

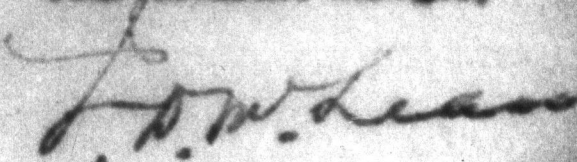
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Ottawa, 20th January, 1917.

SIR-

I am in receipt of the voucher rendered at \$7.70, which you submitted recently in favour of the Bell Telephone Company of Canada, and with reference thereto I beg to say that it is desired that the Department be asked to pay at the rate of \$1.00 a quarter for use of telephone. This charge is not indicated in view of the fact that the contract price is \$15.00 per annum. I have also to point out that the Department paid in full the last account which the Bell Telephone Company rendered, namely in August last, and therefore an explanation is desired with regard to the charge of \$1.00 "balance due on account previously rendered". You should also include the charges of .20¢ and .20¢ (total .40¢) for message. The Department desires to know the nature of each message charged for and whether the same was sent on Departmental business. The voucher for \$7.70 is returned herewith for acknowledgment. When it has been received with explanation, the matter of payment will be considered.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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