

J. C. H. Walker, being first-duly sworn, depose and say that I was living near Warm Springs Agency, Oregon, when William W. Dougherty took charge as U. S. Indian Agent January 1st 1888. That on account of ill health he left the Agency early in April 1888, and, as I was credibly informed, left Mr S. A. Lester in charge. That not long after this Special Agent Henry Heath arrived, under instructions, as I am quite certain I heard him say, to receipt for the Government property, but he failed to do so. That during his stay of several months at the Agency he was recognized there as virtually the Agent. As there was no Government sawyer I made arrangements with one to saw lumber for use at the Agency, and for my pay I was to take one fourth of the lumber sawed. I commenced work about the 12th of May 1888, and finished in the succeeding June, having put in about 30 days time, during which I sawed about forty thousand feet of lumber. Much of the time I had two Indian ^{school} boys, or young men to help me in the sawmill. Besides these, there were several other school boys, and one or two policemen, who cut down the trees, sawed them into saw logs, and hauled them to the saw mill with the Government teams. Most of the logs had to be hauled about two miles, and the boys worked hard in order to keep the mill going.

From my subsequent experience as the Superintendent of the Indian Boarding School at this Agency, I know the usual Government rations are not sufficient for young men working as these worked. Of the exact quantities of subsistence supplies used, I have no personal knowledge, but I can

easily believe that much, if not all the supplies, that appear on Voucher 9 Abs F second quarter 1888, Agent-Dougherty's property accounts, were used by school boys. At the same time that the boys were working at the saw mill. I believe other school boys were at work at the Agency, painting or white washing the Government-buildings, helping to build a picket-fence around the Agency square, ^{and} putting out shade trees in the same, so that by the time Special Agent Beath left the Agency, more work had been done to improve the looks of the Agency, than had been done during the eleven previous years of my residence at or near this Agency. Though not a regular employe, I had a pretty good idea of the work carried on under Special Agents direction, and I truly believe that neither Agent Dougherty, or his legal representative, should be held accountable for property used up or unaccounted for, when the shortage occurred under the administration of said Special Agent, who allowed or authorized property to be used, for which he was not-financially responsible, and left it for the Clerk in charge to straighten up, as appears to be the case.

Subscribed and sworn to at Albany Oregon
This day of December 1893

I C. H. Walker being first duly sworn depose and say that I was living near Warm Springs Agency, Oregon when William W. Dougherty took charge as U. S. Indian Agent January 1 1888. That on account of ill health he left the Agency early in April 1888, and as I was credibly informed, left Mr S. A. Lester in charge. That not long after this Special Agent Henry Heath arrived under instructions; as I am quite certain I heard him say; to receipt for the Government property, but he failed to do so. That during his stay of several months, at the Agency, he was recognized as virtually ^{the} the Agent. As there was no Government sawyer, he made arrangements with me to saw lumber for use at the Agency, and for my pay I was to take one fourth of the lumber sawed. I commenced work under his direction about the 12th of May 1888, and finished in the succeeding June, having put in about 30 days time, during which I sawed about forty thousand feet of lumber. Much of the time I had two Indian School boys, or young men to help me, in the saw mill. Besides these, there were several other school boys, and one or two policemen, who cut down the trees, sawed them into saw logs, and hauled them to the saw mill with the Government teams. Most of the logs had to be hauled about two miles, and the boys worked hard in order to keep the mill a going. From my subsequent experience as the Superintendent -

of ^{the} Indian Boarding School, ^{at this Agency} I know the usual Government rations were not sufficient - for young men working as these worked. Of the exact quantities of subsistence supplies used I have no ^{personal} knowledge but I can easily believe, that much, if not all the supplies that appear on Voucher of Abs. I second quarter 1888, Agent Dougherty's Property accounts were used by school boys. At the same time that the boys were working at the saw mill, I believe other school boys were at work at the Agency, painting or white washing the Government buildings, helping to build a picket fence around the Agency square, ^{and} so that by the time Special Agent Heath left the Agency, more work had been done to improve the looks of the Agency, than had been done during the eleven previous years of my residence at or near the Agency. Though not a regular employe, I had a pretty good idea of the work carried on under the ^{Special} direction, and I truly believe that, ^{rather} Agent Dougherty, or his lawful representative, should be held accountable for property used up, or unaccounted for when the shortage occurred under the administration of a ^{said} Special Agent who allowed, or authorized property to be used for which he was not financially responsible, and left it for the clerk, ^{in charge} to straighten up the business, as appears to be the case.

C. H. Walker

Subscribed ^{and} sworn to at Albany Oregon this day of December 1893.