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Hotyebul, Alaska,
Nov. 13, 1913.

Mr. Walter C. Shields,
District Supt. of Schools,
Northern Alaska Division,
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

In the supplies that came a few weeks ago I found no unbleached cotton cloth ^{good} for miscellaneous uses in the hospital. There was no cotton cloth in the supplies from Stewart, Holmes & Co. It is what hospitals use as an outside wrappers in sterilising ~~out~~ gauze, towels, absorbent cotton, packs, etc. Towels for use at operations can be made from it. Operating sheets come from it. It can be used for many purposes in a hospital. I intended when in Seattle last July to requisition for at least 50 yards of it. A supply of 100 yards would not have been excessive, though a hundred yards would probably last two years. One of three persons overlooked it, viz. either myself, or Mr. Sinclair or Stewart & Holmes supply house. I need it. If I cannot have twenty five yards sent by mail ~~from the~~

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left overs of the Marine Hospital lot that is stored in your office building I shall have to buy cotton cloth in Kotzebue.

I am enclosing vouchers and assignment blank. The glass cutter that I am enclosing voucher for the purchase of is needed in repairing the school house windows. The lights in the school house windows are of two sizes. The glass that was sent is all of the size of the larger window lights.

Yours very truly

H. N. T. Nichols, M.D.

Government Physician at Kotzebue.

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