

- Q. Do they breed any cows, and keep a bull?
- A. Yes. They have 2 steers, 20 milch cows & 7 young cattle
- Q. Where do they get their pasturage from
- A. On this reserve and on the adjacent Crown Lands?
- Q. Do they buy any hay, or use their own?
- A. They don't use much hay. The cattle run at large.
- Q. And the horses too?
- A. Yes
- Q. Do they grow any grain?
- A. Very little
- Q. I see they have no sheep or pigs?
- A. No. While we are speaking of their cattle I should like to say that the Indians have a strong complaint about their cattle being destroyed by white men who shoot them.
- MR. MACDONNELL: Is that a general practice of the white men here?
- A. Well it seems to be becoming so.
- Q. Who is it that shoots them.
- A. We don't know who it is. We were found a few Sundays ago deliberately shot and left on the Reserve
- MR. SHAW: Are these cattle shot for the purpose of getting beef?
- A. I don't think so
- Q. Well do they shoot them just for sport or from motives of malice.
- A. For "sport" I think. They make believe they are shooting "wild" cattle. A number of years ago, some cattle were brought here on a boat for Mr. Alexander. They had no way of landing them so they put them overboard, and allowed them to swim ashore. When Mr. Alexander went away there was no way of getting these cattle back on to the boat and so they were allowed to run wild and when a man shoots any cattle he claims that he is shooting these "wild" cattle. Henry Edenshaw had a bull shot and knows the man who shot it.
- DR. MCKENZIE: There have been other cattle shot besides these you mention
- A. Yes.
- MR. SHAW: Are there any of these cattle of Mr. Alexander's still on the Island.
- A. I could not say but some people claim there are
- MR. YOUNG: If there were not that difficulty, would the Indians raise more cattle?
- A. Yes I think they would have more.
- Q. What provision is there for feeding cattle?
- A. Just the grass on this reserve and on the surrounding crown Lands.
- Q. You stated that these cattle pastured on the Reserves and on the adjoining crown Lands outside the Reserve?
- A. Yes.