

subdivision of said Reserves. From your intimate knowledge of the tract, acquired when employed in surveying the boundaries of the same, you will probably be able to give the Department valuable advice on this subject. It is of course highly desirable that a fair proportion of land shall be given to each head of a family, or young man desiring to farm; and for this purpose it will probably be necessary to diminish the size of some of the holdings and to increase that of others. Owing to no survey having ever been made of the locations of the Indians, the Department has no accurate information as to the area of the different holdings. I presume that it will be necessary in the first place to obtain this information as accurately as possible with a view to determining of what extent each farm is to consist.

Believe me, Dear Sir,

Yours Sincerely,

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Deputy of the Supt General
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