

Department of Indian Affairs

Ottawa, 28th May 1887

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Memorandum:-

The undersigned begs to bring under the attention of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs the question of Clerical or Lay Missionaries resident upon Indian Reserves being permitted to trade with the Indians or carry on commercial enterprises. Very great embarrassment has been occasioned to the Department in consequence of other interests than the legitimate calling which Missionaries should follow engaging the attention of some of those gentlemen, causing them to act in dissonance from the views of the Department and its Officers as their private interests might dictate

Approved
J. Macdonald
May 30/87

To the Right Honourable
Sir John Macdonald, G. C. B.,
Supt. General of Indian Affairs.

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