

Indian Office C. C.
Montreal 17th March 1847

Sir.

I transmit unenclosed the translation of two papers which have been received from the Chiefs at St Regis: No 1, is a threatening Notice from certain American Chiefs and warriors addressed to the British Indians; and No 2, is an application from the latter for protection in consequence of the threats of their American Brethren.

I have to request, that you will cause the American Indians to be distinctly informed, that as long as they reside within the British Territory they are required to pay strict obedience to the Laws under which they will themselves be protected, so long as their conduct entitles them to it; but that upon any infraction of them, means will be taken to prosecute to Conviction the perpetrators. And you will impress upon the British the necessity of similar obedience to the Laws, and you will caution them against trespassing on the New York Reserve, or cutting timber upon it without the consent of the Americans, explaining to them, that those who do will not be protected, but will be left to suffer the consequences of such misconduct.

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