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Dear Mr. Graham,--

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant with reference to the application of Dr. Wilmet, of Roblin, Man., for appointment as medical officer to the Indians of the Valley River reserve, I may say that Dr. Shortreed resigned his position as medical officer on April 1, last.

Dr. Shortreed submitted an account to the Department for \$141.30 for drugs, without showing any details, furnished between October 7 and December 5, last, during the influenza epidemic. As this account was considered very high, the Department took the position that details must be shown before the question of payment could be considered. Dr. Shortreed evidently took umbrage at this and tendered his resignation. Subsequently the necessary details with respect to the drug charges were forwarded to the Department by Mr. Agent Weir, and on April 28, last, Dr. Shortreed was informed that the amount would be paid as soon as funds were available. Dr. Shortreed

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