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CN STRUM Hentlemen-

OTTAWA, 1st December 1902-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 24th Ultimo, relative to the agreement made between the Indians of Manitoulin Island, unceded, and your Company, which you desire to have changed in the moment set forth and a new agreement made embodying the changes and additions you have submitted. In reply I have to inform you that the agreement has been sent to the Agent at Manitowaning with instructions to have it signed and sealed by the Indians, and returned without delay.

With regard to the additions to the specifications which you request to have made, I may state that the Indians may not object to make Ties 7 inches thick and seven inches face from Timber of sufficient size, and they would not be inclined to object to making Posts 8 feet long instead of 8 feet 6, but they could not be expected to remove the bark therefrom, which they have never been asked to do in previous agreements.

It is thought that there will not be any difficulty in arranging to have the Sawlogs made 14 inches instead of 12 inches in diameter and the corresponding increase in the size of the large Posts to

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