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With Cheque.

Ottawa 2nd January, 1912.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo, in which you report that 35 miles of fencing will be required at your Agency, and that the wire should be of the kind used by the Canadian Northern Railway Company, and that the lowest price given for such wire has been quoted to you at \$22.00 per hundred rods of \$222.00 delivered at Shellbrook; and in reply I have to inform you that the Department desires that you will lose no time in submitting the name of each firm from which you received a quotation, stating at the same time the prices quoted. You should also give the names of all the persons from whom you asked quotations. You should not place an order without reporting to Headquarters and obtaining definite instructions.

With reference to the work of building the fence the Department will be glad to learn how you propose to obtain tenders for the same. You should state whether it is your intention to advertise. When the contract is let a condition with regard to the award of the same should be that Indian labour is to be employed as far as possible.

I enclose herewith an accountable cheque No 5319 for \$512.00.

Your obedient servant.

[Signature]
 Thos. Northwick, Esq.,
 Indian Agent, Asst. Deputy & Secretary.
 Mistawasis P.O. Sask.