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Rev^d. Drs. Wood & Taylor,
Toronto, Ont.

Gentlemen:

Adverting to your letter of the 3rd. inst., I have the honor to inform you, that the sum of \$1600.00 has been paid in by the Great Western R.R. Coy. as the estimated value of the Minister's residence, the school house (which had been used also as a Council house) and Chapel on the Sarnia Indian Reserve and that amount is now available for those objects. But as respects the sum paid as Principal for the land and water lot lately purchased by that Company, it has been placed at Interest, for the benefit of the Indians at the present time composing the Sarnia Band, and those who will come after them; and it would be inconsistent with the principles which apply to moneys received in payment for Indian lands to divert any portion of it from its proper destination as an investment for Revenue purposes.

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I have further to inform you that the Dept. would desire that the new buildings should at the least be as convenient for the purposes for which they are required as the former buildings were.

I have the honor to be

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Y. O. S.

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