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Ottawa, 3rd March, 1915.

Sir,-

I beg to say that the Department has been given to understand that Indians of your Agency live under most unsanitary conditions owing to their failure to keep their houses clean, and to remove refuse, etc. from the immediate vicinity of their dwellings. It is desired that you will lose no time in inquiring into the prevailing conditions and making report thereon to the Department.

At other agencies Indians have been trained, through the efforts of those placed over them in official positions, to keep their houses clean. The women have been taught to scrub the floors and wash the clothing worn by the different members of the family, while the houses have been white-washed. The Department desires to have you endeavour to obtain like results. It is important that the Indians shall be taught the necessity of ventilating their houses. Your full report in the matter will be awaited.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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