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Ottawa. Dec. 3rd. 1919.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th. ult. regarding sale of timber on the Cape Mudge Reserve to Messrs. Wilson & Brady and in reply to state that the reason your letter of Sept. 27th. last was un-answered was on account of the fact that the transaction between the Department and Wilson & Brady had not been completed.

I have to state however that a license has been granted to them, a triplicate of which is herewith enclosed, so that you may include same in your records.

encl.

It is certainly your duty to collect the dues on the timber cut also ground rent and renewal fee when the same comes due each year.

You may inform the Indians that this timber was sold for the sum of \$6500.00 cash plus dues at the rate of \$1.00 per M.f.b.m. An estimate of the timber was made for the Department and the above terms of sale found to be financially better than the terms which the Indians wished to accept i.e. cash payment of \$5000 and dues of \$1.25 per M.f.b.m.

Your obedient servant,

*[Signature]*  
For Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

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Indian Agent  
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