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Ottawa, June 24, 1910.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo in reference to the school on the Berens River reserve.

In reply I beg to say that the Department is pleased to know that Miss Hayter is a well qualified teacher and that she is doing fairly good work considering the very poor attendance.

In reference to the matter of improving the attendance I may say that the Department would, if practicable, be disposed to carry out your suggestion and provide a simple mid-day meal for the children, if the teacher would be willing to prepare it. You will be good enough to take this matter up with Miss Hayter and when reporting make suggestions as to the nature of the meal that you think could be conveniently provided. I may say that if some improvement can be effected in the attendance the Department would be disposed to increase Miss Hayter's salary, but present conditions would not warrant such action now.

In reporting on this school you will be good enough to state the number of children that should attend, the distance they reside from the school and give fuller information with regard to the character, habits, etc. of the parents.

Your obedient servant,

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