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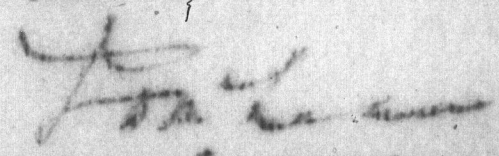
OTTAWA. Feb. 7th. 1920.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 3rd. inst. regarding the presence of white men cutting timber on the Garden River Reserve I have to state that no white men are allowed to occupy, reside or use any Indian Reserve without the consent of the band and the sanction of the Department.

You should at the first opportunity report this state of affairs to the local Indian Agent at Sault Ste. Marie who will doubtless report fully to the Department, when action can be taken to see that the interests of the Indians are not interfered with.

Your obedient servant,


Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

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