

Department of the Secretary of State
Ottawa 23rd October 1868

Sir,

I have to request that you will when visiting the different Indian Bands under your Superintendence this Autumn procure as accurate information as possible upon the following points:—

1. The lot or parcel of land occupied by each family. —
2. The description value & character of the Improvements. —
3. The number & ages of the members of the family.
4. The quantity of land held by each family. —
5. The stock & agricultural implements owned by each family. —

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant

John A. Macdonald
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