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Ottawa, December 27, 1918.

Rev. Sir,-

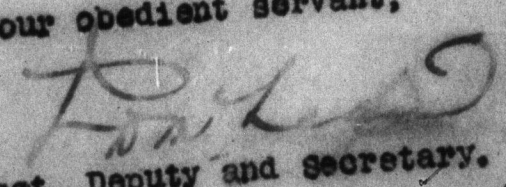
I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant enclosing a certificate from Dr. McDermott regarding the health of pupil No. 146, Peter Johnson, of the Spanish River Industrial School.

In reply I beg to say that it has been decided to send this boy home to his mother at St. Regis and you should make the necessary arrangements to have him and pupil No. 419, Joseph Martin, sent home together. You will be good enough to inform Mr. F. E. Taillon, Indian Agent, St. Regis, Que., by telegram, of the date on which they will arrive at Cornwall. You should provide them with tickets from Spanish to Cornwall, Ont., via Ottawa, and sufficient meals for this journey. They will change at Ottawa and travel from there to Cornwall by the Ottawa and New York Railway.

The Department will pay the cost of their transportation upon receipt of properly certified vouchers, in duplicate, from you covering the expenditure.

If Peter Johnson's health does not improve after a reasonable time at his home, the question of sending him to a sanatorium, as recommended by Dr. McDermott, will then be considered.

Your obedient servant,

  
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Rev. T. A. Desautels, S.J.,  
Principal,  
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