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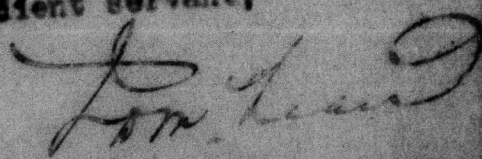
Ottawa, 24th March, 1914.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 28th ultimo as to deceased Indians on the Caughnawaga Reserve for burial without a medical certificate, I beg to inform you that on communicating with the Deputy Attorney General for the Province of Quebec he refers to Article 4428 R.S.Q. 1909, which states:- "That no interment shall be proceeded with before the officer appointed for the registration of acts of civil status has been handed a certificate establishing the cause of death, or a transport permit exchanged for such a certificate." The Deputy Attorney General states that in the absence of Dominion legislation he considers that this provision applies to Indian reserves and that the difficulty on the Caughnawaga reserve can be met by your enforcing the Provincial law.

I have therefore to request that you will endeavour as far as possible to have the Provincial law in this regard carried out.

Your obedient servant,



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