

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

Meeting with Iver Fougner, Indian Agent for the Bella Coola Agency,  
at the Board Room, Victoria, December 9th. 1915.

Mr Commissioner McKenna: You were last examined on September 10th. 1915?

A. Yes.

Q.- And in that examination applications for additional lands for the Indians of your Agency were touched upon, but I understand, after the examination regarding the additional lands, you intimated that you would like to inform yourself better as to the location of the lands applied for, and what the reasonable requirements of the Indians in the matter of additional lands were - is that correct?

A. Yes.

Q. Therefore we will begin with these applications (examining tabulation sheet). There was an application made for a fishing station for the China Hat Indians (reads description) - have you been able to identify the land covered by this application?

A. I was unable to get to that place.

Q. Have you been able to locate it on the map?

A. (examining map) yes.

Q. Could you point it out to me on the map?

A. (examining map) It is on the S.W. coast of Arrastable Island, and marked in red "No. 1" (On Bella Bella - China Hat blueprint).

Q. Is there a harbour there?

A. Yes. I have marked on the plan a river, and where the river comes out is the point they want.

Q. And how many acres do you recommend should be set aside for them there?

A. Five acres

Mr Commissioner Shaw: (examining map) Is it unsurveyed land?

A. Yes.

Mr Commissioner McKenna: Have the Indians ever used that point?

A. Yes, they fish there every year.

Q. For salmon?

A. Yes, and the Lowe Inlet Cannery have a fish seining licence on that creek there.

Q. Now coming to the next application, No. 2 - what have you to say with regard to that application?