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GENERAL REPORT

VICTORIA, B. C., June 30th, 1916. 3

To the Honourable The Secretary of State, Ottawa, Canada.

 ω Sir:

I have the honour, by direction, to transmit herewith, for submission to His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada, the Report of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of Brutish Columbia.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. H. GIBBONS, Secretary.

To Field Marshal

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ARTHUR WHLIAM PATRICK ALBERT, DUKE OF CONNAUGHT AND OF STRATHEARN, K.G., K.T., K.P., etc., GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA,

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS:

The undersigned have the honour to present to Your Royal Highness the Report of the Commission appointed on the 23rd day of April, 1913, to make recommendations as to lands reserved and to be reserved for Indians in the Province of British Columbia.

> N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

J. A. J. MCKENNA, S. CARMICHAEL, *Commissioners*. J. P. SHAW, D. H. MACPOWALL, Commissioners.

Victoria, B.C., June 30th, 1916.

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TO THE HONOURABLE THE PROVINCIAL SECRETARY OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Sir:

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. H. GIBBONS, Secretary,

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

- CANADA ----

C. FITZPATRICK,

Administrator.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME OR WHOM THE SAME MAY IN ANYWISE CONCERN.

GREETING:

WHEREAS in a memorandum of agreement bearing date the twenty-fourth day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve (copy of which is hereto annexe, between J. A. J. McKenna, Our Commissioner to investigate the condition of Indian Affairs in the Province of British Celumbia, and the Honourable Sir Richard McBride, as Premier of the said Province, a proposal was made, subject to the approval of our Governments of the Dominion of Canada and of the said Province for the appointment of a Commission to settle all differences between our said Governments respecting Indian Lands and Indian Affairs generally in the said Province, such Commission to be composed of two Commissioners to be named by Our Government of the Dominion of Canada, two by Our Government of the said Province and the four Commissioners so named to select a fifth Commissioner to be the Chairman of such Commission;

AND WHEREAS Our said Governments of the Dominion of Canada and of the Province of British Columbia approved the said Agreement, as appears by an Order of the Governor-in-Council bearing date the twenty-seventh day of N cember, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve (copy of which is hereto annexed);

AND WHEREAS in pursuance of such Agreement and of an Order of Our Governor-General in Council bearing date the thirty-first day of March in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, the following persons were appointed Commissioners, namely: ON BEHALF OF THE DOMINION OF CANADA: Nathaniel W. White, of Shelburne, in the Province of Nova Scotia, Esquire, one of Our Counsel learned in the law; and James A. J. McKenna, of the City of Winnipeg, in the Province of Manitoba, Esquire, Doctor of Laws; ON BEHALF OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA: James Pearson Shaw, of Shuswap, in the said Province of British Columbia, Esquire, a Member of the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and Day Hort Macdowall, of the City of Victoria, in the said Province of British Columbia, Esquire;

AND WHEREAS by an Order of Our Governor-General in Council, bearing date the twelfth day of April in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (copy of which is hereto annexed) Edward Ludlow Wetmore, Esquire, late Chief Justice of Saskatchewan, who was selected by the said Com-

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missioners in pursuance of the said Agreement to be the fifth Commissioner, was appointed the fifth member and Chairman of such Commission:

Now KNOW YE that by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, We do by these presents nominate, constitute and appoint you the said Edward LUDLOW WETMORE, you the said NATHANIEL W. WHITE, you the said JAMES A. J. MCKENNA, you the said JAMES PEARSON SHAW, and you the said DAY HORT MACDOWALL, to be OUR COMMISSIONERS to conduct such enquiry, to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said office, place and trust unto you the said Edward Ludlow Wetmore, you the said Nathaniel W. White, you the said Edward Ludlow Wetmore, you the said Nathaniel W. White, you the said James A. J. McKenna, you the said James Pearson Shaw and you the said Day Hort Macdowall together with the rights, powers, privileges and emoluments unto the said office, place and trust of right and by law appertaining during pleasure;

AND We do further by these presents nominate, constitute and appoint you the said EDWARD LUDLOW WETMORE, CHAIRMAN of the said Commission;

AND We do hereby under the authority of the Revised Statute respecting Inquiries concerning Public Matters confer upon Our said Commissioners the power of summoning before them any witnesses and of requiring them to give evidence on oath, or on solemn affirmation if they are persons entitled to affirm in civil matters, and orally or in writing, and to produce such documents and things as Our said Commissioners shall deem requisite to the full investigation of the matters into which they are hereby appointed to examine; AND We do hereby require and direct Our said Commissioners to report to Our Governor-General of Canada in Council and to Our Lieutenant-Governor in Council of the said Province of British Columbia the result of their investigation together with the evidence taken before them and any opinion they may see fit to express thereon.

IN TESTIMONY whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made patent and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunt.) affixed,

WITNESS: Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Councillor The Right Honourable Sir Charles Fitzpairick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice of Canada, Administrator of the Government of Our Dominion of Canada.

At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, this twenty-third day of April, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and in the third year of Our reign.

By Command,

[SEAL]

(Signed) THOMAS MULVEY, Under-Secretary of State.

(Signed) E. L. NEWCOMBE, Deputy Minister of Justice, Canada.

AGREEMENT

"MEMORANDUM OF AN AGREEMENT ARRIVED AT BETWEEN J. A. J. MCKENNA, Special Commissioner appointed by the Dominion Government to investigate the condition of Indian Affairs in British Columbia, and the Honourable Sir Richard McBride, as Premier of the Province of British Columbia.

"WHEREAS it is desirable to settle all differences between the Governments of the Dominion and the Province respecting Indian lands and Indian Affairs generally in the Province of British Columbia, therefore the parties above named, have, subject to the approval of the Governments of the Dominion and of the Province, agreed upon the following proposals as a final adjustment of all matters relating to Indian Affairs in the Province of British Columbia:---

1. A Commission shall be appointed as follows: Two Commissioners shall be named by the Dominion and two by the Province. The four Commissioners so named shall select a fifth Commissioner, who shall be the Chairman of the Board.

2. The Commission so appointed shall have power to adjust the acreage of Indian Reserves in British Columbia in the following manner:

(a) At such places as the Commissioners are satisfied that more land is included in any particular Reserve as now defined than is reasonably required for the use of the Indians of that tribe or locality, the Reserve shall, with the consent of the Indians, as required by the Indian Act, be reduced to such acreage $\$ as the Commissioners think reasonably sufficient for the purposes of such Indians.

(b) At any place at which the Commissioners shall determine that an insufficient quantity of land has been set aside for the use of the Indians of that locality, the Commissioners shall fix the quantity that ought to be added for the use of such Indians. And they may set aside land for any Band of Indians for whom land has not already been reserved.

3. The Province shall take all such steps as are necessary to legally reserve the additional lands which the Commissioners shall apportion to any body of Indians in pursuance of the powers above set out.

4. The lands which the Commissioners shall determine are not necessary for the use of the Indians shall be subdivided and sold by the Province at public auction.

5. The net proceeds of all such sales shall be divided equally between the Province and the Dominion, and all moneys received by the Dominion under this Cla¹ se shall be held or used by the Dominion for the benefit of the Indians of British Columbia.

6. All expenses in connection with the Commission shall be shared by the Province and Dominion in equal proportions.

7. The lands comprised in the Reserves as finally fixed by the Commissioners aforesaid shall be conveyed by the Province to the Dominion with full power to the Dominion to deal with the said lands in such manner as they may deem best suited for the purposes of the Indians, including a right to sell the said lands and fund or use the proceeds for the benefit of the Indians, subject only to a condition that in the event of any Indian tribe or band in British Columbia at some future time becoming extinct, then any lands within the territorial boundaries of the Province which have been conveyed to the Dominion as aforesaid for such tribe or band, and not sold or disposed of as hereinbefore mentioned, or any unexpended funds being the proceeds of any Indian Reserve in the Province of British Columbia, shall be conveyed or repaid to the Province.

8. Until the final report of the Commission is made, the Province shall withhold from pre-emption or sale any lands over which they have a disposing power and which have been heretofore applied for by the Dominion as additional Indian Reserves or which may during the sitting of the Commission, be specified by the Commissioners as lands which should be reserved for Indians. If during the period prior to the Commissioners making their final report it shall be ascertained by either Government that any lands being part of an Indian Reserve are required for right-of-way or other railway purposes, or for any Dominion or Provincial or Municipal Public Work or purpose, the matter shall be referred to the Commissioners who shall thereupon dispose of the question by an Interim Report, and each Government shall thereupon do everything necessary to carry the recommendations of the Commissioners into effect.

Signed in duplicate at Victoria, British Columbia, this 24th day of September, 1912.

(Signed) J. A. J. MCKENNA, (Signed) RICHARD MCBRIDE.

Witness:

(Signed) E. V. BODWELL.

CANADA

- GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.
- TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME OR WHOM THE SAME MAY IN ANYWISE CONCERN.

GREETING:

WHEREAS in and by Our letters patent under the Great Seal of Canada bearing date the twenty-third day of April, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. We did appoint Commissioners to investigate the condition of Indian Affairs in the Province of British Columbia and to settle all differences between Our Governments of Canada and British Columbia respecting Indian lands and Indian affairs generally in the said Province, and such Commission was composed of two Commissioners named by Our said Government of Canada and two by Our Government of the said Province, and the four Commissioners so appointed selected a fifth Commissioner to be the Chairman of such Commission:

AND WHERLAS Nathaniel W. White, Esquire, one of Our Counsel learned in the law, and one of the Commissioners appointed to act upon and on behalf of Our Government of Canada on the said Commission, has resigned the said office;

AND WHEREAS in and by an order of His Royal Highness Our Governor-General in Council bearing date the third day of April in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, provision is made for the appointment of Saumarcz Carmichael, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, Esquire, Advocate, to act in the room, place and stead of the said Nathaniel W. White on said Commission.

Now Know Yr, that by and with the advice of Our Privy Council of Canada, We do, by these presents, nominate, constitute and appoint the said Saumarez Carmichael to be Our Commissioner to conduct such inquiry in the room, place and stead of the said Nathanie. W. White, who has resigned such Commissionership: to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said office, place and trust unto the said Saumarez Carmichael together with the rights, powers, privileges and emoluments unto the said Office, place and trust of right and by law appertaining during Our pleasure.

IN TESTIMONY whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made patent and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: Our Most Dear and Entirely beloved Uncle and Most Faithful Counsellor Field Marshal, His Royal Highness Prince Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and of Strathearn, Earl of Sussex (in the Peerage of the United Kingdom); Prince of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; Duke of Saxony; Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha; Knight of Our

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Most Noble Order of the Garter; Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle; Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick; One of Our Most Honourable Privy Council; Great Master of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath; Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire; Knight Grand Cross of Our Royal Victorian Order; Our Personal Aide de Camp; Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of Our Dominion of Canada.

At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, this seventh day of April, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen and in the fourth year of Our reign.

By Command,

(Signed) THOMAS MULVEY,

Under-Secretary of State.

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(Signed) E. L. NEWCOMBE,

Deputy Minister of Justice, Canada. 13

REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

13. Orders-in-Council dated the 27th day of November, 1912, P.C. 3277, and the 23rd day of April, 1913, Your Royal Highness was pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to investigate and make recommendations regarding the lands reserved for Indians in the Province of British Columbia and regarding such additional lands as might appear to be required for the necessary use of the Indians of the Province, subject to the terms of the Agreement entered into between the Governments of Canada and of the Province of British Columbia, executed on the 24th day of September, 1912, and signed, on behalf of the Dominion Government, by its Commissioner, Mr. J. A. J. McKenna, and en behalf of the Province by Sir Richard McBride, K.C.M.G., Prime Minister of the Province.

In the performance of its duties Your Commission endeavored to inform itself as to the history of the administration of Indian Affairs in the Province, and the causes leading to the appointment of your Commission.

In the years 1850, 1851 and 1852, Sir James Douglas made certain agreements with some three or four hundred Indians under which they surrendered their rights to comparatively small portions of Vancouver Island in consideration of a cash payment and the reservation to them of their village sites and enclosed fields, "to be kept for" their "own use, for the use of" their "children" and "for those who may follow after."

When the first Legislative Assembly of the Colony of Vancouver Island met in the Summer of 1856, the Indian question was at once given prominence. In his inaugural address, Governor Douglas, after referring to the feeling of insecurity engendered by "the presence of large bodies of armed savages" who had visited the Colony from the North, said: "I shall, nevertheless, continue to conciliate the good will of the native Indian tribes by treating them with justice and forbearance and by rigidly protecting their civil and agrarian rights."

The Secretary of State for the Colonies in his despatches to Governor Douglas constantly expressed the solicitude of the Imperial Government for the welfare of the Indians and the safeguarding of their rights.

In the despatch of the 11th April, 1859, Lord Camarvon wrote Governor Douglas:

"I am glad to perceive that you have directed the attention of the House to that interesting and important subject, the relations of Her Majesty's Government and of the Colony to the Indian race. Proofs are unhappily still too frequent of the neglect which Indians experience when the white man obtains possession of their country, and their claims to consideration are forgotten at the moment when equity most demands that the hand of the protector should be extended to help them. In the case of the Indians of Vancouver Island and British Columbia, Her Majesty's Government earnestly wish that when the advancing requirements of colonization press upon lands occupied by members of that race, measures of liberality and justice may be adopted for compensating them for the surrender of the territory which they have been taught to regard as their own."

And on the 20th May, 1859, in acknowledging Governor Douglas' despatch of the 14th of that month on the subject of the policy to be observed towards the Indian tribes and conveying the Governor's "opinion as to the feasibility of locating the Indians in native villages with a view to their protection and civilization," His Lordship wrote:

"I am glad to find that your sentiments respecting the treatment of the native races are so much in accordance with my own, and I trust that your endeavors to conciliate and promote the welfare of the Indians will be followed by all persons whom circumstances may bring into contact with them. But whilst making ample provision under the arrangements proposed for the future sustenance and improvement of the native tribes, you will, I am persuaded, bear in mind the importance of exercising due care in laying out and defining the several Reserves, so as to avoid checking at a future day the progress of the white colonists."

On the 5th March, 1861, the Governor officially directed the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to "take measures so soon as practicable, for marking out distinctly the Indian Reserves throughout the Colony." He added that "the extent of the Indian Reserves to be defined" was to be 'as they may severally be pointed out by the natives themselves." And the Chief Commissioner gave directions accordingly to the officers in charge of the several districts.

According to Governor Trutch's despatch of the 3rd November, 1871: "The authority of the Governor for creating such reservations was based, up to 1865, on the mainland portion of British Columbia, and up to 1370, in Vancouver Island, on the power conferred upon him to this effect by his Commission and the Royal instructions, and since those dates on the provisions of the Land Ordinances, 1865 and 1870, respectively."

In the report made on the 17th August, 1875, by the late Mr. Justice Walkem, when Attorney-General, he described the tracts set aside before the Union for Indians "as the joint and common property of the several tribes, being intended for their exclusive use and benefit, and especially as a provision for the aged, the helpless, and the infirm."

By the Thirteenth Article of the Terms of Union it is provided: ---

That (1) "the charge of the Indians, and the trusteeship and management of the lands reserved for their use and benefit, shall be assumed by the Dominion Government";

That (2) "a policy as liberal as that hitherto pursued by the British Columbia Government shall be continued by the Dominion Government after the Union," and

That (3) "to carry out such policy, tracts of land of such extent as it has hitherto been the practice of the British Columbia Government to appropriate for

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that purpose shall from time to time be conveyed by the local Government to the Dominion Government, in trust for the use and benefit of the Indians."

The Terms of Union were sanctioned by the Imperial Government, and were given force and effect by an order of Her Majesty in Council under the British North America Act and thereby became as much a part of the Act as if they had been embodied in it.

The first legislation of the Dominion respecting Indians was enfected by Chapter 42 of the Statutes of 1868. It provided that "all lands reserved for Indians—o, held in trust for their benefit, shall be deemed to be reserved and held for the same purposes as before this Act."

At the time of the entry of British Columbia into the Dominion, the Federal Act of 1868 continued in force; and a further enactment, Chapter 6, of the Statutes of 1869, had been made for the gradual enfranchisement of the Indians. It provided (and the law remains with variations) for the subdivision of Reserves into lots, and the holding thereof by individual Indians under location tickets, with a view to the subsequent issue of "Letters Patent" to the holders of such tickets as enfranchised Indians.

At the time of the Union there was no definition of Indian Reserves in the British Columbia Ordinances. In the Ordinance of 1870 respecting Crown Lands there is a provision exempting from pre-emption reserved lands and Indian settlements. But the policy of British Columbia as to allotting and holding lands for the use and benefit of the Indians was clearly defined in practice. And a schedule of Indian Reserves existing at the Union was furnished the Dominion.

By the Land Act of 1875 legislative authority was given for setting apart lands for the purpose of meeting the obligations of the Province under the Thirteenth Article of the Terms of Union. Section 60 of that Act sets forth, as one of the purposes for which land shall be reserved, that "of conveying the same to the Dominion Government in trust for the use and benefit of the Indians."

In the meantime a difference arose between the two Governments as to the basis of acreage of Reserves. The Dominion Government proposed that "each family be assigned a location of eighty acres of land of average quality, which shall remain permanently the property of the family for whose benefit it is allotted."

Correspondence followed, and on the 25th July, 1873, the Provincial Government formally decided that the Dominion requirement of eighty acres per family "was greatly in excess of the grants considered sufficient by the previous Governments of British Columbia." and proposed that "Indian Reserves should not exceed a quantity of twenty acres for each head of a family of five persons."

The Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, Hon. David Laird, in a memorandum of 1st March, 1874, suggested the allotting of "twenty acres to every Indian being the head of a family, without reference to the number in the family." The suggestion was concurred in by the Province, as per Minute of the Executive Council of the 15th June, 1874, and steps were taken to proceed on that understanding.

Then the Reverend Mr. Duncan intervened and suggested inter alia (1) that no basis of acreage be fixed for Reserves; (2) that each nation of Indians be dealt with separately on their respective claims; (3) that for a pro_{1} cr adjustment of such claims the Dominion and the Provincial Governments each provide an agent to visit the Indians, investigate conditions and report; and (4) that, in case of any Reserve being abandoned, or the Indians on it decreasing so that its extent is disproportionate to the number of occupants, such Reserve or part of a Reserve might revert to the Provincial Government.

The Provincial Government adopted Mr. Duncan's view in so far as it dispensed with a basis of acreage and provided for reversion. The Dominion Government expressed its readiness to adopt his proposal in full, barring his suggested agency of allotment.

The Province concurred, and the two Governments then entered into the agreement of 1875-6, under which a joint Commission was constituted to allot Reserves.

The agreement set forth that the Commission was "to fix and determine for each nation separately, the number, extent and locality of the Reserve or Reserves to be allotted to it"; that "no basis of acreage be fixed—but that each nation of Indians of the same language be dealt with separately"; that "each Reserve shall be held in trust for the use and benefit of the nation of Indians to which it has been allotted"; tha", "in the event of any material increase or decrease hereafter of the numbers of a nation occupying a Reserve, such Reserve shall be enlarged or diminished, as the case may be, so that it shall bear a fair proportion to the members of the Band occupying it"; and that "the extra land required for any Reserve shall be allotted from Crown lands, and any land taken off a Reserve shall revert to the Province."

The reversionary interest thus created proved a stumbling block to administration A sort of dual ownership was set up which made it practically impossible for the Dominion Government to dispose, for the benefit of the Indians, as in other parts of the Dominion, of any of the reserved land or the timber or other valuables thereon or therein.

The Land Act of 1875 provided for the conveyance of lands to the Dominion Government "in trust for the use and benefit of the Indians." By Section 9, of Chapter 38 of the Statutes of 1899, an amendment was made by adding to the provision in the Land Act these words "and in trust to reconvey the same to the Provincial Government in case such lands at any time ceased to be used by such Indians." In 1911 this enactment was made:

"Provided always that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to at any time grant, convey, quit claim, sell or dispose of, on such terms as may be deemed advisable, the interest of the Province, reversionary or otherwise, in any Indian Reserve or any portion thereof." (vide Section 127, Chapter 129, R. S., B.C., 1911).

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In the previous year the following had been enacted:

"There shall not be registered in any Land Registry Office any title derived from His Majesty the King in the right of Canada . . . land forming part, or that at any time formed part, of an Indian Reserve, without the sanction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council." (Vide Section 2, Chapter 27, Statutes 1910, and Section 59, Chapter 127, R.S. B.C., 1911).

To remove the administrative entanglement thus occasioned, and to provide for the final and complete allotment of lands for Indians in British Columbia, the Agreement hereinbefore quoted in full was entered into by the Governments of the Dominion and the Province, and this Comission was appointed thereunder.

Your Commission organized on the 19th day of May, 1913, and the Commissioners were sworn in before Mr. Justice Morrison of the Supreme Court of British Columbia on the same day, with Mr. E. L. Wetmore, ex-Chief Justice of the Province of Saskatchewan, as Chairman, Messrs. N. W. White and J. A. J. McKenna representing the Dominion, and Messrs. J. P. Shaw and D. H. Macdowall, representing the Province, and Mr. J. G. H. Bergeron being Secretary and Solicitor.

The first meeting of the Commission was held in the Executive Chamber in the Provincial Government Buildings, which had been placed at their disposal, when Mr. McGregor Young, K.C., of Toronto, appeared as Counsel for the Indian Department.

Mr. Young remained with the Commission until the meetings with the Indians of Penticton Reserve, in the Okanagan Agency, were concluded, and rendered valuable assistance during his stay with the Commission.

At the first meeting steps were taken to secure permanent premises in Belmont House, Victoria, and the necessary staff was engaged and immediate arrangements were made for commencement of field work in Cowichan Agency.

In December, 1913, the Commission adjourned until the 23rd day of March, 1914, and during the period of adjournment Messrs. McKenna, Shaw and Macdowali met, as occasion demanded, to dispose of routine work, matters that pressed for speedy settlement and to make arrangements for the following year of field work.

Your Commission was accompanied, when travelling over the various Agencies, by the District Inspectors of the Department of Indian Affairs and the Indian Agents, to all of whom they are much indebted for useful local knowledge of persons and places, for which this deserved acknowledgment is made.

In fulfilment of the duties of the Commission it was necessary to visit the Indians of all the various tribes and bands and their Reserves, to explain the object of the Commission and the restrictions imposed, to hear the views of the Indians on all matters connected with the work of the Commission, and to examine the Indians under oath on matters connected with the work of the Commission; also to hear the representations of Public bodies--Municipal Councils, Boards of Trade, etc.--where friction appeared to exist, or a request for a hearing was made.

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GENERAL REPORT

Your Commission found that the 25,000 Indians to be visited were scattered all over the Province and along the Coastline, and the amount of travelling, both by sea and land, would consume a very considerable length of time. In this connection it may be mentioned that the area of the Province is some 395,000 square miles—equal to one-tenth of the Canadian total area, larger than the States of California, Washington and Oregon combined, or than Italy, Switzerland and France, and three times the size of the United Kingdom, and with a Coastline of 7,000 miles, all of which had to be covered.

Another obstacle to expediting work arose from the occupations of the Coast Indians, whose Reserves could only be visited at stated times of the year. All of the Coast Indians are fishermen and leave their Reserves when the salmon run occurs, and your Commission had numerous letters from these Indians requesting that meetings should be so arranged as to avoid interruption of their work. The managers of the salmon canneries also made similar requests. With Indian villages dotted all along the 7,000 miles of Coastline, a considerable portion of three Summers was occupied in this work.

Some 5,655 folios of typewritten evidence and 253 exhibits have been taken and your Commission, desiring to keep expense of printing within bounds, and with the consent of the Governments concerned, arranged a system of tabulation, giving the material of the evidence, which will appear with maps and conclusions reached, as embodied in the Commission's Minutes of Decision, in a separate chapter for each of the fifteen Agencies. Thus it is hoped that a clear and concise Report is presented at a minimum of cost. At the same time, the extended evidence is sent to both Governments in twenty-seven volumes for future reference.

In the Spring of 1914, Mr. Wetmore having resigned, on account of the hardship necessitated by constant travelling, your Commission was re-constituted by the appointment by O⁻der-in-Council and letters patent, dated the 3rd day of April, 1914, of Mr. Saumarez Carmichael as representative of the Dominion in the position vacated by Mr. White, and the selection of Mr. Nathaniel W. White, K.C., as Chairman, his appointment, by Order-in-Council and letters patent, the 17th day of April, 1914, and the Commission, so constituted, completed the work entrusted to it.

Mr. Bergeron retired from the Secretaryship May 1st, 1915, and Mr. C. H. Gibbons, who had been Assistant Secretary from the constitution of the Commission, was, on recommendation of the Commission, appointed to the Secretaryship.

In the course of enquiries, when visiting the various Tribes and Bands of Indians, it was impressed on your Commission that there existed a very strong feeling regarding proper protection for their graveyards, and steps have been taken in most cases to recommend the reservation of small areas for such purposes. In some instances, however, the plots required would be so small that it was not deemed wise to recommend that reserves should be created involving a large outlay for surveys. It is, therefore, recommended that, where such cases arise,

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the Governments of the Dominion and the Province should, mutually, arrange for the protection of these graves.

On every occasion where meetings were held with the Indians, they expressed their views freely on questions of administration, which are dealt with in another Report submitted by Your Commission under authority of an Order of Your Royal Highness-in-Council dated the 10th day of June, 1913.

Your Commission desires to express its manks to Mr. Duncan C. Scott, Deputy Superintendent-General of Indian Anairs for his invariable courtesy and assistance to the Commission during their labours; to the Hon, W. R. Ross, Minister of Lands of the Province of British Columbia, for the great assistance he has rendered the Commission in excluding from numerous pre-emption applications various small portions of land occupied by Indian settlements in use; and also to Mr. Robert A. Renwick, Deputy Minister of Lands for the Province of British Columbia, for his invariably prompt attention to all questions regarding lands, many of which entailed a considerable amount of additional work. Your Commission also desires to express its indebtedness to Mr. J. G. H. Bergeron; and to Mr. C. H. Gibbons, Secretary to the Commission, for energetic and valuable work, always willingly performed; to Mr. Ashdown H. Green, B.C.L.S., Technical Officer to the Commission, for most useful work, ably executed; and to the other members of the staff for interest displayed in their work; all of which were of the greatest assistance.

In dealing with the recommendations affecting the confirmation of old Reserves, or reductions of these Reserves, and additional lands, it was decided to present the Commission's findings by Agencies.

During the course of its work five Progress Reports were issued and one hundred and four Interim and Special Reports, copies of which are presented herewith.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

INTERIM REPORTS

of the

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 21st day of May, 1913.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

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and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the several applications of the Railway Companies hereinafter mentioned for lands required by the said Companies for rights-of-way, and forming part of Indian Reserves in the said Province, and upon reading the said applications and the correspondence and material on the files of the Department of Indian Affairs, and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing therefrom that all of the said lands are required by the said Companies for rights-of-way,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law, permission be given to the said Railway Companies forthwith to enter upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as has by each Company respectively been required for such right-of-way, according to the plans filed in respect to each application in the Department, namely:—

(1) Canadian Northern Pacific Railway	(Cowichan Lake Reserve,)Skutz Reserve No. 8,			
(2) Canadian Northern Pacific Railway(3) Canadian Northern Pacific Railway	Spuzzum Reserve No. 4. Nekalliston Reserve No. 2.			
(4) Grand Trunk Pacific Railway	Noon-La Reserve No. 6.			
(5) Grand Trunk Pacific Railway	Seaspunkut Reserve No. 2, Stellaquo Reserve No. 5.			
(6) Canadian Northern Pacific Railway	Bonaparte Reserve No. 2, (as to right-of-way, only).			
All of which is respectfully submitted,				

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B. C., (the 7th day of July, 1913. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuart to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for lands required by the said Company for right-ofway and forming part of the Salaquo Indian Reserve No. 4, Cariboo District, in the said Province of British Columbia, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material on the file of the Department of Indian Affairs and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing therefrom that the said lands are required for right-of-way by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law, permission be given to the said Railway Company forthwith to enter upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such right-of-way, according to the plans filed in the Department in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., the 7th day of July, 1913.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Department of Marine and Fisheries of Canada for a small portion or the whole of Senanus Island, in Saanich Inlet, Vancouver Island, which Island forms a portion of the South Saanich Indian Reserve, in the Province of British Columbia, for the purpose of erecting a beacon light thereon, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material on File No. 433765 of the Department of Indian Affairs and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing therefrom that the said Island or a part thereof is required by such Department of Marine and Fisheries of Canada for such purpose,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law, and subject also to the condition that proper compensation be made to the Indians, permission be given to the said Department of Marine and Fisheries of Canada to enter upon the said Senanus Island and to acquire the whole thereof for such beacon light purposes, according to the plans filed in the Department in respect to such application.

The Commission would draw attention to the fact that a portion of this Island was occupied by an Indian graveyard which fire had passed over, apparently obliterating all evidence of interment, and would recommend that, if any remains of the dead be found on the Island, due measures be taken for the proper care thereof, and

The Commission would also draw attention to the fact that in view of current prices of land in that vicinity, the Island in question is of very considerable value.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.,) this 18th day of July, 1913.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for lands required for right-of-way, station grounds, roundhouse, repair shop and regular railway purposes (shewn in yellow color upon the blueprint plan marked "A" and initialled by the undersigned this 18th day of July, 1913) and forming part of the Capilano Indian Reserve No. 5 of the Squamish Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material on the File of the Department of Indian Affairs and examining the plans submitted and viewing the lands and premises, a.d it appearing that the said lands are required for right-of-way, station grounds, roundhouse, repair shop and regular railway purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company, for such right-of-way, station grounds and railway purposes aforesaid, according to the plans filed in the Department in respect to such application, and

The Commission further recommends that before the amount of compensation for such lands be fixed and determined, careful inquiry should be made as to land values in the locality.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMPIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 22nd day of July, 1913.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, for lands required for right-of-way purposes and forming part of the Mission Reserve No. 1 of the Squamish Tribe of Indians, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material on the File of the Department of Indian Affairs and examining the plans submitted and viewing the lands and premises, and it appearing that the said lands are required for right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for right-of-way purposes, according to the plans filed in the Department in respect to such application, and

The Commission further recommends that proper means of access to and from the shore be guaranteed, and that care be taken in any grant or other disposition of the lands comprised in the said right-of-way to the said Railway Company to convey no privilege as to the foreshore other than the mere rightof-way, and

The Commission further recommends that before the amount of compensation for such lands be fixed and determined careful enquiry should be made as to land values in the locality.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B. C., this 22nd day of July, 1913.

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

The Lieuterent-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for lands required in connection with a certain proposed highway necessitated by a change in the location of the said Company's station at Salmon Arm, said lands forming part of the Salmon Arm Indian Reserve, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material on the File (No. 82073) of the Department of Indian Affairs and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for public highway purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and subject also to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such highway purposes, according to the plans filed in the Department in respect to such application if in the opinion of the Department such highway is necessary and desirable.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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Made at Victoria, B.C., this 23rd day of July, 1913. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Royal Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Government of the Province of British Columbia for Bare Island, containing twenty-six (26) acres, more or less, as described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, said Island forming Reserve No. 9 of the Saanien Tribe, for the purpose of establishing, maintaining and preserving said Island as a permanent sanctuary for nesting wild sea fowl, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence relating thereto, and viewing the land and premises, and it appearing to the Commission that the said Island is of no material use or value to the said Saanich Tribe of Indians, but would serve an importanc public interest if devoted to the purpose aforesaid,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law, to fair compensation being made to the Indians for the extinguishment of their interests therein, and to due and adequate provision being made for the maintenance and preservation of the said Island for the purposes set forth and described in the application, permission be given to the said Government of the Province of British Columb.a to enter forthwith upon the said Island and to acquire same, according to the terms and tenor of the said application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 22nd day of September, 1913.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Livutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 3 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Dominion of Canada for lands required in connection with a certain proposed highway, said lands forming part of the Switsemalph Indian Reserve at Salmon Arm, District of Yale, British Columbia, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material submitted by the Department of Indian Affairs and examining the plan submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for public highway purposes, in order to provide an approach to a proposed public wharf at Gleneden, District of Yale, British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and subject also to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Dominion of Canada to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Public Works Department for such highway purposes, according to the plan filed in the Department in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

CONFIRMING SEMIAHMOO RESERVE

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 30th day of July, 1913.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within the Semiahmoo Indian Reserve, beg leave to Report that, upon motion, it was this day resolved as follows:

That the Semiahmoo Indian Reserve of the Semiahmoo Tribe be confirmed as now fixed and determined, as described in the Official Schedule and shewn on the Official Plan, namely:—

> "Sections 1 and 2, Township 1, West of the Coast Meridian, on Semiahmoo Bay, on the International Boundary Line and within the New Westminster District, and containing three hundred and ninety-two (392) acres, more or less;

"AND THAT a Report of this, the Commission's final fixing of the lands comprised in the said Reserve, be transmitted to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada in Council and to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council, with a recommendation that any interest or interests now validly existing by purchase, lease or otherwise in or to any portion of the said Reserve or the foreshore thereof be properly protected."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 9A.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 24th day of September, 1913.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company for lands required for right-of-way through Sections Six (6), Seven (7) and Eight (8), Range IV E., South Saanich, said lands forming part of the East Saanich Reserve of the Saanich Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in relation thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such rightof-way purposes, according to the plans filed in the Department in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITIST COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 30th day of September, 1913.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Corporation of the City of New Westminster to acquire certain lands in the City of New Westminster, being part of the New Westminster Indian Reserve in the said City of New Westminster, of the New Westminster Tribe, which lands are particularly described in By-law No. 200 of the said Corporation, and upon reading the said application and the said By-law and the correspondence and material relating thereto, and it appearing therefrom that the said lands are required by the said Corporation for Municipal purposes,

The Commission recommends that, subject to the consent of His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada-in-Council, as required by the "Indian Act," and to all other requirements of the law, including proper compensation to the parties entitled thereto, the said Corporation be permitted to take, enter upon, hold and use the said lands.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. L. WETMORE, Chairman,

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OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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Made at Merritt, B.C., this 16th day of October, 1913.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company to acquire certain lands required for right-of-way purposes and forming parts of Indian Reserves Numbers 2 and 3 of the Fountain Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in respect thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for right-of-way purposes by said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plans filed in the Department of Railways of the Province of Brnish Columbia and approved by the Minister of said Department on the 29th day of July, 1913, in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROVAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN APPAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Merritt, B.C., this) 16th day of October, 1913.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Licutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company to acquire certain lands required for right-of-way purposes and forming part of Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Pavilion Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in respect thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for right-of-way purposes by the said Company.

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensat on being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed in the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and approved by the Minister of said Department on the 18th day of September, 1913, in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Merritt, B.C., this 16th day of October, 1913.

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company to acquire certain lands required for right-of-way purposes and forming part of the Cayoosh Creek Indian Reserve of the Cayoosh Creek Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in respect thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed in the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and approved by the Minister of said Department on the 29th day of July. 1913, in respect to such application, a certified copy of which plan is hereto attached.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 6th day of November, 1913.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company to acquire certain lands required for railway purposes and forming part of the Seymour Creek Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Squamish Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in respect thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for railway purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such railway purposes, according to the plan filed in respect to such application and approved by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 11tr day of July, 1913.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 14th day of November, 1913.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company Limited to acquire a small portion of land in suburban block No. 9, within the corporate limits of the City of New Westminster, said land being required for railway purposes and forming part of the New Westminster Reserve of the New Westminster Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in respect thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for railway purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such railway purposes, according to the plan (marked in black) in respect to such application attached to File No. 324521 of the Department of Indian Affairs.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. L. WETMORE, Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE. OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 19th day of November, 1913. 1

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of Br'ish Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing, without evitable delay, the lands within Reserve Number Three (3) of the Okanagan Band, beg leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day resolved:

That Reserve Number Three (3) of the Okanagan Band, being the southwest quarter of Section Thirteen (13) Township Seven (7), Osoyoos District, of the Okanagan Agency, be confirmed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. L. WETMORE, Chairman.

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OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 19th day of November, 1913.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Victoria, Vancouver and Eastern Railway & Navigation Company for certain additional lands required for railway purposes and forming part of the Upper Sumass Indian Reserve No. 6 of the Sumass Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in respect thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for railway purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such railway purposes, according to the plans filed in respect to such application and sanctioned by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 21st day of August, 1913.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. L. WETMORE, Chairman.

INTERIM REPORT No. 18

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 20th day of November, 1913.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company to acquire certain lands required for right-of-way purposes and forming part of Indian Reserves Nos. 1 and 2, of the Clinton Tribe, and upon reading the said application and the correspondence and material in respect thereto and examining the plans submitted, and it appearing that the said lands are required for right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire such parts thereof as have been applied for by such Company for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plans filed in the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and approved by the Minister of said Department on the 27th day of October, 1913, in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. L. WETMORE, Chairman.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

INTERIM REPORT No. 19

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 4th day of December, 1913, 4

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within East Saanich Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Saanich Tribe, beg leave to report that, on the 28th day of July, 1913, upon motion, it was

RESOLVED as follows:

"That East Saanich Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Saanich Tribe be confirmed as now fixed and determined, as shewn on the Official Plan and described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, viz.: South Saanich District, Sections 6, 7 and 8 S., Eange 4 E.; Sections 6, 7 and 8 S., Range 5 E.; and Sections 6, 7 and 8 S., Range 6 E., and containing six hundred and five (605) acres, more or less:

"And that a Report of this the Commission's final fixing of the lands comprised in the said Reserve be transmitted to His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada in Council and to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 20

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (6th day of January, 1914. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To '1's Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Reserve No. 1 (Quaaout) of the Little Shuswap Lake (Kuaut) Band, Kamloops Agency, beg leave to report that, upon motion, it was upon the 27th November, 1913,

"RESOLVED that Reserve No. 1 (Quaaout) of the Little Shuswap Lake (Kuaut) Band, Kamloops District, north of Little Shuswap Lake and on the right bank of Adams River at its mouth, in Township 22, Range 12, West of 6th Meridian, of the Kamloops Agency, be confirmed."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (30th day of January, 1914. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Squin-lixstat Indian Reserve in the Cassiar District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Eitwangar Tribe or Band, of the Babine Agency. The land required for the Eaid right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 3.41 acres, as set forth in the communication of the 13th instant from the Secretary of the Department of Indian Affairs' to the Secretary of the Commission.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS: That, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 30th day of January, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Okanagan Indian Reserve No. One (1), in the Osoyoos District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Okanagan Band or Tribe of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 56.29 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROVAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 31st day of January, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Licutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Chuchuwayha Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Okanagan Agency, beg leave to report that, upon motion, it was upon the 24th November, 1913,

"RESOLVED that the Chuchuwayha Indian Reserves No. 2, 2A, 2B and 2C, Similkameen District, of the Upper Similkameen Band, be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn in the Official Schedule, 1913."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 24

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 10th day of February, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Go rnor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Nekalliston Indian Reserve No. 2, of the North Thompson and Canoe Lake Band, Kamloops Agency, begs leave to report that upon motion, it was, upon the 27th November, 1913,

"RESOLVED: That North Thompson J. R. No. J. Nekalliston F. R. No. 2, Barriere River J. R. No. 3, and Louis Creek I. R. No. 4, of the North Thompson and Canoe Lake Band, Kamloops and Lil ooet Districts, be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn in the Official Schedule, 1913."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

OP THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 12th day of February, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Department of Agriculture of the Dominion of Canada to acquire, for Experimental Farm purposes, four hundred (400) acres, contained in Penticton Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Penticton Tribe, situate at the foot of Okanagan Lake, Osoyoos and Similkameen Districts, in the Okanagan Agency, and described as being near the northeast corner of the said Reserve and comprising approximately two hundred (200) acres lying between Okanagan Lake and the line of the Kettle Valley Railway, and two hundred (200) acres, more or less, on the opposite side of the said railway line, both of the said tracts being shewn upon a plan of the aforesaid Penticton Indian Reserve filed in the Department of Indian Affairs at Ottawa: a stake has been set at a southeasterly point below the railway line, close to a small "draw," and the two hundred (200) acres east of the railway line run north from this stake:

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Department of Agriculture of the Dominion of Canada to enter forthwith upon the hereinbefore described lands, being portions of the said Penticton Indian Reserve No. 1, and to acquire the same for Experimental Farm purposes, according to the plans filed in the Department of Indian Affairs in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

INTERIM REPORT No.-25A

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 2nd day of November, 1914. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Department of Agriculture of the Dominion of Canada to acquire for Experimental Farm purposes an additional area of ten (10) acres being and forming part of Penticton Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Penticton Tribe, to the area recommended to be given out of the said Reserve for such Experimental Farm, by Interim Report No. 25 of this Commission:

The Commission, after considering the said application and examining the plan submitted therewith,

Recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Department of Agriculture to enter forthwith upon the said additional land, being and forming part of the said Penticton Indian Reserve No. 1 and to acquire the same for Experimental Farm purposes according to the plans filed with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada in respect thereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 25B

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 20th day of January, 1915.

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Department of Agriculture of the Dominion of Canada to acquire for Experimental Farm purposes an additional area of One hundred and fifty-four and fifty-five one-hundredths (154.55) acres, being and forming part of Penticton Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Penticton Tribe, to the area recommended to be given out of the said Reserve for such Experimental Farm, by Interim Reports Nos. 25 and 25A of this Commission:

The Commission, after considering the said application and examining the plan submitted therewith,

Recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Department of Agriculture of the Dominion of Canada to enter forthwith upon the said additional land being and forming part of the said Penticton Indian Reserve No. 1, and to acquire the same for Experimental Farm purposes, according to the plans filed with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada in respect thereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 26.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 20th day of February, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for right of entry upon lands required for right-of-way purposes and described upon plans certified by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 18th August. 1913, and the 7th February instant, respectively, as Charles Indian Reserve No. 1 and Tibbets Indian Reserve No. 2, Range 5, Coast District of the Province of British Columbia, which Indian lands have been applied for by the Government of the Dominion of Canada and reserved from sale or pre-emption by the Government of the Province of British Columbia under Paragraph 8 of the Agreement respecting Indian Reserves between the Government of the Dominion of Canada and the Government of the Province of British Columbia bearing date of the 24th September, 1912,

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plans and material in respect thereto contained on Files 438855 and 384478 of the Department of Indian Affairs, and it appearing that the said lands are required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plans filed with the Department of Indian Affairs in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 17th day of March, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for right of entry upon lands required for right-of-way purposes and described upon plans certified by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 13th December, 1913, comprising 8.18 acres, forming part of Chig-in-kaht Indian Reserve No. 8 of the Kitwangar Tribe, Babine and Upper Skeena Agency:

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plans and the material in respect thereto contained on File 455689 of the Department of Indian Affairs, and it appearing that the said lands are required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plans filed with the Department of Indian Affairs in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 28

OF THE

ROVAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 23rd day of March, 1914.

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Conncil:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Kootenay Central Railway Company for right of entry upon lands required for right-of-way purposes and described upon plans certified by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 6th and the 9th March instant, respectively, (Orders Nos. 551 and 21460), said lands comprising an aggregate of 23.55 acres and forming part of Shuswap Indian Reserve of the Shuswap Tribe, Kinbasket's Band, in the Kootenay Agency:

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plans and the material in respect thereto contained on File No. 293755 of the Department of Indian Affairs, and it appearing that the said lands are required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plans filed with the Department of Indian Affairs in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

INTERIM REPORT No. 29

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 23rd day of March, 1914.

T, His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for right of entry upon lands required for right-of-way purposes and described upon a plan certified by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 9th March instant (Order No. 21453), said lands comprising 2.34 acres and forming part of North Bay (or Tappen's Siding) Reserve No. 5, of the Little Shuswap Lake (Kuaut) Band, in the Kamloops Agency:

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said³plan and the material in respect thereto contained on File No. 82073 of the Department of Indian Affairs, and it appearing that the said lands are required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire the same for such right of-way purposes according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 30

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.,) this 1st day of May, 1914.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Barnston Island Indian Reserve No. 3 of the Katzie Tribe, New Westminster Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Barnston Island Indian Reserve No. 3 of the Katzie Tribe, New Westminster Agency, be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn in the Official Schedule, 1913."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 1st day of May, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Tsawwassen Indian Reserve of the Tsawwassen Tribe, New Westminster Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Tsawwassen Indian Reserve of the Tsawwassen Tribe, New Westminster Agency, be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn in the Official Schedule, 1913."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 4th day of May, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific & Hudson Bay Railway Company for right-of-entry upon lands required for right-of-way purposes and described upon a plan (File No. 19712) certified by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 15th April, 1914 (Order No. 21638), said lands forming part of Bella Coola Indian Reserve No. 1, of the Bella Coola Tribe, Bella Coola Agency,

The Commission having duly considereed the said application and examined the said plan and the material in respect thereto contained on File No. 641 (of this Commission) and File No. 407682 (of the Department of Indian Affairs), and it appearing that said lands are required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs, referred to in Order No. 21638 of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada as on file with said Board under File No. 19712, in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Port Alberni, B.C.,) this 9th day of May, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission, has had before it a copy of an Order of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada bearing date the 10th day of April, 1914, approving the application of the Western Canada Power Company Limited for right of entry upon lands required for right-of-way purposes, to which copy of the Order in question is attached what purports to be a copy of a plan deposited in the Land Registry Office at New Westminster, British Columbia, March 10th, 1914, on file with the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada under File No. 22370.38, approved by the said Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada (Order No. 21662), said lands forming part of Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Langley Tribe, New Westminster District, in the New Westminster Agency:

The Commission having duly considered the said Order, and it appearing that the said lands are required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Western Canada Power Company Limited,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Western Canada Power Company Limited to enter forthwith upon the said lands and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs, referred to in Order No. 21662 of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada as on file with the said Board under File No. 22370.38 in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 34

of the

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.,) this 18th day of June, 1914. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour

[The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Anderson Lake Indian Reserve No. 1 (Nequatque), in the Lillooet District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Anderson Lake Tribe or Band of Indians, The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 6.82 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application an _____xamined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia in respect to such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 18th day of June, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Anderson Lake Indian Reserve No. 2, in the Lillooet District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Anderson Lake Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 2.46 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE TROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.,) this 18th day of June, 1914. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Anderson Lake Indian Reserve No. 4, in the Lillooet District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Anderson Lake Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 3.20 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 36A

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 4th day of December, 1915.

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Co

The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

Whereas in Interim Report No. 36 of this Commission, dated the 18th June, 1914, it is recommended that right-of-entry in and upon a certain Indian Reserve be granted to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company subject to terms and conditions therein prescribed, and

Whereas, the parcel of land required for right-of-way purposes as shewn upon certified plan attached to the said Interim Report No. 36 and described therein, is contained within and forms part of Lokla Indian Reserve No. 4, being one of the Reserves allotted for the Pemberton Tribe or Band, of the New Westminster Agency, and not ANDERSON LAKE INDIAN RESERVE No. 4, being one of the Reserves allotted for the Anderson Lake Tribe or Band, of the Lytton Agency,

The Commission recommends that the said Interim Report No. 36 be and is hereby amended by striking out of the said Interim Report No. 36 the words "ANDERSON LAKE INDIAN RESERVE NO. 4, IN THE LILLOOET DISTRICT, WHICH RESERVE IS ONE OF THOSE ALLOTTED FOR THE ANDERSON LAKE," occurring in the fourth, fifth and sixth lines of the first paragraph of the said Interim Report No. 36, and substituting in lieu thereof the words "LOKLA INDIAN RESERVE NO. 4, IN THE LILLOOET DISTRICT, ON THE BIRKENHEAD RIVER, WHICH RESERVE IS ONE OF THOSE ALLOTTED FOR THE PEMBERTON."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. Valite, Chairman.

INTERIM REPORT No. 37

of the

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 18th day of June, 1914.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Seton Lake Indian Reserve No. 2 (Silicon), in the Lillooet District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Seton Lake Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 21.5 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 18th day of June, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Seton Lake Indian Reserve No. 6 (Necait), in the Lillooet District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Seton Lake Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 5.15 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this oth day of July, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission having before it a communication from the Prime Minister of the Province of British Columbia bearing date of the 30th day of January, 1914, referring to the application made by the Municipal Corporation of the City of Duncan to acquire for Municipal purposes under the terms of Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission certain portions of Cowichan Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Cowichan Tribe; also the aforesaid application of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Duncan bearing date of the 26th day of January, 1914, in which the portions of the said Cowichan Indian Reserve No. 1 proposed to be acquired for such municipal purposes are described as lying within the boundaries of the said Municipality, viz.: the East half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of Section Seventeen (17), Range 5, Quamichan District, and the East half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of Section Eighteen (18), Range 5, Quamichan District; z d having examined the plan accompanying the said application; and

The Commission being aware of the local urgency for an expeditious disposal of the application in question,

BEGS LE VE TO REPORT that, at a meeting of the Commission held at the Board Room, Victoria, on 'ne 23rd day of July, 1913, it was, upon motion

> "RESOLVED that the Indian Reserves of the Cowichan Tribe as described in the appended schedule be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn in the Official Schedule of Reserves, 1913, viz.:

> > "No. 1......5723 acres.....Cowichan,
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> > "No. 2......75 acres.....Teik,
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> > "No. 3......51 acres.....Kilpahlas,
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> > "No. 4......75 acres.....Rogers Lake,
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> > "No. 5......16 acres.....Tzartlam,
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> > "No. 6......24 acres.....Kakalatza,

"No. 7..... 18 acres.....Skutz (a), "No. 8..... 40 acres.....Skutz (b), and "No. 9.....48.66 acres

6070.66 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

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INTERIM REPORT No. 40

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.) this 6th day of July, 1914.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Quesnel Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Cariboo District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Quesnel Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an arca of 17.89 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and duly certified by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia on the 30th June, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 6th day of July, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Rich Bar Indian Reserve No. 4, in the Cariboo District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Quesnel Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 9.71 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and duly certified by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia on the 30th June, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

of the

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.,) this 6th day of July, 1914. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canoda in Council:

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Alexandria Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Cariboo District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Alexandria Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 4.745 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and duly certified by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia on the 30th June, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRIFISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 8th day of July, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Department of Public Works of Canada for permission to construct a wharf fronting and abutting upon Mission Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Squamish Tribe, and the letter of the 23rd June, 1914, of the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada (Their File No. 368380) covering a communication dated the 17th June, 1914, from the Department of Public Works of Canada, with copy of a communication of the 4th June, 1914, from C. C. Worsfold, District Engineer for the Department of Public Works of Canada, respecting the said proposed wharf, shewn upon a plan prepared by the said District Engineer dated the 20th May, 1913, and described thereon as "Proposed Wharf."

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan and the *locus*, and being seized of the evident importance in the public interest of the said work being expeditiously proceeded with.

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made for such portion of the land contained in the said Mission Indian Reserve No. 1 and of the foreshore thereof as it may be necessary to acquire for the purposes of the said wharf, as well as for any foreshore and riparian rights and privileges interfered with, and to the reasonable requirements of the Indians as to ingress and egress being properly safeguarded, permission be granted to the said Department of Public Wor!:s of Canada to proceed with the construction of the proposed wharf as aforesaid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (11th day of July, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had ander consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for and required for right-of-way through Slosh (Sha-Lalth) Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Lilloott District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the 5-cton Lake Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 80.1 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and duly certified by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia on the 17th January, 1913, and the 9th April, 1913, in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 44A

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ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 24th day of February, 1915.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for additional land required for station grounds, widening cuts and ballast supply purposes in connection with right-of-way through Slosh (Sha-Lalth) Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Lillooet District, right-of-way through which Reserve (being one of those allotted for the Seton Lake Tribe or Band of Indians) was recommended to be granted by Interim Report No. 44 of this Commission, bearing date of the 11th day of July, 1914. The additional land required for such station grounds, widening cuts and ballast supply purposes, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 10.54 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such station grounds, widening cuts and ballast supply purposes in connection with such right of-way purposes by the said Railway Company.

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such station grounds, widening cuts and ballast supply purposes in connection with such right-of-way, according to the plan in respect of such application filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and approved by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia the 6th February, 1915.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 15th day of August, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Soda Creek Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Cariboo District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Soda Creek Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 26.23 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and duly certified by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia on the 22nd July, 1914, in respect of such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISLY COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 14th day of August, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission having before it the communication of the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada dated the 6th August, 1913, also File No. 413703 of the said Department and related papers contained on File No. 571 of this Commission, with reference to the exchange of Semach Indian Reserve No. 2, at Sea Otter Cove, Rupert District, Vancouver Island, the said Reserve being one of those allotted for the occupation and use of the Indians of the Nahwitti Tribe or Band,

And being aware that it is necessary and expedient that such action be taken as will enable the Government of the Dominion of Canada to adjust with the Government of the Province of British Columbia matters in respect to the said Semach Indian Reserve No. 2 which have been the subject of negotiations between the Government of the Dominion and the Government of the Province aforesaid,

Begs leave to report that, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, it was, upon motion.

RESOLVED: "That Semach Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Nahwitti Tribe or Band, as described in the Official Schedule, be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 2-Semach, 6 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 20th day of August, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council: and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council-

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Fishery Indian Reserve No. 5, in Vale District the said Reserve being one of those allotted for the occupation and use of the Hope Tribe or Band.

Begs leave to report that, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, it was, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That Fishery Reserve No. 5, Yale District, of the Hope Tribe or Band of Indians, described in the Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 5---Fishery, 1 acre,

"And that a Report of this the Commission's final fixing of the lands contained in the said Reserve be transmitted to His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada-in-Council and to His Honour the Lieutenant-Covernor of British Columbia-in-Council."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

of the

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 20th day of August, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Corporation of the City of Kamloops, Province of British Columbia, for right of entry in and upon Kamloops Indian Reserve No. 1, Kamloops District, said Reserve being one of those allotted for the occupation and use of the Kamloops Tribe or Band of Indians,

And having considered the said application and correspondence of the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada in respect thereto, and having examined the plan submitted in respect to the said application,

And it appearing that it is necessary that right-of-entry in and upon the said Reserve be granted to the said Corporation of the City of Kamloops,

The Commission recommends that, subject to the consent of His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada-in-Council, as required by the "Indian Act," and to all other requirements of the law being complied with (including proper compensation to the parties entitled thereto), the said Corporation of the City of Kamloops be permitted to take, enter upon and use such portion of the lands contained within the said Kamloops Indian Reserve No. 1 as shall be necessary to the purposes of the applicant Corporation's hydro-electric transmission line through and across the said Kamloops Indian Reserve No. 1, and to have, exercise and enjoy tights of construction, operation and maintenance of the hydro-electric transmission line aforesaid, as shewn upon the plan accompanying the application in respect thereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 24th day of August, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through No. 2 Indian Reserve, Fort George District, which is one of the Reserves allotted for the Fort George Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 14.74 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada, approved by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada, and certified by such Board on the 13th July, 1914, in respect of such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (31) 31st day of August, 1914.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Mayne Island Indian Reserve No. 6, said Reserve being one of the Reserves allotted for the Saanich Tribe or Band, Cowichan Agency,

Begs leave to report that at a meeting of the Commission held at the Board Room, Victoria, on the 28th day of July, 1913, it was, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That Indian Reserves Nos. 5, 0, 7 and 8 of the Saanich Tribe, as described in the Schedule, be confirmed as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official plans, viz.:

"No. 5--Fulford Harbour, 43 acres,

"No. 6-Mayne Island, 323 acres,

"No. 7---Saturna Island, 360 acres, and

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"No. 8-Pender Island, 8 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 5th day of October, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant . Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Paqific Great Eastern Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Williams Lake Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Cariboo District, which Reserve is one or those allotted for the Williams Lake Tribe or Band of Indians. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 4.62 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and duly certified by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia on the 10th September, 1914, a copy of which certified plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 20th day of October, 1914. (

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council:

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had before it the application of the Department of Customs of Canada for a parcel of land containing 2.97 acres in Tobacco Plains Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Kootenay Band or Tribe of Indiaus, in the Province of British Columbia, for the purpose of erecting a Customs Building thereon;

And upon consideration of the said application and examination of the plan submitted therewith, and it appearing therefrom that the said land is required by such Department of Customs of Canada for such purpose,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and subject also to the condition that proper compensation be made to the Indians, permission be given to the said Department of Customs of Canada to enter upon the said Tobacco Plains Indian Reserve No. 2 of the Kootenay Band or Tribe of Indians and to acquire the said 2.97 acres for the purpose of erecting a Customs Building thereon, according to the plan filed with the Department in respect to such application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this { 22nd day of October, 1914. {

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Chuchummisapo Indian Reserve No. 15, in the Renfrew District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Nitinat Tribe or Band, of the West Coast Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 3.4 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and having read and considered the letter of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia dated the 21st October instant and numbered "40," a copy of which letter is attached hereto; and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada and numbered "1450" by the Survey Branch of the latter named Department, a copy of which plan is hereto attached, provided however that the said Railway Company shall not receive or acquire in connection with such land for right-of-way any proprietary rights in the bed of the Nitinat River as shewn upon the plan hereinbefore referred to and hereto attached.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this () 26th day of November, 1914. (

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

The Licutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company Limited for land required for right-of-way through New Westminster City Indian Reserve, in the City of New Westminster, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the New Westminster Tribe or Band, of the New Westminster Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 1.17 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said British Columbia Electric Railway Company Limited to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and sanctioned by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia, 12th April, 1912.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 26th day of November, 1914.

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To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Unnour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for permission to change the route of the present road known as the Fairview-Penticton Road, in the Similkameen District, British Columbia, which road traverses Dog Lake Indian Reserve No. 2, one of the Reserves allotted for the Osoyoos Tribe or Band, in the Okanagan Agency;

The Commission, after consideration of the said application and examination of the plan accompanying the same, and it appearing that the proposed change of road is in the public interest and necessary thereto,

The Commission recommends that permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire same for the public road purposes aforesaid, it being understood and provided hereby that, upon the completion of the said new road, the abandoned road allowance reverts to the Indians interested, also that the permission hereby recommended is contingent upon compliance with the requirements of the law and upon due compensation being made to the satisfaction of the guardians of the interested Indians.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH CELUMBLA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (26th day of November, 1914. (

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had ander consideration the application of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Holachten Indian Reserve No. 8, in the New Westminster District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Sumass Tribe, Lakahahuaen Band, of the New Westminster Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of .853 acre.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company.

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs in respect to such application, said plan being approved and certified by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 17th day of August, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (26th day of November, 1914. (

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness-The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Cheam Indian Reserve No. 1, in the New Westminster District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Cheam Tribe or Band, of the Lytton Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 34.13 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and approved by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia on the 8th October, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (27th day of November, 1914. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Kettle Valley Railway Company for land required for right-of-way through Penucical Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Osoyoos and Similkameen Districts, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Pentieton Tribe or Band, of the Okanagan Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 100.53 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Raitway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada and duly approved and certified by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada on the 19th day of October, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 3rd day of December, 1914.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserves Nos. 17 to 25 inclusive of the Yale Tribe or Band, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report, that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That the Indian Reserves of the Yale Tribe or Band numbered from eighteen (18) to twenty-four (24) inclusive and described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913—containing respectively, as appearing in the said Schedule: 3.50, 3.00, 14.00, 43.00, 15.00, 11.00 and 9.00 acres—set aside by Minutes of Decision by A. W. Vowell, I.R.C., dated at Yale, B.C., April 20th, 1906, and surveyed 1912, which said Reserves are found upon reference to the Plans of Survey to contain the following acreages respectively, viz.:

> No. 18— 1.66 acres, No. 19— 1.80 acres, No. 20—15.15 acres, No. 21— 4.40 acres, No. 22— 8.50 acres, No. 23—13.85 acres, and No. 24— .10 acre,

"And No. 17, which appears in the Schedule aforesaid as containing an area of ten (10) acres, but of which no Plan of Survey has been submitted to this Commission,

"And No. 25, which does not appear in the aforesaid Schedule but which by the plan of survey is shewn to contain .72 acre, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plans."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this / 3rd day of December, 1914.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserves Nos. 6A and 6B of the Boothroy: Tribe, Chomok Band, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was, this day

RESOLVED: That the Indian Reserves of the Boothroyd Tribe, Chomok Band, numbered OA and GB, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, DE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plans, viz.:

> No. 6A—Boothroyd, 240.00 acres, and No. 6B—Boothroyd, 22.50 acres.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

GENERAL REPORT

INTERIM REPORT No. 61

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (3rd day of December, 1914. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserve No. 8A of the Boothroyd Tribe, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was, this day

"RESOLVED: That Indian Reserve No. 8A of the Boothroyd Tribe, shewn by the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, as containing 142.02 acres, but which by the Plan of Survey is shewn to contain 145.02 acres, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, as an Indian Reserve of the Boothroyd Tribe containing one hundred and forty-five and two onehundredths (145.02) acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 3rd day of December, 1914. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserve No. 1A of the Kanaka Bar Tribe, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Indian Reserve No. 1A of the Kanaka Bar Tribe, Lytton Agency, not appearing in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, but containing, according to the plan of survey, one hundred and seventy and ninetythree onehundredths (170.93) acres, BE CONFIRMED as shewn on the Official Plan."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 3rd day of December, 1914. {

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governo[,] of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserve No. 3A of the Kanaka Bar Tribe, Lytron Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Indian Reserve No. 3A of the Kanaka Bar Tribe, Lytton Agency, not appearing in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves 1913, but containing, according to the Plan of Survey, nineteen and ninety onehundredths (19.90) acres, BE CONFIRMED as shewn on the Official Plan."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this [3rd day of December, 1914. [

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserve No. 2A of the Skuppah Tribe, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Indian Reserve No. 2A of the Skuppah Tribe, Lytton Agency, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves 1913, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 2A-Skuppah, 43.67 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 3rd day of December, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserves No. 5A of the Siska Flats Tribe, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Indian Reserve No. 5A of the Siska Flats Tribe, Lytton Agency, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves. 1913, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 5A-Siska Flats, 118.18 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 3rd day of December, 1914. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council[®]

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within the Indian Reserves of the Lytton Tribe or Band, Lytton Agency, numbered 3A, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 5A, 9A, 9B, 13A, 21A, 26A and 27A, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That the Indian Reserves of the Lytton Tribe or Band numbered 3A, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 5A, 9A, 9B, 13A, 21A, 26A and 27A, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, as containing respectively: 101.5, 361.02, 135.33, 62.56, 120.00, 270.00, 120.00, 399.80, 176.48, 44.90, 150.80, 229.34 and 209.90 acres, which said Reserves are found upon reference to the Plans of Survey to contain the following acreages, respectively, viz.:

> "No. 3A-Lytton, 101.50 acres, No. 4A-Lytton, 361.28 acres, No. 4B--Lytton, 135.33 acres. No. 4C---Lytton, 62.56 acres, No. 4D-Lytton, 120.00 acres, No. 4E-Lytton, 270.00 acres, No. 5A-Lytton, 120.00 acres. No. 9A-Lytton, 399.80 acres, No. 9B-Lytton, 176.48 acres. No. 13A-Lytton, 44.98 acres. No. 21A-Lytton, 150.80 acres, No. 26A-Lytton, 229.34 acres, and No. 27A-Lytton, 209.90 acres,

"BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plans." All of which is respectfully submitted.

GENERAL REPORT

INTERIM REPORT No. 67

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (3rd day of December, 1914. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Monour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserve No. 4A of the Boston Bar Tribe or Band, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That the Indian Reserve numbered 4A of the Boston Bar Tribe, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"4A-Boston Bar, 25.82 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman. というないのないので

OF THE

R5Y L COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 3rd day of December, 1914. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserve No. 27B of the Lytton Tribe or Band, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That, as to Indian Reserve No. 27B of the Lytton Tribe or Band, shewn upon Alfred M. Johnson's Plan of Survey, dated the 16th day of December, 1911, the portion thereof lying between Section 1, Tp. 15, Range 27, West of the 6th Meridian, and Indian Reserve No. 27 of the Lytton Tribe or Band, containing an area of seventeen and fifty-one onehundredths (17.51) acres, more or less, coloured red on the Plan of Survey, BE CONFIRMED as an Indian Reserve, to constitute and form part of the said Indian Reserve No. 27 of the Lytton Tribe or Band, such tract of land so added to the said Indian Reserve No. 27 being described as follows: i.e., 'A plot of land situate in Section 1, Tp. 15, Range 27, West of the 6th Meridian, commencing at the northwest corner of the said Section and running south nine (9) chains, thence N. 88° 59' E. along the northern boundary of Lytton Indian Reserve No. 27 nineteen chains eighty-three (19.83) links, thence north eight chains sixty-six (8.66) links, and thence west ninetcen chains eighty-three (19.83) links to the place of commencement, containing seventeen and fifty-one onehundredths (17.51) acres, more or less,' and that the residue of the said Lytton Indian Reserve No. 27B BE NOT CONFIRMED."

All of which is respectfully submitted,

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 22nd day of December, 1914.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5A of the Boothroyd Tribe, Chomok Band, Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5A of the Boothroyd Tribe, Chomok Band, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 5A-Boothroyd, 203.33 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (20th day of January, 1915. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Vancouver Power Company for land required for right-of-way through Sumass Indian Reserve No. 7, in the New Westminster District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Sumass Tribe or Band, of the New Westminster Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 6.51 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Contribution recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Vancouver Power Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

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GENERAL REPORT

INTERIM REPORT No. 71

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (20th day of January, 1915. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Vancouver Power Company for land required for right-of-way through Sahhacum Indian Reserve No. 1 and Matsqui Main Indian Reserve No. 2, in the New Westminster District, which Reserves are two of those allotted for the Matsqui Tribe or Band, of the New Westminster Agency. The land required for the said right of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains areas of 2.50 and 12.43 acres, respectively.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada and duly certified by the Minister of Railways of the Province of British Columbia on the 18tt. January instant.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 26th day of January, 1915.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Kailway Company for additional land required for ballast supply purposes in connection with right-of-way through Seton Lake Indian Reserve No. 2 (Silicon), in the Lillooet District, right-of-way through which Reserve (being one of those allotted for the Seton Lake Tribe or Band of Indians) was recommended to be granted by Interim Report No. 37 of this Commission, bearing date of the 18th June, 1914. The additional land required for such ballast supply purposes, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 2.348 acres.

The Commission, having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such ballast supply purposes in connection with such right-of-way by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such ballast supply purposes in connection with such right-of-way, according to the plan in respect of such application filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and approved by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia the 25th January, 1915.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 26th day of January, 1915.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for additional land required for ballast supply purposes and the widening of cuts in connection with right-of-way through Slosh (Sha-Lalth) Indian Reserve No. 1, in the Lillooet District, right-of-way through which Reserve (being one of those allotted for the Seton Lake Tribe or Band of Indians) was recommended to be granted by Interim Report No. 44 of this Commission, bearing date of the 11th July, 1914. The additional land required for such ballast supply purposes and widening of cuts, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 5.23 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such ballast supply purposes and widening of cuts in connection with such right-of-way by the said Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such ballast supply purposes and widening of cuts in connection with such right-of-way, according to the plan in respect of such application filed with the Department of Railways of the Province of British Columbia and approved by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia the 25th January, 1915, a certified copy of which plan is hereto attached.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBLY

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 28th day of January, 1915. (

To His Roya! Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Nooaitch Indian Reserve No. 10 of the Lower Nicola Tribe, Kamloops Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was this day

"RESOLVED: That Nooaitch Indian Reserve No. 10 of the Lower Nicola Tribe, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 85, BE CONFIRMED as a Reserve of the Kamloops Agency, as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 10--Nooaitch, 2,310.00 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

GENERAL REPORT

INTERIM REPORT No. 75

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 2nd day of February, 1915.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Logan's Indian Reserve No. 6 of the Lower Nicola Tribe, Kamloops Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was on the 28th day of January ultimo,

"RESOLVED: That Logan's Indian Reserve No. 6 of the Lower Nicola Tribe, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 85, BE CONFIRMED as a Reserve of the Kambops Agency as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 6-Logan's, 45.00 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this / 2nd day of February, 1915.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of final axing without evitable delay the lands within Chapperon Creek Fishery India. Reserve No. 6 of the Upper Nicola Tribe, Kamloops Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was on the 28th day of January ultime

"RESOLVED: That Chapperon Creek Fishery Indian Reserve No. 6 of the Upper Nicola Tribe, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 86, BE CONFIRMED as a Reserve of the Kamloops Agency as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 6-Chapperon Creek Fishery, 15.00 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

GENERAL REPORT

INTERIM REPORT No. 77

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 2nd day of February, 1915. {

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Nicola Lake Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Upper Nicola Tribe, Kamloops Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was on the 28th day of January ultimo,

"RESOLVED: That Nicola Lake Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Upper Nicola Tribe, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 86, BE CONFIRMED as a Reserve of the Kamloops Agency as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan, viz.:

"No. 1-Nicola Lake, 2,692.00 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 2nd day of March, 1915. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Comox Logging & Railway Company (a company incorporated by Chap. 63, 1910, B.C.S., intit def "An Act to incorporate the Comox Logging and Railway Company) for land required for right-of-way through Pentledge Indian Reserve No. 2, in the Comox District, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Comox Tribe or Band, of the Cowichan Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 1.96 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Comox Logging & Railway Company,

The Commission recommends that subject (a) to due compensation being made for the use of the abandoned branch line marked on plan in accordance with the terms and conditions of the lease to the Fraser River Sawmills Limited, bearing date of the 18th day of March, 1908, for a period of fifteen (15) years, and, in addition, for any timber removed therefrom or in connection therewith, and (b) to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made for right-of-way which is the subject of the application, permission be given to the said Comox Logging & Railway Company to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed with the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada and with the Department of Raib rays of the Province of British Columbia and duly approved and certified by the Minister of Railways of the said Province of British Columbia.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

GENERAL REPORT

INTERIM REPORT No. 79

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 18th day of January, 1916.

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

WHEREAS, in connection with the confirmation of Indian Reserves Nos. 1, Creston; 1A and 1B, Lower Kootenay (additions), referred to in the Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 70 thereof, and in the allotment of lands applied for to be constituted additional Reserves of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, of the Kootenay Agency, the Commission is advised and upon inquiry is satisfied that certain parcels of land proposed to be so allotted and constituted as Indian Reserve lands are not available for such purpose,

THE COMMISSION, having been made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Indian Reserve No. 1, Creston; Indian Reserve No. 1A, Lower Kootenay (Addition); and Indian Reserve No. 1B, Lower Kootenay (Addition), of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, of the Kootenay Agency, BEGS LEAVE TO REPORT that, upon motion, it was, on the 17th day of January, 1916, RESOLVED:

"1. That Indian Reserve No. 1. Creston, of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, of the Kootenay Agency, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 70 thereof, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan of Survey viz.:

"No. 1—Creston, 1831.50 acres.

"2. That that portion of Indian Reserve No. 1A, Lower Kootenay (Addition) as now described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 70 thereof, being all those portions of Sections Eleven (11) and Fourteen (14), Township Seven (7), West Division of Kootenay Land District, lying to the east of the Kootenay River and south of Creston Indian Reserve No. 1, containing an area of three hundred and sixty-five (365) acres, more or less, BE CONFIRMED, subject to survey, as Indian Reserve No. 1A, Lower Kootenay (Addition), Sections Twelve (12), Thirteen (13), Twenty-four (24) and Twenty-five (25), in the said Township Seven (7), West Division of Kootenay Land District, which Sections were included by Mr. Commissioner Vowell in his location of Indian Reserve No. 1A, Lower Kootenay (Addition), with a view to the same being constituted a Reserve, being unavailable for such use and purpose by reason of the same being covered by Timber Licences or Leases, renewable in perpetuity.

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"3. That Indian Reserve No. 1B, Lower Kootenay (Addition), described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 70 thereof, BE CONFIRMED, subject to survey, as containing an area of twelve hundred and fifteen (1215) acres, more or less, situate in Townships Seven (7) and Eight (8), West Division of Kootenay Land District, and comprising all those portions of Sections Twenty-six (26), Twenty-seven (27), and Twenty-eight (28), Township Seven (7), north of Creston Indian Reserve No. 1 and bounded by the Kootenay River, Creston Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, and the Anderson sub-division; that portion of Section Thirty-three (33), Township Seven (7), East of the Kootenay River; that portion of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Seven (7), South of Goat River; that portion of Section Thirty-four five (35), Township Seven (7), bounded on the north by Goat River and on the East by the Anderson sub-division; and that portion of Section Three (3), Township Eight (8), lying South of Goat River.

"4. That an area of twelve hundred (1200) acres, more or less, of land described as follows, viz.: All that portion of Section Four (4), Township Eight (8). West Division of Kootenay Land District, lying to the West of Goat River and North of the Kootenay River; all of Section Five (5), Township Eight (8), and the East quarter (1/4) of Section Six (6), Township Eight (8), BE CONSTITUTED, subject to survey, a Reserve of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, to be known and designated as

"'I. R. No. 1C-Lower Kootenay (Addition), 1200.00 acres.'

"5. That an area of two hundred (200) acres, more or less, of land described as follows, viz.: All those portions of Sections Sixteen (16) and Seventeen (17), Township Eight (8), West Division of Kootenay Land District, lying between the Kootenay River and the Goat River, BE CONSTITUTED, subject to survey, a Reserve of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, to be known and designated as

"I. R. No. 2-Lower Kootenay, 200.00 acres."

"6. That an area of one hundred and thirty (130) acres, more or less, of land described as follows, viz.: All that portion of the Southeast quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Twenty (20). Township Eight (8), West Division of Kootenay Land District, lying East of the Kootenay River, BE CONSTITUTED, subject to survey, a Reserve of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, to be known and designated as

"'I. R. 1 9. 3-Lower Kootenay, 130.00 acres.'

"7. That an rea of one hundred and ninety-five (195) acres, more or less, of land described \rightarrow follows, viz.: All that portion of the North half (1/2) of Section Twenty (109). Township Eight (8), West Division of Kootenay Land District, lying Web of the Kootenay River; and all that portion of the South half (1/2) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Eight (8), lying south of the Kootenay River, we constituted, subject to survey, a Reserve of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, to be known and designated as

"'I. R. No. 4-Lower Kootenay, 195.00 acres.'

"8. That an area of three hundred and fifty-five (355) acres, more or less, of land described as follows, viz.: All that portion of Section Thirty-two (32), Township Eight (8), West Division of Kootenay Land District, lying to the East of the Kootenay River, BE CONSTITUTED, subject to survey, a Reserve of the Lower Kootenay Tribe or Band, to be known and designated as

"'I. R. No. 5-Lower Kootenay, 355.00 acres'."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRIFISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (21st day of January, 1916. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

I have the honour to report that at a meeting of the Commission held on the 20th January, 1916, it was, upon motion, ORDERED that

"WHEREAS there appears among the Indian Reserves allotted for the use of the Kitimat Tribe or Band, of the Bella Coola Agency, a Reserve described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 57 thereof, as 'No. 7. Kitisa, 10.00 acres, January 17th, 1910. Defined by Commissioner A. W. Vowell, but not yet approved by the Provincial Government; Not yet surveyed'—

"AND WHEREAS the tract or parcel of land described as contained in the said Indian Reserve No. 7. Kitisa, is found by the Commission to have been alienated from the Crown as represented in and by the Government of the Province of British Columbia, by Crown Grant issued on the 18th October, 1904, a date some years prior to the setting aside of same by Mr. Commissioner Vowell as a Reserve of the Kitimat Tribe or Band;

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the said Indian Reserve No. 7, Kitisa, as described in the Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 57 thereof, BE NOT CONFIRMED:

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That an Interim Report be prepared and addressed to His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada in Council and to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council, advising the Governments of Canada and of British Columbia, respectively, of such non-confirmation."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 81

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 3rd day of May, 1915.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for land registered for right-ofway for a public road through Cayoosh Creek Indian Reserve No. 1, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the Cayoosh Creek Tribe or Band, of the Lytton Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 1.3 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the paid application and examined the said plan, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Prevince of British Columbia to cuter forthwith upon the said land and to acquirs the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed in respect to this application, a copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman. このないないないないとう

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (12th day of August, 1915. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Vancouver Harbour Commussioners to acquire the Kitsilano Indian Reserve No. 6, which Reserve is one of those allotted for the use and benefit of the Squamish Tribe or Band of Indians, of the New Westminster Agency:

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the plans submitted in respect thereto, and it appearing that the said Reserve is necessary for the purposes of the works of the said Vancouver Harbour Commissioners,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made (1) to the Indians of the said Squamish Tribe or Band; (2) to the Government of the Province of British Columbia, in respect of the reversionary interest of the said Government therein; and (3) in respect to any interest or interests therein other than the interests aforesaid which may be found to be affected, permission be granted to the said Vancouver Harbour Commissioners to enter forthwith upon the said Kitsilano Indian Reserve No. 6 and to acquire the same for the purposes set forth in the application hereinbefore referred to, in accordance with the plans filed in respect thereto, a copy of which plans is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

INTERIM REPORT No. 83

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 12th day of August, 1915.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the necessity for early action to secure the Indians of the Ahousaht Band of the Clayoquot Tribe (West Coast Agency) in peaceable possession of their ancient village and fishing station at Kut-co-us Point, Flores Island, Clayoquot Sound, it was, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That a certain parcel of land containing an area of twelve and sixty onehundredths (12.60) acres, shewn upon plan duly certified by Mr. Ashdown H. Green, B.C.L.S., and by the Chairman of this Commission, which and has been subtracted by the Department of Lands of the Province of British Columbia (upon request of this Commission) from Pre-emption Record No. 1271, issued in the name of one Frank C. Perrotta, BE CONSTITUTED A RESERVE for the use and purposes of the Indians of the Ahousaht Band of the Clayoquot Tribe, West Coast Agency."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 83 (AMENDED)

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 10th day of February, 1916.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission having under consideration a Memorandum of the Department of Lands of the Province of British Columbia re Additional Lands Applications of Indians of the West Coast Agency, signed by the Deputy Minister and bearing date of the 7th January, 1916, wherein the following paragraph occurs, having reference to Application No. 18 of the said West Coast Agency: "No. 18 -Request for 12.6 acres to be taken from Lot 1560, Clayoquot District, being the survey of Frank C. Perrotta's Pre-emption (P. R. No. 1271): In this matter the Honourable the Minister of Lands is of the opinion that an arrangement should be made by the Royal Commission for the payment to the Pre-emptor of the value of the improvements placed by him on the lands held under his Record, as the pre-emptor has expressed the desire to receive payment for his improvements and retire altogether from the lands surveyed as Lot 1560. If this were done and an adjustment reached to the satisfaction of the Pre-emptor, the Minister would be prepared to place the whole of Lot 1050 at the disposal of the Commission for Indian purposes; this would obviate the necessity for further survey and prevent probable conflict as between the Pre-emptor and the Indians,"

And it appearing to the Commission that the procedure suggested by the Honourable the Minister of Lands for British Columbia as cited in the abovequoted Memorandum of the 7th January ultimo would provide the most satisfactory and economical solution of difficulties incident to the preservation for the use and benefit of the Indians of the Ahousaht Band, Clayoquot Tribe, of their ancient village, cleared land and fishing station at Kut-co-us Point, Flores Island, contained within the aforementioned Lot No. 1560, Clayoquot District,

It was moved by Mr. Commissioner McKenna, seconded by Mr. Commissioner Macdowall, and otomkep: "That the Resolution of the 12th August, 1915, establishing and constituting as a Reserve of the Ahousaht Band of the Clayoquot Tribe a certain described tract or parcel of land at Kut-co-us Point, Flores Island, Clayoquot Sound, containing an area of twelve and sixty onehundredths (12.60) acres, more or less, together with Interim Report No. 83 of this Commission, dated the 12th August, 1915, implementing the said Resolution, BE RECONSIDERED, RESCINDED and RECALLED." It was further moved by Mr. Commissioner McKenna, seconded by Mr. Commissioner Macdowall, and ORDERED: that

"WHEREAS the Commission is aware of the necessity for early action securing the Indians of the Ahousaht Band of the Clayoquot Tribe, West Coast Agency, in peaceable possession of their ancient village and fishing station at Kut-co-us Point, Flores Island, Clayoquot Sound;

"AND WHEREAS the Honourable the the Minister of Lands of the Province of British Columbia has offered to place at the disposal of the Commission all that certain tract or parcel of land known and described as Lot No. 1560, Clayoquot District, containing an area of ninety-eight and two-tenths (98.2) acres, more or less, within which the said ancient village and fishing station are contained, upon due compensation being made to one Frank C. Perrotta for improvements made by him within and upon the said Lot No. 1560 under and by virtue of his Pre-emption Record No. 1271;

"AND WHEREAS, in the opinion of the Commission, it is in the public interest and in the interest of the applicant Indians of the Ahousaht Band of the Clayoquot Tribe that the aforementioned offer of the Honourable the Minister of Lands of the Province of British Columbia should be accepted and Lot No. 1560, Clayoquot District, in its entirety established and constituted a Reserve for the use and benefit of the applicant Ahousaht Band of the Clayoquot Tribe,

"BE IT RESOLVED: That there be granted and allowed to the applicant Ahousaht Band of the Clayoquot Tribe and established and constituted a Reserve for the use and benefit of the said Ahousaht Band, all that certain tract or parcel of land known and described as Lot No. 1560, Clayoquot District, containing an area of ninety-eight and two-tenths (98.2) acres, more or less, surveyed, subject to due compensation being made by the Government of the Dominion of Canada to Frank C. Perrotta on account of improvements made by him upon the said Lot No. 1560 under and by virtue of Pre-emption Record No. 1271, issued in the name of the said Frank C. Perrotta, and upon relinquishment by him, the said Frank C. Perrotta, of all right, title and interest in the said Pre-emption Record No. 1271 and the said Lot No. 1560, Clayoquot District;

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That an Interim Report be prepared and transmitted to His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada in Council and to His Honour the Lieutenant-Covernor of British Columbia in Council embodying these Minutes and recalling, rescinding, cancelling and replacing Interim Report No. 83 of this Commission, dated the 12th August, 1915, and herein referred to."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 12th day of August, 1915.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the necessity for early action to secure the Indians of the Homalco Tribe of the New Westminster Agency in peaceable possession of their school site and graveyard contiguous to Aupe Indian Reserve No. 6 (which Reserve is one of those allotted for the use and purposes of the said Homalco Tribe) and contained in surveyed Lot No. 430, Range 1, Coast District, it was, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That a parcel of land containing an area of twenty-nine and seven onehundredths (29.07) acres, which has been subtracted by the Department of Lands of the Province of British Columbia (upon request of the Commission) from Pre-emption Record No. 2851, issued in the name of one William Thompson, such subtraction being shewn upon Plan of Record in the said Department of Lands of the Province of British Columbia, be constituted a Reserve for the use and purposes of the Indians of the said Homalco Tribe, of the New Westminster Agency."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

of the

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 1st day of November, 1915. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for land required for right-ofway for a public road through Sumass Indian Reserve No. 9 and Skumalasph Indian Reserve No. 16, being Reserves allotted respectively for the Sumass Tribe and for the Chilliwack Tribe, of the New Westminster Agency.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the certified plan submitted therewith by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed in respect to this application.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 19th day of November, 1915.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for land required for right-ofway for a public road through Holachten Indian Reserve No. 8, said Reserve being one of those allotted for the Sumass Tribe, Lakahahmen Band, of the New Westminster Agency.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the certified plan submitted therewith by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed in respect to this application, said land extending between a point on Scatzaretsen Slough and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's right-of-way, in Section 9, Tp. 24, E.C.M., and being described as follows:

"All and singular that certain part or parcel or tract of land and premises, lying, situate and being all of that portion of the Sumass Indian Reserve Number Eight (8), Township Twenty-four (24), E.C.M., B.C., and more particularly described as follows, being a strip of land of uniform width of sixteen feet, eight feet lying on either side of and measured at right angles from the following described center-line or said center-line produced, said center-line commencing at the end of the following described traverse, said traverse starting at an iron pin planted at the intersection of the southern limit of the Canadian Pacific Railway right-of-way with the western boundary of the Sumass I. R. above mentioned; thence N. 39° 10' W. 47.4 feet; thence N. 66° 10' E. 809.0 feet; thence N. 75° 10' E. 294.5 feet; thence S. 19° 50' Ξ . 49 feet to the southern limit of the railway right-of-way and to the point of commencement of the above mentioned centerline; thence along the said center-line S. 19° 50' E. 126.0 feet, more or less, to the north bank of Scatzaretsen Slough, as shewn on the plan hereto attached."

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

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OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this (19th day of November, 1915. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for land required for right-ofway for a public road through Holachten Indian Reserve No. 8, said Reserve being one of those allotted for the Sumass Tribe, Lakahahmen Band, of the New Westminster Agency.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the plan submitted therewith by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plan filed in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

INTERIM REPORT No. 88

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 29th day of December, 1915.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for land required for right-of-way for a public road through Gitzault (Kitsaulk) Indian Reserve No. 24, said Reserve being one of those allotted for the Kincolith Tribe, of the Naas Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of 2.2 acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the plan submitted therewith by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plan filed in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 4th day of January, 1916.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5B of the Boothroyd Tribe, Chomox Band, of the Lytton Agency, begs leave to report that, upon motion, it was, this day

"RESOLVED: That Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5B of the Boothroyd Tribe, Chomox Band, of the Lyttee Agency, be confirmed as shewn upon sketch plan prepared by Mr. Ashdown H. Green, B.C.L.S., and containing, as shewn by said plan, an area of three hundred and ninety-two and eight onehundredths (392.08) acres, described as follows:

"Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5B---A Reserve of three hundred and ninetytwo and eight onehundredths (392.08) acres, situate in Sections four (4) and five (5), Township twelve (12), Range twenty-six (26), West of Sixth Meridian, and in Section thirty-three (33), Township eleven (11), Range twenty-six (26), West of Sixth Meridian, commencing at the Northwest corner of Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 4 and running North therefrom Sixteen (16) chains; thence East Two (2) chains; thence North Two (2) chains; thence West (2) chains; thence North Twenty-eight chains, Sixty-one (28.61) links; thence S. 72.26 W. Twenty-four chains six (24.06) links; thence S. 89.50 W. Sixteen chains nineteen (16.19) links; thence N. 0.24 E. Thirty-eight chains ninety-six (38.96) links; thence West Thirty-seven chains ninety-seven (37.97) links to the Fraser River; thence following the left bank of the Fraser River in a southerly direction to a point due West of the aforesaid Northwest corner of Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 4 and thence East forty-nine chains and sixty-two and three-tenths (49.623) links to the place of commencement";

"Also that a further area of land containing ninety-three and fifteenonehundredths (93.15) acres forming part of Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5B as hitherto defined and referred to in the Schedule of Indian Reserves at Page 78 thereof, be constituted a separate Indian Reserve, to be known as Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5C, allotted for the use and benefit of the Boothroyd Tribe, Chomox Band, of the Lytton Agency, as shewn upon sketch plan prepared by Mr. Ashdown H. Green, B.C.L.S., and described as follows:

"Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 5C—A Reserve of ninety-three and fifteenonehundredths (93.15) acres, situate in Section Three (3). Township Twelve (12), Range Twenty-six (26), West of the Sixth Meridian, commencing at the Northwest corner of Boothroyd Indian Reserve No. 4 and running therefrom N. 89.42 E. six chains seventy-three and one-tenth (6.731) links; thence North fifty-tour chains eleven and three-tenths (54.113) links; thence S. 89.33 E. six chains seventy-five (6.75) links; thence S. o. 28 W. nineteen chains mineteen and six-tenths (19.196) links; thence S. o. 25 W. nineteen chains one and eighttenths (19.018) links; thence South fifty-eight (58) chains; thence West fifteen (15) chains ; thence North twelve chains twenty-seven (12.27) links; thence S. 89.36 E. one chain eighty-eight and six-tenths (1.886) links and thence N. o. 11 W. twenty-nine chains eighty-six (29.86) links to the place of commencement."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 27th day of January, 1916.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission having under consideration an application in behalf of Indians of the Burns Lake Band of the Francois Lake Tribe, Stuart Lake Agency, for lands including Lot No. 5402, Range 5, Coast Land District, and having also before it an application by the Government of the Province of British Columbia contained in letter of the Deputy Minister of Lands of the said Province dated the 12th November, 1915, for the reservation out of the said Lot No. 5402 of an area of eighty (80) acres, required for townsite purposes, and the Commission being of opinion that the Governments of the Dominion of Canada and of the Province of British Columbia should be promptly advised of the action taken by the Commission upon the said applications, it was, at a meeting of the Commission held on the 26th January, 1916, upon motion, RESOLVED THAT

"WHEREAS the letter of the 12th November, 1915, addressed to the Commission by the Deputy Minister of Lands of the Province of British Columbia was not brought to the attention of the Commission when the resolution allowing Lot No. 5402, as described in Item No. 44 of the tabulated additional lands applications of the Stuart Lake Agency, to the Indians of the Burns Lake Band, of the François Lake Tribe, subject to certain reservations, was carried on division;

"AND WHEREAS it appears from the said letter of the Deputy Minister of Lands that the Minister of Lands desires in the public interest to withhold from the said Lot No. 5402, now held in reserve with a view to the land requirements thereat of the Indians of the Burns Lake Band being reasonably met, an area of eighty (80) acres for townsite purposes;

"BE IT RESOLVED that the aforesaid resolution of allowance be rescinded;

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Lot 5402, Range 5, Coast Land District, be allowed to the Burns Lake Band of Indians, of the Francois Lake Tribe, less deductions therefrom of the right-of-way of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway; the right-of-way of the Provincial public road; a right-of-way—of a width of sixty-six (66) feet—for a public highway from the said Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company's Burns Lake Station to Burns Lake, provided such road shall not interfere with any Indian house or houses or obstruct ingress and egress

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thereto and therefrom; and the right-of-way of the Dominion Telegraph line; and an area of eighty (80) acres for townsite purposes situate in the southeast corner of the said Lot, provided that there shall be thereby no interference with Indian improvements made and existing prior to the first day of August, 1915, and that, should the reservation of such townsite interfere with or injuriously affect any Indian improvements made on the said reserve townsite land subsequent to the said first day of August, 1915, adequate compensation shall be made to the Indian owners of such improvements by the Provincial Government; such allowance of land for a reserve for the said Burns Lake Band and the aforesaid deductions to be subject to survey."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W WHITE, Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 1st day of February, 1916.

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

> > and

To His Honour The Licutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

Inasmuch as the provision of lands for Indians resident in that portion of British Columbia covered by Treaty 8 for whom Reserves have not already been constituted and allotted, comes within the scope of this Commission's duties, inquiry was early instituted by the Commission as to such Indians, their habitat, and the measure of their land requirements. It was found that the country wherein these Indians are found is so difficult of access, and information as to the location of the Indians so indefinite that visitation of the territory by the Commission would not, under existing circumstances, have resulted in the obtaining of detailed and specific information that would enable the Commission to make definite findings as to the location, suitability and areas of lands to be set aside as Reserves for such Indians; it was, indeed, found that even the Department of Indian Affairs is not possessed of dependable and particularized information requisite:

The Commission, after due consideration and study of Treaty No. 8 came, therefore, to the conclusion that the allotment of lands for the Indians aforesaid should be in accordance with the terms in that regard of the said Treaty; and as the Commission was impressed with the importance of having the Indian Land Question throughout the whole of British Columbia disposed of, it was decided that that question in that portion of British Columbia referred to therein could best be disposed of on the lines of the following RESOLUTION, which was, at a meeting of the Commission held on the 31st day of January, 1916, moved by Mr. Commissioner McKenna, seconded by Mr. Commissioner Shaw, and unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS a Treaty, known as Number 8, was made in the year 1899, between the Crown and certain Indians of northwestern Canada;

"AND WHEREAS the territory covered by such Treaty extended into that part of the Province of British Columbia which lies between the Rocky Mountains and the 60th Parallel of North Latitude and the 120th degree of Longitude;

"AND WHEREAS, by such Treaty, Her late Majesty the then Queen of Great Britain and Ireland agreed and undertook 'to lay aside Reserves for such bands

as desire Reserves, the same not to exceed one square mile for each family of five, for such families as may elect to reside on Reserves, or in that proportion for larger or smaller families; and for such families or individual Indians as may prefer to live apart from band reserves . . . land in severalty to the extent of one hundred and sixty acres to each Indian, the land to be conveyed with a proviso as to non-alienation without the consent of the Governor-General-in-Council of Canada, the selection of such Reserves and lands in severalty, to be made in the manner following, namely: the Honourable the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs shall depute and send a suitable person to determine and set apart such Reserves and lands, after consultation with the Indians concerned as to the locality which may be found suitable and open for selection';

"AND WHEREAS there have been set aside, under the provision of the aforesaid Treaty, for certain of the Indians affected thereby whose habitat is in the part of British Columbia hereinbefore described, within what is known as the "Peace River Block" of Dominion lands situate within that part of British Columbia already referred to herein, the following Reserves for certain of the Indians aforesaid, namely:

> "Halfway River Reserve, No. 168, containing 9890 acres, "West Moberly Reserve, No. 168A, containing 5025 acres, "East Moberly Reserve, No. 169, containing 4490 acres, "St. John Reserve, No. 172, containing 18168 acres, "Or an area in all of 37,574 acres;

"AND WHEREAS the Department of Indian Affairs has not made a census of the Indians whose habitat in the part of British Columbia covered by Trenty No. 8, as aforesaid, is so beyond the said 'Peace River Block' as to not admit of suitably located Reserves being allotted for them therein;

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of the Province of British Columbia in accordance with the terms of the Agreement with the Government of the Dominion, dated the 24th day of September, 1912, under which Agreement this Commission is constituted, be required to set aside out of the Crown lands of the Province within that part of British Columbia covered by Treaty No. 8, as hereinbefore set out, upon the application, when made, of the Government of Canada, and supported by a census enumeration of the Indians of the territory aforesaid who have not been provided with Reserves within the said 'Peace River Block,' such census enumeration to be certified by the officer or officers duly deputed by the Honourable the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs to make such enumeration, such areas of land as may be selected under and in accordance with the Terms of Treaty No. 8, hereinbefore referred to, by whomever may be deputed and sent by the Honourable the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs to determine and set apart lands for the said Indians;

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when the Government of the Dominion through the Honourable the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs is in a position to indicate to the Government of the Province of British Columbia the location and approximate maximum areas of lands which may be required for the purpose aforesaid, the Government of the Province shall forthwith withhold from alienation the indicated areas, so that sufficient lands shall be available in suitable localities for the Indians under the said Treaty when the Government of the Dominion shall determine and advise the Government of the Province of British Columbia of the definite areas of the lands required; and that upon being so advised, such lands shall be conveyed by the Province to the Dominion with full power to deal with the said lands in such manner as they may deem best suited for the purposes of the Indians, in accordance with the agreement aforesaid."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 92

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 10th day of March, 1916. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware of the importance of finally fixing without evitable delay the lands within Papekwatchin Indian Reserve No. 4, and Skweahm Indian Reserve No. 10, said Reserves being among those allotted for the use and benefit of the Sumass Tribe, New Westminster Agency,

Begs leave to report that, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, it was, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That Papekwatchin Indian Reserve No. 4, of the Sumass Tribe, and Skweahm Indian Reserve No. 10, of the Sumass Tribe, Lakahahmen Band, both of the New Westminster Agency, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at pages 102 and 103 thereof, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Flans of Survey, viz.:

> "No. 4—Papekwatchin, 235.00 acres, and "No. 10–-Skweahm, 183.00 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 29th day of March, 1916.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for land required for right-ofway for a public road in and through East Saanich Indian Reserve No. 2, said Reserve being one of those allotted for the Saanich Tribe of the Cowichan Agency. The area required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains two and fifty-six-onehundredths (2.56) acres.

The Commission having duly considered the said application and examined the plan submitted therewith by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes according to the plan filed in respect of such application, a certified copy of which plan is attached ereto, and according to the following description, viz :

"Right-of-way of Public Road through East Saanich Indian Reserve No. 2 (Tsah-wit-ook), South Saanich District, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, said right-of-way being fifteen (15) feet in width, lying evenly seven and one-half $(7\frac{1}{2})$ feet on each side of the centre line thereof, which is described as follows, i.e.:

"Commencing at a point at the intersection of the East Saanich Road with the Section line Letween Sections five (5) and six (6), Range four (4) East, South Saanich District, at a distance of five hundred and ninety-two and onetenth (592.1) feet West of the Indian Reserve post, set above high water mark at the Northeast corner of said Section six (6). Thence on a bearing South forty (40) degrees and twenty-three (23) minutes East a distance of one hundred and sixty-three and one-tenth (163.1) feet; thence South sixty-nine (69) degrees

and fifty-six (56) minutes East two hundred and fifty-two and seven-tenths (252.7) feet; thence South thirty-nine (39) degrees and fifty-seven (57) minutes East one hundred and fifty-nine and six-tenths (159.6) feet; thence South degrees and one (1) minute East one hundred and seventy-thr (73) e-tenth (130.1) feet; thence South eighty-one (81) degr .s and thirty and thirty-one (31) minutes East four hundred and ninety-two (492.0) feet; thence South seventy-seven (77) degrees and twenty-one (21) minutes East two hundred and eleven (211) feet; thence South sixty-two (62) degrees and seventeen (17) minutes East two hundred and eighty-two and four-tenths (282.4) feet; thence South forty-nine (49) degrees and one (1) minute East three hundred and seventy-seven (377) feet; thence South seventy-six (76) degrees and six (6) minutes East five hundred and twenty-one and eight-tenths (521.8) feet; thence South eighty-nine (89) degrees and fifty-four (54) minutes East seventy-eight and six-tenths (78.6) feet; thence South eighty-three (83) degrees and two (2) minutes East one hundred and thirty-nine and three-tenths (139.3) feet; thence South eighty-one (81) degrees forty-six (46) minutes East one hundred and seventy-three and four-tenths (173.4) feet; thence South eighty-eight (88) degrees East two hundred and nine and three-tenths (209.3) feet; thence North eighty-nine (89) degrees and twenty-six (26) minutes East one hundred and forty-four and two-tenths (144.2) feet; thence South seventy-seven (77) degrees and seven (7) minutes East two hundred and seventy and three-tenths (270.3) feet; thence North eighty-nine (89) degrees and three (3) minutes East one hundred and one and seven-tenths (101.7) feet; thence North eighty-four (84) degrees and seventeen (17) minutes East eighty-two and one-tenth (82.1) feet; thence South seventy-nine (79) degrees and twelve (12) minutes East two hundred and one (201) feet; thence South sixty-three (63) degrees and fifty-six (56) minutes East one hundred and fifty-three and eight-tenths (153.8) feet; thence South seventy-four (74) degrees and eighteen (18) minutes East one hundred and twenty-one and six-tenths (121.6) feet; thence South fifty-nine (59) degrees and fifty-eight (58) minutes East eighty and six-tenths (80.6) feet; thence South seventy-seven (77) degrees and thirty-six (36) minutes East seventy-eight and eight-tenths (78.8) feet; thence South fifty-five (55) degrees and thirty-six (36) minutes East one hundred and seven and nine-tenths (107.9) feet; thence South sixty-one (61) degrees and fifty-seven (57) minutes East one hundred and three and two-tenths (103.2) feet; thence South forty (40) degrees and thirty-six (36) minutes East two hundred and fifty-nine and six-tenths (259.6) feet; thence South fifty-two (52) degrees and eighteen (18) minutes East one hundred and forty-eight and four-tenths (148.4) feet; thence South fifty-nine (59) degrees and twenty (20) minutes East three hundred and thirtysix (336) feet; thence North seventy-three (73) degrees and forty-seven (47) minutes East one hundred and ninety-seven and nine-cenths (197.9) feet; thence North thirty-six (36) minutes East three hundred and ninety-eight (398) feet; thence North eighteen (18) degrees and thirty-eight (38) minutes West five hundred and twenty-five and two-tenths (525.2) feet; thence North ten (10) degrees and eighteen (18) minutes East rine hundred and twenty-four (924) feet, to a point on the North boundary of the East Saanich Indian Reserve, at a distance of two hundred and twenty-one and five-tenths (221.5) feet West of

the Southeast corner of Section five (5), Range six (6) East, South Saanich District, Vancouver Island, said point being in line with the centre line of the street running Northeast and Southwest shewn on the plan of the sub-division of said Section five (5) filed in the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B.C., and numbered 1800."

All of which is respectfully submitted

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this 29th day of March, 1916.

To His Honour

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being advised by the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, British Columbia, of the desire of the Government of the Province of British Columbia to have set aside and secured out of Hazelton Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Hazelton Tribe, Getanmax Band, Babine Agency, an area sufficient to provide for the reasonable requirements for cemetery purposes of the locality in which the said Hazelton Reserve is situate, and which area in the opinion of the Commission should contain ten (10) acres, more or less, subject to survey,

Begs leave to report, in order that action by the Government of the Dominion of Canada upon the said application of the Government of the Province of British Columbia may be expedited, that, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, it was, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That Hazelton Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Hazelton Tribe, Getanmax Band, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 54 thereof, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan of Survey, viz.:

"No. 1-Hazelton, 2704.00 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.,) this 6th day of April, 1916. (

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being now made aware that to enable the Government of Canada to deal with questions affecting Pemynoos Indian Reserve No. 9, in the Kamloops District, of the Cook's Ferry Band, advice of the Commission's action thereon should be given,

Begs leave to report that, at a meeting of the Commission held on the 28th day of November, 1913, it was, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: "That Pemynoos Indian Reserve No. 9 and Pokheitsk Indian Reserve No. 10, in the Kamloops District, of the Cook's Ferry Band, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn in the Official Schedule of 1913."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 96

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C.,) this 12th day of April, 1916.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission being made aware that to enable the Government of the Dominion of Canada to deal with questions affecting Skwahla Indian Reserve No. 2, of the Chilliwack Tribe, Skwash Band, New Westminster Agency, advice of the Commission's action thereupon should be given,

Begs leave to report that, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, it was, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That Skwahla Indian Reserve No. 2, of the Chilliwack Tribe, Skwash Band, New Westminster Agency, described in the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves, 1913, at Page 94 thereof, BE CONFIRMED as now fixed and determined and shewn on the Official Plan of Survey, viz.:

No. 2-Skwahla, 29.00 acres."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE. Chairman.

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this) 13th day of April, 1916. (

> To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

WHEREAS the Commission is advised that certain land contained within Section Twenty-three (23), Township Eleven (11), Range Twenty-six (26), West of the 6th Meridian, has been duly applied for as a homestead under the regulations in such behalf made and provided,

AND WHEREAS the Commission is advised that the said homestead application is being held in abeyance by the local Agent of the British Columbia Lands Branch, Department of the Interior, pending action by this Commission upon Lytton Agency Additional Lands Application No. 90, of the Boothroyd Tribe,

AND WHEREAS the Commission is of opinion that, to enable the British Columbia Lands Branch, Department of the Interior, to deal with the homestead application hereinbefore referred to, advice of the Commission's action upon Lytton Agency Additional Lands Application No. 90 should be given,

Begs leave to report that, at a meeting of the Commission held this day, it was, upon motion,

"RESOLVED: That the Commission, having under consideration Lytton Agency Application No. 90, of the Boothroyd Tribe or Band, for improved land of Indian Sam Adams, in two parcels, cultivated and fenced,

"It was moved by Mr. Commissioner Shaw,

"Seconded by Mr. Commissioner Macdowall, and

"ORDERED: That there be allowed under this Application and established and constituted a Reserve for the use and benefit of the applicant Boothroyd Tribe, the S. one-half $(\frac{1}{2})$ of the S. E. one-quarter $(\frac{1}{4})$ and the S. one-half $(\frac{1}{2})$ of the S. W. one-quarter $(\frac{1}{4})$ of Section Twenty-three (23), Township Eleven (11), Range Twenty-six (26), W. of the 6th Meridian, containing an area of One hundred and twenty (120) acres, more or less, subject to survey.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

INTERIM REPORT No. 98

CF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Made at Victoria, B.C., this } 27th day of April, 1916.

To His Royal Highness The Governor-General of Canada in Council

and To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia in Council:

The Commission, pursuant to Section 8 of the Agreement referred to in the Commission, has had under consideration the application of the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia for land required for right-ofway for a Public Road in and through Osoyoos Indian Reserve No. 1, said Reserve being one of those allotted for the Osoyoos Tribe or Band, of the Okanagan Agency. The land required for the said right-of-way, as shewn on the certified plan, contains an area of eleven and forty-two-orehundredths (11.42) acres.

The Commission, having duly considered the said application and examined the plan submitted therewith by the said Department of Public Works of the Province of British Columbia, and it appearing that the said land is required for such right-of-way purposes by the said Department of Public Works of the Province of British Columbia,

The Commission recommends that, subject to compliance with the requirements of the law and to due compensation being made, permission be given to the said Department of Public Works of the Province of British Columbia to enter forthwith upon the said land and to acquire the same for such right-of-way purposes, according to the plan filed in respect of such Application, a certified copy of which plan is attached hereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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PROGRESS REPORTS

PROGRESS REPORT No. 1

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

To the Honourable

W. J. ROCHE, M.D.,

Superintendent-G cal of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Canada.

Sir :---

On behalt of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia, I beg leave to report;

That on the 19th day of May last and immediately after the receipt of the Commission appointing them, the Commissioners were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their duties, and on the same day commenced holding sittings in the Provincial Executive Chamber at Victoria. Such sittings were continued daily excepting on Victoria Day and Sundays until 26th May, the time of the Commissioners being fun, occupied in and about procuring the necessary staff of assistants and in making and completing arrangements to secure suitable apartments in which to hold meetings of the Board and for offices for the Staff, in arranging an itinerary for a proposed visitation of the Indians and inspecting the Reserves in the Cowichan Agency, also in dealing with applications by railway and other authorities mentioned in paragraph 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission and forming part thereof, and also in discussing and dealing with the question of our powers and authorities and matters of a similar character naturally incidental to the commencement of our work.

The Commission were enabled to secure suitable offices in the Belmont House wherein to hold the Board meetings and to afford suitable quarters for the members of the Staff; the rental agreed to be paid for these apartments will appear in the accounts submitted on behalf of the Commission to the Department of Indian Affairs. An assistant Secretary and two stenographers and typewriters were secured, and the price agreed to be paid for their services also appear in such accounts; a large portion of the time of the Commissioners was also, during the sittings at Victoria, hereinbefore referred to, taken up by looking into a great number of applications and matters which had been handed in to be presented to the Commissioners under a misapprehension as to what the nature of their powers was. Many of these matters provoked considerable discussion before they were disposed of. I may say here that whenever the sittings are hereafter alleged to have been held in Victoria after the return of the Commissioners from the Cowichan Agency, such sittings were held daily, Sundays and holidays excepted, and the time was occupied in reading and answering accumulated correspondence, in settling what action they would take in respect to the Reserves visited, or brought under their notice, considering applications for rights-of-entry under Section 8 of the Agreement referred to, and considering

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other applications which did not come within their powers, and applications of this character continued coming in from time to time in considerable numbers. Civil answers had to be made to all these applications, and our Secretary or Assistant Secretary or Stenographer had to be instructed as to the answers to be given, which, of course, were of a very varied character.

On the 26th May the Commissioners started to visit some of the Reserves of the Cowichan Agency and to interview the Indians thereof. They went as far North as Comox, and visited every Reserve along the route except some which were very small, such as Graveyards and Fishing Stations and other small Reserves upon which no Indian resided, and with respect to which the Commissioners could get sufficient information by sworn testimony, and also excepting cases where the Indians having been duly notified of a place of meeting attended there and heard what the Commissioners had to offer, and the Commissioners heard what they had to state. In all cases the Indians were clearly informed as to the powers of the Commissioners, and were allowed every liberty and freedom to make statements. Evidence was also taken under oath. In order to avoid repetition, I may say that this was the course always taken where Agencies were visited, except on some occasions, when the Indians refused to be sworn or make any statements. The Commissioners, however, always explained what their powers were under the Commission, and if the Indians declined to be sworn. they did not attempt to force or threaten them. Meetings of this character were held almost every day, and sometimes twice a day. Once or twice the Commissioners went to some considerable distance to inspect some Reserves which they thought should be inspected, and no meetings were held on such occasions as there were no Indians living on them. They only came there occasionally.

This tour, except as hereinafter mentioned, was taken by automobile, it being the only method by which it could be conveniently and expeditiously taken. Two trips, however, were taken by launch from Ladysmith to visit two Islands in that vicinity.

The Commissioners also met representative white men of the towns of Duncan, Ladysmith, Comox and Courtenay Bay, and heard representations made by them.

On the 7th of June the Commissioners returned to Victoria; the 8th being Sunday, they held a sitting there on the 9th, and from the 10th to the 14th, both inclusive, their time was occupied in visiting other Reserves of the Cowichan Agency in the vicinity of Victoria and interviewing the Indians there. These trips were taken by automobile (except that to Discovery and Chatham Islands, which was taken by launch), the Commissioners returning to Victoria each evening.

On the 16th of June, the 15th being Sunday, the Commissioners visited islands in the Straits of Georgia on which there were Indian reserves of the Cowichan Agency, and inspected such Reserves. No meetings were held with the Indians on these last mentioned Reserves except on Mayne Island, as that was the only

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place where there was more than one Indian to be found; in fact there was no Indian at all resident on most of the other Islands. The Commissioners returned on the evening of the same day to Victoria, where a sitting was held the next day. On the 18th they proceeded to Vancouver, and remained in that vicinity until the 27th of June, inclusive; during that time they held meetings with the Board of Trade of Vancouver and representative white men of the City of North Vancouver and heard representations made by them. They also visited all the Reserves situated on the North side of Burrard Inlet and at Indian River, and held meetings with the Indians there. They also visited Musqueam Reserve No. 2, near Point Grey, and held a meeting of the Indians there, and inspected another Reserve belonging to that Band, called Sea Island, and two other small Reserves near the bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster.

They also visited the Semiahmoo Reserve, near the extreme southern boundary of the New Westminster Agency, and held a meeting there, it having been considered desirable by the Commissioners to do so for several reasons. While on this tour the Commission made Vancouver their headquarters, making the respective visits mentioned to the Reserves by automobile, except the visit to Indian River, which was made by launch. After returning from Vancouver, sittings were held at Victoria from the 28th June to the 3rd July inclusive.

On the 4th of July the Commissioners, at the instance of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary of British Columbia, went to Bare Island, one of the Islands in the Straits of Georgia, and a Reserve in the Cowichan Agency, to inspect it, the Government of that Province being desirous to obtain that Island as a refuge for sea birds and to enable it to protect them and their eggs. The Hon. the Provincial Secretary furnished the means of transport for that trip. From the 5th to the 14th of July, both inclusive, sittings were held at Victoria.

On the 15th of July the Commisisoners proceeded to Howe Sound to inspect the Reserves of the Squamish Tribe there, with respect to which the Pacific Great Eastern Railway desired to obtain a right-of-enery with a view of constructing a portion of their yards and railway thereon. It was deemed necessary to inspect these Reserves to understand their character and why the railway company required as much land for their purpose as they stated. Mr. D'Arcy Tate, on behalf of the railway company, furnished the transport for this trip from Vancouver to the Sound and back. The Commissioners found that they acted prudently in visiting and inspecting this Reserve. After returning from the Sound, the Commissioners attended a meeting of the Squamish Band of Indians at the Mission Reserve at North Vancouver and discussed with them the matter of a proposed sale of the Howe Sound Reserves to the railway company.

On the 18th of July the Commissioners returned to Victoria, and on the same day resumed their sittings there, which were continued till the 14th of August.

On the 14th of August the Commissioners left by a small steamer which was chartered for them by Capt. Robertson, Marine Agent of the Dominion Government, to travel through the Bella Coola and Queen Charlotte Islands

Agencies-this mode of conveyance was the only one by which these Agencies could have been visited. Of course it would be necessary to cross to the Oueen Charlotte Islands by boat, and the only way to go through the Bella Coola Agency was by the several channels and inlets of the sea which are situated throughout the Agency. There are no available roads there, and in many instances the Commissioners had to go from the steamer to the Reserves in row-The Commissioners visited or got information with respect to all the boats. Reserves in this Agency in the same manner as in the Cowichan Agency, and held meetings with the Indians in every place where there were a sufficient number of Indians to constitute a meeting, and that was practically every point where there were resident Indians, except the Ulkatcho Reserve. Instructions had been given for the Indians on that Reserve to meet the Commissioners at Bella Coola, as the Reserve was situated a long distance from the Channel and Bella Coola was the nearest point for them to meet the Commissioners at. The Indians failed to meet them. As Ulkatcho is 150 miles distant from Bella Coola, and the only method of travel to get to Bella Coola is on horseback, the Commissioners considered it advisable to let the visitation of the Reserve stand till a future date, when they would be going through the Williams Lake Agency, and visit that reservation from there, from whence it would be of more easy access. The Commissioners also crossed to Queen Charlotte Islands and visited the Reserves of Massett and Skidegate there. The other Reserves on those Islands are all tributary to one or the other of these places and the Indian Agent described those which were tributary to Massett, the nature of the soil and the character of each Reserve. They are not inhabited except temporarily, and the Commissioners did not consider it necessary to visit them. The Commissioners were storm stayed one day en route from Prince Rupert to Massett; having to remain sheltered in a cove on Stephens' Island, and they were storm stayed two days in Massett Harbour.

The Skidegate Indians refused to testify to the Commissioners. The Commissioners did not visit any other Reserve of this Agency—they got a description of them from the Indian Agent.

The Commissioners returned to Victoria from this tour on the 18th of September, and resumed their sittings there on the 19th and continued such sittings until the 30th of September inclusive.

On October 1st, the Commission started to inspect the Reserves in the Okanagan Agency. They went from Victoria to Vancouver in the usual and only way, namely, by boat. From Vancouver to Enderby (the first point in that Agency) they went by railway train, and from there, until they arrived at Kamloops, of the Kamloops Agency, they were transported by means of automobiles. The Commissioners proceeded on from Enderby day by day through the Agency, visiting the different Reserves and meeting the Indians in the same manner as in the other Agencies mentioned; representative white men were also heard by them at Vernon and Penticton. On the 15th of October the Commissioners completed their tour through the Okanagan Agency, and arrived at Merritt, in the Lytton Agency, retaining the automobiles to convey them to Kamloops. They visited some Reserves in the Lytton Agency in the vicinity of Merritt, and held meetings of Indians there.

As their route from the Okanagan Agency to the Kamloops Agency took them through that part of the Lytton Agency, they considered it advisable and saving of the expense of returning there to inspect those Reserves, to do so en route. They consequently had the proper notice given and visited and held meetings with the Indians at the above places. They left the Lytton Agency on the morning of the 19th of October, "eaching Kamloops on the evening of that day.

Upon reaching Kamloops, further attendance by the automobiles, which had accompanied the Commissioners to that point, was dispensed with. Members of the Kamloops Board of Trade met the Commissioners and were heard by them. The Commissioners then proceeded to visit the Reserves in the Kamloops Agency. They proceeded by rail from Kamloops to the most easterly point of that Agency, and after visiting the Reserves there and meeting the Indians, they proceeded westerly, visiting the Reserves en route, using the railroad wherever they could do so, and when they could not, sometimes using horses and wagons when the distances were short, and if not, using automobiles. On one or two occasion they held meetings with white men and heard what they had to say. On the 4th of November the Commission returned to Victoria and resumed sittings there on the 5th of November, and have been holding daily sittings there ever since.

In the course of the itineraries hereinbefore mentioned, the Commissioners met the Indians and heard their statements and testimony at 17 Reserves in the Cowichan Agency, and inspected 33 other Reserves. In the Bella Coola Agency, they heard the statements and testimony of the Indians at ten Reserves, and inspected four other Reserves. They had meetings at and inspected the two principal Reserves in the Queen Charlotte Agency. They also held meetings with the Indians at seven central Reserves in the Okanagan Agency and heard the testimony, and in so doing, came in touch with all the Indians in that Agency. They also inspected ten Reserves or groups of Reserves in that Agency, and they took a drive through Okanagan Reserve No. 1 for some miles along the Northern side of the lake and had an excellent opportunity for inspecting that Reserve. In Kamloops Agency the Commissioners held meetings and heard the testimony of the Indians at nine central points and inspected at least nine other Reserves which were tributary to some one or other of the Reserves at which meetings were held, and in addition to this they met some representative white men at Salmon Arm and also at Kamloops.

With respect to Reserves not visited by the Commissioners, such were, as before stated, small Reserves, many of them not inhabited, many of them mere fishing stations, some graveyards, and information with respect to them was got from the testimony of Indians at the meetings, or from the testimony of the Agents. It was the practice of the Commissioners after visiting the Reserves, excepting in the cases of the Bella Coola and Queen Charlotte Agencies, when the evidence was taken on the boat, to call the Inspector of the Agency and the A second s

Indian Agent to the Board Room at Victoria, and examine them under oath. This was done in every instance; even in the case of the Kamloops Agency, the evidence of the Inspector and the Agent had been taken in that case, but has not been extended by the Stenographer as yet.

The Commissioners have been kept very busy at their sittings in Victoria. They are kept constantly employed at the work of the Commission from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., of course separating in the middle of the day for lunch.

One hundred and seventy-six (176) Reserves have been confirmed—that is, nothing has been added to or cut off from them. Additions have been made to the Reserves of three Bands of Indians and the lands to be so added specified, and the Provincial Government has, under the provisions of the Agreement, been notified to reserve such land from pre-emption or sale. The Commissioners have proposed to reduce the acreage of 17 Reserves, and designated the specific portion of each Reserve to be cut off. Resolutions have been passed and placed in the Minute Book of the Commission in accordance with the dealings with the Reserves in respect to confirming, adding to and cutting off, all of which will be carefully revised before the final report is completed.

The Commissioners are now dealing with the Reserves in the Kamloops Agency, and expect in the course of ten days or a fortnight to pass resolutions of the same character with respect to the Reserves in that Agency, and have them entered in their Minute Book. Consent has been given under Paragraph 8 of the Agreement in eighteen cases of applications for the right to enter the Reserves for the proper constructing, erecting or otherwise dealing with works of public utility.

The stenographic transcript of evidence already fills five large volumes. four volumes of Precis, with accompanying exhibits, maps, plans, blueprints, etc., etc., duly classified and indexed for convenient reference. The volume of miscellaneous correspondence handled during the period under review (exclusive of Referred Files, Interim Reports, Orders of the Board, etc.,) is represented by approximately three hundred and fifty-eight (358) letters inward and four hundred and two (402) letters outward, for which, as well as the general business of the Commission, a convenient modern filing system has been provided. Endeavor has, indeed, been made to have all the machinery of the office such that the work of the Commission in its entirety may be simplified, systematized and expedited to the furthest degree.

ACCUMULATED REFERENCES

As above noted incidentally, a considerable portion of the time of the Commission during the first months of its operation was necessarily devoted to consideration of special references by Governmental Departments, Railway Companies, Municipal authorities and private corporations and individuals, no fewer than fifty-six (56) of which have now been passed upon. In many cases recommendations by Resolution have resulted; in many others the subjects of reference have been found to lie wholly outside the limited scope of the Commission's

authority and jurisdiction, being matters for administrative action within the Department of Indian Affairs, matters in respect to which insufficient evidence was forthcoming to justify Commission action, matters of purely domestic economy or of individual contention, protests against Federal or Provincial Gameor Fisheries legislation or regulations, matters involving questions of Governmental policy, etc., etc.

INTERIM REPORTS

Eighteen (18) Interim Reports have thus far been presented by the Commission to the two jointly interested Governments, these covering nineteen (19) applications by Railway Companies for right-of-entry upon Indian Reserves lands within British Columbia, one presented by the Department of Marine and Fisheries of Canada in connection with lighthouse establishment, two in relation to projected public works of the Province of British Columbia, one incidental to desirable public services of Municipal origination, and two general.

The Commission has visited more than half the acreage embraced in the Indian Reserves of British Columbia, and still have the remaining lands to visit, also numerous files to investigate which there has not yet been time to attend to.

The members of the Commission desire to bear testimony to the very great assistance which they received from Mr. McGregor Young, while acting as Counsel, especially in the matter of investigating applications under the eighth paragraph of the Agreement for rights-of-entry on Indian lands, and examining persons giving testimony before the Commission.

The Inspectors of Indian Agencies and the Indian Agents accompanied the Commissioners through their respective Agencies, and exhibited a very earnest desire to afford them all the assistance in their power, and rendered very valuable aid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. L. WETMORE, Chairman.

Victorie, B.C.,

November 26th, 1913.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

PROGRESS REPORT No. 2

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH CCLUMBIA

To the Honourable

W. J. ROCHE, M.D.,

Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Canada.

Sir:

On behalf of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia, I have the honour to report as follows concerning the work of the Commission during the period subsequent to the issuance of Progress Report No. 1 and the resignation by the Hon, E. L. Wetmore, LL.D., of the Chairmanship:

Sittings and Correspondence The Commission having, by resolution, decided to discontinue field operations during the winter months, the transaction of business until the assumption of the chairmanship by Nathanial W. White, Esq., K.C., and the arrival of Commissioner Carmichael, has been confined to formal sittings of the majority of the Commission at the Board Room, Victoria, upon fifty days during the months of November, December, January, February, March and April to date; with ten additional days' sittings by the Special Committee on Itineraries for the forthcoming season afield.

At the Board meetings above referred to, correspondence of varied character was received and dealt with, the volume of such correspondence including 243 letters inward and 308 letters outward, in addition to Interim Reports, etc., etc.

Dispositions of Reserves

Primarily—during the sittings of the Board during the latter days of November, 1913—the time of the Commission was largely occupied in passing upon Reserves of the Kamloops Agency (by confirmations, reductions or additions), subject to final revision; and to the direction of the work of tabulating all such dispositions of Reserves of this and other Agencies visited to date, for purposes of ready and convenient reference.

Consideration of Departmental Files, Etc. The Commission was also for some time engaged in the analysis and consideration of various matters contained on files of the Department of Indian Affairs, referred to the Commission by such Department. These included various special references by Governmental Departments, Railway Companies, Municipal authorities and private corporations and individuals, no fewer than forty-two of which Files were passed upon and dealt with.

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In many cases recommendations, by Interim Report or Resolution, resulted; in a number of others, the referred subjects were found to lie outside the scope of the Commission's jurisdiction and authority, or to be matters strictly of Departmental administration and concern, and the Files were accordingly returned to Ottawa, together with copies of Minutes covering such returns.

A systematic Register of Files was also prepared under the direc-Register tion of the Commission, a copy of which is attached hereto, as APPENDIX "A."

During the suspension of active field operations and incident to the Interim tonsideration of Files as above referred to, the Commission, upon request of the Department of Indian Affairs in each instance and in order to facilitate action where an expeditious disposal of public business was obviously necessary, prepared, passed and transmitted to the two interested Governments sundry Interim Reports, as follows:

- No. 19—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry to the Canada Explosives Company Limited in and upon East Saanich I. R. No. 2 of the Saanich Tribe.
- No. 20—Confirming Qua-aout I. R. No. 1 of the Little Shuswap Lake Band.
- No. 21—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company in and upon Squin-lik-stat I. R.
- No. 22—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Okanagan I. R. No. 1 to the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company.
- No. 23—Confirming Chu-chu-way-ha I. R.'s Nos. 2, 2A, 2B and 2c, of the Upper Similkameen Band.
- No. 24—Confirming North Thompson I. R. No. 1, Nekalliston J. R. No. 2, Barriere River I. R. No. 3 and Louis Creek I. R. No. 4, of the North Thompson ar Canoe Lake Band, Kamloops Agency.
- No. 25—Recommending the group of a defined portion of Penticton I. R. No. 1 of the Penticton Tribe to the Department of Agriculture of Canada, for Experimental Farm purposes.
- No. 26—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Charles and Tibbets I. R.'s to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company.
- No. 27-Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Chig-in-kaht I. R. to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company.
- No. 28—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Shuswap I. R. of the Shuswap Tribe, Kinbasket's Band, to the Kootenay Central Railway Company.
- No. 29—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon North Bay (Tappen's Siding) I. R. No. 5, of the Little Shuswap Lake (Kuaut) Band to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Lands Specified for Special Reservation Under and by virtue of Paragraph 8 of the Agreement attached to the Commission, the Commission also specified certain parcels of land as lands which it is deemed necessary and desirable that the Provincial Government of British Columbia should reserve and withhold from pre-emption or sale until the Commission shall have passed upon applications that these be added to the Reserve lands of the North Thompson, Kitimat, Kitasoo, Kemsquit, Massett, Skidegate, Homalco and Ahousaht Tribes or Bands, for the purpose of more effectually providing for the necessary and reasonable requirements of the Indians of these tribes or bands, such specified lands being more particularly described in the memorandum attached hereto and forming APPENDIX "B" hereof.

Directions were also given by the Commission that the status of each of the parcels of land for which applications have been made in behalf of the Indians, either by the Department of Indian Affairs prior to the constitution of the Commission or by the Commission itself, since its creation, for the uses and purposes of the Indians, should be ascertained from the Lands Department of the Province of British Columbia, and a statement shewing the same prepared for the information and use of the Commission.

Preparation of Itineraries

Status of

Lands Applied For

> The Commission's Committee on Itineraries has given careful consideration to the preparation of a programme of visitations in close sequence, during the Spring, Summer and Autumn months, of the various Reserves in Agencies not as yet dealt with; and has also secured and compiled information as to facilities of access, physical characteristics of the various Reserves, population in its several classifications and divisions, lands applied for, etc., etc., which information it is expected will considerably facilitate future operations afield, while assuring thorough and comprehensize knowledge of all conditions obtaining upon Reserves in British Columbia.

> The Commission has received, considered and adopted reports from time to time presented by this Committee on Itineraries; and, with the sanction and authority of the Department, has secured the C. P. R. Company's steamship "Tees" for the transportation of the Commission on visitations in the West Coast and Kwawkewlth Agencies, which visitations, it is proposed, shall be entered upon as early in May proximo as may be possible.

Special Informative Memoranda The Commission, since the issuance of Progress Report No. 1, has also given consideration to a number of special matters affecting the interests of the Indian inhabitants of British Columbia, evidence in respect to which has incidentally presented itself in the course of the Commission's work to date and which appear to call for consideration and possible action by Government or Department in advance of the completion of the Commission's activities and the presentation of its Final Report. Included among these matters may be mentioned the

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so-called "Indian Land Title Claim" and the question of special rights and privileges to be enjoyed by Indians under the revised and consolidated Game Act of British Columbia and regulations framed thereunder, in respect to which matters memoranda setting forth all evidence and information in the possession of the Commission and which mightbe useful to the governmental authorities concerned, were prepared and transmitted respectively to the Honourable the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs and to the Honourable the Attorney-General of British Columbia.

Special consideration was also given to the involved question of Indian fishing rights and privileges, and representations made thereon.

Under the direction and supervision of the Commission, a scheme Tabulation of of scientific analysis and tabulation of all information gleaned by the Information Commission, by inspection, testimony, official reports, etc., etc., with respect to each and every Reserve in Agencies as yet visited, has also been evolved and its preparation virtually completed. Such analysis will, for purposes of convenience in reference, be divided into three tables, which it is designed shall be attached as appendices to the Final Report of the Commission, and which it is hoped will prove of considerable permanent reference worth to the Department and its officers directly concerned with the administration of Indian Affairs in British Columbia. Samples of the tables above mentioned are attached hereto as APPENDIX "C."

As it has appeared highly desirable that the fair approximate value Valuations of each and all Indian Reserve holdings in British Columbia be ascertained and put upon record, the Commission has instructed Agents Thomas Deasy and Iver Fougner to supply such desired valuations for the Queen Charlotte and Bella Coola Agencies respectively; and has engaged the following gentlemen to act in conjunction with the respective Agents of the Department of Indian Affairs in the preparation of valuations for the several districts named hereunder, viz.:

> Cowichan Agency—J. T. L. Meyer, Esq., Victoria. Kamloops Agency—A. W. Duck, Esq., Ducks. Okanagan Agency—D. H. Watson, Esq., Summerland.

In Agencies as yet to be visited, it is the intention of the Commissioners insofar as possible to make such investigations in the course of visitations as will enable them to present approximate valuations thereof without outside aid.

The completion of stenographic transcripts and precis reports in General connection with field work of the past season, comprehensive indexing of all records, annotation of miscellaneous matters constituting material for the Final Report of the Commission, etc., have otherwise actively

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occupied the quorum of the Commission during the period elapsing since the issuance and transmission of Progress Report No. 1.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

Victoria, B.C., April 21st, 1914,

PROGRESS REPORT No. 3

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

To the Honourable

W. J. ROCHE, M.D.,

Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Canada.

 $\operatorname{Sir} :-$.

On behalf of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia, I have the honour to report as follows concerning the field and inside work of the Commission during the period subsequent to the issuance of Progress Report No. 2 and my assumption of the Chairmanship.

The active work of 1914 may be said to have been inaugurated on Sittings April 22nd, when Mr. Commissioner Carmichael took his seat upon the respondence Board and I assumed the Chairmanship of the Commission. From that date until the inauguration of the tour of visitations and inspections in the Lytton Agency, on the 2nd instant, there were held 159 format meetings of the Commission at the Board Room and upon various Indian Reserves, two or more meetings in a day being not unusual during the progress of work in the field. At the Board meetings above referred to, correspondence of varied character was received and dealt with, the volume of such correspondence including 346 letters inward and 395 letters outward, in addition to Interim Reports, etc., etc.

During the period now under review the time of the Commission Disposition at various meetings here was largely occupied in passing upon Reserves of the West Coast and Kwawkewlth Agencies (by confirmations, reductions or additi subject to final revision, and to the direction of the work of tabulating all such dispositions of Reserves of these and other Agencies visited to date, for purposes of convenient reference. To effect economy of time, a ready reference index was also prepared, shewing such dispositions and also covering Department Files, maps, plans, railway applications, land applications in behalf of Indians, evidence, exhibits, memorials, etc.

Incident to the general inside work of the Commission since its Interim last report of Progress, the Commission, upon the request of the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada in each instance, and with the object of facilitating action where an expeditious disposal of public business was obviously necessary, has passed and transmitted to the two interested Governments sundry Interim Reports, as follows: No. 30—Confirming Barnston Island I. R. No. 3 of the Katzie Tribe

or Band, New Westminster Agency;

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- No. 31--Confirming Tsawwassen I. R. of the Tsawwassen Tribe or Band, New Westminster Agency,
- No. 32---Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Bella Coola I. R. No. 1 of the Bella Coola Tribe or Band, Bella Coola Agency, to the Pacific and Hudson Bay Railway Company;
- No. 33—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon I. R. No. 2 of the Langley Tribe or Band, New Westminster Agency, to the Western Canada Power Company Limited;
- No. 34—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon 35 Anderson Lake I. R.'s Nos. 1, 2 and 4, of the Anderson 36 Lake Tribe or Band, and Seton Lake 1. R.'s Nos. 2 37 and 6, of the Seton Lake Tribe or Band, Lytton Agency, 38 to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company;
- No. 39-Confirming Cowichan I. R. No. 1 of the Cowichan Tribe or Band, Cowichan Agency;
- No. 40---Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon
 - 41 Quesnel I. R. No. 1 and Rich Bar I. R. No. 4, of the Quesnel
 - 42 Tribe or Band, and Alexandria I. R. No. 1 of the Alexandria Tribe or Band, Williams Lake Agency, to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company;
- No. 43—Recommending the granting of the application of the Department of Public Works of Canada for permission to construct a wharf upon Mission I. R. No. 1 of the Squamish Tribe or Band, New Westminster Agency;
- No. 44—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Slosh (Sha-Lalth) I. R. No. 1 of the Seton Lake Tribe or Band, Lytton Agency, to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Coupany;
- No. 45-Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Soda Creek I. R. No. 1 of the Soda Creek Tribe or Band, Williams Lake Agency, to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company;
- No. 46—Confirming Semach I. R. No. 2 of the Nahwitti Tribe or Band, Kwawkewlth Agency;
- No. 47—Confirming Fishery I. R. No. 5 of the Hope Tribe or Band, Lytton Agency;
- No. 48—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Kamloops I. R. No. 1 of the Kamloops Tribe or Band, Kamloops Agency, to the Corporation of the City of Kamloops;
- No. 49—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon I. R. No. 2 of the Fort George Tribe or Band, Stuart Lake Agency, to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company;
- No. 50—Confirming Mayne Island I. R. No. 6 of the Saanich Tribe or Band, Cowichan Agency;

- No. 51—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Williams Lake I. R. No. 1 of the Williams Lake Tribe or Band, Williams Lake Agency, to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company;
- No. 52-Recommending the granting of the application of the Department of Customs of Canada for permission to erect a Customs House upon land contained in Tobacco Plains I. R. No. 2 of the Kootenay Tribe or Band, Kootenay Agency; and
- No. 53—Recommending the granting of right-of-entry in and upon Chuchummisapo I. R. No. 15 of the Nitinat Tribe or Band, West Coast Agency, to the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company.

Under and by virtue of Paragraph 8 of the Agreement attached to Lands the Commission, the Commission has also specified certain parcels of for Special land as lands which it is deemed necessary and desirable that the Provincial Government of British Columbia should reserve and withhold from any alienation until the Commission has passed upon applications that these lands be added to the reserve lands of Indian Tribes or Bands of the West Coast, Kwawkewlth, Kamloops, Williams Lake, Stuart Lake and Kootenay Agencies, for the purpose of more effectually providing for the reasonable and necessary requirements of such Indian Tribes. Care has also been taken to ascertain at the outset, wherever possible, the exact status of all such parcels of land applied for and specified for non-alienation until final action has been taken by the Commission upon applications therefor.

In many cases it has been found impossible to secure necessary Surveys technical descriptions of such lands applied for, owing to the territories affected being as yet unsurveyed; and instructions have been given for the making of necessary surveys by Mr. Ashdown H. Green, B.C.L.S., Technical Officer to the Commission, whose work in this connection is now very well advanced.

During the months of May, June, July, August, September, Field Work October and November the activities of the Commission have been largely afield, the reserves and peoples of the Tribes and Bands of the West Coast, Kwawkewlth, Kamloops (Nicola), Williams Lake, Stuart Lake, Kootenay and Lytton Agencies being visited and information secured by inspections and testimony as to some 555 reserves.

The field work of the Stuart Lake Agency, which was programmed to follow that of the Williams Lake Agency in August, was necessarily postponed until next season, after the Blackwater and Fort George Tribes and their reserves had been dealt with, protracted and exceptionally heavy rains having made ingress to the reserves of the Stony Creek, Fraser Lake and Trembleur Lake Tribes or Bands not only impracticable but impossible. The Commission in early September divided, the Charman with Commissioners McKenna and Macdowall taking up the field work of the Koctenay Agency, and Commissioners Shaw and Carmichael visiting that portion of British Columbia covered by Indian Treaty No. 8, investigating the land requirements of the Indians therein, and reporting thereupon to the Commission, with recommendations of the creation of sundry Reserves, the lands required for which have been duly specified to the Government of the Province of British Columbia for non-alienation pending action by the Commission.

Miscellaneous

Much general work of importance to Indian interests in British Columbia has also been accomplished by the Commission during the past six months.

The Game Act of British Columbia (Cap. 33 B.C.S., 1914) and the special rights and privileges thereunder of Indians, hunting exclusively for their own food requirements, have been the subjects of special consideration and investigation, a report in relation thereto having been made to the Commission by the Chairman, after analysis of the Act and all regulations promulgated thereunder; and steps have been taken to secure more effective co-operation between the Provincial Game Warden's Department and the Agents in British Columbia of the Department of Indian Affairs, with a view to educating the Indian population as to the game laws and their value to the Indians as well as to the whites as a factor in preservation of the wild game asset and to the simplification of the regulations for the benefit of Indians hunting under permit for food for themselves and families.

The correction of survey errors of the past has called for attention in several instances; the important project (international) for the reclamation of the Kootenay Flats (in the success of which the Indians of the Kootenay Tribe are vitally interested); the projects for dyking which embrace improvement of the Barnston Island and Musqueam reserves of the New Westminster Arracy; the due protection of Indian interests in wharf construction at North Vancouver; the securing of a special valuation of lands at Bella Coola I. R. No. 1 so that the Indians may obtain adequate compensation for such lands as are required by the Pacific and Hudson Bay Railway Company; and numerous other subjects of importance to the Indian people in British Columbia have been the object of special inquiry and recommendations which, it is hoped, will be of advantage to the Indians and in the public interest. Especial care has been taken in passing upon all applications by railway companies for rights-of-way allowances through Indian reserves, the insistence by the Commission upon proper certification of all supporting plans having in several instances been abundantly justified, as in the case of the application by the Comox Logging & Railway Co. for right-of-entry in and upon Pentledge I. R. No. 2 of the Comox Tribe, Cowichan Agency, investigation disclosing that this applicant company, operating under a Provincial charter, had failed up to date in compliance with the statutory requirements of the British Columbia Railway Act.

The Commission has also given special consideration to the ques- Water Rights of Indians tion of the Water Rights of Indians in and for the several reserves in British Columbia. All evidence bearing upon Indian water requirements has been assembled and transmitted to the Chairman of the Board of Investigation of the Water Rights Branch of the Lands Department of British Columbia, for consideration by that tribunal prior to its adjudication upon water records throughout the Province; a duplicate resume of this evidence is also being transmitted to A. O. Cochrane, Esq., barrister, of Vernon, B.C., for his information, Mr. Cochrane having been retained by the Department of Indian Affairs to represent the interests of the Indians before the Water Board. The existing water records for British Columbia Indian Reserves, as shewn by the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves 1913, have been closely checked and a table prepared giving all available information as to the status of each such record-its grade and the approximate quantity of water reasonably available thereunder for the use and purposes of the Indians. Data has also been compiled as to numerous Indian records not as yet scheduled, the status of each of which is now being investigated; and, in specifying to the Government of the Province of British Columbia lands which the Commission desires to have withheld from any alienation pending action upon applications therefor in behalf of Indians, the Commission is also specifying the available water necessary for the utilization of such lands wherever these are found within the arid or semi-arid areas of British Columbia.

The transcription of evidence and the tabulation of statistical Transcription information in respect to all reserves of the Province is at this writing Tabulation complete to date, and all tables intended for inclusion as appendices in the Final Report of the Commission (insofar as reserves already dealt with are concerned) are in the printers' hands and well advanced.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

Victoria, B.C., November 25th, 1914.

PROGRESS REPORT No. 4

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

To the Honourable

W. J. ROCHE, M.D.,

Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Canada.

Sir:

On behalf of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia, I have the honour to report as follows concerning the field and inside work of the Commission during the period subsequent to the issuance of Progress Report No. 3 and the date hereof, which may be described as the Winter Season of 1914-15.

Sittings and Correspondence From the date of the issuance of Progress Report No. 3 there have been held for the despatch of business eighty-one meetings of the Commission, at the Board Room, Victoria, and upon various Indian reserves, correspondence of varied character having been dealt with at such meetings, the volume thereof including 283 letters inward and 232 letters outward, in addition to Interim Reports, etc., etc.

Field Activities The field work carried forward during the mid-winter months has included the practical completion of visitations and inspections in the large New Westminster Agency, the Commissioners between the 7th and the 21st January and between the 15th and the 25th February last, holding twenty-one meetings on reserves of the New Westminster Agency, at which meetings forty-six witnesses were examined under oath as to reserves and the conditions obtaining thereon, and interviews also being accorded to three deputations; while fifty-six petitions of Indians of the Agency (for additional lands and otherwise) received consideration. Such field work covered the inspection of and investigation of conditions upon one hundred and fifteen Indian reserves, with an aggregate acreage of 25,674 acres.

Disposition of Reserves

During the period under review the time of the Commission at various meetings here was largely occupied in passing upon reserves of the Lytton Agency and of the Kamloops Agency transferred from Lytton—by confirmations, reductions or additions—subject to final revision; and to the direction of the tabulation of information as to the reserves of agencies visited by the Commission up to date, for purposes of record and of convenient reference. The work accomplished (insofar as confirmations, etc., are concerned) during the past quarter, may be summarized as hereunder:

December 3rd, 1914:

Yale Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 17 to 25 inclusive. Confirmed.

Boothroyd: I. R's. Nos. 6a and 6b. Confirmed.

Booth yd: I. R. No. 8a. Confirmed.

Kanaka Bar: I. R's. Nos. 1a and 3a. Confirmed.

Skuppah: I. R. No. 2a. Confirmed.

Siska Flats: I. R. No. 5a. Confirmed.

Lytton: I. R's. Nos. 3a, 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 4e, 5a, 9a, 13a, 21a, 26a and 27a. Confirmed.

Lytton: I. R. No. 27b (in part). Confirmed.

Boston Bar: I. R. No. 4a. Confirmed.

Siska Flats: I. R. No. 2a. Confirmed.

December 23rd, 1914:

Boothroyd: I. R. No. 3a. Confirmed.

January 28th, 1915:

- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 1 (Nicola-Mammeet). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 2 (Joeyaska). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 3 (Pipseul). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 4 (Zoht 1). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 5 (Zoht 2). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 6 (Logans). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 7 (Hamilton Creek). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: J. R. No. 8 (Speous). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 9 (Nooaitch Gras). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 10 (Nooaitch). Confirmed.
- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 11 (Shackan). Confirmed.

Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 12 (Soldatquo). Confirmed.

- Lower Nicola: I. R. No. 13 (Papsilqua). Confirmed.
- Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 1 (Nicola Lake). Confirmed.

Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 2 (Hamilton Creek Fishery or Quilchena). Confirmed.

- Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 3 (Douglas Lake). Confirmed.
- Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 4 (Spahomin Creek). Confirmed.

Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 5 (Chapperon Lake). Confirmed.

Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 6 (Chapperon Creek Fishery). Confirmed.

Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 7 (Salmon Lake). Confirmed.

Upper Nicola: I. R. No. 8 (Spahomin Creek). Confirmed.

February 11th, 1915:

Adams Lake Tribe: I. R. No. 6 (Switsemalph). Reduced by 55 acres.

Adams Lake (Sahhaltkum): I. R. No. 7 (Switsemalph). Reduced by 82 acres.

Kamloops Tribe: I. R. No. 1. Reduced by 380 acres.

Kamloops Tribe: I. R. No. 2 (Fishing Station). Confirmed.

Kamloops Agency

Lytton Agency Kamloops Tribe: I. R. No. 3 (Fishing Station). Confirmed. Kamloops Tribe: I. R. No. 4 (Timber Reserve-Gilead). Confirmed. Kamloops Tribe: I. R. No. 5 (Fishing Station). Confirmed. Ashcroft Tribe: I. R. No. 2 (105-Mile Post). Confirmed.

Februar: 12th, 1915:

Nicomen Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive and I. R's. Nos. 9 to 15 inclusive. Confirmed.

Nicomen Tribe: I. R. No. 8 (Unpukpulquatun). Cut off.

Lillooet Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive. Conferred.

March 12th, 1915:

Lytton Agency

Bridge River: I. R's. Nos. 1 and 2. Confirmed.

Addition: Approximately 2450 acres constituted a new pasture reserve for the joint use and benefit of the Lillooet and Bridge River Tribes.

Seton Lake Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 and 2. Confirmed.

Seton Lake Tribe: J. R's. Nos. 3 and 4. Cut off.

Seton Lake Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 5 and 6. Confirmed.

Addition: Approximately 1440 acres constituted a new reserve for the use and benefit of the Seton Lake Tribe.

Cayoosh Creek Tribe: I.R's. Cayoosh Creek and Pashilqua. Confirmed.

Addition: Approximately 800 acres constituted a new reserve for the use and benefit of the Cayoosh Creek Tribe.

Fountain Tribe: 1. R's. Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive. Confirmed.

- Addition: Approximately 20 acres deducted from the Santini pre-emption to be added to the reserves of the Fountain Tribe.
- Addition: Approximately 15 acres to be deducted from the Charles Owen pre-emption to be added to the reserves of the Fountain Tribe.
- Addition: Lands upon which are Indian improvements contained in Lot 3451, P.R. 1974, and Lot 3452, P.R. 1972, to be deducted therefrom and added to the reserves of the Fountain Tribe.
- Addition: Approximately 20 acres upon which are Indian improvements to be added to the reserves of the Fountain Tribe.
- Addition: Approximately 8 acres upon which are Indian improvements to be deducted from the Frederick Macdonald pre-emption to be added to the reserves of the Fountain Tribe.

Addition: Approximately 1280 acres to be added to Reserve No. 1 of the Fountain Tribe.

Addition: Approximately 5 acres upon which are Indian improvements to be added to the reserves of the Fountain Tribe.

March 13th, 1915:

Pavilion Tribe: 1. R's. Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive. Confirmed.

Addition: Approximately 440 acres constituted a new reserve to be added to Leon Creek I. R. No. 2 of the Pavilion Tribe.

Addition: Approximately 640 acres constituted a new reserve to be added to Marble Canyon I. R. No. 3 of the Pavilion Tribe.

High Bar Tribe: High Bar I. R. Confirmed.

March 15th, 1915:

Clinton Tribe: First Clinton I. R. (225 acres). Cut off.

Clinton Tribe: Second Clinton I. R. (848 acres). Confirmed.

Addition: Approximately 578 acres to be added to Clinton I. R. of the Clinton Tribe.

Lytton Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 27 inclusive. Confirmed.

Kanaka Bar Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive. Confirmed.

Boothroyd Tribe I. R's. Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive, and

(Chomok Band): I. R. No. 6. Confirmed,

Boothroyd Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 7 to 10 inclusive. Confirmed.

Siska Flats Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive. Confirmed.

Skuppah Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive. Confirmed.

Boston Bar Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive. Confirmed.

Spuzzum Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive. Confirmed.

Squawtits Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 and 2. Confirmed.

Skawahlook Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 and 2. Confirmed.

Ohamil Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 and 2. Confirmed.

Yale Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive. Confirmed.

Yale Tribe (Union Bar Band): I. R's. Nos. 10 to 16 inclusive. Confirmed.

March 16th, 1915:

Hope Tribe: I. R. No. 1 (Mr. Commissioner Carmichael dissenting). Cut off.

Hope Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 6. Confirmed.

Cheam Tribe: I. R's. Nos. 1 and 2. Confirmed.

Popkum Tribe: Popkum I. R. Confirmed.

Reduction: Approximately 2500 acres to be cut off from sundry Indian reserves on Seabird Island, Lytton Agency.

Incident to the general inside work of the Commission since the Interim last report of progress the Commission, upon the request in each instance of the Department of Indian Affairs of Canada, and with the object of facilitating action where an expeditious disposal of public business was obviously necessary, has passed and transmitted to the two interested Governments sundry Interim Reports as follows, viz.:

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- No. 25B-Recommending an increase of 154.25 acres in the area recommended to be granted to the Department of Agriculture of the Dominion of Canada, for Experimental Farm purposes, out of Penticton I. R. No. 1 of the Penticton Tribe, as per I. R's. Nos. 25 and 25a.
- No. 44A---Recommending that additional land required for station grounds, ballast supply purposes and the widening of cuts, be granted to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company in connection with the right-of-entry in and upon Slosh (or Sha-Lalth)
 I. R. No. 1 of the Seton Lake Tribe, recommended to be granted by I. R. No. 44.
- No. 54---Recommending that right-of-entry in and upon New Westminster City I. R. of the New Westminster Tribe, be granted to the British Columbia Electric Pailway Company Ltd.
- No. 55—Recommending that the Public Works Department of the Province of British Columbia be granted right-of-entry in and upon Dog Lake I. R. No. 2 of the Osoyoos Tribe, in connection with the changing of the route of the Fairview-Penticton public road.
- No. 56-Recommending that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company be granted right-of-entry in and upon Holachten I. R. et the Sumass Tribe.
- No. 57--Recommending that the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company be granted right-of-entry in and upon Cheam I. R. No. 1 of the Cheam Tribe.
- No. 58---Recommending that the Kettle Valley Railway Company be granted right-of-entry in and upon Penticton I. R. No. 1 of the Penticton Tribe.
- No. 59—Recommending the confirmation of I. R's. Nos. 17 to 25 inclusive of the Yale Tribe.
- No. 60—Recommending the confirmation of I. R's. Nos. 6a and 6b of the Boothroyd Tribe.
- No. 61-Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 8a of the Boothroyd Tribe.
- No. 62-Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 1a of the Kanaka Bar Tribe.
- No. 63-Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 3a of the Kanaka Bar Tribe.
- No. 64—Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 2a of the Skuppah Tribe.
- No. 65---Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 5a of the Siska Flats Tribe.
- No. 66—Recommending the confirmation of I. R's. Nos. 3a, 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 4e, 5a, 9a, 9b, 13a, 21a, 26a and 27a, of the Lytton Tribe.

- No. 67—Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 4a of the Boston Bar Tribe,
- No. 68-Recommending the confirmation of J. R. No. 27b of the Lytton Tribe, for addition to Reserve No. 27 of that Tribe.
- No. 69-Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 5a of the Boothroyd Tribe.
- No. 70—Recommending that the Vancouver Power Company be granted right-of-entry in and upon Sumass I. R. No. 7 of the Sumass Tribe.
- No. 71—Recommending that the Vancouver Power Company be granted right-of-entry in and upon Sahhacum I. R. No. 1 and Matsqui Main I. R. No. 2 of the Matsqui Tribe.
- No. 72—Recommending that additional land required for ballast supply purposes be granted the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company in connection with the right-of-entry in and upon Silicon I. R. No. 2 of the Seton Lake Tribe recommended to be granted by I. R. No. 37.
- No. 73—Recommending that additional land required for ballast supply purposes and for the widening of cuts be granted the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company in and upon Slosh or Sha-Lalth I. R. No. 1 of the Seton Lake Tribe recommended to be granted by I. R. No. 37.
- No. 74—Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 10 (Nooaitch) of the Lower Nicola Tribe.
- No. 75-Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 6 (Logans) of the Lower Nicola Tribe.
- No. 76—Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 6 (Chapperon Creek Fishery) of the Upper Nicola Tribe.
- No. 77—Recommending the confirmation of I. R. No. 1 (Nicola Lake) of the Upper Nicola Tribe.
- No. 78—Recommending that the Comox Logging & Railway Company be granted right-of-entry in and upon Pentledge I. R. No. 2 of the Comox Tribe, under certain special conditions.

Under and by virtue of Paragraph 8 of the Agreement of the 24th Lands September, 1912, the Commission has also specified certain parcels of land as lands which it is deemed necessary and desirable that the Government of British Columbia should reserve and withhold from any alienation until the Commission has passed upon applications that these lands be added to the reserve lands of Indian tribes or bands of the Kamloops, Lytton, Stuart Lake, Williams Lake, West Coast, Kwawkewlth and New Westminster Agencies, with the object of more effectually providing for the reasonable and necessary requirements of such Indian tribes. Water Rights of Indians

The Commission has also given special attention to the question of the water requirements of Indians in connection with the full utilization by them of lands allotted for their occupancy and benefit in the semi-aud areas of British Columbia; and, incident to the consideration of applications for additional reserve lands therein, has specified for reservation not only the lands which are directly the subject of such applications, but also the water naturally attaching thereto and necessary to the use thereof.

The Commission has also dealt, by Interim Reports, with a considerable number of the reserves of the Lytton and Kamloops Agencies, in order that the Department of Indian Affairs might be in a position to take such action for the protection or securing of water records as will adequately safeguard the rights and privileges of the interested Indians.

Lands Committee All questions as to land applications as hereinbefore referred to and to water attaching thereto, have come before the Commission for action only after exhaustive and systematic investigation by a special Lands Committee of the Commission (consisting of Commissioners McKenna and Shaw) of all conditions applying thereto.

Specia! Surveys In order that adequate and accurate descriptions might be given of lands which, in the Commission's opinion, should be withheld from any alienation pending final action by the Commission upon applications therefor in behalf of Indians, surveys have also been made by the Technical Officer of the Commission, Mr. Ashdown H. Green, B.C.L.S., of numerous parcels of such land applied for in the West Coast, Kwawkewlth, Kamloops, Lytton and New Westminster Agencies.

Conferences Accorded During the winter months, in addition to meeting the Indian Agents and Inspectors of Agencies on numerous occasions for the consideration of detail matters incident to the work of the Commission, the Commission has, upon request, granted conferences to various persons and public or semi-public bodies whose interests are or have been in sundry ways related to the Indians of British Columbia or to the lands set apart and reserved for the use and benefit of such Indians, such conferences, among others, having been held with

The District Municipality of Sumass, re Indian lands desired for Public Park purposes;

The Rev. C. M. Tate, re divers claims and complaints of Indians; Miss Myrtle Morrison, re proposed purchase of Cowichan Lake I. R.;

M. B. Cotsworth, re calendar reform and aboriginal systems of time computation;

The Union Steamship Co. of B. C. Ltd., re transport;

The Vancouver Harbour Commissioners, re suggested expropriation for harbour purposes of Kitsilano I. R.,

Etc., etc.

The Commissioners have also examined at length under oath, Examinations with respect to Indian affairs under their respective jurisdictions, the Conferences Agents of the Department of Indian Affairs for the Kwawkewith, Lytton, Kamloops and Kootenay districts; besides conferring informally upon various Accent occasions, with the Provincial Lands Department officials, surveyors thereunder, inspectors and a content weight weight to visitations within and additional lands requirements of the Stuart Lake, Naas and Upper Skeena River, Babine, Stikine, New Westminster and Kwawkewith Agencies.

In order to facilitate action by the Department of Indian Affairs Special in various special matters affecting the rights and interests of the Indian inhabitants of British Columbia, in which matters time economy appears to be highly essential, the Commission has also, during the past three months, submitted various special Memoranda, Minutes and Recommendations to the Department of Indian Affairs, with respect to the

- Transfer of sundry reserves from the Lytton to the Kamloops Agency, with the object of facilitating the efficient administration thereof;
- Inadequacy of medical service to certain Indian tribes;
- Fishing rights and privileges of British Columbia Indians;
- Damage to Indian crops and irrigation machinery by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company;
- Enhanced value of lands acquired for right-of-way purposes by the Kootenay Central Railway Company, which lands form part of Shuswap I. R., of the Kootenay Agency;
- Disputed acreage of Cowichan Lake I. R., of the Cowichan Agency;
- Claim of the Department of Militia and Defence of Canada to rights in Kapilano and Musqueam I. R's. of the New Westminster Agency;
- Losses by erosion of lands contained in Nooaitch I. R. No. 10 of the Lower Nicola Tribe, Lytton Agency;
- Proposals of the Douglas Lake Cattle Company looking to an exchange of certain lands for Indian reserve lands of tribes of the Kamloops Agency;
- Jurisdiction of the Commission, under the Agreement, over Indian lands in the British Columbia Railway Belt;
- Status of lands claimed by Indians through long occupancy and usage, on Graham Island, Queen Charlotte Agency;

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Boothroyd I. R's, Nos. 5 and 5b and the relation thereto of the pre-emption claim of the William Jamicson Estate;

Etc., etc.

In disposing of some of the above matters, the Commission has taken due cognizance of the material in respect thereto contained on Files of the Department of Indian Affairs; and, upon decisions being reached, has directed the return of such Files to the Department, including Nos. 22945, 317320, 410256, 386420, 307423 and R. C's. 538 and 637.

Itineraties Arranged Acting upon the reports and recommendations of its Itineraries Committee, the Commission has arranged the following tentative itineraries for visitations and inspections of reserves during the approaching Spring and Summer, the Commissioners, as will be noted, dividing forces for a considerable portion of such field work, with the object of securing desirable economies in both time and money cost:

BABINE AND UPPER SKEENA RIVER AGENCY (Complete Commission)

Monday, April 12-Leave Victoria for Prince Rupert.

Tuesday, April 13-En route to Prince Rupert.

- Wednesday, April 14—Arrive Prince Rupert and leave by G.T.P. eastbound for Newtown (Van Arstdol)
- Thursday, April 15-Meeting at 10 a.m. with Kitselas Indians and inspection of reserve.

Friday, April 16—Arrive Kitwangar and meeting with Kitwangar Indians, remaining overnight at Kitwangar.

Saturday, April 17—Meeting with Kitwancool Indians at Kitwangar, and, if transport arrangements can be made, visit the Kitwancool Valley.

Sunday, April 18-No official engagements.

Monday, April 19-Proceed to Andimaul for meeting with Indians of the Andimaul Tribe same day.

Tuesday, April 20—Proceed to Carnaby and hold meeting same day with Indians of New and Old Kitseguklas and inspection of New Kitsegukla Reserve. Indians of Old Kitsegukla will meet the Commission at New Kitsegukla.

Wednesday, April 21--Proceed to New Hazelton and thence by stage to Old Hazelton.

Thursday, April 22—Meeting with Indians of the Getanmax Tribe at Old Hazelton and inspection of reserves.

- Friday, April 23—Proceed to Glen Vowell for meeting with Glen Vowell Band and inspection of reserves.
- Saturday, April 24—Proceed to Kispaiox for meeting with Kispaiox Indians and inspection of reserves. Fishing rights questions to be considered Return to Old Hazelton in evening.

Sunday, April 25-No official engagements.

Monday, April 26—Proceed to Hagwilget, by team, for meeting with the Hagwilget Indians and inspection of reserves.

Tuesday, April 27—Meeting in forenoon with Babine Indians at Old Hazelton; afternoon meeting with Kisgegas Indians.

Wednesday, April 28--Meeting at Old Hazelton in forenoon, with the Kuldoe Indians; afternoon proceed to New Hazelton.

Thursday, April 29—Proceed to Moricetown: special consideration to be given to the case of "Round Lake Tommy."

STUART LAKE AGENCY: THIRD SECTION

(Commissioners Shaw and Carmichael)

Saturday, May 15-Leave Victoria for Burns Lake.

Sunday, May 16, to Tuesday, May 18-En route to Burns Lake.

- Wednesday, May 19—Arrive Burns Lake, there meeting Agent McAllan with saddle horses backtrain and outfit.
- Thursday, May 20– Inspect lands at West End Burns Lake which are the subject of applications in behalf of Indians.
- Friday, May 21—Proceed by canoe or boat to East End Burns Lake and inspect land thereat, returning to West End of Lake same day. Here meet Decker Lake and Maxim Lake Indians.

Saturday, May 22-Proceed to Francois Lake.

Sunday, May 23-No official engagements.

Monday, May 24—Proceed by motor boat to inspect lands applied for at the South and West ends of Francois Lake. Consideration of these applications will occupy approximately three days.

Tuesday, May 25,—At Francois Lake—consideration of lands applications.

Wednesday, May 26-At Francois Lake-consideration of lands applications.

Thursday, May 27—Proceed en route to Ootsa Lake, reaching Uncha Lake same day and inspecting lands applied for thereat.

Friday, May 28-Arrive at Skin Tyee's on Skin's Lake and inspect same.

Saturday, May 29—Arrive Ootsa Lake and inspect lands applied for in S. 1/2 Lot 425.

Sunday. May 30—Proceed en route to Cheslatta Lake and inspect S. E. 1/4 of Lot 440.

Monday, May 31-Arrive at ind inspect land applied for by White Eye Jack, six miles on Bella Coola trail.

Tuesday, June I-Arrive at and inspect two locations on the W. end of Cheslatta-Lake.

Wednesday, June 2-Arrive at Chief Louis' and meet Indians from the East end of Cheslatta Lake.

Thursday, June 3--Proceed by trail to Stella, inspecting en route land applied for as fishing station on Been-te-bunket Lake.

Friday, June 4-Arrive at Stella.

Saturday, June 5-At Stella all day, meeting with Indians and considering land applications.

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Sunday, June 6—Arrive at Fort Fraser, passing through and inspecting one reserve en route.

Monday, June 7—Meeting with Fraser Lake Indians and consideration of application for fishing station.

Tuesday, June 8-Leave for Stony Creek, arriving there same evening.

Wednesday, June 9-Meeting with Indians of the Stony Creek Tribe and consideration of applications for fishing stations.

Thursday, June 10-Proceed to Stuart Lake via Vanderhoof.

Friday, June 11-Arrive Stuart Lake.

Saturday, June 12—At Stuart Lake: Meetings with all the northern Indians resident in the district between Stuart Lake and Bear Lake, and consideration of various applications, principally in behalf of the Bear Lake and Tatla Lake Indians, and for fishing stations for the Stuart Lake Indians.

Sunday, June 13-No official engagements.

Monday, June 14-Continuation of arrangements as for Saturday.

Tuesday, June 15-Continuation of arrangements as for Saturday.

Wednesday, June 16-Leave for Vanderhoof.

Thursday, June 17---At Vanderhoof.

Friday, June 18-Leave for Blackwater via the Old Telegraph Trail, en route inspecting Blackwater Reserves Nos. 3 and 4.

- Saturday, June 19—En route to Blackwater as above.

Sunday, June 20-Arrive at Blackwater I. R. No. 2 in evening.

Monday, June 21-At Blackwater I. R. No. 2 all day; meeting with Indians.

Tuesday, June 22-Leave for Trout Lake Johnnie's, Euchinico River.

Wednesday, June 23—Arrive at Trout Lake Johnnie's, remaining there Wednesday and Thursday for meetings with his Band and the consideration of land applications.

Thursday, June 24—At Trout Lake Johnnie's; meeting with Indians of the Nazco Band.

Friday, June 25-Leave for Kluskus.

Sunday, June 27--Arrive Kluskus evening.

Monday, June 28—At Kluskus; meeting with Indians.

Tuesday, June 29-Leave for Ulkatcho.

Wednesday, June 30—En route to Ulkatcho.

Thursday, July 1—En route to Ulkatcho.

Friday, July 2-Arrive Ulkatcho.

Saturday, July 3--Meeting with Indians of the Ulkatcho Tribe.

Sunday, July 4-Leave Ulkatcho for Bella Coola and Victoria.

Special Memoranda:

No provision has here been made for adverse weather conditions or unforseen delays, and on this account Agent McAllan advises the addition of five days to above itinerary. Provision supply depots at Burns Lake, Fort Fraser, Vanderhoof and Stuart Lake.

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STIKINE AGENCY

(The Chairman and Commissioners McKenna and Macdowall)

Saturday, May 29-Leave Victoria for Wrangel.

Sunday, May 30—En route.

Monday, May 31—Arrive Wrangel.

Tuesday, June 1—Leave Wrangel by H. B. Co. steamer for Telegraph Creek.

Wednesday, June 2, and Thursday, June 3-En route up river.

Friday, June 4-Arrive Telegraph Creek.

Saturday June 5—Meeting with Indians of Tahltan Tribe, at Telegraph Creek. Sunday, June 6—No official engagements.

Monday, June 7—Meetings at Telegraph Creek with Indians of the Casca Tribe (Morning) and Indians of the Liard Tribe (Afternoon).

Tuesday, June 8—Meetings with the Graham Nomads (Morning) and with the Nelson Nomads (Afternoon).

Wednesday, June 9-At Telegraph Creek awaiting down river steamer.

Thursday, June 10-Leave Telegraph Creek for Wrangel, arriving same evening.

Friday, June 11—Proceed to Atlin via American steamer and White Pass Railway.

Saturday, June 12, to Tuesday, June 15-En route to Atlin.

Wednesday, June 16—Arrive at Atlin and devote three days to meetings with Indians, inspections, etc.

Saturday, June 19-Proceed to Whitehorse en route to Victoria.

Tuesday, June 22-At Skagway.

Saturday, June 26-Arrive Victoria.

NAAS AGENCY

(Complete Commission)

Tuesday, Sept. 21-Leave Victoria by chartered steamer for Prince Rupert.

Wednesday, Sept. 22, and Thursday, Sept. 23-En route.

Friday, Sept. 24-Arrive Prince Rupert, where Agent joins.

Saturday, Sept. 25-Proceed to Port Essington for meeting with the Kitsumkaylum and Kitselas Indians in afternoon.

Sunday, Sept. 26-No official engagements; return to Prince Rupert.

Monday, Sept. 27—Proceed to Metlakatla; superficial inspections of reserves en route. Inspection of reserves and meeting in afternoon with Indians of the Metlakatla Tribe.

Tuesday, Sept. 28-Proceed to Port Simpson, for inspection and meeting.

Wednesday, Sept. 29-At Port Simpson.

- Thursday, Sept. 30—Proceed to Stewart, calling at Kincolith; arrive Stewart same day.
- Friday, Oct. 1—Proceed to Observatory Inlet, stopping at Anyox (Granby Bay). Inspections of reserves en route both ways. Special visit to Alice Arm to inspect reserve in dispute.
- Saturday, Oct. 2-Leave Granby Bay for Kincolith, inspecting reserves en route; meeting in afternoon with Kincolith Indians.

Sunday, Oct. 3--- No official engagements; at Kincolith.

Monday, Oct. 4---Leave by riverboat for Lah-kalt-zap Reserve; inspection.

Fuesday, Oct. 5-Meeting with Naas River Indians at Lah-kalt-zap.

Wednesday, Oct. 6—Proceed by riverboat to Gwinaha (Git-wan-shiltqu). Inspection and meeting with Indians of the Git-wan-shilt-qu Band.

Thursday, Oct. 7---Proceed by riverboat to Aiyansh; inspection, and

Friday, Oct. 8—Meeting with Indians of the Aiyansh Band, Naas River Tribe, Saturday, Oct. 9—Proceed to Git-lak-dam-iks; inspection and meeting with Indians of the Git-lak-dam-iks Band, Naas River Tribe.

Sunday, Oct. 10-No official engagements.

Monday, Oct. 11—Proceed by riverboat to Grease Harbour; inspection of dispute lands. Meeting with a section of the Upper Naas River Indians. Proceed to Upper Canyon to inspect additional lands applied for.

Tuesday, Oct. 12-Proceed down river to Naas Harbor; superficial inspections en route.

Wednesday, Oct. 13-En route.

Thursday, Oct. 14-En route. Arrive Naas Harbour evening.

Friday, Oct. 15 - Awaiting return steamer; reach Victoria on or about Oct. 20.

Transcription The transcription of evidence and the tabulation of statistical information in respect to all reserves of the Province is complete to date and all tables intended for inclusion as appendices in the Final Report of the Commission (insofar as reserves already dealt with are concerned) are in the printers' hands.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. H. MACDOWALL, Acting Chairman.

Victoria, B.C., March 22, 1915.

PROGRESS REPORT No. 5

OF THE

ROYAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS FOR THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

To the Honourable.

W. J. Roche, M.D.,

Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Canada.

Sir :---

On behalf of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of British Columbia, I beg leave to report:

That on the 22nd day of March last the full Board resumed its activities for the consideration of matters held over, the disposal by confirmation, addition or reduction of reserves already visited, and concerning which more full information had been obtained during the winter sessions, the examination of the reserves in the Babine, Stuart Lake, Stikine, Nass and New Westminster Agencies, and numerous other matters which had been referred to the Commission.

The Commission also took occasion to notify the Agents of the Belmont Buildings that, in future, the office premises occupied by the Commission could only be held on a monthly tenancy.

Acting on a telegram received from the Secretary of the Department of Indian Affairs, dated July 6th, 1914, regarding the printing of the Final Report, enquiries were made from the Governments of the Dominion and the Province to ascertain their wishes as to the number of copies to be printed of the General Report and the separate report on Policy and steps have been taken to have the printing executed of tables and schedules as promptly as they are prepared in order to expedite the work.

On April 10th the Commission left Victoria for the Babine Agency, proceeding via Prince Rupert and utilizing a car of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, which had been kindly placed at their service by Mr. Morley Donaldson, Vice-President and Ceneral Manager of the Company.

Throughout this visit they were accompanied by Inspector Tyson and Indian Agent Loring, whose knowledge of the locality and the individual Indians was most useful.

On this occasion the Commissioners met the Indians of all the tribes and bands in the Agency excepting the Babines, Kuldoes and Kisgegas, who were unable to be present at Hazelton as had been previously arranged. This difficulty was, however, overcome by making appointments for meetings with these tribes at Hazelton between the 10th and the 20th of July. On the visit in April the Commissioners held meetings with the Indians on their reserves, and were well received by all except the Kitwancool, Getanmax, Kispaiox and Glen Vowell Tribes.

These men refused to give any information about their reserves and declared their intention of adhering to this attitude until the question of Aboriginal Title had been settled.

Agent Loring was instructed to notify these Indians that another opportunity would be afforded them of meeting the Commissioners, if they so desired, at the time of the July meeting with the Babines.

The return to Victoria was made by the 3rd of May, where an abundance of correspondence and matters were found waiting to be dealt with.

On the 15th of May, for the purpose of expediting business, the Commission separated, Commissioners Shaw and Carmichael leaving for the Stuart Lake Agency.

On May 17th, Commissioners Carmichael and Shaw left Victoria to visit the part of Stuart Lake which had been left over from the previous season. They arrived at Burns Lake on the 20th where they were met by Mr. W. J. McAllan, the Agent, who had assembled a pack train to convey the Commission and party through the Agency.

On May 21st meetings were held with the Maxim Lake, Decker Lake, Uncha Lake and Burns Lake Bands of the Francois Lake Tribe, and also with the white settlers of the district. The following day they proceeded to Francois Lake and, while arrangements were being made for the crossing of horses and men, the Commissioners proceeded to the west end of the lake by gasoline launch, where they met the Francois Lake Band, holding a meeting with them and inspecting the reserves on May 24th. On the return trip, on May 25th, the reserves along the lake were inspected and several proposed applications for additional lands enquired into.

On May 26th the Commissioners visited Uncha Lake, inspecting lands there, returning to Francois Lake in the evening. May 26th and 27th were spent in travelling to Skins Lake, which was reached on the 27th. A meeting was held on May 28th with the Skins Lake Band and several pieces of land examined for which applications were made for the Indians.

The Commissioners proceeded, on May 30th, to Cheslatta Lake and visited the reserves there on that day as well as the following day. The Indians being away from the reserves, no meetings were held. From Cheslatta Lake they proceeded to Stellaquo Reserve, arriving there on June 4th, and held a meeting with the Indians. On June 5th they proceeded to Fort Fraser, inspecting reserves en route, and remained three days, meeting Indians resident there and also those of the Cheslatta Band. A number of representatives of the Ulkatcho Band, of the Bella Coola Agency, also interviewed the Commissioners regarding their reserve.

 a statistical statisti Statistical statis On June 10th a meeting was held with the Stony Creek Band, at their reserve, and from here the Commissioners proceeded to Fort St. James, where, on the 14th and 15th, meetings were held with the Trembleur Lake, Grand Rapids, Tacla Lake, Tache, Pinchie, Yacutcee and Necausley Bands.

Biackwater reserves were visited on the 23rd, and from here the Commissioners proceeded to Euchinico Lake (Trout Lake Johnnie's), arriving there on the 26th, and on the 27th meeting there this Band and also representatives of the Kluskus and Nazco Bands. From here they returned to Fort Fraser, arriving there on June 29th, where the horses were turned over to their several owners and the equipment placed in storage. The Commissioners then returned to Victoria, arriving there on July 3rd.

The whole of this trip was made by horses and in many places the trails were in very bad condition owing to the heavy rains that fell almost daily during the time.

On the 29th of May, Commissioners McKenna and Macdowall left Victoria for the Stikine Agency, taking steamer to Wrangel and thence up the Stikine River to Telegraph Creek. It may here be noted that while the general plan of itinerary is invariably prepared, such plans cannot always be strictly adhered to on account of difficulties of travel, uncertain sailings of boats and connections.

Mr. Tyson joined the Commission at Wrangel, and Mr. Scott Simpson, the Agent, met them at Telegraph Creek.

At this point the Tahltan Band of Indians were assembled and gave the Commission a cordial reception. These Indians appear to be very well off, owing to the plentiful supply of fish, the abundance of big game and the large income they make from the "Big Game" hunters and packing for the miners.

Unfortunately, the Indians of the Liard, a nomad band, were away from their villages and the Commission was unable to meet them, having to return by the steamer "Port Simpson" to Wrangel, in order to reach Atlin for the previously arranged meetings with the Atlin and Teslin Lake Bands.

On arrival at Wrangel the first steamer was taken for Skagway and Atlin was reached via the White Pass & Yukon Railway and connecting boats.

At Atlin the Indians of the District met the Commission when all matters were frankly discussed and a piece of land of some 1965 acres was visited, which was found suitable for a reserve on account of the quality of the soil and the opportunities for fishing.

The Teslin Lake Indians were also met and the Commission gathered from them that, their country being so well supplied with game and fish, it will be many years before they will take to agriculture. The Commission, however, have made full inquiries and satisfied themselves as to the land requirements of these Indians for the future.

The Commissioners then returned to Victoria, where Commissioners Shaw and Carmichael had arrived from Stuart Lake, and the full Board met on the 5th July. A large amount of work had accumulated while the Commission was in the field, which was now disposed of.

Mr. Rimmer, P.L.S., was instructed to survey the reserve selected by the Commission at Atlin, and Mr. A. W. Harvey, P.L.S., was instructed to survey a reserve for the Babine Indians near Babine Lake.

On the 16th of july a telegram was received from Mr. Loring, of the Babine Agency, stating that arrangements had been made for the further meetings with the Indians of that Agency according to the promise made by the Commission in April, and the Chairman, with Commissioners McKenua and Macdowall left Victoria for Hazelton via Prince Rupert.

At Hazelton the Indians of the Babine and Kisgegas Tribes received the Commission cordially and answered all questions freely and frankly—this meeting was held at the office of the Indian Agent, but the Kuldoes refused to meet the Commission there and invited them to another building. On arrival at this building the Indians refused to answer any questions and would only speak of the aboriginal title to which they laid claim.

I may mention on all occasions where the claim to Aboriginal Title was advanced, the Commission carefully explained the tenor of the Order-in-Council relating thereto, which generally satisfied the Indians, but some of the tribes of the Babine Agency did not appear even to care to understand.

The Commission then returned to Victoria, where the full Board met on the 19th July and found a large amount of correspondence and other matters awaiting them, among them being the application of the Vancouver Harbour Commissioners to acquire the Kitsilano Reserve and on which an Interim Report was issued on the 12th of August.

On the 14th August, the Commission left for a visit to the reserves of the Squamish Tribe and those of the Indians on the Pemberton Meadows, Lillooet River and Harrison Lake.

The first part of the journey was made over the line of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, which enabled the Commission to meet the Squamish Indians on their reserves.

These reserves were examined by the Commission and the Indians willingly gave all the information possible as to their requirements, expressing themselves as anxious to adopt agriculture as a means of livelihood.

After leaving the Squamish Tribe, the Commission proceeded by boat through the Lillooet lakes and thence by wagon to Harrison Lake, taking with them a camp outfit and holding meetings on the reserves with all the Indians, and practically seeing all the reserves on the way down, returning to Victoria on the 30th August.

On the 21st of September the Commission left for the Naas Agency by the SS. "Chelohsin" and proceeded to Prince Rupert, where they were joined by Agent Perry.

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They proceeded to Metlakatla where they were well received by the Indians, who spoke freely of their circumstances and requirements—while at Port Simpson the required information was refused. At Port Essington, however, the Indians were willing to answer questions and seemed to appreciate the visit of the Commission.

At Kincolith the Commissioners met with a very friendly reception, the explanation of their duties and powers being carefully listened to, and also that of the Order-in-Council relating to the Aboriginal Title Claim.

This disposition prevailed among all the different bands on the reserves along the Naas River, and the Commission accorded them all the time and as many meetings as they desired.

The Commission returned to Victoria and commenced again daily meetings, making arrangements to expedite the work and the completion of the Final Report.

The work yet to be undertaken comprises the examination of Agents Perry of the Naas Agency, Scott Simpson of the Stikine, and Byrne of the New Westminster, the examinations of Agents Fougner and McAllan having been completed during November.

The Naas Agency is one where the question of additional lands will require careful consideration, and the Stikine is in a somewhat similar position, as these Indians are, in many cases, without reserves; while New Westminster is the largest of all the Agencies, with reserves near large and populous cities and in a country of the most diversified nature.

A meeting has also been arranged with the Dominion and Provincial Fisheries officers, to discuss the questions of fishing privileges relating to Indians. As fish forms the staple diet of a large percentage of the Indians of this Province, the question of fishing privileges assumes a position of high importance.

The Commission has yet to deal with the confirming, adding to or reduction of the reserves in the Lytton, Babine, Williams Lake, Bella Coola, Stuart Lake, Stikine, Naas and New Westminster Agencies.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. W. WHITE, Chairman.

Victoria, B.C., December 20th, 1915.

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Victoria, B.C., July 3rd, 1916.

Certified Correct, E. & O. E. C. H. Gibbons, Secretary.

S IN BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1916-SUMMARY

VALUE	ACREAGE OF NEW RESERVES CONSTITUTED	VALUE	REMARKS	
\$ 97-95†	5,734.93	\$28,657.60+	*Approximate valuation by Mr. Agent Loring; †Valued at cur	
\$20,375.00*	7,050.60	\$35,253.00+	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Fougner: His valuation for Bella C \$336,300.00; †Valued at current price as open Crown Land.	
\$ 94.225.00 to \$115.725.00	Nil	ทย	*The lower valuation by Mr. Agent Robertson; the higher b	
\$1,30,81 4.40* *	1,477.00	\$7,385.00+	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Smith and Mr. A. W. Duck, Valuer; Smith and Mr. A. W. Duck, Valuer; †Valued at current print	
\$704.30 to \$7.044.30**	1,902.29	\$9,511.45†	*The lower valuation that of Mr. Agent Halliday; the higher J valuations by Mr. E. W. Leason for certain Reserves of wh **The lower valuation by Mr. Agent Halliday, the higher shew W. Leason of Reserves Nos. 1 and 2 of the Klaskino Band; Crown Land.	
\$25.440.00*	8,260.00	\$49,700.00†	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Galbraith; +1,200 acres valued by Mr. balance at current price as open Crown Land.	
eral,18.90%	15,707.65±	\$78,538.25+	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Graham; <u>+</u> Including approximated acr 74, 79, 90, 112, 116, 123, 125, 128, 138, 141 and 157; +Valued	
1.5 ₅₀ .68*	5,671.00 <u>†</u>	\$28,355.00+	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Perry; †Valued at current price as of allowed islands of the Channel or Nares Group, to be selected.	
\$t\$7.470. xg*	1,168.45	\$5,842.25+	"Valuations by Mr. Agent Byrne; +Valued at current p	
λητού (9 .57 to βίας στ ι 57*	2,600.00	\$13,000.00†	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Brown and Mr. D. H. Watson, Valuer is counting Tsinatikeptum Reserves Nos. 9 and 10 as valueless water the value of the confirmed portion is placed at \$319 +V. lued at current price as open Crown Land	
	360.10	\$1,800.50+	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Deasy; +Valued at current p	
	9,638.00	\$48,190.00‡	*Valuation based on minimum price (,f Crown Land; +Valued at	
la forger y	14.892.20 <u>†</u>	\$74,452.00+	Rigures for this Agency subject to revision by surveys. *Valuatio new Reserves exclusive of certain allowed islands of undetermin as open Crown Land.	
λι εταιόρ το ≰: 850.00≭	661.95	£3,309.75†	*Values of Mr. Agent Cox approximate \$109,650.00; valuation Checkleset, Clayoquot, Nitinat, Opetchisaht, and Seshart Tribes Bledsoe, John Grice, D. Logan and Amos Ellis increase the agg of the Agency to \$218,932.50. †Valued at current price as ope	
\$30.3/30 .00	12,167.00	\$60,835.007	*Valuations by Mr. Agent Ogden; Mr. McNeill, of the 105-Mile of the Canim Lake Tribe \$12,400.00 less than those of Agent Crown Land.	
\$1,247,9x2.72 to \$2,522,704.72	87,291.17	\$444,838.80		

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at current price as open Crown Land.

Sella Coola I. R. No. 1 is \$255,225.00 to and.

igher by Mr. J. T. L. Meyer, Valuer.

sluer; **On averaged values by Mr. Agent ent price as open Crown Land.

igher Mr. Agent Halliday's valuations plus of which he has special local knowledge; r shewing difference in valuation by Mr. E. Band; †Valued at current price as open

by Mr. Agent Galbraith at \$12.00 per acre,

ted acreages for allowances under Items 62, Valued at current price as open Crown Land.

e as open Crown Land; *iExclusive* of two lected.

irrent price as open Crown Land.

aluer--lower valuation of confirmed Reserves lueless on account of no water supply; with at \$319,348.00 and the cut-off \$252,252.00;

rrent price as open Crown Land.

lued at current price as open Crown Land.

Valuations by Mr. Agent McAllan. ±Area of etermined acreage. ‡Valued at current price

duations made for certain Reserves of the Tribes by Messrs. W. R. H. Prescott, J. F. the aggregate valuation of confirmed Reserves as open Crown Land.

05-Mile House gives values for the Reserves f Agent. †Valued at current price as open