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tion of the building. The law requires that the Public Works Department shall take such work in hand and carry it to completion; and the Officers of that Department consequently have the control and supervision of all such matters as these referred to by your Honour.

I have no doubt that Mr. Semmens' intimate knowledge of Indian character and language will be of invaluable service in the success of the efforts that will be made to educate the Indian children at the Institution.

I am glad to learn from your Honour that Mr. Reader forwarded to you the Cree Almanac which you requested me to ask him to do.

I have recently heard from him when he expressed the intention of doing himself the honour of calling at Government House on his next visit to Winnipeg. I only wish that we had a few more men like Mr. Reader among our Indians as Agents who would care, not only for their material, but also for their spiritual welfare.