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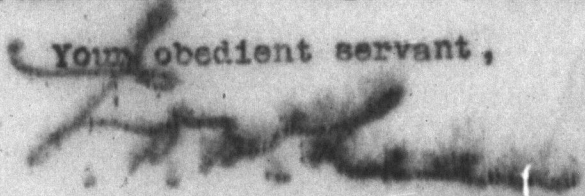
Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo in which you state that owing to Mr. Renaud being absent from North Temiscamingue, you arranged to have wood to the value of \$10.00 supplied to Widow Simpson who was in need of the same; and in reply I beg to say that the Department is surprised to learn that Mr. Renaud is not at Temiscamingue, as it was understood that he was there continuously from the 4th January. If Mr. Renaud was at the above mentioned place any time since the date mentioned, I have to request that you will state definitely the respective dates upon which he was there.

I enclose herewith a voucher made out in favour of Ben McBride for the wood purchased from him for Mrs. Simpson. If Mr. Renaud is at Temiscamingue you should request him to sign the printed certificate on the account form, and if he is not there, you may ask the missionary to be good enough to sign the said certificate. Both the original and the duplicate accounts should be signed, after which they should be returned to the Department when a cheque in Ben McBride's favour will issue.

Chief John George McBride,  
North Temiscamingue, P.Q.

Yours obedient servant,

  
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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