

adjoining the Coryatsagan Reserve for Indians. In that letter, I enclosed copies of the Resolution of the Commission above mentioned of 20th. May, of the Order-in-Council in reply thereto of 10th. June, and of the Agreement between Sir Richard McBride and Dr. McKenna, and drew your attention to what I submitted to be the purport and effect thereof as to the powers of the Commission. I beg leave to request that you again refer to that letter and the documents enclosed in it.

The Resolution of the Commission sets out that

"The Commission is of opinion that its jurisdiction
"is confined to the scope of the Agreement referred
"to therein".

In the Order-in-Council, the Minister observes "that it is clear that the Agreement between the representatives of the Province of British Columbia and the Dominion does not contemplate an investigation and settlement of matters appertaining to general Indian policy. It is confined to matters affecting Indian lands which require adjustment between the parties". And then, after some suggestions by the Minister, not material to the question we are now dealing with, the Order proceeds "The Minister therefore recommends that the Commission be restricted