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Shintaro ^{Shintaro} ~~in~~ ^{Vancouver} ~~Ains~~, a Japanese contractor, told your evidence before the Commissioner that he was ⁱⁿ ~~was~~ ^{in the beginning} Honolulu at the time and that he had read ^{in the papers there} three or four cables from the U.S. Consul to the Japanese Consul in Hawaii "trying in every possible way to prevent any more emigrants coming here." He knows the Dominion medical inspector and immigration agent said when asked if he thought any of the employment agencies in Vancouver had had anything to do with the bringing of these men from Honolulu replied "No, I don't think so, but I don't know anything about it. I know the Japanese Consul was very averse to seeing them come here. I think the first ship was the Montcalm and from the time of the first arrival in April, the Japanese Consul was anxious, and came to see me about it, and asked me if there was no way of preventing these people coming from Hawaii, and he came to my office on a number of occasions, and asked me to exercise my powers to prevent those people coming."

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