Ottawa, February 9th., 1916.

sir,~

I am in receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, relative to the children of the late Henry Dokis and the funds at their credit; and in reply I beg to say that in view of the fact that Dokis' widow has married a White man and is living off the reserve, it is considered advisable to appoint another guardian for Dokis' children. Mindly inform the Department whether James Dokis, son of the deceased is capable, trustworthy and of an age to act with discretion as guardian of the minor children. If you think it inadvisable to have him appointed to that position, the Department will consider appointing you as the children's guardian.

I have also to inform you that it is considered that the money on deposit in the Post Office Savings Bank for the benefit of Jessie and Ester Dokis when they come of age should be withdrawn and forwarded to the Department to be placed in the savings, where I may say it will bear interest at 3%; the same rate of interest as is earned in the Post Office savings bank. The shares of interest money payable to these two girls can blee be placed to their credit in the savings account, as the money falls due, and if at any time either of them require money, the amount needed can be made available upon an application to the Department for the .

I may also say that if the family continues to

reside

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