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Ottawa, Nov. 23, 1910.

Sir,-

With reference to that part of your letter of 24th ult, in which you say that you have appointed Joseph Charles to the position of chief of the James Roberts' band, vacant through the transfer of Amos Charles to the position of chief of the new band, I beg to say that this appointment has been noted; but I may remark that the Department's record of this band shows that Amos Charles was appointed chief at the treaty payment in 1901, at which time David Mirasty was appointed headman. These appointments were reported by you to the Indian Commissioner on Oct. 29, 1901, and the Department has no record of the appointment of Joseph Charles as a councillor.

It might be well to point out to you that it is better always to refer to a band by both names when it is known by two, as confusion is apt to be caused in looking up a record under one name when the record may really have been entered under another name.

In your letter of Oct. 29, 1901, quoted above, you referred to the James Roberts' band, but the Indian Commissioner, in forwarding your letter, referred to this

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