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Ottawa, June 5, 1912.

Sir,-

With reference to the annual report received from you, I regret to have to say that it is not suitable for publication. Apparently you have overlooked paragraph 4 in the Department's circular of instructions; the paragraph reads as follows:-

"4. Confine yourself simply to a narration of such facts as should appear in a report intended for publication. Complaints of Indians, suggestions as to policy or remarks that might give cause for criticism of the management of Indian Affairs, and all subjects involving considerable and further correspondence, should be brought before the Department in the form of official letters and omitted altogether from your annual report."

Your remarks about scattered reserves, an appropriation for an industrial school, and certain penalties under the Indian Act, are altogether unsuitable for publication.

It is regretted that your report was not examined earlier in order that you might have been given time to write another for publication this year. It is possible, however, that if you could write another report in a short time after the receipt of this letter, it might be received in time to be inserted in its proper place while the proof-reading is being done.

Your obedient servant,

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