

Land Question (cont'd)

1. Indian Reserves after Confederation

a) Dominion - Provincial conflict

(turn them to the plough)

Dom: put whole tribe on one reserve, agric, 160 ac/person

Prov: can't confine to one place, foolish to tie up good agric. land. Why not 20 ac/person

1876-1908 Commission - no fixed basis of acreage

- Prov. reversionary right to any land given up  
meant Dom. couldn't sell land surrender → Prov.

1912 McKenna-McBride Agreement → Legal Commission

- no fixed acreage

- reversion only on band extinction

[this prevented band enfranchisement of Metlakatla.]

<u>1913-16</u>	5 men	added	87 000 ac	- \$445,000
		CUT OFF	47 000 ac	- \$1,500,000

1916 report - not ratified

b) Indians had not accepted premise - wanted land question settled first

1923 Claims of Allied Tribes

160 ac/person  
2 1/2 million ac  
etc

too much

1924 Route ratified



led to 1926-27 Joint Committee

c) Final result. BC 19 ac

East 31 ac/person

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that small on reserves