Ottawa, May 2, 1914.

sir,-

In regard to the portion of your letter of the 25th ultimo, dealing with the question of action of the Council of the Walpole Island Band in setting aside let No. 1, Block A, for picnic grounds, I beg to say that no white man has any right to make improvements on the reserve without the authority of the Department.

You should notify Mr. Smith that he cannot be allowed the exclusive privilege of landing on this lot of of making any improvements thereon, and the lot, as proposed by the Indians, should be simply for their own picnic purposes.

Your obedient Servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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