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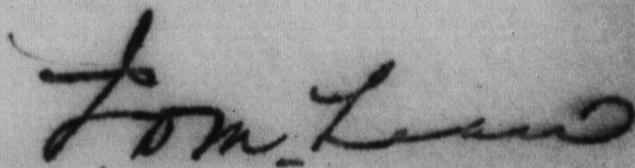
Ottawa 2nd February, 1905.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 27th ultimo, reporting in regard to Em. Bull Shield's desire to purchase a stallion belonging to the Blood Reserve, and the Agent's suggestion that the money realized be used by you in buying a more suitable animal, I beg to say that the Department is now writing to Mr Wilson advising him that the suggestion meets with approval, and that he may hand over to you the \$200.00 which he expects to receive from the Indian. You should defer buying another stallion until you hear from Headquarters in regard to the number of stallions allowed in the Estimates for 1905-6, so that you may arrange to send in all the horses together to the Blood Reserve.

Mr Wilson has been informed that in any future case of this nature he should refer the matter to the Department before taking action.

Your obedient servant,



Secretary.

J.A. Markle, Esqr.

Inspr. of Indian Agencies,

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