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Ottawa, March 21, 1906.

Sir,-

Referring to my letter of December 15, last, directing you to inform Councillor Andrew Maracle of the charge of drunkenness made against him by certain members of the band, and to warn him that, if at the end of two months after you had so notified him, there should not be reason to believe that he had reformed in his habits, the Department would feel bound to recommend that he be deposed from office, I beg now to say that a letter has just been received from John Barnhart stating that on the 6th inst. Councillor Maracle was intoxicated and disorderly, and abusive to him on the street in Napanee; and Barnhart says that he is ready to prove the charge on investigation, and demands Maracle's deposal.

I have to request that you will inform me what you know about this last charge; for if it is true, the Department will feel bound to keep its word and recommend the deposal of Councillor Maracle.

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

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