

Copy of Diary [William C. Hopkinson, Immigration Inspector]

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THURSDAY, Nov. 28th, 1920.
Received advance of \$10.00 from Mr. Macmill.

FRIDAY, Nov. 29th, 1920.
Left by the 7.30 a.m. train, and arrived at Hinton at 9.30 a.m. Had a look around and found about 16 Hinton working on farms in the vicinity of Hinton a day. In Hinton cases, each Hinton at 10.30 a.m. and arrived at Abotford at 10.45. Got up at the Commercial Hotel. Hinton enquiries were found 16 Hinton working on construction work for D.O.C. by wages \$1.50 a day, proceeded to the Abotford Lumber Co. (five miles out) and there was about 70 Hinton at work, wages \$1.75 to \$1.80 a day. The mill will close soon on the 29th inst., and all men discharged. Will re-open in February. All Hinton intend returning to Vancouver. Proceeded in direction - 2 miles - and found 30 Hinton working on construction work at wages \$1.80 a day. At Abotford four Hinton named SMITH, SMITH, SMITH, & SMITH, complained of having lost cash respectively \$20, \$30, \$10, \$20, which they had deposited for safe keeping with a storekeeper named CHARLES HUGHES. This man had gone into liquidation and assigned. Therefore, making no return the amounts. Instructed the Hinton to take legal proceedings against HUGHES. Ascertained that there were about 50 Hinton working on farms at Hinton. At Hinton there were 37 Hinton working for the Chapman process Lumber Company at wages \$1.85 per day. In Hinton cases, returned to Hinton at 4.30 p.m. and left at 6.15 p.m. for Agassiz, and put up at the Belle Vista Hotel.

SUNDAY, Nov. 30th, 1920.
Started enquiries at 8 a.m. and found nine Hinton working on a farm here at \$1.25 per day and all found. Learned that there were about 100 Hinton at Harrison Mills. All trains suspended, so could not leave for Harrison Mills.

MONDAY, Nov. 1st, 1920.
Left Agassiz at 10 a.m. on emergency train, and arrived Harrison Mills at 11 a.m. Started enquiries and found that there were about 60 Hinton working for the Set Heritage Lumber Company, wages \$1.50 day. The Mills have shut down today, and the Hinton discharged, the Mills will re-open again in the Spring. All Hinton are working for Hinton, and are provided with funds. There are 25 cases of Hinton of sickness among them. It is raining very hard, and Hinton and landladies are reported ill over the line. Intend leaving for U.S. by this evening's boat. Left Harrison Mills at 6 p.m. and arrived Chilliwack 7 p.m. Put up at the Royal Hotel.

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