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W. W. Cory, Esq.,

Deputy Minister of the Interior,

Ottawa, ONT.

Dear Sir,

For the week ending 6th. November, I beg to report the arrival in this City, from the Interior, of about twenty-five Hindus; they have come in mostly from the Okanagan country, and some from the Kootenays, and are provided with funds sufficient to carry them through this winter.

A reduction in wages of Hindu employees in the local Mills has been inaugurated since the first of this month, and is likely to continue until January, when the majority of them will be working for about a dollar per day. The services of many may be dispensed with, but up to the present there is not a sufficient number put out of work to cause any visible signs of distress.

G.D.KUMAR of Victoria came over on the Seattle Boat yesterday with one HARNAM SINGH a Student of University College, Seattle. I have not been able - up to the present - to ascertain his mission here, but he has been diligently enquiring into affairs concerning TEJA SINGH, who is at present absent from the City.

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Teja Singh is not likely to be back in Vancouver for an indefinite period, as he left at the latter end of last month for London, ENG. and no one in the City - of his community - is able to say of his return. I stated in my report of Oct 1st. TEJA SINGH'S visit to New York was in connection with his commercial undertaking, ~~but~~ ^{and} I have it that his mission was unsuccessful, and he has, therefore, decided to visit London to take counsel with his countrymen there.

As I understand that in connection with the murder of Sir Curzon Wylie, all Indian Students are more or less kept under surveillance in London by Scotland Yard, I would suggest that, if possible, TEJA SINGH be looked after, and his movements watched in connection with his visit there.

Any further information I may be able to ascertain I shall communicate directly on receipt.

Yours obediently,

(sd) Wm C. Hopkinson