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Ottawa, 10th December, 1904.

Sir,--

Complying with instructions from this Department, Mr. D.K. McIntyre, M.D., Indian Agent at Sydney, has communicated with the officers of your city on the necessity of their taking action to supply water to the new drainage work in the Sydney Indian Reserve.

This work, as you are aware, has been undertaken at considerable expense to improve the sanitary condition of the Indian Reserve and surrounding lands. The agent reports that the work will become ruined to a great extent, if water is not soon supplied.

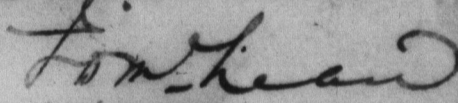
The Department understood in June last that the only difficulty in the way was the opposition of Mr. A McLean to allow the water-pipe to pass through his land until he had been paid the sum of \$30. This sum the Department has agreed to pay. There now appears to be no difficulty or any reason why your city should not supply the water required. This was practically agreed upon some time ago, as mentioned in a letter from your office, dated the 16th November, 1903, to Mr. David Baker, General Manager of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company. I shall feel much obliged if you will be good enough to take immediate action to have the work put through with the least possible delay.

W.A. Richardson, Esq.,

Mayor,

Sydney, N.S.

Your obedient servant,


Secretary.

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