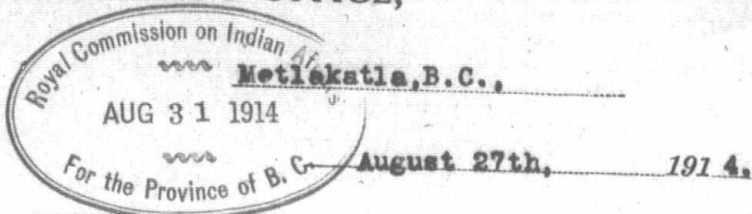


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INDIAN AGENT'S OFFICE,

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No. R.C.
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER.



Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th July ultimo, covering a copy of a letter addressed to the Royal Commission by Bryan Williams Esqr., J.P., Provincial Game Warden.

In reply thereto, I beg to say that last year I received directly from the hand of the local Warden the game regulations and thanked him personally for them.

I have received copies of the papers referred to from Mr. Williams, which were acknowledged before the receipt of your letter.

I would beg to point out that the Provincial Game regulations would not seem to apply in many instances to Indian reserves over which the Indians shoot and trap. At the same time, the Indians are well aware of the Provincial laws and usually recognise them.

The Provincial Game Warden has been lax in the past in regard to letting the Indians know, through their agents, the contents of the regulations made from time to time. It was largely due to my personal advice following a conviction of Indians of the Skeena River that the Game Warden furnished copies of the regulations at all.

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I ~~intended to send~~ to the Provincial Game Warden *forward* a list of Indian Chiefs to whom to send the regulations; and I would suggest that, if convenient, instructions be sent by you to all Indian Agents to do the same. The Indians of the

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