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Sir:-

By direction of the Royal Commission on Indian Affairs for the Province of B. C., and referring again to yours of the 19th. ultimo, I have to advise you that the Commission at a meeting held this morning had under consideration the concluding paragraph of your letter in which you say:

"I wish however to call your attention to the fact that at a trial of an Indian who was recently caught with a number of bluegrouse in his possession, Chief Matthias of North Vancouver stated to the Court that your Commission had informed the Indians that if they wanted to kill game of any kind at any time of the year for their own use they were perfectly at liberty to do so".

In respect to this matter, the Commission finds that at the meeting with the Indians held on the Capilano Indian Reserve last year, the then Chairman of the Commission, Honourable R. L. Wetmore, said in the course of his explanatory address:

"Fishing and hunting were matters on a different footing; the game laws were enacted for the purpose of preserving the fish and the game, and if the