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Ottawa, February 9th., 1916.

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Sir,-

Referring to your letter of the 4th instant, with enclosure, I beg to state that the explanations furnished regarding the issue of destitute supplies at Pine Creek quite satisfactory. You are authorized to purchase 15 sacks of flour and 100 pounds of bacon, and arrange to reimburse Rev. Father Leonard for the relief he has given of his own supplies.

With regard to the statement that only 25 sacks of flour were supplied the Pine Creek Band last year, the Department regrets that as in the case of the twine the flour delivered under contract at Winnipegosis was not properly distributed. Eighty-five (85) sacks were delivered to be distributed as follows:-

Water Hen River.....	20	sacks.
Pine Creek.....	35	"
Shoal River.....	30	"

If the Pine Creek Band only received 25 sacks the other bands received more than their share, and you will please explain to Father Leonard why he received less flour than usual. If the other bands complain this year that they do not get as much flour as last year you will explain to them that they received more than was intended for them.

Your obedient servant,



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