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INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
North-West Territories,

Winnipeg, 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 1881.

My dear Sir,

I received your letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. this morning. I fear I shall not be in Montreal or Ottawa for some time as the Dept have to be satisfied here to remain here for the present.

My father has lately enclosed to me your letter to him dated 1<sup>st</sup> March. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept which refers to the Coal locations on the Belly River<sup>in</sup> which he & his kith & kin are interested. I saw your letter I would infer that the "applications" have not been placed so as to cover  
the

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The most desirable Coal locations  
but perhaps you are unaware  
that the Govt have consented to  
grant mining privileges over 20  
acres adjoining each "application".

Mr J. C. Nelson, D. C. S.  
who perhaps you may know  
is now in Ottawa and it was  
from him I got the original  
plans, of which I believe you have  
copies. I am sure Sir Alexander  
would take it as a great favor if  
you would confer with Mr Nelson  
with a view to ascertain whether  
it will be necessary for Mr  
Sutcliffe to have other locations  
staked

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Started off, for if so, action  
must be taken at once.

I should be much  
obliged if you would drop me  
a line after seeing her below.

Believe me

Yours truly

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