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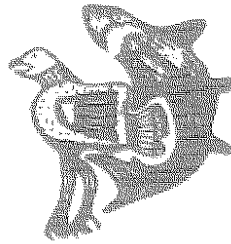
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Re: Stolen Wages

Dear Senator Bartlett,

My name is Betty Theresa Coconut – you came to visit my donga when you were last in Napranum, I live with Bertie Callope. I was born on t in the Weipa Mission. I am 57years of age. There was no hospital here then and my mother had me with the help of midwives.

I grew up in the Weipa Mission and and I lived out at “Old Station” out at 20 Miles – the old side of Mamoose Creek. I went to school at Mission House until the age of sixteen – then I went to work for the Mission. My job was cooking and cleaning for the station hands – I was paid 4 shillings a week. I worked for D.N.A (Department of Native Affairs) for 10 years at the Weipa Mission.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Coconut".

Betty Theresa Coconut

