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Ottawa, 22nd June, 1912.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant in which you state that the present condition of the roads on the Pointe Bleue Reserve is due to the heavy rain and also to the fact that the contractors for the James Bay and Northern Railway have been hauling across the reserve heavy freight; and in reply I beg to say that the Department approves of the action which you have taken towards getting the men who use the road to repair the same to a certain extent.

The Department will not authorize any expenditure at present from Band funds toward repair of roads. When the mill may well have completed their village work, the condition of the road should be brought to the attention of the Council of the Band and a resolution obtained asking that an expenditure be incurred from Band funds toward repair of the same. The Department will deal with the matter when a copy of the resolution is received at Head-quarters.

I may add that the ^{Go.} Railway will be written to in regard to road repairs.

Asst. Deputy & Secretary

Thomas G. Marshall

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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