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### **About**

Native American Reservations, Sac and Fox Tribe

### **Identified Persons**

Enos Gheen; John McIntosh; Joseph Tesson; Major Edmond Mallet

### **Identified Places**

Sac and Fox Agency, Iowa

### **Recipient**

Secretary of the Interior

Special Report  
on the  
Officers & Employees ~~of~~  
of the  
Sac & Fox Agency (Iowa.)

Based on Inquiries <sup>at discretion</sup> made on the occasion of the  
Inspection of the Agency May 23-27, 1888.  
by

Edmond Mallett,  
Indian Inspector

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Summary.

~~Agent~~ Enos Green, Agent,  
his character, competence, &c.



Yankton, Dakota,  
Sept 29, 1888.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the ~~Interior~~ Interior,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In compliance with Sept 15th  
dated Sept 13, 1888, I submit this <sup>report</sup> ~~report~~ <sup>report</sup> on  
the Office & Employees of the Sac at Fox  
Army (Lower) <sup>based on inquiries and observations</sup> made in connection with my inspection  
of the agency on Sept 23-27, 1888.

There is only one official at this agency, Mr.  
Enos Green, agent, who impressed me as an ex-  
cellent man for the position. He assumed the duties  
of his office on May 12, last, and found the af-  
fairs of the agency in a deplorable condition,  
from the <sup>neglect</sup> ~~incompetence~~ of his predecessor, who was a



with - ~~with~~ <sup>with</sup>

with <sup>implants</sup>, &

~~No funds were transferred to him & the property <sup>has</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>is</sup> absolutely worthless.~~

\* (over) with assistants he enters upon <sup>his</sup> ~~the~~ duties of ~~his~~ with zeal & energy, to the extent of having some ~~plowing done for some worthy Ind's for his~~ ~~private funds.~~ ~~He is only entitled the first~~ ~~month after he has come into possession of public~~ ~~funds, but all his rights for assistants, a farmer~~

Mr. Gheen <sup>now</sup> finds that the Depart is inclined to give him assistants & funds to do anything with, & he appears to be getting somewhat discouraged. He evidently came to the agency with the desire to by energetic action, to ~~raise~~ <sup>elevate</sup> the Ind's to a higher plane, so as to benefit the as a people & to reflect credit on the administration. But he finds that his views are not <sup>by his office</sup> seconded. In a larger, more important agency, <sup>his labors</sup> ~~he~~ <sup>efforts</sup> would, no doubt, have produced ~~have produced~~ good results. As a matter of fact there is very little good to be accomplished <sup>at</sup> this agency from the peculiar <sup>relations of these Ind's with the Govt.</sup> ~~conditions~~ of affairs, as represented in my ~~general report~~ <sup>of the</sup>

~~Mr. Gheen was trained as a farmer, is of Irish~~

Mr. Gheen is attentive to his duties & is fast gaining the confidence of the Ind's, who have in the past been disposed to seek advice from the Governor of the State rather than from the <sup>representative</sup> ~~agent~~ of the general govt. His character <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ very good; his education, fair; & his competence <sup>for the office</sup> ~~is~~ excellent.



after collecting the records as property of  
the agency he personally undertook to assist the  
Inds, willing to work, to cultivate their fields  
and went so far as to have some plowing done  
for some worthy <sup>helpless</sup> families, for his <sup>kindly & private</sup> ~~own~~ funds.



I am of the opinion that an interpreter ~~is~~  
and a farmer are necessary ~~for~~ to assist the  
agent. Joseph Tesson and one Intosh, Ind's,  
would make good interpreters. The farmer, if one  
was allowed, should be selected from among the  
white farmers of the locality.

Very respectfully,  
~~Edmund M.~~

Edw. Mallett  
Indian Inspector

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