of South Cypress. [farm mgr, Souris City, Toronto Manitoba & NW Land Co ltd]

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| G 8724 | C - 1629 | Feb. 10, 1886 | Letter | White, Hon. Thos. Min. of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: A particular School Section. |

A case where public auction at upset price of $5 per acre, “but in accordance with the general understanding arrived at between us I think it right to consult you on the subject before taking this step. Have you any objections?”

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| G 8724 | C - 1630 | Feb. 1886 | Letter | Oswald, Lt. Mounted Infantry Barracks | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice that Mr. N. has been elected an honorary  member of Mounted Infantry Mess. |

May dine on Thursdays if he gives notice by 10.00 am.

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| G 8724 | C - 1631 | April 16, 1886 | Letter | Rupertsland, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: St. John's School Lands exempted from taxation. |

City council proposes to take away the exemption we have hitherto enjoyed. “Can you kindly see that the charge is not allowed. We have great difficulty in meeting our expenses as things are….The breaking up of our lands about the College would take away one of the breathing places of the City – practically a park …”

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| G 8724 | C - 1632 | March 1, 1886 | Receipt | Scott, Thos. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $25.50. $10.00 paid in Nov. |

1 cabinet, 1 ¾ bed, 2 com beds, 3 curtain poles on Oct 1 1885.

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| G 8724 | C - 1633 | March 29, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, A. Postmaster General | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: vacancy at Griswold. |

Not open at moment – note you recommend George Lindsay – we consult Stewart Mulvey re apptmts in Selkirk [fed’ constituency] Will he support Lindsay?

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| G 8724 | C - 1634 | April 2, 1886 | Letter | Boddy, F.W. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Provisions of Municipal Bill. |

Amend it to make it cheaper, fairer in the operation of judicial boards

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| G 8724 | C - 1636 | Jan. 30, 1886 | Letter | Kirchhoffer, J.N.lawyer | Souris Plum Creek | Norquay, John  [in Ottawa] | Re: Seeing Mr. Van Horne about Railway extensionfrom Holland. Settled by an interview. |

Holland is the present terminus of Man SW. “At this point, of course now that it is through your assistance that the Railway Co. is able to finance the Bonds to raise money for Branch Railways, you would have the right to considerable voice in such a matter & I trust you will use all the influence you possess towards the end desired.”

Write and tell me you had interview with Vanhorne – you’ll get the credit –

“Later: I have this evening rec/d your note re railway &c which has very much dashed my hopes. Is this final, or can anything further be done?

“The only hope was now have is in the ‘Souris Branch’ which on the original C.P.R. maps was laid out from Brandon to this point.” What do they intend?

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| G 8724 | C - 1637 | Feb. 2, 1886 | Letter | Curran, John P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John  [in Ottawa] | Asking that Capt. Allan receive leave of absence to attend session. |

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| G 8724 | C - 1638 | Feb. 13, 1886 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. J.P. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Enclosing a petition & remarking many Englishmen have returned home. |

Returned home within the last 4 months – “You know what mischief they will do and should we have another bad season two thirds of the men who have signed this [petition] will be quite done for.

If you launch an emigration scheme, apt me to it – contacts in London, cld get military men to join a colony, and Irish landlords…

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| G 8724 | C - 1639 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Colin | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Timber stolen & half payment of survey betweenMr. N.'s lot & his own. |

Sheriff Office Central Judicial District stationery (Portage) “My dear Norquay Your letter to hand the party that took oak timber from your lot was Joe Spence’s son Alfred Spence he toped when I spoke to him he has only taken eight (8) trees of you. I am getting my (40) forty acers survaed [sic] that is a line Between you & me it is customery for each party to pay half I suppose you will kick because I did not notify you there is a party by the name of McDonald cutting on the south east of Sec 25, or just on the line or north of 24. But you cant tell unless you would follow up the old lines and that is a very hard job I would hunt for the old lines between Sec 25 & 24 for you But cant afford to lose the time I am pretty sure it must be on the south east of your sec. as far as I hear if it is on you it is a fine lot of building poplar Yours as ever Colin”

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| G 8724 | C - 1640 | Feb. 24, 1886 | Letter | Pritchard, J. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Invitation to concert on 2nd inst. |

Raising funds to purchase a horse for Mr Fortin. “Knowing you still take an interest in the parish we would be pleased to have you down to act as chairman….”

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| G 8724 | C - 1641 | Feb. 27, 1886 | Letter | Setter, John James | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Recommending Gurney late registrar of Brandon for employment during session. |

Job as writer? He declined your request to give up job to McDonald, not knowing that the position wld be abolished – now he’s broke.

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| G 8724 | C - 1642 | Nov. 16, 1885 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.C. | Whitemouth | Norquay, John [in Toronto] | Asking where he can see Mr. N. |

JN at Queens Hotel: VH in Whitemouth – “will reach Montreal Thursday noon anxious to see you where will you be Saturday”

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| G 8724 | C - 1643 | Nov. 21, 1885 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.C. | Montreal | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: Note of 20th & meeting at Ottawa. |

JN at Russell House: VH in Montreal: “If you will be in Ottawa on Monday will arrange matter then referred to in your note of 20th please answer quick”

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| G 8724 | C - 1644 | April 3, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne Queens hotel Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Calling Mr. N.'s attention to Brownlee's application for position in Immigrant Office. |

“My dear Sir I am very sorry you were not with us last eve. As usual the Hon. the member for Kildonan was the belle of the eve & his brilliancy was only excelled by the bejewelled shirt bosom of the gentleman Deputy of Ag. Stat. & Health [?]

“I would like you not to forget my friend Brownlee…

“Wishing you health & strength to do thro the trying ordeal of the Royal Com & feeling, as I do, very strongly towards you on a/c of the matter, I hope sincerely the Grits will get such a squelcher that it will knock them all clean.

PS Rest assured you have the sympathy of every man who’s not a Grit.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1645 | March 21, 1886 | Letter | Adams, J. Heywood | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Re: Family matters. |

“My dear Uncle I am sure that you thought that I was going to forget you but I just drop you a few lines to let you know that I don’t forget you yet. I hope that you will excuse me for this time I am quite mad of my self for not writing to you sooner I was off hunting on Saturday. I went off with the gun I was to hunt rabbits but I saw no rabbits so I saw some prairie chickens so I fired at them just for fun not thinking that I would not kill any at all and I was a good peace [sic] from them I killed one We are very bad luck for dogs Papa killed diedo and the other one is dead too and I will have to shoot the other one tomorrow morning before I go to school it has the distemper I gave it a spoonful of coal oil today it seems to do it no good.

Tom went to Troy he took off 4 horses, we are very short of hay this year we have to buy hay too we can’t get any hay at all Tom is off to try and get some hay. He thought that he would go off again for another trip off to another place but if he can’t get any he will have to let go the horses to feed out. Tom’s ewe lammed [lambed] today it is a fine white big lam it is a ewe lam We have a heifer [sic] – gathering it is not ours but it is some ones else we can’t find out the oner [owner] so if no one comes for her it will be ours. I think it is time to end my letter. I must close with love to you and all

I remain yours truly Joseph Heywood Adams

PS mamma sends her love to you and all

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| G 8724 | C - 1646 | Jan. 23, 1886 | Letter | Moir, John, Reeve Municipality of South Norfolk | Camille, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to an oyster supper to celebrate extension of S.W. Col. R.R. Note on reverse. |

Line nearly complete to end of track at this point – we invite you and other govt members to oyster supper

Note on back: “Line will be open on Monday Egan will run you out by special any day you name starting at 1 p.m. & returning the 2nd day”

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| G 8724 | C - 1647 | Feb. 9, 1886 | Letter & Newspaper  Clipping | Bunn, Jno. R. | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Asking for position as Accountant at Asylum. |

He encloses clipping from The Manitoban, in which the liquidation of the Rainy Lake Lumber Co. is announced, to explain why he needs a job.

On the reverse of this clipping from the Manitoban [no date] is a small chunk of the description of a dinner for the CPR at which George Stephen spoke to “continued applause”, and then D.A. Smith: Sir George has done so much and deserves the honor: “No one knows better than I do how much he has done in carrying out this great work of building the Canadian Pacific Railway. It has been an anxious time for him, and very often I know that the strain and anxiety was almost more than a man could bear; but he bravely continued in the work, which to-day is crowned with success. (Applause.) Had I not given any poor aid to him in so far as it was possible for me to do, I should have cause to be more than ashamed of myself. I have known Sir Geo. Stephen personally for many years. I have known him intimately for those twenty years, and I believe that throughout that whole time there never has been anything but the closest and warmest feel [end of clipping]”

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| G 8724 | C - 1648 | Jan. 22, 1886 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | St. Boniface | Norquay, John | Re: Aid to municipalities. |

The municipalities write “urging for aid, and they take the ground, that through the unfortunate action of the House in having abolished the right of municipalities to issue distress, they are being defrauded of taxes right and left, as persons who have no patents will not pay. They claim that as this is the case, and their crops are frozen, they should get help.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1649 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Letter | Cowlard, Copland | Reaburn, Man. | Norquay, John | Stating he thinks of running for County of Lisgar. |

“I trust to receive your support & think the many years we have known each other entitles me to ask for it.”

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| G 8724 | C - 1650 | Feb. 1, 1886 | Telegram | McDonald, K.N. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | In Cypher. |

From Wpg to JN in Ottawa: “Use Lariviere’s cypher ….” [20 words]

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| G 8725 | C - 1651 | Feb. 1, 1886 | Telegram | Graham, Chas. W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: Dr. Little's application. |

“Will you kindly remember Dr. Little’s application while at Ottawa”

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| G 8725 | C - 1652(a) | Aug. 26, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: Letter from JohnBailey & asking JN to write Mr. Egan on his behalf. Answered August 30th. |

You know him well – “He is worth holding, as he has a vote in North Winnipeg and one here.” He is very steady. “He did at one time drink but has quit. You are therefore safe in giving him a first-class recommendation.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1652(b) | July 22, 1886 | Letter | Bailey, Geo. H. | City (Winnipeg) | Douglas, C.S., M.P. | Re: Employment. |

The man’s appeal.

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| G 8725 | C - 1653 | July 20, 1886 | Letter | Young, Thomas S. | Holmfield, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. when he will visit them. Answered 30 August. |

Lib Cons Assocn of Derby – invitn after resoln at a mtg in Cartwright

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| G 8725 | C - 1654 | Aug. 9, 1886 | Letter | Rutherford, J.B. | Stonewall | Norquay, John | Recommending Armour Maywood as Registrar at Stonewall should office become vacant. Answered 30 August. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1655 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Receipt | Bell, Wm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Receipt for $17.90 |

Ladies’ and men’s clothing, purchase on 21 Nov/85

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| G 8725 | C - 1656 | Aug. 10, 1886 | Letter | Morton, Geo. | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of Blanks. Answered 30 Aug. |

Enumeration, and meetings for election campaign – give us 3 days, we’ll hold 2 mtgs each day, finishing up at Deloraine or Plum Creek, and you could then “shunt off to the adjoining county where no doubt they require you as much as I do – I feel confident you can heal up all sores here which although imaginary must be dealt with”

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| G 8725 | C - 1657 | July 31, 1886 | Letter | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: District Judgeships. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

Rec’d yours of 29th – pleased you will support me if your present nominee won’t go outside Wpg

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| G 8725 | C - 1658 | Aug. 3, 1886 | Letter | Little, R.H. | Littleton, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to let him know when he is coming out.No action. |

“McDonald of Manitou claims to have the majority of the French vote. Pentland and Clouston are talked of as the likely Tory candidates. I think if this district is well worked we can elect a supporter of your government….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1659 | Aug. 14, 1886 | Letter | Chamberlin Col. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking aid to assist Chas. Polonor & family to reach Old Country. No action. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1660 | Aug. 12, 1886 | Letter | Rice, A.E. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Tender made to Public Works Dept. Mr. N. saw this man. |

Painting walls in asylum – tender – we talked of this, Rice says to JN

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| G 8725 | C - 1661 | Aug. 4, 1886 | Letter | White, Hon. Thos. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Hay Land in St. Peters' Reserve. No action. |

“… I have arranged that hay matter in the St. Peter’s Reserve in accordance with your suggestion.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1662 | April 1, 1886 | Receipt | Taylor, Alex | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $39.50. |

24 December/85 purchases of 2 caps, 1 ladies case, 2 books, 1 ladies satchel, xmas cards, 2 prayer books, 1 album, 2 girl’s book – this is bill for Christmas shopping.

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| G 8725 | C - 1663 | May 26, 1886 | Letter | White, Thos. Min. of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. James [Joseph] Cooper of Lindsay, Ont. |

.he wants to buy Brandon Mail from Cliffe – 30 years experience, “He is as true as steel….” And you would be glad to have the paper in his hands

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| G 8725 | C - 1664 | Aug. 18, 1886 | Letter | Allen, F.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to see his draft paid. |

“Kindly see my draft paid… I pray like a good chap attend to the matter at once.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1665 | Aug. 24, 1886 | Letter | Matheson, Samuel P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Jordan & McKay. |

“I wrote strongly to Jordan & McKay in your behalf. I think however that it wd be well for you to ask my brother John to use his influence with them. John is rather ‘out of sorts’ with you over his own candidature but if you wrote him I think it wd be all right. He can manage McKay & Jordan thoroughly. They do whatever he tells them. You might promise Johnny to appoint John Wm, his son, returning officer for his district. He is ‘hard up’ & that wd ‘fetch him.’

“Is Horace coming as a boarder next term or as a Day student” I shd like to know at once. I am pleased to hear that Mrs. Norquay is better for her trip to Banff. With kind regards…. [Betsy]

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| G 8725 | C - 1666 | [No Date] | Letter | Wrigley, Annie | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, Mrs. [and Mr.] | Invitation to lunch with Sir John and Lady MacDonald. |

“Dear Mrs Norquay Sir John and Lady Macdonald have been good enough to say they will lunch with us tomorrow, Thursday, before leaving. We shall be very pleased if you and Mr. Norquay will join us at 1:30. Yours sincerely, Annie Wrigley Smith St.

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| G 8725 | C - 1667 | May 31, 1886 | Letter | Hamilton, C.E. Attorney General | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: speaking to Sir John about Judgeship. |

“When below speak to Sir John about the judgeship. You will remember having written to him. Leacock goes up with me in the morning.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1668 | Jan. 18, 1883 | Public Letter of Apology | Cliff, W.W. | Carleton Place, Ont. | Spencer, C.W. Asst. Supt., C.P.R. | Public apology. |

Advt placed in 2 Ottawa and 12 papers in neighbouring towns – apologizing for attacks on Spencer and other employees of the Canada Central and CPR Rly Cos

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| G 8725 | C - 1669 | [No Date] | Memo |  | [No Location] |  | Re: Customs Tariff. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1670 | [No Date] | Memo |  | [No Location] |  | Re: People leaving Southern Manitoba. |

“men leaving Southern Manitoba names patents secured by J.S. Stevenson. Wakopa

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| G 8725 | C - 1671 | [reply 30 Aug 1886] | Letter | Clouston, A.C. | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Establishment of a Post Office Tp. 4 R 11 West. |

“…as they are solid for your Govt I think they deserve some consideration. I am busy taking the census & feeling my way as a candidate.” The people at Norquay keep delaying the nomination – a bad idea

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| G 8725 | C - 1672 | March 31, 1886 & May 8, 1886 | Receipts | Browne, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | For March and April rent. |

Rent No 18 Hallet St. – rent for March – $25. Rec’d

Rent No 18 Hallet St. – rent for April – rec’d $25.

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| G 8725 | C - 1673 | March 11, 1886 | Receipts | Merchants' Bank of Canada | City (Winnipeg) | Gov't. of Manitoba | Re: Financial standing of Gov't. at Bank. |

a) credit Govt of MB – 1 March 1886: $29,060.17

b) debit - “ $216,666.60 in bank’s favour

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| G 8725 | C - 1674 | March 18, 1886 | Letter | Bell, John H., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to a public meeting in Springfield. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1675 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Letter | Muckle, R.J.T. | Clandeboye | Norquay, John | Re: Last solicitations for employment. |

Beaty writes that NY firm has contract, and he can’t hire me now. Have you anything? If not, “my coat will have to come off as it has done before tho not pleasant to the feeling of one having been educated to think ditching RRing & all manner of manual labour ‘in fra dig.’”

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| G 8725 | C - 1676 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Letter | Pennefather, J.P., M.D. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. if he is supporting Clouston in their division. |

I didn’t ask you the other evening – “you were there for pleasure” – but “your unsolicited offer to give me any support you could” causes me to ask if it’s true that you promised to use your influence for Clouston in this constituency?

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| G 8725 | C - 1677 | 25 Feb, 1886 | Letter & Brochure | McMillan, A.J., Secretary | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Man. & Northwest Farmers' Alliance & Peoples' Rights Assoc. Invitation to attend meeting on 11 March |

a) letter: we aren’t partisan “& we shall be very much disappointed if the control of this organization should fall into the hands of the Liberals, or indeed either party. Such a calamity can only occur by the abstention of one or other of the great political parties at the forthcoming meetings. We feel the time has come when nothing but a United Manitoba will suffice to get our rights, & put this Province upon a prosperous basis.”

b) brochure: 3 pp printed, mtg to be in Royal Roller Rink, Brandon, 9:30 am – invitations to many politicians provl and fedl. – Photocopy –

platform re tariff &reciprocity with US; Provl control of Crown lands; end of disallowance of MB rly charters; abolition of Judicial Boards and consolidation of Municipalities for greater economy; abolition of elevator monopoly; early constrn of HBRly; Ballot Act; Redistribn via rep by pop; local self-govt and represn in H of C for North-West. –plus details on each.

To be non-partisan, in order to “obtain that full measure of political freedom and equality in Manitoba and the Northwest that is the birthright of every British subject.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1678 | Feb. 17, 1886 | Letter | Kirchoffer, J.Nesbitt | Souris Plum Creek | Norquay, John | Re: Route of M.S.W. Ry. |

Rec’d letter from McCulloch in ON, (a miller here), who was shown by Pres. of Imperial Bank [Wilkie] a map with branch line running from Brandon and a line running from Holland, connecting at Souris – “This was given to him by Van Horne about two weeks ago but was private.” Can’t be kept secret long, if it’s genuine – you could check with Egan privately. Then write me that you were doing all in your power to get line extended to Plum Creek. “Then, if Mr. McCulloch’s information turned out to be correct, you would get all the glory, while a slight reflection of the radiance might shine upon myself.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1679 | Jan. 28, 1886 | Letter | Hamilton, C.E. Attorney General | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: Different subjects, friendly letter. |

How derive revenue from admin of justice….

“It has been suggested to me that you might score a good point if you could get Confederation medals for Archbishop Taché, the Bishop of Rupert’s Land, and the Rev. Dr. Young, men who were at the head of their respective churches, and who have contributed a good deal in the early days towards the settlement and development of the country. It would be a graceful act, and would add many to your large circle of friends.

…re Beverly Robinson and W.H. Culver – speak to Thompson – they were on an early list but “I suppose for some reason they were overlooked.”

“We had a large deputation from Russell, consisting of the Reeves and their member in reference to the route of the Manitoba North Western Ry.” The route should not be deflected from the original choice.

We’ve added 700 names to voters’ list in Wpg. Largely harmony in our local association – “…I think we will present a strong force at the next election.”

Duncan McArthur perhaps for North Wpg. I think Drewry would be strong, or perhaps Crow.

“The Dr. and myself will probably be down in southern Manitoba about the tenth, as there are a large number of Conservatives in Winram’s division, and we want to have an enthusiastic time.”

“Several Associations have been formed in the West lately with great enthusiasm, and the reports are hopeful.

“I asked Egan to add Mrs. Hamilton’s name on my pass….I wish you would speak to Van Horne about this. The American passes have been sent in this way. I think you should ask this for all the members of the Cabinet, as I have heard the others speak of it.

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| G 8725 | C - 1680 | Feb. 15, 1886 | Letter | Lindsay, Geo. | Griswold | Norquay, John | Asking to have a meeting arranged at Griswold. |

You go to Virden next week. Could you hold mtg here on the following day, then go to Brandon for an evening mtg. Wld be good – “a great many men here have never taken any side in politics & if we can work them into our Associations now, we will be able to hold them – very few of our people have ever heard you speak….”

“…you would require to bring someone who could address the Halfbreeds and French Canadians in French as their vote numbers about forty.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1681 | Feb. 20, 1886 | Letter | Sanford, W.E. | Hamilton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mining property. |

Recd yours of 15th. I understand CPR have claim for arrears on freight. How much?

“As I understand the matter, you are expecting to get the land from the Gov. at $10 per acre and will draw upon me for this amt….. We take hold of the property, organizing a Co’y to work it and one of the first charges against that Co’y, which we would include when selling, would be the amt of this [CPR] claim…”

Thanks for letter on stock ranching.

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| G 8725 | C - 1682 | Feb. 23, 1886 | Letter | Vaughan, A.H. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed a Commissioner to examine swamp lands. |

Understand that White wld appt me if you supported me

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| G 8725 | C - 1683 | Feb. 17, 1886 | Letter | Fonseca, W.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: His indebtedness to Gov't. & asking for an  arrangement be entered into to relieve him somewhat. |

“…I was much disappointed yesterday, as I came to you on the strength of what you proposed to me, and would not have placed myself in the awkward position I am in. I ask you to reconsider your action of yesterday and sign the release of the two insignificant lots embraced in the paper.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1684 | Feb. 10, 1886 | Letter | Fleming, James | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Stating a meeting is to be held on 22nd inst. &  inviting any members of Gov't. to be present. |

Liberal Association will be meeting – Greenway, Luxton, Fisher, McArthur, and Martin will attend – wld like Govt to “have a chance of replying to these gentlemen…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1685 | Feb. 15, 1886 | Letter | White, Thos. Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Wm. Smith as Contractor for supplying seed grain to settlers. |

“I have your letter of the 10th, recommending Mr. Wm. Smith as contractor for the supplying of seed grain to the settlers in the destitute districts around Prince Albert.” Commr Smith is in charge and I’ve sent him your letter.

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| G 8725 | C - 1686 | Dec. 10, 1885 | Subscription Letter | St. Johns' College  Ladies School | City (Winnipeg) |  | Asking subscription to College to avoid closure. |

Mrs. AE Cowley will take it on but we must find $500 annually to meet interest on the debt and the tax.

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| G 8725 | C - 1687 | [No Date] | Memo |  | [No Location] |  | Re: Hughes a Fenian from Grafton & Gaffney of Pembina. |

“Hughes a Fenian from Grafton accompanied by Gaffney from Pembina wanted to get recruits in Winnipeg for Fenian ranks arrived on Friday 1st May and left on Sunday 3rd stayed at Grand Union disappeared on Saturday night”

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| G 8725 | C - 1688 | Oct. 2, 1885 | Letter | Campbell, G.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Payment of Collin's Ticket $48.00. |

Ticket to Ottawa of 3 Feb 1885: Still not paid – please pay

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| G 8725 | C - 1689 | Feb. 17, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Indian Affairs | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Albert Todd for a position of Indian Farming Instructor. |

A. VanKoughnet – your letter to JAM supporting Todd sent to Indian Commissioner for NWT.

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| G 8725 | C - 1690 | Feb. 21, 1886 | Letter | Stewart, James | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: "Winnipeg Evening News" and Asylum Controversy. |

Wpg News is having ‘war of words’ with Selkirk Record re “the Asylum business.” I hold my own but “am not thoroughly posted on the subject. The controversy started on the occasion of the civic elections in Selkirk in which your Govt was blamed for interfering. This I resented as an untruth.” But your opponents are running “a deeper scheme…” Is the News worth fighting. Is it true that H J Clarke is part of it?

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| G 8725 | C - 1691 | Feb. 15, 1886 | Letter | Caron, Sir A.P. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Capt. A.W. Morton. |

Got your letter re Morton-- Will look into it

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| G 8725 | C - 1692 | Feb. 20, 1886 | Letter | Parr, John | Bradwardine | Norquay, John | Re: Election matters. |

Glad you’re coming here on 25th. Daly is said to be getting Conservatives nominated “who would bounce you the first chance. I know they are working this country there was a meeting held at Virden a couple of weeks ago there was only 2 from this municipality there and one of their planks was to support you in preference ot Greenway but not in preference to any Conservative. These men say openly Frame & Dyer Routledge Wilcox & old McDougall was the ones who had the meeting….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1693 | Feb. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Young, J.P., Mayor | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. when he can see town council. |

“deputation of town council going to Winnipeg today. Can you give them an interview this evening or tomorrow”

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| G 8725 | C - 1694 | Feb. 19, 1886 | Letter | Sanderson, James T. | Medicine Hat, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Asking if he would get anything from Gov't. for cattle killed by Indians. |

Check re failing to take a note here?

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| G 8725 | C - 1695 | Feb. 15, 1886 | Memo | Dundas, H.A.L. Acct. Q.B. in Equity | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John Prov. Treasurer | Re: Margaret Ann Corrigal. |

Girl b. 4 Dec 1867 [I suspect – memo says 1887]. She will be of age on 4 Dec. 1888.

She has $237.91 invested in mge 101. A.W. Ross mortgagor, mge dated 22 Dec 1882, due 2 Jan 1886

AWR has paid noting on a/c of said mge for int or Prin. Mge in hands of N.D. Beck for collection.

John Henry Corrigal drew $43.88 on 15 Jan 1884. This was int in court form a former mge on which infants money was loaned & which was paid. AWRs mge is a reinvestment

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| G 8725 | C - 1696 | Feb. 16, 1886 | Telegram | Helliwell, W.J. | Virden | Norquay, John | Stating he has arranged meeting for 25th inst. |

“Rutledge and I have arranged meeting for one oclock on twenty-fifth”

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| G 8725 | C - 1697 | Jan. 4, 1885 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P. | Birtle | Norquay, John | Re: M. Colonization Co. |

Re yours of Dec 29th – if lands are clear, wld the security be satisfactory

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| G 8725 | C - 1698 | Feb. 24, 1886 | Letter | Black, W.P. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: Two deeds for registration. #2183 J.N. #2184 T.N |

“I am in receipt of your enclosing two deeds for registration.” Duly registered – your own #2183; Tom’s 2184 Fees $4.

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| G 8725 | C - 1699 | Feb. 22, 1886 | Order in Council | Sadlier, C.A., Clerk, Executive Council | City (Winnipeg) | Prov. Treasurer | Special warrant of $125.00 for Dept. of Prov. Secretary. |

For printing and stationery

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| G 8725 | C - 1700 | Nov. 1, 1885 | Letter | Burbidge, G.W. | London, England | Bedson, S.L. | Re: Richard Holt for employment. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1701 | Sept. 11, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon | Uncle John [Norquay, John] | Friendly letter on various subjects. |

“Dear Uncle John I visited the Parl bldgs in Wpg last week, no one around, “…I was sitting in your room thinking over passed times of Committee Poker [?] whiskie &c &c, & also of the deep love I bore our chieftain & wishing to get some satisfaction from my visit and of having some token of my visit, I espied your Hat & put it on & it looked so well & Felt so well….” So I swapped my straw hat for your felt hat … I have been feeling like a Premier ever since a sort of a strut has taken possession of me that I cannot control I don’t know how you feel but when you put that hat on remember my speech at Ralphton…

Rumours of you being Indian Commissioner, or governor of the North West

“…trusting to see you soon and that you and I will after this be the best of Boys which I shall try and be, I am as ever your true friend &c &c, J.E. Woodworth”

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| G 8725 | C - 1702 | [No Date] | Memo |  | [No Location] |  | Memo of standing at Bank. |

Interest on $1000 6 mos @ 8 p $40 1040.00

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Interest on 1000 12 mos@8 p 80.00 1080.00

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By cash on a/c 500.00

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| G 8725 | C - 1703 | June 24, 1885 | Memo | Norquay, Jno | City (Winnipeg) | G.R. Cook & Co. | Memo of bargain. |

“G R Cook & Co agree to bore through Rock bed at $4 ½ per foot & fix up pump afterwards & put same in good working order for $22.00

Additional Will commence work at once & take half pay in month of July & balance say in two monthly instalments June 24th 1885 J Norquay”

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| G 8725 | C - 1704 | July 22, 1886 | Receipt | Young, P.R. | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c to date $12.00. Paid. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1705 | July 22, 1886 | Receipt | Hingston Smith Arms Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $1.60. |

Account from 1884 – small and long outstanding from Sept/Oct 1884 for ammunition

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| G 8725 | C - 1706 | [No Date] | Letter | Marston, Ed | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed Commissioner of Licenses. |

“…You know best who will work strongest for the party next fall. Con is a good fellow, but he won’t stir a hands breadth in politics.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1707 | June 28, 1886 | Telegram | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Coming down by train. |

And will go from train to your office

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| G 8725 | C - 1708 | May 26, 1886 | Telegram | Beatty, Jas. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Recommencing work by 15th June. |

“Expect to commence work from fifteenth June to first July” [Man NW?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1709 | June 1, 1886 | Telegram | White, Thos. Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Amendments to bill prompted by  Prince Albert Volunteers. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1710 | Aug. 4, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Public Works | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. R. Dickson of Selkirk & Mr. D'Amours. |

Your letter re Richard Dickson rec’d – last year’s engineer likely reapptd – but I’ve added Mr. D’Amour’s name to list of applicants H L Langevin

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| G 8725 | C - 1711 | May 10, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Changes in judicial system in N.W. |

Yours of 5th inst. An additional stipendiary magistrate is to be apptd for the North West, will be called judges, and sit as court of appeal from decisions of any one of them. This is the only change in the NW system.

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| G 8725 | C - 1712 | May 13, 1886 | Letter | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sanction of a bill. |

Cantlie by phone – “has just asked me to approve two bills tomorrow at 4 pm. If there is an absolute necessity I will do so but the course is a very unusual one having already sanctioned some bills this session and when the session will close in a few days.

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| G 8725 | C - 1713 | May 11, 1886 | Letter | Burgess, A.M., Deputy Minister of Interior | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: His Lordship the Bishop of Athabasca. |

Bishop did present your letter introducing him – I gave him information he desired

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| G 8725 | C - 1714 | July 26, 1886 | Letter | Menary, T.S. | Cartwright | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed Returning Officer. Replied 30 August 1886. |

Hope we can defeat “The Great fault finder” – TG = Greenway

“Would have been glad of a chance of a more lengthy interview with you in Wpg but your time was so much occupied that I did not wish to infringe….” [time busy]

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| G 8725 | C - 1715 | Aug. 10, 1886 | Letter | Begg, Alex G.E.A., C.P.R. | London, England | Norquay, John | Asking that blue books of Province be sent to him.  Answered 30 August. |

To assist immigrants – I always use only “Manitoba” in my communications – not true that we are trying to send people straight through to NW.

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| G 8725 | C - 1716 | Aug. 1, 1886 | Letter | Kirchoffer, J.N. | Souris | Norquay, John | Recommending Walter J. Sargeant as Returning Officer in his district. Answered 30 August 1886. |

“As I suppose I have the privilege of suggesting officials in the West Riding,…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1717 | Aug. 16, 1886 | Letter | Pomeroy, John | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Political matters in Twp. of Lorne. Answered 30 August. |

AC Clouston favoured here, but the Norquay folk resist

Can you send me information on Greenway’s shift from Conservative to Reform and how he treated creditors in Ontario, and other info for use at public meetings

“…if you could or would wish for a day or two shooting Duck if you would let us know we could arrange it so that you would enjoy it.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1718 | July 27, 1886 | Letter | Hays, James A. | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed Returning Officer. Replied 30 August. |

Boissevain convention on 15th chose George Morton – he recommends me as RO for Turtle Mtn county

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| G 8725 | C - 1719 | July 30, 1886 | Telegram | Washburn, A.S. | Port Arthur, Ont. | Norquay, John | Will be in Winnipeg tomorrow morning. No action. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1720(a) | July 29, 1886 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Cheque to Brandon Council for 1st Street bridge.Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

“please remit Brandon council check amount grant bridge J E Woodworth”

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| G 8725 | C - 1720(b) | July 30, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Council meeting on bridge. Dealt with by Mr. N.personally. |

Please ensure that payment of $1908.33 on the bridge is put through.

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| G 8725 | C - 1720(c) | Aug. 23, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Brandon 1st St. bridge matter closed today. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

The First Street bridge business closed today, and the sum of $1908.33 was drawn on provl govt – “Mr. Brown will receive a full statement form Mr. McMillan & no doubt recommend the payment of the orders as I represented the above to the Council of the City of Brandon as the member for Brandon and would be obliged if you will carry out the matter as represented.” – [I’m a big talker, made a promise, please follow through for me]

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| G 8725 | C - 1720(d) | Aug. 23, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Cons. Candidate chosen for County of Dennis. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

Routledge of Virden chosen as Conservative candidate for county of Dennis at a very large meeting at Oak Lake. I chaired it. He “will be elected after all, as the east part of the County are falling into line I done good work after the meeting with the eastern men. I would be thankfull [sic] if you would bare [sic] me in mind and give me the municipal commissionership for the Province when the appointment is made. I am well qualified and you know if I am deserving you never could do a better act of kindness for your old friend and faithfully yours, J.E. Woodworth”

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| G 8725 | C - 1721 | Jan. 26, 1885 | Letter | Aikins, Culver & Hamilton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: S.W. Farrell's note. |

The note of Farrell – “…we have received instructions to issue a writ unless it be paid at once. Kindly give this your earliest consideration.”

Promissory note Form: dated 4 May 1885: a promissory note dated 31 Jan 1885 for $550 made by Farrell, payable 3 months, and endorsed by you – was today presented for payment at Imperial Bank of Canada and refused.

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| G 8725 | C - 1722 | Jan. 25 ? | Letter | Norquay, Bella | Richland, Man. | Cousin [Norquay, John] | Private letter. |

“My dear cousin I am glad to tell you we got home all right but I think I and baby would have froze if Auntie did not send those things we had to face a storm part of the way and the wind was very cold we never stoped till we got home and one of the horses is sick ever since we found every one well when we came home but the girls hardly care for baby now they were quite contented all the time I was away I got a letter last night from Annie McKenzie and I wrote to Flora since I came home but it has been so stormy I did not get it posted I am thinking long since I came home I don’t know if I will be able to stay home so long as I done before I am uneasy about Flora all the time I am afraid papa will begin to drink again I hardly know what to tell you there is nothing that would interest you much out here Carrie’s drawers fit her as well as if you had her there to go by and Willie’s were just an inch to [too] long but I fixed them up and they are as proud of them as can be.

I wish I could thank you and Auntie for your kindness to me and for all you gave me and I wish I will be able to do some thing for you yet but I can’t and I can only pray that God will bless you all forever. I can’t write any more just now so I will close with love to all I remain your loving cousin Bella”

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| G 8725 | C - 1723 | July 30, 1885 | Telegram | Campbell, Sir A. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | They have ordered Mr. Prudhomme Judge of New Judicial District. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1724 | Dec. 28, 1885 | Letter | Washburn, A.S. Deputy Prov. Treasurer | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking leave of absence for 2 months. |

Leave “in order that I may obtain that medical advice which the nature of my case requires.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1725(a) | Sept. 24, 1885 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Disbrowe, W.H. | Enclosing letter to Sir John on his behalf re:  appointment. |

Handwritten on Treasury Dept stationery – very nice hand:

Rec’d yours of 18th from Montreal, “and feel very sorry indeed that you have not yet succeeded in securing an appointment. I enclose herewith a letter which you may use if you think it will be of service to you. Yours truly J Norquay”

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| G 8725 | C - 1725(b) | Sept. 24, 1885 | Letter | Norquay, John | City (Winnipeg) | Macdonald, Sir John A. | Re: Appointment to N.W. Police. |

“My dear Sir John Cannot you possibly do something for W H Disbrowe. I understand he is applying for a situation in the Mounted Police. If good straight support of the party be any requisite I am only too happy in vouching for the same. I don’t know a Conservative that would not like to see Mr. Disbrowe get some good billet & he has been so long in Manitoba that he has many friends here who would be delighted to know that he had some thing to do that would give him a fair living. Yours sincerely, J. Norquay”

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| G 8725 | C - 1726 | [No Date] | Letter | Wood, E.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking payment of his account. |

Attorney General letterhead, handwritten, headed “Private:”

“My dear Mr. Norquay Mr. Cantlie has sent his report to you in my matter. He read it to me. It appears to be all satisfactory. Would you kindly endeavour to have it pushed to a favourable conclusion as soon as possible, as the amount is of so much moment to me. I am greatly in need of it, and if I don’t get it I really don’t know what I shall do.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1727 | Aug. 23, 1881 | Receipts | Alderson, W.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to pay money due him to Rev. T.N. Wilson. Deposited in Merchants' Bank 23/9/81. |

On back: “pay to Merchant’s Bank Winnipeg Thomas N. Wilson”

Front: “To Hon J. Norquay Please pay to the order of Rev. T.N. Wilson the sum of two hundred dollars and deduct the same from the purchase money due upon SW ¼ Sec 6 Twp 3 Range 7 W. W.C. Alderson $200.

A second sheet, also just a scrap of paper, is signed by Thos N. Wilson, in which Wilson asks Norquay to pay the money into the Merchant’s Bank. It is annotated “Deposited in Merchants Bank 23/9/81”

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| G 8725 | C - 1728 | March 29, 1886 | Letter | O'Brien, J. Sidney | Killarney | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. J. P. Alexander as a candidate in that district. |

A group doesn’t like J.P. Alexander, who ran unsuccessfully last time in this riding and now is organizing a nomination meeting for the next election. We want to be a united party “and work harmoniously together.” Would prefer a stronger man as candidate. Let us know is you want us to “turn into line with Mr. Alexander,” or “to act independent” of him an pick our own candidate.

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| G 8725 | C - 1729 | May 23, 1886 | Letter | Smith, Wm. Marine Dept. | Ottawa, Ont. | Abell, E.R. Steamboat Inspector, Wpg. | Removing steamboat Inspector's office from Winnipeg to Selkirk. |

Re your letter of 18 December – move not considered advisable. Stay in Wpg.

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| G 8725 | C - 1730 | May 4, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Sarah | Assiniboine | Norquay, John | Stating her sister would be pleased to have him as her guest should he go to England this summer. |

‘My dear Sir, Some little time ago Mr. Setter from the Portage was at our house; in course of conversation he said you may be likely to visit England during the summer, the thought occurred to me that you would like to visit the south of England so I wrote to my sister to ask if she would entertain you. I have today a letter saying she would be delighted and Mr. Statham an Army Chaplain who boards with her would show you all the Great Fortifications & Breakwater at Portland and if Mrs. Norquay would like to take a trip for her health & remain with my sister whilst, no doubt, you have to be in London, it’s only 4 hours by Railway from London to Weymouth in County of Dorsetshire. I shall be pleased to hear from you when you are likely to start. Trusting Mrs. Norquay & the family are well in health. I remain Dear Sir, Yours most sincerely, Sarah Setter.

P.S. My husband & family desire to be remembered.

[It seems an Englishwoman, Sarah, married a Setter]

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| G 8725 | C - 1731 | April 3, 1886 | Letter | Moore, J.G., Pres. St. Georges Soc. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to St. George's dinner on 27th inst. |

We hope to have the pleasure of your company at….

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| G 8725 | C - 1732 | May 1, 1886 | Receipt | F.R. Jackes & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $41.10. Paid May 14th. |

9 Oct 1885: galvanized coal hod, heating stove $21, and cookstove $39, plus pipe and elbows, and collars, and platform plus sheet zinc, screen, dumper, -- total $91.00 paid $20 in December/85, and $30 in March/86, and $41 in May/86

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| G 8725 | C - 1733 | May 20, 1886 | Receipt | Bliss, Geo P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $4.50. Paid May 20th. |

Purchase of book written by John B. Gough Platform Echoes, with two fine portraits of Gough, one by Sir Daniel MacNee RSA, “showing Mr. Gough as he appeared in 1855, when the marks of his former dissipation were upon him; the other is from a photograph just taken (1885), showing him as he is today.” Not on sale in bookstores. 639 pp., “227 splendid illustrations”

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| G 8725 | C - 1734 | Feb. 2, 1886 | Telegram | St. Jacques, F.X. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John [in Queens, Toronto] | Asking where to redirect two large registered letters which have arrived for you |

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| G 8725 | C - 1735 | [1886] | Invitation | Campbell, Staff Sargeant E.K. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John, Mrs., & the Misses | 90th First Annual Reunion March 9th. |

Music and dancing at Trinity Hall, C Company, 90th Battalion, Wpg Rifles

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| G 8725 | C - 1736 | Feb. 20, 1886 | Letter | Allen, T.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for amount of a/c $225.00. |

“Private My dear ‘Senator’ You will oblige me by sending a cheque for $225.00 as soon as you can – make it convenient. I don’t desire to financially embarrass your Government but it would be extremely useful just now to have the amount of that

account. Kindly send a cheque.

I have received the Coal Company papers, and shall hold them awaiting your instructions, as you desired.

I hear that you were one of the greatest attractions at the St. Paul Carnival. I have no doubt of it – with the girls!

Yrs very faithfully, T.H Allen

The Hon. John Norquay Premier-Senator Winnipeg

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| G 8725 | C - 1737 | July 30, 1886 | Letter | Sutherland, Robt. | Oak Lake | Norquay, John | Re: Political sky in County of Dennis. |

Yrs of 28th to hand. Politics difficult – west and east of county split. I have a number of votes in my hand, “especially among the halfbreeds. I will watch them. I know there is an influence brought to bear on them by the other side….”

Time is precious right now, but on Monday “I drove about forty miles in order to be sure that the people would appoint three delegates for the [nominating] convention [in Virden]. It was one of the worst drives I ever had the heat and bulldogs in the lowlands and sand hills between Plum Creek and the Souris was something fearfull. [sic]”

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| G 8725 | C - 1738 | Aug. 16, 1886 | Letter | Leary, Geo. | Nelson | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to recommend him for postmastership at Morden. |

The PM at Morden has opened a letter and read it – proof is going to put him out. I would like the job.

“Politically North Duff is safe South uncertain or more so.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1739 | Aug. 23, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Colin C. | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Re: Sending Mr. N. Power of Attorney to draw Rebellion loss money. Answered 30th August. |

“Dear Norquay” will send down power of attorney to get my rebellion losses in a day or two & also my mothers if you will do this for me.

If paid into bank, will the govt give me a license as a hotelkeeper – I can’t afford to furnish the hotel and pay license.

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| G 8725 | C - 1740 | Aug. 21, 1886 | Letter | Walker, D.M. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Asking that a copy of the Election Act be sent him. |

I need the act – am “revising judge for several electoral divisions”

Annotation on letter: “ok – a copy mailed on 4/8/86 & another 23/8/86”

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| G 8725 | C - 1741 | Aug. 18, 1886 | Letter | Dewdney, E. | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Bleasdell's permit. |

“My dear Norquay I have issued Bleasdell’s Permit, as requested by you.

I hope you enjoyed your trip West, and that matters will go all right with you at the coming Election.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1742 | Aug. 5, 1886 | Letter | Ward, Robt. | Sheffield, England | Norquay, John | Re: Employment on Sask. Coal Mine. |

Late of Med Hat mines, now in England, seeks job mining coal

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| G 8725 | C - 1743 | Aug. 18, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: John Rounsfell as Assistant Municipal Commissioner. |

I want Rounsfell apptd – v good man, gentleman, well educated, long experience in business, has lived in Brandon since 1882, 50 years of age

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| G 8725 | C - 1744 | Aug. 23, 1886 | Letter | Smith, H.H. Dom.Land Commissioner | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to dine with him & Sir John at the Club. Dealt with by Mr. N. personally. |

Dept of Interior, Commissioners Office Winnipeg – letterhead

“Dear Mr. Norquay Sir John lunches with me at the Club at one oclock today Will you join us? In haste, Yours truly, H.H. Smith”

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| G 8725 | C - 1745 | Aug. 2, 1886 | Letter | Johnston, Andrew | Mowbray, Man. | Norquay, John | Forwarding a petition from his friends across the boundary. Answered 30th August. |

Meaning unclear – wants to give Blake (Lib, Ottawa) “a blow when he won’t expect it”

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| G 8725 | C - 1746 | [No Date] | Letter | Girard, Mrs. | St. Boniface | Norquay, John | Invitation to a concert. |

Concert “in aid of the new Hospital” Saturday 21 August – admission 50c – in Academic Hall of St Boniface College (complimentary ticket for JN)

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| G 8725 | C - 1747 | April 1, 1886 | Letter | Bourdeau, G. Deputy Prov.-Sec. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John Prov. Treasurer | Enclosing order of the House asking for expenditure re: disputed Territory. |

2 letters: first from C A Sadleir, Clerk of Leg Assembly, re motion passed yesterday asking for ….

And second from Bourdeau to JN, Provl Treasurer, enclosing files 5834 and 5856 for your information and action thereon.

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| G 8725 | C - 1748 | May 26, 1886 | Letter | Boddy, F.W. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking that the Curtis heirs receive their chancery money through him. |

Letterhead of Central Judicial District, Boddy is chairman

Court of Chancery money owed Curtis heirs is about $11,000. Martin M.P.P. has been keeping Philip Cummings in tow, with promises that he would bring it up. If you could give me information so that I could be instrumental in getting it for him, “I have no doubt but I could get his support from Martin at the Polls for our candidate….Is there any hope of a commissionership”

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| G 8725 | C - 1749 | May 25, 1886 | Letter | Leacock, E.P., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing resolution and asking for an answer. |

Send me an answer I can give them “so as to keep them in shape.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1750 | May 26, 1886 | Letter | Black, Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for job of assorting & indexing old records. |

Letterhead of MB Audit Dept – I can’t make ends meet. There is an appropriation under legislation of $400 for “Assorting and Indexing Old Records” – please give me the job, can work in the evenings w/o interfering with my work.

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| G 8725 | C - 1751 | March 29, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, A.,  Postmaster General | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Alvin D. Carscallen for a railway mailclerkship. |

Rec’d your recommendation of ADC. Will put him on list of applicants. No vacancies at present – has he passed “the necessary examination”

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| G 8725 | C - 1752 | Jan. 19, 1886 | Bill | Ryan, Thomas | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $15.10. |

3 pr overshoes, making 1 pr slippers, boots for son Nov-Jan 85-86

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| G 8725 | C - 1753 | April 13, 1886 | Letter | MacArthur, D. V.P., Man. & N.W. Rwy. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Building 50 additional miles of road this season. |

Co. has decided tdo build 50 more miles. Essential that “an Order-in-Council” be passed for “Provincial Aid” – when passed, I will wire Mtl that it is safe to let the contracts.

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| G 8725 | C - 1754 | March 31, 1886 | Receipt | Dom. Coal & Coke Transportation Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c $28.50. |

1 ton stove coal $10.75 plus owed on a/c of 48.75 (Feb-Mar/86)

Pd. $30 on Mch 9. – Owed $28.50

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| G 8725 | C - 1755 | March 11, 1886 | Telegram | Regina Telegraph Office | N.W.T. |  | Re: Captain Allan. |

“Yours today Allan sgd Norquay if it is for Inspector Allan he leaves Battleford tomorrow morning answer”

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| G 8725 | C - 1756 | Aug. 23, 1886 | Letter | Attwood, P.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Difficulty with Sir John and the Militia Dept.  Answered 30 August 1886. |

He wants to settle the difficulty – please enable me to do so.

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| G 8725 | C - 1757 | March 9, 1886 | Letter | Martin, James | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to recommend him for the position of highschool teacher at Calgary. |

“…You remember I taught at High Bluff where I frequently met you….”

“Your obedient servant James Martin ‘Grit’”

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| G 8725 | C - 1758 | March 10, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Recommending W.R. Hamilton as Secretary to the Comm. |

Letterhead of “The Canada North West Land Co. Limited”

“My dear Norquay Captain Donaldson has just called to suggest that if the Royal Commn want a secretary, they could not get a better one that W.R. Hamilton. He is I believe a staunch supporter of yours and is as you know a capital penman & thoroughly fitted for the post.” Bannatyne also keen on this.

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| G 8725 | C - 1759 | March 4, 1886 | Letter | Rupertsland, R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of a meeting of the Isbister Trustees 5th inst. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1760 | [No Date] | Memo | Pennefather, Dr. | Manitou |  | Re: Bringing to notice of Dept. of Agric. the furnishing of seed grain. |

Memo is headed Dr. Pennefather

“Bring to notice of Dept Agr necessitous settlers & apply money voted for shows in this direction 70 farmers who have not as much as would give them a sack flour – Region Swan Lake Beaconsfield Tiger Hills &c. […unclear] loss of crop they have again prepared their fields for crop.” JN’s hand?

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| G 8725 | C - 1761 | Feb. 2, 1886 | Receipt | The Queen's Hotel | Toronto | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $3.25. |

2.50 plus telegraph .75 = $3.25 pd.

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| G 8725 | C - 1762 | Feb. 1, 1886 | Receipt | Gouin & Co. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered. |

4 ¼ days board = $12.75

2 ¼ days Mr. Pritchard = 6.75

Carriages 2 x 50 = 1.00

Rec’d payment $20.50 good image on letterhead of 5 storey corner-facing hotel

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| G 8725 | C - 1763 | Jan. 25, 1886 | Letter | LaRiviere, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Different matters. (Written to Mr. N. when at Ottawa.) |

Cypher: +137 is the conventional number

“Our friend is completely demoralized since you left and I shall not be astonished if something new is on the tapis when you return.

I owe ($1.55) one dollar and fifty five cents to the little fellow who sell newspapers at the Russell – would you settle that for me – that is if it is the same boy. Yours truly AAC LaRivière”

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| G 8725 | C - 1764 | Feb. 1, 1886 | Telegram | Aikins, Hon. J.C. in Wpg |  | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re dispatches sent him. |

“Received despatch sent me and saw several ministers think matter will be adjusted satisfactorily to you am sorry we did not meet”

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| G 8725 | C - 1765 | June 2, 1886 | Letter | Lewis & Kirby | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing Renewal receipt of Policy on life of Hon. J.N. |

Rec’d yours of 1st inst enclosing cheque for $37.10 on “Standard Life”

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| G 8725 | C - 1766 | Aug. 2, 1886 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Birtle | Pritchard, A.W. | Thanks for letter of 17th. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1767 | June 21, 1886 | Letter | Howell, H.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing slip showing result of message to Mr. Bain. |

On the slip: “Bain telephones that O’Donnell House can be rented for $50.00 per month as a residence”

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| G 8725 | C - 1768 | June 15, 1886 | Letter | Allen, T.H. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking payment of a/c for paper binders. |

“Private My dear Norquay I did not wish to bother you about business when down here, but you may rely upon it that you will do me a service by sending me a cheque for the Hope[?] A/C. Please send cheque & vouchers to me and I will have vouchers returned immediately. Now, kindly see that this is done at once.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1769 | June 11, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Customs | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. John Clinton. |

Clinton letter enclosed in letter from JN – applies for mail clerk position – has he passed “qualifying exam”

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| G 8725 | C - 1770 | June 16, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Militia and Defense | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Arnold's appointment. |

Adolphe Caron – “I was sorry to have missed you when you called, but I was away in Quebec.” – re Arnold – yours and MacBeth’s letters here – application will be considered.

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| G 8725 | C - 1771 | June 17, 1886 | Letter | Tennant, H., M.P.P. | West Lynne | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to press upon C.P.R. necessity of reducing bonus to C.P.R. to $50,000 instead of $100,000. |

“My friends both in the town and municipality of Morris as you are aware suffering from the large bonus given to the C.P.R. to change the location of the line – viz $100,000. It is simply ruination and absurd to expect payment in full.

I hope that you will urge this matter strongly on Mr. Egan if at any time he should ask for further aid for the M.S.W. Railway.”

I would like to speak to you and colleagues on this -- at least cut it by half

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| G 8725 | C - 1772 | June 8, 1886 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: The new fishery regulations. |

New fishery regulations, especially closed season for whitefish, causing much dissatisfaction. “It appears that Gauthier, of Sandwich, who has a large lot of ice put up has worked up the Ottawa people to the new regulations.” Lakes Wpg and Manitoba upset – see today’s Manitoban editorial. Please see Minister of Fisheries Foster “and get an immediate change made, which is of the most importance in every respect.”

Get Sir John’s dates for visit – important to give notice in order to get delegates to the Convention….

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| G 8725 | C - 1773 | June 11, 1886 | Letter | O'Connor, W.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Asking Mr. N. to get him position in Dom. Gov'ts. Secret service. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1774 | June 1, 1886 | Letter | McFadden, M. | Neepawa | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. John Crawford an Independent. |

Crawford claims to be Conservative, but will run as an Independent opposed to your Govt. He has gone to Wpg for “the Grit convention” – “Would you kindly put some reliable Friends of ours upon his watch whilst he remains in Winnipeg that his duplicity may be fully established before our Conservative Convention which will take place on the 18th inst.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1775 | June 12, 1886 | Letter | Hall, John | Boynedale, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Political situation. |

We’ve organized societies at Holland, Treherne, Norquay, Oakvale, and have failed in St. Leon but will try again “as it is an important point.” If you plan to send an “outsider or to borrow an opposition word ‘Carpetbagger’ it would be well to let us know so that he might be able to address the different branch associations.” Give addresses of executives, please, to the secretary of the Wpg Liberal Conservative Assn so that if a provincial convention is held, they might be communicated with.

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| G 8725 | C - 1776 | June 19, 1886 | Letter | McDonald, D. | Westbourne | Norquay, John | Asking for some work to do during Election. |

Some paid work – enumerator, returning officer

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| G 8725 | C - 1777 | June 11, 1886 | Letter | Park, James | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Re: Payment of right of way for Pembina Branch. |

Everyone should be paid for the right of way, not only those where the rly have not reserved the right of way in the patent – “it has made a great deal of dissatisfaction…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1778 | June 3, 1886 | Letter | Nichol, Thomas | Souris City | Norquay, John | Re: Direction of Ry. line. |

Man SW? survey starting – use your influence to keep it on a line from Holland directly to Souris River near Plum Creek. “C. Cliffe has been stating freely that what Kirchoffer and I stated that it would likely be built to the river was only an Election Boom and will no doubt say the same about the survey.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1779 | June 5, 1886 | Letter | Leary, Geo. | Nelson | Norquay, John [in Ottawa] | Re: Interviewing the Min. in his behalf re: Census Com. |

“I beg to remind you of your kind suggestion to interview…census commn in Selkirk Co.

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| G 8725 | C - 1780 | June 10, 1886 | Letter | McQuat, John | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support his tender for supplying Stony Mountain Pen. with beef. |

Many parties tendering this year – I gave good service for last 3 years – “if I am a trifle higher than any other bidder I would gladly come down if a chance were offered to me. If you can see the Deputy Minister of Justice and say so for my benefit I will consider it a very great favor.” fix

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| G 8725 | C - 1781 | June 19, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Commission. |

Your telegram is “very very very disappointing” – I wanted that Commission – have been faithful to party and a good worker “…however such is life those things do not discourage me I am no kicker but true as steel….”

I was in Cypress electoral divn – found much Free Press talk “against my friend Norquay” but I “soon put them right that is those I saw…”

They want me to be Conservative candidate. I think I will. The Icelanders “will have to be looked after as their head man Christofsen has gone with the Grits.”

Brandon East, Dennis, also want me. I prefer Cypress.

“I wrote Mr. Brown the offer I made them including Government Grant [some?] $3180, I think. I endorsed my sessional allowance check & the Govmt which squares us to about $50.00 which I shall pay as soon as the Bridges are taken over. Will you please let me know any further about Coal Co. If they are doing anything & how matters stand.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1782 | June 24, 1886 | Letters | Mulock, W.R. & Murray, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Recommending Mr. T. Tait for position left vacant by Mr. Dundas. |

Both endorse Tait’s application. He’s an official of the Queen’s Bench at the Court House, is applying for accountant of the court – Mulock [on letterhead of Bain, Blanchard Mulock] says he’s “an efficient official…”

And Murray of same law firm says: “he is well qualified every way to fill it, and I trust that you will now as you always have done give a Brother Native a shew [?] when he deserves it.” [race]

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| G 8725 | C - 1783 | Sept. 3, 1886 | Letter | Borradaile, Geo. B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to support his application for position of head clerk of Intelligence office shortly to be established in London, Eng. |

Aiding immigrants – “You very kindly in the old days said if you could do anything for me, you would.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1784 | Aug. 31. 1886 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Re: A representative for Electoral Division of Lorne. |

If Howell wants to run in Lorne/South Norfolk, he should decide asap. We have at least four potential candidates in the riding – but a local man couldn’t win – a mischievous Grit, Macdonell, “to our disgrace,” might beat us

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| G 8725 | C - 1785 | Nov. 12, 1885 | Telegram | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. Van Horne's whereabouts. |

‘have you heard from Vanhorne? Is he coming down here? & when? Answer”

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| G 8725 | C - 1786 | Feb. 16, 1886 | Receipt | Stovel & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To balance of a/c rendered $5.00. Paid 15 April 1886. |

Tailor – 10 Dec bill, pd. 15 April

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| G 8725 | C - 1787 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | Attwood, P.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Compensation for services rendered during rebellion. |

I have been cruelly treated and humiliated – please write Sir John and support my claim for “material consideration. I have already received my scrip and am in daily expectation of the medal these are a tacit admission of my claim…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1788 | Sept. 3, 1886 | Letter | Bain, Jno. F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Title of Q.C. |

“My Dear Norquay The people at Ottawa seem to have forgotten about the Q.C. they promised me. If it is not too much trouble, would you mind dropping them a line to remind them of it.” [patronage]

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| G 8725 | C - 1789 | Sept. 3, 1886 | Letter | Livingston, A.M. | Virden | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend a Liberal Picnic. |

In county of Souris River

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| G 8725 | C - 1790 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to let him know when he is going to visit district. |

On letterhead of Registry office, county of Souris River, town of Souris: [Alexander is registrar]

“…if you will only announce the extension of the road to the River I will carry the county flying.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1791 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | Little, R.H. | Littleton, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to see C.P.R. officials re: naming of station at Littleton. |

You were so busy with Sir John’s reception and the convention when I was in Wpg I didn’t want to bother you. Could you contact CPR officials re naming of townsite at crossing of Cypress River – it is 3 miles sw of Littleton P.O.

“We are very much troubled here about getting a candidate to run in the Conservative interests. Mr. Pentland had not quite made up his mind to run when I saw him in Winnipeg. He is the only man I believe would be sure of carrying the election….”

Annotation in pencil: “Mr N. has no objection to request”

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| G 8725 | C - 1792 | June 23, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E., M.P.P. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Purchase of 1st St. Bridge at Brandon. |

Council passed bylaw to buy bridge for $8000. I promised by your regulation on sliding scale re aid for bridges, $1908. Would the govt “advance me say at least $200, on a/c of this grant. I have tried to collect money due me since my return home but it is impossible & I must have a little money to work with. I will make it all right as soon as the Bridge question is settled.” I lost money when a store and a house burned in BC. I shall remain here to fight the battles of the local govt.

“PS: much obliged for fixing that $400 & $39 it will be all right”

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| G 8725 | C - 1793 | Aug. 27, 1886 | Letter | Muckle, R.J.T. | Clandeboye | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed Farm Instructor to agent of  St. Peters Agency. |

Wants to be assistant agent and farm instructor: “…As elections are near I wish to avoid any appearance of being bought and can only assure you that as John Norquay you have my support & vote independent of my thorough Conservative principals [sic] which will always prevent my voting for a Grit or an independent.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1795 | Sept. 20, 1886 | Letter | Tait, Joseph | [No Location] | Norquay, John | Re: Election matters. |

Probably St. Andrews – great grass roots St. A. style, scrappy, half-page, rough penmanship:

“Sep the 20 Honor Premier Dear sir I drop you this few lines to let you know that I am having many a battle with the tongue on election this while back I don’t know if you would fight for me as I am doing for you this while back there [?] I hardly have a friend [sic] round me I am [cross?] with talking at last sometimes Oh boy this is the time for a little to warm my breast to make me talk a little better [whisky presumably] but I am too poor to have some people round here say you are getting too rich with government money that its time to put you down but I say no[,] that I am glad that my country boy is the head of the government keep the dam Canadians down boy they are only jealous of you that’s what I tell them I hope you will get elected and I will have my fun at them I was down at St Andrews they were nearly getting my head broken my wife joins me in sending our kindest regards to you and wife & family and accept the same yourself yours ever Joseph Tait

[additional page]: “excuse my bad writing I cannot have enough paper to write a letter I am so dam poor I have a bad cough I doubt that is going to be the end of me now never mind good bye for the present Joseph Tait

Tell me what is the news of the day when you write”

Annotation: “Ansd 30/9/86” [race]

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| G 8725 | C - 1796 | Feb. 25, 1887 | Letter | Strang, Andrew | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Lot 17, St. Andrews. |

Strang is a grocer: Re Lot 17 St Andrews

Dear Sir I have a letter from John Allan Regina asking me to attend to getting a conveyance from George Johnston’s oldest daughter of this lot in which he says he believes the lot was conveyed by you to the girl through the court – all right enough – it however appears in your name according to the registry office – can you tell me anything about it, how the matter stands & if still not conveyed by you – if on proper authority from the girl you will convey to Mr. Allan.” [JN shady?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1797 | Dec. 13, 1886 | Letter | Walker, D.M. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Congrats. On result of elections. |

“My Dear Norquay I most heartily congratulate you as well as all your Ministers on the glorious victory obtained. I hope nothing will transpire to lessen your majority.

Truly yours, D.M. Walker

Scrawled across side: “So [wrote?] it be say I Bella Walker”

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| G 8725 | C - 1799 | Feb. 23, 1887 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes. |

A lawyer: “I wish you would try and get that matter of Hughes arranged. He is deserving of every consideration.

[PS] “Hurrah for Manitoba”

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| G 8725 | C - 1800 | Aug. 26, 1886 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.J. | Montreal, Que. | Norquay, John | Being misinformed re "assignment our claim". |

“Think you are misinformed have heard nothing of any assignment our claim” [coal?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1801(a) | Sept. 8, 1886 | Letter | McQuat, John | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Re: A ditch. |
| G 8725 | C - 1801(b) | Sept. 1, 1886 | Letter | Wilson, D.H., Min. of Public Works | City (Winnipeg) | McQuat, John | Re: Ditch. |

Wilson writes re McOuat’s letter of 31 August – dept has no instructions re this work

McOuat writes JN – Brown promised me in July that I would get the contract to enlarge the ditch. “Mr Brown said he seen you and it was so arranged…” I don’t want to cause hard feelings….

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| G 8725 | C - 1802 | Oct. 21, 1886 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Robinson's a/c. |

Wade will investigate – “we have no certificate from the Clerk of Works that the material was ever supplied however I have requested [dw?] to secure affidavits from Robinson & Kilpatrick as to the correctness.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1803 | Oct. 20, 1886 | Letter | Whaley, M. | Shellmouth | Norquay, John | Re: Extension of M. & N.W. Ry. to Shellmouth. |

Ansd 25/10/86

Line has been graded to the village of Russell [?] “and no farther all our hopes of gitting a Railway in to Shellmouth is cut of and people has no confidence in the Company or their Pledges & they now naturly look to the Government for a certain amount of Protection. We have been deceived by the Company. I was one of the Council that helped to carry a seventy thousand dollar Bonus in the County of Russell four years ago they defined their rout then by the mouth of Shell River they were bound by order in council by the Dominion Government to the same rout and upon the strength of all this I as well as a great many other settlers here and has spent our time & money And now unless the government comes to our assistance a good number of us who are living in Shellmouth will get no recompence from the Railway Company, while others have got their recompence long ago Mr. Leacock say that Mr. Denmark Grahn Boulton and Major Boulton has got theirs long ago….

“Dr. Harrison promised me when in Russell that the Government would see that the people were dealt fairly with….”

If not we’ll vote for opposition.

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| G 8725 | C - 1804 | Oct. 13 & 25, 1886 | Letters | Whiteway, Jas. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Political & otherwise. |

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Geo Lilly, Jno McDonald alias Buck, John LS Smith, James Monkman – will vote for you. Call at widow Hannah Cochrane, married to Samuel Marsh (Englishman) “I think you will get him if you meet him personally. Neestaw was to go down to the marsh among them all.”

“Well now what for me have you got an answer from that man that feeds with the spoon I was at the land office to see and there is nothing. You will have to give them both you and Brown a broadside from an 85 pounder before they will wake up. There is another rebellion coming….the past one was only a baby to the one that is to come so I am told so look out last time I spoke and wrote plenty not again if I had been a rebel I would have had my own before now pā yah tak

“I am going to the ducks….to see Mr. Marsh you fork of[f] at the big saw mill to the right on a small bridge.

“Mr Mills gave me the balance of my wifes scrip only mine now if ever and if never. Never may evil leave their door.

“I thought Jim Colcleugh was smarter than that but I think he will succeed yet in some way or the other ma-che-koo-chan yours truly JAs Whiteway

[Cree, neestaw]

Oct 25th 86 Parkdale Mr Norquay

I planned to go to Berens River but Mr McLean of Lower Fort found an opening for me.

“then there is Brown says I must go to Sandy Bay for him he says he will get my scrip when Smith returns from Ottawa.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1805 | Sept. 7, 1886 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Letter signed CPB MPW. |

Brown (Min Public Works) signed this. I received it from Mr. Rennie.

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| G 8725 | C - 1806 | Nov. 1, 1886 | Letter | Wood, E.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Biggs letter. |

Let Mr Munson [see? Word omitted] Biggs letter I left with you

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| G 8725 | C - 1807 | Sept. 4, 1886 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Bubar drain. |

Your note of 3rd rec’d – re drain

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| G 8725 | C - 1808 | Oct. 19, 1886 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Slight & Buchanan's a/c. |

They haven’t submitted order from K & H, and latter don’t admit correctness of claim – when S and B submit, I’ll pay balance of 185. [careful accounting of work done?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1809 | Oct. 25, 1886 | Letter | Walker, J.W. | Stonewall | Norquay, John | Re: Applications to have names struck off of list. |

S.J. Jackson has applied to have names struck off the list – Arthur Eden, Thos Howard, James Secretan, W D Taylor, W.R. D. Sutherland, all of Stony Mtn., and John Norquay of Winnipeg.

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| G 8725 | C - 1810(a) | [No Date] | Letter | Norquay, Bella | City (Winnipeg) | Papa [Norquay, John] | Re: Beef. |
| G 8725 | C - 1810(b) | Sept. 15, 1882 | Receipt | Yeaddon, Felix | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | To amount of a/c rendered $11.52 Pd. |

“My dear Papa Please pay to bearer the sum of $11.52 for beef received by us

Your loving daughter B Norquay”

The bill itself is for 96 lbs of beef @ 12 c. Received payment 28 Sept 1882

Witness Chas Adams [signed] Felix Yeaddon X [his mark]

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| G 8725 | C - 1811 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Letter | York, W.M. | Morden | Norquay, John | Congratulations on result of elections. |

Election of every cabinet minister – from sec. of Wilson’s and Bolton’s committees

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| G 8725 | C - 1812 | Nov. 5, 1886 Dec. 3/86 | 2Letters | Young, Archibald | Toronto | Norquay, John | Re: Canadian Trust Co. |

Wealthy syndicate in London has taken over a Canadian trust and construction co, wish to form a Cdn advisory board, remuneration of $1000 per annum.

2. “I regret your decision and hope that after the elections are over when unreasonable cries cannot greatly influence people you will reconsider my proposal.”

[Grit set-up?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1813 | Sept. 4, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Applying for position of Mpl. Commissioner |

‘I have through trying to protect others, been left without a constituency.” So I’m open to apptmt. Have some claim – always at my post in legislature, morning noon and night in committees. “You are aware how I have been used by the Brandon clique.”

Re this position: “I want it very much.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1814 | Sept. 2, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Coal mine. |

“Dear Mr Norquay What have you done re coal mine have they completed arrangements with you and will they proceed to work the mine & if so what chance are there in my getting any thing out of it does the old 75% agreement hold good for paying off creditors I would very much like to know how matters are as I noticed the day I saw you they were anxious to come to terms Yours faithfully J E Woodworth

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| G 8725 | C - 1815 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of Elections. |

“Brandon East went bad …. I think I explained to you before the action of Daly, W.A. McDonald Batty &c ruined all prospects…”

“The Conservative lawyer Cooper worked hard for Smart and there cry was down with Norquay”

“Dennois is a bad one but we can thank our friend Mr. Helliwell for the defeat he & his friends worked against Routledge … as returning officer put men in as deputies working for McLean one in particular in Pipestone….”

“My dear old friend do not forget me in the appointment of municipal commissioner….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1816 | Sept. 18, 1886 | Letter | Taylor, W.M. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: A/c of $68.00 rendered & not yet paid. Note  from D.H.H. on reverse. |

Bill for 34 suits entered in the Lisgar county court @ $2 each

Note on back: No appropriation – special warrant to cover it – issued a few days ago – cheque will go out next week.

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| G 8725 | C - 1817 | Sept. 1 & 15, 1886 | Letters | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Applying for position in Ry. Commissioners Office. |

Sorry to hear no help needed – is there any other govt permanent position – ‘I need a change and also a position that will be more lucrative than the one I at present occupy.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1820 | Oct. 30, 1886 | Letter | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: His position in Ry. Commissioners office. |

Withdrawing his plea “owing to changes of which I was then unaware…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1818 | Sept. 28, 1886 | Letter | Taylor, H.J. | Crystal City | Norquay, John | Re: His appointment as Insp. Inland Revenue for Southern Man. |

This is the application for the job “about which we were speaking”

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| G 8725 | C - 1819 | Oct. 27, 1886 | Letter | Taylor, H.J. | Crystal City | Norquay, John | Re: His appt. as Insp. Inland Revenue for Southern Man. |

Have heard nothing – can you urge the matter again. “Everything progressing favourably in Mountain.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1821 | Sept. 1, 1886 | Letter | Sutherland, Robt. | Oak Lake | Norquay, John | Re: Politics in County of Dennis. |

East and west parts of county are split – I can’t support Routledge. Helliwell has resigned and will support McLean, R’s opponent. R won’t get support here. The West Brandon case is similar – “Kirchhoffer is not the man the party would like to have.”

“Every paper I see, that is Reform papers, seem to have a never ending string of abuse to pour on your head. I am sure if the half was true they would have you living at the Stony Mountain long ago.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1822 | Sept. 8, 1886 | Letter | Sutherland, Robt. | Oak Lake | Norquay, John | Re: Politics in County of Dennis. |

Yours of 4th to hand “for which I thank you sincerely for the kind manner in which you advised me.”

No one part of the county will give in to the others.

And a man from Whitehead is taking the census in our municipality, Sifton – he knows nothing and can only sign his name– rumour is that Kirchhoffer promised this job in exchange for a vote at Plum Creek nominating convention.

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| G 8725 | C - 1823 | Dec. 15, 1886 | Letter | Sutherland, Robt. | Oak Lake | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon re-election etc. |

I voted McLean, couldn’t support Routledge. But I still back you.

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| G 8725 | C - 1824 | Dec. 15, 1886 | Letter | Sutherland, R.D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Permit for Adam McBeth. |

McBeth of Qu’Appelle wants a permit from LtGov Dewdney to bring in 8 gals of Drewrey’s Ale per month into NWT for his own use. I told him you could arrange it. “Do what you can as it would please the old gentleman. He is on good terms with Dewdney.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1825 | Dec. 13, 1886 | Letter | Stuart, J.H. | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Asking influence to secure his entry to W 1/2 20.3.22. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1826 | Dec. 13, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Jno. Jas. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of elections. |

“Dear Sir Accept my congratulations, for your splendid victory. I am only sorry that Elm River went back on us the way they did, or we should have secured another here, but the country is safe unless you should decide on accepting a defeat on the assembling of the house but this will be very dangerous, as the ‘Party’ may offer a seat or two to some of our side, & by that means leave us in the cold shades of opposition. Martin is not a bit cocky he would fear to return for relection [sic] should you leave them this alternative. But should you think that you could trust every one of the Conservative members elected it would be fine fun to accept a defeat; then let Martin Greenway Luxton and Martin (Morris) and I am blowed if I know who else they could get, except perhaps Larevier [sic] and David Glass, then we could turn all our forces against them, but there is the danger of which I spoke Martin might not run unless he got the assurance [sic] that he could depend on the French vote again, and they might give a seat or two to any strong but shakey Con then call the French to their assistance, and they could make their own terms this no doubt is the reason of their action in the Elm River they now hold the balance of power, unless you can make converts out of the opposition I think D. Glass would make a good speaker. Gellie I have no fear of if you could get enough without the French, but if by any means the opposition can get the upper hand and can make better offers the whole contingent may walk over to the other side, so I think it better to forgo the fun of having another tussel [sic]with Joe, taking everything in consideration. I think that we have not done so badly and you should be able hold your against even Luxton along with Joe, yours truly John James Setter”

A second “Private” letter in this item:

13 December 1886 When I returned from St. Andrews with my acct I could not find Mr. Cantlie so left them with Mr. Giles, who promised to have the same put through as soon as possible, now I ask you as a favour to have them put through as quickly as possible if you do not desire to see me in trouble, this will put me all right, so please loose [sic] no time.”

[bungee – loose – and see below #1827 – loose again]

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| G 8725 | C - 1827 | Nov. 3, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Jno. Jas. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Payment of his a/c & etc. |

Yours of 25th with Munson & Allan’s accounts received – will clear it up.

I’ve earned over $500 in fees on the approaching assize – if govt hurries up my account I won’t need to borrow to settle the account.

“Now for Mrs. Cummings money what is the delay? I am loosing ground….this may loose us the election, now see to this matter it is important not to me but to you, a few votes one way or the other may settle this constituency, so it is of the utmost necessity that some leaver [sic: lever] be given me among the natives and this was a very strong one….Joe must be kept in the background by any means, so assist in the way that will not be bribery but as effectual.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1828 | Oct. 26, 1886 | Letter | Setter, C.C. | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Re: Settlement of rebellion losses. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay I suppose there is still no word from the Commissioners regarding our pay for rebellion losses out west….

I felt very sorry to have you pay that note which you endorsed for me. I did everything that was in my power to raise the amount but failed. I even took my horses & buggy down to Winnipeg to sell them But could get nothing for them there is only one party which I can or could get money from But did not like to take it I have so much to make up just thinking you may say after getting all I had taking from me out west I wrote to you but you did not answer I suppose you are mad. Yours sincerely, C.C. Setter

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| G 8725 | C - 1829 | Nov. 1, 1886 | Letter | Scassy, M.J. | Clandeboye | Norquay, John | Wishing to withdraw his bet. |

Or Scarry: annotated: “ansd 2/11/86”

“Mr Norquay Dear Sir I have been so disgusted with the proceeding of the meeting and the way in which the Manitoban has refered [sic] to me as chairman I wish you and Mr. Colcleugh to withdraw the bets as I have lerned that beting in the time of elections is eleagell and I don’t man to be in any way concerned with anything that is not leagell. Answer me by return of mail. M. J. Scarry [Scassy]

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| G 8725 | C - 1830 | Sept. 13 & 21, 1886 | 2 Letters | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Cliffe & purchase of his paper. |

“My Dear Norquay You will remember that during the Convention I spoke to you of Cliffe’s proposition to sell his interest out to the Brandon ‘Times’ or buy out the interest of the Brandon ‘Times,’ and you said before anything could be done, you would have to see the Brandon ‘Times’ man. Cliffe has written me evidently wanting to know if anything has been done ...

“He says he is urged to run as Conservative against one of the nominees, in some district which he proposes to do.

“It might be well for Mr. Cliffe and Mr. Robinson to meet here and see whether some satisfactory arrangement could not be made.

“What do you think?”

Letter from Scarth on 21 Sept – re another letter from Cliffe – “Will you kindly let me know?’

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| G 8725 | C - 1831 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Letter | Saunders, Bernard | Toronto | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of elections. |

“My dear Norquay I dreamt last night you were here on your way to Ottawa & thought of it when I woke & felt sure you had bust the Grits & as soon as I got my paper was glad to see I was right, poor Scarth I am sorry he is not in it Must have been a hot election & I see Independent Col Smith is there of course he would like to have your billet. I will not bother again with City Council I am sick of it. Kind regards, Yours truly Bernard Saunders” [letterhead of B Saunders Tailor and robe maker, 94 King st west]

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| G 8725 | C - 1832 | Feb. 23, 1887 | Letter | President, Lib. - Cons. Assoc. | Port Arthur, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Holding meeting in Mr. Dawson's favor at Rat Portage. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1833 | Dec. 13, 1886 | Letter | Sanderson, R. | Indian Head, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. N.'s election. |

Mr Norquay Sir I was disappointed to see that my servis was so valueless I regrett to have troubled you I woud not have don so had it not been for a friend of myne who wroat me from Ottawa as follows it is expected Norquays election will be a close contest uncle John and friend will send about a $100,000 to secure his nomenation be on the look out for a share and do your best for him. I will conclud by saying if you want to keep me quite don’t forget an old friend. R Sanderson [sic] [joke?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1834 | Oct. 30, 1886 | Letter | Scott, Mrs. D.H. | Meadow Lea, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Her husband's sentence. |

He committed forgeries, notably in Mexico, and was extradited home to Canada – is a good man with six kids under ten – she writes very very well, asks that court adhere to promise of Mexican authorities to impose sentence of only two years.

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| G 8725 | C - 1835 | Sept. 2, 1886 | Letter | Scott, T. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Scott & Leslie's a/c. |

Furniture dealer: please ensure that council passes our a/c for asylum today. We have a car at station and must meet the draft or pay $10/day demurrage.

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| G 8725 | C - 1836 | Sept. 15, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Colin C. | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Asking if he has been appointed noxious weed inspector. |

Is it true that “I was put weed inspector in place of Moore – is it so or not – if so please let me know as there is some thistles up here I would like to see cut down….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1837 | Sept. 16 & 30, 1886 | Two Letters | Setter, Colin C. | High Bluff | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to meet protested note at Merchants' Bank. |

16th: My note comes due on 25th. “I am very sorry to say that I have not got my threshing done yet and there is nobody that will advance money on grain. I suppose that damn govt down below will not allow me any thing for my losses either. I will be able to pay the note just as soon as I can sell grain I am very sorry I cant meet it at present. Yours truly

Colin C. Setter”

PS: If you get anything for our losses from down below let me know. You need not let the old wife know first if the old woman would only do what was right for what I do for them she might lend me the money till I could realize something on my grain for she can get 5 or 6 hundred at any time from Montreal when ever she likes she owes me quite a bit but can’t get it she always the old way got no money”

30th: “Dear Sir Can you meet this note at Merchants Bank that is protested. I cant really do anything with my grain at present I will give you five [?] hundred of my money from the govt which I expect I shall get or which I have a right to get any time.

“Jemima is very unwell She had a little girl on the 23rd Hoping you will oblige

Yours truly Colin C. Setter”

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| G 8725 | C - 1838 | Sept. 9, 1886 | Letter | Short,B.J. | Morris | Norquay, John | Notice of a Grit meeting on 20th inst. |

Greenway, Fisher, Biggs coming for Grit meeting. Could you come with “a few Conservative friends as we are desirous of doing our part to make the meeting interesting.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1839(a) | Oct. 25, 1886 | Letter | Struthers, E.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed a Commissioner in BR. Note to Hamilton by Norquay on reverse. |

Struthers wishes to be given the power to take affidavits at the station for CPR, his employer.

Norquay on back: “My dear Hamilton Will you kindly recommend for appointment Mr Struthers. I know him to be in every way qualified. Yours truly J Norquay 25 Oct 1884” [sic: 1886]

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| G 8725 | C - 1839(b) | Oct. 22, 1886 | Letter | Hamilton, C.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Struther's application. |

Hamilton replied that he should petition the judges of Q Bench and pay $5.

Rennie annotated: “I have instructed Mr. Struthers how to apply. AHR 26/10/86”

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| G 8725 | C - 1840 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Somerset, J.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Proposed legislation. |

“When you can spare me a few minutes I should like to submit several matters for your approval. They are of such importance that I do not like to bring them forward through the usual channel without first consulting you. They relate (1) to appointments to the Board of Education, (2) to proposed recommendations to the Dominion Govt re school lands, (3) Normal and High School support and (4) some proposed legislation.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1841 | Sept. 10, 1886 | Letter | Smith, H.H. D.L. Commissioner | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A.C. Priest's application for Patent. |

Your letter of 6th re Priest’s application for patent for the w ½ of Sec 12-8-22 W. Yes, he applied for patent. Could not approve because he hadn’t fulfilled residency – 2 mos short. Has since done so, and I have asked him to apply and “will give his case the most favourable consideration possible.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1842(a) | Oct. 11, 1886 | Letter | Dom. Lands Commissioner | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Right of way through School Sections. |
| G 8725 | C - 1842(b) | Oct. 5, 1886 | Letter | Hall, John | Ottawa | Smith, H.H.,  Dom. Land Office | Re: Right of way through School Sections. |
| G 8725 | C - 1842(c) | Oct. 12, 1886 | Letter | Smith, H.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Burgess, A.W., Deputy Min. of Interior | Re: Above. |

5 Oct: Hall to Smith, re JN’s letter of 20 Aug concerning rly right of way through school sections – we approve and have told M&NW Rly.

11 Oct: Dom Lands Commn Wpg sends JN copies of letters on above issue.

12 Oct: JN has agreed to M &NW acquiring rt of way through school sections at price reported by land inspectors

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| G 8725 | C - 1843 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Letter | Smalley & Chantler | Westbourne | Norquay, John | Re: Bridge across river. |

It is reported that elections are near. Will your govt build a bridge across river below the rly crossing – “Parties have hinted that they require some assurance in regard to this matter and we would like to be in a position to say *if necessary* what your intentions are.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1844 | Oct. 13, 1886 | Letter | Skead, Wm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of favor of 23 August 1886. |

Have been sick for nearly 3 months, unable to note your letter of 23 Aug. re rt of way on Pembina Branch in it Northern Extension. “I shall be most happy to report.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1845 | Sept. 22, 1886 | Letter | Short, B.J. | Morris | Norquay, John | Stating Lt. Col. Osborne Smith has been chosen as their standard bearer. |

Re your letter of 13th. We chose Smith as candidate in Morris in the Conservative interest.

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| G 8725 | C - 1846 | Sept. 11, 1886 | Letter | Buhler, Johann &  Schultz, Otto | Kronsthal, Gretna PO | Norquay, John | Re: The debt of Municipality of Montcalm. |

“ansd 13/9/86”

Council of Municipality of Douglas have a grievance against M of Montcalm, which wants to put $5000 & interest cost onto us, on ground that we accepted one additional twp 1, R 1, East even though the costs were not in this area and we had agreed to take the land only w/o assuming any debts of Montcalm. “Your Honor is aware that all of us are Mennonites unlearned in the ways of legal procedure and I petition you (in the name of my Colleagues in Council) and also the Honorable the Attorney General to advise me wether [sic] we must assume this debt or wether we by just rights can deny the claim and allow the Courts to decide in the premises. Praying for an early reply….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1847 | Sept. 13, 1886 | Letter | Brydon, John Kerr | Rat Portage, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for a position. |
| G 8725 | C - 1848 | Oct. 5, 1886 | Letter | Brydon, John Kerr | Rat Portage, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking for position. |

Thanks for your of 30th Sept, regret no position available. Wishes of success in electin

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| G 8725 | C - 1849 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Letter | Brydon, John Kerr | Rat Portage, Ont. | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of election. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1850 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. Minister of Public Works | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Price of Marsh Lands. |

Odd, typed, Public Works letterhead,

Re your letter of 30th, “I am not quite clear as to what you mean by ‘the choice of purchase at the maximum of $2.50 an acre.’ I suppose you mean an upset price of $2.50 per acre….No doubt Dr. Wilson will deal with this shortly.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1851 | Oct. 11, 1886 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Remission of W.J. Smith's fine. Memo on reverse. |

Smith was fined for shooting partridge out of season. JN wrote on Burrows’ memo that Dept should make a report explaining “on what grounds remission of fine is recommended. JN”

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| G 8725 | C - 1852 | Nov. 5, 1886 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Hespeler & Mennonite vote. |

Using Hespeler to provide “a little assistance among the Mennonites” in South Dufferin and, perhaps, Morris constituencies.

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| G 8725 | C - 1853(a) | Dec. 7, 1886 | Letter | Burke, Joseph | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes. |

Burke supports Hughes of Brandon’s application for chiefship of provincial police

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| G 8725 | C - 1853(b) | April 30, 1886 | Letter | Merchants' Bank of  Canada Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Gov't. not to allow West Lynne to become separated from Emerson. |

We are creditors of present city of Emerson. Govt shouldn’t intervene on behalf of one side in the dispute until arrangements are completed, “lest outside capitalists should receive the impression that they will in this country encounter not only the ordinary risks of loaning money (which surely are great enough) but Government intervention as well.” Creditors now “hold the whole property for the payment of the whole debt….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1854 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | Brydges, F.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to dine at Club with himself, Van Horne & others. |

“Will you dine with me this evening at seven thirty at the Club, I expect Mr. Van Horne and a few others and hope you will make a point of coming.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1855 | Oct. 24, 1886 | Letter | Carley, James A. | Minneapolis | Norquay, John | Re: Geo. Purvis & others of Farmers Union type. |

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“Although not living in Winnipeg yet I still take the same interest in politics and with this view I send you some intelligence that may be of some use to you in the campaign and more particularly in South Winnipeg. Two years ago a Mr. Mitchell formerly of Birtle Man lived in this city. He was one of the originators of the farmers’ union. He told me that previous to the passing of the anti-immigration resolutions by the union that Geo Purvis had received an offer of fifteen thousand dollars from the Northern Pacific Railway Coy to have such resolutions passed so that immigration would be diverted from Manitoba and so injure the CPR. He also stated that W S Luxton and Kenneth McKenzie of Burnside were well aware of the fact at the time. I do not now if you have heard this before but I presume if you can hunt this man up he can reveal more of the schemes that were concocted by that treasonable body. I sincerely hope you will defeat those traitors who undoubtedly caused the late rebellion. Please do not mention my name in connection with this. I am Yours &c …”

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| G 8725 | C - 1856 | Sept. 25, 1886 | Letter | Carling, Jno. | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Pritchard. |

Yours of 6th on behalf of A.W. Pritchard rec’d. I’m glad to assist him in finding a position in public service in London or elsewhere. No vacancies in London now. He must pass the civil service exam to be eligible for jobs.

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| G 8725 | C - 1857 | Dec. 5, 1886 | Letter | Cummings, J. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: His claim. To NW1/4 Sec.12 Twp12 R7W. |

Have you heard from Minister of Interior?

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| G 8725 | C - 1858 | Oct. 31, 1886 | Letter | Saunders, Geo. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Re: Holding meeting at Parkdale. |

When meeting here. “Some of our neighbours think it rather strange that there are meetings farther down and none here. If you could call a small meeting some time soon and talk the affairs over a little and then promise to call a public meeting and invite your opponent, I think it would take all right. I am pretty well sure of the most up here now. It was hard to tell which way they would go a while back, but as our (friend?) J.P-k [I?P] says he guesses Sam S. is pretty well bought by this time. The more you do for J.P.[IP?] the more you are likely to turn others here against you.

“I am expecting Capt. Wade down today. He will tell you when I will be up again and I will all and see you if you are at home. I will tell you more then. I am Dear Sir Yours truly Geo Saunders”

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| G 8725 | C - 1859 | Oct. 18, 1886 | Letter | Sanderson, R. | Indian Head, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Coming down to vote. |

“Old friend alow me to ask the favour of your attention for a fiew moments to the following: [sic]”

You’re running on the west side against E[?] W Colcleugh “he played some of his sharp practise on me some years a go this campain afords me a good oportunity [sic] to pay him back and nothing could aford me more plesure[sic] “

I’ve been farming here for past few years, had bad luck, have no money, but I have a house and 2 lots in East Selkirk, cost about $1500, you could sell it for 600-700 cash, solve my difficulty here, and I would come down to speak at private meetings. Good luck in the campaign

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| G 8725 | C - 1860 | Aug. 28 & 31, 1886 | Letter | Cummings, John | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Writing to Min. of Interior. |

JN wrote Cummings, then Minister of Interior [office is much more efficient, notes taken of actions taken, etc, and responses to letters quickly written]

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| G 8725 | C - 1861 | Oct. 1886 | Letter | Colcleugh, J. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Enclosing form to be filled out & then handed to Mr. Wade. |

Colcleugh writes: My dear Rennie – will you kindly ascertain how the enclosed order should be filled out as to style of acct and do it for me, then hand to Mr.Wade, & oblige

Yours J Colcleugh”

Annotation: “gave order to Wade 25/9/86”

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| G 8725 | C - 1862 | Aug. 28, 1886 | Letter | Curran, John P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Crawford's candidature for Beautiful Plains. |

Lawyer, Wpg office with printed letterhead:

Re your letter “…what took place between us with reference to Mr Crawford’s candidature for Beautiful Plains…” I thought Davidson was withdrawing and in any case could not win again, so Crawford wld be a fine alternative and supporter: “I had often heard him express every confidence in you as leader of the Govt…. but… you did not see your way clear to entertain.”

Now – my own circumstance – I head Rice Howard is ill, you need an acting inspector – I wld like the job and then to be made permanent when possible.

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| G 8725 | C - 1863 | Oct. 15, 1886 | Letter | Cuddy, T.A. | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Re: Coming down to vote. |

Yours of 14th arrived re vote in your constituency – I rec’d note from enumerator that an application had been made to strike me off the list – if it isn’t, and you really need the vote, I wld come: “it is a long distance to go for the purpose of voting and unless absolutely necessary I would not care to go down still if it is going to be a hard fight and you require me let me know and I shall try to be on hand.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1864 | Nov. 10, 1886 | Letter | Cook, R.S. | Peterboro, Ont. | Norquay, John | Thanks for favor. |

Your kind favor of 4th received – thanks

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| G 8725 | C - 1866 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Letter | Cook, R.S. | Peterboro, Ont. | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon results of election. |

Congratulations. And: “I have been promised the land agency of Prince Albert thanks to your kindness on my behalf.” Thanks “Ansd”

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| G 8725 | C - 1865 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Letter | Cooper, W.D. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Public meetings. |

To Rennie – “Dear Rennie Your telegram to hand. Smith wired back to know who would be here on 29th & as soon as he gets reply will call meeting. There is another meeting here on 26th, Thursday night, called by Martin and Smith has been wiring about getting some one up. ….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1868 | Sept. 6, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Asking statement of lands. Meetings, etc. |

“Liberal Pic’Nic’ to be held on 16th Greenway etc present. You are invited “Bun-feed at 11 – speaking at 1” Se.6, Tp4, R 26.

Please send statement on revenue from lands derived by other provinces…

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| G 8725 | C - 1869 | Oct. 4, 1886 | Letter | Archibald Howell, Lough & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Isbister Trustees. |
| G 8725 | C - 1870 | Oct. 8, 1886 | Letter | Archibald Clough  & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Isbister. |

Bannatyne, McArthur and JN are trustees, among others. JN is in Toronto. The second letter is to Rennie at Queen’s Hotel to get JN’s signature

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| G 8725 | C - 1871 | Nov. 11, 1886 | Letter | Aikins, J.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Invitation to Gov't. House. |

Saturday 13th at 3:00 “to meet a few gentlemen…to talk over a matter touching the connection of the Prince of Wales with the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, London”

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| G 8725 | C - 1872 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Letter | Ballan, John | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Chas. Kelly. |

Kelly seeks job in Dom Lands Office Wpg – great guy – hard working settler, opposed to Farmers Union, supporter of yours

“I have just got back from the Touchwood Hills Country everything is quiet no foundation at all for the rumour about Indian troubles which emanated on the fulsome brain of the last of the cranks I hope”

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| G 8725 | C - 1873 | Oct. 24, 1886 | Letter | Fullerton, Jim | Hallock, Minn. | Norquay, John | Re: Jack. |

I’ve written 3 times to Jock – where is he? “I see they are after your scalp again…. I’m doing well now Got a slick little ranch & 400 sheep on a pretty lake…” Deer all over, elk too and geese. “… and don’t forget if you want a good hunt or recreation that our latchstring is always outside to any of our old friends….My wife wishes to be very kindly remembered to you & Mrs. Norquay and says she’ll give you a warm welcome if you’ll drive down, we are on the old Hudson Bay Rd to St. Paul, 30 miles east of Hallock, Good luck old man, Faithfully yours. Jim Fullerton”

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| G 8725 | C - 1874 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Cates. |

“Ansd” “My Dear Mr Norquay Accept my heartiest congratulations on your success all round, we had a hard fight here through the lying slanders of Greenway & his minions but we won the day.” Mr Cates wants job with Municipal Commission as auditor – would be excellent

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| G 8725 | C - 1875 | Nov. 2, 1886 | Letter | Archibald, Howell, Clough & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing cheques on Isbister Fund for signature. |

W. E Firdale $1000 and John Buchanan $800 in loans

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| G 8725 | C - 1876 | Oct. 25, 1886 | Letter | Anderson, James | St. Laurent | Norquay, John | Re: His claim. |

Claim re land – “I am in great need of the money at present….”

“If Mr. Wagner is a supporter of your Government (I heard he was not) you should come out and help him Call a meeting and request Mr. Ryan to be present, so that you could give him a good talking, as he has too much gas for Mr. Wagner, and gets Mr. Wagner so confused that he cannot express himself as he would like.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1877 | Oct. 12, 1886 | Letter | Adams, Chas. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Neestaw | Re: Schemes afloat to rob him of position. |

“Private Dear Neestaw I have not been able to answer your letter as I was away making the pay/ts on the reserves.

Since I wrote you things have been working to a head and now I am winding up affairs. Since I commenced here last spring the authorities at Regina have tried all they could to find something to get a hold of me but so far they have failed. It was at one time a shortage in bacon which was short about 300 lbs in several thousand, now all know that is very little shrinkage for such an article, since then it turned out that Edmonton’s shortage is 2300 lbs in 2 years. Then when one failed they tried another & failed again &c &c &c. It was plain they wanted to get back Rae (nephew of Sir John) into his old place. He is the one that was suspended once & when reported to Sir John A., & pressed for answer wired back ‘Make the beggar sign the pledge.’ It seems to be a political misfortune to have gotten the place & then loose it – first the pay was only 75.00 & the travelling allowance 2.00, but the expenses were great & instead of gaining I have got in debt.

“The Indians one & all are very displeased at the changes & at one payment asked Rae to enquire of the Commr what was his intention, ‘did he want to send a ‘Yellow Beard to again swear at us?’

“I would not in the face of all that have been done like to hold the position, as they would make it unbearable to me, in fact they have laid it on pretty thick as it is – but if there was anything that would help in any way I can assure you I would be only too thankful to you. I shall be winding up & hand down things next week about 23rd.

“I should like to have got home between now & then as I expect something of importance to occur in the meantime.

“All were well when I left home yesterday. Kind regards to all – Ever yours, &c &c, Chas Adams”

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| G 8725 | C - 1878 | Sept. 1, 1886 | Letter | Cantlie, L.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mrs. Pruden's claim. |

Re your letter of 30 August, enclosing Bain Mulock note re claim under court mortgage in Hallett Vs. Fidler (Mrs. Pruden’s claim). These gentlemen have been instructed how to proceed.

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| G 8725 | C - 1879 | Oct. 5, 1886 | Letter | Archibald, Howell, Clough & Campbell | City (Winnipeg) | Rennie, A.J. | Re: Isbister Trustees. |

Note: “send documents executed 7/10/86”

To Rennie at Queens Hotel, City” –

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| G 8725 | C - 1880 | Aug. 20, 1886 | Letter | American Plumbing Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking settlement of a/c against Gov't. |

Overdue account against govt – for work done at Selkirk Asylum. Min of Public Works refuses to settle up – please look into the matter

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| G 8725 | C - 1881 | Dec. 13, 1886 | Letter | Anderson, James | St. Laurent | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon results of election. |

Congratulations – “your success in defeating Mr. Colcleugh and expect he has received such a lesson that he will not oppose you again.

“Our election out here is not known yet as the returns from Fairford are not in yet.”

Mr. Ross sent me a letter from Min of Interior re my loss at the time of the smallpox epidemic. I hope you will kindly see him and urge him to do all in his power towards securing a speedy settlement of my claim.” [1876-7 epidemic?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1882 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | Adams, Chas. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Neestaw | Re: Loss of his situation in month's time. |

“Dear Neestaw I have just received a letter from Regina which has upset my calculations for the present. The fact of the matter is I have been notified that I shall have to give place to my successor in a month.

“This I owe to vindictive & jealous persons, also to the Asst Commissioner, Hayter Reed, who I know was prejudiced against me, and also because my appointment did not originate at Regina. Of all damnable villains is Rev. J. Hines who was fishing for the place & who as acted very dastardly all through, he thinking he ought to have had the agency & I the farming instructorship.

“I hope you are all well, I am glad to say we are, only yr poor old sister is very clumsy whether from old age or what I will leave you to infer. Yrs always, C Adams”

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| G 8725 | C - 1883 | Jan. 16, 1887 | Letter | MacArthur, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: An act to incorporate Man. Central Ry. Answered 17 February 1887. |

“My dear Sir It is my intention to apply for an Act, the notice of which has already been given, to incorporate the Manitoba Central Railway, a road which is intended to run from Winnipeg to the Southern Boundary of this Province, and as I am making arrangements now for the construction of the said road as soon as the spring is sufficiently far advanced to allow operations to be proceeded with, I shall feel obliged by your dropping me a line stating that the said Charter will be granted by the House and re-enacted if disallowed.

“I do not ask this letter for my own satisfaction at all because I am well aware that it is your intention to grant such a charter, but I wish to assure the capitalists in connection with whom I am acting, that the Provincial Legislature will do what they can to grant the necessary charter to meet them at the Boundary of the Province.

Yours very truly D Mac Arthur”

“Ansd 17 Feb 1887”

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| G 8725 | C - 1884 | Feb. 16, 1887 | Letter | Waghorn, James R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Gov't. support to his time table & monthly diary.Answered 17 February 1887. |

Complains that govt office and dept of agriculture both cancelled subscriptions to this *Waghorn’s Time Table and Monthly Diary* – yet his letterhead carries a warm supporting testimonial signed by JN himself.

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| G 8725 | C - 1885 | Feb. 14, 1887 | Letter | MacKinnon, Archibald | Pipestone | Norquay, John | Re: Division of W.J.D, asking for position. Answered 17 February 1887. |

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| G 8725 | C - 1886 | Sept. 22, 1886 & Oct. 9 | Letters | Attwood, P.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking employment. |

Letterhead of Independent Order of Foresters on first, nothing on second – needs work “by which I could tide over the present dull times.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1887 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Letter | Ball, Jno. C. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking for position C.C.C. Norfolk. |

County court clerkship. He owns property in Carberry, Westbourne, Norfolk, Lakeside and Portage. C P Brown and Hamilton (whom I knew years ago in ON) know me and I’ve written them for help.

“Had it not been that I felt anxious to poll my votes for the four constituencies mentioned I would have applied and I believe with good prospects of success to have been appointed returning officer for the Portage County….” [suffrage]

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| G 8725 | C - 1888 | Dec. 1, 1886 | Memo | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Enclosing Registration bill. |

“My dear John: How are these to be paid? Of course the [amount?] will be doubled as it will cost the same to have the instruments reconveyed. Yours SLB”

Form from Registry Office, Selkirk (Co. of Lisgar) to S L Bedson

“16 April to Reg[ister] self to Norquay $2

31 July to Reg. B & Sale Nos. 6470, 6471, 6472, 6473, 6474, 6475 and 6476

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“Ansd” [asylum lands?][private speculation?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1889 | Oct. 27, 1886 | Letter | Bain, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mortgage. |

“North British Canadian Investment Co Ltd Private w encl”

“I send enclosed a copy of a bond which I lately discovered among certain papers of this Company. The amount due on the land is as follows: Principal $750

Interest from 1 Jany 83 @9% 3 yts 10 [???] 258.75

Taxes to end /84 45.07

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“as to settlement of which I shall be glad to hear from you.”

Memo copy: mortgage dated 29 Sept 1881 from William C. Alderson granted to NBCICo the e ½ of s.36, tp2, Rg 8 West Manitoba to secure $1500 and interest. And whereas only $750 was advanced on said mortgage. Whereas Alderson conveyed to JN and James J. Foy the ne ¼ of se.36 aforesaid, and that they would assume the payments of said mortgage and the said $750 so advanced and interest. Whereas Alderson has requested Company to discharge the said se ¼ or se 36 and hold the part sold JN and Foy for said $750. These presents witnesseth that JN and Foy do hereby declare their consent that the said mortgage be discharged as to the se ¼ of said section, and agree to assume the payment of the said moneys owing on the said mortgage – viz $750 and interest.

Signed by JN and Foy 23 Feb 1882. Witnessed by LaRiviere and CH Fielding.

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| G 8725 | C - 1890 | Oct. 29, 1886 | Letter | Boddy, F.W. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Municipal Commissionership. |

Under the new act apptmt will be made “You will not have forgotten my application for the position. Can I expect your influence in the matter and for which will be under lasting obligations.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1891 | Dec. 3, 1886 | Letter | Bird, W.G. | Westbourne | Norquay, John | Re: Support to Mr. Brown & re: Bridge. |

“Dear Sir Your letter of 29th to hand In reply would state that I shall support Mr Brown heartly both by influence and vote and trust to you to see that the petition from this village & settlement of Lakeside in regard to bridge across the river here is not pigeon holed and forgotten when election is over. Yours faithfully…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1892 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Bird, W.G. | Westbourne | Norquay, John | Re: Bridge. |

“Dear Sir I am glad that you haven’t forgotten your promise regarding the bridge hoping you will attend to it as soon as possible you know that now is the time as it can be done cheaper than in spring so please attend to the matter like a good old friend and oblidge [sic] Your Friend W.G. Bird Ansd”

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| G 8725 | C - 1893 | Feb. 8, 1887 | Letter | York, W.M. | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Position with Dom. Express Co. |

Will you kindly interview Mr Samuels (Supt Dominion Express Co)…” re application express messenger “Trusting you will not forget all about this letter for six months and then suddenly think of it. Yours Resply A M York”

Annotation on back: “Mr. Samuel Can you do anything for him? NN 14/2” [JN?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1894 | Sept. 27, 1886 | Letter | Begg, Alex | London, England | Norquay, John | Re: Blue Books of Province. |

“received your welcome letter of August 28th….” Glad to know we will receive your blue books. “One thing you may depend upon – I never forget Manitoba and although some persons have been endeavouring to show that the Canadian Pacific Railway are using their efforts to direct emigration beyond the confines of your Province, it is all a falsehood….” I will happily promote MB whenever possible

“I introduced Mr. Nursey to Messrs. Morton Rose & Co to draw a draft on your Government for £30 as he was completely out of money. I trust sincerely that the draft will be met otherwise it will reflect rather on me here and English people are very particular on such subjects…

“…I think some parties in Manitoba are treating you very unfairly ….There are men in Winnipeg who would not be in their present position had it not been for your kindness to them in times past…..I wish you as you know very well every success and will look forward to the result of the coming elections. I shall never cease to entertain for you the kindliest, most sympathetic and grateful feelings. Yours very truly…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1895 | Oct. 11, 1886 | Letter | Beaty, James | Toronto | Norquay, John | Re: N.W.C. Ry. Co. |

“private and confidential” “…we are now in a position to say that the money is arranged to build 150 miles. This arrangement is complete as far as such an arrangement can be without a Company, without a Charter, and without the Bonds. The Bonds are sold in London by the contractors to an important Trust Company. … $3,000,000 of Bonds, that is $20,000 a mile for 150 miles from Brandon were accepted. Our contractors themselves are competent men. They can carry the whole transaction to Battleford. They have the backing of Morton Bliss & Co & of Sidney Dillon. Jay Gould, Russell Sage & others representing easily $150,000,000 I have seen the signatures of most of these men to contracts lending them hundreds of thousands of dollars, as an illustration of their financial strength….” They are building a line from Boston to NY for $23 million “& they carry the whole transaction….” They have signed a letter offering to do our road – 150 miles next year. “This is genuine and real in every sense. One of these contractors is worth & controls many millions over his own hand. The other is also wealthy….” They’ve built lines this year – for the Northern Pacific, Jay Gould and another.

“Our information is that Clemow & Co have utterly failed, as I expected they would. They never intended to build the road themselves & they could not do it, if they had intended. They could not get the money in England, we have found that out already. They need not go to New York. They could not get it there. Now, no one can get the money in London or New York without us. Both markets are closed. The people interested in both cities can close out any new comer and will do it. They are in dead earnest. You can note that & will not be trifled with – the deposit of Clemow & Co. is a humbug & means nothing but a show. Our men are ready to take the charter in the Canada Gazette in its own terms. Will pay in on the stock the 10 per cent or $50,000 and go to work. I thought well to advise you of the situatin as you have kindly interested in the progress of thie railway; so well calculated to serve Manitoba & the North West generally. All we want is a Stock Book opened by the parties named in the charter & the rest of the stock will be taken & the work commenced at once. Yours faithfully

James Beaty

PS My friend Dr[?] Dan Chartier [Martini] is now here ready for action. Everything in New York is complete. The Dr you met. He wishes to be remembered to you.”

“Ansd 18/10/86”

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| G 8725 | C - 1896 | Feb. 19, 1887 | Letter | Oliver, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Reply from Min. of Justice. |

Did Minister of Justice reply “to the telegram you kindly signed for to him with Mr W B Scarth and Hugh J. McDonald…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1897(a) | Oct. 11, 1886 | Letter | Hall, W.H. | Souris | Norquay, John | Re: H.H.McCulloch. |
| G 8725 | C - 1897(b) | Oct. 9, 1886 | Letter | McCulloch, H.H. | Menteith | Hall, W.H. | Re: Appointment as Mail Clerk. |

We (Kirchhoffer, Cummings and Hall) spoke to you JN about McCulloch’s application

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| G 8725 | C - 1898 | Oct. 3, 1886 | Letter | Hanson, Thos., M.D. | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Asking to get on H.B. Ry. As Dr. |

“times are very dull here” – I have large family – need more work – “If you are in any doubtful about your election in St Andrews I will go down and do all that I can for you. I have a good deal of influence among the people there and will do all that I can for you if you think that my services will be required.” Please see about dr. for HBR.

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| G 8725 | C - 1899 | Oct. 24, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: St. Clair McGregor as Municipal Commissioner. |

McGregor wld be a good apptmt, has brains, friend of govt and wouldn’t injure us by “stupid blunders…” “Some of us have really suffered more from the blunders and downright stupidity of our friends than many things which appeared much more formidable – but against which it ws possible to guard. …

“I go to Gladstone tomorrow, Springfield fiasco eclipses anything yet either in St Andrews or Westbourne. …”

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| G 8725 | C - 1901(a) | Sept. 21, 1886 | Letter | Boyle, W. Lewis | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: License to sell liquor. |
| G 8725 | C - 1901(b) | Sept. 21, 1886 | Letter | Rokeby, R.T. | Carberry | Boyle, W. Lewis | Re: Liquor license for town. |

Rokeby is mgr of Manitoba Milling and Brewing Co, brewery at Portage, Flour Mill in Carberry: he writes (b) to Boyle re Carberry – our beer is sold here, no hotel is licensed to sell liquor, threat of raids and heavy fines from “the authorities” – either Angus McKenzie shd be given a license (he applied and put up the necessary money) or “get me made license inspector. We sell between two and three hundred dollars per month to Angus McKenzie and this would be a serious loss to us if he were closed out or fined. All the hotel men are good Conservatives.”

a) Boyle writes a “private and confidential” note to JN – “Can you do anything for me, in meeting the views of Rokeby as in the enclosed letter. He has influence at Carberry with his mill, & could & would support your Follower there with a very little trouble, although I believe he calls himself a Grit. I can work the latter is you could manage to grant his request.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1902 | Sept. 9, 1886 | Letter | Borradaile, Geo. B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Thanks for letter of recommendation. |

Dominion Lands Intelligence and Guide Office CPR Station Platform – thanks JN for his kind letter of recommendation – if I get the position – [if i] could be of any service to you please command”

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| G 8725 | C - 1903 | Sept. 14, 1886 | Letter | Bowell, M. Minister of Customs | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Pritchard. |

Your letter of 6th was handed me by Mr. Pritchard. – in case of vacancy in Customs at London, he wld need John Carling’s recommendation, member for that city.

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| G 8725 | C - 1904 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Letter | Boulton, C.A. | Russell, Shell River | Norquay, John | Congratulations on result of elections. |

“My dear Mr. Norquay Allow me to congratulate you on your success, in carrying the Province with you once more. The opposition made a great and determined struggle. I have not yet heard the details of the victory. We pulled Leacock through all right. I must say I am disappointed at the smallness of the majority, but they polled a number of outside votes, and we did not poll one. Two of our ballots were spoiled, and three of our votes came in too late. Fisher took the northern polling place and secured 8 where we only calculated on a tie, and Rossburn disappointed us with 10 for Fisher. Smellie told me today the result shows they cannot elect a Liberal, as no stone was left unturned by them. They accept their defeat, and acknowledge the election was conducted fairly. I am sorry Scarth was beaten. With kind regards, Yours very truly C.A. Boulton

I expect to go down next week, to look after my election.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1905 | Oct. 21, 1886 | Letter | Bompas, Bischoff & Co. | Norquay, John | Norquay, John | Re: Account Boundary dispute. |

Great Winchester St, London E.C.: Rec’d yrs of 28 Aug. re settling account re Bdy question. “We received no instructions from the Federal Government with reference to the proceedings in the Privy Council and have no knowledge that an appointment was, as stated by you, made by that Government. On the contrary the papers reached our hands from the Attorney General of Manitoba from whom we received our instructions throughout…. We submit that our Retainer by the Province is not open to dispute.” We gather that Canada and Manitoba dispute the account – but we want “a discharge of our long outstanding account.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1906 | Sept. 10, 1886 | Letter | Bell, Wm. G. | Norquay, John | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to be present at Lodge on Monday next. |

Grand Master to visit. Many other visitors. You could then see “how much the Lodge has improved.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1907 | Oct. 19, 1886 | Letter | Begg, A. | Norquay, John | Norquay, John | Re: Nursey's obligations to Morton Rose & Co. |

Morton Rose rep visited me – Nursey took that money, plus the #30 wired to him by you – and has now left for Canada. I hope you will make this right with Morton Rose. “Will you kindly get me out of this scrape as Mr. Nursey had no right to draw the money…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1908 | Nov. 3, 1886 | Letter | Cummings, John | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: His claim & asking for a loan of $30.00. |

My claim before Min of Interior for NW ¼ of tp 12 rg 7 West. Please also lend me $30 for six months. I support your government.

“I have a minor claim of 240 acres of good farming land in the Parish of Poplar Point which I am unable to sell for want of perfect title but the minor will be of age on the 25 of next month when I will be able to get the deed from him and I am certain I will have no difficulty to sell the land at a good price….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1909 | Dec. 22, 1886 | Letter | Cuddy, T.A. | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Enclosing $200.00 for Mr. Crerar. |

An order for the $200 deposited by Mr Crerar as candidate at the late election. Ask clerk of exec council to accept it and forward the funds to me ….” [lost deposit in election? – goes to R.O.?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1910 | Nov. 1, 1886 | Letter | Clouston, A.C. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Re: Running for Lorne. |

McDonnell “the Grit candidate” says you would run in Lorne. Is this true – I was going to do so “…I believe it is possible to carry this Division for the Govt late as it is.” [Somerset address]

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| G 8725 | C - 1911 | Sept. 23, 1886 | Letter | Fraser, John | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A refund of $1030.00. License money. |

“Mr Pritchard your private Secretary, told me some time ago, that I would get a refund of some $1030 less a set of marriage license blanks. Said amount was monies I paid in to the Govt some time ago which I had saved by strict economy.”

Ansd 30/9/86

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| G 8725 | C - 1912 | Aug. 2, 1886 | Letter | Frame, Thomas | Oak Lake,VirdenPO | Norquay, John | Re: Politics in Virden. |

Your of 28 July to hand – we have best intentions – to get Rutledge to step out – I seek “a better feeling in the party.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1913 | Oct. 14, 1886 | Letter | Ferrier, Adelaide | Selkirk West | Bedson, S.L. | Re: Buying out Mr. Ferrier's Tannery business. Note to J.N. from S.L. on reverse. |

She writes Bedson re husband’s death and her withdrawal from partnership with Mr. Blyth – does he know of anyone willing to engage in the business, which was “growing fast and is highly lucrative and will so continue if the right man steps in.”

Bedson writes JN: “Dear Norquay wd you care to do anything with this business. It wd be a good thing for one of the boys eh? SLB”

JN annotation: “Not attended to yet JN”

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| G 8725 | C - 1914 | Oct. 25, 1886 | Letter | Farrell, S.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for an interview. |

“I called today and remained about an hour and a half, without succeeding in seeing you.” [a comment frequently made in these letters – many can’t find him in or available]

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| G 8725 | C - 1915 | Oct. 19, 1886 | Letter | Elliott, Geo. A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Reynolds a/c for Brooms. |

Wishes payment of $2.40 “being for brooms ordered by your man re Hamilton election celebration.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1916 | Oct. 6, 1886 | Letter | Commissioner Dom. Lands | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Selection of lands for Educational purposes. |

Re yours of 30th ult. Re University lands: Commissioner can’t reserve lands until decision is come to – so go out and make choice of lands of a desirable character before settlement renders it very difficult.

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| G 8725 | C - 1917 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon results of election. |

“I congratulate you with all my heart on your Govt being sustained, the majority is narrow but it is sufficient for all practical purposes. The men here simply went back on us in shoals – broke their pledges & promises & are not again to be relied on. Money did its work …

“You bet we whooped it up when we learned of your majority over that Stinkpot Colcleugh. The defeat of Biggs, McArthur and Fisher makes up in a great part for other losses….

“That little pike Cliff is rejoicing at our defeat. Good luck to you old man, may you live long & continue in the right path. You are sustained notwithstanding all the vilification & slander that has been heaped on you & the best justification you have is the verdict of the people. The anti-Norquay cry beat us badly in Cornwallis – worse than expected. If Smart is elected he is so elected by Tory votes.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1918 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Chas. Kelly. |

Wants job in Dom Lands Office – “has always acted with us in politics here.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1919 | Nov. 14, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Politics. |

To “My dear Rennie….if I was a betting man I would bet on Winters. If our voters turn out, & we have fixed the polls to suit ourselves, at the same time complying with the law, & if it is a good day, we will have a fair majority 35 to 50 at least. Kirchhoffer should have 100 majority.

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| G 8725 | C - 1920 | Sept. 20, 1886 | Letter | Lewis, Arthur | East Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Money due in Herbert vs Kilpatrick case. Note  by D.H.H. |

I have note signed by Deputy Min of Public Works that money will be in Lisgar court – I’ve applied 3 times w/o success. Need the money.

“ansd by AHR 23/9/86”

Annotation: “The money has been forwarded by Washburn – and receipt is here from clk of co court at Lisgar – dated 15th Sept for $52.11 DHH”

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| G 8725 | C - 1921 | Oct. 15, 1886 | Letter | Leary, Wm. | Pilot Mound P.O. | Norquay, John | Re: Political aspect in Lorne. |

Swan Lake area – “There seems to be a bad muddle in this constituency. It was all done in Norquay, through some petty jealousy against Mr. Clouston, as he is the only man we think that can carry this constituency (Lorne).” The Norquay and So Norfolk folks voted for Howell of Wpg, who then said no. Can you fix this?

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| G 8725 | C - 1922 | Oct. 4, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Birtle | Norquay, John | Re: S. Press. |

“When you see S Press matter relating to me K will tell you what it is” [JR will? R will? He will?]

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| G 8725 | C - 1923 | Sept. 5, 1886 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P. | Birtle | Norquay, John | Re: Russell Branch. |

Grits spread rumours about rly – “even though it is being graded they say the contract is only let for five miles and that no track will be laid.” What does Fred Brydges say? Can I count on the branch? “…all depends on it as far as I am concerned. Matters are improving for Hamilton; a push was made to get Nelson to retire in Mickle’s favour but he will not; and it has made a feeling Cumming is neutral. Belch is staying with him, evidently up to some Grit dodge. I wish the Branch could be opened by October 8th Russell fair it would be of great use as we could get up a celebration.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1924 | Sept. 27, 1886 | Letter | Grover, J.M. | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Position of Deputy Collector of Customs. |

Dakota people are using our markets here and violating customs laws – please support me for this position [which may not exist]

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| G 8725 | C - 1925 | Oct. 2, 1886 | Letter | Greenway, Thos. | Crystal City | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend Public meeting at Cartwright. |

“Dear Norquay public mtg 9th inst. 13 oclock – hope you can make it.

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| G 8725 | C - 1926 | Oct. 13, 1886 | Letter | Lang, Geo. M. | Langvale, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Returning Officership. |

Ansd 18/10/86 Turtle Mtn county -- do a good turn “to one to whom fate in the shape of prairie fire has not been kind…”

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| G 8725 | C - 1927 | Sept. 5, 1886 | Letter | Kirchoffer, J.N. | Souris | Norquay, John | Re: Stumping tour. |

Letterhead: Imperial Loan & Investment Co of Canada, Kirchhoffer Mgr Brandon branch

“Respecting your ‘Stumping Tour’ …” “I presume you will start off through Southern Man. & along to Morton’s & Alexander’s. You could leave the latter in the morning, have a meeting in the afternoon at some central point in Whitewater, & come on here [Souris] same evening. Spend a day here, so that you could meet many of our people personally, hold one meeting in the afternoon, & in the open air if the weather permitted, leave tahe evening to ourselves with the boys & some of J.J. in the Keg. Next afternoon I would like a meeting at Griswold and in the evening at Alexander. The following afternoon one in the centre of Daly and on into Brandon same evening….

“That damn little unwashed reptile still keeps hammering away at me in the Mail.…

“Bring your gun along when you come as we will get chickens en route.

Yours [?] Kirk.

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| G 8725 | C - 1928 | Oct. 4, 1886 | Letter | Langevin, Sir Hector | Ottawa, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: George Middleton. |

Yours of 22 Sept re GM applicn for caretaker/engineer of Post office – will put his name on the list of applicants “so when the time comes all the names may be laid before the Government.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1929 | Oct. 17, 1886 | Letter | King, N.G. | Stratherne P.O. | Norquay, John | Re: Advertising scheme. |

At post offices

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| G 8725 | C - 1930 | Sept. 27, 1886 | Letter | Kirchoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Political aspect. |

The Mail and the Free Press had argued that we were split – meeting called by Cliffe has proved the contrary and we’ve heard the last of that rumour. “I hear from Souris River that your meeting at Livingstones has completely destroyed the latter’s chances!”

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| G 8725 | C - 1931 | Nov. 7, 1886 | Telegram | Kirchoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Sending someone up to meet Sifton & Greenway. |

“Sifton and Greenway have meeting in Oak Lake one oclock Wednesday our local speakers all engaged at assizes you must send me up someone tomorrow answer”

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| G 8725 | C - 1932 | Nov. 8, 1886 | Telegram | Kirchoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Sending anyone up. |

“Have decided to let Sifton hold his meeting at one needn’t send anyone”

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| G 8725 | C - 1933 | Sept. 26, 1886 | Letter | Kirchoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. H.H. McCulloch. |

Seeks position as mail clerk on a railway line somewhere in MB – good strong Conservative

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| G 8725 | C - 1934 | Sept. 21, 1886 | Letter | Bathgate, Jas. | New York, N.Y. | Norquay, John | Asking position. |

Bookkeeper, brother of William and RD Bathgate, 30 years experience – seeks position

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| G 8725 | C - 1935 | Sept. 7, 1886 | Letter | Bain, Mulock & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sask. Coal Mining & N.W. Co's Patent for land. |

Dept of Interior in Ottawa advises us that you have received the patent issued to the SCMTCo Ltd for the east ½ of Sec 7-18-6 West of the 4th meridian.

“As we are acting for the liquidator and require to have it to use in selling the mine we would be glad to have the same from you as soon as possible.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1938 | Sept. 10, 1886 | Letter | Bain, Mulock & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Patent for Sask. Coal Co.'s lands. |

“We beg to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 9th inst covering Patent for the Saskatchewan Coal Coys land in favour of the Company.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1937 | Nov. 1, 1886 | Letter | Bannatyne, A.G.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Consul Taylor and his accident. |

“My dear Norquay You know all about the Consul being confined to his bed in the Hospital, & from what the Drs. Say likely to be there for a long time, even if he does get over it as from his time of life the bones take long to heal. My object in writing you is to see if you can not do something for him through the Provincial Government towards meeting his expenses while in the hospital…. & now his daughter is here & this also adds to his troubles thinking of her.

“When he met with this accident he had only $20 & sent it by Geo Mactavish to pay the Dr. who set his let but he kindly returned it & only took $10…

“This is a very delicate matter to do but the Consul has done in many ways so much for the Province that surely no one could find fault…..

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| G 8725 | C - 1936 | Nov. 12, 1886 | Letter | Bannatyne, A.G.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Consul Taylor and his accident. |

“Armstrong’s Point My dear Norquay Your reply re Consul Taylor received. Since writing you and a few days before receiving your answer, we had our monthly meeting of the Directors of the Hospital and all agreed to inform Consul Taylor that he was to consider himself while in the Hospital as their ward and not to pay anything.

“It is a very delicate matter & now it is the opinion of those I have seen that it would not do to have the Local Government pay any part of it. Many thanks for your favor, ….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1939 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Letter | Baker, W.R. General Supt. M. & N.W. Rwy. Co. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Train accommodation. |

“I am very sorry that my car was not ready in time but I have sent you two entirely new cars and have arranged a bedroom for you in the mail compartment of one of them.

“I have also put up a little cooking stove so that you will be able to get something to eat and I hope and think that conductor Coffin and my new porter will take good care of you. Yours very truly, ….”

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| G 8725 | C - 1940 | Nov. 19, 1886 | Letter | Baker, W.R. General Supt. M. & N.W. Rwy. Co. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Enclosing a pass for Mr. Cuddy. |

“I enclose a pass for Mr. Cuddy extended as requested and regret that the first should not have been as Mr. Norquay desired.”

[carbon copy tracing of writing, barely visible, seems to say that Cuddy has a complimentary pass for travel from Portage to Minnedosa – perhaps from 19 November to 21 December – presumably during the campaign]

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| G 8725 | C - 1941 | Sept. 23, 1886 | Letter | Dom. Lands Commissioner | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Reserve of land for educational purposes. |

Interesting process of negotiation re choice of lands for U of M endowment – discussion between Minister of Interior and Bishop Machray had considered potential grazing lands near Lake Dauphin because it would give immediate revenue while not locking up lands in areas being settled as University awaits rise in value to maximize eventual income. So Ottawa now asks provincial government to take the lead in this selection – v. cooperative.

Ansd 30/9/86 – Commissioner going to Ottawa in early October – wld like to get talks begun.

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| G 8725 | C - 1942 | Sept. 25, 1886 | Letter | Drummond Bros. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: The repudiation of Municipal bonds by Municipalities. |

Re: repudiation of bond debts by Portage la Prairie and Minnedosa municipalities and “the vast injury which has already accrued to all Manitoba municipalities by these acts of repudiation. The MB govt “should take some decided steps which would compel these municipalities to carry out their obligations…. Either by direct aid or by some practical scheme which possible might slightly reduce the interest for a time without encroaching on the principal …. The general feeling here is that it must not be said of any Canadian municipalities that they are deliberately dishonest. … We have ourselves resolved that we will not purchase any more Manitoba municipal securities until this repudiation has been disavowed and matters made right.”

A.T. Drummond, Montreal ackngd 30/9/86

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| G 8725 | C - 1943 | Aug. 26, 1886 | Letter | Doupe, Joseph | Battleford, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Thanks for intercession at Ottawa. |

Your kindness in my behalf…. My orders permitted no delay so I left for NW w/o thanking you personally – this is “not perhaps what the Minister at first intended to give yet it may be best ultimately.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1944 | Nov. 1, 1886 | Letter | Dom. Lands Commissioner | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A.C. Priest. |

Re your letter of 9 Sept -- Priest’s application for patent for W ½ of Sec 12.8.22 W 1st M. – approved

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| G 8725 | C - 1945 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Telegram | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Asking if JN will be at home tomorrow. |
| G 8725 | C - 1947 | Sept. 6, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: Williams appointment. |

“I spoke to you during the convention about appointing Williams provincial policeman at this point [Emerson]. LaRiviere wanted to take a slice of the municipality, township 3, ranges 1 and 2 west and 3 east plus river lots fronting the township, from Manchester county and given to Morris, and in exchange promised to ensure that Williams wld get the apptmt. The opposition paper is ‘raising the devil’ and “giving me great blasts about it” -- about my allowing this shift. LaRiviere wanted to please Tennant, and the French Cdns along the river.

I have a tough fight here and Govt should aid me.

PS: “That is a rather clever shuffle you have made in Cabinet. …While I was glad to see Harrison taken into the Cabinet, I did not feel that I could support the increased expenditure which an additional portfolio would entail. I have all along felt that Governmental expenditure is too heavy, but nevertheless I have defended it, boldly and manfully, as you will have perceived if you have had time to glance at my paper. Excessive Governmental expenditure is the chief cry I have to meet here… [I did not know – and you should have told me] “that there would be no increase in expenditure by reason of the new office….If the change had required an increase of expenditure, it would have been a most impolitic move upon your part, for it does seem ridiculous for a young province like Manitoba to be saddled with six salaried ministers, and you could not get the majority of Conservatives to view it in any other light.

“I was talking with Halloway, from Lower Fort Garry, the other day, and he thinks the contest in your constituency will be harder and closer than you imagine. He had not doubt, however, but that you would ‘get there.’ I simply mention the matter as a ‘pointer.’”

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| G 8725 | C - 1948 | Oct. 16, 1886 | Letter | Davidson, Jno A. | Neepawa | Norquay, John | Re: Buchanan's illegal liquor selling. |

“I hope you will not forget to speak to Mr. Tupper regarding the case of Buchanan for illegal liquor selling of which I spoke to you when up.

The boys here seem very well pleased with the meeting several prominent Grits are quite disgusted with McArthur.”

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| G 8725 | C - 1949 | Sept. 2, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Rich'd. Davidson. |

4 years in Brandon, good business abilities – looking for apptmt

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| G 8725 | C - 1950 | Nov. 4, 1886 | Letter | Little, R.H. | Littleton | Norquay, John | Re: Name of station. |

Rec’d your note re naming station – they’ve not accepted Littleton – could you influence McTavish to change his mind?

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Keywords: JN’s son jobs – “son”; enumerator (or ‘list’), coal, temperance, Begg, Pritchard, race, native son, St Andrews, election, Rat Portage, vote, gun, wage, Boulton, High Bluff, Rennie, M. & N.W. Ry

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| G 8726 | C - 1951 | Sept. 7, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, P.B. Asst. Sec. Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Cummings claim. |

Re your letter of 28th ult re John Cummings’ claim (of Portage la Prairie) – the claim was disallowed in 1883, reopened after his many requests in 1885, but again it was concluded that he had no right to acquire this land on any terms. “He based his claim on the fact that he cut hay off the land in question for several years before the transfer but as he was not in occupation of the land, the mere fact of his cutting hay on it cannot be regarded as constituting any title thereto, and the land being unoccupied was several years ago set apart for public school purposes.” He has been informed that the decision is final.

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| G 8726 | C - 1952 | Sept. 16, 1886 | Letter | Burgess, A.M. Deputy, Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Plan for settlers in Dakota to settle near others should they return to Canada. |

Your letter of 24th ult – Minister glad to hear of Canadians desiring to return – but “the system of making reserves has already been tried for a number of years, and has proved an utter failure.” Better they should send people ahead to make selection of even-numbered sections at the disposal of the Govt and then friends following could obtain homestead and pre-emption entries there. This wld permit selection of better land that might be in a block and still be in “comparative proximity”…

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| G 8726 | C - 1953 | Oct. 14, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, P.B. Asst. Sec. Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Thomas Mowat's claim for Scrip. |

Your letters of 28 and 29 ult “stating that to your certain knowledge a portion of what is now known as the N.E. ¼ Sec.7, Tp 13, Range 4 East was occupied and improved by Thomas Mowat as early as the year 1863 and that this land having been patented to others, Mr. Mowat should be compensated in scrip for the loss thereof….

“…the only land in the quarter section mentioned that the records of the Department show Mr. Thomas Mowat to have resided upon and cultivated is that represented by Park Lot I in the ‘Outer Two Miles’ of St. Andrews, and to this land he renounced all claim in favor of this brother Andrew Mowat, to whom a patent therefor duly issued….” So – no .

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| G 8726 | C - 1954 | July 29, 1886 | Letter | Kennedy, John W. Deputy Registrar Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed Registrar. |

“Dear Sir: When I was instructed to take charge of the Registry office at my brother’s death I understood that I was employed by the Government and was very much surprised on talking over Registry Office business a couple of weeks ago that Mrs. Kennedy requested me to take a reduction of three hundred dollars per annum.

“I have been doing the business of the office almost entirely myself ….I request a permanent settlement so that I can be independent of her I wish to deal only with the Government.

“I wish to be appointed Registrar and allow Mrs. Kennedy a stated amount for a term of years said amount to be fixed by the Government (remembering that the receipts of the office will be decreasing) the Lands Titles Office eventually absorbing the whole.

…John W. [N?] Kennedy

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| G 8726 | C - 1955 | Sept. 13, 1886 | Letter | Kennedy, Albert | Cooks Creek | Norquay, John | Re: James Omands place. |

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| G 8726 | C - 1956 | Sept. 29, 1886 | Letter | Kerr, Robert CPR Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Change to Traffic Dept. for JN’s son. |

Yours of 6 Sept – “I have not at present an opening in my office, but when I have I shall be glad to give your son a chance, if he wants to change over from the land Department.”

Kerr is Freight Agent, CPR

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| G 8726 | C - 1957 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Letter | Kelly, Chas. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: His appointment in Dom Land office. |

I spoke to you on 1st inst. Re job in Dominion Lands office – enclose letter from Daly and will ask Judge Walker and Kirchhoffer

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| G 8726 | C - 1958 | Sept. 11, 1886 | Letter | VanKoughnet, L. Dept. of Indian Affairs | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: R.J.T. Muckle. |

Yours of 4th: No job opening as farm instructor and asst agent on the St. Peter’s reserve – and we wouldn’t apt him bec. his brother is agent

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| G 8726 | C - 1959 | Sept, 6, 1886 | Letter | Hill, Jas. J. St. P. M. & M. Ry. | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Enclosing a pass for Jas. G. Maylan. |

Re yours of 3rd: trip pass from St. Paul to St. Vincent and return

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| G 8726 | C - 1960 | Nov. 11, 1886 | Letter | Howard, G.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Application re Registrar General |

Application – lawyer --“as I am not unknown to you….”

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| G 8726 | C - 1961 | Nov. 2, 1886 | Letter | Henderson, Jas. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking that his a/c be passed. |

“Office of the enumerator for the Electoral Division of South Winnipeg” – waiting 2 months for balance of account

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| G 8726 | C - 1962 | Oct. 24, 1886 | Letter | Henry, Albert, Reeve | Whitewater, Souris | Norquay, John | Re: Printed Journals. |

AH asks for printed journals – “Election matters are rather quiet just now in our district”

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| G 8726 | C - 1963 | Sept. 6, 1886 | Letter | Hamilton, C.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Extra County Court Judges. |

It remains now for the action of the Dominion Government.”

“I return Col. Scott’s letter. It would be well to keep it on file. I will put the matter in shape so that the account will pass through.”

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| G 8726 | C - 1964 | Oct. 22, 1886 | Letter | Hay, Robt. | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Re: Election matters. |

“You promised to spend a certain amount of money in Drainage in the Broken Head River District…” -- too late to do it now, but I could do a week or two of surveying for drains that would be a great benefit to settlers next year.

“In politics I am going well but I can’t go in too strong. If Glass finds out that I am likely to get the River vote solid he might try and take out Gunn to try and break up the River vote, a little money would be very acceptable to me in assisting in making a successful canvass.”

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| G 8726 | C - 1965 | Oct. 4, 1886 | Letter | Harrison, D.H. | Newdale | Norquay, John | Re: Arrangements for political meeting. |

Reminds JN of promised engagements with Dr. Gilbert – Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th McGregor, 13th in Neepawa with Davidson – “Dr. Wilson or Mr Brown can accompany you I have no doubt – but Mr. Hamilton & self must be at Shoal Lake Fair on Tuesday the 12th.” Date of Strathclair fair is question – I’m not certain.

“After the Neepawa meeting I can arrange for shooting at Salt Lake till Saturday if you will – Will get Armit to join in….”

“Matters political are very quiet here – but everything is favourable and improving. I do hope Prudhomme came to the rescue by making necessary changes – so as to let us get on in good time.”

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| G 8726 | C - 1966 | Nov. 4, 1886 | Letter | Sanderson, James F. Hargrave, James | Medicine Hat, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Applying for lease of 14.5 W for ranching. |

Please apply for a ranching lease on west side of river of Tp 14, Rg 5 W of 4th

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| G 8726 | C - 1967 | Oct. 11, 1886 | Letter | Helliwell, W.J. | Ralphton, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Municipal Commissionership. |

Chair of western judicial district says this qualified him to the municipal commissioner for the province

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| G 8726 | C - 1968 | Nov. 2, 1886 | Letter | Graham, Clarence F. | Arden Station, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Conversation at Neepawa. |

JN talked to him in Neepawa. He answered this letter on 3/11/86

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| G 8726 | C - 1969 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Gilmour, T.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Enumerator Henderson. |

Manitoba Club letterhead: “Dear Mr. Norquay I am strongly of the opinion that Henderson should not continue as enumerator for South Winnipeg & I may say many of your supporters in this constituency think the same. I could give you reasons – substantial ones – which would justify my opinion. A new revision takes place in January (8) & I would like to see this list put on a just basis. I firmly believe we were not fairly treated on the last list by Henderson. With hearty congratulations on sweeping the Country as you have….” [Scarth’s loss excuse?]

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| G 8726 | C - 1970 | Oct. 9, 1886 | Telegram | Gilbert, T.W. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Asking who is coming up with Mr. N. |

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| G 8726 | C - 1971 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Letter | Gilbert, T.W. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes. |

Business men who know him wld endorse his application for chief of provincial police

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| G 8726 | C - 1972 | Oct. 18, 1886 | Letter | Gilbert, T.W. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: Royal Hotel License. |

A. McKenzie will apply for a license for the Royal Hotel “over which there has been a good deal of trouble for a year past.” His statements of fact are true but Cabinet should be cautious in order not to be held responsible for the result. If there is a petition and counter-petition as he claims, “the result cannot reflect upon Government in minds of ultra temperance fanatics. This one point please guard against. Accept the hint in same spirit as given….”

Annotations: “get license Grit but straight”

“Tupper went up to see about this AHR 21/10/86”

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| G 8726 | C - 1973 | Oct. 25, 1886 | Letter | Checkley, E.J. | Preston, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Sask. Coal M. & T. Co. |

Re company: “I see that it is reported that ‘the squabble has ended’ that ‘operations have been resumed &c’ does this mean that the old stock has been guaranteed to pay 4% per annum as I am told here? & do you regard them as responsible?...”

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| G 8726 | C - 1974 | Oct. 1, 1886 | Letter | Hall, Jno. | Norquay | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting on lines set forth on poster. |

Mtg would be “for best interest of the party…”

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| G 8726 | C - 1975 | Feb. 9, 1887 | Telegram | Begg, A. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment. |

“Please wire what chance of appointment Don’t wish to lose other opportunity”

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| G 8726 | C - 1977 | Feb. 8, 1887 | Letter | Bedson, S.L. | Stony Mountain | Norquay, John | Re: Accepting nomination. |

“My dear Norquay Thanks for yours of yesterday. I know it is kindly meant, yet I cannot agree with you about my being injured by my action. I have asked for superannuation, & if granted I can accept nomination. Yet candidly, I am not anxious to run except for one or two reasons. I got a telegram from Sir John but have not answered it yet. I certainly understood that you were not giving apptmt to Ross.

I do not feel well. I cannot sleep at night and during the day I only wish to get it over. I will telephone you tonit. I wish you had come out to see me. Yours S L Bedson”

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| G 8726 | C - 1978 | Feb. 2, 1887 | Telegram | Setter, J.J. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Announcing Mrs. Setter's death. |

‘Mrs. Setter died this morning. Funeral tomorrow at fourteen oclock, kindly send word to Kauffman”

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| G 8726 | C - 1979 | Feb. 4, 1887 | Telegram | Begg, A. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Land & Emigration proposition. |

“Important proposition regarding land and emigration interests Province mailed you today.”

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| G 8726 | C - 1980 | Feb. 9, 1887 | Letter | Bernier, T.A. | St. Boniface | Norquay, John | Re: Speaking for Mr. Royal at Emerson. |

Royal’s central committee rooms, St. Boniface “Sir etc J B McArthur is said to attend mtg opposing Royal – we need a rep – it is said you would go – if so, great. If not, cld you wire Douglas to attend.

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| G 8726 | C - 1983 | Jan. 22, 1887 | Letter | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. D. B. Murray. |

Your letter – the only men employed under Dominion Police Act watch public bldgs. In Ottawa. A branch in Wpg cldn’t be justified “there would be nothing for them to do”

I’d be happy to help if you identify some other job

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| G 8726 | C - 1984 | Jan. 31, 1887 | Telegram | Kirchhoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Coming down. |

“Telegram just received. Must I come down. Don’t want to unless absolutely necessary”

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| G 8726 | C - 1985 | Feb. 1, 1887 | Letter | Pritchard, A.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Position on C.P.R. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay In the spring the CPR will be open for business at London. I had a conversation with Mr Whyte relative to the Agency there for the CPR. He said that it would be worth 900.00 a year. After showing him my testimonial from the Govt he expressed himself as satisfied with my ability to fill the position. In fact I had the promise from the CPR of a good agency if I remained with them when I was in the audit office. Mr. Ogden to whom I wrote on this subject does not express any doubt as to my ability to fill the position merely refers me to Mr. C.W. Spencer in whose division the gift lies. I may therefor hope that you will have no hesitation in recommending me for the same and would be ever grateful if you would write a strong letter to Mr. Van Horne in my behalf. Yours obediently, A.W. Pritchard”

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| G 8726 | C - 1986 | Oct. 26, 1886 | Letter | White, Hon. Thos. Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Scott case. |

Yours of 4th. Smith will look into “that Scott case.” He “does not remember at the moment who recommended him [Scott?], but as soon as he returns, the matter will be attended to.”

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| G 8726 | C - 1987 | Sept. 6, 1886 | Letter | Reed, A.C. [?] Master Mechanic, C.P.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Geo. Bailey. |

Yours of 30th ult re engineer Geo. Bailey – “I put him on a locomotive two weeks ago, and have since sent him to Gleichen to run a locomotive between Gleichen and Canmore. If his work is satisfactory he will be retained, however it depends wholly upon himself. Hoping this meets your wishes….”

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| G 8726 | C - 1988 | Sept. 21, 1886 | Telegram | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting Mr. N. |

“Meetings arranged for Friday night & Saturday where will I meet you Answer”

Note: “Answered as below: Meet Mr Norquay at Milford Thursday evening

A H Rennie”

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| G 8726 | C - 1989 | Sept. 19, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Coming to Milford. |

“Mr dear Mr. Norquay I have just received your telemgram as follows, ‘Arrange meetings for Friday and Saturday’. Kindly wire me if you expect me to meet you at any place I think you mentioned to me that you intended to be at Milford on Thursday night. I can meet you then & drive on Friday to Pilot Mound. Also mention who will accompany you (if any person does) so as I will know what sort of a rig to send for you.

I will write Greenway to be present.”

“Ansd by wire 20/9/86”

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| G 8726 | C - 1990 | Sept. 9, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Arranging political meetings. |

“Our people are all asking for public meetings.” Can we fix dates? I would like 4 mtgs in this constituency, in 2 days – “if you can spare longer then I would be glad to hear. I honestly believe I am going to win so I trust you will be disposed to lend me all the help you can.”

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| G 8726 | C - 1991 | Oct. 10, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Greenway's letters to Sir John. |

“Have you heard from Sir John yet re Greenway letters. I am very anxious to get them. Beggs spoke at Pilot Mound last week, but with little effect. When do you think you can get down to 1-9 – to give me a meeting….”

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| G 8726 | C - 1992 | Oct. 21, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Political meetings. |

Greenway will hold meetings six nights in succession. I’ve asked Dr. Harrison for a couple of days. Hope you can come too. “Our court of revision went all OK.” Wld you have the 2 Railway Acts “under which you claim a charter can be obtained to build railway to boundary, also if possible have me sent one of your speeches in which you refer to this matter.”

Note on bottom in pencil: “Railway Act ‘83”

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| G 8726 | C - 1993 | Oct. 24, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Coming up to attend meetings. |

Wld Saturday 6 Nov be possible for mtg—“ I would meet you at Manitou & we would drive over to 1-9 in time for meeting that night.” – his plan -- “…in order that you would be able to speak last.”

Note letterhead for these letters: “Robert Rogers General Merchant Clearwater”

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| G 8726 | C - 1994 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, J.W. | Cartwright | Norquay, John | Asking for loan of $100.00. |

We have been hit “by the terrible prairie fires this autumn. I lost all my grain hay & stables on my homestead N ½ 12.1.14 West 1st p.m. and I have no means sufficient to get feed for my team & seed & provisions for my family of six….” Wld accept a loan and a lien on my homestead or note payable in one or better two years. “I have only been in the province this year and you can well understand how I am pressed owing to my losses & I am in debt for implements &c. as well….” Others lost too – they must speak for themselves. Glad to hear of HBR plans, you shd be reelected

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| G 8726 | C - 1995 | Sept. 12, 1886 | Letter | Routledge, T. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Coming to Ralphton. |

“Bess Hill Farm” “Dear Mr Norquay” had a satisfactory tour through Sifton and southern Woodsworth. Mtg has been called for Ralphton on 18th – Woodworth men who think I can’t win who are talking about nominating a third man to ensure the election of McLean. Please attend, “& hear what they have to say against my candidature.”

“Ansd 30/9/86” – well after the event

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| G 8726 | C - 1996 | Oct. 30, 1886 | Letter | Routledge, T. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Coming up. |

McLean issued the enclosed bills in my absence canvassing. Can you, Hamilton, and Harrison respond – “& we will give them such a taste of the feeling in Dennis as they have not had elsewhere… Things look very promising.”

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| G 8726 | C - 1997 | Nov. 5, 1886 | Telegram | Routledge, T. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Coming up. |

“Will you be able to come up with other members of the Government tomorrow”

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| G 8726 | C - 1998 | Oct. 28, 1886 | Letter | Rice, A.E. | Minneapolis | Norquay, John | Re: Money due on asylum. |

When is election? Has Kilpatrick made a settlement on “those asylum extras, and if so, is the money I am entitled to on said extras, reserved in accordance with my request of the 13th September…” I hope to return to Wpg before elections.

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| G 8726 | C - 1999 | Oct. 1886 | Letter | Pomeroy, John | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Nomination of candidate for Lorne. |

Ansd 25/10/86” good clear letter, selfless, we need a candidate: “I walked to St. Leon on Thursday Oct 13 on purpose to see Mr. A. Clouston he stated to me that he was willing to accept the nomination Could the party agree on him Now my opinion is that Mr. Clouston should call a meeting or series of meetings and address the electors on the public questions of the day and state his willingness to be a candidate if called on….It has been stated that he is unable to address a meeting but I do not believe those statements….” I wrote him advising him to go ahead, get a meeting “where he would be sure of a majority of friends, and where some of the settlers or one of the people would be able to support him on the platform…” We should then start with a meeting at the Rosevale association, then Dry River, then north and west “…at some schoolhouse or other convenient place.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2000 | Oct. 4, 1886 | Letter | Pope, Joseph | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Some old papers. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I have your telegrams of the 2 inst. I have made every effort to find these papers, without success. The party ran in 1874. I have no papers under my charge of a date earlier than 1878. Nevertheless I have searched several old trunks containing all the papers I know of about the house, but to no purpose. Under these circumstances I cannot see what more I can do. I shall remind Sir John again. Perhaps he may have some more old papers somewhere. He knows of my inability to find these. Yours….Pope

P.S. Have you seen – looked up his votes. See Journals 1875.” [Greenway is ‘the party’?]

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| G 8726 | C - 2001 | Oct. 6, 1886 | Letter | Phillips, John | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Re: Portrait money. |

“Nursey ignores me… [and] my repeated demands for balance on your portrait. The amt is eighty dollars….Please remit at once and relieve one who is now in great need. Yours respectfully….” [Hotel Ryan stationery: “St Paul Winter Carnival and Ice Palace opens 17 Jan 1887”]

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| G 8726 | C - 2002 | Oct. 11, 1886 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Re: Political aspect in Lorne. |

Ansd 18/10/86” “Of all the miserable little places for the manufacture of lies this place has become entitled to the palm since Macdonald or Macdonal got a hold of the Mercury. The last, on dit is that you were standing for Woodlands, being crowded out in St. Andrews.” Tell me if false. If true, run here “and not let the miserable Grit go in by acclamation….It is a pity that the Conservatives of Manitou & surrounding district have been so completely ignored by the Government as to almost drive them into the opposing ranks. Ellis may take his own course but there are staunch Conservatives in the neighbourhood whom he cannot influence unless the powers that are play into his hands and it would seem that they desire to do so. A good Conservative meeting here would do much good to the cause…”

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| G 8726 | C - 2003 | Oct. 20, 1886 | Letter | Palmer, W.J. | Virden | Norquay, John | Invitation to attend Liberal Picnics, 6th, 8th, & 9th. |

Liberals holding mtgs at Oak Lake, Virden, and Elkhorn on 6, 8 & 9 November. “The leaders of the party will be present. I am instructed to invite you and the members of your cabinet to attend these meetings for the purpose of discussion.”

Stevens & Palmer, lumber merchants, Virden and Oak Lake, letterhead

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| G 8726 | C - 2004 | Nov. 4, 1886 | Letter | Reed, Hayter | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Chas. Kelly. |

Testimonial because he has applied for “some position” on letterhead of “Commissioners’ office Regina”

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| G 8726 | C - 2005(a) | Sept. 20, 1886 | Letter | Pomeroy, John | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Political aspect in Lorne. |

Convention of electoral div of Lorne met at Norquay on 17 Sept to nominate candidate. 16 delegates: 5 Norquay; 3 Rosevale; 4 Holland; 3 Treherne; 1 Dry River. Howell of Wpg rec’d 12 votes, Clouston 4. Howell will have to “make a personal canvas” and speak to each locality’s secretary. “Personally I think that Mr H being nominated a great mistake….”

Pentland and Dr. Baldwin will be in Wpg around 27 Sept, & will give you their views

Ansd 30/9/86

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| G 8726 | C - 2005(b) | [No Date] | Letter | Pomeroy, John | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Mail Service. |

Could you use your influence to get us once-a-week mail service. “As an instance I would mention that the Rosevale Lib Con association received an invitation to Norquay to meet the Hon John Norquay and other members of the Legislature of Manitoba at a meeting held at Norquay of the opening of the MSWC Ry We received the invite Three 3 days after the event the letter being ten 10 days covering a distance of twelve 12 miles”

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| G 8726 | C - 2006 | Sept. 4, 1886 | Letter | Rice, A.E. | Selkirk West | Norquay, John | Re: Tender for work at asylum. |

Yrs of 3rd inst recd with copy of tenders for work on asylum. For clarity: my tender of 27 July is for 25c per yard – the 2 others are more or less the same, despite appearances to the contrary. Thank you for “the honorable and courteous treatment we have received at your hands.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2007 | Oct. 20, 1886 | Letter | Nelson, J.S. | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Asking for influence to secure position of Timber Inspector. |

Could combine timber inspector and bailiff roles – can you help me with Stevenson.

“The election is very warm out here. Alexander is sure of his election But I don’t know about Morton There don’t seem to be much get up in him. Although we are not leaving a stone unturned to gain our point. As soon as you can arrange to come out to Killarney and Wakopa to hold meetings do so. … I hear good reports from Rogers’ constituency. ….Finlay Young says that I won’t be long a bailiff if they hold the reins of power.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2008 | Oct. 12, 1886 | Letter | Murray, James A. | Kildonan | Norquay, John | Re: Politics in St. Andrews. |

Ansd 18/10/86

“Dear Sir Seeing that matters are getting beyond endurance I write you this note to let you know that so far as your own personal election is concerned I shall from now to the end do all I can for you as I find that the main objection to you is that you are a native of Manitoba the very thing I am proud of you for, and I think the natives of the country ought to be proud that there is one native fit & able to hold the high position you occupy and long may you hold it. I know a great many in your constituency and when ever I am able to see any of them I will try and rouse them up. I write you this for old acquaintance sake. I have no vote to give you but still I may be able to do something for you notwithstanding that. Hoping that you will come out with a large majority on election day, I remain yours truly James A. Murray [native son]

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| G 8726 | C - 2009 | Sept. 18, 1886 | Letter | Munson & Allan | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Saskatchewan [coal]Co. |

Lawyers: “As requested by you we have examined the proposed agreement relating to the leasing of the mine of this company. We have not had an opportunity of looking at the other agreements and proceedings in connection with the company and the liquidation, but we think that since matters have gone so far your safer course would be to abstain from executing any such document. There are a number of recitals and provisions in the agreement which, in case of difficulty, might involve you in litigation, at the instance of the party to whom it is proposed to make the lease. Then we think the powers given to Mr. O’Loughlin are too extensive, while of course we have nothing to say against his integrity.

“…now that the estate is in court and matters are so complicated it is best to allow the court to deal with it. If the court thinks best to lease the mine we think it has power to do so without your or anybody else’s consent.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2010 | Sept. 7, 1886 | Telegram | Morton, George | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Re: Holding meetings. |

“Re Alexander’s letter can you arrange to hold meetings in Turtle Mountain prior to the opposition picnic & I will drive you there it is most important send date of leaving Winnipeg & I will arrange for meetings now, reply & write Alexander George Morton collect”

Pencil, JN’s hand on back: “Will speak at Boissevain Tuesday 14th on arrival of train have refused to attend Liberal picnic but if Conservatives get up picnic will attend theirs either before or on same day as theirs Please notify Alexander”

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| G 8726 | C - 2011 | Aug 10, 1886 | Letter | Morton,George | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Re: Cancellation of his homestead. |

“Ansd by DHWilson 12/8/86”

“My dear Mr Norquay just learned someone has applied to have my hmstd canceled – “an outrage if this can be accomplished.” I left a company and sold my controlling interest to carry out privately and on small scale what I had thought the company might do – establish a good sized cheese factory. In June 1882 I homesteaded and preempted N ½ of 2.4.22, purchased 230 head of chora cows and heifers, shipped them and 2 carloads of horses, lumber, machinery, and effects from Ontario. A rail accident on Grand trunk destroyed 2 carloads horses &c. so the hands I had engaged had to return w/o meeting the cars. 40 days later I bought and shipped another carload of horses and tools. The GTR denied liability, I sued, go judgment in DB and after their appeal in superior court “but yet to this day amount awarded is not paid.”

By this disaster I failed to get up shelter for cattle though I put up 500 tons of hay but on 7 December I lost 35 cows in one night and 100 more in winter -- $7000 worth of cattle. Couldn’t do cheese factory with residue so I sold the cows, hoping GT Railway would pay enough for me to start over.

Then the need arose to do something with confiscated logs in the woods in Turtle Mtn. I was induced to tender for them, won, “undertook to manufacture them into lumber …when I had no mill of my own, hence I had to acquire one.” Thus I was absent from my homestead, and though I farm it I don’t “fulfill the requirements of the law by actual residency but I claim in justice as I have saved the government the amount of purchase of those logs lumber and also buildings in the woods & being the only man who could take hold of it, that my time while so engaged (over 2 years) should be counted as if I had resided on my homestead. Therefore it should not be wrenched from me by any settler or emigrant coming into the country now after I have endured untold hardships.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2012(a) | Oct. 27, 1886 | Letter | Osler, Edward | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Politics in St. Andrews. |

I’ve had these 56 names placed on the voters list for St Andrews “on your behalf according to instructions. None of them have been struck off. There are several others I put on whose names I cannot give you till Mr. McDougall receives a return from Judge Ardagh.”

“Mr. Bullock wishes me to speak to you in reference to the expense in connection with getting his title straightened to the various lots which were agreed to be conveyed to parties in town and whose names were placed on the voters list, but struck off. A quit claim deed from each of the parties will be necessary as the agreements are all registered – 13 in all – The Registry fees were $26 which Mr B. is willing to stand but he thinks you ought to rectify the error of the agent who put the names on. I have done everything I could to forward your interests and shall continue to do so. Tho we made no arrangements about what I was to be paid we can settle that without formality.”

Yours truly Edward Osler

Name list includes: David Norquay, Thomas ‘Clandeboye’ Norquay, and Thomas Norquay Jr., James Park Jr, two Linklaters, WR Sutherland Jr., James Munson, Wm Francis Cornish, Jas Cuddy, etc.

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| G 8726 | C - 2012(b) | Oct. 29, 1886 | Letter | Osler, Edward | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Amt. owing to Wm. Bullock, Esq. |

“Please pay William Bullock Esq the sum of ten dollars and much oblige, yrs truly Edward Osler

“Paid to W. Bullock’s bartender the 3rd November 1886, JN” [election]

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| G 8726 | C - 2012(c) | Nov. 2, 1886 | Letter | Osler, Edward | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Amt. owing to Osler. |

Must go east soon – matters connected with my daughter’s estate. “Can you let me have $150 today. I do not think that will be an unreasonable charge for my services and will cover all expenses. Will you kindly send the cheque to Osler Hammond & Nantons….

“Let me suggest the advisability of personally canvassing those parties in Selkirk that I put on as income voters such as Cuddy-Bray-Douglass-Western. Sullivan of Clandeboye is all right.” [election]

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| G 8726 | C - 2013 | Dec. 20, 1886 | Letter & Report | Matheson, Samuel P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing Andrew's school report. |

Ansd: “He has not taken first class marks in all his subjects, still his report is a very satisfactory one. He is one of our best boys in every way & promises to take a splendid position in the school when he gets in the upper forms. Like all your boys whom we have had to do with he is everything in conduct that we can desire. I trust he may have a pleasant vacation. Are you ever home in the evenings? I should like ever so much to have a chat & a smoke with you some evening if you will only tell me when you will have me.”

Report card, 2nd form autumn term 1886, 1st in 1st class:

Latin 1st; French 3rd; English 1st; Arithmetic 2nd; Religious instruction 3rd

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| G 8726 | C - 2014 | Nov. 10, 1886 | Letter | Matheson, Alex | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Re: John Setter [election] |

Yrs of 28th Oct asking that john setter “be allowed to go in [to Wpg?] and vote for you when the election comes. I am sorry that it is not possible for Setter to go in, as he is away northwest of Lac Seul, where he can get neither news nor means of travel. I hope you will down your opponent easily in any case.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2015 | Nov. 3, 1886 | Letter | Matheson, Samuel P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Messrs. McKay & Jordan. |

“My father has been down to St Andrews & tells me that Messrs McKay and Jordan spoke pretty decidedly of voting for Colcleugh. I have never been able to get down to see them though I wrote strongly to Jordan. Old man McKay has sent for my brother John & he is going down about the end of the week. I think therefore that you ought to see Johnny. He is at present in Wpg. on the Grand Jury. I feel sure that he can influence them either to say at home or vote for you. I don’t want to see you beaten by the perversity of the ungrateful fellow natives of ours & therefore I write this.” [his emphasis: race, election]

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| G 8726 | C - 2016 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Letter | Marylan, Jas. Z. | Kingston, Ont. | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon Elections. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2017 | Sept. 7, 1886 | Letter | Mingaye, W.R. Collector of Customs | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Customs paid in 1885 & 1886. |

Jn wrote Mingaye, in his own hand: “My dear Mr. Mingaye: will you kindly furnish me with a statement of Customs paid by Manitoba for year ending 30th June 1885 & 1886….”

Annotation at bottom: To 30 June ’85: $526,545.

’86: $450,205. Sgd W.R. Mngaye

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| G 8726 | C - 2018 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Letter | Mason, John | Gladstone | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of Elections. |

Congratulations on “your most unqualified success at the polls throughout the province.” -- I’m “truly sorry for Jack Davidson, but trust he may soon join your ranks again.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2019 | Dec. 8, 1886 | Letter | Morgan, Henry J. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Stating he has drawn on Mr. N. |

To pay for 10 copies of Dominion Annual Register he ordered…

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| G 8726 | C - 2020 | Oct. 9, 1886 | Letter & Receipt | Morgan, Henry J. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | A/c for Dom. Ann. Reg. & Review. |

H W Pritchard [or AW?] reviews payments to Morgan, concludes account in balance to date.

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| G 8726 | C - 2021 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | McLeod, Wm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Geo. Leary & postmastership at Morden. |

You recommend Leary – post in Morden not vacant. Will keep Leary in mind.

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| G 8726 | C - 2022 | Aug. 24, 1886 | Letter | McLeod, Wm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Chas. Graham. |

You recommend Graham to convey mail between CPR station and Wpg Post office – I’ll inform Postmaster General with whom the awarding of the contract rests.

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| G 8726 | C - 2023 | Oct. 20, 1886 | Letter | McKenzie, J.A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to be made a Provincial Constable without remuneration. |

Private detective agency in Wpg since 1885 – “McKenzie’s Detective Agency” – the mayor has provided me with police power within the city of Wpg. A great part of my work is outside the city – ‘I now address you requesting you to permit me to be appointed and sworn in as a constable for the Province of Manitoba without remuneration thus clothing me with the same power in the province as I hold in the city of Winnipeg.”

Endorsing him are: Alan Logan; Wm Wagner MPP, LaTouche Tupper, and Edward L Drewry

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| G 8726 | C - 2024 | Oct. 16, 1886 | Letter | McKenzie, A. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: Liquor License. |

I applied for license in Feb 1885. A counter-petition, also entered at that time, “does not contain five (5) of the nearest twenty (20) voters and householders as required by the law….” Please act – “I am subject at a moment’s notice to be victimized by the officiousness of any crank.”

Annotation: “Tupper has gone to Carberry to see about this. AHR 21/10/86”

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| G 8726 | C - 2025 | Oct. 5, 1886 | Letter | McMurphy, D. | Rat Portage, Ont. | Norquay, John | Asking $567.00 constable fees due him. |

When Rat Portage was in MB jurisdiction – I haven’t been paid one cent – and “i [sic] lost a good position by staying with my party and it has made a poor man of me….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2026 | Aug. 26, 1886 | Letter | MacKenzie & Smith | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: License sureties. |

To sell liquor the act requires that we deposit with the govt a surety of $250. Can we post a bond instead?

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| G 8726 | C - 2027 | July 5, 1886 | Telegram | McDonald, Martin | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Census Commissionship for Selkirk. |

“Ascertained can obtain census commissionership for Selkirk if can get local influence please wire recommendation to Carling forthwith without fail Woodworth has wired”

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| G 8726 | C - 2028 | Sept. 3, 1886 | Letter | McFirby, J.E. | Woodlands | Norquay, John | Asking if Gov't. will support Mr. Wagner. |

Ansd 9/9/86 by AHR: McF is pres of Woodlands Conserv Assoc – prominent Conservatives ask if Govt will again support Wagner. Wagner says “he would run in spite of anything…. We understand there is two Grits in the field, Judge Ryan and Mark Fortin [?sp]. This is the best think that could come for us as Ryan will get some in the St Laurent and Fortin some in the east of Woodlands. Leaving the Conservative candidate certain of his election. This move of the Grits is to sweet to be wholsome.” [sic]

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| G 8726 | C - 2029 | July 6, 1886 | Telegram | MacDonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Census Commissionership for Selkirk. |

“Do what you can to assist McDonald re commissionership for Selkirk” [collect]

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| G 8726 | C - 2030 | Oct. 12, 1886 | Letter | McFarlane, Wm. | Oak Lake | Norquay, John | Asking appt. issuer of Marriage Licenses. |

“to ask a favour of you as a Political Friend, trusting that you will not take it amiss. As there is no issuer of marriage licenses in this neighbourhood, the nearest being 18 miles distant at Virden, could I get an appointment for this district.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2031 | Oct. 26, 1886 | Letter | McFadden, M. | Neepawa | Norquay, John | Re: Going West. |

“Dear Sir I am about through with allotting work and about ready to go West upon the proposed trip. Please write me as to the time you will be along – that I may meet you at station. The Battle is going gloriously in this and adjoining county east. Yours truly

[election 1886] [check MNW pass letter above]

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| G 8726 | C - 2032 | Oct. 19, 1886 | Letter | McGregor, P. St. Clair | Gladstone | Norquay, John | Enclosing some poetry. |

He wrote these “few lines from an unpublished rhyme” – could give it “a little rubbing up and send it to you with full liberty after the style of Dr. McLeod….”

“Once in hot election weather

I strapped my fire-arms together

And sauntered forth not caring whether…” Norquay, as a prairie bird, hunted by the Grits but escaping with ease.

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| G 8726 | C - 2033 | Dec. 14, 1886 | Letter | McDonald, A. | Fort Qu'Appelle | Norquay, John | Congratulations on results of election. |

“Ansd”: I congratulate you on the success your party had at the polls and now you will be able to silence some of your enemies in the West. We did our best for you. But my private opinion is you ought to have had South Winnipeg and East Brandon, however we must be thankful and try and do better next time. You must not forget the County of Shoal Lake especially Ellice and try and make such arrangements as will enable them to get a Railway there. Mr McBeath arrived home all O.K. with best wishes, ….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2034 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Letter | McKay, R. | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of election. |

I feel Rogers defeat keenly but delighted with result – “you may imagine my delight at shouting & hearing others also saying the province is safe. But say my dear old general wasn’t it a kind of close call – as far as we were concerned we would have won if Snowflake had given us more work & less wind. Quite a number of our men went to assist Dr. Wilson. Expected to be back on the train in the evening but unfortunately the train was delayed and the poll closed before they could vote.

Tonight I have requisitions placed in my hand for circulation asking Rogers to come out for Selkirk. I had also some sent me from friend Cliffe of the ‘Brandon Mail’ – as for the latter I paid no attention and as to the former I fancy Mr. Rogers had nothing to do with them. (I will see him shortly.) Any candidate must be brought out by convention any other way will only weaken him and effect [affect] the party. When in Winnipeg lately I much desired to see you, however I saw Mr. Scarth and he promised to let me know early the result of a certain arrangement or understanding between a few on both sides in the putting Sir D.A. Smith in by acclamation in Wpg & Hugh Sutherland in Selkirk some way.

Let me know if you favor this and if you think Sir John would endorse it and advise me in this matter.

Since coming home I find that in our division I fancy in southern Manitoba in [?] the matter is being talked off [sic] that Sutherland will have considerable opposition more so than I once thought although I fancy he can fix up enough to give him the seat but that depends on his platform. I explained this to Mr. Sutherland but when speaking to him later, I did not then know that the Grits were so much down on him.

If convenient send me a map of the electoral division for the local [?] if you have it send me the number of votes polled on each side in the respective divisions within the bounds of Selkirk, anything you may be pleased to say in reply to this will be for my own guidance in assisting in advancing the interests of our party in this section of southern Manitoba and will be strictly private and confidential unless otherwise advised by you.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2035 | July 3, 1886 | Letter | MacKay, D. | Ralphton | Norquay, John | Re: Compensation for animal destroyed. |

Glanders – seven of my horses have had to be destroyed, I am left with only 3. And municipality has refused to pay me the half of Mr. Torrance’s valuation in accordance with their law…

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| G 8726 | C - 2036 | Oct. 15, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Arrangements of meetings. |

Daly and I have arranged meetings as per enclosed poster….

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| G 8726 | C - 2037 | Oct. 6, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: John R. Maltby. |

“I understand the Municipal Act is soon to be proclaimed as law…” Maltby shd be apptd Asst. Commr.

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| G 8726 | C - 2038 | Nov. 29, 1886 | Letter | McKnight, Cecil | Moropano | Norquay, John | Re: Sec. 28 Tp. 4 R 13, [with endorsements of the request]. |

South ½, sec 28, twp 4 rg 13 -- wants to get it as homestead – John Macey, James McKnight and James McLellan endorse his request. – [ethnicity Scots?]

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| G 8726 | C - 2039 | Oct. 6, 1886 | Letter | Winters, George | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: J.R. Maltby. |

Maltby is presently Sec Treas of Western Judicial District board – recommendation for position under the new act

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| G 8726 | C - 2040 | Oct. 5, 1886 | Letter | Maltby, John R. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Applying for a position under the Municipal Act. |

“…as I am thoroughly posted in the affairs of all the municipalities I am confident that I could fill such a position to your satisfaction.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2041 | Dec. 14, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of Election & re: Hughes. |

Ansd “I was so pleased to find that the people had not been carried away by the Grit howls and Free Press diatribes. We have been beaten here, there is little use my going into details … a defection in our ranks …contributed to our lack of success.

Recommendation for a position: E. Hughes “worked early and late for the party.” And “a couple of years ago when Conservatives were inclined to cavil at your leadership he was ever found defending you with no common ability….It would be a compliment to the ‘West’ to give us an appointment of Provincial character.”

“To close can’t you get the Manitoban to issue in the morning we should get ready for another contest & four years will soon slip away.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2042 | Dec. 15, 1886 | Letter | McNeill, J. | Virden | Norquay, John | Congratulations upon result of Election. |

Great victory – we lost locally – Routledge – “owing largely to local feeling which existed against him” -- party split in two

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| G 8726 | C - 2043 | Oct. 4, 1886 | Letter | McLeod, Wm. P.O. Inspector | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: John Pomeroy and a weekly mail service to Rosevale. |

Your letter of 30th ult – requesting weekly service – Postmaster General will soon decide the case.

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| G 8726 | C - 2044 | Aug. 31, 1886 | Letter | McLeod, Wm. P.O. Inspector | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Post Office on Sec. 6.4.11. |

See above – re your letter of 30th – Sec 6, 4-11 West, Pomeroy as Postmaster – will look at it

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| G 8726 | C - 2045 | Feb. 25, 1886 | Letter | McKinnon, John | Pipestone | McDougall, A.G. | Re: Political meeting. |

Can’t attend your meeting, happy with govt’s work “opening up the country with railways which will be the means of bringing prosperity to every home & joy to every heart.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2046 | Sept. 2, 1886 | Letter | Moberly, Walter | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed Deputy Ry. Commissioner Pro Term. |

Imperial explorations of 1865-6, surveys of Cdn govt in 1871-2, Kootenie and Athabasca Railway charter from federal govt recently, -- which will run on “the electric system” – and which system he wld like to introduce in MB and NW. He’s at Queen’s hotel, wld like 6-month apptmt to carry him to 1June 1887 when he will start surveys in BC

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| G 8726 | C - 2047 | July 13, 1886 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Donald McKay's horse destroyed by glanders. |

Dept of Agriculture letterhead: Re McKay’s letter of 3rd inst. Reeve Helliwell of Woodworth --- “I am inclined to think the Council is acting very sharply in the matter.” – [ie McKay has reason to complain].

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| G 8726 | C - 2048 | Dec. 30, 1886 | Letter | Ross, H.A. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Position. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2049 | Feb. 1, 1887 | Letter | Leacock, Ed P., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Maltby of Brandon. |

Give him a job in organization of the commissioner’s office

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| G 8726 | C - 2050 | Feb. 1, 1887 | Letter | Fisher, F.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sessions clerkship. |

Asks for job – sessional Clerk: “I am at present employed on Mr. Scarth’s staff for the coming Dominion Election and have always supported the Conservative party, both by vote and assistance. Was Pay Sergeant in NW 91 Battn.

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| G 8726 | C - 2051 | Jan. 27, 1887 | Letter | Carling, Hon. Jno | London, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. James Crawford. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2052 | Feb. 4, 1887 | Letter | Haslett, Jno J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Sessional Clerkship. |

Applies, reference if Chief Justice Wallbridge

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| G 8726 | C - 2053 | Jan. 24, 1887 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: A.G. Hamilton. |

Good worker, please write Dewdney on his behalf

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| G 8726 | C - 2054 | Jan. 24, 1887 | Letter | Morrow, Jas. | Silver Spring, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Protesting Lorne. |

If Grits protest govt constituencies, we should protest esp. Lorne, & also Cypress.

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| G 8726 | C - 2057(a) | Jan. 17, 1887 | Letter | Chambers, Jos. B. | Glenboro | Smith, H.H. | Re: School Sec. 29 twp7 rg16W. |

Smith is Commissioner of Dominion Lands [w of Prime Meridian?]

JN suggested I write you asking for right to purchase at upset price of $5/acre. He supports me.

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| G 8726 | C - 2057(b) | Jan. 24, 1887 | Letter | Burpe, F.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Chambers land purchase. |

Burpe explains to JN that Deputy Min of Interior prefers to sell school lands in larger groups – cost of advertising and selling is issue – but “if you are particularly desirous that Mr. Chambers should be afforded an opportunity to purchase the section above referred to, the Commissioner will take action accordingly.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2058 | Jan. 22, 1887 | Letter | Commissioner of Dom. Lands, Smith, H.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mrs. Lytle's claim. |

NE ¼ section 10-6-10WPM – Mrs. Lytle’s improvements were reported as crop, hay and fencing – total $75. Her friends claim $114. The former is judged to be more accurate and she received that sum “as a matter of grace rather than by right.” The land was re-entered for after the cancellation of Lytle’s entry.

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| G 8726 | C - 2106 | Jan. 11, 1887 | Letter | Lytle, Jane | Beaconsfield, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Tree culture claim. |

Re “my tree culture claim wich [sic] they have taken from me i had four hundred living trees on each acre. I had fourteen acres broke and fifteen acres fenced and five acres seeded down with thimothy [sic] seed and all i got was seventy five dolars [sic] for my improvements….I am greatly wronged in the way they have dealt with me and I am dissatisfied.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2059 | Jan. 24, 1887 | Letter | Murray, Wm. | Grand Forks, D.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Souris & Rocky Mountain Ry. |

I worked for them, they haven’t paid me: I J Eaton and co, contractor (he’s in Wpg) and M A Wilcox (in Brandon).

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| G 8726 | C - 2060 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Letter | Vaughan, L.S. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Position of Inspector Public Offices. |

Vacant bec of Howard’s death – I’m next in line.

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| G 8726 | C - 2061 | Jan. 15, 1887 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Marley. |

Marley farmed south of Brandon for 3 years, worked for you and Kirchhoffer – I recommend him.

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| G 8726 | C - 2062 | Jan. 20, 1887 | Letter | Bullock, Robert | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. L.S. Vaughan & office Insp. P. offices. |

Vaughan application for inspector of Registry & County Court offices – “would give general satisfaction to your friends here…”

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| G 8726 | C - 2063 | Jan. 20, 1887 | Letter | Colcleugh, James | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. L.S. Vaughan & office of Inspector P. Offices. |

Smith Vaughan was Sinclair’s deputy, qualified

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| G 8726 | C - 2064 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Letter | Kirchhoffer, J.N. | Souris | Norquay, John | Enclosing copy of election petition. |

Petition served on JNK – it doesn’t claim the seat for Sifton – does this mean it wld simply declare the election void? “If he could claim it, I would go to work to put my case against him in shape.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2065 | Jan. 12, 1887 | Letter | Elliott, A.F. | Whitehead | Norquay, John | Re: Certain Municipal taxation. |

Re Whitehead municipality: County of Brandon in 1882 imposed tax, and 1/3 of taxpayers paid it. Those who did not denied the tax’s legality. Whitehead Municipality cancelled the 1882 tax in 1886 for those who hadn’t paid. Those who did pay in 1882 have now prepared petition and ask for a refund, or credit on 1887 bill. Was there a municipal manual in use before 1883? If so, may I see it. What is your opinion of how to deal with this?

Annotation on reverse: “W L Cantlie will please look into this JN”

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| G 8726 | C - 2066 | Jan. 22, 1887 | Letter | Woodworth, B.F. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Applying for position of Assistant Municipal Commissioner. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2067 | Jan. 13, 1887 | Letter | Graham, Hugh | Montreal | Macdonald, Sir John A. | Re: George Dennison Taylor for Registrarship at Sourisford. Note to Norquay on reverse. |

Hugh Graham of Mtl Star to John A: please say a good word for GT Taylor, who’s applying for Registrar at Sourisford for the county of Souris.

John A on reverse: ‘Jany 15/87 My dear Norquay Mr Graham is editor & proprietor of one of the most influential papers in Old Canada. I bespeak you kind consideration of his application A nice note written to him will do you no harm. JAMacdonald”

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| G 8726 | C - 2068 | Jan. 21, 1887 | Letter | Marion, Amable | Oak Lake | Norquay, John | Re: Position in Dom. Service. |

Rec’d “your very kind letter of the 8th” [examples of French accent in English prose]

“…and another thing the Indians would be very glad to see me with a position, because they know me and know that I can promote ther situation with oute any more expensces to the Governement, ther is no kneed for me to tell you what I can do with the Indians you know it well….” [sic] [JN knows this man in relation to the man’s work with Indians]

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| G 8726 | C - 2069 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Letter | Brydon, John Kerr | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Applying for position of Inspector, Public Offices. |

Death of Howard, so office open.

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| G 8726 | C - 2070 | Jan. 15, 1887 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Marley. |

Harry Skynner, Kirchhoffer support Marley for an apptmt.

On reverse:

“Strongly recommended by Kirkhoffer in fact he insist if I may use the term JN”

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| G 8726 | C - 2071 | Jan. 18, 1887 | Letter | Whiteway, Jas. | Brokenhead R. | Norquay, John | Re: Claim for scrip. |

“Hon John Yours of the 10th has just come to hand I thought I would make you speak you see I first see you safe and then fight you more than you or the next devil among you would do

Don’t you think that I will be alone I am 100 strong and my messengers has been despatched some time ago so among you hurry up & give me mine and I will recall them and fall into line also if not we will shake the Dom eh. [Dominion?] I am not in a position to forward a sworn statement that I think was done last summer by R. Goulet or something like it I can’t do more

We are passing a good winter in the way of living but a small trade so I will wish you every success in every respect fight your opponents & mind you were to oppose Sir John for ousting C Adams Andrew was never a Grit at heart give us our own and we are with you heart in hand as the old saying goes. If I don’t get my scrip I will vote dead against them. With best wishes, for you & yours, ….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2072 | Feb. 7, 1887 | Letter | Dewdney, Hon. E. | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Hamilton. February 10th, 1887. See L.B. |

Your letter recommending Hamilton for deputy shrievalty of eastern Assiniboia –

I can’t recommend him “I will give you the reasons when I see you. I hope you are getting on all right.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2073 | Feb. 9, 1887 | Letter | Macbeth, R.G. Barrister | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Dennis Election Feb 10th, 1887. See L.B. |

Leacock has been no help. I decline to proceed with the matter as it is bound to fail

[Election petitions]

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| G 8726 | C - 2074 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Wade, Thos. A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Vault for Land Titles Office. |

Vault for documents – Dr. Wilson before leaving approved – may I proceed.

Jail fence – may I repair.

Fuel for county court of Beautiful Plains – may I purchase

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| G 8726 | C - 2075 | Dec. 24, 1886 | Letter | Norquay, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Bedson, S.L. | Re: Charges for registration. |

JN to SLB: rec’d yours re charges for registration, including of a deed from you to me, dated 16 April. “I am perfectly willing to do anything that is fair in the premises, but would like to know what these different registrations are for.”

Annotated on back: “Rennie can [?] for this. I do not want you to pay for anything that is not fair. SLB”

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| G 8726 | C - 2076 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Kirchhoffer, J.N. | Souris | Norquay, John | Re: Site for Bridge. |

“My dear Mr Norquay Since speaking to you about the bridge I have decided to change the site.” It was located by Lowden to serve his interests, and to sell off his town lots. We can put it on the other end of the townsite. “By as it would seem a special interposition of providence, the only ones who have bought from Lowden & built along that side and who will be damaged by altering the location of the bridge, are Grits. McPherson, Peter & Robert Moffatt, Hull and McDonald. All our friends are in the west end. I want you to see Brownlee and give him an outline of what we want….” The site on the west side is best suited to public interest and more easily constructed – he assumes.

“I am Yours sincerely Kirk”

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| G 8726 | C - 2077 | Jan. 1, 1887 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Re: Municipal Commissionership. |

Yours of 16th. I want Mun. Comm-ship. – 2pages of insistence. Etc “Joseph”

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| G 8726 | C - 2078 | Dec. 28, 1886 | Letter | Livingston, T.C. Mutual Life Insurance of New York | Hamilton Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: Half yearly premium $48.75. |

Half-yearly premium of $48.75 due 27 Oct -- policy on your life – pay by 5th. Prox.

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| G 8726 | C - 2079 | Feb. 8, 1887 | Letter | Blyth, Wm. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Ferrier's a/c for lime February 11th, 1887. See L.B. |

Account due – lime for asylum

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| G 8726 | C - 2080 | Dec. 7, 1886 | Letter | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Judicial appointment. |

Seeks “judicial appointment”

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| G 8726 | C - 2081 | Dec. 24, 1886 | Letter | Richards, Wm. | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Asking $25.00 on a/c of wood. |

“The want of snow has prevented me from taking up the wood to Winnipeg that I promised you. I still however need the $25 I asked of you for payt. of taxes ….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2082 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Letter received too late to come to Winnipeg. |

The invitation of 15 Dec to meet caucus arrived only on 20th – will soon have bi-weekly service from Deloraine

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| G 8726 | C - 2084 | Dec. 18, 1886 | Letter | Shorey, S.O. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Congratulations on result of Elections. |

I still read the F P. and follow politics in MB. I saw Whitla on his return from England, who had wired you congratulations on landing. I told him “that Ashdown had taken the stump against you. He said is that so, maybe I have been too hasty in wiring the Honorable John. He thought a moment, & then said in his Irish way, Ashdown is too hasty – he is going to hurt himself, remembering that both he & Ashdown were a little off color as sound Conservatives at a meeting held a few months ago in Winnipeg. I thought this rather good. But he is bound not to be against the Government….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2085 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Mitchell, H.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Apology for way he spoke to Mr. N. |

Executive Council MB letterhead, by hand, in pencil: “Dear Mr Norquay I called to apologise for the way in which I spoke to you the other day. A man who loses his temper is sure to be wrong & I am very sorry if I made an unjustifiable remark. Will you be so kind as to forget all I said. I & Brydges have agreed amicably to leave my matter for settlement standing just for the present. Yours very truly, H B Mitchell

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| G 8726 | C - 2086 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Young, P.R. | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Re: Cordwood. |

“Dear Sir I am sending up some cordwood now to Winnipeg. I could deliver at your house a carload of dry or green poplar, whichever you liked. You can let me know when you write.

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| G 8726 | C - 2087 | Dec. 17, 1886 | Letter | Gilbert, T.W. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: Change in Postmastership at Carberry. |

Watch this carefully – don’t give to wrong person.

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| G 8726 | C - 2088 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Macdougall, J. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Payment to Returning officers. |

Deputy retg officers, poll clerks constables &c have not been paid for late election – “and who are expecting to supplement their New Year’s cheer with the proceeds.” – please move on this and win resounding gladness.

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| G 8726 | C - 2089 | Dec. 23, 1886 | Letter | Howell, H.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking employment for Mr. Green. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2090 | Dec. 20, 1886 | Letter | Brydon, John Kerr | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Asking for position. |

Lawyer – wants to get to Wpg – “I regret to say that there are too many hard shelled Grits for me….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2091 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes |

Apptmt of chief of police – Hughes?: “Can you send me a note by bearer telling me the prospects.

“Wishing you & all your family all the good wishes of the season & more heartily wishing yourself another four years successful Premiership. Believe me, My dear Mr. Norquay, Yours very sincerely, W.B.Scarth”

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| G 8726 | C - 2092 | Dec. 28, 1886 | Letter | Aikins, J.C. Lieutenant Governor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. & colleagues to attend reception on New Year's Day. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2093 | Jan. 3, 1887 | Letter | Gelley, J.E. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Parliament Building claim. |

We are ready to accept the amount allowed by the Min of Public Works on the condition that the claims will be paid at once by an order on the Ottawa govt. – we want “an early settlement”

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| G 8726 | C - 2094 | Dec. 29, 1886 | Letter | Leggo, T.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: $6.00 dues. |

Prince Rupert’s Lodge, AF and AM – JN seems to be in arrears

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| G 8726 | C - 2095 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Train arrangements on election day. |

“Can you tell me whether arrangements have been or can be made with the CPR to have the train for the South West leave Winnipeg at say 10 oclock instead of 9:30 on polling day so that any Wpg voters who want to come out here can do so.” [election, vote]

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| G 8726 | C - 2096 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Bleasdell, A.W. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Liquor permits. |

“chemists and druggists” –“Dear Sir …Had it not been for your letters in the past to the Hon E Dewdney the probabilities are we would not have obtained the permits granted. We are out of alcohol again for our stores at Fort Macleod and Pincher Creek and disposed off [sic] in the legitimate manufacture of medicines. We must have more, and we mean to apply for a permit for 10 gals for each place….” Please write again for us.

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| G 8726 | C - 2097 | [No Date] | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Re: Coming up to Manitou. |

8 candidates present Tuesday next – can you come? “…if so bring your gun as chickens are plentiful.” “Ansd no”

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| G 8726 | C - 2098 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Chambers, Jas. B. | Millford | Norquay, John | Re: Sale of School Section 29 Tp 7 R 16W1PM |

You said at Millford meeting some time ago that a school section could be put on market once a price of $5.00/acre could be assured. I want the above section – all of it – and will guarantee to offer the upset price of $5.00. I hope the sale can be arranged.

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| G 8726 | C - 2099 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Cantlie, L.W. Dep AttyGen | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Emerson & West Lynne proclamation. |

Your note of 11th is first I heard of the proclamation. An o-i-c “was prepared at once, and I believe passed. It may have been that the Gazette was in type and the Queen’s Printer could not get it into the last issue.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2100 | Jan. 7, 1886 | Letter | Campbell,Colin H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes for Chief Provincial Police. |

Lawyer, recommends Hughes: “Besides that he always has rendered valuable services at time of every election….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2101 | Jan. 3, 1887 | Letter | Freeborn, A.E. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Liquor License. |

“…there is to be one wholesale liquor license issued for this place. I have made application for the same….The party who holds the license at present is the strongest political opponent we have to contend against and I attribute the defeat of our friend Routledge to his man and why should he be patronized by the Government (of which you are the head) when he does his utmost to defeat it.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2102 | Dec. 3, 1886 | Letter | McPherson, Alex | Lower Fort Garry | Norquay, John | Enclosing Geo. Turner's note $8.50 for collection. |

You promised to collect this note for me – thanks

The note itself is dated at Lower Fort Garry, 3 Feb 1882, payable to Alex McPherson, sgd Geo Turner. It’s for 3 days work ($1.00 each day) plus meals and board (wage)

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| G 8726 | C - 2103(a) | Dec. 28, 1886 | Letter | Gillies, J.D., M.P.P. | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Enclosing a letter from D.McIntosh re: Lake Dauphin Road. |

Important issue “I am daily questioned about …I had been assured by members of the Government that the road would be opened up this winter. Should it not it will be a loss to them and an injury to myself….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2103(b) | Dec. 28, 1886 | Letter | McIntosh, D. | Minnedosa | Gillies, J.D. | Re: Lake Dauphin Road. |

This is the time of year when settlers want to move in their machinery and seed to prepare for spring operations and need a short good road. He sketches the present alternative (30-35 miles longer -- each way – with some difficult hills on the Strathclair road that makes hauling much of a load impossible. He describes a line to cross the Ochre River and skirting large meadows with creeks (Pike and Edwards Creeks), and notes that “There has been over fifty homestead entries made during the past summer.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2104 | Jan. 14, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. C.H. Mason. |

Applicant for post on provincial police

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| G 8726 | C - 2105 | Jan. 14, 1887 | Letter | McNeill, John | Belleview, Man. | Norquay, John | Application for Clerkship County Court of Dennis. |

I understand that several Virden residents have also applied “but I can assure you if a Virdenite is appointed that it will not meet with the approbation of the people throughout the county, because the country people are so opposed to the few ringleaders of the town of Virden….This is the feeling that caused Routledge’s defeat.

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| G 8726 | C - 2107 | Jan. 11, 1887 | Letter | Dunsford, J.H. | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment of issuer of marriage licenses. |

“As I am permanently stationed at this point” give me the apptmt for County of Turtle Mtn

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| G 8726 | C - 2108 | Jan. 17, 1887 | Letter | Boulton, C.A. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Dom. political meetings |

Or 1886? [what Boulton actually wrote]: “My dear Mr. Norquay: I understand the elections are fixed for the 22nd. I have not arranged for my meetings yet as to dates, but have agreed with Watson to hold them jointly. Could you give me a hand at Poplar Point and Minnedosa, and I will not trespass on you farther. I hope Hamilton will give me a lift in Shoal Lake and Harrison in Minnedosa. I would like Murray to look after my interests at Elm River, where Grant lives. I intend to write to him, but will you ask him also to do what he can for me there. I would like to make a field night [sic?] at Poplar Point, and have Rogers there also, and it would be no harm for Mawhinney. I am going to meet Watson tomorrow to arrange the date of the meetings, and will let you know. I will feel obliged for anything you can do for me besides. I am going to beat Watson, but cannot afford to leave anything undone. Brown is going to look after my interests in Westbourne. I hope Daly will be allright. Yours sincerely C A Boulton

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| G 8726 | C - 2109 | Jan. 17, 1887 | Letter | Garland, Wm. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking for Statutes. |

He’s now a JP – would like statutes.

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| G 8726 | C - 2110 | Dec. 24, 1886 | Letter | Convenant, Dr. | Montana, U.S.A. | Norquay, John | Re: Half Breeds return. |

Judith Landing, Choteau County Montana: “Dear John: It has been a long time since I saw you, but perhaps you will remember the old French Doctor who was at High Bluff along with you during Riel’s rebellion. I was stopping with Jim Brown. After the time I went up North, sent by Gov. Archibald on account of the smallpox. I have travelled all over the country back & forth across the line. I made a pretty good living at first but now am in back luck. All of my horses were stolen by Bloods from across the line. They are stealing from everybody here. I am here among the breeds and Indians from the North. They are almost starving and want to go back, but are afraid they will be sent to prison. Gabriel Dumont has gone East. I don’t know what he is doing. I am told by Breeds that he is trying to get up another rebellion, and has gone East to try and get some people to join him. He wrote to the Breeds here to do nothing until his return. I have been trying to persuade them to go back, but of course can do nothing having no authority from the government. My dear friend I wish you would give me a position as doctor among the Bloods or Crees across the line. If not as doctor, there are a great many little places that would suit me. I am acquainted with the Indians and can talk to them, and you know that I could do a great deal more for them than a man from Canada or the old country who does not understand them. You know I never was against the government at the time of Riel’s rebellion. I had a great deal of trouble, all that I had was taken away from me, and I never got any pay for it, as everybody else did. It would be only right now to give me a situation so that I could make my living. I would come and see you but it is too far and costs too much. I am spending the winter in Montana and am afoot. Please give my kindest regards to your wife & children, hoping to hear from you soon, I remain, Your friend, Dr. Convenant Judith Landing Choteau County Montana”

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| G 8726 | C - 2111 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | General [Norquay, John] | Re: Maltby. |

“Dear General” Maltby cld follow Rice Howard (just died) if he can’t be appted under Municipal Act. I’ve “never swerved one iota from…allegiance to you.” Maltby has young family, is personal friend – etc.

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| G 8726 | C - 2112 | Jan. 5, 1887 | Letter | Helliwell, W.J. | Ralphton | Norquay, John | Congratulations on results of election. |

People are blaming the division in Dennis on me – not fair – influential men in all parts of the county refused to join in supporting Routledge. The ward I reside in gave him a majority of ten – I did nothing against him. ‘I honestly believe his greatest enemies were his chief backers as the most of them were renegade Grits who were seeking office as county com & clerks, bailiffs, &c.” I’m sorry I didn’t heed my friends and run “for the purpose of holding the party together.” I was elected Reeve for 1887 in my municipality – again – by acclamation – I have confidence of the people.

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| G 8726 | C - 2113 | Jan. 10, 1887 | Letter | Robertson, Victor | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: C.J.D. Boards indebtedness to Mr. Sheriff Setter. |

Central Judicial District Board went out of existence – owed Sheriff Setter “a considerable amount for fees due to him for official services” – Board could not pay, so hypothecated the claim – I now hold two notes given by the Board immediately before they became defunct – when does your Govt plan to meet these engagements as I understand they propose to do.

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| G 8726 | C - 2114 | Dec. 23, 1886 | Letter | Marion, Amable | Oak Lake | Norquay, John | Re: Political matters. |

I write “to let you know how glad I am to see you in power once more, in spite of all the sharks that whas [sic] trying to put you houte. [sic]” I’m sorry Routledge lost – “We have don all we could do for him, his own countrymean whent back on him, for my part I have spared nither money nor time …I have not seen him yeat since the election day he never send me a word either, I belive that he should of wrote to me at any rate, but I put my confidence in you. I hope that if you see a good thing for me, that you will not forget a frind….hanser me befor long, let me know if you have any idea what kind of a man we shall have, at nex election for we don’t want to be beat this tim if posable, nex time I will write I will try and send a list of your suporters and a list of your oponents that will give you an idea of your frinds and enemies…”

PS: ‘try and understand others better the best way you can A Marion” [unusual note on back]

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| G 8726 | C - 2115 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, P.D., Ass't. Sec. Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Margaret Mowat's claim for scrip. |

Heirs of M Mowat claim – your letter of 2nd inst, enclosing burial certificate. This file was fwded to Wpg office on 11 July 1885 – we have requested its return and we will be in touch.

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| G 8726 | C - 2116 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Porteous, John | Woodlands | Norquay, John | Re: Position of Crown Land Inspector. |

Crown land timber inspector – have been in province 15 years and supported you. A W Ross wld speak for me.

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| G 8726 | C - 2117 | Jan. 7, 1887 | Letter | Wood, E.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking position. |

“If there is anything within your gift … I have had and am having a hard time of it lately” Duncan MacArthur would speak for me. [letterhead of Fred McKenzie, lawyer]

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| G 8726 | C - 2118 | Dec. 23, 1886 | Letter | Cates, A. | Napinka | Norquay, John | Application for Municipal Auditor or Assistant Municipal Commissioner. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2119 | Dec. 27, 1886 | Letter | Gill, David | Salisbury | Norquay, John | Re: Settling upon a School Section. |

Is it advisable to settle on school section – I like the look of one south of Neepawa – when will it be sold?

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| G 8726 | C - 2120 | Jan. 3, 1887 | Letter | Seeback, Otto | Seeburn, Man. | Norquay, John | Invitation to banquet given E.P. Leacock. |

Conservatives of Silver Creek, banquet 12 Jan 1887 at 8:00

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| G 8726 | C - 2121 | Dec. 29, 1886 | Letter | Somerset, J.B. Superintendent Education | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Economical support of education. |

Letterhead: “Protestant School, Manitoba, Superintendent’s Office”

Re “more economical support of education in the rural districts…” Schools with:

Less than 10 children 13

10-15 children 99

16-20 78

21-30 116

31-50 83

Over 50 children 43

Total 432 schools

“It is clear than over one hundred of these schools might be more efficiently and economically managed by a system that would bring a larger number under the control of each teacher and the following plan is worthy of consideration….”

Board of school trustees in each municipality, not district boards as at present;

Give board power to establish and operate boarding schools at suitable points “to accommodate localities where schools with (say) more than 20 pupils cannot be operated.”

Do this carefully, get “the people themselves” to initiate “or appear to initiate the movement, and work out the details to enable its smooth operation....”

Will talk further with you at your leisure, “and will not detain you as long as I did yesterday.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2122 | Feb. 23, 1887 | Letter | Kirchhoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes. |

Hughes is “again on the warpath for that position of Chief of Provincial Police….”

I support him “and his allegiance & devotion to the Party in both local & Dominion elections certainly deserve recognition.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2123 | Nov. 25, 1886 | Letter | Schultz, Otto | Gretna | Norquay, John | Re: Mennonite vote. |

Letterhead: “E Penner and Co General Merchants Gretna, branch stores at Morden and Reinland Erdman Penner, Otto Schulz, Henry P. Hansen”

“The well known fact that we have only Mennonite voters coupled with the fact, that these people recently decided not to vote, requires a live issue to be brought before them; this is the one of their Schools; the people and the Bishop of the Bergthal community (not of Wiebe’s) constituting a majority by long odds have long desired special legislation on this point and Mr. Somerset and myself have spoken of it; what they desire is a sort of mixed council containing progressive Canadian legislation coupled with their religious views and the power to enforce the regulation made by the Council, the Council to require the consent of the Provincial board of Education before becoming Law; the expense of members of council to be borne by the Mennonite municipality, but members to be paid traveling expenses only; the Council to have control of a Central School for educating their own teachers and the building of Schools to be matter of municipal legislation as now; such legislation if held up to their view will add largely to results and I trust you will be able to say that in the event of its introduction in parliament you will be able to lend it your assistance….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2124 | Nov. 11, 1886 | Letter | Drummond, A.T. | London, England | Norquay, John | Re: Issue of $400,000.00 Provincial Bands. |

“Dear Sir I observed by the Montreal Gazette that Mr. LaRiviere purposed coming to Montreal to dispose of $400,000 provincial bonds to be given as a bonus to the Hudson Bay Rly, and I at once cabled my Montreal firm (Drummond Brothers) to ask you the price wanted and to say that if, in sterling, we would be prepared to take them all firm on behalf of a syndicate of houses here. Of course, I assume that they would carry the same rate of interest, have the same term to run and be otherwise the same as the provincial bonds already issued. The intention of the syndicate is to issue them as a public loan through some banking institution here but of course the syndicate undertake all expenses and charges and all risk of failure and pays the Province in full prompt on delivery of the bonds.

I shall hope to have your reply either through Montreal or direct to me here.

Our idea of price is par less the commission to us of say 2%.

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| G 8726 | C - 2125 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Wagner. |

“My dear Norquay I have no particular desire to see Wagner elected though he and I are great friends. But some of your friends, I forget who, called my attention to the fact that Wagner was opposing you, and that a word from me would put him right. On this hint I merely wrote him, asking him not to oppose your Government, and he replied that he would do as I wished. In great haste, yours faithfully [sgd in his own hand but the rest is by a secretary] John A Macdonald

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| G 8726 | C - 2126 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Election matters in East & West Brandon. |

“Dear Rennie” Re election day: “1st L.M. Fortier who is Dom/n Lands Comm/n office: he could get a days’ leave of absence on election day. Poll his vote in Fort Rouge early have a cab & get to train in time to catch west-bound train. Tell him I will see him when he gets here.

“2nd Wm Nicholl, he is paying Teller in Merchants Bank. He has no vote in Winnipeg & should come up day so as to have ample opportunity of voting before train leaves here on day of election….Miller should allow it.

“3rd William Shaw. This is a good solid voter who went down today to work in machine shops of C.P.R. He has no vote in Winnipeg & could come up free if you could obtain leave of absence for him….

P.S. Now as to East Brandon it is a hard contest. We should win but the want of money to meet our ordinary legitimate expenses is falling on a few of us. Our opponents are well supplied with money. I have about $100 up on our election but am not going to put up more until end of this week when I will have completed a canvass of whole Riding and will write you again.

[note this is to Rennie]

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| G 8726 | C - 2127 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Ry. Acts 1881 & 83. |

I wrote JN about these acts. Please send a copy of each –

Note annotates letter: “Sent acts 24/11/86 AHR”

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| G 8726 | C - 2128 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Brown, C.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: His being an expensive member of gov't. |

Letterhead of Provincial Secretary Department

“Dear Mr. Norquay The other day at Westbourne Mr. Peter Garrioch told me that Mr. Alexr Munro and Mr. Watson had told him that you had said that I was a most expensive member of the Govt.

“Will you kindly drop me a line which I may show Mr. Garrioch in relation to the matter.

“I wish you would also write a note to Walter Lynch on the subject of support to the Govt generally. Mr. L is a good Conservative but not in line with the Govt & a line from you could not do any harm if it did no good. Yours truly CPBrown”

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| G 8726 | C - 2129 | Nov. 7, 1886 | Letter | Winters, Geo. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes for Chief Provincial Policeship. |

Recommends Hughes

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| G 8726 | C - 2130 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Leggo, T.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking check for $8.00. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2131(a) | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Corrigan, W.J. | Whitemouth | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to come out. |

Visit, if convenient, before election – we have our vote at Selkirk “if it be possible to get there on poling day[sic]”

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| G 8726 | C - 2131(b) | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Pennefather, Dr. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Re: Political candidates for Commons & Provincial House |

Dominion candidate? Daly proposes convention in Boissevain, is running – What are your views? “I fear Pentland will get left. He is a small star with the immediate district of Norquay as his orbit, and is worshipped by lesser lights there on store and hotel account. But if he does not go further afield and look up the voters of St. Leon, Archibald, Kingsley and across the river he will have no chance of election. Can you not arrange to give him a lift and hold a few meetings in the constituency and stir him up to exertion. I am very sorry Clouston did not get the nomination – he would I think have had a better chance. [We must make do and] fight Macdonald to the last. It looks bad at present.” [is he a Grit, and anti-disallowance?]

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| G 8726 | C - 2132 | Nov. 13, 1886 | Telegram | Stewart, A.D. | Hamilton | Norquay, John | Re: Chief of Provincial Police. |

Hamilton’s chief of police – “Understand Chief Manitoba Police resigned. Please make no appointment till I mail application and testimonials.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2133 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Telegram | Routledge | Virden | Norquay, John | Asking attendance at meeting. |

“Can you come up Friday meeting called for Bradwardine Saturday at one answer”

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| G 8726 | C - 2134 | Nov. 13, 1886 | Letter | Gilbert, T.W. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: Petition against McKenzie. |

Re my request that license inspector look into petition against Angus McKenzie’s obtaining license and decide if latter’s case is right or wrong.

“McKenzie contends that the petition is not what it purports to be viz – the five names out of the nearest twenty voters & householders and claims he ought to be granted a license.

“The Inspector has given no answer… McKenzie asks … a definite answer.

“P.S. For Heaven’s sake have Inspector make some pretense that will keep this man for a month if such can be done without compromising Parliament.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2135 | Nov. 10, 1886 | Letter | Law, P.H.  Low? | Picton, Ont. | Norquay, John | Re: N.W. Central. |

I’m a co-director of NW Central, and “I was induced by Mr. Beaty to advance perhaps the largest am/t of money” – I want your opinion: “as to our still having any prospect of regaining the Charter, which I believe for want of concert with those concerned was allowed to lapse.”

The Clemow Co.did nothing on construction – Beaty hopes reinstatement will come with New York men who are willing to assume the work and to deposit the required $50,000. Beaty also relies on you, through your govt, inducing Dominion Govt to insist upon the Clemow Co to give up the charter and re-open the offer to any other Company.

“I read in the press that the Manitoba North West R.R. has a line to Rapid City and may continue on our line to Battleford, thus encroaching on N.W. Central – and contrary to their own charter – and thus doing away with the necessity for ours.

“Pray favor me with your opinion on these points….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2136 | Nov. 19, 1886 | Telegram | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale | Norquay, John | Re: Political meetings. |

“Could you fix date to give me one meeting”

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| G 8726 | C - 2137 | Nov. 13, 1886 | Letter | Stewart, A.D. | New York | Norquay, John | Applying for Chiefship Manitoba Police. |

I resigned in Hamilton in hope of “bettering myself in one of the larger cities in the United States.

“I had the pleasure of meeting you last year in Winnipeg when I was engaged by the Dominion Government in collecting the evidence against the rebel Louis Riel.

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| G 8726 | C - 2138 | Nov. 17, 1886 | Letter | Young, Archibald | Toronto | Norquay, John | Re: Acceptance of seat on Board. |

I haven’t heard from you re accepting a seat on board of Canadian Trusts Coy [?] along with Hon GW Allan and Senator Vidal [?] I’m “rather anxious to see you on this Board as you will be well paid and have very little to do.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2139 | Nov. 19, 1886 | Letter | Matheson, Alex | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Re: Political matters. |

Rec’d your note of 13th – John Muir is willing to go and do his little best for you.”

“I saw Robert Bunting later on, but he was then with Mr. Saunders, and he was already persuaded to do the right thing.

“The John Lane you mention I can’t trace here …” perhaps this is a Selkirk boy now around Portage la Prairie

“Everything is quiet here, and neither provincial nor Dominion elections disturb our even ways, and the Ontario coup does not fret us very much.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2140 | Nov. 18, 1886 | Letter | Kirchhoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes for Provincial Policeship. |

Yet another strong letter of support – “one of our most popular citizens…”

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| G 8726 | C - 2141 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Letter | Hall, W.H. | Souris | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. McCulloch. |

He is sore – passed civil service exam, has no apptmt, but others who haven’t passed did get apptmts. I wld like him to get post before the election. He will work hard for Kirk., won 5 votes for Kirk “that were intended for Sifton…”

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| G 8726 | C - 2142(a) | Nov. 18, 1886 | Letter | Morton, George | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Asking that W.A. King be appointed a J.P. |

His area requires one – pls give him a commission – Sec 36.6.22

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| G 8726 | C - 2142(b) | Nov. 18, 1886 | Letter | King, W.A. | Whitewater | Morton, G. | Asking that W.A. King be appointed a J.P. |

Pls get me a commission – friends urge me – need one here

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| G 8726 | C - 2143 | Nov. 19, 1886 | Letter | Allen, John B. | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Coming down to vote. |

Rec’d yours – “I wish you would write the Commissioner here Re coming down to see you on the 8th – Could you arrange a pass for me Has Jarvis a voice down there? He is coming in from Wood Mtn tomorrow Have I a voice in Winnipeg also?”

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| G 8726 | C - 2144 | Oct. 7, 1886 | Letter | Begg, Alex | London, England | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. L.M. Stephenson. |

CPR stationery – The bearer, Lionel Stephenson, plans to settle in NW – can you help him

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| G 8726 | C - 2145 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Letter | Dewdney, Hon. E. | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Reynolds going down. |

“Yes, certainly – Reynolds can go down. Has not Jowett a vote also? Hope you will win. Yours ….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2146 | Nov. 18, 1886 | Letter | Rice, A.E. | Minneapolis | Norquay, John | Re: Coming to Winnipeg to vote. |

My expenses are assured here for the winter. I wld rather live in MB, but I have no work there, and have no hope arising from the “Kilpatrick Asylum affair…”

“As it is, to be brief & plain, if you will write me an acceptance of my tender of the 27th July to paint the walls of the Asylum, I will undertake to bring Mr. Ashton with me in time for the 9th Dec…. Of course, you will distinctly understand that I am not using the elections as a lever for mercenary purposes, but at the same time I scarcely think, under the circumstances, you would expect me to stand the expense of going to Selkirk --- forgive me if I consider that 500 miles and idleness for five months is a sufficient reason for me to remain here for the winter.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2147 | Aug. 2, 1886 | Letter | Nursey, Walter R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Black getting paid for overwork. |

Letterhead of Audit Dept, Manitoba – “Black tells me that he was promised work by you on the Indexing of Records, and chargeable against the fund for that purpose in the estimates under Legislation 1885-6.” He will do it after regular hours – on this account – “it seems to me that it is perfectly legitimate.” [below 2151 – WRN is Prov’ Auditor in Nov /86]

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| G 8726 | C - 2148 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Letter | Baker, W.R. Gen. Supt. M. & N.W. Ry. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Pass for Cuddy. |

“I have just received yours of the 15th inst. I sent you a pass on Monday for Mr. Cuddy but it was only made out until the end of the month. If you want it extended kindly let me know and I will do so.

“For your information I may mention that in order to try and keep our promises we are hauling ties 18 miles by road for the construction of the Shell River branch and tracklaying commenced there this morning.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2149 | Nov. 19, 1886 | Letter | Kelly, Charles | Brandon | Norquay, John | Applying for position in Dom. Lands Office. |

Thank you for “your kind and ready compliance with my request that you would support with your influence my application….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2150 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Letter | Stewart, A.D. | New York | Norquay, John | Applying to be appointed Chief Police. |

Chief of Manitoba Police “which I understand is now vacant.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2151 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Letter | Nursey, W.R. Prov'l. Auditor | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mrs. Cummings a/c. |

Nursey letterhead --- “provincial auditor” “Yours re Mrs Cummings Infant money received this morning. The account only reached me yesterday forenoon but was put through on sight.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2152 | Nov. 17, 1886 | Letter | Campbell, G.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: W.A. Collins ticket to Ottawa. |

Please send cheque at once. The auditor will not allow this to stand any longer.

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| G 8726 | C - 2153 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Letter | Marsh, Samuel | West Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Sale of Lot 5 or 6 St. Peters. |

Do you own Lot 5 or 6 St Peters, “and if so how many chains is it, and have you got a patent for it; and if so, what would you take for it. If you are not too dear, we will buy from you….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2154 | Nov. 13, 1886 | Letter | Reynolds, H.L. | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Coming down to vote. |

Yours of 13th re elections – “I have obtained leave of absence to run down to vote, which I will be very glad to do if my expenses were paid, as I cannot afford to pay my own as in the old days when I used to work for the Party. I think I have a vote in South Wpg, Selkirk, & Pilot Mound, but am not certain of the last named place….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2155 | Nov. 17, 1886 | Telegram | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale | Norquay, John | Re: Giving him a meeting. |

“Can you give me meeting Friday evening twenty sixth at Strathclair answer soon after Russell meeting”

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| G 8726 | C - 2156 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Letter | Taylor, James | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing petition to be forwarded to G.General of Canada re: old settlers claims. |

“Dear Sir I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant offering to assist the organisation of old settlers formed a few days ago in this Province for the purpose of soliciting the Federal Government to adjust all existing grievances.”

Encloses copy of petition to be sent to GG. “I also send you a copy of the ‘Weekly Sun,’ containing a report of the meeting held in this City on the 5th instant. I may add that 200 copies of the petition have been circulated in the English parishes & 200 printed in the French language in the French parishes. These have been circulated for signature throughout the parishes of old Red River Colony.”

I have the honor to be your obedient servant James Taylor Chairman Central Committee

**Photocopies**: Jno. R. Bunn to “Dear Sir” [printed letter to reps in each district re petition]

And printed copy of petition to GG Marquis of Lansdowne

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| G 8726 | C - 2157 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Letter | Johnston, Andrew | Mowbray | Norquay, John | Re: Dakota settlers stealing our timber. |

“Dear Sir I was pleased to see you using the petition I sent you to good effect at Manitou the Grits don’t like to hear of the settlers of Dakota coming back – and in truth the settlers of this part has no desire to see them come back. As they are the lowest of the Grit faction that have settled their [sic]. And now the settlers on this side is greatly annoyed by them they can travel at will and carry in and out what they please and no one to prevent them. Some of them makes a living by stealing our timber and many other things they appropriate to their own use against the wishes of our peacable settlers. [sic]

“…Many days you will see from 10 to 12 loaded teams going in and out with wheat and other produce. I was sorry you did not know this at Manitou when Mr. Roblin was shewing to the audience the high prices they could receive for their produce in Dakota I wonder why the people of Dakota comes to Manitou and sells their daily from 2 to 3 hundred bushels of wheat I would like to inform you of this fact so that you may get that knowledgeable man Roblin to explain the cause of such a strange freak of nature that they prefer 50c in Manitoba to 60c in Dakota…..Wishing the Conservatives every success…”

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| G 8726 | C - 2158 | Nov. 14, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, C.S., M.P.P. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: Political funds. |

Letterhead of Central Committee Rooms, of C.S. Douglas – appeal for money “from a general fund that ought to be raised….” You may think I have something left from the $2000. I don’t – it pays for the International. It gets very little govt aid. And this is “a bankrupt country town.” I have just $200 to fight the campaign. “A good many of my voters are absent – some at Lake Manitoba fishing, others at Crookston in the woods, &c. – and it will take considerable money to get them here if their votes are to be recorded – and I need every vote I can get…. I need about $500.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2159 | Nov. 12, 1886 | Letter | Burk, Benjamin | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Extension of S.W. Ry. |

Free Press says Man SW RR wld not be extended from Deloraine for several years. Is this true, or is it going to be extended next year “I own land in the locality the Road is to run….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2160(a) | Nov. 16, 1886? ’84? | Letter | Moar, H. | Mountainside?  ‘Manitobaville’ | Brown, C.P. | Re: Bridge at Westbourne. |

Rough penmanship and spelling – warns Brown that Morton and McQueen (“our friends”) have been out here to talk to the Indians and promise them the stars – “a road cut to Gladstone -- and will have cheap goods.” Morton will be here again. “I think you should come out – wish to request you about many things – if you don’t get some one to explain better to the popel [sic] of Sandy Bay their intention will be drawing off – remember me to the Indian Chief J.N. Your Truly H Moar”

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| G 8726 | C - 2160(b) | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Bird, W.J. and others | Westbourne | Brown, C.P. | Re: Bridge. |

“I asked Mr. Norquay in Smally & Chantler’s store wheather our bridge would be built or not and he replied that it was all right. Now we, I say we because there are more people besides myself who are watching this bridge business – what we want to know is this[:] will the gov’t grant enough money to build this bridge or not, this winter and we want to know before election day too or you may come short more votes than you imagine. We are friendly towards yourself but the Gov’t have got to do this work if they want our support.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2160(c) | Nov. 24, 1886 | Letter | Smalley & Chantler | Westbourne | Brown, C.P. | Re: Bridge. |

“We received a letter from Hon John Norquay re building of Bridge here but there was nothing in it of a satisfactory nature. Now there is more feeling over this matter that perhaps yu imagine…unless something definite comes from your Government before election day in regard thereto you may suffer loss at the polls. There are a number around who will need a job this winter and although there would not be much when divided still every little helps.”

[ps] “We want it distinctly understood that we have no grist to grind in this matter other than the good of the public.” [also in 73 – brown]

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| G 8726 | C - 2161 | Dec. 28, 1886 | Letter | Setter, Colin C. | High Bluff | Smith, W.P. | Re: Election money. |

You promised to see Mack – didn’t go – please do – I won’t pay the price of horse use. And “your supposed committee told me that if I went down to Rat Portage to see after my team & come back that you would pay half my expenses be good enough to not go back on your promise …”

To Rat Portage -- $10; plus horse hire day of election -- $7; plus “talking Ed Hyndman to vote $2.00”

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| G 8726 | C - 2162 | Aug. 10, 1886 | Letter | Belanger [AH?] | Cumberland House | Norquay, John | Re: Reindeer tongues. |

“My dear Norquay I have not forgotten you as usual, and am sending my yearly contribution, of dried meat and reindeer tongues, the latter I am anxious for you to have in view of the coming election in order that if your own [tongue] lags, that you may fall back on your northern assistants trusting they will sustain in the ordeal.

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| G 8726 | C - 2163 | Nov. 9, 1886 | Letter | Kirchhoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Chas. Kelly. |

Position in Dom Lands Office “which he understands can be secured if recommended by you. Mr. Kelly is an English Public School man, clever & capable in every way suited for such a position….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2164 | Nov. 5, 1886 | Letter | Stuart, J.H. | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Re: W 1/2 Sec. 20-3-22W. |

Homestead entry – then first crop failed, and all hay burned in prairie fire. Last year, crop good but late ripening, and couldn’t get it threshed – it spoiled. In May last year Rev. W.H. Hanneth applied to cancel it and obtained entry. He has since left the country and defrauded his creditors. I wld like to enter “my homestead” again – have been here for 4 years, strong supporter of Govt, can you get commissioner to reinstate me?

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| G 8726 | C - 2165 | Nov. 12, 1886 | Letter | VanKoughnet Dept. of Indian Affairs | Ottawa | Sir John A. Macdonald | Re: Mr. Maxime Marion. |

JN filed application of Marion for “a position as farming instructor to the Indians in the North West Territories…” – no vacancies “at present in the Instructorships.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2166 | Nov. 14, 1886 | Letter | Tennant, H., M.P.P. | West Lynne | Norquay, John | Re: Political contest in Morris. |

Yours of 10th to hand – Joe may not like Charlie Douglas but he’s a party man, and Joe isn’t supporting Biggs. Winkler has stepped back, leaving Martin the sole Grit candidate. I have the problem of Osborne Smith, who will split my Conservative vote. And the French vote will go to Martin, “he being of that nationality.” Smith can’t beat Martin. Smith should be induced to give way, let me run alone – I can win easily if Smith doesn’t run. “The Mennonites might take a hand in and vote for me.”

Can you get Smith out of the race?

“I hope things are favorable for your success. I have heard that they are moving heaven and earth to down you if possible don’t let the b—s do that at any price. I should like to hear from you if anything could be done with Smith. I am, and shall do all I can for Charlie. I do not think there is any danger of his election.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2167 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Letter | Robinson, J.M. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Running for Woodlands. |

Letterhead of editor, *The Tribune Review*, Portage.

I’m in the field for Woodlands against our friend Bismark [?] You can influence some votes “for both Mr. Mawhinney and me if you would write a private letter to Gavin Bruce at Poplar Point. He and family are for McKenzie but not strong and I am told a letter from you to Gavin would fix the whole matter….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2168 | Nov. 14, 1886 | Letter | Bunting, Robt. | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Re: Coming up to vote. |

Yours of 13 Nov received. “Were I in St Andrews you may rest assured you would get my vote but I suppose there is no way of my voting unless I go there which would cost more than I am at present in a position to afford. ….” I’ll exert whatever influence I can in your behalf.

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| G 8726 | C - 2169 | Nov. 13, 1886 | Letter | Bayliss, R.C. | Stodderville, Man. | Norquay, John | Asking assistance to make entry for some land. |

English settler with family, notes election coming – people assisted by Cdn Govt to emigrate now leaving for US – to be regretted – “while there is so much vacant land in Man! There is about half of township 1.5 and the whole of township 1.6 west of the first prin’ mer’ with not a single settler upon them. My proposition is that if through your influence I can obtain an entry for a half section of these vacant lands I promise for your party my vote and influence which if not great would probably mean six other votes besides my own….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2170 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Letter | Vaughan, A.H. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Inspection of swamp lands. |

You said I would “most likely” get the surveyor position if incumbents left. Why has Mr. Snow got one of the jobs. And is Mr. Wagner leaving, since he is now running for office?

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| G 8726 | C - 2171 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Letter | Bain, A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: NE 36-2-8-W. |

North British Canadian Investment Company letterhead

“I have yours of 15th. Messrs Farrell & Ruttan may have assumed the debt but they certainly have not paid it -- & I am afraid the Company will be obliged to look to you and Mr. Foy. I wrote Mr. Foy at same time as I wrote you but have not yet heard in reply. He may correspond with you first.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2172 | Nov. 2, 1886 | Letter | Brandrith, W.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking to be recouped Stonewall election expenses. |

Brandrith, as jail keeper, was approached by J A Miller (the late), C P Brown and the late Hon Alex Sutherland, to protest the election of Jackson in Stonewall. Guaranteed no expenses, bec. Capt Leacock, Sutherland, and others wld pay. He subpoenaed witnesses, sought evidence, and spent about $90, and Jackson was unseated. I’m a Conservative, shouldn’t be out of pocket, can’t afford it.

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| G 8726 | C - 2173 | Nov. 17, 1886 | Letter | Henrich, Hugo | St. Boniface | Norquay, John | Invitation of lecture. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2174 | Dec. 31, 1886 | Letter | Haslam, Robt. F. Secretary, Manitoba Club | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Notice of laws governing the Manitoba Club. |

Annual subscription for 1887 -- $45.

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| G 8726 | C - 2175 | Dec. 16, 1886 | Letter | Douglas, P.B., Ass't. Sec. Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Thomas Mowats claim. |

Re your letter of 22 ult. Re Mowat’s claim for compensation for the loss of ne ¼ of Sec 7, Twp 13, Rge 4 East – have asked office in Wpg for further detail.

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| G 8726 | C - 2176 | Dec. 18, 1886 | Letter | Cochrane, H. | Dynevor | Norquay, John | Congratulations on results of elections. |

“My dear Norquay Excuse the familiarity, but as a school fellow, I feel I am entitled to it. Our school fellow ‘Ben’ was taken in by ‘Robinson’ representing himself to be a Conservative in the Dom Politics & a “Reformer’ in Local etc. Of course being zealous in both I did not take and as Mr. Hay never came to me I went for Mr. Glass, who was the only one came to me for my vote.”

As school fellow, you promised me $5.00 for the same ‘Ben’ as a missionary of St Peter’s [???]

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| G 8726 | C - 2177 | Dec. 15, 1886 | Letter | Routledge, T. | Virden | Norquay, John | Congrats. on elections. |

Sorry I couldn’t win – “you know what I had to fight against.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2178 | Dec. 20, 1886 | Letter | Menary, T.S. | Cartwright | Norquay, John | Congrats. on election results. |

Rogers lost, but we should contest the election result, can beat Greenway in another trial. I beat “your old ‘friend’ Clark for the Reeveship….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2179 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Fonseca, W.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Holt. |

He has produced a souvenir pamphlet on MB and Wpg

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| G 8726 | C - 2180 | Dec. 20, 1886 | Letter | Smith, H.H. Comm. Dom. Lands | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Lot #118. |

Re your note on Lot 118 in St Clements, and whether it is at the disposal of the Govt – no, it has been patented to HBC.

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| G 8726 | C - 2181 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Winters, George | Brandon | Norquay, John | Deputing Mr. Edward Hughes to act in his stead at  meeting. |

At mtg in Wpg tonight.

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| G 8726 | C - 2182 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Young, George for Dom. Lands Comm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Neil McKnight. |

McKnight: no application for s ½ of sec 28.4.13W has been received from him. It is now a homestead and pre-emption of one Michael Babington. Two applications for cancellation of that entry have been filed – Louis Monkman of Otenaw [?] and Arthur Henry Lloyd of same place – if cancellation occurs, they would have first right or re-entry

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| G 8726 | C - 2183 | Jan. 5, 1887 | Letter | Hagel, N.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes as Chief of Police. |

Bedson asks me to support this apptmt – which I do.

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| G 8726 | C - 2184 | Jan. 4, 1887 | Letter | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Pilot Mound Town Incorporation. |

Petition for town incorporation – please put through quickly – we’re anxious to get on the assessment roll of the municipality – “…we are about submitting a bylaw for a bonus to a roller mill in six townships and in our present position we have no vote.”

Congratulations on success – not the majority you expected but sufficient. Too bad to lose Lorne and Cypress with so close – “I hope in four years hence you will be able to redeem them that is if you steal no more coal. Wishing you the compliments of the season.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2185 | Dec. 30, 1886 | Letter | Mackelcan, Gibson  & Gausby | Hamilton | Norquay, John | Re: Detweiller & Keewatin Mining Co. |

we wrote on 13th inst – please give us the information asked for – our client doesn’t want to take proceedings but does want a settlement.

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| G 8726 | C - 2186 | Dec. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P., M.P.P. | Russell | Norquay, John | Congrats on opening of telegraph line. |

“Telegraph line opened here today my constituents wish me to thank the government for them for the aid they have given in obtaining their communication with the outside world”

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| G 8726 | C - 2187 | Dec. 31, 1886 | Letter | Gurst, T.F. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Clerkship of the Court. |

Routledge has recommended two people – leave apptmt for now until I can talk to you

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| G 8726 | C - 2188 | Dec. 29, 1886 | Letter | Smith, H.H. Comm. Dom. Lands | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. J. H. Stuart of Deloraine. |

If Revd Mr Hanneth is in default, I am not aware of it. If Stuart believes it, he can apply for inspection, and cancellation proceedings will follow and he, Stuart, can then expect as favourable consideration as the facts warrant.

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| G 8726 | C - 2189 | Oct. 25, 1886 | Letter | Scott, J.G., Secretary Que & L. St. John Ry. | Québec | Norquay, John | Re: Objective point of H.B. Ry. |

Would it not be possible to move the terminus of HBR from Port Nelson to Moose Factory on James Bay? This is the goal of our line -- from Quebec to Lake St. John (the 170 mile project is nearly completed), and we wld then build on the James Bay. This route has better agricultural land, climate and merchantable timber than the Nelson route. Your line wld then be able to access St. Lawrence and, via rly bridge over St. Lawrence at QC City, “about to be built,” wld connect to Intercolonial, Grand Trunk, and QC Central Railway to US system, giving access to Portland, Boston, NY. – plus, at least as short as CPR route to the east [Hudson Bay Railway]

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| G 8726 | C - 2190 | Jan. 3, 1887 | Letter | MacArthur, D. Pres., M. & N.W. Ry. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Bringing letter to notice of Board. |

Re your letter of 31 ult, I’ll bring the matter you mention to the Board on the 17th

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| G 8726 | C - 2191 | Nov. 27, 1886 | Letter | Butchart, D.M. | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Conditions of his support. |

I ask a favour before the elections – “secure for me the right to purchase my pre-emption for one dollar an acre, the number of my section is E ½ of S 14, T 13, R21 situated near Rapid City. By doing this you will secure my votes in east & west Minnedosa[,] east & west Brandon & my influence here at Boissevain for Mr. Geo Morton & my vote as well if I could poll it but I expect it will take me all my time to poll the four first votes….” I’ve spent time and money in the Conservative cause. “…but if I don’t get what I ask I shall do all I can to defeat the election in Minnedosa and if necessary use over seven thousand dollars on outstanding accounts for that purpose. I don’t wish to be compelled to support the Reformers but if the Conservatives do not support me I can’t support them.”

Annotation: “Ansd by WHR 30/11/86” [crude extortion]

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| G 8726 | C - 2192 | Dec. 17, 1886 | Letter | Curran, John P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Applying for position of 2nd examiner of titles. |

“…you have often promised that something would be done for me whenever an opportunity occurred ….” For the 6 years I’ve been in the country I’ve worked for and voted for the Government – and have missed several opportunities to join govt service that were given to others.

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| G 8726 | C - 2193 | Dec. 17, 1886 | Letter | Sutherland, W.R.D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking for position as Chief Health Inspector. |

Dr. S has been promised by LaRiviere that Dept of Health would be given a Chief or Consulting Inspector and that he would get the job. “I have not forgotten the day when you expressed a lack of confidence in me to undertake the work well that was two years ago & there may have been some reasonable grounds for such a feeling as you expressed.” I’ve worked hard in the intervening time and LaRiviere has promised me that the position will go to me.

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| G 8726 | C - 2194 | Nov. 13, 1886 | Letter | Graham, Clarence F. | Arden Station | Norquay, John | Re: True state of affairs. |

Grohen? Rec’d yours of 3rd inst, and Brown’s letter too. “Early next week I intend handing in the census returns for my district at P.laPrairie. Before going there I would like to know the true state of affairs. I thank you for your courtesy in acknowledging my note so promptly.” [odd – meaning?]

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| G 8726 | C - 2196 | Dec. 16, 1886 | Telegram | Harrison, D.H., M.P.P. | Newdale | Norquay, John | Re: Strathclair supper. |

“Do not forget Strathclair supper Friday evening, expect crowd”

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| G 8726 | C - 2197 | Jan. 24, 1887 | Letter | Burpe, F.R. Dom. Lands Comm. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Lot No. 116 St. Clements. |

Commr has requested all papers referring to this lot be sent to him that he may inquire and advise you how the matter stands.

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| G 8726 | C - 2198 | Dec. 30, 1886 | Letter | Alexander, J.P. | Sourisford | Norquay, John | Re: Appt. of Mr. Campbell as Registrar for Souris River. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2199 | Nov. 12, 1886 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking the appt. of Geo. F. Newcombe, Deloraine, as R. Officer for Turtle Mtn. Div. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2200 | Nov. 20, 1886 | Letter | Stewart, Alex | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Re: Political meeting. |

Need “two rousing meetings”, 1 at Rapid City and 1 at Minnedosa – “This riding has a Conservative majority in reality & we should like to win but must have assistance from outside.”

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Keywords: Pritchard, race, Métis, native son, St Andrew, telegraph, election, time, Boulton, Brownlee as election worker, and P V Georgen in Portage etc, …, [Burt]

A H Rennie as chief organizer of election, recipient of most of the telegrams and letters during the campaign. Wilson to Rennie, Mrs. Rennie, drink, Hagel, election petition, Rat Portage, school, Tennant

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| G 8726 | C - 2201 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Letter | Collins, Thom. | Parkdale | Norquay, John | Re: Political feelings. |

“Dear Sir I find since our meeting at Parkdale a little predijuce [sic] feeling existing among a few of our party that I cannot say positively you are sure of

Name here I quote: James Spence Francis Gibbson and Tulloch

The only jelousy [sic] I can gather from them is that you drove by their places and did not call[.] I find so much conspiracy going on that I think you cannot afford loose [sic] one of your supporters if convenient I would wish you could call on these 3 parties as soon as possible I explained to them that you have so much to do and could not call upon every house.”

“I would like to see you before calling upon them.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2202 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Letter | McDonald, A.M. | Ft. Qu'Appelle, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Election matters. |

Yours of 22nd inst rec’d. “I saw McBeath, but he has not yet made up his mind, wants to know who will pay expenses. Have just returned from Ellice found everything alright for Hamilton there probably a large majority in that municipality, the halfbreeds with very few exceptions are for him…. I will also try & cast a vote for Harrison. We are doing all we can for you & your party.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2203 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Letter | Pritchard, A. | Wolseley, N.W.T. | Jack [Pritchard?] | Re: Coming down to vote. |

“Dear Jack” -- if you can get me a pass, even just one-way, I wld come and vote

“…if you would see Old Norquay tell him there is one of his voters here of the name of Ross (the school teacher) who will go down too if he gets a pass as his time will be up before that time (that is the first of Dec.) he got a letter from Norquay about his vote & he told me he would go down & vote for him only it would cost him too much as he goes to Touchwood Hills when his time is up….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2204 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Letter | Attwood, P.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: His state of ostracism. |

“I have had no intimation from Ottawa that my present state of ostracism is to be removed.” I will vote for Scarth and Drewry but could do so much more – can nothing be done?

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| G 8726 | C - 2205 | Nov. 25, 1886 | Letter | Ross, H.A. | Wolseley, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Coming in to vote. |

Yours of 4th to me in Gladstone was fwdd here – I’ve been to England and back since then. I wld vote if you cld get me a pass on CPR. I wld pay my own fare back.

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| G 8726 | C - 2207 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Anderson, F.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Immigration. |

Lindal and I toured lands, believe colonies would thrive, esp from Iceland, and Scandinavia too – 3000-5000 settlers would come from Iceland alone. I would prepare literature, publish it, govt must guarantee to pay $25 monthly for 12 months. “You will remember that you promised to support the enterprise in the presence of Messrs. Scarth and McTavish. Please give me a written statement of what the Government are prepared to do.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2208 | Nov. 17, 1886 | Letter | Winters, Geo. | Brandon | Scarth, W.B. | Re: Hughes as Chief of Police. |

Asks Scarth to support the recommendation

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| G 8726 | C - 2209(a) | Nov. 12 1886 | Letter | Smith, Osborne | City (Winnipeg) | Scarth, W.B. | Candidate for Morris |

I am independent Conservative candidate for Morris – received “the unanimous call from a convention to which not the slightest objection has been offered. My opponents were Messrs H Tennant MPP who refused to submit to convention; Mr Winkler the nominee of the Liberal party (who has now retired ) and Mr Martin who bases his candidature on the ‘race & revenge’ cry.”

Tennant’s friends admit that he can’t [win] with the French-speaking vote that Martin now controls. I have English-speaking support growing “daily.”

“I have however to complain that employees of the local government, Messrs. LaTouche Tupper, Price, and Prendergast, have been actively canvassing against me….”

I support the present local govt. Please note “that if the county is lost to the Conservative party, through a convention not having been recognized, and employees of the Government having canvassed against the Conservative nominee, without check from the leader of the Government, that the blame should rest on the proper parties.”

[Lt Col W. Osborne Smith]

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| G 8726 | C - 2209(b) | Nov. 15, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Smith, Osborne | Re: Morris Constituency. |

Re your letter and our conversation of Friday evening – I will speak to Mr Norquay – but I have no right as Wpg Association to intervene in Morris.

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| G 8726 | C - 2209(c) | Nov. 20, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Morris Constituency. |

I’m confined to bed with bronchitis. “Be good enough to take whatever course you think necessary.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2210 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Letter | Secretan, J.H. Secretary,  N.W. Buffalo B. Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: N.W.B.B. Co. |

NW Buffalo Breeding Co (Lt) – meeting of stockholders at head office here on 22 Dec. at 4:00 pm to elect directors, pass bylaws [joke?] [Manitoba Club stationery]

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| G 8726 | C - 2211 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Letter | Morton, George | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Re: Fixing dates for meetings. |

I have to hold meetings in Killarney. If you can’t come, please ensure a good substitute “to assist me recover the ground lost by disappointing these places which I fear they feel slighted and attribute it to my neglect.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2212 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing a letter from Winters re Hughes. |

Supports nomination of Hughes as chief of police – Hughes came to Wpg at my request to support Hamilton, “and remained a fortnight doing some very valuable work and a little necessary disbursing. He charged nothing except his disbursements during his stay. I think the work he has done entitles him to some recognition at the hands of the Government.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2213(a) | Jan. 15, 1887 | Letter | Kirchhoffer, J.N. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Marley, W.P. appointment. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2213(b) | Jan. 18, 1887 | Letter | Marley, W.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Kirchhoffer Letter. |

Re our interview of Saturday last – here is letter from Kirchhoffer.

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| G 8726 | C - 2214 | Jan. 16, 1887 | Letter | Whyte, Wm. General Supt. C.P.R. West Div Wpg | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: 24 hour system. |

“Will you kindly send me the letter you promised when I had the pleasure of speaking to you a couple of weeks ago, on the 24 hour system. I would like a letter from you giving your views.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2215 | Jan. 15, 1887 | Letter | Cates, A. | Napinka | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment. |

Thanks for your letter saying that there is no vacancy under the Municipal Act.

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| G 8726 | C - 2217 | Jan. 18, 1887 | Letter | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Funds for political purposes. |

“I have your wire & check of Dr. Wilson and we are working up South Dufferin and if the cases reported to me are borne out by the evidence we have ample proof to unseat & disqualify Winram.

“Bolton’s expenses are not yet paid and it is [illegible?] out of the question to think of [illegible] a petition unless I can have command of money first to get evidence & then to carry on the suit.

[illegible] here before the election promised to [illegible] a friend $50 [?] was put up by [illegible: DHW? Dr. W?] & I am daily being chased for election bills. You know I am only too glad to do what I can myself but I must have funds for disbursements & that at once. Please make some arrangements if possible to put me in funds by return mail.

Tell Wilson our court here is on the 25th & every man in North Dufferin including R.P. Roblin who committed corruption should be sued for the penalty & no time should be lost in entering the claims.

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I am voicing the will of the party. Most ….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2218 | Jan. 21, 1887 | Letter | Hagel, N.F. QC | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: St. Andrews. |

Law office letterhead: “Dear Mr. Norquay Re St. Andrews I have gone over this matter pretty thoroughly and am pretty strongly of opinion that I shall put them to trouble on the preliminary objections.

“I have obtained 10 days further time to put same in but I am now ready though I will hold them back till my last day 9 days from today.

“I am preparing Rogers case against Greenway and from what he hopes to prove I believe we can unseat him.

“Re Springfield frauds -- I have written Goodridge for copies of false applications and will formulate a charge as soon as I receive them.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2219 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Letter | Woodworth, J.E. | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Re: Application for Municipal Commissionership. |

Yours of 8th to hand – re my application – “I am very much disappointed and am at a loss to know what to think or what to do. It is a terrible blow to me….[Instead] appoint my son B.H Woodworth (the present Depty Registrar of Brandon) as Assistant Municipal Commissioner he is a promising man in his 26th year has a family and is well qualified for the position… The Registrar office income is decreasing all the time and even now will not support two families….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2220 | Jan. 18, 1887 | Letter | Hall, J.R., Secretary to Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Margaret Mowat's claim. |

Yours of 15th inst – “re the claim to Halfbreed scrip of the heirs of the late Margaret Mowat….” The application does not form part of the papers received from the Commissioner of Dominion Lands and the material “is not complete enough to warrant his making a recommendation…” But we will pursue the matter.

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| G 8726 | C - 2221 | Jan. 21, 1887 | Letter | Whyte, Wm. General Supt. C.P.R. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: 24 hour system. |

I have received yours of 19th “giving me your opinion on the 24 hour system of reckoning time, for which I am very much obliged.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2222(b) | Jan. 25, 1887 | Letters | Wilson, Hon. D.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Bridges in Municipality of Westbourne & Glenwood. |

**a) D H Wilson to Kirchhoffer, 20 Oct 1886**: re your representations re bridge over Souris River in 33, 7, 21 W, the Govt will contribute $1000 toward same, if constructed on approved plans and to Dept’s satisfaction.

**b) Wilson to Norquay, 20 January 1887:** re yours of 8th inst, stating “that to a certain extent you have committed the Government to the building of a bridge across the White Mud River in Westbourne and another across the Souris River in Glenwood Mcpy.”

Re Souris: I took to Council with Kirchhoffer’s letters. We decided no to such a large expenditure but wld advance $1000, more than usual in relation to “the sliding scale generally adopted by this Department in assisting municipalities in the matter of bridges.”

I wrote Kirchhoffer on this on 20 October (see copy).

“I may say that there remains but $1300 of the appropriation for bridges & publications & that two large expenditures, such as intimated in your letter, will be a very serious drain upon it.”

**c) Wilson to Norquay 20 Jan 1887**

I’m in receipt of your letter “of 8th inst, referring to the building of a bridge over the White Mud River in Westbourne & one over the Souris River in Glenwood. The same will receive consideration.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2223 | Jan. 24, 1887 | Telegram | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Election papers mailed. |

“yes have mailed all papers in registered letter to Munson & Allen tell them to look out for it”

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| G 8726 | C - 2224 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Letter | Burrows, Acton | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Marley's applic. for sessional clerkship. |

This should be sent to the Speaker or the Clerk of the Legislature – where this power lies.

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| G 8726 | C - 2225 | Jan. 22, 1887 | Letter | Bourdeau, Gideon Queen's Printer | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Statutes forwarded to Mr. Garland. |

Statutes of MB for 1883, 1884, 1885, and 1886 – sent as requested to Garland

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| G 8726 | C - 2226 | Jan. 15, 1887 | Letter | Cunningham, A.H. | Poplar Point | Norquay, John | Re: Position. Saw him personally. |

Could I have a situation in the coming sitting of the House, “a Clerkship or something else I could do …”

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| G 8726 | C - 2227 | Jan. 13, 1887 | Letter | Stuart, J.H. | Deloraine | Norquay, John | Re: Receipt of memos. |

Thanks for your two memos 16 Dec/86 and 8th inst. Thanks “for the trouble you have taken on my behalf.” The agent here did not appear to understand Mr Smith’s communications….

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| G 8726 | C - 2228 | Jan. 20, 1887 | Letter | Cantlie, L.W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Queen v. Lerocque. |

Acknowledge receipt of your letter of 18th January re case of the Queen v. Lerocque. Will bring to Hamilton’s notice on his return.

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| G 8726 | C - 2230 | Jan. 4, 1887 | Letter | Walker, D.M. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes as Chief of Police. |

If you can give Hughes the position, it would please his friends and he wld be a good successor to late chief.

“…Please drop me a few lines, confidentially, telling me how you think you stand in the new house. We hear all sorts of stories, which makes me uneasy at times.

Yours very sincerely D M Walker” [election result]

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| G 8726 | C - 2231 | Jan. 13, 1887 | Telegram | Wilson, Dr. Robt. | Morden | Norquay, John | Acknowledge receipt of telegram. |

“just received telegram Dave north probably find him for tomorrow” Dave = D H Wilson?

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| G 8726 | C - 2232(a) | Jan. 7, 1887 | Letter | Young, Dr. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Discharge of carpenters. |

All carpenters have been discharged from regular work

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| G 8726 | C - 2232(b) | Jan. 7, 1887 | Letter | Macara, W.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Canon Matheson's title. |

“The same cloud covers numerous other lots in that locality some of which have been brought under this Act & that cloud removed by serving a notice upon one Chubbuck in Ottawa.” The certificate of title can’t issue until cleared but Chubbuck will not enter a caveat, I feel certain.

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| G 8726 | C - 2236 | Dec. 17, 1886 | Letter | Anderson, F.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Immigration. |

Long typed letter on immigration promotion in Europe, esp. Scandinavia, and whether MB wld pay for him to buy a “printing plant” for the publication of pamphlets in different Norse languages….

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| G 8726 | C - 2237 | Jan. 8, 1887 | Telegram | Pope, J.H. Minister of Rys & Canals | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Sending inspector. |

“Yes will send inspector”

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| G 8726 | C - 2238 | Jan. 3, 1887 | Telegram | Bedson, S.L. | Regina, N.W.T. | Norquay, John | Re: Hughes as Chief of Police. |

“Glad if you can aid Hughes for position he seeks”

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| G 8726 | C - 2239 | Dec. 29, 1886 | Letter | Stewart, Douglas | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Cantlie[?] for a judgeship. |

Ackn your letter to Minister (absent) re Coulter[?] for a judgeship in ‘the North-West.’

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| G 8726 | C - 2240 | Jan. 11, 1887 | Letter | Young, Dr. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Wm. Pruden. |

“I wrote to Cantlie [Coutlie?] on the 4th inst in reference to Wm Pruden I think as you do that we could not have a better man if we can satisfy him.

If you are enquiring at the Atty Genl’s office about this matter you might also ask them about a letter I wrote to the Atty Genl in August last about being allowed home rent.

“I do not know when I was as hard up as I am now and never required to be better off.”

“If you will come down I will give you a dance. Where is Tom?” Yours faithfully D Young

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| G 8726 | C - 2241 | Jan. 10, 1887 | Letter | Mathewson, F.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. Bentley. |

“who comes to me very well introduced by a friend in the East….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2242 | Jan. 11, 1887 | Letter | Bleasdell, A.W. & Co. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Liquor Permits. |

Yours of 8th inst, replying to ours of 23 Nov – I applied to Dewdney “and received permits all right as asked for. Thanking you for recognition of letter and good feeling contained we remain…”

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| G 8726 | C - 2243 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Whiteway, James | Peguis, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Scrip. |

“Hon John Hurra for the d—d Indian any how.[sic]

“Well I am now on the other side as sure as you live no humbug about it neither yourself nor the next devil will turn me if I don’t get my lost scrip more than that I’ll rebel and put your twopenny law to defiance I will pay no tax until such time as I become a born subject according the Manitoba Act So look out you are now in power again I hope do not leave your countrymen in the lurch as heretofore

“I want my scrip that is what I want and if not I am on the other side.”[insert] “and go with the foreigner in preference to your own kind See where you would have been if not for your fellow natives which have proved themselves to be equal and more than equal if the truth was known they won’t be quiet till they be made to shake in the breeks as they have done heretofore the English natives are called cowards all right but take care look out when the rabbit bites disaster sure. Yours truly Jas Whiteway”

[on back of letter]: “William Sinclair was then part & parcel of the Govt placed there to act between the Govt and the English speaking natives Goulet for the French speaking natives I hold the Govt are responsible always heretofore you have taken to the opposite side against me you are wrong. Jas Whiteway”

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| G 8726 | C - 2244(a) | Dec. 22, 1886 | Letter | Whitcher, A.H. Agt., Dominion Lands | City (Winnipeg) | Secretary,  Dept. of Interior | Re: Thomas Mowat's claim. |

Re your letter of 16 inst on Thomas Mowat’s claim “for compensation for certain land of which he contends he has been deprived…” – I enclose application by Mowat in 1874, where “a ‘Park Lot’ was all that he was considered entitled to, which Park was surveyed and designated as ‘Park O’ (the same referred to in your letter) Mr. Mowat must have known that his claim was dealt with in that way, and there is nothing on record to shew that he was dissatisfied with the result. He claimed land on the River with hay privileges &c and occupied the land in question as a ‘Park’ and was recommended for a ‘Park Lot’ as were a number of others in that locality….

“When the outer two miles survey was made in 1876, said report refers to this claim thus ‘1 ½ acres enclosed. Log house thatched roof 14 x 25, no cultivation, enclosures used as calf parks, house not in good repair, value of all improvements $50.00 claimed by And. Mowat, also by his brother Thomas.’”

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| G 8726 | C - 2244(b) | Jan. 10, 1887 | Letter | Douglas, P.B. Ass't. Secretary, Dept. of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: T. Mowat's claim. |

I enclose letter from Dom Lands agent in Wpg “I am to inform you that the evidence of record in this Department is conclusive that Mr Mowat has been accorded all that he is entitled to in regard to this claim.” [very prompt action, responsive bureaucracy]

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| G 8726 | C - 2245 | Jan. 26, 1887 | Letter | Manuel, A. Genl Mgr | St. Paul, Minn. | Norquay, John | Re: Extension of free pass list as requested. |

“I regret to say that under orders from our Board I cannot extend our free pass list as you request. I assure you I dislike to refuse a personal request of this kind, but it seems necessary in view of the large demands that were made upon us for free transportation.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2246 | Jan. 28, 1887 | Telegram | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Receipt of telegram to Kirchhoffer. |

“Kirchhoffer did not get your telegram yet”

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| G 8726 | C - 2247 | Jan. 27, 1887 | Letter | Scarth, W.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Marley. |

“Thanks for your note re young Marley. I will be very glad if you can see your way to giving him something to do, at an early date.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2248 | Jan. 29, 1887 | Letter | Lytle, Mrs. Jane | Beaconsfield, Man. | Norquay, John | Re: Compensation from Dom. Gov't. |

Re your letter of 25 “telling me that the inspector only allowed me two dollars an acre for breaking and it cost me four there was four dollars an acre paid last summer for breaking done half a mile from the place and only three acres and a half of timothy when there was five and seven dollars wouldant [sic] pay for the seed and the time putting it in I think if the inspector valued his own time as he does others it would not take very much to pay him you said it was stated that the two men that valued it was friends of our own but they were no friends at all and was not interested in either parties you did not say whether I had any right to pay for the affadavits [sic] or not.

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| G 8726 | C - 2249 | Jan. 10, 1887 | Letter | Suckling, Henry W. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Inland Revenue office & copy of recommendations. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2250 | Jan. 14, 1887 | Telegram | Wilson, D.H. | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Coming to Winnipeg. |

“Train left before telegram received will be in today Rennie say so to Mrs. Wilson”

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| G 8726 | C - 2251 | Jan. 13, 1887 | Letter | Wade, Thos. A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Bridges in Westbourne & Glenwood Municipalities |

Deputy Min Pub Works re yours of 8th to Minister, re bridges over White Mud and Souris Rivers, -- this will be placed before Minister on his return.

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| G 8726 | C - 2252 | Jan. 13, 1887 | Letter | Macdonald, John | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Letter written on amalgamation. |

“My dear Norquay For Heaven’s sake don’t show my letter to you to Mr. Hamilton or anyone else, as I had no intention that it should be used that way. God forbid that I would cause any harm to poor Tom , such was not my intention as you can see by its contents. The amalgamation of the offices would be advisable provided he resigns as there is not enough in it to make it worth anyone’s time….”

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| G 8726 | C - 2253 | Jan. 17, 1887 | Letter | Setter, Jno. James | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: John Macdonald's actions in Elections. |

“Dear Sir John McDonald has just shown me a letter that he had written to you, expressing his surprize that any report to the effect that he had been working in the interest of K McK in Lakeside, that a person had been sent up to quietly investigate and report, that the person was satisfied that such was the case, &c.

“I advised him not to send it, as I did not believe a word of it, as his conduct thru’out the campaign was too pronounced to admit of any such conclusion, that I would write and ask you; then if he chose he could then make any explaination [sic] necessary, at present his writing was like one ‘fighting the air’ he has consented to do this.

“Kindly let me know if any such report was really made? And who by? I can asure [sic] you he feels hurt after the stand he took on all occasions, sometimes making it a personal matter, and when occasion presented itself making use of the – to the scotchman—all powerful argument, the ‘Galic,’ On receipt of yours he will give any explanation you may require or that the circumstances of the case demand… yours truly…”

[letterhead of Sheriff’s office, central judicial district]

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| G 8726 | C - 2254 | Jan. 10, 1887 | Letter | Fraser, James | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Re: Returning Officership for Selkirk. Wrote Daly.  See L.B. p237. |

Kindly use your influence to have me appointed … I am going as a delegate to the convention in Boissevain tomorrow – expect there are many applicants

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| G 8726 | C - 2255(a) | May 3, 1886 | Letter | Dept. of Interior | Ottawa | Whiteway, James | Re: Land purchase & scrip. See L.B. p280. |

Re yours of 14 ult, and 30 Dec last, re scrip allegedly “misappropriated by William Sinclair” and an overpayment made by you (Whiteway) for land. The Minister cannot change the decision of the Land Board sent to you on 23 April/83.

Re power of attorney “which you gave to Wm Sinclair is a full & sufficient authority for delivering the scrip to Wm Sinclair and it mentioned particularly that it was give in order to enable Sinclair to apply for & receive the Scrip you were entitled to receive as a Half Breed head of a family. He regrets however it is was used for any purpose other than that for which you intended it and if it was improperly used, that your only recourse would be against Sinclair.”

Re payments on frac E ½ Sec 1.15.9W – you paid $105.97 for what was then supposed to be 105.97 acres but this was erroneous – instead 130 acres – hence further $24 which you were required to pay for the issue of the patent

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| G 8726 | C - 2255(b) | Jan. 15, 1887 | Letter | Burpe, F., Dominion Land Commission | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: J. Whitewall's claim for scrip. |

Re yours of 10 inst, on James Whiteway’s lost scrip. This has been investigated. Dept will not recognize the claim. He gave a power of attorney to Mr Sinclair authorizing latter to draw the scrip, and on file is Sinclair’s acknowledgment of the delivery of such scrip to Sinclair under that power of attorney.

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| G 8726 | C - 2256(a) | Dec. 12, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, (P. Vances) | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Fire at Portage. |

11:00 “Main Street raging with fire must have assistance immediately plenty of water

“12:15 Steamer to work danger all over”

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| G 8726 | C - 2256(b) | Dec. 12, 1886 | Telegrams | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Fire in Portage la Prairie. |

11:05 “Both sides of Main Street on fire unless we have assistance by a fire engine in good working order there is no help for us”

[uncatalogued telegram]:

13:40 “Fire fully under control now loss about twenty five thousand”

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| G 8726 | C - 2257 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | Bell, W.R. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Congratulations. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2258 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Rennie, A.H. | Asking results of Man. Elections. |

“Wire final result Manitoba election”

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| G 8726 | C - 2259 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | Wilson, D.H. | End of Spur, Man. | Norquay, John | Stating he is coming in. |

“Will be in at fifteen forty five Wish to meet the other members have Charley at station”

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| G 8726 | C - 2260 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | McDonald, Wm. | Solsgirth, Man. | Norquay, John | Congratulations from Rossburn Cons. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2261 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | McGregor, P. St. C. | Gladstone | Norquay, John | Congratulations. |

“We have stood by you Congratulations Wire standing of House”

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| G 8726 | C - 2262 | Dec. 12, 1886 | Telegram | Setter, Jno. James | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Fire at Portage. |

“See CPR and get two engines brought up town in great danger of being all burned rush”

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| G 8726 | C - 2263 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | Johnson, Boultbee. Rankin | Vancouver | Norquay, John | Congratulations. |

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| G 8726 | C - 2264 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Shoal Lake | Norquay, John | Stating he is elected. |

“I am elected very hard fight renew my expression of support to you will be down tonight” 9:25

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| G 8726 | C - 2265 | Oct. 26, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting in one nine on 6th. |

“Can you be in one (1) nine (9) on evening of 6th rush answer

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| G 8726 | C - 2266 | Nov. 1886 | Telegram | Hamilton, C.E. | Elkhorn | Norquay, John | Asking result of convention. |

“Wire me to Elkhorn result of convention”

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| G 8726 | C - 2267 | Nov. 20, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting for Mawhinney & Robinson. |

“Will you attend joint meeting Mawhinney & Robinson at Poplar Point Friday twenty sixth returning from Russell Robinson making headway Answer Alf H. Rennie Wired from Virden Collect”

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| G 8726 | C - 2268 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting for Routledge. |

“Routledge wants you to fix a date and let him know by wire Alf H Rennie” “forwarded from Morden” [Rennie is in Morden, this is forwarded from Wpg]

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| G 8726 | C - 2269 | Nov. 6, 1886 | Telegram | Wilson, Dr. | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Dave's whereabouts. |

“Dave is absent North from Nelson Expect him home tonight Bob”

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| G 8726 | C - 2270 | Nov. 29, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Meeting of Council on Ry. biz. |

To JN c/o PV Georgen, Portage: “Immediate, if Mr Hamilton came back with you there can be meeting of Council on your arrival lasting half hour on important railway business LaRiviere Wilson are here please answer quick” [16:46]

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| G 8726 | C - 2271 | Nov. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Gladstone | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Brownlee. |

“How about Brownlee most anxious Means five reply” [five votes?]

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| G 8726 | C - 2272 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Letter | Pentland, Thos. H. | Norquay | Norquay, John | Introducing Messrs. Rollins & Sutcliffe. |

“…who are anxious to procure a license for Holland.”

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| G 8726 | C - 2273 | Dec. 4, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Coming down. |

“Will come down Tuesday if necessary. Have plenty work here. Will come if you say so Answer” “Vances” [17:50]

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| G 8726 | C - 2274 | Dec. 5, 1886 | Telegram | Cleverly, W. | End of Spur, Man. | Rennie, A.H. | Re: French speaker. |

“Mr Rennie Queens hotel Send french speaker Monday will be at train meet him W Cleverly”

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| G 8726 | C - 2275 | Dec. 5, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Binscarth | Norquay, John | Re: Election success. |

“Getting on splendidly more confident than ever of success” [17:35]

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| G 8726 | C - 2276 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Telegram | Richardson, Wm. | Portage la Prairie | To: Setter, J.J. | Re: Fees McClary v Skelding. |

“See Morrice Allan and Townley re Fees in McClary vs. Skelding”

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| G 8726 | C - 2277 | Dec. 5, 1886 | Telegram | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Jim Coombes. |

“See Jim Coombs Gent furnishing Faulds Block near City Hall arrange for man take his place Election day wants come here”

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| G 8726 | C - 2278 | Dec. 5, 1886 | Telegram | FitzBucke, E. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Train arrangements. |

“Queens Hotel” [Rennie office?] “Self and Mather cant vote Portage La Prairie unless special West Answer”

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| G 8726 | C - 2279 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Binscarth | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Work on M. & N.W. Ry. |

“If material not short track will be in Thursday morning Please urge Baker to keep them supplied they had to stop work on Friday and Saturday There will be a grand meeting Thursday” [Binscarth via Birtle Station] [11:05]

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| G 8726 | C - 2280 | Dec. 3, 1886 | Telegram | Pope, J.H. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | 502 Cypher no. |

“Five hundred and two will be enough as arranged with Lariviere”

[what’s arranged with LaR? “will be enough?”]

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| G 8726 | C - 2281 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Binscarth | Rennie, A.H. | Accepts offer. |

“Accept offer will be down Friday come here with premier if possible” [to A H Rennie Private Secy to Hon Jno Norquay” [11:05]

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| G 8726 | C - 2282 | Jan. 12, 1885 | Telegram | LaRiviere, A.A.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Man.'s rep. at Intercolonial Exh. |

“Ottawa telegram states Commission representing various provinces will be appointed for London Intercolonial Exhibition I would like to represent Manitoba if members of Government of some other provinces are appointed if not I would suggest Burrows name let us know when you intend to return”

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| G 8726 | C - 2283 | Nov. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Gilmour, T.H. [or JH] | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Scarth coming out strong for Mr. N. |

JN in West Selkirk: “Scarth’s supporters want meeting here Thursday night with you to speak be here if possible Scarth cause out strong at Luxton’s meeting last night and gave you an unqualified support. He made a big hit for you and himself with you here at his meeting we will gain a great deal Kindly answer me at once that you will be here I want to advertise”

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| G 8726 | C - 2284 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Colcleugh having called meeting. |

JN at Poplar Point: “Colcleugh has called meeting in St Andrews North tomorrow night” “Alf Rennie”

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| G 8726 | C - 2285 | Feb. 17, 1886 | Advt letter | Hope, J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Stating he will have some furniture on Exhibition that was intended for Colonial Exhibition. |

Letterhead: “Winnipeg Tent, Awning and Mattrass [sic] Factory”

I’m exhibiting a drawing room suite of furniture “composed of buffalo horns” which I intend exhibiting at Colonial Exhibition in London. Viewing in Wpg 18-19 Feb.

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| G 8726 | C - 2286 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P.V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Martin & Watson. |

“Martin and Watson left this afternoon by rig for Elm River they require watching Vances” [18:18]

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| G 8726 | C - 2287 | Nov. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Coultlee, L.W.[Cantlie?] | City (Winnipeg) | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Cummings & Birney. |

To Rennie c/o Georgen; “Cummings five Birney three recommended”

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| G 8726 | C - 2288 | Nov. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Douglas, C.S. | Emerson | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Coming down. |

“Be down today & call at number stated seven oclock”

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| G 8726 | C - 2289 | Oct. 12, 1886 | Telegram | Norquay, J. | Carberry | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Keeping Tom on & holding meeting at Monkman's. |

JN at Carberry: to Alf Rennie: “Keep Tom on till twenty fourth inform Jim will hold meeting James Monkmans Monday night write to Monkman to that effect” [16:13]

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| G 8726 | C - 2290 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Wilson, D.H. | Morden | Norquay, John | Elected by 9 [??] |

“Am elected by nine congratulations on your victory” [2:20] [9 votes? 9:00 oclock?]

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| G 8726 | C - 2291 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Train for Wpg. |

“Train left for Winnipeg at 7:15 Let me know when you leave Winnipeg” [7:35]

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| G 8726 | C - 2292 | Nov. 30, 1886 & Dec. 6, 1886 | Telegram | Harrison, D.H. | Newdale | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Train arrangements. |

30 Nov: “What arrangements about train for election reply to Newdale” [Ansd]

6 Dec: “Any arrangements for train made yet”

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| G 8726 | C - 2293 | Nov. 9, 1886 | Telegram | Scott, Thos. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Judgeship Southern Division. |

“Minister Justice waiting order in Council Judgeship southern division please send immediately Answer”

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| G 8726 | C - 2294 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Telegram | Wilson, D.H. | Morden | LaRiviere, A.C. | Re: Sending speaker to Tennant. |

“Send Tennant a speaker to Morris tomorrow say Brooks”

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| G 8726 | C - 2295 | Dec. 6, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Smith & himself coming down. |

“Smith & I will be down tomorrow night sure things look bright”

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| G 8726 | C - 2296 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Congratulations. |

“Glad the province has stood by you manfully we have demonstration tomorrow evening Can you come up answer” [10:30 p]

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| G 8726 | C - 2297 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Telegram | Routledge, T. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Posters out for meeting 19th. |

“posters out for Friday nineteenth don’t fail will drive you to Birtle any time”

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| G 8726 | C - 2298 | Nov. 25, 1886 | Telegram | Harrison, D.H. | Strathclair | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Meeting. |

“Have a meeting for that night could not get there”

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| G 8726 | C - 2299 | Nov. 15, 1886 | Telegram | Tennant, H. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: Mennonite vote. |

“The Mennonites held meeting on Saturday to consider if they will vote or not at the coming elections have not decided so far as I can learn”

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| G 8726 | C - 2300 | Nov. 16, 1886 | Telegram | Bouverie, F.P. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Routledge. |

“Routledge away till tonight expects you next Friday will telegraph on return”

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| G 8727 | C - 2301 | Oct. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Hopper, D.A. | Rapid City | Norquay, John | Invitation to dinner. Note by Norquay for reply on reverse. |

“Yourself and other members of Government are respectfully requested to attend a dinner given by the Citizens on Wednesday evening next to celebration of the first train here We expect all the directors of the road within the Province to be here Excursion train will leave Minnedosa for here 4:45 pm” [12:40]

JN – by Rennie I think: pencil draft reply: “25/10/86 I regret exceedingly that a previous engagements prevents my accepting your kind invitation to dinner on the opening of your line wishing you all a very enjoyable time J Norquay”

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| G 8727 | C - 2302 | Oct. 16, 1886 | Telegram | Beaty, Jas. | Toronto | Norquay, John | Re: Martin going West. Note by Rennie for reply on reverse. |

“Martin going west can you see him Friday next answer”

Draft on back: “18/10/86: Mr Norquay will be in Brandon Friday night A H Rennie Secretary”

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| G 8727 | C - 2303 | Nov. 3, 1886 | Telegram | Campbell, A. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Post Office. |

“In April 1885 Inspector reported estimate cost service fifty dollars, estimated revenue twenty five. Have telegraphed him to enquire if position improved Do you consider creation of Post Office important”

“Ansd: yes 4/11/86”

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| G 8727 | C - 2304 | Dec. 4, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: LaRiviere holding meeting at Carman. |

“Smith home says wire William Cleverly at Carman whether Mr Lariviere can go to Carman Monday night, import also us to have speakers at Martin’s Portage meeting Wednesday night”

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| G 8727 | C - 2305 | Dec. 4, 1886 | Telegram | Cleverly, W. | End of Spur, Man. | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Hon. LaRiviere attending meeting. |

“Can Hon Lariviere attend meeting here Monday night Answer”

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| G 8727 | C - 2306 | Dec. 4, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Setter blowing out Jury money. |

“Setter in Winnipeg don’t let him blow out Jury money” [20:10]

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| G 8727 | C - 2307 | Nov. 1, 1886 | Telegram | Morton, George | Boissevain | Norquay, John | Asking him to name day for meeting. |

“After Rogers Cartwright waiting will you speak at Killarney & Wakepa name day”

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| G 8727 | C - 2308 | Dec. 4, 1886 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Petition re: Brandon Court House. |

“Ask CPBrown to send me first mail original of petition re Brandon court house I will return it All going well”

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| G 8727 | C - 2309 | Dec. 6, 1886 | Letter | Cuddy, T.A. | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Re: Train arrangements on Thursday. |

“I will be at the Grand Union Hotel on Wednesday evening will you kindly let me know what arrangements (if any) you have made for getting to Selkirk on Thursday”

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| G 8727 | C - 2310 | Sept. 30, 1886 | Notice of  Liquidator | O'Loughlin, M.R., Liquidator | City (Winnipeg) | Shareholders, etc. of Sask. Coal Mining Co. | Re: Lease of mine to E.D. Moore. |

Printed court of Q Bench notice: application by liquidator of Co. to lease said Company’s mine, e ½ of Sec 7, Twp 13, Rge 6, W of 4th, to Edwin D. Moore of Wpg, Merchant, for 5 years from 1 Oct 1886, at royalty of 25c per ton on all coal mined, “the amount of such royalty not to be less than $2500 in any one year”

And that a meeting of all creditors of said Co on 12 Oct at 7:30 pm to consider advisability of granting said lease.

And that stockholders will meet in same place at 8:30 for same purpose.

Bain, Mulock, Perdue & Robinson, Liquidator’s Solicitors

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| G 8727 | C - 2311 | Dec. 6, 1886 | Letter | Robinson, J.M. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Hughes application as Chief of Prov. Police. Election campaign |

Letterhead of Robinson, publisher of Brandon Times

Hughes apptmt: Wld “meet with the heartiest approval in Brandon” a “hard worker in the interests of the party here.” If Winters carries South Brandon, “it will be largely due to Hughes’ indefatigable labours”

“I am making old Bismark scratch gravel in Woodlands. Your short visit to Poplar Point did me a lot of good. I am fighting my contest straight Norquay and have knocked Mark Fortune out at every meeting so far, at which we have met. Hoping we will come back with 25 or 30 seats, I am….”

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| G 8727 | C - 2312 | [No Date] | Memo | McGow, Wm., Office ofIndian Commissioner | N.W.T. | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Reynolds going down. |

“Dear Mr. Rennie When in Wpg last summer you spoke of Reynolds going down to vote. He is ready and can go if you will send him a pass and pay his expenses. He has 2 or 3 votes down there. Fix this up and I’ll let him off any day.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2313 | Nov. 27, 1886 | Letter | Robinson, J.M. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: His being gov't. candidate. |

Letterhead of Portage Tribune Review, Robinson editor and manager: “Dear Mr. Norquay I’ve visited Wagner’s “pet stronghold” [Posen] and had “very good success. The difficulty I met with however was to prove that I was the Govt. candidate and not Mr. Wagner. I left one man, a representative half breed who will support none but a straight Government candidate and who controls about 20 votes, with the understanding that I would get a letter from you to him to certify that I was really the Govt. candidate. Now if you will be good enough to drop him two or three lines it will fix me in Posen. His address is Robert Todd Clarkleigh. Wagner wrote to some of them there, one in particular, that he is a Conservative of the McDonald [sic]-Cartier type and calling for their support. Will have Mission [?] solid. [race]

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| G 8727 | C - 2314 | Dec. 15, 1886 | Letter | Cochrane, H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking $5.00 towards presentation to McKenzie. |

You very kindly promised to give $5.00 towards the ‘presentation’ to our friend Mr. McKenzie….

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| G 8727 | C - 2315 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Woodworth, J.E. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Coming down. |

12:50 “Will be at your office this evening”

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| G 8727 | C - 2316 | Nov. 30, 1886 | Letter | Bompas, Bischoff & Co. | London, England | Norquay, John | Stating Dom. has paid boundary dispute a/c. |

Rec’d your letter of 15 inst. Our account re Boundary dispute between ON and MB “has been discharged by the Dominion Government.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2317 | Sept. 14, 1886 | Letter | Van Horne, W.C. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Pass to D.H. Nelson. |

Re yours of 1st inst about pass for DH Nelson. Can’t – directors have set out stringent rules on account of enormous demands since thru line open.

“Pass issued to D.H. N. 20/Aug/86” [in pencil below this letter sgd by WVH.

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| G 8727 | C - 2318 | Nov. 9, 1886 | Letter | Adams, Joseph H. | Prince Albert, N.W.T. | Uncle [Norquay, John] | Family letter. |

“My Dear Uncle I just drop you a few lines to let you know that I do not forget you yet. Tom is not well just now, he is been at Troy. Mamma is not quite well yet. I have another little sister now again. Conrad likes it very much, he slepps with papa. Some times he slepps with me. I have not much news to tell you. Papa & I were working at the cow Bire today fixing up the stalls. I guess we will do the same tomorrow again. We have another Bire to fix up yet. The wolves are very thick this year. They are killing sheep every day nearly for our neighbours. They killed some for Andrew Spence. And they were amongst ours too, ours went other side Andrew’s & that was the way they went amongst ours. Edwin Spence saw him & he jumped on his horse and chased him off he drove him through our field. We never saw him coming but Andrew told us. They had one of Andrew’s down and the others were looking at him.

They would not run away from him. Mamma was wishing for papa to kill a pig but papa would not, so he was to stingey & one of our best ewes we had got tossed so bad so we had to kill her. If papa had killed a pig she would not of got tossed perhaps, so it seems it is a sin to not let any one have what they [illegible]. I remain with love to you all, Dear Uncle Joseph H. Adams”

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| G 8727 | C - 2319 | Dec. 6, 1886 | Letter | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. E. Hughes. |

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| G 8727 | C - 2320 | Dec. 9, 1886 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Smart's election. |

[10 p] “Smart is elected by sixty at least Clear turnover Sorry but we go down with our colours flying and no dirt on our skirts”

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| G 8727 | C - 2321 | Dec. 4, 1886 | Letter | Hughes, E. to Rennie, A.H. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Coming down to vote. |

Letterhead of North British Canadian Investment Co, Brandon, H J Skynner Agent

“”My dear Rennie I have not been able to hear from Mr. Scarth lately. He did want me to go down to Winnipeg…” to on Wed, back on Thur. “if special train runs…”

“If you arrange for the train I could take charge of it from Portage on here as I have the run of the lists pretty well and know this constituency as well as any one. Please let me know at earliest possible moment about train. I am well acquainted with nearly every one coming up what polling place to send them to & the latter is a little complicated here on account of Smart’s meeting in Elton telegraphed to the Manitoban today. I sent it and the facts are just as given – no cooked report.”

“I must vote for Scarth if possible but cannot miss being here.

Lists 3 people who have votes in Wpg, but now live in Brandon as of recent moves.

“We want every vote in East Brandon as we have, in my opinion, a great many doubtfuls. We have worked against great odds but I believe we will get there.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2322 | Nov. 21, 1886 | Letter | Blow, Mrs. Wm. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. for his picture. |

Would hang next Sir John – “and all the rest of the good Conservits [sic]”

“what ever it costs I will pay it…”

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| G 8727 | C - 2323 | Dec. 5, 1886 | Letter | Harrison, D.H. | Newdale | Rennie, A.H. | Enclosing Gillies receipt for express parcel. |

“We are getting close to the work now and all looks well. I would like full report of those returned sent here (Newdale) on Thursday night – as soon as you get them in – Please do not forget.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2324 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | H.P.T. | City (Winnipeg) | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Running rights of M. & N.W. over C.P.R. |

“Yes, will give M & NW Ry engine running rights on Wednesday night for Mr. Norquay”

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| G 8727 | C - 2325 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Smith, W.P. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Elm River meeting. |

“Don’t call Elm River meeting Want Howell for Thursday evening at Martin meeting”

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| G 8727 | C - 2326 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Sturgeon, J. George | Glenboro | Norquay, John | Re: Voting by certificate. |

“Can returning officer give certificates to voters to vote outside of voters own polling division answer”

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| G 8727 | C - 2327 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Smith, W.P. Jr. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Asking where is Hamilton. |

“Dr. Harrison cannot help me has meeting of his own where is Hamilton answer.”

On obverse: pencil scribble (Rennie?): “May I get 5000 copies Manitoban struck off”

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| G 8727 | C - 2328 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Smith, W.P. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Calling meeting from Wpg. |

“Roads blocked with storm Elm River meeting must be called from Winnipeg fix place to suit & wire me time & place must have some one here Thursday Did not see Hamilton” “collect”

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| G 8727 | C - 2329 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Train arrangements. |

Rennie at Queens: “Time to leave Winnipeg suits first rate Would like Mr Norquay to arrange to leave Solsgirth on the return trip not later than eleven on Thursday night” [19:20]

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| G 8727 | C - 2330 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Train arrangements. |

[15:08] “Arrangements proposed will suit us much better will wire you when train leaves here for Winnipeg this afternoon”

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| G 8727 | C - 2331 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: South coming down. |

“Smith goes to meet you tonight wants to get back tomorrow train after seeing some of the ministers sure Vances” [13.45]

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| G 8727 | C - 2332 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Stating he is attending to work. |

[19:52] “Received your telegrams am attending to work here Sent my proxy to Minnedosa important for me to stay to rush work in Portage will meet Norquay Thursdays train Vances Collect”

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| G 8727 | C - 2333 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Meeting Mr. N. at train & re: Martin. |

[20:30] I will meet Mr Norquay Manitoba North Western station here arrival of special train tonight. Smith went down tonight try and get him back with Mr Norquay with special tell him ladies aid have let hall to Martin for Wednesday first December night before nomination day notwithstanding all my efforts. Martins idea is to have his foreign friends here on the first that night so we ought to have some good speakers too, will explain this to Mr Norquay tonight. Smiths bills for Monday nights meeting all posted. Vances.”

[all the above are on **CPR Telegraph** forms, “Sir George Stephen President, W.C Van Horne, Vice President; Chas R. Hosmer Manage Telegraphs”

“Terms and conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message. This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under these conditions.”

A few of the others are on the forms of the **Great North Western Telegraph Co of Cda**, “operating the lines of the **Montreal, Dominion and Manitoba Telegraph Companies**” Erastus Wiman Pres., H. P. Dwight General Manager

“Errors can be guarded against only by repeating a message back to the sending station for omparison, and the Company will not hold itself liable for errors or delays in transmission or delivery of unrepeated messages,…This is an unrepeated message, and is delivered by request of the sender, under the conditions named above.”

The CPR seems to have adopted the 24-hour clock; the GNW not (or at least not consistently).

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| G 8727 | C - 2334 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Mawhinney's movements. |

[20:22]“Mawhinney went to Poplar Point today to post bills calling meeting for Friday at eleven oclock am Mr Norquay is expected to address this meeting Vances”

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| G 8727 | C - 2335 | Nov. 12, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Safe delivery of cash. |

[13:33] “Will take two hundred cash for safe delivered here”

Across the face is scrawled in red pencil: “Accepted”

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| G 8727 | C - 2336 | Nov. 27, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P.V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Coming down. |

[14:29]“I am going to your city tonight. Vances Coll”

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| G 8727 | C - 2337 | Nov. 25, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P.V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Copies of Election Act. |

[19:30] “Send me fifteen copies election act we want them the worst way for our fellows important”

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| G 8727 | C - 2338 | Nov. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Mr. Norquay |

[16:49] “Mr Norquay gone to Poplar Point meetings last night grand success both here & High Bluff” Vances

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| G 8727 | C - 2339 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Mawhinney |

[16:17] “Private – Get Mr Norquay to wire Mawhinney his regrets in not having attended Poplar Point meeting as Mawhinney feels very sore indeed & thinks he is slighted Vances”

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| G 8727 | C - 2340 | Nov. 27, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P.V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Sending money to Sheriff. |

[12:00] “Sheriff this mail sends Department Justice statement of money paid out to witnesses here. Please rush department to send balance of money to sheriff by Mondays express” [meaning? What witness money?]

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| G 8727 | C - 2341 | Nov. 11, 1886 | Telegram | Hagel, N.F. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Campbells & Ned McIvor. |

“The Campbells and Ned McIvor would like it distributed much as possible home Saturday Hagel”

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| G 8727 | C - 2342 | Nov. 12, 1886 | Telegram | Bouverie, F.P. | Virden | Norquay, John | Re: Routledge away. |

[13:48] “Routledge away till tonight will answer telegram as soon as he gets back”

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| G 8727 | C - 2343 | Nov. 12, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Seeing Baker. |

[12:05] Baker arrives tonight please see him to arrange tracklaying for twenty fifth”

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| G 8727 | C - 2344 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Telegram | Norquay, J. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Meeting him at train. |

From JN: [16:16] “If meeting in St Andrews tonight meet me at train”

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| G 8727 | C - 2345 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Telegram | LaRiviere, A.A.C. | Morris | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Documents to Alexander. |

[14:20] “Yes get Bureau to hand over papers to Alexander & get his signature to document should he require some more documents Bureau has some one hundred & fifty ought to do”

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| G 8727 | C - 2346 | Sept. 8, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Re: Police at end of track. |

[10 p]“Please authorize policeman to remain at end of track until work finished much trouble from whiskey answer”

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| G 8727 | C - 2347 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Asking answer to message. |

[22:40] “Please answer my message of date”

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| G 8727 | C - 2348 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Train arrangements. |

[15:12] “Yes can manage it if you will kindly get authority from CPR track will be with in a mile & a half from Russell any way & possibly finished please answer when you have seen Canadian Pacific & say what time you want to leave Winnipeg Sorry my car not ready but can make you pretty comfortable I think”

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| G 8727 | C - 2349 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Train arrangements. |

[11:00] “Please let me have reply to message of yesterday that I may make arrangements important” [JN in Wpg?]

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| G 8727 | C - 2350 | Nov. 22, 1886 | Telegram | Baker, W.R. | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Train arrangements. |

[15:55] ““Yes can manage it if you will kindly get authority from CPR track will be with in a mile & a half from Russell any way & possibly finished please answer when you have seen Canadian Pacific & say what time you want to leave Winnipeg & how many in party sorry my car not ready but can make you pretty comfortable I think W R Baker”

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| G 8727 | C - 2351 | Nov. 27, 1886 | Telegram | Andrews, G.A.F. | Glenboro | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Sending party to Glenboro instead of Brandon. |

[8:24] “Can you send party to Glenboro instead of Brandon by Mondays train it will save me two days prospects good answer”

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| G 8727 | C - 2352 | Nov. 27, 1886 | Telegram | Hagel, N.F. | Stonewall | Rennie, A.H. | Hopeless to expect him. |

[17:20] “Hopeless to expect me I have meeting Tuesday here and could not leave without greatest sacrifice will be home Sunday evening Hagel”

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| G 8727 | C - 2353 | Nov. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Brown, C.P. | Gladstone | Norquay, John | Re: An engine to get to Burnside. |

[11p] “Want an engine to get to Burnside see railway Have changed meetings in Wellington and Pine Creek to suit Answer C P Brown”

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| G 8727 | C - 2354 | Nov. 25, 1886 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John [in Solsgirth] | Re: Meeting at St. Andrews. |

“I hear Colcleugh has called meeting for Friday night in St Andrews school house Think you had better attend Answer A H Rennie”

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| G 8727 | C - 2355 | Nov. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Norquay, J. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Hamilton going on West. |

[11:16] JN to AHR “Hamilton went on West so could not get him J Norquay”

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| G 8727 | C - 2356 | Nov. 26, 1886 | Telegram | Macara, H.E. | City (Winnipeg) | Leacock, E.P. | Re: His appointment in Land Titles Office. |

Leacock on M &NW Spl Ptg: “See letter in Free Press this morning about land titles office and speak to Norquay about my appointment W E Macara”

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| G 8727 | C - 2357 | Nov. 23, 1886 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.C. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Special train. |

[16:10] “Such excursion must be open to all unless specially chartered & paid for explain matter fully to Mr LaRiviere W C Van Horne”

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| G 8727 | C - 2358 | Nov. 30, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Marquette | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Brownlee. |

[17:00] “Brown – Lee [Brownlee –“in one” is added annotation] not on train please see him & wire day he will be at Russell”

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| G 8727 | C - 2359 | Nov. 24, 1886 | Telegram | Van Horne, W.C. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Special train rates. |

[16:10] “Regular rate is two dollars per train mile I will be in Winnipeg within a week”

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| G 8727 | C - 2360 | Feb. 22, 1887 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: His election. |

[9:30p] “I am solid old man try and get returns from Gretna and others point and wire me”

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| G 8727 | C - 2361 | Feb. 23, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P.V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Watson's majority. |

[8:10 p] “Watson fifty eight majority & four places to hear from”

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| G 8727 | C - 2362 | Feb. 22, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P.V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: State of the poll. |

[1:28] “Fifteen places to hear from Watson’s majority so far forty three Reports conflicting will wire you fully tomorrow Vances collect”

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| G 8727 | C - 2363 | Feb. 4, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Coming down. |

[9 am] “We will all be there tonight without fail”

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| G 8727 | C - 2364 | Feb. 4, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Ogletree and himself coming down. |

[1:20 p] “Have arranged Ogletree and myself will be down tonights train”

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| G 8727 | C - 2365 | Jan. 26, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Seeing that Munson files petition. |

“See that Munson gets petition fyled this is last day”

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| G 8727 | C - 2366 | Jan. 28, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Answering telegram. |

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“Re Corrigal please answer my telegram of yesterday see Cantlie very important”

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| G 8727 | C - 2367 | Jan. 31, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Coming down. |

[14:46] “Down tonight have Hagel meet me at Queens important case”

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| G 8727 | C - 2368 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen P.V. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Asking solar time. |

[9:40] “Wire correct solar time immediately important”

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| G 8727 | C - 2369 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Asking payment for safe. |

[10:00] ‘please rush the sending of cheque to me for safe”

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| G 8727 | C - 2370 | Feb. 23, 1887 | Telegram | Daly, T. Mayne | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | 295 majority. |

[20:04] “Two hundred & ninety five is the majority I have”

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| G 8727 | C - 2371 | Feb. 18, 1887 | Telegram | Wilson, D.H. | Morden | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Girl. |

[11:40] “Say to Tom Norquay am disappointed re girl”

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| G 8727 | C - 2372 | Feb. 17, 1887 | Telegram | Winters, Geo. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: J.M. Coombs. |

[17:00] “Get someone to relieve J M Coombs Grand Union Hotel so can vote here”

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| G 8727 | C - 2373 | Feb. 17, 1887 | Telegram | Whyte, W. | City (Winnipeg) | Rennie, A.H. | Think matter can be arranged. |

[20:00] From Tache to Rennie “Think matter can be arranged W Whyte”

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| G 8727 | C - 2374 | Feb. 16, 1887 | Telegram | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Political meeting at Morden. |

[18:06] “Christie Campbell and Greenway speak here tomorrow at two thirty tell Daly must come without fail Corbet Locke”

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| G 8727 | C - 2375 | Feb. 25, 1887 | Telegram | Royal, J. | St. Boniface | Norquay, John | Re: Dawson Algoma. |

[9:10p] “Just received telegram from Chieftain e Dawson Algoma have you J. Royal” [John A Macdonald]

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| G 8727 | C - 2376 | Feb. 2, 1887 | Telegram | Brownlee, J.H. | Manitou | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Meeting him. |

[12:05] “Everything lovely and our business satisfactory arrange with Manitoban to reserve long report of last nights meeting for tonights issue report from Morden about one oclock meet me tonight”

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| G 8727 | C - 2377 | Feb. 16, 1887 | Telegram | Norquay, J. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Meeting him at train. |

[3 pm] “Train three hours late meet me on arrival Norquay”

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| G 8727 | C - 2378 | Feb. 7, 1887 | Telegram | LaRiviere, A.A.C. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Acknowledging receipt of cipher. |

[10:25] “Despatches received had hard time to decipher them. Wire through CPR in future Messages have not to be repeated. Will go to Ottawa tomorrow only arrived here yesterday Met with accidents of train. All safe AAC LaRiviere”

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| G 8727 | C - 2379 | Feb. 15, 1887 | Telegram | Norquay, J. | Minnedosa | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Result in court case. |

[13:40] “How did argument in court yesterday end J Norquay”

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| G 8727 | C - 2380 | Feb. 17, 1887 | Letter | Kirchoffer, J.N. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Introducing Mr. Albert Fenwick. |

Fenwick is “one of my best friends and supporters. He goes down principally to see that old Lowden does not tell too many lies without any check upon him. I would like that there should be some difference in the reception accorded to my friend Fenwick & to Lowden. Yours in haste…”

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| G 8727 | C - 2381 | Dec. 21, 1886 | Letter | Andrews, G.A.F. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. E. Hughes. |

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| G 8727 | C - 2382 | Feb. 21, 1887 | Telegram | Rennie, A.H. | Portage la Prairie | Baker, W.R. | Re: Train leaving on time. |

[10:30] AHR to Baker” “Will your train wait for CPR train today answer quick”

Scrawl on back: [10:30] To AHR “No our train leaves on time W R. Baker”

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| G 8727 | C - 2383 | Feb. 25, 1887 | Telegram | Macdonald, John A. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Holding meeting in Dawson's interest. |

[14:00] “I would suggest that you and Royal should hold a meeting at Rat Portage to assist S.J. Dawson polling on third March” [see #2375]

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| G 8727 | C - 2384 | Nov. 29, 1886 | Letter | Welch, Rithet & Co. | Victoria, B.C. | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Addresses of Geo. Ryalls & Mr. Waters. |

“Dear Sir We have endeavoured to trace the addresses of Mr. George Ryalls and Mr Waters referred to in yours of the 1st inst. But beyond the address ‘Portland Oregon’ for the former, and ‘San Francisco’ for the latter we cannot give you any information.” [letterhead Welch etc – perhaps shippers? Perhaps lawyers?]

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| G 8727 | C - 2385(a) | Dec. 3, 1886 | Letter | Pope, J.H. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Train arrangements on polling day. |

“My dear Norquay I duly received your cypher of the 29th ult, in which you said: ‘Arrange with railway to let us have two specials on ninth. Van Horne will do nothing This will insure our election. Total distance, including return, five hundred miles.’ To this I replied yesterday as you could not decipher first message, - ‘Where do you want trains go from and to. Must be open to friend and foe alike, otherwise vitiate election. Wire fully.’

The cypher used, as agreed with Lariviere, was 500 and the day of the month. Add in sending, and reverse in receiving.

In the meantime, I had written to Van Horne, and enclose reply which I received last night from Mr. Piers, his secretary. I then immediately wrote to Sir Donald asking him to see Van Horne as soon as he returns, and to arrange with him to let you have the specials, if possible. So soon as I hear from them, I will let you know.

With best wishes for your success, Believe me, Yours faithfully J H Pope”

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| G 8727 | C - 2385(b) | Dec. 1, 1886 | Letter | Piers, A., C.P.R. | Montreal | Pope, J.H., Min. of Railways | Re: Special trains asked for by Norquay. |

“Sir I have to acknowledge the receipt of your note of yesterday, on the subject of the special trains asked for my Mr. Norquay.

Mr. Van Horne is at present from home and will not return before the end of the week, when your note will be laid before him.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2386 | Dec. 1, 1886 | Letter | Gilbert, T.W. | Carberry | Norquay, John | Re: Train arrangements on polling day. |

“Dear Sir If for any reason on Election day the train should be late can not some arrangement be made for a special to run on the regular time?

“I want every vote polled possible on that day and have twenty to come up from Portage to different points.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2387 | Dec. 1, 1886 | Letter | Harrison, D.H. | Newdale | Rennie, A.H. | Acknowledging receipt of express parcel. |

“My dear Rennie I recd express package last night for Gillies & self – this A.M. I sent Gillies his with instructions – and will return you [?] when I get it from him in a day or two. He may possible send to you direct. Enclosed find mine.

“We are having a pretty hot time here – as the Grits are putting in their best licks – in every way – but we will down them well anyway. Yours very truly…”

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| G 8727 | C - 2388 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Letter | Pennefather, J.P. | Manitou | Norquay, John | Asking to be appointed Police Magistrate. |

Re my memorial signed by Winram and [eight?] MPPs, among others “asking you to appoint me Police Magistrate here.” The salary of $400 is acceptable to me. “…my time is almost daily broken in on for some law point or another…”

“Greenway seems cock a hoop of being Premier he was as usual very abusive last evening. I sent a report of the meeting to the Manitoban. Wilson did well, but you were wanted to count him down. Winram was feeble and Macdonald ridiculous. I hear LaRiviere and he interchanged courtesies very freely at St. Leon. I am glad to say I hear better accounts of Pentland’s chances. Hoping to see you and your supporters head the poll on the 9th.

“Greenway stated that if the Grits were in power the House would be dissolved again in less than a year on a new redistribution bill?”

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| G 8727 | C - 2389 | Dec. 13, 1886 | Letter | Richards, Wm. | St. Andrews | Norquay, John | Asking an advance on cordwood. |

“Dear Mr. Norquay I am hard up for tax money & would be glad if you could take some cordwood from me by which I could ..raise the necessary sum – twenty five dollars.

Very respectfully yrs, …”

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| G 8727 | C - 2390 | Dec. 9, 1886 | Telegram | McDonald, John | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Congrats on results of election. |

[20:30] “Accept congratulations Elm River not heard from Joe 16 majority”

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| G 8727 | C - 2391 | Dec. 8, 1886 | Telegram | FitzBuck, E. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Taking special home to Brandon. |

[17:35] “We are here & depend upon special to get home have to be at West Brandon also”

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| G 8727 | C - 2392 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Johnson, James | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Asking true state of affairs. |

Editor – Citizen [17:10] “What is the true state of affairs”

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| G 8727 | C - 2393 | Dec. 11, 1886 | Telegram | Johnson, James | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Congrats upon results of election. |

“Accept congratulations on your government being sustained” [20:30]

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| G 8727 | C - 2394 | Dec. 12, 1886 | Telegram | Macdonald, Sir John A. | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Congrats upon result of election. |

[19:42] “Hearty congratulations”

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| G 8727 | C - 2395 | Dec. 13, 1886 | Telegram | Hunter, S.R. | Toronto | Norquay, John | Re: Son's parcel. |

“Telegram received Son’s parcel will be shipped Friday shall I send to Winnipeg or Selkirk”

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| G 8727 | C - 2396 | Dec. 14, 1886 | Telegram | Whitla, R.J. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Congrats re: results of election. |

[9:10] “Accept my warmest congratulations delighted to hear your Government has been sustained”

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| G 8727 | C - 2397 | Nov. 29, 1886 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Foster (policeman). |

His law office letterhead – ‘Dear Mr. Norquay Do you really need Foster (policeman) to go down & vote for you – if so of course that settles it; but we could have use for him here. I believe there is an impression in Winnipeg that we are going to lose; but I may tell you that I feel more confident lately than I have been. Daly & I are working all the time & intend doing so until poll is closed. I believe we cannot win Turtle Mountain. Let me know about Foster. Haste”

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| G 8727 | C - 2398 | Dec. 9, 1886 | Telegram | Brownlee, J.H. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Kirchhoffer's majority. |

[10:30 not clear am or pm] “Kirchhoffer thirty three ahead six polls to hear from wire me latest about Russell”

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| G 8727 | C - 2399 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Telegram | Leacock, Ed. P. | Binscarth | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Brownlee. |

[20:31] “to A H Rennie Private secy Hon John Norquay Brownlee did not come on train pray see he comes in morning”

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| G 8727 | C - 2400 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Wilson elected. |

[1:00] “Wilson elected by six Corbet Locke”

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| G 8727 | C - 2401 | Dec. 10, 1886 | Telegram | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Congratulations. |

[10:20] “Congratulations beaten here though Kirk elected will write”

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| G 8727 | C - 2402 | Nov. 29, 1886 | Letter | Wade, Thos. A. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. J. H. Brownlee. |

Wade is Deputy Minister of Public Works – ackn “your letter of 29th inst. Requesting me to instruct Mr. J.H. Brownlee D.L.S. to proceed to inspect the public works done in the Municipality of Russell. I have accordingly given Mr. Brownlee full instructions.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2403 | Dec. 2, 1886 | Premium Notice | Standard Life  Assurance Co. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Falling due on Nov. 4, 1886. |

Premium of $37.10 due, last payment falls on 4 Dec.

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| G 8727 | C - 2404 | Nov. 27, 1886 | Letter | Davidson, John A. | Neepawa | Rennie, A.H. | Acknowledging receipt of Express parcel. |

“I herewith enclose order signed received with express parcel many thanks for your kindness.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2405 | Nov. 29, 1886 | Letter | Goulter, Theo. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Enclosing list of voters to be added to Wpg. List. |

Note headed “Conservative Committee Rooms, Portage la Prairie”

“By Mr. W.P. Smith’s request I send you the enclose list of voters to be added to the Winnipeg list.” [Goulter, Secy]

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| G 8727 | C - 2406 | Dec. 8, 1886 | Letter | Munson, J.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Coming down to vote. |

“Hon John Norquay Will be down with F Ross and J Smith tomorrow alright.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2407 | Dec. 3, 1886 | Letter | Minister of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Land in St. Peter's Reserve. |

Ackn recpt of yr letter of 25 October, Minister asks me to say: “and in reply to state that the subject of the claims to lands in the St. Peter’s Reserve is at present engaging his personal attention.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2408 | Jan. 18, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Bondsmen. |

[18:26] “Sure bondsmen will accept Lariviere I see bondsmen tonight”

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| G 8727 | C - 2409 | Feb. 25, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Martin's trial. |

“Get Peebles or Moore to come up by todays train which leaves Winnipeg about two thirty afternoon have seen magistrates here they refuse to sit on case if train does not arrive before two tomorrow there will be no one to adjourn case papers duly served answer Vances”

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| G 8727 | C - 2410 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | About Harrison going up. |

[17:35]“Harrison will do Tell Bolton Sherriff Setter appointed returning officer” [Boulton]

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| G 8727 | C - 2411 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Telegram | Georgen, P. Vances | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Securities. |

[13:15] “Name mentioned in your telegram rejected by sureties but will take doctor Harrison’s Bond. Major Boulton will hand you explanatory letter tonight” [Rennie is here addressed at Queen’s Hotel, and sometimes is addressed at Rly Commrs office, Govt Bldgs]

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| G 8727 | C - 2412 | Jan. 18, 1887 | Telegram | Cooper, W.J. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Bonds. |

[5:00 p]“Think so have not seen them”

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| G 8727 | C - 2413 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Telegram | Waugh, J.C. | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Locke coming down. |

[16:04] “Locke will be in Winnipeg tonight stops at Leland House”

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| G 8727 | C - 2414 | Jan. 19, 1887 | Telegram | Cooper, W.J. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Security. |

[15:40] “Security offered satisfactory must have papers tomorrow”

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| G 8727 | C - 2415 | Feb. 8, 1887 | Letter | Taylor, Samuel | Millford P.O., Man. | Norquay, John | Asking some assistance as he has suffered from loss of crop. |

Very sad tale: “To They Honourable They Prime Minister of Manitoba [sic]

Dear Sir I hop you will excuse me for taking this freedon upon me of writing to you

But my reasons for writing are as follows you being awaire of a hail storm which passed over some parts of this country joust before harvist I being one of those who suffered heavely from it scarcly leving me my bread an seed

Last year my grain was so much frosen that I could not get any price for it scarcly at all and having purched a teem of horses on the hops that my crop would pay for them I paid $165 dollars cash at the time I got them in the spring of 1885 to pay ballance in fall but as my grain did not relise any thing by which I could fullfil my contract I got it to stand over for a nother year that is to last fall which has been of anything worse with regard to my crop

Now Sir along with this one of my horses has died this fall also leaving two hundred dollars on this horse I have still remaining so that I am unabel to pay for the horse that I still have or to buy another to put in my crop in the spring with Mr. Andrews who was runing as member for here can vouch the truth of this part of my case as it was from his bother in Stockton from hoom I purched the teem and I think he holds the note in Winnipeg at presant

Joust one thing more I would bring before you my cow a few weeks ago went to a neighbours yard an met with an accedent and died four days after this leaves me without a cow an having a family of small children it is preaty hard to be without a drop of milk.

Now sir these are my reasons for writing ot you and always being a conservative and always being a firm advocate of the cause for these reasons I now call upon you and your firend to assist me in this by releiving me of my extreem povirty and your humbel servent will ever pray Your humbel Servant Samuel Taylor Milllford PO Man”

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| G 8727 | C - 2416 | Jan. 25, 1887 | Letter | Moberly, C.W. | Victoria, British Columbia | Norquay, John | Asking what bonus the H.B.RR.Co. received from Gov't. |

And does “the Govt grant extend to any portion of the Railway constructed outside of the Province.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2417 | Feb. 3, 1887 | Letter | Armitage, B.M. | Minnedosa | Norquay, John | Re: Petroleum mining claim. |

Has “an entry receipt” for one petroleum mining claim dated 28 Oct 1886 from Dom. Lands Office. Has spent about $900 in improvements, “$500 being the required amt. for Pat/g. I have taken out good samples at 86 ft & 103 ft. when our machine broke and I suspended work until spring.

“And now Mr Crerar tells me that Mr A W Ross is making certain claims on the lands in the vicinity.

“Now Sir this may be a bluff and I would like to have some good opinion on the question so I could raise them on the go in. The land in question is only in Township block and how Mr Ross or anyone else can get mining claims by section when it is unsurveyed is a mistery[sic] to me when the Government knew nothing of it when the oil was discovered by our party.

“I imagine it to be a sham and I have heard nothing from the Gov. authorities. And more I have too much faith in the authorities than to think that they would do anything to injure an explorer of his rights. Hoping to hear from you soon, I am Yours truly B M Armitage

[ps] “How is matters going with you since elections. I congratulate you on being sustained to manage our affairs for another term.

“Give the Dr my regards. I have not seen him since his election. I drove 52 miles to vote for him and all night at that.

Major Bolton [Boulton] is going to down the Manitoba Champion Mr. R. Watson and beat him easy in my opinion which is being a great surprise to many. When this is made port of entry or any other office presents itself I should like to be the chosen to fill the bill. I am tired of bailiff life. It is slack Yours etc. B M Armitage”

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| G 8727 | C - 2418 | Feb. 23, 1887 | Letter | McCracken, Jas., Reeve | Rat Portage | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to go down & speak for Dawson. |

“Sir Our election campaign in Algoma is going on now & to come on 3rd prox as you are aware. We are short of help…” wld you and Royal come for one meeting “There are quite a number of Frch. Voters who would be largely influenced by a stirring French address, and pardon me if I say the announcement of your presence on the political platform here would guarantee the attendance of almost every man [in] the neighborhood. If you can spare the time to come out you will render the Govt. a service as we want some good forcible speaking here now to offset some bold statements made by the Opposition.

“We will of course attend to your expenses on the trip & perhaps you could arrange to come out on the evening express & go back following evening. … Will you tell me on recpt. or as soon after as possible so we can arrange & put your message in such terms as a Grit operator will not get the meaning.

If not you, can you send someone “who can hold his own on the platform & hold the ordinary political gathering well in hand. I feel quite sanguine that Mr. Dawson will be returned again but the Grits are working hard to return a majority against him in this particular district….” [telegraph]

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| G 8727 | C - 2419 | Feb. 10, 1887 | Letter | McKay, R. | Pilot Mound | Norquay, John | Introducing his daughter. |

She brings a letter from France – can you advise re a translation – “I have quite a number of letters from intending emigrants and hope we will succeed in keeping a good proportion in our own fair province this season.”

“I go to the Convention tomorrow in Boissevain we have to be better organized than what we are at present in Selkirk. I think there should be some active work in preparing for a contest and bring out their man a little later. Let the Grits show their hand first, we can be getting our work in all the same. However I may be wrong.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2420 | Jan. 17, 1887 | Telegram | Locke, Corbet | Morden | Norquay, John | Re: Particulars about [who?] being gazetted. |

“Getting particulars when was he gazetted”

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| G 8727 | C - 2421(a) | Jan. 28, 1887 | Letter | Tupper, R. La Touche | City (Winnipeg) | Georgen, P.V. [Portage la P] | Re: D. Ferguson's License. |

Rec’d your letter from Rennie, “enclosing $75 and Petition for Mr D. Ferguson for license of Central Hotel. I did not notice before that the distance from the Hotel was not marked opposite the name of each signer as per act. Will you kindly have them filled in and return. I also enclose form… [$40 in fees still owing - $114 in total]

Tupper is Chief License Inspector for MB.

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| G 8727 | C - 2421(b) | [No Date] | Note | Whitehead, Fred | City (Winnipeg) | "Fred" | Re: Contents of letter above. |

“Dear Fred I did not want to say too much to him. Have I said enough? Fred Whitehead”

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| G 8727 | C - 2422 | Jan. 14, 1887 | Letter | Tupper, Sir Charles | London, England | Norquay, John | Thanks for assistance given Exhibition of Colonies & India. |

Encloses photos of portions of the Canadian section of the “Colonial & Indian Exhibition” and thanks JN for “the kind and valuable cooperation given in relation to” it, “as also the proposed Imperial Institute.” [email to Burt]

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| G 8727 | C - 2423(a) | Feb. 7, 1887 | Letter | Jolly, H.R. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Names added to voters' list. |

“Dear Sir Mr. Georgen handed me the enclosed list of names to be added to the Voters List for Portage La Prairie, but as I have not got their qualifications it is impossible for me to make out their applications.

“Will you kindly have them attended and return to me this week if possible.

“They are all residents of the City of Winnipeg.

“Get on any others you may hear of.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2423(b) | Feb. 4, 1887 | Note | Rennie wrote hasty note |  | toGeorgen, PV Portage | Re: Names to be added to list. |

“The following parties shd be put on the list R.L. Ashbaugh W.F. Leggo

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| G 8727 | C - 2424 | Feb. 24, 1887 | Letter | Cummings, John | Portage la Prairie | Norquay, John | Re: Answer from Dept. of Interior. |

Have you heard from Dept of Interior in reply to your letter of last August re NW ¼, Sec 12, Twp 12 R7W.

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| G 8727 | C - 2425 | Jan. 17, 1887 | Telegram | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Evidence. |

“Write me by tomorrows mail will come in Wednesday if necessary evidence scarce”

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| G 8727 | C - 2426 | Jan. 25, 1887 | Meeting Notice | Macbeth, R.G. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Meeting of Junior Conservative Association. |

Printed letter – Scarth in the field for Dominion contest, which is imminent. Voluble MacBeth: “I may say that during the local election contest it was scarcely deemed advisable to call the Association together as the diversity of opinion existing on some local issues seemed badly calculated to secure united organization. Now, however, matters have assumed a totally different aspect, -- a straight Conservative and a most able man is in the field in the person of Mr. Scarth, and the question of Disallowance so much contended about is satisfactorily settled.” [I wonder how –settled?]

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| G 8727 | C - 2427 | Jan. 17., 1887 | Letter | Mawhinney, Isaiah | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Witnesses. |

“Dear Rennie Yours to hand glad to hear that you have been so successful in getting the affidavits of the Mills family. I have been down to Poplar Pt to see my friend who got the birthday gift and find they have not got his affidavit but have his wife’s statement. I am afraid I will not be able to get any witnesses as they all seem to be afraid of getting into trouble over it. They will admit nothing to me, however I will try and find out all I can before the trial. Now if there is anything you want me to do let me know or I will go down if necessary. Yours ever, …”

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| G 8727 | C - 2428 | Jan. 3, 1887 | Letter | Wilson, D.H. | Pakenham, Ont. | Rennie, A.H. | Asking that arrangements be made at Queens for himself & Mrs. W. |

“My dear Rennie I expect to reach Winnipeg on Sunday morning the 9th inst and I will consider it a great favor if you will kindly take the trouble to secure me rooms at the ‘Queens’ or failing that at the Lealand. I hope in making this request I am not imposing too much on your good nature.

“I will be married on the 6th and go west at once. I did intend taking a run down to New York but election matters render it advisable that I should be on the ground as soon as possible. It is not necessary for me to intimate the kind of apartments I will require – You know what would be required by a young and unsophisticated member of the Norquay combination of boodlers particularly under the trying circumstances You might intimate to Mr Norquay that I am not allowing Hamilton to drink any more than will simply keep up the good name of the government.

“Remember me kindly to Mrs. Rennie and convey my best wishes for the year 1887. Yours faithfully D.H. Wilson” drink,

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| G 8727 | C - 2429 | Feb. 1, 1887 | Letter | Gilmour, T.H. | City (Winnipeg) | Rennie, A.H. | Asking for money on a/c Petition Hay against Glass. |

Law firm Hagel, Davis & Gilmour – but Hagel’s name has been struck off the letterhead

“My Dear Rennie Kindly send me cheque on a/c of costs of petition Hay against Glass soon as convenient. That is, if you have been able to arrange matters as mentioned last Sunday.

“Glass has applied for further time to file preliminary objections & I am going to oppose delay by him in any way. I am satisfied that his only object is to try some ‘monkeying’ & will try to get time to work it.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2430 | Jan. 7, 1887 | Letter | Norquay, Thos. | St. Andrews | Rennie, A.H. | Acknowledging receipt of money. |

“My Dear Rennie I received your letter of the 5th inst with stated enclosure fifty seven dollars ($57.00) all right. I am much obliged to you and am willing to be weekly obliged in the same way.

“Should you require any further receipt I will give you when first in Winnipeg.

“If you have leisure would you kindly see that the cheque for $6.15 to Mr. Stewart of the Record office Selkirk for printing lists be forwarded to him if not already sent. Yours very truly Thos Norquay”

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| G 8727 | C - 2431 | [No Date] | Letter | Strutt, Chas. H. | St. Paul, Minn. | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Hay matter. |

Merchants Hotel Saturday “Dear Rennie I will not be back in time to attend to that affair of Hays.

“Struck a lot of friends here having a joy [?] old time, don’t know if ever I shall return to Winnipeg, whole droves of heifers lots of meat, better come down, anything goes, whoop Yours truly Chas H. Strutt”

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| G 8727 | C - 2432 | Nov. 25, 1886 | Letter | Constantine, C. | Regina, N.W.T. | Rennie, A.H. | Asking that arrangements be made for him & others to come down. |

“Dear Rennie Jarvis and myself would like to come down and vote for the Govt. I wish you could arrange that leave from the [illegible] to come down; and send us passes down and back. Reynolds will come. There is a man here of the name of Jowett who has a vote. Things are just so-so here doing the same work I did 8 years ago. Let us hear from you. Yrs truly C[?] Constantine [to “Fred. Rennie Wpg]why Fred -- Alfred??]

On back in pencil: Chas Vaughan 1 Pt Arthur 3 Rat Portage 4 Regina 1 Calgary

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| G 8727 | C - 2433 | Jan. 18, 1887 | Letter | Smith, W.P. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: His election petition. |

“My Dear Rennie you will get a letter from Mr. Goren [?] about Petition F.W. Bonton [?] will present my petition he sais he has no objection I gess he will do. I see the other side has been bussy I hope you will get on mine as soon as possible Major Bolton is still here and is meeting with good success – let us know if the 26th is our last day for protesting have we got any more evidence how about that man that was out ot Elm River, Yours true, …”

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| G 8727 | C - 2434 | Jan. 18, 1887 | Letter | Collins, Thos., County Ct. of  Marquette West | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Ashdown V. Rennie. Enclosing $5.92. |

‘My dear Rennie I find on looking carefully through the matter of ‘Ashdown vs. Rennie’ that I made an error.” He outlines court costs – claim for $10.63, etc. judgment for plaintiff for $8.28 and $4.00 costs -- “Execution was issued, and also judgment summons…” You paid in $24.08 but only owed $19.00 [roughly] so I’m enclosing $5.92.

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| G 8727 | C - 2435 | Feb. 3, 1887 | Letter | White, James J. | Portage la Prairie | Rennie, A.H. | Enclosing an order of Mr. Mundays. |

“Dear Sir Enclosed you will find an order for $102.80 being board of Mr. Mundays and accepted by P O St Clair McGregor while Assessment Commissioner. Central Judicial District of 1884 and if this passes through your hands you would oblige me by helping it out as it is the only show of ever getting a God Damned cent and you can handle the thing if any person can Take out your commission and send the balance.

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| G 8727 | C - 2436 | Feb. 9, 1887 | Letter | Macdonald, W.A. | Brandon | Rennie, A.H. | Re: Wpg. Voters. |

His law firms’s letterhead, Rosser Avenue

“I sent Mickey Lemon [Clemon?] a list of Winnipeg votes we wanted here and also at his solicitation are sending im a voters list of the whole of Selkirk. Now he may be attending to matter all right but I wish you would quietly get into conversation with him and see that matter is not neglected. We have no soft soap and will need every vote. We ought to get at least …” lists 6 names.

“Now there is one matter I want you to take in hand. There is one James Brownlee on our list who I believe is running an engine out of Winnipeg on the SouthWestern branch. I think he is Conservative. See him, find out & then I want to arrange to have him vote under certificate at Morden or some place on the line should he run out that day.

“You now understand. Each such vote will count.

“Grits are throwing nothing but dust viz – wood transaction. I am tired so. Yours truly…”

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| G 8727 | C - 2437 | Jan. 15, 1887 | Letter | Strutt, Chas. H. | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: An asylum a/c of $220.60. |

“Dear Sir In October last we sent to Dr. Wilson two orders from David [illegible?] amt $220.00 but so far the matter has not been brought up in the Council.

“Could you do me the favour by seeing the amount put through as we are very much in need of the money.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2438 | Nov. 13, 1886 | Letter | Drummond Bros. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: H.B. Ry. bonds. |

“Dear Sir We are obliged for your wire of the 11th inst. We have now to advise that a syndicate comprised of leading financial houses in London, is ready to buy the whole issue of the Hudson Bay Provincial bonds and would be glad to have a refusal of them for two days. The syndicate’s idea of price is par less two per cent commission.

“We shall be glad to receive a wire from you on receipt of this letter giving us a refusal of the bonds for two days at the above figure. Yours faithfully Drummond Brothers per JWC

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| G 8727 | C - 2439 | Feb. 14, 1887 | Letter | Treilhard, Ernest S. | Westbourne | Norquay, John | Asking assistance to secure official occupation in the city. |

English emigrant – “Should you not remember my name, I may mention that I had the pleasure of an introduction to you in the School House here, when you came with Mr. Brown to the political meeting previous to the Provincial election….”

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| G 8727 | C - 2440 | March 3, 1887 | Letter | Matheson, Rev. Samuel | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Mr. Smith Vaughan. |

If Rice Howard’s position is to be filled – Mr. Vaughan “is a good fellow & a loyal supporter of yours.

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| G 8727 | C - 2441 | March 4, 1887 | Letter | Thirkell, J. Arthur | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking position as sessional writer. |

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| G 8727 | C - 2442 | March 5, 1887 | Letter | Monkman, Jas. | Peguis | Norquay, John | Re: Land question in St. Peters. |

“Dear John I hope you will put the St Peters land question straight to Mr White Minister of the Interior while he is at Winnipeg and get him to promise to issue my patents just as soon as he arrives at Ottawa.

Mr. McColl [McCall?] I believe was down here at Chief W. Princes on Thursday or Friday last and had a private meeting with the Chief and Council. And as usual with some very flattering talk wanted the Chief and Council to support him as he was working so very hard for their interest in securing and making their reserve stronger than ever it was. And know he had succeeded in setting aside the missionary patents to lands in this parish. Such being the case I consider it is a gross wrong done them considering what amount of good the residents of this parish has derived from the missionary heretofore and even to the present day.

Such being the case there is poor hopes of ever getting our right or [illegible?] patents to our lands. A lot of damn fools as Bill Colcleugh says we are for supporting such a damn Government and he supposes we will be satisfied. Judging from the look of things to see a valuator to come and value our place get paid in scrip and have to clear out from the parish.

I hard [heard] the other night at Selkirk if Colcleugh succeeds in making a case against you that he has between 60 and 70 summons for witness all ready. And I got another thing from good authority that Philip voted for you for a certain purpose – that was by doing so he might get the secret whether you could tell how partys voted. (I haven’t spoken to Philip since election on politics). That is one of the causes of the delay of the trial I believe. Colcleugh has fellows all through St Andrews trying to get any information to injure you in the trial. Yours truly, Jas Monkman”

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| G 8727 | C - 2443 | March 7, 1887 | Letter | Robinson, J.M. | Brandon | Norquay, John | Re: Printing of the Public Accounts. |

[Brandon Times letterhead]: “Dear Sir I did not get an opportunity to speak to you when I was down on account of your hurry to catch the train for Rat Portage [see C2418] … [see following complaint]:

“Some months ago I received instructions from the Queen’s Printer to print the report of the Department of Public Works and the Public Accounts report….

[I purchased the necessary stock but haven’t received the ‘copy.’ I went to Winnipeg “specially for it” last week]: “I was put off from one minister to another without receiving any satisfaction. Mr Brown sent me to Mr LaRiviere and he sent me to you.” What am I to do?

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| G 8727 | C - 2444 | March 4, 1887 | Letter | Ohlen, Emmanuel | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing copy of "Scandinavian Canadian". |

First Scandinavian newspaper ever published in Canada – under auspices of “the Scandinavian National Union of Winnipeg” [Ohlen is Assistant Dominion Immigraiton Agent]

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| G 8727 | C - 2445 | March 2, 1887 | Letter | Patterson & Baker | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Registrar Generalship. |

Law office letterhead – office of REg Gen under the Real Property Act – we hear that Mr. A Monkman and Mr G R Howard may be appted – we think Howard is better qualified for the office

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| G 8727 | C - 2446 | March 4, 1887 | Letter | Anderson, F.B. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Employment to intending immigrants. |

If you don’t give jobs and loans to colonists, they can’t succeed – “If this is not done I must write home to Iceland & elsewhere where I have been communicating to that effect, by the 25th inst.” [threat]

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| G 8727 | C - 2447 | Feb. 28, 1887 | Letter | Stewart, James | Selkirk | Norquay, John | Re: Appt. as Coroner for Dr. Cody. |

Glad that Sir John was sustained

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| G 8727 | C - 2448 | March 2, 1887 | Letter | Brydges, C.J. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Enclosing resolution of Bd. Asking re: Gov't. Aid to Wpg General |

Resoln at agm of 14 Feb 1887 moved by Hon J C Aikins, seconded by Hon W D Ardagh – re debt of $12,500 now on hospital, with interest annually of $1,760 on mortgage. Total cost of grounds, bldgs., furniture is $78,000. Except City’s gift of $5000 all paid for by private subscriptions and donations – so we appeal to Prov Govt “to grant a liberal sum towards paying off the debt…” Hospital serves all municipalities – and appeal to City of Wpg as well.

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| G 8727 | C - 2449 | Jan. 31, 1887 | Letter | Moore, J.A., Clerk, County Court Office | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Increase of salary. |

Wilson says salary is fixed by statute. Can you raise it. Dr. Harrison agrees with my complaint.

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| G 8727 | C - 2450 | March 3, 1887 | Letter | Mulock, W. Redford | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Registrar Generalship. |

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| G 8727 | C - 2452 | March 1, 1887 | Letter | Handford, C. | Snowflake | Norquay, John | Re: Position in Post Office, Wpg. |

Vacancy coming up, and Robert G. Bissett wld be good apptmt

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| G 8727 | C - 2453 | March 1, 1887 | Letter | Macarthur, D. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: percentage of earnings on M. & N.W. Ry. due Gov't. |

Commercial Bank of Manitoba letterhead -- D MacArthur – “I have forwarded your letter of the 28 ult regarding the percentage of earnings due to the Government by the M & NW Ry to Mr. Baker at Portage la Prairie and have requested him to attend to the same. I do not however think he can do so until the return of Mr. J. H. Porgage [?] for England which I expect will be towards the end of this month.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2454 | Feb. 15, 1887 | Letter | White, Richard  Gazette Printing Co. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Enclosing an old Exhibition a/c of Begg's. |

Spoke to Begg re account, he says it’s payable by Province of MB.

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| G 8727 | C - 2455 | Feb. 13, 1887 | Letter | Douglas, C.S. | Emerson | Norquay, John | Re: D.G. Dick. |

Emerson *International* letterhead – fdd 1878.

I want D G Dick removed from Board of Agriculture, replaced by Robt Scott, “a good Tory.” Dick has for the past year been “a bitter opponent of the Government, and in the last election came up and voted for Biggs and did all he could to secure the Winnipeg vote for Biggs….”

“…The Dominion contest goes bravely on here, and is getting exciting. Clarke made a good impression at the meeting Thursday night, and is going to get a big Grit vote. The Conservative party in the country is about equally divided between Clarke and Royal. The fact that Royal is a Catholic and voted against the Incorporation Bill tells against him among Orangemen, of whom there are a large number in this constituency. The most of them will either vote for Clarke or stay at home. It is astonishing how bitterly some of these Protestants hate the Catholics. In town here nearly all the Conservatives are for Royal…. I don’t think, myself, that Clarke has a ghost of a chance, and believe Royal will be elected by a good majority, if all I hear regarding the other end of the county is true.

“As it is mail time, must close. Have to take this to the train to mail it…. I am writing you today because I am anxious to have Dick ‘fixed.’ Hope you won’t forget that.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2456 | Feb. 26, 1887 | Letter | Drummond, A.T. | Montreal | Norquay, John | Re: Municipal obligations. |

“Dear Sir Might I again, in view of a possible early session of the Manitoba Legislature – draw your attention to the position of affairs at Minnedosa under which its bonds are in default and every effort made by the townspeople to prevent the bondholders having any remedy. The feeling of insecurity regarding all municipal bonds in Manitoba is very general down here in consequence of this. Several other municipalities there have heavy debts and there is nothing to prevent them doing as Minnedosa and Portage la Prairie have done. Our Scotch and English friends have the same feeling of insecurity and all think that it is discreditable to Canada that any of its municipalities should be allowed to act in this manner. The bondholders purchase these obligations in good faith and a similar good faith should prevail among the municipalities who issue them. Memorials have, I believe, already been presented asking for legislation which would protect the bondholders and restore confidence. Yours respectfully A.T. Drummond”

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| G 8727 | C - 2457 | Feb. 28, 1887 | Letter | Burgess, A.M. Dept. of Interior | Ottawa | Norquay, John | Re: Exchange of section of land for Dr. Barnardo's farm home. |

Deputy Minister AMB: re Cabinet of MB report filed by Mr. Alfred Owen, Barnardo’s representative, that Govt of MB accept the exchange of Sec 29, Twp 20, Range 28, w of 1st for a section of equal value, in order that Industrial Farm Home can be established by Dr. Barnardo

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| G 8727 | C - 2458 | March 14, 1887 | Letter | Menarey, T.S. Reeve of Derby | Cartwright | Norquay, John | Re: Aid to Municipality resolution enclosed. |

Re Rogers and my interview with you, could you expedite preparation of a statement? We hope the amount might far exceed that mentioned by you – viz $1905.

Encl: Copy of motion passed by Municipality of Derby, 11 Jan 1887: 1st: what will prov’l govt pay the municipality “in lieu of the C.P.R. lands being exempt from taxes for 1886” and, 2nd: will the provl govt allow the municipality “any money to construct government drains in the municipality,” and 3rd: will govt give assistance to settlers who lost crops to prairie fire last fall…

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| G 8727 | C - 2459 | March 14, 1887 | Letter | Street, Maj. Geo. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment as Vice Patron of Man. Rifle Association. |

JN re-elected unanimously as vice-patron…

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| G 8727 | C - 2460 | March 13, 1887 | Letter | Cummins, S.S. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment as Hon. Steward of St. Geo.  Snowshoe Club. |

Annual races to be held on Saturday19 March in the Driving Park -- will you serve as Hon/y Steward?

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| G 8727 | C - 2461 | March 14, 1887 | Letter | Somerset, J.B., Supt., Protestant Schools | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Asking an increase of salary. |

Board of Education proposes to meet you re increasing my salary.

I started in Oct. 1883 when there were less than 200 organized schools, now nearly 500.

Changes in law and admin have increased my work and responsibility. We sent 300 receipts by mail then, 11,000 in 1886. Legal changes were suggested by me and “clauses framed without legal assistance.”

“The harmonious relations between the two sections of the Board of Education have been preserved without sacrificing the interests of the section that I represent.”

The salary hasn’t changed since my predecessor’s time, and is the same as I received as inspector for city of Wpg and of the Normal School principal.

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| G 8727 | C - 2462 | March 13, 1887 | Letter | Parker, Jas. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Application for Sessional Clerkship. |

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| G 8727 | C - 2463 | March 14, 1887 | Letter | Rounthwaite, Samuel | Rounthwaite P.O. Man. | Norquay, John | Asking Mr. N. to get his son into C.P.R. works. |

5 sons, this one is 17, doesn’t like farming, does like engineering – could you help get him into CPR works?

“Times have been rather hard for me since coming to this country what with frozen wheat and the drought. I have been thrown back a good deal. I have now been 7 years in this neighbourhood and have gone through the hardships of pioneer work. Our Rounthwaite settlers have been and are good supporters of the Government, and have all gone through the hardships of pioneer life.”

My son was at St. John’s College, Wpg – but had to leave owing to the hard times – and I still am indebted to the College for the latter part of his term there. “He knows your son and one or two more boys. The Bishop and Canon Matheson can speak to his conduct at College.

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| G 8727 | C - 2464 | March 14, 1887 | Letter | Tait, Joseph | Stonewall PO | Norquay, John | Asking for a loan of $100.00. |

Daughter Eliza – her money is in the court -- when she comes of age next March she will settle with you

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| G 8727 | C - 2465(a) | March 14, 1887 | Letter | Leacock, Ed. P. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Beautiful Plains petition & trial. |

Mulock has prepared the whole case but under the statute the trial has to take place at the place where the nomination was held – he can’t leave his office here (Wpg) to go there. Should we employ counsel? Or leave it over until after the session?

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| G 8727 | C - 2465(b) | March 10, 1887 | Letter | Mulock, W.P. | City (Winnipeg) | Leacock, Ed. P. | Re: Above petition & trial |

“Dear Leacock This petition [Beautiful Plains] is in shape to be proceeded with as soon as Judge Dubuc will name a day for the trial.

“It is necessary therefore that Counsel should be instructed.”

What arrangements have you made?

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| G 8727 | C - 2466 | March 14, 1887 | Letter | Wood, E.M. | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Appointment as Examiner. |

Law office letterhead – re my apptmt as examiner, I haven’t heard from you

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| G 8727 | C - 2467 | Jan. 24, 1887 | Letter | Jones, O.R. | Brandon | Daly, T. Mayne | Re: License. Note to Rennie from Daly on reverse. |

Jones: use your influence with the license commissioner “to get my application for license pushed through right away”

On obverse: “Dear Rennie Please look into this for me. I got the Decl/n & send you a copy it is o.k. & I am everlastingly obliged. Doing well – tell Mr. Norquay I gave Greenway hell last night Yours etc. Daly”

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| G 8727 | C - 2468 | March 15, 1887 | Letter | Rogers, R. | Clearwater | Norquay, John | Re: Taxing Ry lands. |

Take whatever steps you are going to do at once. Best wld be for Ry Company to pay the tax instead of the 3%. Councils of the municipalities “will take advantage of the Act & insist on taxing the lands. Then if you attempt to change the act after this has been discussed you will have the devil to pay. …

“P.S. The Drs’ Banquet was a grand success, he made a capital speech.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2469 | March 17, 1887 | Letter | MacBeth & Sutherland | City (Winnipeg) | Norquay, John | Re: Kenneth McDonald Estate. |

Law office letterhead: “We understand from Mrs. McDonald that you have in your possession some receipts for the taxes on the property in the patent you sent us – SE ¼ of 31 and NE ¼ of 30 in Twp 11, R 7 East. They would be from the Mpty of Springfield. If you have any such kindly send them to us.

“The letters of administration have been issued and handed to Mrs. McDonald and we will give her instructions for the distribution of the assets of the estate.”

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| G 8727 | C - 2470 | April 12, 1887 | Letter | Tennant, H. | West Lynne | Norquay, John | Offering justification for past conduct. |

“I hope for your sake as well as the party that your mission to Ottawa has been a success.”

“I see by C.P. Brown’s organ ‘*The International’* that Douglas, as well as others, are bound to oppose you, right or wrong, when the Legislature meets. I wish, and hope, that an opportunity will be given to test some of your friends in the House, without endangering your position, so that you may know them, and appreciate their services in the ‘sweet bye and bye.’ I would that some of them were tried long ago.”

“…there is every reason to believe, that a dark, and troublesome time is ahead of you, and having every desire on my side (as I have stated on a previous occasion) to be friendly, both personally, as well as politically, if you will allow me in my humble capacity to be so, you will find me worthy of the trust, if you are, as it appears going to be pushed hard. I have, mind you, allways[sic] believed that you have had a feeling of dislike which arose out of false representations made against me in taking an active part against your personal friends Mr. Nash and Douglas in civic matters. I had to oppose them, to be true to myself, and the interests of the people living in West Lynne, who were my friends and supporters…. so far my enemies have had the best of me, with you, in…misrepresenting my conduct….

“From the appearance of things generally at the present time, you are in need of all your friends, and I hope they will stay by you. I am afraid though you will find many wanting if you happen to receive a reverse. You have done good, and strengthened your self in the Cabinet since last session...It is my intention to stick to you and your colleagues … I am with you, wishing you every success and good luck with the new parliament.