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AS IN THE CASE OF JOE MASON, ("The Calling of Dan Matthews"), poor, helpless, ignorant Joe begged Dr. Harry to "do something" as the tears streamed down his lean, hungry face. "Doc, my God Almighty. Doc!" he wailed, "You jess got to do something." For hours Dr. Harry had been trying to do something, though common sense and professional experience told him that he could not win. Still he must try.

As in Poor Joe's case, so in the affairs of which I write. I find myself a kind of Dr Harry. Against my own past experience and my common sense, I have "jess got to do something."

During the past year I have received numerous visits from parties from the Okanagan Indian band, asking, or rather begging, much in the spirit of Poor Joe, that their case should be laid, together with