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Father - I return thanks to the Great Mother of Life for his
charity towards us, in having enabled us to live
through a cold winter, that we might again
feel the warmth of our Great Father the King's
fire. These Chiefs & principal Soldiers have been
sent to you by our Nation to enquire if you have
any news to tell them, to ask when we may
come for the annual supply of clothing we
are accustomed to receive & to know if you
have any fresh advice to give us -

Answer by J. F. Anderson Senior Officer of the Indian
Department present.

Children - I am happy to see you all & to hear that you & your
Nation have passed a comfortable winter.
I have been ordered to tell you by Col. M. Hays, your
Father, that your Great Father will do every
thing reasonable to render the situation of his
dear Children easy, that is, he will make them
a liberal allowance of clothing & ammunition.
He will also allow to the Indians coming from
so great a distance a little Provisions.

Children - The Presents will be given to you in the same
manner they were previous to the war, - but
the authority them immediately after the receipt of them you
see. them the Indians come to this Post ? must