

I, L. B. Walker being first-duly sworn depose
and say that I was living near Warm Springs
Agency Oregon when William W Doughterty took
charge as US Indian Agent - January 1 1888.
That I was selected to represent - The interests
of Agent - Jason Wheeler and Charles L
Doughterty those of his father, and together
we took as thorough an inventory of the
Government - property as was possible at
that season of the year, with weather cold
and snow on the ground. It was quite
out of the question to gather up all the
Government - cattle, as a number were
out on the range on the timber for stock
but as far as known the number carried
on Agent - Wheeler's returns were all alive
at the beginning of the winter, ^{hence} they were all
accepted for by the incoming agent - Within
a few weeks ^{after there was} experienced the coldest -
weather I had ever known during ^{the} more
than ten years residence at or near Warm
Springs. The mercury went down to 35°
or more below zero, and snow deep enough
to make it difficult - traveling. More or less
stock perished during the intensely cold
weather, and there must - certainly have
been some loss among the Government -
cattle, but - which could not be

determined until late in the succeeding
spring when the annual round up ^{of stock} was
made by the Indians. Before this took
place Agent-Daugherty had resigned on
account of ill health, and had left the
agency accompanied by his son Charles L
who felt it his duty to go also, so as to
take care of his aged father. Mr
S. A. Lester the agency clerk was left
in charge as was my understanding.
Not long after this, Special Agent
Henry Heath arrived, with instructions
(as I am quite positive I heard him
to accept for the Government property
but he failed to do so giving as a reason
if I remember aright, that he did not
expect to remain long. During his stay
of several months he was recognized as virtually
the agent. He made quite extensive im-
provements at the Agency doing more to improve
the appearance of the buildings than had
been done during all of the previous years of
my residence there. He had the Indians
work the agency roads and clear out the
race at the saw mill, and S. A. Lester told
me some time after that the 5000 lbs of flour
not accounted for when transfer was made
to Agent-Butler, was issued to the

Indians while doing this work, by direction of Special Agent Heath, but no receipts were taken from the Indians, as should have been done. As there was no Government Sawyer Agent - Heath employed me to run the saw mill, and take lumber for my pay. With the assistance of a number of school boys and two other policemen, logs were cut and hauled, many of them nearly two miles to the mill, and upwards of 40,000 ft. of lumber was sawed of which I received one fourth. From my subsequent experience as Superintendent of the Agency Boarding school I know that the usual rations ^{& chow} are not sufficient for stout able bodied ^{Indian} boys as these were while working as hard as ~~hard~~ as they had to, in order to keep on in saw logs, and I can readily believe that much, if not all the supplies expended on Voucher No 9 Abstract F second quarter 1888, Agent Dougherty's accounts, were used by the school boys, and the policemen helping them.

As to the items of sales of subsistence to employes during Agent Dougherty's term of service aggregating 209.95, I have no certain knowledge as to why they were not placed to the credit of the United States, as required.

by law. For a number of years ^{previous to this time} I was Clerk
at Warm Springs Agency. The usual custom
was to deduct the amount due from any
employee for subsistence purchased from his
pay at the end of the quarter, and write out
a check for the same, and another check for
the balance was given the employee. If I am
not mistaken the employees were paid by Agent
Dougherty for the quarter ending March 31st
1888, just previous to his departure, and if
the clerk collected the several amounts, ~~due~~
as he should have done, the blame would
rest upon him for their not being properly
accounted for. The amounts due for the ~~second~~
quarter and ^{First} Fractional ^{Third} quarter 1888, were
probably not collected for the reason if I
remember aright, that the employees received
their pay in Treasury Drafts from US Treasury
at Washington, and the clerk had no chance
to collect, though it was his duty to make the
demand. As I was a Republican I was with
the "outs" but I had a pretty good idea of
all that was transpiring, ^{from knowledge} gained by previous
experience as an employe, and taking all
the circumstances together, it is my sincere
and firm belief that neither William W
Dougherty or his legal representatives, should
be held accountable for any losses

may have occurred during his term of
service, I believe that as long as he remained
at the agency his son Charles L. did all
that he could to assist his father ^{in having} the Government
work properly carried on in all its branches,
and had they remained until the property
was turned over to a successor ^{and deposit} there would
have been a clear receipt ^{given to} Agent Daugherty.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
at Albany Oregon this day of
February 1895.

Personally appeared before me Jason Wheeler
late U S Indian agent at Warm Springs
Agency Oregon who being duly sworn
deposes and says that he has carefully read
over the above affidavit by C. B. Walker
and to the best of his knowledge and belief the
statements therein made are correct and true.
This he says ^{and} ^{is} ^{swearing} to

Subscribed and sworn to before me
at Albany Oregon this day of February 1895.

H. L. Savell
W. Knight & Co
N. Gorman