

29th March 6

Gentlemen,

Some years ago this Department procured a number of hand mills for grinding grain, to be used by Indians in the North West Territories.

It has become necessary to obtain a further supply of such hand mills, and I have to request that you will be good enough to inform this Department whether they can be procured in Canada and, if not, how long it would take to import them from England; also whether you has, in late years, been any

improvement
 Messrs. Frothingham & Wilkinson

Hardware Merchants

Montreal.