New Westminster —

28th Sept 1865

Sir

Before His Excellency Governor Seymour left the Colony for England he assured me that the documents necessary to put the Company which I represent in secure possession of the land required for their business should be made out before he left, in accordance with the terms agreed to with His Excellency and yourself; I regret to say that I am still without these documents; and that an agreement has been laid before me differing widely from the meaning and intention of the arrangement

His Excellency
Acting Governor Birch
New Westminster

made with the Government and on the good faith of which I have ~~s~~ spent so much money in building the Companys Saw Mill; I cannot accept this agreement as laid before me by the Attorney General; and can only appeal to yourself who are well acquainted with the whole transaction, and beg to request that no more time may be lost in bringing it to a close

I may also add that I have been called upon to pay duties on some of the articles that under the arrangement with the Govt should be duty free

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obt Servt
Edw Hamp

Acting Governor
Birch
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