

will please ascertain and report to this office. The Indian occupant of the land would be entitled to the value of the improvements to be paid through this office to him by the Trustees, and may be allowed, in consideration of the farm being a desirable piece of land, one third of its estimated value, which also will be paid over to him by this office. The remaining two thirds would be left in the General Fund of the Band to whom the whole Reserve belongs.

You will please call a Council of the Band and should the Indians consent to a disposal of the piece of land taking place in the manner above described you will obtain their seals and signatures to the accompanying form of surrender, and subsequently you, with one of the chiefs then present will make affidavit to the execution of the surrender on the form annexed thereto, and transmit the documents to this office.

Yours,
Sir,

Yours obed^t serv^t

E. W. Meredith

Deputy of the
Minister of the Interior

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