

British Columbia

Colonial Secretary's Office

14<sup>th</sup> May, 1862

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Sir,

With reference to your letter  
of the 19<sup>th</sup> ultimo and the documents  
enclosed therewith relating to the  
claims put forth by Mr. Waddington  
and D<sup>r</sup> Helmcken of having acquired  
a pre-emptive right of purchase  
over certain land at the head  
of Bute Inlet now required by  
Government, I am desired by  
the Governor to acquaint you that  
he

To

The Attorney General

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he has no objection to the matter being arranged as proposed, provided it be found that the claims could be legally sustained and do not attach to lands at present or recently the site of Indian villages or fields, and provided that no precedent to govern future cases be in any way established.

2. The papers connected with the case have been forwarded to Colonel Moody with instructions to the foregoing effect, and I

am

am to request you will confer  
with that officer upon the subject,  
and give him such assistance  
as may be necessary in a legal  
point of view to enable him to  
adjust the matter.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedt servt

William A.S. Young