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THE INSPECTOR OF INDIAN AGENCIES,
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Vernon, B.C., 12th Sept. 10 191

Am. J. G.
Sir,-

Two Indians of Fort Douglas, Henry Aleck and Charles McGillivrey, who have been residing at Llytton with some friends have been arrested and held on the charge of murdering J. A. Barrick, a Merchant of that place, and are now in Kamloops Jail awaiting trial at Clinton on October the 4th. next. Their friends have appealed to Mr. James Murphy, Barrister of Ashcroft to defend them and he wrote me asking if the Government would supply the defence. I took the matter up with Archdeacon Pugh when in Lytton on Friday, and he tells me their friends are not in a position to obtain a lawyer for them and that he is morally satisfied that they are innocent. I also discussed the matter with the Provincial Police of Lytton and he told me the evidence was purely circumstantial, and he did not think it possible to convict the Indians. If the Department considers they are entitled to be defended will you kindly advise James Murphy, Ashcroft, to look after their interests, and as the trial takes place on Oct. 4th. would suggest that you wire him.

I have the Honour

To be

Your Obedient Servant,

H. C. MacDunn

The Secretary of the
Department of Indian Affairs,

Inspector.

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