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RL Reid to Malcolm R J Reid 25 June 1914

"I return herewith the files preliminary examination reports made by Mr. Hapkinson which you kindly let me have yesterday."

I discussed the whole matter of the test case again with Mr. Bird last night, and, as I previously instructed you, agreed to the proposal he made to test the validity of the order in council by taking the case of a man who had a small amount of money in his possession. He therefore, agreed to go on this morning at the earliest possible moment with the Board of Inquiry for the purpose of this case. The names of the men he wishes brought over are: -) Murshii Singh (son of Wazie Singh) and Navah Singh (son of Valaka Singh). Kindly have these two men brought on shore at at once allow Mr. Bird to interview them and to make his selection as to which one he will go on with and arrange for the sitting of the Board at the earliest possible moment this morning at 11:30 o'clock, so that no necessary delay will be caused. We must have this done today or otherwise we will miss the Court of Appeal."