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OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

Duncan, B. C.

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Sir:-

The Chemainus Band of Indians have been for some time past, pressing me for further payment of monies, that should have been received by the Department for timber taken from their No.13 reserve.

It appears that in 1920 an agreement was entered into by the Department and Messrs Peers and Anderson and a deposit of \$10,000.00 was made. It appears that certain payments have been made direct to Ottawa, others to the Commissioner's office, in Victoria, and others to this office. Checking up the scale bills there appears to have been \$10,823.90 due from timber cut. Out of this \$5123.25 was collected by the late Indian Agent, and was marked as a shortage by the Auditor when he audited the books, and which was accepted by the Department as shortage, and the Indians were paid 42.26%, and making a total of \$2165.09 which was paid to the Indians.

This matter has now been placed in the hands of a lawyer, and he has asked me for a full statement of their account, which I am quite unable to give, as the amounts were paid in to three different places, and I have no records in this office to obtain the data from.

I would be very much obliged if you will give me a full statement of the monies paid in and the amounts distributed and paid out, giving full details, with amount standing to their credit to-day. I have not yet received Auditor General's report for 1931-32, so could not give Indians particulars as to amount to their credit.

Your obedient servant,

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Indian Agent.

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