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MEMORANDUM

To the Secretary.

Ottawa 5th November 1901

Mr. Indian Agent McLeod of New Glasgow reported in June last that the Indians under his charge at Fisher's Grant Reserve needed land that could be cultivated and that would supply them with wood. He stated that with more land they could keep a few cows and at present they have none.

He has written again under date of 24th October, that the Indians there have very little wood for fuel for the Winter and states that a Mr. Sproule offers to sell 60 acre of well timbered land convenient and the Indians are desirous to get it.

The price Mr. Sproule asks is $22.00 per acre, but the Agent does not say anything about the quality of the land or whether he considers the price reasonable, or otherwise.

The report for 1899 shows that the Dominion Government purchased in 1874, 89 acres for these Indians, sixteen acres of this land were exchanged for Lot 24B, containing 11 acres. In 1888 the Department also purchased Lot 24C, 30 acres.

This shows the area of the Reserve to be now 114 acres. In addition to these Lots, the Provincial Government transferred to the Dominion 50 acres of land, said to be Islands, at the head of Moodie Cove, on the South side of entrance to Pictou Harbour.

The report of the Rev. R. McDonald of 5th October 1899, who was Agent at that time, shows that not more than one third of the land on the Islands

Secretary: Please are accounts & there a certain amount of prairie land available. The Land write us

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