

The merchantable timber of the
 Bands they desire to cut has all
 been cut and removed, and
 then if necessary to stand the
 operations to the greatest degree.
 This has been done in the interest
 of the Indians themselves as it
 protects the timber from fire, and
 also protects the other members
 of the Bands who do not cut any
 timber.

As regards the land being
 wooded by spruce, balsam &c. &c.
 as well as by cedar, it could
 not be supposed for a moment
 that the Department desired to
 have all the kinds of wood gone
 away, but was and designed when
 the Indians wanted only to cut
 the

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