

exist. In such a case it would be well to look at the surrounding circumstances, and in that case it is important to inquire and ascertain whether in 1810, or during the twenty years then next preceding, there were among the Indians of Couchichewick any half breeds who had not shown in the property of the land, and if so, whether or not Charles E. Lison was one of these.

The Department will be glad to receive from you any observation you may think fit to make in regard of the question under consideration.

I have the honor to be  
Sir,

Your obedient servant  
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