

[William C. Hopkinson, Immigration Inspector, to William W. Cory, Deputy
Minister of the Interior. Copy]

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Vancouver, B. C. 6th May 18.

Sir,

Referring to the case of the Khuda N. Rahim, I beg to state that this matter came up before Mr Justice Gregory and a Jury at the Assize, on the 1st inst. The accused pleaded "Not Guilty" to the charge, and his lawyer, Mr W. E. Macrossan, raised a very ingenious defence, of the two insinuations that were returned by the Grand Jury against Rahim, to wit, first, that of having his name placed on the Veterans list, being a Hindu, and the second, that of writing in the election, the second was quashed while the Judge upheld the first, and on this count the matter went to trial.

Mr Macrossan's contention was that the act reads "No Hindu shall have his name placed on the Veterans list" and there was no direct evidence to prove that Rahim ever did this, but it was at the same time pointed out by the Prosecuting Counsel that it is impossible for any Hindu to place his name on the Veterans list himself and it must be done through the regular channel and this had been done in the present case inasmuch as Rahim had signed a declaration which evidently had been sworn to before Mr W. E. Macrossan, and as this declaration had evidently reached the Registrar of Voters and by him on the 1st of November last, when he set at Court of Revision, placed and placed on the Veterans list completed.

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