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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

River Bourgeois, N.S.,



April 29th., 1915.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO  
No. 635 98-3  
ALSO  
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

*J. D. McLean*

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Sir,—

I enclose herewith Releases from Duncan A. McKinnon and Colin McDougall; Whycocomagh, N.S., of the lands which they have had in possession for some time belonging to the Whycocomagh Indian Reserve.

These men wish to know if the Department would rent them for the present year the cultivated fields, to which they have now surrendered all claim. The properties are too far removed from the inhabited part of the Reserve to be looked after by Indians, and, therefore, I recommend allowing the men the use of the fields for the time specified in consideration of a small rental. Otherwise, no one will derive any benefit from them, which would be a pity.

William McLean absolutely refused to peacefully release that part of the Reserve in his possession, and, therefore, I now return the Release, with cheque, received from the Department in his case.

I have not had an opportunity of treating with Neil E. McLean and his brother, Alexander,

yet

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