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Indian Treaty

Articles of a Treaty

made and concluded on the Fifteenth day of November in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-three, Between His Most Gracious Majesty, George the Fifth, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, by His Commissioners, Angus Seymour Williams, of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, Esquire, Barrister at-law, and Departmental Solicitor of the Department of Indian Affairs; Robert Victor Sinclair, of the said City of Ottawa, Esquire, one of His Majesty's Counsel learned in the law, and Uriah McFadden of the City of Sault Sainte Marie, in the said Province, Esquire, one of His Majesty's Counsel learned in the law, the said Angus Seymour Williams, Chairman of the said Commission, representing the Dominion of Canada, and the said Robert Victor Sinclair and Uriah McFadden, representing the Province of Ontario. Of the One Part, and the members of the Mississauga Tribe, inhabiting, as members of Bands thereof, reserves at
Rice Lake, Maud Lake, Sengog Lake and Alberville, all in the Province of Ontario, by their Chiefs and Headmen, of the Other Part.

Whereas the Mississauga Tribe above described, having claimed to be entitled to certain interests in the lands in the Province of Ontario, hereinafter described, such interests being the Indian title of the said Tribe to fishing, hunting and trapping rights over the said lands, of which said rights, His Majesty, through his said Commissioners, is desirous of obtaining a surrender, and for such purpose has appointed the said Commissioners, with power on behalf of His said Majesty, to enquire into the validity of the claims of the said Tribe, and, in the event of the said Commissioners determining in favour of the validity thereof, to negotiate a Treaty with the said Tribe for the surrender of the said rights upon the payment of such compensation therefor as may seem to the said Commissioners to be just and proper: 

And Whereas the said Commissioners, having duly made the said enquiry, have determined in favour of the validity of the said rights.

And Whereas the Indians belonging to the said Tribe, having been duly convened in Council, at the respective places named hereunder, and having been requested by the said Commissioners to name certain Chiefs and Head Men to be authorized on their behalf to conduct negotiations with the said Commissioners for a surrender of the said rights and to sign a Treaty in respect thereof and to become responsible to His Majesty for the faithful performance by the said Tribe and by the respective Bands thereof.
inhabiting the said Reserves, of such obligations as shall be assumed by them under such Treaty, the said Indians, have therefore appointed for the purposes aforesaid the several Chiefs and Head Men who have subscribed to this Treaty:

And Whereas the said Commissioners, acting under the powers in them reposed as aforesaid, have negotiated the present Treaty with the said Tribe:

Now Therefore This Treaty Witnesseth that the said Tribe, and the Indians composing the same, occupying as members of Bands the said Reserves, by their Chiefs and Headmen, duly authorized thereunto as aforesaid, do hereby cede, release, surrender and yield up to the Government of the Dominion of Canada for His Majesty, the King and His Successors forever, all their right, title, interest, claim, demand and privileges whatsoever, in, to, upon, or in respect of the lands and premises described as follows, that is to say:

Firstly: all that parcel of land situate in the Province of Ontario and described as commencing on the north-easterly shore of Georgian Bay at that mouth of the French River which forms the boundary between the District of Parry Sound and the District of Sudbury; thence southerly and easterly along the shores of Georgian Bay to that point on Matchedash Bay where the land included in the surrender of the Eighteenth day of November, 1815, of record in Book of Surrenders, Volume One, is reached, and including all the islands in the Georgian Bay.
waters in which the Indians making this Treaty have any interest; thence along the Easterly limit of the said lands purchased in 1815 to the Harrows between Lake Couchiching and Lake Simcoe; thence due East across the said Harrows; thence Southerly and Easterly following the East side of the Harrows, and the North shore of Lake Simcoe to the foot of McPhee Bay off the Northerly part of Lake Simcoe; thence by a straight line Easterly to a point Thirty-three Miles North of the Northwest corner of the Township of Rawdon measured along the division line between the Counties of Hastings and Peterborough, which point is the most western Northwest corner of the parcel surrendered on the Twenty-eighth day of November, 1822 (noted in Volume One of the Book of Surrenders, as Number Twenty-seven and One Quarter, 244) thence following the North and West boundaries of the last mentioned parcel to the Ottawa River; thence Westerly along the interprovincial boundary to the mouth of the Mattawa River; thence Westerly by the waters of Mattawa River, Talon Chute and Talon Lake, Turtle Lake and Trout Lake to the Westerly point of Trout Lake; thence to the shore of Lake Nipissing at North Bay; thence by the North shore of Lake Nipissing to the French River; thence by those waters along the division line between the districts of Parry Sound and Sudbury to the place of commencement; excepting thereout and therefrom those lands which have already been set aside as Indian
reserves. The parcel hereby surrendered contains Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred Square Miles, more or less.

Secondly: All that parcel of land situate in the Province of Ontario and described as parts of the Counties of Northumberland, Huron, Ontario and York, commencing at the point where the Easterly limit of that portion of the lands said to have been ceded in 1781, which was confirmed on the First of August, 1805, of record as Number Thirteen, in Volume One, of the Book of Surrenders, intersects the Northerly shore of Lake Ontario; thence Northerly along the said Easterly and Northerly limits of the confirmed tract to the Holland River; thence Northerly along the Holland River and along the Westerly shore of Lake Simcoe and Kempenfelt Bay to the Harrows between Lake Couchiching and Lake Simcoe, thence South-easterly along the shores of Lake Simcoe to the Talbot River; thence Easterly along the Talbot River to the boundary between the Counties of Victoria and Ontario; thence Southerly along that boundary to the Northwest angle of the Township of Carlington; thence along the Northerly boundary line of the Townships of Carlington, Clarke, Hope and Hamilton to Rice Lake; thence along the Southern shore of said Lake to River Trent; along the River Trent to the Bay of Quinte; thence Westerly and Southerly along the shore of the Bay of Quinte.
To the road leading to Carrying Place and Weller's Bay; thence Westerly along the Northern shore of Lake Ontario to the place of beginning; excepting thereout and therefrom those lands which have already been set aside as Indian Reserves. The land hereby conveyed contains Two Thousand Five Hundred Square Miles, more or less.

And Also, all the right, title, interest, claim, demand and privileges whatsoever of the said Indians, in, to, upon or in respect of all other lands situate in the Province of Ontario to which they ever had, now have, or now claim to have any right, title, interest, claim, demand or privileges, except such reserves as have heretofore been set apart for them by His Majesty the King

To Have and To Hold, the same, to His Majesty the King and His Successors, Forever:

And This Treaty Further Witnesseth that in consideration of the aforesaid Surrender, His Majesty, through His said Commissioners, hereby agrees, upon the execution of a Treaty similar to this Treaty by the Chippewa Tribe inhabiting as members of bands, reserves at Christian Island, Georgina Island and Rama, in the Province of Ontario, to pay to each member of the said Mississaugas Tribe,
being also a member of one of the said Bands, the sum of Twenty-five Dollars, to be paid through the Indian Agents for the respective Bands, within a reasonable time after the execution of the said Treaties, and a further sum of 233 425 ²/₂₅ Dollars, to be administered for the said Tribe by His Majesty's Department of Indian Affairs under and pursuant to the provisions of the Indian Act, Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, Chapter Forty-three and its amendments; Making together the sum of 250,000 Dollars.

And The Undersigned Chiefs and Headmen, on their own behalf and on behalf of all the Indians whom they represent, do hereby solemnly covenant, promise and agree to strictly observe this Treaty in all respects and that they will not, nor will any of them, nor will any of the Indians whom they represent, molest or interfere with the person or property of anyone who now inhabits or shall hereafter inhabit any portion of the lands covered by this Treaty, or interfere with, trouble, or molest any person passing or travelling through the said lands or any part thereof, and that they will assist the officers of His Majesty in bringing to justice and punishment any Indian, party to this Treaty, who may hereafter offend against the stipulations hereof or infringe the laws in force in the lands covered hereby.
And it is further understood that this Treaty is subject to an agreement dated the ______ day of April, n.d. 1923, made between the Dominion of Canada and the Province of Ontario, a copy of which is hereeto attached.

In Witness Whereof, His Majesty's said Commissioners and the said Chiefs and Headmen have hereunto set their hands and seals at the places and times hereinafter set forth, in the year herein first above written.
Signed and Sealed at Alderville
on the Nineteenth day of November, 1913, by His Majesty's Commissioners and the undersigned Chiefs and Headmen in the presence of the undersigned witnesses, after first having been interpreted and explained.

Witnesses

Kathleen Moodie
H. P. Coyle

W. Williams
Chairman

Ereah, M. Teeden

Robert Fiendolin
Norman Rasden

Frank Smoote

Emnah Pomd

John Lark

Wm. Rusk
Signed and Sealed at Mud Rake  
on the Fifteenth day of November, A.D. 1923, by His  
Majesty's Commissioners and the undersigned  
Chiefs and Headmen in the presence of the  
undersigned witnesses, after first having been  
interpreted and explained.  

Witnesses.  
Tahleen Moodie  
R.G. McLean  

Chief D.C. Whiting  

Alfred McLove  
Joseph Whelan  
George Taylor  

James Taylor  
Bertram McLean  

George Coppaway  
Albert Whiting  

L. D. Taylor
Signed and Sealed at Rice Rake
on the Sixteenth Day of November, n.p. 1923, by His Majesty's Commissioners and the undersigned Chiefs and Headmen in the presence of the undersigned witnesses, after first having been interpreted and explained.

Witnesses
Kathleen Moodie  A.B. Williams
R.G. Cameron  Cyril Sinclair
Wade M. Fadden
Leo Pundash
Hanlan Howard
Hamish Macdonald
Henry Cousar
Mrs. Anderson
Alfred Crowe
Madden Howard
Signed and Sealed at Seugog Lake
on the twenty-first day of November, M.D.C.C.XXII, by His
Majesty's Commissioners and the undersigned
Chiefs and Headmen in the presence of the
undersigned witnesses, after first having been
interpreted and explained.

Witnesses:

Kathleen Moodie
Wilson Beveridge

A. S. Williams
Chairman

R. L. Young
Rich McTadden

Thos. Marston

Austin Grace

Irwin Johnson

David Elliott

C. M. Luck

John W. Marston

John H. Marston

Norman Marston

Chas. F. Marston

E. Graham Marston
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