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Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 11th Instant, No. 1152, I beg to inform you that this Dept. would have admitted its liability to pay the expenses of the transport to goal of the Indians referred to had those Indians been tried before and convicted by Maj. Gray acting in his capacity as a Magistrate ex officio under the Indian Act. But the circumstances of the case are quite different. It appears that the Govt. of Quebec appointed Mr. Albert Verge a Magistrate with the

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