

Samples of such implements and
 tools, as will be required at the
 different agencies in the Mani-
 toba Superintendency will also
 be sent to you for transmission
 to the different Agents to whom
 you will be good enough to re-
 peat very clearly the directions
 as to the safe-keeping of the un-
 perishable articles given above,
 and you will advise them fur-
 ther that, having &c. &c. &c.

The Department will be glad
 to hear what Mr. McKay has to urge
 in extenuation of what appears
 to be - at least - a perfunctory per-
 formance of duty.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

R. B. Sinclair
 For the Supt. Genl. of Indian
 Affairs.