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OFFICE OF THE

Indian Commissioner,

North-West Territories,

Circular.

Regina, 2nd October, 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to request particular attention to the general instructions issued, with regard to gathering up the implements in the hands of Indians, in the Fall of the year, and re-issuing them when required, in order to keep a check upon them. Farming Instructors should, at all times, take charge of implements which are not in use, and not properly cared for by the Indians to whom they have been entrusted.

Of course there are exceptional cases to be recognized, as to Indians who have been found to be so careful, and worthy of confidence, that, to interfere with them, in the custody of their implements, could not fail to be productive of harm, rather than good.

District account of all such implements should be kept, and their state of repair noticed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,
Hayter Reed,
Asst. Commissioner.

Indian Agent,
Peace Hills.

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