

OTTAWA, 23rd December, 1904.

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Rev. Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th Instant, reporting that the Indians of Fisher's Grant Reserve have no fire-wood and that they have been encroaching on the property of white people, &c, and in reply to state that the Department is very much surprised to hear that the Indians of this reserve have no fire-wood.

When the Reserve was surveyed five years ago by Mr. McKean, he reported that all the lines were run through thickly wooded land except those on the shores, and on the 23rd of April last you were advised that the Department had purchased for the Indians the 36 acres of wooded land from Mr. Scott; which should serve for the supply for several years to come if properly managed.

Your obedient servant,

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Secretary.

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