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Ottawa, 26th November, 1901-

Dear Mr. Dymont,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th Instant, enclosing an Affidavit by Mr. S. H. Simmons, and asking for information as to whether Mr. Simmons would be allowed to purchase and obtain Patent for the S. $\frac{1}{2}$ S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 17, Fenwick, on the strength of improvements which he claims to own on the Westerly 100 Acres of the S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 1, same Township, and have to state that under the circumstances, the Department will sell to Mr. Simmons the land applied for, and the Agent, Mr. W. L. Nichols, of Sault Ste. Marie has been so advised.

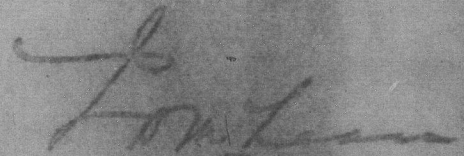
I may add, however, that the Department is unable to issue the Patent until after the expiration of the usual three years, as the land is under Timber License, and the Licensee has the right to cut the Pine and Spruce thereon. At the expiration of the three years, Patent will issue, as desired, on the strength of the improvements mentioned, and the Sale will be so entered.

A. E. Dymont, Esq. M.P.

Yours truly,

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