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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. 266
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

Ref.: Your Letter 190 No.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herein a letter which I have just received from Mr. Ed. Morneau, an Indian of Escumains, in which he complains of Mr. Charles Baucher, a french man who occupies some kind of a small farm, inherited by him from his father in law. This plot of ground of Mr. Chs Baucher is alongside the east side of Escumains reserve, and near the sea. So that Mr. Charles Baucher, and his late father in law Mr. Milan Lepage, before him, have until now used the Indian road on the reserve whenever they had to go to the village of Escumains. (There being no other road). Now it appears that Mrs. Denis an Indian woman of over 80 years, fenced some ground around her house (on the reserve) which closes the access of Mr. Charles Baucher to the Indian road on the Reserve. Then Mr. Chs Baucher and Mr. Ed. Bailey of Escumains took down the fence before mentioned, to reopen access to the Indian road on the reserve. at least this is what I understand by Mr. Ed. Moreau's letter. Has Mr. Baucher a right to the road on the reserve I do not know, and beg your advice on the subject. Mr. Milan Lepage and Mr. Chs Baucher before him, have lived there or nearby. Since or before the reserve was granted to the Indians, but I am not certain that the land was ever paid by either of the Messrs Lepage or Baucher. It is not easy to decide the matter without hearing both parties, which it is too late to do this Fall.

I have the honour to be - Sir -

Your obedient servant

Adolphe Cagnum
Indian Agent