Alberta and Saskatchewan; and the Department having charge of this matter has shown a disposition to make all concessions possible to the Indians to enable them to obtain a supply of fish for food purposes; there is no divergence in the policy which should be adopted in reference to hunting and fishing; it is certainly in the best interests of the Indians that the fish should be protected.

In any claim the Department may advance as to the rights of the Indians under the provisions of the treaties, it must be guided by the advice of the law officers of the Crown.

I am writing thus fully to you, as you are showing a commendable zeal in representing the Indians of your agency; at the same time you are going somewhat beyond your sphere of duties in writing to members of Parliament or to church organizations.

Your obedient servant,

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Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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