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Ottawa, April 14th., 1916.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, with which you forwarded an account of \$20.80 from Hurst's Pharmacy for drugs supplied upon prescriptions furnished by Dr. Jeffers during the period from the 23rd October 1915 to the 13th March 1916; and in reply I beg to say that it was assumed when Dr. Jeffers' accounts for the same period were received that they covered charges not only for attendance but also for medicines. There is a charge of \$1.25 in the drug account under date the 23rd October for medicines supplied to an Indian named Glode. Under the same date the doctor made a mileage charge of \$5.00 for visiting the patient and also a charge of \$1.00 which it was assumed was for a prescription, the total charge being \$6.00. You should explain whether the doctor not only charged mileage in visiting the patient, but also a fee of \$1.00 for his services. This would seem to be the case as apparently the medicines which the woman received were furnished from the drug store. I return herewith one copy of the Hurst's Pharmacy account, and you will find indicated thereon in pencil opposite certain entries the charges which appeared in the doctor's account, apart from mileage, and which when his accounts were received were taken to represent the cost of medicines supplied. You should inform the Department whether these charges which the doctor made in addition to mileage were all for services. It will be necessary for you to consult the doctor in the matter. Full explanations should

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