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Ottawa 4th November 1902-

Sir-

Referring to your letter of the 17th July last, enclosing an agreement for lease signed by James Battin <sup>and James Albert</sup> for a part of Lot 1 South of the Longwoods Road, Range 6, Caradoc, and to subsequent correspondence I beg to say that a communication has just been received from Mr. James Albert stating that he is opposed to leasing his Lot to James Battin or to any other person, and that if his name is attached to any document in the Department, he is not aware of it, that he never, to his knowledge, signed a lease to any one, not having been consulted, that if his name is attached to any paper, it was put there by some one that was interested in his land, and he asks to have application cancelled.

I have to ask that you will look into this matter as early as possible and report thereon to the Department.

Your obedient servant

*Tom L.*  
Secretary-

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