

fellow subjects, to unfair conditions such as your petitioners humbly submit, and which the Canadian Hindus have patiently endured for the past six or seven years, and which from present appearances will, unless relieved against, still continue?

Your petitioners submit that, with due respect to the Dominion Government at Ottawa, that the disgraceful conditions of these our fellow citizens may be brought up before the Imperial Conference and the whole question of Hindu Immigration may be put on a proper basis with the help and co-operation of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and His Majesty's Government."

The report of Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, C.M.G., on his mission to England in May, 1908, to consult the British authorities in relation to immigration from India is the basis of the orders-in-council which have resulted in so much injustice and discrimination against the Hindus. Whatever we read in this pamphlet that spells persecution is due to the false premise on which Mr. King's report is based. He claims that humane reasons alone impell him to take the viewpoint which we read in his report. In the face of three years' experience to the contrary, he says that the Hindu is wholly unfit to grapple with the conditions in Canada, whether they be economic or climatic. *And it is only for the best interest of the Hindu himself that he be restricted, and he with the British authorities both of England and India see eye to eye on this subject.* We quote in full his own words on which the structure of his report is laid. And we beg to say that it is unfair and not true to experience or facts as they exist in British Columbia today. The whole report does Mr. King no honor; it is the work of an amateur in politics, and abounds in subterfuge with a bias against the Hindu, and a cry for the favor of the white workman at the expense of justice to the British subject, because of his color. Mr. Mackenzie King says in his report:—

"It was clearly recognized in regard to emigration from India to Canada that the native of India is not a person suited to this country, that, accustomed as many of them are to the conditions of a tropical climate, and possessing manners and customs so unlike those