

Q What parts?

A Ulkatche and Kitkatla - Kitkatla might be attached to the Haas Agency and Ulkatche to some other Agency dealing with Interior Indians.

Q As a matter of fact the conditions at Ulkatche are quite different from ^{those of} the other Indians of your Agency?

A Yes, but they come ⁱⁿ there every year to trade at Bella Coola.

MR COMMISSIONER SHAW: Is it not also a fact that they go to Fort Fraser to church?

A I don't think they go to church there.

MR COMMISSIONER GARMICHAEL: We met them there and they said they came up there to attend the church.

WITNESS: Possibly they may have gone there for that purpose, but the priest visits the Ulkatches every year - he comes from Fort Fraser every year for that purpose - he comes by way of Fraser Lake.

Q Do the Indians come there to see you?

A They come there to trade and particularly to fish.

Q Do you think that the administration of Indian affairs in this Province would be improved if there was some centralized executive authority with administrative authority to deal with matters in the same way that the Deputy Superintendent-General does now?

A Undoubtedly.

Q And you ^{have} come to that conclusion since you have been Agent?

A Yes.

Q There is delay in communicating with Ottawa?

A Yes.

Q And apart from the delay, do you find that Ottawa is really alive to local conditions?

A I think they have their set opinions and their big machine is hard to move; and when I write describing local conditions they always listen, but I don't know whether they understand.

MR COMMISSIONER MCKENNA: There was an application made by the Indians of Kitaseo or China Hat for a fishing station on Kildensha Creek.

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