

My visit, and the introduction of an Agent at the same time, has caused a change in the feelings of the chiefs, who evinced their satisfaction by accompanying me throughout my journey in their country, and frequently informed me that they desired to exert their authority under the advice of the Agent.

One great blessing enjoyed by these Indians is the absence of licensed houses in their country for selling liquor; and if it is possible, to prevent their introduction, it should be done.

In their speeches, the chiefs earnestly requested land to be set aside, and expressed their great fears that the Reserve Commissioner would not deal justly by them, because he had failed to do so in the case of the Soda Creek Indians. I informed them that this was not his fault, as there was no lands to give them, and the proposal to purchase some was under the consideration of the Government.

Anahim complained that the amounts due his people for apprehending the two murderers (about \$300) had not been paid, and I assured him that I would attend immediately to this matter on my arrival at Victoria—a promise that has since been successfully fulfilled.

So far as Anahim himself, who was chiefly instrumental in effecting the capture, is concurred, I may mention as illustrative of his character, that when asked by the presiding judge if he would accept a money reward, he replied “that he did not wish to receive pay for the blood of his children.”

The Chilcotin Indians are much in want of implements with which to cultivate their lands.

They are too poor to buy them and I think a present of these articles now would not only prove useful, but do much towards satisfying them, and ensuring their attachment.

There are three tribes which are known as the Toosey tribe, Anahim tribe and the Stone tribe.

The Toosey tribe require,

- 2 ploughs.
 - 2 sets harness (plough).
 - 2 “ harrow teeth,
 - 4 Scythes (complete).
 - 2 cradles (grain).
 - 1 grindstone.
 - 4 hay forks.
 - 6 shovels.
 - 3 picks.
 - 2 mattocks.
- } for making ditches.

The Anahim tribe require the same, with the addition of a fanning mill which, I think, should be presented to the chief personally. And the Stone tribe—

- 1 plough.
- 1 set harness (plough).
- 1 “ harrowteeth.
- 4 scythes (complete).
- 1 grindstone.
- 4 hay forks.
- 4 shovels.
- 4 picks.
- 3 mattocks.
- 2 grain cradles.

The Agent would give them full instruction as to the use and care of the above articles if you could kindly approve of the purchase.

On the 14th I re-crossed the Fraser and arrived at Alkali Lake the same evening, visiting Canoe and Dog Creeks and arrived at Clinton by the river trail on the 18th.

The Alkali Lake, Dog Creek and Canoe Creek tribes are poorly off, as compared with other Indians in the Province. Their lands are unsatisfactory, and many of them appeared discouraged; unfortunately, they can obtain liquor easily from