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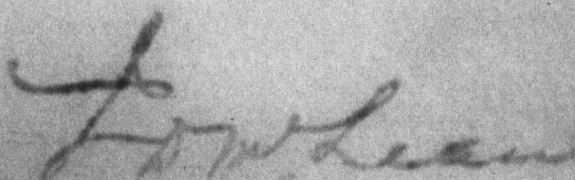
Ottawa, Sept. 5, 1917.

Sir,-

I have received a petition signed by various Indians of Halifax county complaining that Chief John Henry Paul had been under the influence of liquor in a public place in Halifax, and has conducted himself in a disreputable manner. The petitioners ask that he should be removed from office on this account.

Please investigate this matter and, if the charges prove to be well founded, you may warn the chief that a repetition of the offence will result in his deposition. I may add that it is not the policy of the Department to remove a chief from office without first giving him a warning.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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