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Ottawa, July 11, 1919.

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Sir. -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, enclosing the June quarter return of the Onion Lake Roman Catholic Boarding School.

In connection with this return I beg to refer you to official letter of April 12th, last, regarding the absentee pupils. You were requested to take this matter up with the principal and have all the pupils who were absent, provided they were in good health, returned to the school. No reasons are given by the principal on his return as to why these pupils were absent.

I have to again request that you will give this matter your attention and as soon as school resumes classes after the summer holidays, an active effort should be made by the principal and yourself to have all absentee pupils returned to the school. In the case of any who/are not in good health and unlikely to return, application should be made by the principal for their discharge.

You should inform the Department of the action taken in having these absentees returned to the school and give the reasons in each case where such has not been done.

Your obedient servant

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