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Ottawa, December 2, 1919.

Gentlemen,-

In reply to your letter of the 21st ultimo, suggesting that an Inspector be sent from the Department to adjust the matters complained of, I beg to say that the Indian Act does not provide for enforcing any direction that an Inspector might make in a matter of this kind. Section 103 of the Indian Act, it is considered, gives the Indians authority to have their rights adjusted in the civil courts.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Messrs. Mikel & Alford,  
Barristers, &c.,  
Belleville, Ont.

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