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CALGARY, Alberta,  
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Coppock file  
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D. J. [redacted] Esq.,  
Superintendent,  
Reserves & Trusts,  
Indian Affairs Branch,  
Department of Mines & Resources,  
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear David:

You will receive official letters regarding leases and farming in general on the Blackfoot Reserve, and you will note that we are handing you a package to deal with when you come out here.

You stated that you expect to leave Ottawa right after the Easter vacation. What time will that be? I hope you don't leave Ottawa before the 14th. I am leaving for the north tomorrow and will be in and about Edmonton, at the Agency, bull sale, etc., all next week, then leaving for Saddle Lake on the 14th with the new Agent and hope to return here by the 21st.

Pugh has taken over the Coppock property and is a might busy man. The International Harvester Company has let us down on machinery. Apparently they were depending on shipments due in March, and they are not forthcoming. The local manager hopes to give us a makeshift outfit within the next two weeks, but at the moment the only thing that we have is a truck. The company is on the spot, and I believe they will find enough equipment for Pugh to do the seeding. He will be expecting you to remain with him I am sure, and it is unnecessary at this time to tell you all our troubles and tribulations. As you will have anticipated, there are lots of such in taking over this outfit.

Hope you are well and that your trip will do you good. We will try not to burden you with too many troubles when you are out here. After all, we should not take them too much to heart!

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

G. H. Gooderham,  
Inspector of Indian Agencies,  
Alberta Inspectorate.

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