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Ottawa,, November 2, 1910.

Rev. Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th ultimo in reference to assistance to certain ex-pupils of the Red Deer Industrial School.

In reply I beg to say that the matter of rendering some suitable aid to the Reuben Bull of the Whitefish Lake Band will be taken up with the local Agent Mr. Batty.

In regard to your recommendation that Louie Lee Bull be supplied with a team of horses and harness I may say that the Department, while desirous to do what is considered reasonable for this deserving ex-pupil, is not prepared, under the circumstances, to help this young man to the extent which you recommend. In the past nearly all assistance granted in Alberta has been to Indian boys who have commenced farming operations on the reserves to which they belong and in no case has it been to nearly the extent asked for in this instance. This young man apparently has no settled home and it is doubtful whether he is in a position to properly care for such equipment if he had it. Then again he would not be under the direct guidance of an official of the Department as is the case with those who live upon the reserves. Should this boy, however, prove industrious and be successful by his own labour in saving some money from his earnings the Department might, at a later date, consider the possibility of assisting him in some way.

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