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Ottawa, 12th Feby., 1891.

Sir:-

Referring to the correspondence which I have recently had with you respecting the reported illicit cutting of timber on a large island in the River Trent near the Townships of Sidney and Murray, I beg to inform you that I, on the morning of the 10th instant, received a telegram from you dated at Stirling, Ont., the 9th instant, which reads as follows:-

"Please wire what lots if any owned by Department on Thousand Acre Island, Sidney Seymour and Murray".

To which I replied by wire between 3 and 4 o'clock of the same day as follows:-

"Telegram received. Wilson's otherwise known as Big Island included in survey of lots on Mainland sold by Crown Land Department. Do not therefore interfere with timber cutting. Am writing that Department".

I subsequently received a telegram from you, which reads as follows:-

"Timber cut on island Wilson's on tracing if no lots owned by Department purpose returning this afternoon please telegraph by four".

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