

OTTAWA, 6th December, 1895.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst., calling attention to the contract of Mr. Sheehan for the mail service between Meteghan and railway station, and asking what steps the Department proposes to take in view of your offer to perform this service for \$72.00 per annum. In reply, I am to say that the matter will be laid before the Postmaster General.

I am, &c.,

ARTHUR LINDSAY,  
*Superintendent.*

Mr. WM. GERMAN,  
Meteghan, N.S.

METEGHAN, 4th January, 1896.

SIR,—On December 6th I received a letter from your superintendent saying that the matter *re* carrying mails from Meteghan and railway station for \$72 per year would be laid before you for your approval. Will you consider the matter over? You have letters from me before contract was renewed saying that I would carry the mails for \$72 per year, and the contract was awarded to Mr. Sheehan without notice of tenders. Now if you will give this matter your earliest consideration and let me know whether you are going to cancel the present contract and apply for tenders, by so doing you will oblige.

Yours truly,

WILLIAM GERMAN.

Postmaster General.

OTTAWA, 8th January, 1896.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., again calling attention to the question of inviting tenders for the mail service between Meteghan and railway station. In reply I am to say that the matter is receiving the Postmaster General's attention.

I am, &c.,

ARTHUR LINDSAY,  
*Superintendent.*

Mr. WM. GERMAN,  
Meteghan, N.S.

OTTAWA, 11th January, 1896.

MY DEAR COL. WHITE,—Herewith I return the letter which you were good enough to send me some weeks ago from Mr. William German of Meteghan River, relative to the mail service in that part of Digby County, N.S. On communicating with our friends in relation to the matter, I have the following:

"I would strongly advise should not at the present time be interfered with, but that Mr. Sheehan should be allowed to continue carrying the mails. German represents the worst Grit element in Meteghan, and it would be very unadvisable to make any change now."

Yours faithfully,

CHARLES HIBBERT TUPPER.

Lt.-Col. WHITE,  
Deputy Postmaster General.