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His signed statement notwithstanding,
I do not believe that Mewa Singh
on his own initiative decided to murder
Hopkinson. At the time of Mewa's
arrest at Simas for smuggling in
firearms, Hopkinson befriended him and
to a certain extent aided in his
release. For this action Mewa
Singh at the time seemed deeply grateful
and ~~has~~ expressed his thanks not
only to Hopkinson personally but to
others. There is also good reason
to believe that after that occurred
Mewa supplied Hopkinson with information
regarding Hindus whose ~~action~~
action Hopkinson was investigating.
In my opinion Mewa is a weak
minded Indian of a class of intellect
who would take his word upon any
matter from a stronger minded person
with whom he was at the moment
associating. If when with
Hopkinson he could be induced to

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