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Ottawa, 19th May, 1905.

Sir :-

In a recent letter from Dr. A. S. McCaig he mentions that forty members of the Garden River Band of Indians had left a short time ago for England to form part of the Indian village at Earlscourt, London.

No report has been received from you on this subject and the Department desires to know the circumstances under which the Indians referred to have gone to England.

The rule of the Department has been to discourage the Indians as much as possible from leaving their reserves for exhibition purposes, as the ultimate results to those who have done so in the past have been far from satisfactory.

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

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