

Ottawa Jan 19, 1909

Sir,-

While Mr. M. K. McLean, D. L. S. was at Fisher River last fall he surveyed the additional hay land given to the Indians of Fisher River Indian Reserve No. 44. When doing so the Chief and Council desired a smaller area taken for hay in the Township in which it was set aside for them, and wished 160 acres, adjoining and immediately North of the Old Reserve where Peter Murdoch has his house and improvements, added to the Reserve.

Mr. McLean made this survey also subject to the approval of the Department.

Murdoch was formerly a non-treaty Indian and took treaty last spring with the Fisher River band, being one of those taken into treaty by yourself.

I shall be obliged if you will inform this Department whether the matter was discussed by you with Murdoch, and if he understands that this 160 acres will if taken into the Reserve, form part of the whole Reserve in common, and if his present position under sub-section A of Section 164 of the Indian Act was explained to him.

A blue print showing the position of the 160 acres is enclosed.

Enc.

John Semmens, Esq.,
Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Stonewall, Man.

Your obedient servant
J. D. McLEAN

Secretary.