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Ottawa, November 29th., 1918.

Sir,

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The Department has received your communication of the 25th November, with which you submitted copy of a resolution passed by the Alnwick Band recommending that a loan of \$300.00 be granted from Band Funds to George Blaker to enable him to erect a new house; and in reply I beg to say that owing to scarcity of labour and the high cost of building material at the present time, the Department has decided to defer for the present the question of granting loans from band funds either for the construction of buildings or repair of the same. You should advise not only George Blaker but the Indian Council to the above effect.

Your obedient servant,

For Lun

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

W.R.Coyle Fsq., Indian Agent, R.R.No. 1, Hastings, Ont.

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