ottawa, 8th November, 1913.

Sir,-

with reference to the account of \$16.25 which
you submitted recently in favor of David R. Graham for
relief supplies furnished Indians of your Agency, I have
to request that you will state why you allow merchants
to issue such articles as the following in the way of
relief, namely, eggs, sodas, cakes and butter. Issues of
this nature come under the class of luxuries and should
not be issued to Indians in want. It is only in exceptional
cases of illness that the Department allows eggs to be
supplied. The ordinary issues of relief should consist
of flour and meat. In the account above mentioned there
Ass charges for bread. Indians should bake their own bread.
Persons of advanced age are sometimes allowed tea and a
little sugar, but as already pointed out ordinary issues
must be confined to flour and meat.

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

W. C. Chisholm, Esq., Indian Agent, Heatherton, N. S.

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