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Ottawa, 19th March, 1915.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt from Mr. Hutchinson of your account of the 6th March rendered at \$16.84 for supplies furnished for use at the Bel River School, and with reference thereto, I may say that explanations are desired. Kindly inform the Department who authorized the supply of articles charged for in this account, viz:- slates, brushes, soap, towels etc. It is observed that on the 4th May you furnished one dozen oranges. The Department does not understand why such articles were supplied, as the issue of oranges for use at an Indian school is an unprecedented thing.

With regard to the charges for hauling freight, etc. for the school, I may say that it will be necessary for these items to be supported by receipts. A receipt covering the express charges is also required. Explanations are required with regard to the charges for oil. Why was it necessary to furnish oil for use at the school, which presumably is only open during the day time? The necessity for returning your account is regretted, but the information asked for above should have been supplied at the time the account was presented.

Your obedient servant,

Mr. D. McDonald,
Dalhousie, N.B.