

Ottawa, October 7, 1920.

Sir.-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, inclosing surrender by the Seton Lake Band of Indians of a portion of land in the Slesh or Shalalth Indian Reserve No. 1, and in reply to say that, as you have failed to comply with the requirements of the Department in regard to taking this surrender, it is returned for completion.

I would call your attention to the fact that it will be necessary for you to fill in the date of execution of the surrender in each document, and also sign as a witness to the signatures. The affidavit of execution must also be signed by Chief Peter and Chief Tommy Bull.

I have also to call attention to the fact that you have not, as requested, furnished a complete list of the voting male members of the Band over twenty-one years of age. The statement furnished by you is only to the effect that twelve members of the Band were present at the meeting, and that all voted in favour of the surrender.

The Department regrets that more care was not given to execution of this surrender, and compliance with the specific requirements of the Department in regard thereto.

Your obedient Servant,

W. A. O'NEIL

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