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Ottawa, 1st May, 1912.

Sir:-

I beg to inform you that the Chief Inspector, Mr. Glen Campbell, has recently reported to the Department that when he visited the Valley River and certain other Reserves, he endeavoured to induce the Indians to police themselves against the liquor traffic. He states that the suggestion met with favour and that at some points the Indians appointed a policeman and they were anxious to know if the Department would pay salary to such officers. Mr. Campbell pointed out that the Department would not allow salary, but that under certain clauses of the Indian Act, a moiety of fine is payable to the informer in liquor cases. The Department approves of the action taken. The Inspector has suggested that the constables be supplied with badges with a view to the recognition, by the Indians generally, of the officers' authority. The Department approves of the proposal and will be prepared to supply badges upon receiving a requisition from you stating the names of constables holding office to whom you think such badges might be supplied.

Your obedient servant,

[Handwritten Signature]
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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