

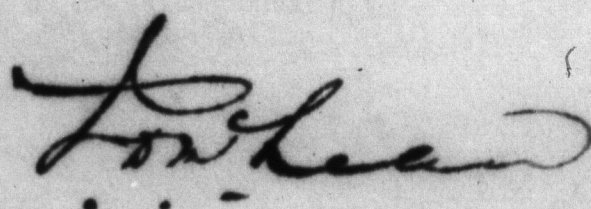
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Ottawa, 18th November, 1908.

Gentlemen,

With reference to the declaration which you forwarded on the 22nd ultimo, from Michael Lascelle in regard to the death of his mother, and with respect to the heirs to the estate of his father the late Seth Lascelle, I beg to say that the Department of Justice has pointed out that it will be necessary for some disinterested party to make affidavit regarding the statements therein contained, particularly with respect to the statement that Alice Lascelle, who married Enos Whiteeye, and who is now dead, received as her share of the estate two horses in full satisfaction of her claim. If no such affidavit can be obtained then it is considered that her surviving son Robert should be recognized as one of the heirs. This Department is aware from the pay-lists of the death of Mrs. Whiteeye, but it seems strange that Michael Lascelle in his affidavit of the 4th September should speak of her as dead and survived by one child, her son Robert, and in his affidavit of the 22nd October refer to her as if she were still living, and make no mention of her son.

Your obedient servant,



Secretary.

Messrs Boyce & Hayward,
Barrister, etc.,
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

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