past, the attitude would seem so unreasonable as to tend to weaken its influence in the direction of securing for the Indiana any special privileges at all.

The Department is always willing to do what it can to protect or promote the interests of the Indians, and if in this instance it be furnished with reasonable ground upon which to have representations, it is quite willing to make and support them to the best of its ability.

Your obedient servant,

For Leave

Acting Deputy Minister of Indian Affairs,

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