

44. Swami Trigunatita to W.C. Hopkinson

San Francisco [October, 1911]

Dear Mr. Hopkinson,

Please pardon me for my writing to you this way after so long a time! If I don't do something like this, then nothing will be done at all. You know the reason; you found out that I required a few clerks to conduct my work methodically.

I thank you for your kind letter of Oct. 22, 1911 and for the package of "Statesmen".

I don't think we shall get time to read newspapers so much. So, it is better for you to save your postage stamps and your time to pack and send. Although I thank you, dear Mr. Hopkinson, for your kindly sending in the paper, and especially for your not ~~forgetting~~ forgetting what you said you wd. do.

You have kindly ~~at~~ asked me whether Tarak N. Dass and his colleagues are giving me trouble. They are! —

On Oct 24, in the evening, Tarak N. Dass, Suran Bose, and another associate came here. I asked Tarak N. Dass not to come any more at all and told him I wd. not let him in. He tried to come forcibly (of course he didn't try

his physical force, but with his hot words) and I did not let him in. Surem Bose and the other gentlemen had already entered, and I did not ask them to go away. Then Mr. Surem Bose commenced blaming me all the time, saying that I being a religious person should learn forgiveness, and kindness. I said that I knew where to be kind and whom and when to forgive, and that I am not going to let anybody take undue advantage over my kindness and forgiveness. ~~Then~~ Then, at last, Surem Bose left me with the same kind of opinion about me.

I do not know though, but don't you think that some day one of these fanatics might shoot me? Although I don't care, but still, if possible, should I not take any precaution? They haven't yet given me any hint; but this is what I feel about them towards me.

I thank you, dear Mr. Hopkinson, that you are looking after my part.

Yes! I forgot to tell you (after you left California) Tarak ~~Mod~~ Dass quarrelled with Mr Rai Mahan Datta and beat him, before many others. Since then the students of that boarding

house resolved not to let Tarak N. Dass
in any more there.

I am going to send by registered
mail my application to the Secretary of
State for Foreign Affairs with the request
to forward them to the Sec. of State
for India.

Please find enclosed Mr. De Gessen's
and Sarangadhar Das's letters. I
have no copies of these, and sometimes
persons come and want to see these
original letters. So kindly send these two
letters back to me very soon by registered
mail, without fail, and kindly write
to me a postal saying when you will
send them back. Now, with my best
wishes to you, to your wife, and to your
son, I remain

Dear Mr. Hopkinson

Yours ever sincerely

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