

The Chairman,

The Vincent County Council.

Sir,

I beg respectfully to acquaint the Members of this Council with the fact, that my house properly situate in the Township of Ophir has been seriously damaged by the late floods of 25th and 26th December last. And in doing so, I desire to bring before their notice that this damage is mainly due to the faulty construction of the Channel which crosses the Township by the side of my property.

In the construction of this Channel, there has evidently not been sufficient room given at the head under the dam for the water to fall within its proper course, consequently, it played upon the two sides, and eventually broke down that side of the Channel next to my section, taking its new course through my house, completely wrecking it, depositing nearly two feet of "tailings" in it.

Also, the Culvert on the other side of my section, next to the School glebe, is very inadequately small; and from this source alone, my house has been flooded previously.

Trusting that the Council cause inquiries to be made into my case, and will also see their way to grant me some compensation for the damages which I have sustained.

I beg to remain

Yours obediently

Wm. H. Peacock

Ophir, 6th Dec. 1883.