Ottawa, 1st March, 1905.

Sir,-

Your valuation of the right of way of the Canadian Northern Railway across the Valley River Indian Reserve, No. 63 A, was as follows:-

Right of Way 82.5 acres valued at . .\$600.00 To re-build the bridge destroyed

by the Company . . . 

\$730.00

Interest for two years at five per cent . . \$ 73.00

\$803.00

The Railway Company has taken decided objection to your valuation of the land. The Hon. Mr. Laird thinks that your valuation may have been governed by an erroneous idea of the amount paid for the right of way through the Blackfoot Indian Reserve, which you supposed was \$15. per acre, whereas it was only \$5. per acre.

The Company is willing to pay \$5. per acre, and the Department is disposed to accept this sum.

The amount to be demanded from the Company will, therefore, be as follows:-

G.H. Wheatley, Esq., Indian Agent, Birtle, Man.

AIR SECTION

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