

[Extract from William C. Hopkinson, Immigration Inspector, to William W. Cory,
Deputy Minister of the Interior]

88. W.C. Hopkinson to W.W. Cory

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Sir,

Re the Association called "Friends of Hindostan," I have to-day been able to gather some more information. It appears that this Society has been dissolved since some of the more prominent of the opposition offered by a number of Hindu students attending the different educational institutions in this State. Among those who opposed this association is a student named Sarangadhar Das attending the University at Berkeley, Cal. This young man about 25 years of age is at present studying for his Master's Degree and has a few followers. Das states that he was with the Association from its beginning and it was intended for the support and help of poor Hindu students who came to this United States and were unable to pay their way through College.

That for a month or two it appeared to go ahead and along with the assistance of some of the ladies collected funds for its upkeep. It was expressly agreed, although not set down in the bye-laws that the matter of Indian politics was never to be discussed at any of the meetings. However, at the first General Meeting called, Das, who dominated and appeared to have the support of a large number stated that this Association had been formed for the purpose of upholding "Young India" and that besides other matters in general

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