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File 217122.

Ottawa, 29th October, 1913

Sir,

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, File No. 34818, in relation to Fairford Indian Reserve, I beg to inform you that, owing to the north boundary of the said Reserve not being shown on the plan of surveyed Lots at Fairford, issued by this Department in 1904, a misunderstanding arose regarding the Lots at the disposal of the Department and Lots 19 and 20 have unfortunately been disposed of and cannot, consequently be included in the Reserve.

In this connection I would point out that a Homestead Inspector's report of June 1913, set forth that Mr. Helgi Binarsson had resided on Lot 19 more or less for fourteen years and continuously for two years, that at the time he first went on the lot there were the walls of a log house and stable built by some Indians for which he paid and that he had at the time of inspection a log house worth \$150.00 and a log stable worth \$40.00. In view of the residence performed Mr. Binarsson was granted permission to purchase this land.

Respecting lot numbered 20, I may say that as a report from a Homestead Inspector bearing date of the 3rd May, 1912, set forth that Mrs. Elizabeth Sinclair had been in continuous residence since her husband's death fifteen years previous and that there was erected thereon a log house, Mrs. Sinclair was later permitted to purchase the land, patent for which was issued in her name in April, 1913.

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Dept. of Indian Affairs.

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