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12<sup>th</sup> May 86

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8<sup>th</sup> Instant respecting a request made by Mr. H. S. Williams of Quebec, N. W. T. that certain lands in that vicinity be opened for settlement; and in reply I beg to inform you that the purport of your letter has been communicated to the Indian Commissioner for Manitoba and the North West Territories with a view to the same being made known to Mr. Williams.

I have the honor to be  
 Sir  
 your obedient servant  
 A. M. H. [Signature]  
 Deputy of the Dept. of  
 Indian Affairs

A. M. Burgess Esq.  
 Deputy Minister  
 of the Interior

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