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Memorandum on a Letter treating
of condition of the Indians in Vancouver
Island addressed to the Secretary to
the Aborigines Protection Society by Mr.
W^m Sebright Green.

Mr. Green's Letter contains a series
of allegations against the Government
most of which are so entirely incon-
sistent with facts and in the remain-
der the truth is so strangely distort-
ed that his statements in this matter
and the deductions drawn by him there-
from urgently require to be met with
most distinct and positive refutation.

It is not true as he avers that,
in this Colony we have "no Indian
policy whatever" that "there are no
Indian Agents" and that "the only
friends the Indians have in the Colony
are the Missionaries." On the contrary
for the past ten years at least during
which I have resided in this Colony,
the Government appears to me to have
striven to the extent of its power to
protect and befriend the native race
and its declared policy has been that
the Aborigines should in all material
respects be on the same footing in the
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