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September 8,1919.

Dear Mr. Stevens -

We have been in correspondence with the Soldier Settlement Board in reference to the subject of the acquisition of the Kamloope Remarks for soldier settlement and have made some slight progress in connection therewith.

I have received a letter from the Board stating that they would be disposed to take over the irrigable portions of the Kamloops Indian Reserve which are of agricultural value upon condition! that a proper price is secured from the Indians and providing that it is practicable to irrigate these lands at a reasonable cost.

We have had a report from Mr. Inspector Megraw from which it would appear that not more than 2,500 to 3,000 agree would be of value for soldier settlement.

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The Board is making arrangements to confer with the Water Power Branch of the Interior Department before producing further, with reference to the question of isfigation, and if it is found feasible to secure a tract which can be irrigated they will enter into negotiations with us with a view to submitting an application to purchase.

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Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

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