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Haunter Reed Esq.



Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Ottawa.



Dear Sir,

You will likely in a short time receive from the Indian Agent for your sanction the will and codicil of the late Wariawan Kahentente, who died the 23rd day of June last past; she was the widow of one late Mitchell Tahonkarakewen alias Delisle, in his lifetime, a member of the Ingonis tribe of this Reserve.

On behalf of one John Owistateken alias Rice, a son-in-law of the said late Kahentente, I wish to make some observations which will help you to deal with the codicil in question.

In 1887, one late Anew Osenkenhawi, a daughter of the said late Kahentente, was married to John Rice; she died in 1890, after having, by a will, disposed of her estate which consisted of a parcel of land of about 13 acres in superficies, situate on the Reserve, in favor of her mother the late Dame Kahentente alias Delisle, the whole, however, subject to a legacy in favor of her husband, the said John Rice, of a sum of fifty dollars which was encumbered on said parcel of land and which had to be paid out of the same property.

This will was written in Indian by James Delisle, a brother of the late Dame John Rice and by him, at the Agents office, in the presence of Mr Brasseur, as admitted to be now lost.

The legacy of the sum of fifty dollars in favor of the said John Rice, as contained in the said will of his late wife, was admitted by the surviving children of the said late Dame Kahentente alias Delisle, on the 9th Instant, at the Indian Agents office where they had met in the presence of Mr Brasseur.

The said Dame Kahentente alias Delisle, by her codicil, disposes of the estate of her late daughter Dame John Rice, in favor of four of her surviving children, to wit: James and Mitchell Delisle, Mrs Frank Philips and Mrs John Standish in equal shares; the said parcel of land forming part of no 620 as per Walbank survey, and that without mentioning the sum of fifty dollars the amount of the encumbrance imposed by the will of the said late Dame Rice in favor of her husband.

The late Dame Kahentente alias Delisle never took any measure to have her late daughters will approved nor