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Department of the Interior,
Office of Indian Affairs,
May 9th, 1876.

J. C. Bridgman Esq.
U. S. Indian Agent.
Keshenaw Wis.

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You are directed to bring the matter to the attention of the U. S. Dist. Attorney, for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, in order that he may cause a seizure to be made of the logs by legal process, and bring an action of replevin against the purchasers of any portion thereof for their recovery.

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Very Respectfully,

S. H. Galpin
Acty Commissioner.