

Report on

Semiahmoo Band

(White Rock, B.C.)

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- Agency. New Westminster
- Band Semiahmoo (Semiamu)
- Tribe Lummi (Lummi)
- Linguistic stock or family Coast Salish
- Population 33. (Decrease of 6. since time of Roy. Com.)
- Chief occupations Mixed farming, fishing, working for wages, clam digging, hunting &c.
- Principal products. Markets. see Royal Commission Report.
- Number of live stock. Horses 10 Cattle 20. (Decrease in horses and increase in cattle since time of R. Com.)
- Number of reserves 1
- Area to 392 acres - or about 11 1/8 acres per cap.
- Valuation. to by Roy. Com. \$9,000⁰⁰ or about \$878⁷² per cap.
- Location & condition of reserves } See Royal Com. report.
Character of soil &c
- Situation as to altitude & climate Low and favorable. Similar to So. Coast & Lower Fraser reserves.
- What best adapted for. Prob. mixed farming
- Approximate area of reserves unfit for cultivation &c. About 50 per cent
 - " proportion cultivable - About 50 per cent or less than 6 acres per cap.
 - " " cultivated or improved - over half of cultivable area. or about 3 acres per cap. (An increase of 30 or more acres since time of R. C.)
 - " " natural pasture - Hardly any.
 - " " timber. - Very little.
- Reason why more land not cultivated. Difficultly of clearing. The Indians say of the reserve. " about half of the reserve is gravelly, rocky, hilly and swampy. Most of the good land is cleared and utilized - over half "
- Chief obstacles to progress in farming. 1. Shortage of good land
2. Lack of assistance in clearing.
- Requirements. 1. Some additional agricultural land - (see under applications &c.)
2. Assistance in clearing, stumping &c.
- New Reserves ? None.
- Cut off &c. S

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