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CHIEF CONSTABLE'S OFFICE

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., August 29th, 1917.

K. F. Birchall, Esq.,
Provincial Constable,
Port Essington, B.C.

re Poll Tax Act.

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 27th inst. re Indians who have already left the Canneries and who have not paid the "Poll Tax".

I do not think it is fair to hold the Cannery people respon-sible for the Indians who have already left, owing to a little misunderstanding at the time we commenced to collect the Taxes, when it was thought the Indians were exempt. They should be held responsible for the Indians who are now in their employ.

Obediently Yours

Chest. Tammon.

Chief Constable.

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