

consider in connection with the presence of Oriental peoples."

Mr. Bryce assented to this. The President then remarked that "people say it is not a matter of difference of kind but difference of degree, but by increasing the degree beyond a certain point you make it a difference of kind." Mr. Bryce agreed with this and stated that England had had a similar experience in the case of Africa, New Zealand and Australia; that it had been found necessary, for example, to exclude Chinese who were British subjects, living in Singapore, simply because their numbers were becoming such that the antagonism had become a race antagonism. That wherever there was a large labouring population and new areas the question was sure to arise if the peoples of older and less civilized communities began coming in large numbers.

The President then said: "I think Mr. King can do a great service by going to England. He has already done a great service by coming here. He has a first-hand knowledge of conditions on the coast in British Columbia, and I think this is a matter that the English people should realize just what the feeling is, both in Canada and the United States. Our interests are one in this matter. Let us, for the sake of argument, Mr. Bryce, imagine the worst possible case. Presume that there was war between the United States and Japan, and that the United States were defeated, and that Japan were to take possession of the Hawaiian Islands, the Pacific coast and Alaska. England would have her difficulties with the Province of British Columbia. Long before matters had reached that pass she would have to reckon with the people of British Columbia." Mr. Bryce remarked that certainly matters could not get as far as that without England having to take some action in the matter, or words to that effect. "But," said Mr. Bryce, "I feel that there can be only one feeling in England on this question. In the first place, because we have already had the question before us in the case of Australia and also in the case of Africa. In the second place, it is generally recognized that the two different races cannot possibly be expected to live