



Ottawa June 7, 1913.

Mr. Inspector Swinford, who was directed to make an inspection of the books of the Red Deer Industrial school with a view to obtaining the amount of the deficit which the Rev. Mr. Ferrier, Superintendent of Methodist Indian Schools, wishes the Department to assume, reports that after a thorough examination of the school accounts he finds that there are debts and goods contracted for to the amount of \$2,754.98 without available funds to meet this indebtedness. Mr. Swinford is of the opinion that the Department should not be called upon to pay this deficit which he is convinced was incurred through want of management and lack of experience, and he gives numerous instances of purchases made that are not a legitimate charge against the per capita grant that have caused the expenditure to exceed the income.

Mr. Swinford states that the Methodist Society has advanced \$3,250.00 to square up accounts and that about \$200 a month is being withheld from the earnings of

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