

Uttwerni Bay

Manitowish Lake

March 7<sup>th</sup>/50.

Wameux formerly head chief of the whole tract of land comprising Owen Sound, Sanguing, Goderich, the Sable and Port Sarnia, had nine brothers. So one of his nephews, Rabicanish Bang, he gave the tract of land from Owen Sound to Sanguing inclusive. Tabitik the present chief, is the son of Rabicanish Bang. Wameux also gave to Trach-min-aji another of his nephews, from the Sable to Sarnia inclusive. Wawa-nosh the present chief of that tract of land is the son of Trach-min-aji. He (Wameux) reserved to himself from within 20 miles of Sanguing to 10 of the Sable. He had no children but a step daughter named Mowson-egood whom he adopted for his own. She married a nephew of Wameux <sup>Mia-tijigo</sup> and had two sons - Sa-ga-a-na-gwech Bang and Sa-ge-wi-ni-ni - the elder of whom, Sa-ga-a-na-gwech Bang she gave to her step father to serve and take care of the old chief, who at his death made him his heir and chief of all the land he had reserved to himself one month after the death of Wameux his adopted son Sa-ga-a-na-gwech Bang died also, and consequently Jean Baptiste Sagenimini lawful brother of Sa-ga-a-na-gwech Bang became successor to the land in question but, he having neglected to take immediate possession of the same, his cousin

Wawa-nosh

Wawanosh monopolized and sold it  
to Government. He, Wawanosh, denied  
having sold it and notwithstanding  
Sagewinini's repeated applications to  
him for a share, at least, of the pay,  
the only satisfaction he can obtain  
is the usual reply - "Apply to the Government  
for your rights, I never sold your land."

Sir Geo. Colburn when Governor  
told Sagewinini that the land in question  
had been purchased of Wawanosh, and  
offered to transfer the pay from him to  
Sagewinini, but the latter refused to deprive  
his cousin of the whole of the pay, trusting  
to his generosity and honesty, to be allowed  
at least, an equal share of the same.  
Sir Geo. Colburn expressed his approval  
of Sagewinini's decision in favour  
of Wawanosh, saying that he had no  
doubt but that he would act honestly  
in the matter, but such has not been  
the case and now Sagewinini's only  
resource is to state the facts as they  
are, and demand that justice may  
be done him. It will be well  
to state, that five years since Sagewinini  
received to the amount of \$180. in small  
remittances at different periods from  
Wawanosh, by way of present as the  
latter expressed it, and not as pay  
for the land.

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Jean-Baptiste + Sagewinini  
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The Superintendent of Indian Affairs