

INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE

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Prince Rupert, B.C.,

August 21st,19²².

Re. Messrs Kelly & Reid

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Sir,--

This is a further progress report re. meetings being held here with the Indians.

The Kitwanga Indians are sending another man to take the place of George Moore, their spokesman at the last meeting who created such an impossible position for the Executive members.

The Nass Indians met and the meeting was thought by Mr. Kelly to be satisfactory.

The Port Simpson Indians, while making a large claim for territory, do not expect to get what they will ask for, in the matter of land.

The Kishpiox Indians are in session this morning. There seems to be a decided ignorance on the part of the up-river Indians as to how Messrs Kelly and Reid function. They cannot see the connection of these men with the Government and are suspicious, more especially, I think, because they are half-breeds (Reid & Kelly). The Kitwanthools and Kitwanga, on their way back to the Skeena, wrote on pieces of paper and had handed around to the other Indians, to the effect that they had gone to Prince Rupert to interview responsible men in touch with the Government, but had only found Indians (Kelly & Reid) there on arrival. The Kishpiox Indians have just told Mr. Kelly and Mr. Reid this.

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The coast Indians are very indignant at the attitude of the interior Indians and think they are missing a good chance of having their grievances settled on the return of the Superintendent General in November.

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