

Department of Indian Affairs
Ottawa March 11th 1881

Memorandum

In re Sarnia Indians

With reference to the articles which appeared in the "Sarnia Canadian" of the 2nd Inst. and in the "London Free Press" of the 7th Inst. regarding the wretched condition in which some of these Indians were found to be on the occasion of a visit made by a Newspaper reporter and some other gentlemen to the Reserve. The undersigned would premise by stating that it is very remarkable no complaints have been made by the Indians, who, as is well known, are not generally backward in making known their wants, also that the undersigned was on the Sarnia Reserve in the Autumn of 1879 had two Council meetings of the whole