Ottawa ,19th January, 1909.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, giving the names of certain Indians in your Agency who are in destitute circumstances, and stating that in the case of John Washishkung you arranged to have him supplied with a bag of flour and certain other provisions; and in reply I beg to say that as seemingly the case was urgent the Department approves of your action, but in future relief should not be supplied (unless in cases requiring immediate a-ction) until authority is granted by the Department. I may say that relief supplies in the way of actual necessaries may be furnished in each of the other cases referred to in your letter.

Your obedient servant.

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secretary.

S. Hagan, Esqr,

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Indian Agent,

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