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Sir,

Since reporting to you last with regard to Mr. Rahin I have found out that he has been attending on one or two occasions the Laboratory of the McGill University College in this city with a student named Behary Lal Varma. On his last visit to this Institution, ^{which} was on the 11th of this month, he was seen taking notes of material to which Behary Lal Varma was at that time handling. I have not been able to ascertain as to what chemical or other things they were dabbling with because it was out of hours and no-one about the building, and although Behary Lal Varma has the privilege of coming into the Laboratory to make up for some missed sessions, he is not permitted to bring in outsiders, and on enquiring from Professor Kendall I learnt that Rahin is not a student of this Institution although he has been seen there with Behary Lal Varma. Mr. Kendall informs me that Behary Lal Varma has been connected with this college for some months past taking a course of engineering and science, that to make up for a period of time which he lost at the University of Washington, Seattle, he has been permitted to attend the Laboratory out of hours.

Behary Lal Varma is one of a party who arrived here from Hong Kain in the month of March 1908 and was able to secure a

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a landing by a writ of Habeas Corpus. He has visited and studied at the University of Washington in Seattle and returned here last August and continued his course in the University here.

I have asked PROFESSOR Kendall to keep a watch on Bohary Lal Varma and Rahim and if possible ascertain what particular part of chemistry they are interested in when they are by themselves and alone and to let me know.

For the past fortnight we have had in this city a native of India named MR. C. JIHARAJADASA a Theosophical Lecturer who has been propounding the doctrine of this belief. He is at present in Victoria giving a course of lectures and expects to be in Seattle about the 1st April. It appears that this man has come from Chicago to Winnipeg, probably through Emerson, as from a copy of the pamphlet which I am enclosing and marked he states that he received permission from Ottawa to stay in the country for ten weeks. He has lectured here under the auspices of the Theosophical Society of British Columbia located in Room 4, 336 Hastings Street West. This man has not touched on any matters political whatsoever and has devoted all his time and lectures to theosophy.

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Mr. Sundar Singh has returned from Kamloops and is at present in Victoria; Kumar is convalescent and just able to move about and has not been at all active. Mr. Rahin is still joyous over his success and has been trying to instill the local Colony with the idea that they can always overcome any Governmental action by the recourse to the Law Courts.

Yours obediently,

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