Ottawa, 22nd February, 1912-

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th Ultime, addressed to the Department of the Interior, and transferred to this Department, in which you enclosed Transfer from Wm. J. Smith to The Grand Trunk Pacific Branch Lines Company, covering the Right of Way across the N.E. & Sec. 24, 20, 15, W. 2 M. Pasqua Indian Reserve, and in reply have to inform you that this Assignment cannot be accepted by the Department, as the abovementioned quarter Section stands on the Books of the Department in the name of J.R. Miller, and it would therefore be necessary for you to furnish an Assignment from him to Wm. J. Smith, conveying the land transferred, before the document forwarded by you could be accepted.

I have also to point out that the Transfer in question, which is herewith returned, should be amended by giving the occupation of the Witness to the signature of the Assignor, in the Affidavit of Execution, in case it is again forwarded to the Department.

Be good enough to address all letters in connection with Indian Lands to the Dept. of Indian Affairs, and not to the Dept. of the Interior.

H.H. Hansard, Esq. Your obedient servant,
Assistant Solicitor,
Crand Trunk Pacific Ry.
Winnipeg,
Man.

Asst. Deputy & Secretary-

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