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Ottawa, May 5, 1915.

Sir,-

I beg to refer you to official letters from this Department dated March 30th and April 10th, last, regarding the admission of Jeannette Montana and Alfred Pechow to the Onion Lake (C.E.) Boarding School.

In further reference to these admissions I beg to inform you that the Department is in receipt of a communication from the Principal of this school, in which he states the reasons which led him to take these two children into his school. In view of the Principal's explanations the Department has decided to allow these children to enter the school as grant earning pupils, but upon condition that if at any time in the future a request is made to have them removed from this school on the ground of their religion they will have to be discharged at once. The admission of these two children under these circumstances is not to form a precedent for future admissions of a like nature to this school and the Principal has been informed accordingly. He was also informed that in future he should not take children of Roman Catholic parents into his school.

The Department would like you to be good enough to return the application for the admission of Jeannette Montana, which was sent you in official letter of March 30th, last.

W. Sibbald, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Onion Lake, Sask.

Your obedient servant,

L. J. [Signature]
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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