

as much as possible by travelling on snow-shoes. From time to time, if you come across a first-class dog, you will be at liberty to exchange a poor one for it, paying the necessary amount required. If you find that you cannot finish the work assigned you, in time to return all the way with dogs, you can return by boat, leaving your outfit in charge of some one for the summer, who will summer the dogs also. You can return via Isle à la Crosse and Green Lake if you think advisable.

You have been supplied with copies of all the ordinances and statutes you are likely to require, and have received a letter from the Commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company to their officers in the north, which will be a great assistance to you. It will be necessary for you to keep a copious diary, and to send out short reports whenever possible.

L. W. HERCHMER,
Commissioner.

NORTH-WEST MOUNTED POLICE,
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER,

REGINA, 3rd May, 1897.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward herewith, reports just received from Inspector Jarvis on his Athabasca trip, together with the map of the route taken by him. I propose to station one man and one scout at the following points:—Athabasca Landing, Grand Rapids, Lesser Slave Lake and Fort Smith on the Great Slave River, and am writing to the Hudson's Bay Company, asking them to arrange to let us have supplies at these places at as low a rate as possible.

I have the honour to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,

The Comptroller,
North-west Mounted Police,
Ottawa.

L. W. HERCHMER,
Commissioner.

Re Northern Patrol.

NORTH WEST MOUNTED POLICE,

FORT SASKATCHEWAN, 29th April, 1897.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward herewith the following papers, &c., in connection with above, viz.:—

- General Report of trip.
- Supplementary report on different subjects that special reports were asked for.
- Return of Proceedings had.
- Map, showing route travelled, &c.
- Samples of grain grown on the most northerly ranch in America.

I have the honour to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,

The Commissioner
North-west Mounted Police,
Regina.

A. H. GRIESBACH, *Supt.*
Commanding "G" Division.