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Ottawa, 5th January, 1914.

Sir,

On the 22nd November, 1911, one Jean Ferron of Oka, Quebec, was convicted on a charge of supplying liquor to Indians contrary to the provisions of Section 135 of the Indian Act, and a fine of \$100 or four months' imprisonment was imposed by Mr. Indian Agent Perillard, who as Indian Agent was ex officio a justice of the peace.

Certiorari proceedings were immediately taken by Ferron and pending the disposal of such proceedings the penalty imposed by Mr. Perillard was not enforced. The Department is now advised by Mr. B.P. de Laronde, Advocate of St. Andrews, who acted for the Department in opposing these certiorari proceedings as follows:-

"Judgment was rendered on my motion for peremption in this case, on the 19th instant, allowing the same. The effect of this judgment will enable Mr. Perillard to execute the conviction against Ferron. This is in answer to yours of the 23rd instant."

Mr. Perillard, however, is no longer Indian Agent neither is he, as the Department is advised, a justice of the peace for the province. In view of this fact can Mr. Perillard now enforce the payment of the said fine or the

The Deputy Minister of Justice,

Ottawa.

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