

**[William D. Scott, Superintendent of Immigration, to William W. Cory, Deputy  
Minister of the Interior]**

224 W.D. Scott to W.W. Cory  
Ottawa 16 August, 1896  
MEMORANDUM

I return, herewith, a letter addressed to the  
Minister by Mr. Blount, to which is attached a  
copy of a communication addressed to Mr. Blount  
by Mr. E.A. Stanton, who quotes an  
extract from a letter addressed to the Governor  
General by Mr. Rustum Rustomjee on the  
subject of immigration amongst East Indians in  
the Pacific Coast.

It is very well known to the Department  
that there are a number of agitators amongst  
the East Indians in Canada, and it is  
also known that the same of contamination,  
so far as America is concerned, is in  
San Jose, California, on Mr. Rustomjee's  
Society. Comparatively few East Indians  
travel backwards and forwards between Canada  
and the United States, but I have no  
doubt that the Home Office has letters and  
publications received through the mails.  
It is a subject very difficult to deal  
with, and I am of the opinion that active  
opposition might do more harm than  
good at the present time. The East  
Indian agitators have succeeded in  
convincing, not only their own people  
but also many English-speaking people  
in Canada, that they have a ~~great~~ <sup>right</sup> ~~claim~~ <sup>claim</sup>.

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