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Hon. E. Dewdney
Indian Commr for
Man & N.W.T.
Winnipeg
Man

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Dec 20 /82

19.12.82

Sir,

I have the honor to
ack the receipt of your
letter of the 7th inst enclosing
copy of a Petition signed
by a portion of Chief Key's
band relative to obtaining
a Reserve in the neighborhood
of Shoal Lake, Manitoba;
together with ^{copies of} Correspondence
in relation to the same ~~the~~
~~petition~~ ~~in which~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ ~~stated~~
~~that~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ ~~necessary~~
in connection with this matter
that it appears necessary
that accurate information
should be obtained ^{forwarded} relative
to the land on which these
Ind^s in question have their
improvements in order
that the Dept of the Interior
may be advised thereof
so that complications
may be prevented
through the same being
sold by that Dept to
Settlers.

I have &c

from Agents Martin & ...
latter report my agent

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