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Ottawa, March 30, 1908.

My Lord, -

I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 24th instant, in regard to the question of securing a site for a church building of the Saugeen Indian Reserve, in the County of Bruce, Ont and in reply to say that, upon the Department being furnished with the transfer from the Indian to the Churc authorities, and provided it is found that the Indian having the land in question is the recognized owner thereof, the Department would be prepared to give the usual authority for use and occupancy of this land for church purposes.

I may say that it is not usual to grant the fee simple to land situate on an Indian Reserve to Churc authorities, but simply to give the right to hold same as long as it is used for church purposes.

I have the honour to be.

Your lordship's most obedient Servent,

Lord Bishop of Huron, London, Ont.

Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

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