

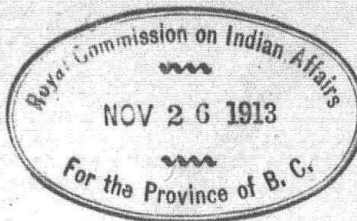
IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No 318400/1

ALSO TO THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

PLEASE WRITE ON ONLY ONE SUBJECT
IN EACH LETTER.

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE
SECRETARY, DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
OTTAWA.



Ottawa, November 20, 1913.

Sir,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant transmitting a copy of a letter received by you from Mr. William Thompson, Postmaster, Church House, B.C., and of the enclosure accompanying the same, regarding a certain piece of land on which the Homalco School building and the Indian grave yard are situate, which he claims are included in his preemption, record 2851.

In reply I beg to say that this Department was advised that the Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works for British Columbia had written the Chief of the Band on the 17th of May, 1911, stating that if this Department will have a survey made on which the school and grave yard stand and submit notes of the same such lands will be exempted from Mr. Thompson's preemption, record No. 2851. The required survey was made by Mr. Henry Rhodes, B.C.L.S. in February 1912 and a copy of the plan and field notes were sent to the British Columbia government as requested.

The file dealing with this matter was sent to the Commission on the 30th of April, last, and I am sending you a blue print of Mr. Rhodes' survey showing

J. G. H. Bergeron, Esq., B.C.L., K.C.,
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