

contention, is to admit the whole principle of 'restricted districts,' and that chastity is an impossible virtue? These same moralists would raise a tremendous howl if it were proposed to introduce a system of restricted districts (and in their objection we would heartily agree), but they accept on behalf of the Hindu an argument which they have been fighting, in season and out of season, for years, when applied to white men. Then again, according to the solemn declaration of Tiga Singh, only one-half of the Hindus now in British Columbia have wives. What do these moral advocates propose for the balance, about 2,500 in number? Surely, to be consistent with this disgusting argument presented by this fellow Hall, and foolishly caught up by hundreds of churches throughout Ontario and the West, it will be necessary to make some provision for this large number of unmarried Hindus, or admit that there is still existing in our midst "a grave menace to public morals," or, to quote Hall further, "would you ask these men to live a life of enforced chastity?" We answer, unhesitatingly, yes, and utterly repudiate this low, base argument, which is a libel on the decent manhood of Canada.

We apologize to the reader for this discussion, but it was made necessary by the wholesale presentation of this argument by the very people, including large numbers of churches, who upon reflection, cannot possibly accept it, but who have been hoodwinked by such men as this Hall and other utterly irresponsible people, whose foolish fanaticism has entirely blinded their judgment.

As a matter of fact, this question of bringing in their wives never entered into the minds of the Hindus until very recently, and then only as a means to rouse sentimental support from a certain type of moral busybody, and how well the wily Hindu succeeded is evidenced by the hubbub which has resulted.

The object the Hindu has in view is, first, to secure the right of access to Canada; then to make this the ground for claim, as British subjects, to free right of travel or settlement in all parts of the Empire; then to claim full right of franchise, and to extend this to the right to sit in all elective bodies, or to hold office in any public capacity. This, in brief, is their propaganda as stated to the writer by the very fellow, Dr. Sundar Singh.

Now let us for a moment examine the personnel of this delegation which went to Ottawa.