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J. D. McLean, Esq.,
Assistant Deputy and Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th instant referring to William Thompson, Postmaster, Churchouse, B. C., regarding a certain piece of land on which the Homalco school building and the Indian graveyard are situated, which he claims are included in Pre-emption Record 2851.

I am directed by the Commission to say that such a claim as the one of Mr. Thompson does not come within its jurisdiction. As for the file dealing with this matter which was sent to the Commission on the 30th of April last, and was here consequently before the work of the Commission was commenced, it was in the Department of Indian Affairs when Mr. Young did his examination of the files, and it is only a few days ago that such files were brought back to this office. As soon as the same is found, we shall see that it is sent back to the Department.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Secretary.