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Ottawa, 27th May, 1904.

SIR

Referring to your letter of the 11th inst., with inclosures, regarding the terms under which Mr. Frederick Rhodes was appointed to the position of issued on the Blood Reserve, and advising the Department of the friction which has arisen between him and the Agent over the question of duties to be performed by Mr. Rhodes under his appointment: I beg leave to say that the instructions of the Agent are to be observed, and, if the Officer so instructed has any complaint to make, he can very easily bring it to the attention of the Department and Mr. Rhodes should be so told.

The Department is not overlooking your references as to the dispensing with Mr. Rhodes' services and further economy in management, but immediate action on these matters is withheld.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Francis Bell
Deputy Supt. General of Indian Affrs.

Mrs. David Laird,
Indian Commissioner,
Winnipeg, Man.

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