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Ottawa, 24th March, 1920.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 20th instant in which you report that Joseph Sioul is paid wages at the rate of \$4.00 or \$5.00 a day; and in reply I beg to say that in view of this fact you should inform the St. Charles Hospital at Quebec that they should look in future to this Indian for payment for the maintenance of his children in the said Institution, as the Department will not continue to bear expense on the children's behalf.

You have also stated that George Grosblouis recently visited Montreal to cast his vote, and you have drawn attention to the fact that the Department is making payment at the rate of \$8.00 a month for relief supplies on behalf of his wife. It would seem that this man is in a position to make payment for his family, and you should give him to understand that he is expected to do so. Be good enough to inform him that if he fails to provide support, legal measures will be taken to compel him to do so.

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Maurice Bastien Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Indian Lorette, P.Q.

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