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OTTAWA, March 26th--1903.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 19th. instant, in further reference to the exceedingly large account which you forwarded from Mr. Curtis for white-wash brushes, etc., furnished to your Indians, it is thought that the Indians could have done the work probably with a few brushes, to be used by them in turn.

You state that your object was to "supply each family with a brush, not only for last year, but that they might have one for the future". It is very unlikely that the Indians will take any care of the brushes, and, in all probability, when required again, they will not be forthcoming if left in their care.

Your obedient servant,

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