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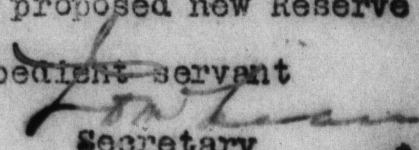
Ottawa Jan 19, 1909

Sir,-

Referring to a memorandum dated 6th May, 1907 from the Lands Patent branch of your Department but not signed or numbered, addressed to J.W. Greenway, Esq., Commissioner of Dominion Lands, and in connection with the new Reserve in the vicinity of Bright Sand Lake Tps. 52, 53 and 54, Rgs. 19, 20 and 21, W.3.M. proposed to be acquired for the Indians of the Thunderchild Band who have surrendered their present Reserve, I beg to inform you that a complaint has been received in this Department from Mr. Arthur Hitchcock who it appears is the owner of the Timber Limit in that locality to the effect that some Indians have built about thirty houses on his limit near Turtle Lake. It is possible that these Indians may be members of the above mentioned Thunderchild Band.

One of the items in connection with the surrender is to the effect that the Indians are to have a supply of timber, either growing on their New Reserve or to have a Timber Limit set apart for them. I shall be obliged if you will inform me what can be done in this direction, and I would further ask that the issue of leases for Timber Berths may be delayed in that vicinity until the this Department has been able to have the proposed new Reserve surveyed.

Your obedient servant


 Secretary

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 Dept. of the Interior,
 Ottawa.

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