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Ottawa, 28th May, 1904.

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Sir,

I beg to inform you that the Department has placed in the Supplementary Estimates, for the consideration of the Superintendent General, the item of \$1500.00 for the erection of a house for the use of the clerk at the Peigan Agency, as well as the item of \$100.00 for digging a well at that Agency.

With reference to the items of \$45.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00 which you estimated respectively for the Duck Lake, Carlton and Saddle Lake Agencies, I beg to say that it is considered unnecessary to burden the Supplementary Estimates with these amounts. If it is found that the expenditure which they are intended to cover, should be made it is thought that the outlay can be met out of funds in the Main Estimates.

With reference to the \$500.00 which you estimated was required to pay salaries of employees at Onion Lake Agency (consequent upon re-arrangement of the staff) I beg to say that final action has not as yet been taken in respect to this item. When a decision has been arrived at you will be advised.

Your obedient servant.

The Hon. D. Laird,
 Indian Commissioner,
 Winnipeg, Man.

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 Deputy Supt. General,
 of Indian Affairs.