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Ottawa, January 3, 1914.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo. giving explanations in regard to your action as to submitting of surrender to the Indians of the land applied for by Mr. Wm. DeMerchant, and in reply to say that the Department considers that you should have acted in this matter with more promptitude, and not delegated the giving of notice of the meeting to the Indians without seeing that such was done. You should give this matter personal attention, and have a meeting called as early as it is possible to secure a representative gathering of the Indians. It will be necessary to have a majority of the Indians attend the meeting to consider the question of surrender. It will not be necessary to have the Chief present at the meeting, as if surrender assented to by the Indians, affidavit of execution may be made by yourself and two of the principal men.

Your obedient servant,

*L. M. ...*  
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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