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definitely and to show them on the index. There is the house and land of the late P.Jos.Obomsawin, house we are told that must be pulled down; this house is now occupied by white men. The other house, which was the residence of Simeon Obomsawin, is still there also as well as his stable, which are also occupied and used by white men. They have painted them anew after making some improvements.

We shall show them the fields and gardens, different parts of land that are used for agriculture and not for the railway-- but to cultivate harvests of hay , Indian corn, potatees and other vegetables. We shall show even a field where they pasture animals not temperarily in sending them off by the cars, but for the personal needs of the land-owners.

If that is what the Government and its officers had understood, and the railway combanies have a right to have the lands of the Indians, we understand that the vast tract of the 'Y' expected to be again leased to them periodically for five years at a time, will remain to them as much as this railway may register in order to use later on as pasturage, the cars being so little needed that the rails are all rusty.

We do not wish to finish without informing the new Government that this company has usurped our rights any of ownership to the degree of having without permission an order to pick an end for a new road in order to deviate our public road which was opened there before the railway. Stopped by the band, its men have discontinued; but to our great surprise and indignation some days latter we were informed that it had closed up by a high wire fence our public road, which had been opened with the consent of the Government and at the cost of money.

Wherefore we oppose its new request, and we respectfully beg you to sustain us or to come and see

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