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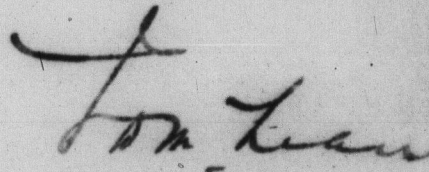
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Sir,-

I have noted the contents of your letter of the 24th October, and in reply I beg to say that no portion of the proceeds of the sale of timber off Indian Reserves Numbers 26A and 26B is at present available for expenditure. The money has been funded and will not be expended until such time as it has been decided whether it should be administered by this Department or by the Department of Crown Lands, Ontario.

With reference to the report of the Chief of Bands Numbers 26 A and 26B to the effect that a number of widows and orphans of the Band are in need of assistance, I beg to say that if such is the case you may incur an expenditure not exceeding \$100.00 in furnishing them with such relief as is absolutely necessary.

Your obedient servant,



Secretary.

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