Ottawa, 7th April, 1919.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Sir, the 4th February, enclosing the will of the late John Sawatis, and also your letter of the 24th February.

In reply I beg to say that if the widow of the deceased is in possession of the property she should be allowed to remain until the estate is distributed.

I enclose an English translation of the will by our Mr. Cooke. Kindly state whether you are aware of any reason as to why it should not be approved. What about the claims of Mrs. Cooke and Maggie Swamp as referred to in Departmental letter of the 7th February?

I am enclosing a letter which was afaressed to Mr. Peter Cooke, St. Regis, at his request, but which has just been returned to the Department. Would you kindly forward it to him if you are aware of his whereahouts.

enc.

Your obedient servant,

F. E. Taillon, Esq., Indian Agent. St. Regis, Que. Asst. Denúty and Secretary.

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