

“to enter, travel and reside in any part of the Dominion of
“Canada, yet it is not the intention of the Imperial Govern-
“ment to insist upon the complete enjoyment of the rights
“and privileges guaranteed by those stipulations when that
“would involve disregard of special conditions which may prevail
“in Canada from time to time.

“Acting in this spirit, and having particular regard to cir-
“cumstances of recent occurrence in British Columbia, the
“Imperial Government have decided to take efficient means to
“restrict emigration to Canada. In carrying out this purpose,
“the Imperial Government, in pursuance of the policy above
“stated, will give careful consideration to local conditions pre-
“vailing in Canada with a view to meeting the desires of the
“Government of the Dominion as far as is compatible with the
“spirit of the treaty and the dignity of the state.

“Although, as stated in the note under reply, it was not
“possible for me to acquiesce in all of the proposals made by
“you on behalf of the Canadian Government, I trust that you
“will find in the statement herein made, proof of the earnest
“desire of the Imperial Government to promote, by every means
“within their power, the growth and stability of the cordial and
“mutually beneficial relations which exist between our coun-
“tries. I venture to believe, also, that this desirable result will
“be found to have been materially advanced by the full ex-
“change of views which has taken place between us, and it
“gives me special pleasure to acknowledge the obligation under
“which I have been placed by your frank and considerate ex-
“planations regarding the attitude and wishes of your Govern-
“ment.

“I avail myself, &c., &c.,

“(Sgd.) TADASU HAYASHI.

“The Honourable Rodolphe Lemieux,

“Postmaster General and Minister of Labour for Canada, Tokio.”

Well, let us analyse this letter and see what it really amounts to.

First, there is the assertion of the full right and liberty of Japanese subjects to enter, travel and reside in Canada.