

VICTORIA, B.C., August 11th, 1884.

SIR,—I have the honor of sending as follows copies of three Resolutions which were unanimously passed at a public meeting held in the City Hall on Saturday evening, the 9th instant, Councillor Gowan in the chair, present—a full house; also our Dominion representatives, Messrs. Shakespeare and Baker; the President of the Council, Hon. Mr. Drake; the leader of the Opposition, Mr. Beaven; the other members of Parliament for this city, and prominent citizens. For further details I would respectfully refer you to the *Victoria Daily Standard* of this date, also to the *Colonist* of yesterday's date.

First Resolution—"Whereas the Provincial Government and the representatives of the Province in the Parliament of Canada and Provincial Legislative Assembly have for many years past petitioned the Dominion Government to pass a statute restricting the immigration of Chinese into the Province, and have supplied the Government of Canada with abundant information upon the subject: This meeting is of the opinion that the appointment by the Dominion Government at this stage of the question of Commissioners to enquire into the subject, instead of legislating as requested, is uncalled for and superfluous, and is equivalent to doubting the correctness of the information supplied through our constitutional representatives."

Second Resolution—"That, in view of the apathy evinced by the Dominion Government to our repeated entreaties for the restriction of the Chinese immigration, which is thwarting our prosperity and threatening our very existence, we deem it necessary to reiterate our demands for the enactment of restrictive measures at the next meeting of Parliament."

Third Resolution—"Resolved that the Secretary of this meeting be requested to forward copies of the Resolutions just passed to the Government at Ottawa; also to the Hon. Mr. Chapleau and Hon. Mr. Justice Gray, the Commissioners on the Chinese question."

I have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. L. TUCKFIELD,

*Hon. Secretary.*

The Honorable J. A. CHAPLEAU,

*Commissioner on the Chinese question.*

Copy of letters sent to Noah Shakespeare, Esq., M.P., Robert Dunsmuir, Esq., and Robert Beaven, Esq.:

VICTORIA, B.C., August 12th, 1884.

SIR,—I am instructed by the Commission appointed to enquire into the "Chinese question," now sitting in Victoria, to ask if you have any facts, or information, which will be of use to the Commission, and if so, to lay the same before them.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

NICHOLAS FLOOD DAVIN,

*Secretary, Chinese Commission.*

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Hon. J. A. CHAPLEAU.

DEAR SIR,—Your reply to my communication of this date duly received, and I beg to state that Mr. Booth and myself will be delighted to have an interview with you tomorrow morning at the Driard, between nine and ten.

I remain, your obedient servant,

NOAH SHAKESPEARE.