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Ottawa, 20th April, 1915.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 16th instant I beg to say that in view of the circumstances stated with regard to the family of Bernard Descourtie of the River Desert Band, that the Department approves of your having furnished them with relief, to the value of \$ 2.00. It is observed that you suggest that further relief supplies to the value of \$ 3.00 a week be furnished these people until Descourtie is able to work. The Department does not think that this will be necessary in view of the fact that you were recently sent a cheque wherewith to make distribution of interest money to the members of the River Desert Band. If you find it necessary to provide them with further relief, assistance to the value of \$ 2.00 a week, may be provided in the way of necessaries, but the expenditure should not exceed that amount and it should not be continued after Descourtie is able to work.

Your obedient servant,


 Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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