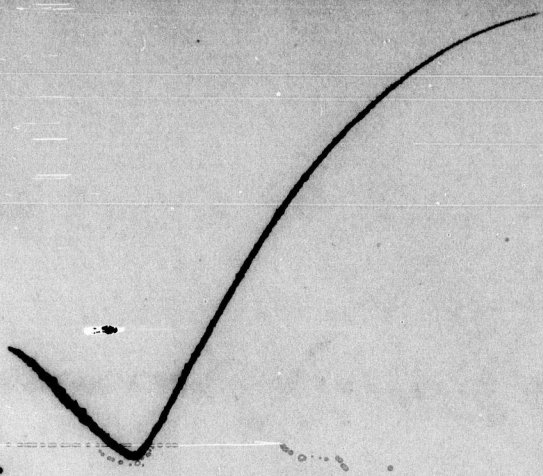


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27<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 7

Sir,

With reference to the application,  
 as reported in your letter of the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
 ultimus of the Providence Bay Co.  
 for a cancellation of the sale to  
 Thomas Marshall of that portion of  
 Lot 9. Concession 7, Carnarvon, which  
 surrounds the dam, erected by the  
 Company on the extreme northern end  
 of the lot, I have to inform you that  
 the Department is advised that the  
 only power to cancel sales is that  
 given by the Indian Act 1876 (Section  
 35), and that it is confined to cases  
 where the Superintendent General  
 is satisfied that the purchaser has  
 been guilty of fraud or imposition

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