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Ottawa, July 27th, 1909.

Dear Mr. Macdonald:-

Referring to your letter of the 17th of May last, inclosing a communication from Mr. G.H. Sproule of Pictou Landing and to the reply sent you in regard to exchange of land etc, I have the honour to inform you that Mr. Boyd has made a report on the subject, which states that the purchase of the Foster lot for the Indians was a mistake, and that the Sproule lot is valuable for wood and would, if acquired and properly handled supply the wants of the Indians for many years.

There are no funds available to pay for the difference in value of the lots, said to be \$600.00, and if it were decided to purchase, or make the exchange, it would be necessary to make provision for it in the estimates.

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