Ottawa, 9th June, 1905.

Sir,-

With reference to your letter No. 121 of the 31st May regarding water supply.

The Department has no objection to you building a dam across one of the creeks mentioned in your letter provided you can get the work done in return for food supplies issued to the destitute. At the same time it would like to be inform whether the conditions regarding the water supply as described by you have always existed there.

You will remember that the same difficulties prevailed at Touchwood Agency until a well of good water was found close to your house, although other wells in close proximity were too alkaline for use.

Probably there is the same formation of strata at your present Agency and by testing with a three or four inch auger welded on the end of a square iron rod 16 feet long, a supply of good water might be obtained convenient to the Agency.

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

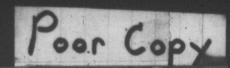
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