

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

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W.W. Cory, Esq., Sir:

Deputy Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa, Canada.

Sir:

I left Seattle on the 11th inst. as the S.S. "Pomona", and arrived in San Francisco about 6 p.m. of the 14th. The following morning I took up the investigation regarding him and visited the United States Immigration Office at Lloyd Island. I was in possession of a letter of introduction to Mr. James Brown, the Commissioner of Immigration at this port, from Mr. John W. Baker, United States Commissioner at Seattle. Mr. Brown introduced me to Mr. H. Brown, the assistant Commissioner at this port, and through the latter I became acquainted with Inspector Alexander of the staff. This gentleman, as far as I can see, is the only one of his office who is fully conversant with the Hindu situation, and his knowledge of the matter is entirely surprising.

I spent the day from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in his company, after seeing Hindu workers, and from the daylight till he has given me of Hindu affairs I am compelled to consider the situation from a more distant light than I have ever done, and this fact has impressed upon me by Mr. Alexander, who appeared surprised and expressed astonishment that the United Government had never before considered of this situation.

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