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Sir,-

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1110 of the 19th instant, being letter from the Deputy of the Supt. Genl. of Indian Affairs re. granting licenses to the Indians of the ~~Comox and James~~ to fish for salmon in the ~~Fraser~~ River.

Under existing regulations I do not consider that the Indians of this Agency have any special claim on the Dept. of Fisheries more than others of their number who formerly resided for general fishing and earn a good livelihood by catching fish to supply the markets of Victoria and Nanaimo, all the year round, the fish for local consumption during the winter months are also caught by the Nanaimo and Gulf of Georgia Island fishermen.

I cannot therefore recommend that the request of Mr. Indian Agent Lumas be granted.

(Sd.) John Mc.Nab

Inspector

S.P. Bousquet Esq.

Actg. D.M.F.

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