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PROVINCIAL GAME WARDEN'S OFFICE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

VANCOUVER, B.C.

August 7th 1914



H. Gibbons, Esq.,
Assistant Secretary,

Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the
Province of British Columbia,

Belmont House, - Victoria, B.C.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 29th,
with reference to a meeting of your Commission at Quesnel.

I note that the Indians stated that they had been forced
to abandon their hunting and trapping in the fur season because
they had been informed by the local Game Warden that they were
prohibited from killing game at any time of the year. Such a
statement of the Indians is utterly absurd.

The Game Warden, who was only on from June 1st to the end
of November last year, was discharged for neglect of his duties.
I doubt very much whether he ever interfered with a white man or
an Indian anyway. Since November, owing to a suitable man
not being forthcoming, there has been no Game Warden there at all
until April 21st, when a new Deputy was appointed, and since that
time there has been a close season for everything.

I note also that Agent McAllan states that attempts have
been made by Provincial officials to collect gun licence fees
from Indians. I cannot believe any such thing. I should be
pleased if the Commission will get Mr. McAllan to give me particulars
as to who these officials were.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. Bryan Williams

Provincial Game Warden.

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