

It is unfortunate that at this point Mr. Garrard was not emphatically informed that the issuance of permits was not approved unless the Indian owners of the timber proposed to do the logging themselves, but the fact remains that no action was taken and apparently either with or without Mr. Garrard's authority, and certainly with the approval of the Band, the Advance Logging Company commenced logging on the Reserves mentioned and as at this time have, I believe, approximately 450,000 feet logged and sold.

It is my intention, with the approval of the Department, to direct the attached letter to Supt. Garrard with a view to putting an end to these irregular timber operations and to insist that we comply strictly with the Regulations. This may not be so difficult as heretofore as timber prices have recently dropped considerably and the demand will probably not be so great.

Will you please advise if, in view of the logging already completed by the Advance Logging Co. Ltd., on the three Reserve mentioned it will be in order for them to continue and if it will be in order for me to forward the attached letter to Mr. Garrard.

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Encl.

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