

Ottawa, January 4, 1907.

Sir,-

In further reference to communication addressed you on the 17th of April, 1905, in regard to desire of your Department to acquire about an acre of land on Birnie Island, situate near the entrance to Port Simpson Harbour, for lighthouse purposes, I beg to say that Mr. Superintendent Vowell of Victoria has furnished the Department with information in regard to the attitude of the Indians in connection with this application, to the effect that at a public meeting held at Port Simpson on Wednesday the 21st November last, a majority of the male members of the Band un-animously passed the following resolution:-

"Resolved, that one acre of land surrounding the
"lighthouse on the south end of Birnie Island, at the
"entrance to Port Simpson Harbour, be surrendered to
"His Majesty ~~the~~ King Edward VII, for the Marine & Fisheries
"Department for lighthouse purposes, and that the sum of
"\$50 be paid to the Port Simpson Indian Council to meet
"Municipal expenditures from said surrender, and further
"that the Chief is hereby authorized to complete said
"surrender when presented for signature by the Department."

It is reported by the Local Agent that if
your Department should wish to survey this site at any
time

The Deputy Minister of
Marine & Fisheries,
Ottawa.