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Referring to your letter of the 4th instant, relative to the shipment of supplies for the Norway House Agency, by Mr. Inspector Semmens, I beg to state that the Department regrets that such grave mistakes were made and trusts that you have been able to over-come the difficulties caused thereby during the annuity payments

On receipt of your letter the following telegram dated the 15th instant was sent you, viz:- "Purchase Pflour for Treaty rations at four points short and "utilize bacon and ten in Selkirk warehouse for sume "purpose where required . Indeavour to locate a l "supplies on lake and make best distribution possible & "Writing to Norway House."

Mr. Semmens erred in shipping the supplies received by him at Selkirk from the Contractors or the Department's warehouse to Norway House as that Band and the others North were to be supplied by the Hudson's Bay Company.

The supplies which he shipped to Norway House should therefore not be issued to the Indians at that point, but returned to the Bands on the lake that are entitle

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