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Ottawa, August 20, 1909.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 9th and 12th instant, regarding the resignation of Farmer Slater, and your telegram of the 14th instant, stating that you have engaged him until spring.

In reply I have to say that you had no authority whatever for re-engaging Slater after submitting his resignation to the Department. I may state, however, that in view of your telegram Slater's resignation will not be accepted, and his continuance in the position of Farmer will be dependent upon his conduct being satisfactory. You will be good enough to advise him accordingly.

Your obedient servant,


Secretary.

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