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October 20, 1914.

Dear Mr. Newcombe,-

To give effect to a verbal agreement between the Dominion and Ontario with reference to the islands in Lake Huron, a memorandum to Council was drafted by me and sent to Mr. Aubrey White, Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests for the Province of Ontario, for its concurrence. I am in receipt of a letter from him, dated the 9th of October, in which no objection is taken to the proposed memorandum; he states, however, that the Minister of Lands and Forests thinks that a clause should be put in the memorandum "making it clear that it does not settle the question as to the rights of the Dominion to sell Indian lands or in any way change our legal rights with respect to the lands or the proceeds of the sale of Indian lands".

I am sending you herewith a copy of Mr. White's letter with the proposed clause and I would be obliged if you would favour me with an opinion as to whether this clause should be adopted.

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