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OTTAWA, July 12th., 1916.

Sir,-

Referring to your letter of the 4th instant, relative to the Indian from Hoces Mountain Agency who escaped from the St. Boniface Hospital; I beg to state that your letter remained unanswered to date for the reason that the Department wrote the authorities of the Hospital for further particulars, but the same have not yet been received. The only additional information received is a letter from Dr. Grain in which he says that he fears the Indian must have fallen through a hole in the ice in the Red River as there are a number of sewers emptying into the river from the City, in the vicinity of the Hospital, and the fire-escape by which he escaped is closer to the river bank. The Doctor adds that he cannot conceive why the Indian should have attempted to escape as he is sure he was well treated and would have been sent home in a day or two.

The Hospital authorities are being again written to on the subject.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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Inspector of Indian Agencies,
Balcarres, Sask.

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