

Smith, Wm. E., Asst. Sec. of Treas. June 17, 1886

Hill to Martin Maginnis

Smith will help in any way he can - call on him and report fully the situation. If Fort Berthold matter can be reached by executive order, probably there will be no trouble, as the annual saving to the government on transportation alone may be reason enough, but you may have to introduce a bill, even though it is too late for passage this season. I hardly think the Fort Assiniboine Reservation is necessary, but you can learn better as to that in Washington. "I was surprised to find the Northern Pacific Land grant so roughly handled. As you say, they seem to have mismanaged it."

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