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On a Report dated 10 August,
1901, from the Minister of Militia and
Defence, stating that the site of St.
Paul's (Anglican) Church, Esquimalt, is
within the area of land which the
General Officer Commanding His Majesty's
Troops in Canada applied for as
necessary for the site of Signal Hill
Battery, now being constructed for the
defence of Esquimalt, and that negotiations
have been carried on with the Lord
Bishop of British Columbia and with
the Church Corporation for the acquisition
of this land by purchase.

The Minister is satisfied that
the following is a fair amount to pay as
compensation for the property, viz:-
The cost of the new site. \$1600.00
The cost of removal of Church, &c.
per

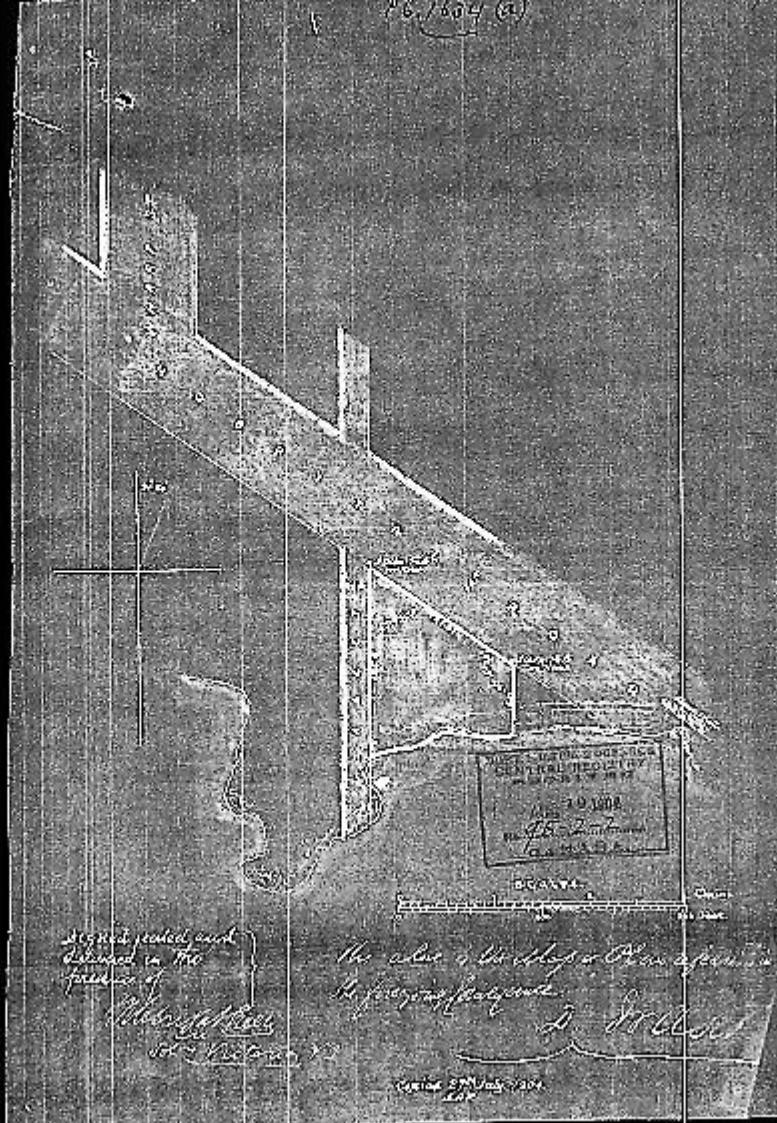
Forward.	\$ 1600.00
Architect's Valuation enclosed.	\$ 3900.00
Cost of taking down and rebidding	
The organ.	200.00
Total.	<u>\$ 5700.00</u>

The Minister therefore recommends
that he be authorized to agree the
said property and to pay, as compensation
therefor, the sum of \$5,700.00.

The Committee advises
that the requisite authority be granted.

Wilfrid Laurier

Attest,
W. S. G.



ESQUIMALT DEFENSIVE WORKS.

Description of land, being site of St. Paul's Anglican Church, taken by the Crown for Esquimalt Defensive Works, and conveyed to His Majesty by the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of British Columbia.

All that piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in the Town of Esquimalt Vancouver Island and being portion of Section Nineteen (XIX) Esquimalt District bounded by the lines hereinafter described that is to say by a line commencing at the junction of the east side of an alley with the South side of the Hospital Road said Alley being parallel with Wharf Street and one hundred (100) feet distant seaward thereof, thence running Southeasterly along the South side of the Hospital Road one hundred and twenty one feet (121 ft) thence Southerly at an angle of 124°, 18'. 25" forty feet (50 ft) to the shore thence westwardly along the shore to the East side of the aforesaid Alley thence Northly along the East side of said Alley to the place of beginning as the same is more particularly described in the Map or Plan drawn upon these presents and thereon colored Red the average dimensions being Ninety two and a half feet (92½ feet) by one hundred (100 ft) and containing One thousand and twenty eight square yards or thereabouts.

The Rectory,
ESQUIMALT, B.C.,
June, 14, 1884.

Dear Colonel James,

On behalf of the Parish of St.Paul, Esquimalt, I beg to ask the kindly consideration of the Dominion Government for the proposed removal of St.Paul's Church.

The cost of the new site -----	\$1600.00
The cost of removal of Church as per Architect's Valuation enclosed -----	3900.00
Cost of taking down and rebuilding the Organ...-----	200.00
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Total	<u>\$ 5700.00</u>

We found that it would be almost impossible to move the Church on account of the steepness of the hills, and also on account of the expense that would be entailed by the cutting of the Telephone, Electric Light and Electric Trolley wires, which would have to be cut in three different places, and the charge in each case would be probably from \$50 to \$100 per set. The men who were asked to tender on the removal decided that it would be expedient to pull down and rebuild, and that the cost would be about the sum. The interior decorations will have to be completely removed as it is doubtful if they will stand the transit.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(sgd) C. H. SHARP,
Rector of St.Paul's, ESQUIMALT.

P. S. It is also to be distinctly understood that the above offer is made on the understanding that, if the Dominion Government accept the same, the Synod of the Church of England, as Trustees, will convey to the Crown all the land and site upon which St. Paul's Church now stands. Furthermore, the Parish undertake to remove the said Church within 40 days of the conveyance of the land to the Crown.

(sgd) C. E. SHARP.