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Ottawa, February 8, 1911, 1911.

In reference to previous correspondence regarding  
SIR,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ult., in regard to desire of Mr. James Ritchie, of Summerside, to secure confirmation of the rights granted to Mr. W. J. Snodgrass on the Manitowish Chequamegon Falls Reserve, B. C., and in reply to say that in March, 1909, Mr. Superintendent Vowell was informed that, as it was very desirable that no difficulty should be put in the way of transportation facilities, and as shown on plan of the township, it is not considered advisable, owing to the unsettled question with the Province, as to title, to take a surrender of the portion of the Reserve applied for, it was then decided to give Mr. Snodgrass authority under section 22 of the Indian Act to continue at the pleasure of the Department in occupation of the land on which his buildings were erected. If Mr. Ritchie has acquired the interest of Mr. Snodgrass in the buildings in question, and you know of no objection thereto and the Indians are favourable, the permission granted to Mr. Snodgrass may be continued during pleasure to Mr. Ritchie.

Your obedient servant,

The Deputy Minister of Marine & Fisheries.

Ottawa.

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

K. C. McDonald, Esq.,

Inspector of Indian Agencies.

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