

A. I could not say, I could not decide what would be suitable for them.

MR. COMMISSIONER MACDOWALL: Leaving this question of land requirements alone, could you tell us anything in regard to their fisheries or their general requirements?

A. As far as the fisheries are concerned they have a fishing reserve on the Tahltan where they put up a good lot of fish and also another place on Salmon Creek.

Q. Is it a reserve?

A. No, the old people go there to fish and they fish there very late there in the fall. In regard to this fishery, it would be a good thing to make a reserve there for them. They also put nets in the river here, but they don't depend on that very much, and with the exception of the two places that I have just named, I don't know of any other places that would be suitable for them.

Q. Could you show us where Salmon Creek is on the map?

A. (Map is here produced and the location is pointed out)

MR. COMMISSIONER MACDOWALL: In regard to the land requirements for these Indians, how long do you think it will take them to make up their minds as to what land they will require?

A. It will take some time. They will have to get together and talk about it. There are certain Indians here who have hunting grounds around the country who have never been very far away and they don't know very much about it.

Q. We will have to leave that matter stand for a little while. The Commission has had a great deal to do and have been travelling over territory about half the size of Europe and we can't send instructions to every Band of Indians - the Indians are supposed to know their own territory and we find invariably that the Indians know their own territory and this is the only case where we have found that the Indians know little or nothing about the country surrounding them.

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