

No. 1239.

Office of the

Indian Commissioner

For Manitoba and the North-West Territories.

AccountRegina, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 1886.

Sir:-

I have the honor to inform you that as Half-breeds who have been considered members of the Treaty were up to the time of their withdrawal to all intents & purposes Indians, any arrears due them as Indians should be paid them when they withdraw in order that they may have no further claim as Indians. As regards the manner of payment a voucher should be sent to this office. On no account should the same be cashed by a merchant as the claim would have to be investigated here and if found satisfactory the voucher would be paid by official cheques. Full explanations should be given as to why the annuitant was not paid his annuity regularly etc.

I have the honor to be, Sir  
Your obedient servant

The Indian Agent  
Peace Hills.

Hayden Reed  
Asst Comr