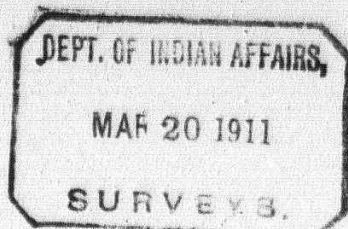


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Ottawa, March 15, 1911.

Memorandum

For the Deputy Minister.

With reference to the petition from a number of settlers residing south and east of the Pagan Indian reserve, Alta., requesting that provision be made to keep the public roads in the said reserve in repair, I beg to state that the trails in and across the reserve have not yet been regularly ~~been~~ opened as public highways, although they are travelled by the public. As the reserve is fenced gates have been placed where necessary for the convenience of the public.

The Accountant has informed me that the finances of the band, consequent under the arrangements of the recent surrender for sale of a portion of the reserve, are not in a condition to allow any draft on them for road purposes just now.

A portion of the reserve has been recently subdivided for Indian occupation. If the matter were referred to the Inspector or Indian Agent, the Indians might perhaps be induced to help to keep in repair parts of the roads, especially those that may pass through the subdivided portion.

S. Bray
Chief Surveyor.

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