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January 13<sup>th</sup> 6

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> instant, addressed to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, <sup>London</sup> and by him transferred to this Department, I have to inform you that "Beckwith Island" in Georgian Bay, not having been surrendered by the Indians to the Crown, is not for sale.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. M. S. D. S.

Deputy of the Minister

of the Interior.

Mr. William Giddart

Collingwood

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