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December 26, 1918.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 4th instant in reference to water supply for Norway House Boarding school, and in reply to say that before considering the purchase of the Hudson Bay pumping outfit, additional information will be necessary.

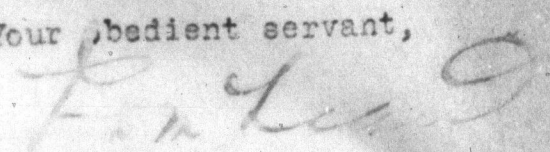
As you are aware, the Department when erecting this building, provided a complete pumping and pneumatic storage equipment, this, owing to the very severe winter conditions, could not be operated during the severe weather, and as this could not be remedied without considerable expenditure which could not be undertaken at that time, the Department provided horses and conveyances for the carrying of the water during the cold season.

There is no reason that the department is aware of why the existing pumping plant is not capable of furnishing the necessary water during the moderate weather. It will, therefore, be necessary for you to report fully on the condition of the pumping plant now there, including pipe line to water, together with all other information respecting this, that the Department may be fully informed as to the conditions when giving consideration.

The sizes and quality of the pipe which you quote at 75¢ per 10 feet length should also be furnished, and state if this is stocked and can be purchased in that vicinity.

A diagram showing the distance from the building to the lake where water is to be pumped, should also accompany your report.

Your obedient servant,


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