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Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Referring to letter from your office [illegible] "Finance 15120-1897", I have the honor to inform you that I did not [illegible] that the location of the ditches referred to, for which an [illegible] has been made, would be made with the instruments [illegible]. The work I desire the instrument for will be entirely subsidiary to or separate from the larger ditches or canals. It will hardly be practicable, or to be expected that the officers engaged on that work will go here and there about the reservation as I do, giving advice about the location of minor ditches, most, if not all, of them entirely independent of the [illegible] system but enabling the Indians to irrigate considerable land under [illegible] control, [illegible].

[illegible] that an old but serviceable instrument which [illegible] for the work for which I need it could be spared from the [illegible] of the Interior Department.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

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