April 13, 1920.

Dear Mr. Graham,-

I have your letter of the 6th instant, with reference to the Order in Council, cutting off telephones in the residences of Government officials. All I can do is to quote from the Order in Council, dated March 16, 1920, as

- "The Minister, concurring in the views of the sub-committee of Council above referred to, recommends that the payment for residence telephones used by members of the Government and the service generally, with the exception of the Ministers' Private Secretaries, above mentioned, be the Ministers' Private Secretaries, above mentioned, be discontinued from the 1st April, 1920, date to which present elephone rentals have been paid, and further, that the telephone rentals have been paid, and further, that the Auditor General be directed to see that no accounts from whatever source for residence telephones, with the exception above referred to, be passed for payment.

From this you will observe that even the Ministers' telephones have been discontinued.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Superintendent General.

Commissioner for the Department of Indian Affairs, W.M. Graham, Esq., Regina, Sask.

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