111,755-6 A

Ottawa, 18th May, 1tho.

450

Sir,-

With reference to letter to you of the 14th May and previous correspondence regarding the Tent Hospital at Waywayseecappe's Reserve, I beg to say that a communication has been received from the Rev. W. W. McLaren, Principal of the Birtle Boarding School, in which he suggests that for the reasons set forth in his letter it would be advisable to move the hospital near the School and to operate them in conjunction one with the other. I think it well to give you an extract from his letter, as follows:-

"During the last two years quite a few patients died who might have been living to-day if they had been compelled to remain at the hospital. The child has rights as well as the parent. I sincerely hope the tent hospital is not to be closed permanently. Most of the patients treated there had only the glands that broke down treated and cured. Hard swollen glands were left for future treatment in case they troke down. Two such patients I sent home this spring and there are two more at the School. Scrofula usually, one may say almost without exception, breaks out only when the mother or father have had it and when either has had the whole family have it. The worst cases are those who have inherited

syphilitic (?) complications. One after another of such families develop it as they come to a certain age. Measles, la grippe

G. H. Wheatley, Esq.,

Indian Agent,

