

this subject was first
had with the Rev. P.
McDonald, Indian Agent
at Pictou, ~~Aug. 1883~~
1883, the Dept. has
run out of the funds
which it then had
in hand to effect
purchases of this
kind. Consequently it is
~~now~~ without ~~any~~ the
means ~~for~~ ^{to effect} such a ~~purpose~~ ^{purchase}.
I may say and
that the price at
which the land is
offered appears to be
very high, viz. - 30
acres for \$300 -
being at the rate of
nearly \$12 an acre.

(Over)

I have, &c.

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