

High Time People of Vancouver Took Action

Mayor Baxter has decided to call a public meeting of protest against the threatened invasion of East Indian immigrants. The passengers on the Komagata Maru appear to be what we in Vancouver have persisted in regarding them as being: the advance guard of a flood of immigration from India, the dimensions of which appeal strongly to the imagination and cannot readily be compressed into a mere statement of fact.

The Mayor, in calling a public meeting, is acting in accordance with his position as the elected civic head. Public interest in the matter is keen. Arrangements have been made by several public bodies to discuss the position which has been created by the presence of the Komagata Maru, and many persons have called at the City Hall and requested that Mayor Baxter take some steps in the matter. In accordance with the state of public opinion as already manifested, the Mayor has decided to call a public meeting, to be held in the Horse Show building.

The report that the Legion of Frontiersmen have volunteered their services to assist in boarding the Komagata Maru and forming an escort to see her safely outside the three-mile limit is peacefully but firmly significant. No doubt, the immigration officials are in the right in intimating that the report had not been given out through the Immigration department, and that, officially, they could not permit such a proceeding; but the report is strong evidence of the state of the public mind—of the mind of all classes of the public, on the situation.

The statement by Mr. H. H. Stevens, published on Saturday, has done much to clear up his position with regard to the question of the immigration of East Indians. Mr. Stevens was careful to emphasize the fact that the Dominion government is not "wobbling" with regard to the admittance of the passengers on the Komagata Maru. They have been rejected as immigrants and have been notified to that effect. It is quite easy to be unfair to Mr. Stevens in this matter, and to assume without warrant that his attitude on the question of Oriental Immigration has changed. In the light of the explanation which he made public on Saturday, it is not easy to find ground on which to find fault with him, or to reiterate the charge that he has abandoned the position of exclusionist. The World is opposed to the proposed legislation at Ottawa on the question of Indian Immigration. The legislation has been trenchantly criticized by the government organ in this city and its ineptitude has been forcibly pointed out. Next session is months away. The government has time enough to consider the arguments advanced against the proposals before deciding to give effect to them.

At most, the measure in which the proposals would be embodied, could not be more than a tentative measure. It lacks finality and does not contain the elements of a solution; but it is not inconceivable to anyone except thick-and-thin opponents of Mr. Stevens, like the Sun, that a man might give it his support—mistakenly, we think—without abandoning his position as a champion of exclusion.

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BRITISH GOV'T WILL OFFER EXCLUSION BY COUNTY VOTE

Amending Bill to be Introduced in House of Lords This Week, Says Lloyd George.

REJECTED IN ADVANCE BY SIR EDW. CARSON

Peers Will Obey Party's Orders and Refuse to Pass Measure.

LONDON, June 22.—"Next week you will have introduced in the House of Lords on behalf of the government a bill that will give every county in Ulster the option to vote itself out of Home Rule until two general elections have passed in this country."

So spoke Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George on Saturday at Denmark Hill, in South London.

The Times today says the assumption is that the government which is fully aware of the inadequacy of its original offer, intends to yield to pressure from the House of Lords rather than frame an acceptable scheme it-

NEARLY TWO HUNDRED BODIES ARE RECOVERED

Most of Hillcrest's Adult Male Population Will Shortly Lie Under Green Sod.

(Associated Press, World's Leased Wire.) HILLCREST, Alta., June 22. — Discovery by rescuers of fifty bodies in one of the tunnels of mine No. 20 of the Hillcrest Collieries, Limited, today brought up to 181 the total of recovered dead at the mine, wrecked by an explosion Friday.

Eighty grave diggers worked all day in the little mountain side cemetery just outside the village and by night it is expected the greater part of the former male population of the mining colony will be resting there.

Messages of Sympathy. LETHBRIDGE, Alta., June 22.—Following is a copy of the telegram sent

Protagonists I



SIR JAMES WHITNEY, Ontario.

The election campaign progress in Ontario, is almost on the temperance question on the conservative government support on its record and on the Option Law under which the Liberals claim that nothing demands of the people.

Today is nomination day.

WASHINGTON CATTLEMEN'S SHEEP HEADS

Revival of Old-Time Wars Near Golden Sheep Stamped Into Bush.

(Associated Press, World's Leased Wire.) GOLDENDALE, Wash.,

News of a battle between and cattlemen in which it was reported that one man was killed and another seriously wounded, was telegraphed to Golden today from Sheriff Fred Smith and two men rushed to the scene of the battle in an automobile.

The report stated that the men of Leo Brune, a well known county sheepman residing in Dalles, who has one of the largest herds of sheep grazing on the Blue River, were called out of the night by a band of masked men riddled with bullets, one killed and two badly wounded. The sheep were also stated that the sheep were pedded in the timber and a portion of the band slaughtered nightriders. A night attack about ten days ago by unknown men on the same camp, at which a number of sheep were killed and several shots were fired through the tent in which the cattlemen were sleeping.

Authorities here fear a revival of the old-time range war between cattlemen and sheepmen has been started which will be difficult to check. Rivalry between the two groups is the cause of the trouble.

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