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Ottawa, 25th August, 1914.

Sir:-

I beg to say that the accounts which you submitted from Mr. D. R. Bedell and Messrs. George T. Baird & Company, which accounts amount, respectively, to \$ 301.69 and \$ 104.50 for relief supplies furnished to Indians during June quarter, are before the Department. It is considered that the expenditure for relief has been of an extravagant nature. It is observed that you caused clothing to be issued, for the purchase of which seemingly no authority was granted by the Department. In future, if issues of this nature are made without the Department's sanction, the charges for the same will be struck out of the accounts when received. There is no reason apparently why Joe Perley should have been furnished with supplies consequent upon his wife's illness. It is considered that he is able to provide for his family and he should do so. The Department desires an explanation from you as to why aid was given to this family. You should also explain the issues of relief supplies to Frank Lolar, and you should state why authority in the matter was not obtained. There is no apparent reason for assistance having been given to Frank Solis, unless his illness was of long duration, and you should have obtained authority from Head-quarters before granting assistance.

You

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