MONTEAGLE IN WITH NINE HUNDRED HINDUS

Coolies Will Be Debarked at C. P. R. Wharf Early This Afternoon.

FEW JAPANESE ON BOARD.

Civic Authorities Alarmed at Arrival of Hindus in Such Large Numbers.

The Hindu invasion has recommenced in earnest, and nine hundred turbaned men from India will arrive in Vancouver this afternoon at 2 o'clock on board the Canadian Pacific steamship Monteagle. Altogether about eleven hundred Orientals are on board the Monteagle, there being besides the Hindus one hundred and fifty Chinese and fifty Japanese. The Monteagle reached William Head quarantine station yesterday afternoon from Hongkong and Yokohama, and sailed from Victoria at 8 o'clock this morning for this port.

It was first reported that the Monteagle's crowd were mostly Chinese, and it came as a surprise to-day when it was learned that Hindus predominated. All these men embarked at Hongkong so that with the ooolies[Sic] taken on at Chinese ports there was little accommodation left for Japanese at the Monteagle's ports of call in Japan.

No Trouble Expected.

Dr. A. S. Monro, federal immigration officer, left last night for Victoria to meet the Monteagle. When his departure became known it was generally thought that the Orientals would be debarked at Victoria, but to-day it was learned that Dr. Monro merely went to Victoria in order to examine the

emigrants on the steamer on her way to this port and so save time. A small percentage of the Orientals debarked at Victoria.

Though there have been rumors that trouble was likely to occur on the landing of the coolies from the Monteagle, there is no reason to suppose that any overt acts will be committed. The big steamship will tie up at the C. P. R. wharf and following the usual practice on the arrival of transpacific steamship, the C. P. R. will close all approaches to the wharf where the Monteagle moors.

Where Will Wolwick[Sic] Deck?

To-morrow the tramp steamer Woolwich, which sailed from Yokohama for Vancouver on August 29, is due to reach port. She is bringing over threehundred[Sic] Japanese. There is considerable speculation as to what wharf the Woolwich will land her passengers at. The Canadian Pacific wharves will not be open to the vessel so that it is possible she may dock at the Evans-Coleman wharf. Steps will be taken to prevent trouble, wherever she may berth.

No Houses for Hindus.

The arrival of the large number of Hindus to-day has alarmed the civic authorities owing to there being an absolute lack of accommodation for them in any quarter of the city. With the Chinese and Japanese there is always some place provided for new arrivals in the quarters of the city occupied by the respective races, but with the Hindus there is no organization here.

Last year the civic authorities were put to great trouble by reason of the Hindus locating in a number of houses which were absolutely...(illegible) for human habitation and it was only through measures of force instituted by the local police, that they were removed. In view of the arrivals today, the Health Department is making a round of these quarters and placarding them anew. Any attempt by the Hindus to occupy the places will be prevented.