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Deputy Minister of the Interior.

O t t a w a. ONT:

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 24th. ult., I beg to state that my search for the 11 Hindus referred to therein has been successful, and I apprehended four at Arrowhead and brought them down here. I had to proceed to Nelson before I was able to get any trace of them, and eventually located them at Arrowhead, where four of them were working for the Arrowhead Lumber Co. These 11 men have had previous residence in Canada, and were not new arrivals having crossed the border some months previously, and being unable to find employment in the United States were returning to Grand Forks when rejected by Inspector McCallum. I brought the four to Vancouver for the purpose of verifying their statements, and looking up the manifests of the Boats on which they came here. The remaining seven I located at Slocan Junction, and satisfied myself of their having been in Canada for more than two years; and as the expense to further verify their arrival here would be great, I thought it unnecessary to bring them down. On these facts Mr. MacGill released the four men. The apprehension of these Hindus

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and their being brought down to Vancouver will act as a deterrent to any Hindus on the other side contemplating crossing the border.

With reference to my letter of the 5th. March addressed to Mr. Harkin re the Sikh Temple, I have been told that it is the intention of Bhag Singh and ~~Sunder~~ Soonder Singh to leave for India within the next fortnight. These men - as I have already reported to you - were active participants in the matter of discarding the British Army medals and uniforms; further than this they are both allied with Teja Singh in all his undertakings, and need watching when they arrive in India.

Yours obediently,

(Sgd) Wm. C. Hopkinson.