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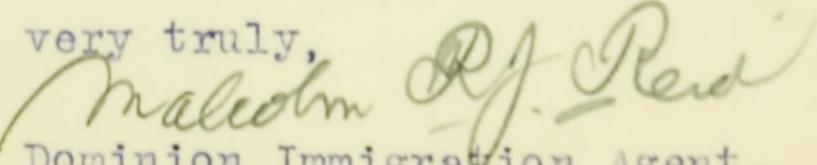
Vancouver, B. C. May 29th, 1913. 19

Re. Hakam Singh.

Dear Mr. Stevens:

Replying to your favor of the 14th inst., it is quite true the Hindus will take advantage of everything in the line of courtesy that is extended toward them, but in this case Hakam Singh took the peaceable course and left his family in Hong Kong; whereas, Bagh Singh and Balwant Singh took the bull by the horns, came on to Canada, and as you know, were successful in having their families remain as an act of grace. Had Hakam Singh acted in the same manner there is no doubt his family would have had the same courtesy extended as did the wives and families of Bagh and Balwant Singh. I would therefore suggest that Hakam Singh's family be allowed to enter purely as an act of grace, and not as a precedent. I have had a great deal of correspondence with the Department in this matter commencing in June last year, and on the 25th July last recommended to Superintendent W. D. Scott that this family be admitted entirely as an act of grace, and at that time I informed Hakam Singh it would some time before a decision would be handed down in the matter.

Yours very truly,



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