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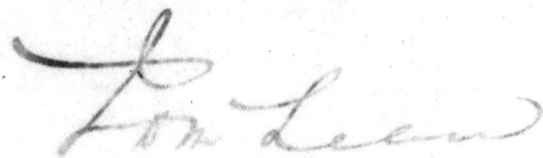
Ottawa, 23rd. June, 1908.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 15th. instant and in reply to inform you that reference to Part II, Section 194 of the Indian Act will show you that the powers of the Council of any Band which has come under the provisions of the **Advancement Act** do not extend to the taxation of tenants of lands, but of the lands of enfranchised Indians and those held by location ticket, so that the owners of the leased lands alone are liable.

As to schools the only authority conferred upon the Council is to provide subject to confirmation by the Superintendent General, that the religious denomination to which the teacher shall belong shall be that of the majority of the Indians resident on the reserve, but does not extend to the engagement and dismissal of teachers.

Your obedient servant,



Secretary

John Thackeray, Esq.,

Indian Agent,

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