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117. W.C. Hopkins to J.A. Wallinger, India Office  
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Vancouver, B. C. 15th. Aug<sup>ust</sup>, 1913.

Dear Mr. Wallinger,

I am in receipt of your letter 19th. ult. informing me that Sir Chas. Cleveland has decided not to come in August but that you may come in September. In this connection, I would like to say that it would be advisable, if you can possibly do so, to make this trip to Vancouver. I would like you to see local conditions here and along the Pacific Coast if you deem it necessary, but more in particular to get an insight into the working of the U.S. Immigration Department.

I would have an opportunity of introducing you to the Commissioner of Immigration at Seattle, Wash., and on your return journey to England I could accompany you to New York and en route to that port, introduce you to the U.S. Commissioner of Immigration at Montreal through whom most of my investigations from this point and in that territory are conducted. Then at New York - to the Commissioner there. Your visit here and your discussions with these Officials of the U.S. Government would place you in possession of facts which you, at a glance, could see the circumstances under which certain undesirables could be sent out of the United States.

My Department have already sanctioned my request to visit San-Fr New York in connection with the case of Tirumal Acharya, and perhaps when you come out you could probably bring with you some further material you may have in connection with this man, and conjointly the two of us could take up the matter with the U. S. authorities at New York. I can quite understand it will mean at least

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a month and a half before you could be back in London, but even  
this short visit here would place you in touch with conditions in  
this country under which I have to work, and what requirements are  
necessary to comply with the U. S. Immigration Laws before we can  
hope to effect the removal of any undesirable from that Country.

Kindly give this matter your early considera-  
tion and let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

*Edw. M. C. Hopkinson*

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London.

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