

[A. S. Munro, Immigration Agent, to William D. Scott, Superintendent of Immigration re Hindu immigrants in Vancouver, need shelter. Telegram. Copy]

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To W. D. Scott,
OTTAWA.

Hindus as taken United Victoria near in Vancouver about six hundred out of work not a single suitable building for rent in Vancouver. Hindus caused last week in many places to close not was. Hindu authorities as Saturday ordered Hindus to be as all buildings now occupied by them except if absolutely essential. Hindus erected large tent holds are located and equipped it with sanitary arrangements. Tents poor shelter and useless to avoid any harm. I visited large factory at Richmond near from here, Hindu five hundred will cost five hundred dollars at least to make it suitable besides equipment for cooking and heating. Rent fifty dollars per month. Have two hundred Hindus in it now and expect by Wednesday to have all provided for under shelter. Expect about five hundred will get work within a month as railway construction near Vancouver. Contractors have removed it. Hindu trouble due to absolute lack of suitable accommodation. If further immigration continues impossible that suitable shelter be arranged for at once. Private parties offer to erect large buildings if assured of authorized immigration, but could not have it ready sooner than two months. General within the Federal Govt. should consider to solve present shelter problem.

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