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Ottawa, June 23rd., 1908.

Sir,—

With reference to your letter of the 15th instant, recommending a loan to Simon Dumberry of \$200.00 to enable him to build a dwelling house on his location, I have to state that no reasons are given for granting this loan. The certificate of the Board of Health is simply a recommendation, and no information is given to the effect that his present dwelling is unsanitary or unfit to live in or that he needs a new house for some other reason. It has not been the policy of the Department to grant these loans for houses generally and the most detailed information must be given in each case before the application could be considered.

Your obedient servant,



Secretary.

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