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(Subject.)

Mobile Forest Concessions

States further as to negotiations for transfer of
respects & Macalister Concessions to himself
& Mr. Penfell & asks that transfer may now
be made.

(Minutes.)

Mr. Cantelano

This is addressed to me
personally. I find in practice
that I am not relieved of the
necessity of seeing Conspicuous
by the afft. of the Conspicuous
Committee but I do not propose
to add to the complications
by entering into a private
correspondence with Lord Nelson
Reply that notwithstanding
the failure of the Agreement
to which heretofore it is probable
that if Capt. Diefenbacher &

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^{Mr} Captain Macalister had been
on the spot & anxious to begin
work permits of occupation would
have been granted.

However that may be the reason
for which Lord Elgin was unwilling
to effect a transfer of the lands
to Lord Nelson & his friends was
that in their existing laws
did not appear to afford sufficient
security for the due development
of the land, & he therefore preferred
to take advantage of the clause
prohibiting transfers without the
assent of the Commr: in order to ac-
cure the violation of paper govern-
ment of this kind. Lord Elgin
does not find in the evidence
any objection which would
lead Lord Nelson to believe
that a transfer of the lands would
be allowed without such objection.

W. H. 28/5

To write I am advised that it
is impossible for the Dir: or for me
to refuse all concessions hither to the
Concessions Committee and to refuse
to see any of them or make any

we should like to do so.

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Dear accounting ..

T. H.

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at me

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Dear Mr Ellis

Many thanks for sending me a copy of the Com. book volume 1902. I will return it to you in a day or two.

A remark which fell from you the other day when in the course of the 14th Convention rather surprised me. You said that I must not take it for granted that the Com. would be transferred & I gathered from subsequent conversation that Captain Sumpster & Mr Macdonald had not carried out their part of the agreement & consequently the programme might lapse the transfer, & the particular point emphasized was that they had done nothing to develop the Com., & when I remarked that I would like to see both, you explained, but they would.



If you will kindly look at the report to the Com. - 1902

leave may be transferred. If the former
refuse I think I am entitled to have a
portion of the refund. After the
leave is assigned I shall then hope to be
granted the further extensions I wish
& which I understand would be allowed.

A new leave would then be necessary
& the plan agreed to by all parties
be the leave so should have been
for the development of the project.

I am sure you will agree with
that after the many months of neglect
it is time to have some
settlement.

I am
W. A. Wilson