

Lands & Works Dept

Victoria 30th April 73

Dr IW Powell

Supt Indian Affairs

Victoria Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th [illegible word] with Enclosure –

In regard to the suggestion that “Each family be assigned a location of eighty acres of land,” it will be in the first place necessary to define the number so applied to the term family, and would suggest that we adopt the rule in use in the North West Territory vis “[illegible word]” as applied to that term, but in doing so consider that Eighty is far too large an acreage for each family of [illegible word] –

The reservations so far in this Province have averaged about six acres to each family, taking the population of your figures and the acreage of present reserves –

I have the honor to be

Your obdt

Robert Beaven

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