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Mr. C. Gardner Johnson, agent for the ship, had no communications to make today except that the matter is out of his hands and is being handled by Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, K.C., who has been retained by the owners, as announced yesterday. The Japanese crew is getting somewhat nervous over the situation created this morning and news from the ship is that part of the sailors have been served out with revolvers. It would not surprise anybody to see an armed body of Japanese bluejackets go aboard the Komagata Maru when the cruisers arrive.

#### Ask Large Sum Now.

Sir Hibbert Tupper has sent some cables to the owners today covering the situation and a new factor in the tangle has arisen through the Japanese consul-general at Ottawa who is making enquiries as to the probable disposition of the ship. From several sources, The Province learned today that the Komagata Maru may put to sea before the end of the week, though not before the arrival of the Asama and Azuma. The conditions under which the charter was to be transferred from Gurdit Singh to Rahim Singh are such, it is said, that the Hindus can hardly accept.

It is understood that besides the \$11,000 owing on the original charter and which was due on June 11, and the \$4000 for the coal purchased by the Hindus in Japan and for which the owners accepted responsibility, there is a demand that further money shall be put up to cover the cost of holding the vessel here during June and July and an amount for the run back to Japan if the Hindus are rejected. Then there is an item for the installation of wireless, without which she can not clear from here with passengers, although it is understood that if the vessel makes a speedy departure she will be allowed to sail without the plant. Altogether the amount specified in the owners' conditions, according to information given The Province, runs to nearly \$40,000. The amount tendered by the Vancouver Hindus through Mr. McCrossan was \$11,000.

#### Something of a Classic.

Despite all distracting influences the examination of the Sikhs and Hindus is continuing at the head office of the Canadian immigration department. This morning the court had to listen to a lecture by one of the men who wish to take their stand on Canada's fair strand with a maple leaf in hand, or words to that effect. He said in part:

"Before embarking on this exploratory and colonizing movement which it was hoped would add to the cohesiveness of the great Empire of which we are proud to form a part we studied the matter carefully and discuratively. The disintegrating laws which a misguided diplomacy have allowed to be passed were exhaustively analyzed after being promulgated thoroughly among those interested. We decided after mature deliberation that while the Dominion of Canada is not so great as India it is still a part of the globe-encircling empire and that we were not without adequate justification in coming here to make it greater by our brawn and brain.

We are not angry at the Canadian authorities as I have been given to understand by immature consultations held under extreme difficulties with my fellow compatriots from the deck of our prison ship. We are sorry deep down in our hearts that burst with patriotism; we are sorry some of my compatriots, lashed by the disgrace brought about by an unmost, unbearable restraint, may have shown that anger that betokens the depth of feeling of strong men. Some may have even prognosticated dire things. We have money, we have brains, we have initiative as the voyage now apparently so fruitless has shown. All we ask is to be treated as men and brothers. Let this false race prejudice be obliterated in a flood of real patriotism and we will stand shoulder to shoulder with you in making this Canada realize the consummation of which you dream."

After that the doctors proceeded to examine this graduate of the University of Calcutta as to his physical and

## TREATY MAY COVER ENTRY OF HINDUS

### Dominion Government May Negotiate With Indian Government, Says Stevens.

### Vancouver Member Is Back from Ottawa—Pleased With Redistribution.

With a view of effecting a permanent solution of the vexatious Hindu immigration problem, the Dominion Government may enter into an arrangement with the Indian Government similar to the treaty which controls the number of settlers allowed into this country from Japan. Mr. H. H. Stevens, M. P., who returned to Vancouver from Ottawa this morning, following the prorogation of Parliament, stated the question of placing the control of immigration to Canada in the hands of the Indian authorities has been under advisement for some time, and that he has been strongly urging the adoption of such a plan.

"The Dominion authorities are absolutely determined that the law with reference to the admission of Hindus shall be strictly enforced," replied Mr. Stevens, when asked how the situation stood at present. "The delay in returning the Kamagata Maru is caused by the belligerent attitude adopted by the natives themselves, who are asking for special privileges and are trying to evade the regulations.

"I am convinced that the placing of the control of immigration to this country in the hands of the Indian Government would offer the best solution of the difficulties which are now being experienced. The regulations would be made to apply to settlers only, of whom only a certain number would be allowed each year."

While he intimated that nothing definite had been decided in this connection, Mr. Stevens said that there was a possibility of an agreement being reached on the basis outlined. He referred to the Oriental Exclusion Bill, which he had introduced a short time before the House closed its sessions, stating that he had been assured it would be given consideration early next session. The proposed act would prevent the admission to this country of all natives of countries south of the 50th parallel within certain prescribed limits, which would include Japan, China and India.

Satisfaction with the redistribution bill passed recently was expressed by the member for Vancouver.

"I think it was very satisfactory and eminently fair. The fact that it was unanimously endorsed by the two parties in Parliament is a cause for gratification and makes it thoroughly representative. Concessions were made on both sides and a compromise agreement which met with the hearty approval of both sides was finally reached. He said that he regretted that the Senate threw out the proposed amendment to the British North America Act to afford additional senatorial representation for British Columbia by giving the province three more members but hoped that the question would be more successfully treated at the next session.

#### Ixion to Go Tomorrow.

The Blue Funnel liner Ixion will finish loading tomorrow morning, and will leave during the afternoon for the Sound on her way home, via the

## "MARCUS LOEW'S ORPHEUM," AUG. 3

### Carl Levi, New York Owner's Representative, Visits Vancouver.

### Continuous Vaudeville and Moving Picture Shows Afternoon and Evening.

Mr. Carl Levi, business representative of the Marcus Loew, the young millionaire theatrical man who recently bought the Sullivan-Considine circuit in the West, is in Vancouver today. He is touring western cities to formally arrange for the taking over of the various houses concerned in the recent big theatrical deal, and spent this morning discussing details with Mr. James Pilling, the popular manager of the Orpheum.

On August 3 the Vancouver house will be named "Marcus Loew's Orpheum" and Mr. Levi announces that there will be important changes in method of presenting programme, in charges for admission, etc.

"The tremendous growth of the Loew theatrical business has given us really wonderful advantages in the way of securing the best possible attractions for the people we cater to," said Mr. Levi this morning. "Mr. Loew personally owns ninety houses and controls altogether the bookings for about 150 in all. The result is that he is in a position to offer contracts to the best performers for periods running from two to three years. A high class actress who gets a contract at \$1000 a week for twenty weeks is as many theatres is, very much better satisfied if she can work say for 100 weeks at \$600 a week. The result is better for every one concerned and especially much cheaper for the public.

"In Vancouver the house will be open every day except Sunday from 1 to 11 p. m. There will be three complete shows during that time, each lasting approximately three and a half hours. Each show will consist of at least six vaudeville acts of the very best class that can be obtained anywhere. There will also be an equal number of photo-play films, pictures made specially for Mr. Loew, and not shown at all outside of his theatres. A person may attend at any hour of the afternoon or evening and see through the complete cycle of these twelve acts. The prices in the afternoon will be 10 and 15 cents, and in the evening 10, 15 and 25 cents, the last mentioned being the price for all the orchestra seats.

"There is one thing that I should like to impress on the Vancouver public, and that is that our acts and photo plays are censored to the last point for anything that might be offensive. Mr. Loew temporarily lost much money last year because he declined to put on the so-called 'White Slave' films, but his patrons appreciated his stand. Aside from the moral obligation Mr. Loew felt himself under, he found that he was distinctly ahead in dollars and cents in the end, and he will certainly maintain that policy. Mr. Loew is a young man who wants the goodwill of the people everywhere he is in business. You will find that he will give the public a square deal here," added Mr.