

[William C. Hopkinson, Immigration Inspector, to William W. Cory, Deputy
Minister of the Interior. Cited in Hopkinson to Cory, 17 Sep. 1914. Copy]

[Copy for the information of W.C. Hopkinson, Esq.,
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Immigration Branch

Department of the Interior
Canada

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Vancouver, B.C. 17th Sept. 1914.

W.C. Hopkinson,

Sir,

On the 15th inst., before leaving Vancouver, I sent you
the following wire:-

"An in receipt of letter from Sydney in Victoria advising
a serious situation in regard to the subject I sent him on,
and will try and leave for Victoria to-day. See my wire
of 15th inst. August re subject Singh of Village Jambhata
District Jambhata. It is suggested that this man is in
possession of at least one or two internal passports. Will
advise you from Victoria further developments."

I arrived in Victoria at 7 p.m., where Mr. Hopkinson my
assistant met me and gave me a verbal account of what he had
been able to ascertain. He also made over to me a copy of
the deposition of witnesses who testified at the preliminary
hearing given David Singh and Philip Singh.

These two last Indians were charged with unlawfully and
knowingly being in their possession as true appearance in the
form of a passport for an unlawful purpose.

I enclose herewith the copy of the deposition marked "A".

I then visited the City Police Office, and from the
Inspector of Detectives, J.P. Pender, secured a copy of a photo-
graph of the material seized by the police in the back-house of
David Singh on Monday the 7th inst. This photograph I enclose
herewith marked "B".

From enquiries made by me at this evening, I was able
to learn that the detectives of the City of Victoria on the 5th
inst., saw David Singh and Philip Singh enter a Chinese grocery
store at the corner of Government & Herald Street - David Singh
was carrying something in his hand at the time - they followed
the Indians into the store, where David Singh put on the floor
what he had in his hand - Just as the detectives entered the
store, Philip started making out, and he was detained. In Philip

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