

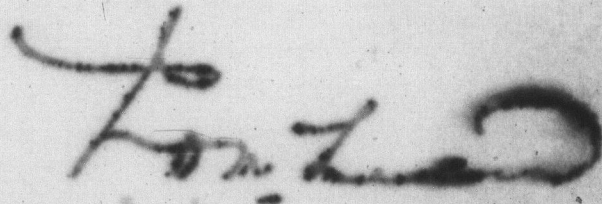
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Ottawa 25th April, 1905.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 17th instant, I beg to say that you may incur a small expenditure in having necessary ploughing done this spring for your Indians, if you are assured that they will seed their land. They must, however, procure seed for themselves as the Department can not aid them in the purchase of the same. Seed grain grants have been discontinued, it having been found that the Indians did not permanently benefit thereby, but rather relied upon the Department for ^{assistance} ~~supply~~ when they should have exerted themselves towards being self-supporting.

Your obedient servant.



Secretary.

J. H. McDonald, Esq.,

Indian Agent,

Heatherton, N.S.

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