

THE DIARY

This diary contains the minutes of two organizations which came into existence in 1920.

1: United India Home Rule League of Canada - 1717 - 2nd Ave W Vancouver B.C.

2: The Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada – 1872 - 2nd Ave W Vancouver B.C.

Both organizations are linked to India's Independence Movement started in Vancouver B.C.

The first ten pages (1-10) cover the proceedings of the United India Home Rule League of Canada, with Mr. Rahim at the helm of presidency. It began on July 5, 1920 and abruptly ended after August 21, 1920.

The causes and reasons for its closing are not clear from the proceedings.

Pages 11 and 12 are blank.

Pages 13-50 cover the proceedings of The Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada.

It's evident from the members list on page 13 that a new organization, 'The Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada,' came into existence, including members of the previous organization along with the new members, less Mr. Rahim. It took over the old organization under a new president, Babu Kapoor Singh, with Hardit Singh as its secretary. It operated in the same place until it established its own office at 1872- 2nd Ave W- a house owned by the Khalsa Diwan Society.

Whoever recorded the minutes, whether secretary or president, is not clear. My calculated guess is that it's not the president Kapoor Singh. Either it's the secretary Hardit Singh or Munshi Ram. It's more likely Munshi Ram as it's evident from July 28, 1920 meeting item 3, the first line, page 6. Next could be Gurdit Singh in year 1921 and Ishar Singh in the year 1922.

Whoever recorded the minutes of the new organization in the first meeting, started with a Sikh prologue- "Aik Onkar Sat Gur Parsad" *, meaning - 'With the grace of one GOD, who is True.' This Sikh Grace is commonly written at the beginning of any writing e.g. letters, or an article and any ceremonial or non-ceremonial functions or rites similar to a tradition in all Eastern Religions. (* It's translated in many different ways by different translators and scholars)

In spite of the Sikh Grace on top in the middle of page 13 before the minutes, this organization was very secular to its core, which is evident from many instances in the diary, especially the following three strong ones -

1: There are active Hindu and Muslim members in various committees and main body on page 13.

2: Invited Dr. Hardikar, an Indian Nationalist from New York in February, 1921 (page 23) to deliver a lecture.

3: In April 1922, Mr.Wadia, a Parsi of Bombay was touring North America. This organization in its April 16, 1922 meeting, passed a resolution to contact him, inquiring whether he has the same beliefs as this organization. However, they didn't end up entertaining him, as he was a religious preacher, preaching Parsi religion (page 47, April 22, 1920 meeting minutes).

This organization functioned until July 23, 1922, as per the diary's last entry (page 50).

In the first organization's proceedings, Mr. Kapoor Singh and Babu Kapoor Singh is one and the same person: the proprietor of 'Kapoor Saw Mills', Barnet village, Burnaby 1938-64 - presently known as Barnet Beach, and one in Sooke Lake on Vancouver Island. For verification, refer to - *Jewels of Qila* by Hugh Johnston, page 90. Mr. Kapoor Singh also served on the second organization. So did Mr. Rahim in 1922.

The diary is written by at least three different people, which can be inferred from handwriting, phrases, and spelling of Punjabi words e.g. Diwan as De ban with space. Wadu as badoo, Akali as kale. Canada as K'nay'da and Canada. Akbar as Akwr. Even the Grace written at the top of page 13, has different spelling than the Granth Sahib, The Sikh Holy Scripture. e.g. *sat*, *parsad* and *Guru* is separated from *sat*. The recorder has a good knowledge of the democratic procedures of conducting meetings, taking minutes, and sculpting the Constitution of a democratic Organization.

The second organization, THSSOC, had a link to Baba Gurdit Singh, the leaser of Komagata Maru, the Akali Party known as Khalsa Diwan in Punjabi, and the Indian National Congress in India. This is evident from the correspondence mentioned in the various meetings and money sent to aforesaid organizations. This organization had some concern re: Komagata Maru Fund collected from the community, but kept itself at bay and didn't interfere with the special investigating committee.

THSSOC also had close ties with the Khalsa Diwan Society (KDS) of Vancouver, and the Gadar Party, because most of its members were also KDS and Gadar Party Members who attended some meetings. To name a few, Bhai Bag Singh, Bhai Mit Singh, Bhai Gurdit Singh.

When we look at the average minimum wages in 1920, the minimum \$10.00 membership of THSSOC is an indicator of the love that this organization, and the people in that era in general, had for their Motherland India, its independence, and equal rights and citizen status in Canada.

There are three most important items in this diary. 1: The speech of Babu Kapoor Singh (page 39).

2: The link of Swaraj Sabha with Baba Gurdit Singh of Komagata Maru (page 48).

3: Signatures of Babu Kapoor Singh and Gurdit Singh (page 22 and 23).

Based on the contents and information contained in this diary, it is clear that this is a very valuable document. It gives a deep insight into the Independence Movement of India in Canada, and their struggle to achieve equal human rights, not only in India but also in Canada.

-Kalwant Singh Nadeem Parmar

DATE
July 5, 1920

ITEM

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- 1:- On July the 5th, 1920, *League* held its meeting to elect its office bearers in the lower hall of Gurdawara. Following persons were present-
- 2:- 1: Mr. Rahim 2: Munshi Ram Ji 3: Babu Kapoor Singh 4: Sohan Singh 5: Bal Mukand 6: Bhai Mit Singh 7: Batna 8: Harbant Singh.
- 3:- Bhai Mit Singh read the minutes of last meeting and Mr. Rahim was elected the President of the meeting, unanimously. After he sat in the president's chair, office bearers election commenced.
- 4-1:- Munshi Ram proposed, Babu Kapoor Singh second it, Mr. Rahim was elected the President of the Committee (League). After this, Bhai Mit Singh declined to become a secretary even on every ones proposal and repeated requests and insistences.
- 4-2:- On Harbans Singh's proposal and seconded by Bhai Mit Singh, Munshi Ram was designated as Secretary.
- 4-3:- Harbans Singh was nominated as assistant secretary to work with Munsu Ram and the motion that, 'he will work in the office' was carried.
- 5:- On Bal Mukund proposal and Kapoor Singh seconded it, Mit Singh was designated as Cashier.
- 6:- Passed unanimously that, 'Rule and Regulations' (Constitution) of the League be printed in English and translated into Gurmukhi. (End of page 1)

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A sub-committee of 1: Kapoor Singh 2: Harbans Singh 3: Mr. Rahim and 4: Mit Singh was formed to do the translation and print the Constitution and other forms and the fund was collected for its completion as follows -

Kapoor Singh	\$25.00	Cash
Mr. Rahim	\$10.00	Cash
Sohan Lal	\$10.00	Cash
Munshi Ram	\$50.00	Cash
Mit Singh	\$ 5.00	Cash
Bal Mukand	\$20.00	Cash
Batna	\$ 5.00	Cash
Harbans Singh	\$ 5.00	Cash
Total collection	\$125.00	Cash

A sub-committee of Kapoor Singh, Munshi Ram and Harbans Singh was formed to rent the office.

7:- Next, Monthly Membership as offered by the members is noted below-

	Monthly	Collected
Munshi Ram	\$15.00	“
Kapoor Singh	\$10.00	“
Bal Mukand	\$ 5.00	“ Paid
Maluka	\$ 3.00	“
Boojha Ram	\$ 2.00	“
Mr. Rahim	\$ 5.00	“
Sohan Lal	\$ 2.00	“
Harbins Singh	\$ 1.00	“
Mit Singh	\$ 1.00	“
Gurdit Singh	\$ 2.00	“
Batna	\$ 0.50	“

8:- Next - Bal Mukind proposed and Harbans Singh seconded it that - United India Home Rule League of Canada's account should be opened at Canadian Bank of Commerce, Fairview Branch. Cashier Bhai Mit Singh and secretary Munshi Ram should be authorised to sign the cheques. (*Carried*)

9:- Next - The meeting was adjourned till end of July. (End of page 2)

N. P. Word Bhai stands for Mr.

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July 17, 1920

Today's date was fixed to hold the meeting and the league's executive to be present at league's office - 1717 2nd Ave W. But, only four members – Munshi Ram ji, Bhai Mit Singh, Batna and Harbans Singh showed up at the fixed time. Due to lack of quorum and after waiting for some time, on secretary's decision, the meeting was postponed to July 24.

July 24, 1920

Today, the league's meeting was held at the league's office -1717 2nd Ave W. Five members - Munshi Ram, Kapoor Singh, Bhai Mit Singh, Harbans Singh and Bhai Batna were present.

- 1:- Circular was read and accepted (unanimously) to be printed and sent everywhere.
- 2:- Passed that - for the time being, we (League) should print some membership forms on litho.
- 3:- After inquiring, 500 to 1,000 copies of the League's laws and bylaws (rules and regulations) should be printed. Gurdwara Stockton should be contacted and asked in writing if it can print it for us. If it can - then get it printed from there.
- 4:- Munshi Ram proposed that - A Muslim brother should be our member. Passed that – either Subdulla or Mohammad Akbar should be contacted.
- 5:- Passed that – 1,000 letterhead and 500 envelopes with league's name should be printed. (End of page 3)

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July 24, 1920

6:- Bhai Mit Singh presented that 'Diwan' (Khalsa Diwan Society of Vancouver BC) has received a letter from Hong Kong. At least twenty people are there and C.P.R. is not issuing them tickets. League should do something for them.

Passed that - On behalf of the League, Harbans Singh and Babu Kapoor Singh should go and enquire from C.P.R. officers and find a solution to resolve this problem.

7:- Munshi Ram proposed that League should import, 'Bang-e-India' from India or London and many other Gurmukhi books and newspapers. This proposal was deferred to deal with at some other time.

The meeting was adjourned after deciding that next meeting would be held on July 28th at Mr. Rahim's residence.

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July 28, 1920

The league's (Executive) committee held its meeting at Mr. Rahim's residence. Five members - Mr. Rahim, Munshi Ram, Babu Kapoor Singh, Bhai Mit Singh and Harbans Singh were present.

1:- First, the printed membership Application Form was presented. It was accepted. After this, that letter, which came from Hong Kong to the secretary of Khalsa Diwan to make some arrangement with C.P.R. (for twenty men) to come over here, was read. Passed that they should be helped. (End of page 4)

Note: Phrases and words in brackets are translator's to clarify the subject matter.

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July 28, 1920

After this – Bhai Bhagwan Singh ji, president of Khalsa Diwan (Society) Vancouver and Bhai Mit Singh ji, secretary of Diwan, said that both of us have been sent by the Khalsa Diwan (Society) to meet League committee. Last Sunday on July the 25th, We - The Diwan Committee - called a special meeting by sending letters to everywhere to take a decision on sending the fund money to the Country (India). And after a long discussion, this decision was taken that – 'All the funds, that have been collected so far, is Diwan's effort. Therefore, total Dollars (money) either in the possession of League or Diwan, Diwan will send it itself and on its behalf. And in future, any work undertaken will be carried by League.'

3:- In reply to above (statement) I, Munshi Ram said that – If Diwan wants to send money itself separately under its own name then it can send that money which is in its possession. But, it has no right on League's money.

On this it was passed that League will call its full committee meeting to take a decision on this matter. The secretary was assigned to inform every member. Mr. Rahim said that – whatever decision Diwan had made in July 25th meeting, its one copy, under constitution, should be presented to League and be given to the secretary of the League.

4:- Babu Kapoor Singh said that – Undersecretary should be paid full pay. It was seconded by Munshi Ram.

On Mit Singh's request and with the permission of President, the meeting was adjourned. Next meeting to be held on August 15th at 12:00 noon. (End of page 5)

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August 6, 1920

1:- A special meeting was called on August 8 on the death of Maharaj Tilak and discussed - how to pay sympathy, homage and respect?

Mr. Rahim, Munshi Ram, Babu Kapoor Singh, Bhai Mit Singh and Harbans Singh were present in this meeting.

Bhai Mit Singh said that – What is written about Maharaj Tilk in newspaper (The) 'Province'; a telegram should be sent to Mr. Hardikar in New York to verify the authenticity of this news. Carried.

2:- Kapoor Singh proposed that a condolence telegram should be sent to country (India) on receiving the reply (if verified true). Carried.

3:- Harbans Singh proposed that – As Mr. Maharaj Tilak was a leader of a great country, so the telegram should be sent to the Head Office of Congress (Party).

4:- Kapoor Singh proposed that copy of telegram should be sent to Congress offices in each Province. Carried.

5:- It was passed that - the printed copy of the telegram should be sent to every famous (popular) newspaper and one special copy should be sent to Sikh League in Amritsar.

6:- A Memorial Fund should be opened in the name of Maharaj Tilk.

7:- Passed - that Undersecretary be permitted to send a telegram to Country (India) on receiving a reply from New York and telegram should be shown to Mr. Rahim. (Received / Sent) And the drafted telegram should be written in the minute book.

8:- Passed that – The Diwan should be requested that – Diwan and League should send a joint telegram.

9:- A cheque in the amount of \$55.00 was written for the telegrams expense.

10:- Passed that – League's rubber stamp should be made. (End of page 6)

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The draft of the telegram sent to New York is as follows –

Mr. N. S. Hardikar, 1400 Broadway New York.

Hindustani Public of Canada Deeply mourns Death of Maharaj Tilk - What form of National activity to commemorate his memory is taken in India. Who are the committee. We want to contribute there to. Reply by wire.

Secty. United India Home Rule League

1717- 2nd Ave W. Vancouver

11:- After this passed that – A Akand Path or Simple Path should be commenced in the memory of Maharaj Tilk. This should be done with full consent of Khalsa Diwan (Society).

After this. On the request of most members the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on August 15, at 12.00 Noon at 1717 -2nd Ave W.

Draft of the Telegram sent to the secretary of Congress –

Secretary Indian National Congress Bombay

All Hindustani in Canada Deeply mourn Maharaj Tilk's death. Urge all India (to) commemorate his glorious memory by securing autonomy and self-determination for India.

Express our condolences to his bereaved family.

United India Home Rule League and Khalsa Diwan (Society). (End of page 7)

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August 21, 1920

League's committee held its meeting in its office at 1717 2nd Ave. W.

Following members were present-

Mr. Rahim, Pandit Bal Mukind, Bhai Mit Singh, Bhai Banta, Harbans Singh and Munshi Ram and Babu Kapoor Singh, who left after giving his written detailed opinion which was read.

Last meeting's minutes were read. Accepted as written.

Next, the letter from Victoria Diwan and telegram from Mr. Hardikar were read and filed.

Pandit Bal Mukind proposed that Diwan and League committees have a conference next Sunday to finalized the decision on sending the money to the Country. Bhai Mit Singh seconded it.

Passed that – A letter should be sent to Diwan's committee stating - a conference will be held next Sunday in Gurdwara's Main Hall between the two committees.

Passed that - A letter should be sent to all the managers of the Mills to give leave to all Indian workers on the Akhan Path of Maharaj Tilk. And all our members should be requested to come, attend and show their sympathy if the Mills close on that day.

Passed after discussion that – the matter re: the pay of office worker be resolved in next Saturday's meeting.

Next, with the permission of the president, meeting was postponed till August 21, 4 PM.

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August 21, 1920

League's committee held its meeting at 4 PM in its office -1717 2nd Ave W. Following members were present – Mr. Rahim, Munshi Ram, Bal Mukind, Kapoor Singh, Harbans Singh, Mit Singh and Bhai Banta.

Last meeting minutes were read and accepted unanimously as read.

Letter from Stockton Diwan's secretary was read.

Letter, along with money, from the associate of Lady Smith Lumber Co. was read and was accepted with great gratitude. Passed that a letter of thanks should be written and sent to them.

Letter from Victoria was read again. Passed that – Babu Kapoor Singh, Bhai Doman Singh and Bhai Harbans Singh will go there after setting a meeting time with (Victoria Diwan) to collect funds and enrol new members.

Babu Kapoor Singh proposed that Under Secretary shouldn't be a paid person and in this meeting a person should be ready to worker honorary or on less pay. Otherwise, the work will stop. Mr. Rahim seconded it.

Mr. Bal Mukind responded – It's very difficult and impossible to get a person in short time and so quick. We need some time. Mit Singh seconded it.

Passed that - It should be tabled till next meeting on September 11th 1920, 4 PM at 1717 2nd Ave W.

Passed that – A letter should be written to Dr. Hardikar (end of page 9) to ask if he sent any letter to League after the telegram.

On presenting Undersecretary's salary bill, Bal Mukind said that we, the executive members, will pay his salary privately and it will be considered as honorary. All members thanked him for this decision. Mr. Rahim seconded it and passed.

Note:- Here the diary stops abruptly. Even the next two pages 11 and 12 are blank. On page 13, a new organization comes into existence and takes over.

It's very hard and difficult after one hundred year to visualise the situation and find a reason why this organization closed?

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MINUTE BOOK

EK ONKAR SAT GUR PARSAD

('With the grace of one GOD, who is True.') (The Sikh Grace)

THE HUNDOSTAN SWARAJ SABHA OF CANADA

(The India Independence Society of Canada)

January 14, 1921

Today, under the patronage of Khalsa Diwan Society, a meeting of undistinguished Indians was called for the purpose to form a National Society, in the basement hall of Vancouver Gurdwara. Meeting time was 4 PM. Many brothers were present at time.

On the proposal of Gurdit Singh and seconded by Master Harnam Singh, Kapoor Singh was nominated as president.

On Narang Singh's proposal and seconded by Harnam Singh, Bhai Mit Singh was designated as secretary.

After long discussion, Gurdit Singh presented that – To achieve our goal and fulfill our aim, today, we should nominate some brothers in the form of a committee, who will, prepare the 'Rules and Regulations' of the new Society (League) under the guidance of Khalsa Diwan Society.

Mohammad Akbar corroborated it in very strong words. It was further authenticated by Bhai Mit Singh. The proposal was accepted unanimously.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS

<u>NO</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>NOMINATOR</u>	<u>CONFIRMER</u>
1	Mohammad Akbar	Rao Judala	Jeeon Singh
2	Bhai Mit Singh	Master Harnam Singh	Thakur Singh
3	Narang Singh	Bishan Singh	Asa Singh

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<u>NO</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>NOMINATOR</u>	<u>CONFIRMER</u>
4	Master Harnam Singh	Gurdit Singh	Asa Singh
5	Kurban Singh	Harnam Singh	Maluka
6	Babu Kapoor Singh	Basant Singh	Narang Singh
7	Harnam Singh Giani	Labh Singh	Waryam Singh
8	Munshi Ram	Shiam Singh	Dalip Singh
9	Shiam Singh	Basant Singh	Mohammad Akbar
10	Sunder Singh	Atama Singh	Bhagwan Singh
11	Rao Singh	Sunder Singh	Harnam Singh
12	Gurdit Singh	Waryam Singh	Bishan Singh
13	Maiher Singh	Tarlochan Singh	Dalip Singh
14	Arjan Singh	Atama Singh	Wryam Singh
15	Tarlochan Singh	Dalip Singh	Kharak Singh
16	Sub. Dullay Khan	Amar Chand	Gurdit Singh
17	Sarain Singh	Basant Singh	Harnam Singh
18	Sucha Singh	Harbant Singh	Rao Singh
19	Kharak Singh	Harnam Singh	Mit Singh
20	Wryam Singh	Maiya Singh	Atama Singh
21	Maiya Singh	Mohammad Akbar	Sham Singh
22	Joala Singh	Jagat Singh	Kurban Singh

23	Basant Singh	Harnam Singh	Thakar Singh
24	Bawa Singh (end of page 14)	Atama Singh	Waryam Singh

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<u>NO</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>NOMINATOR</u>	<u>CONFIRMER</u>
25	Lachaman Singh	Basant Singh	Harbans Singh
26	Maluka Singh	Waryam Singh	Tarlochan Singh

Above member were accepted unanimously.

Mit Singh proposed and Gurdit Singh seconded it that - All above gentlemen must be present on January 15th at 2 PM so that the wheel gets rolling. Accepted unanimously.

With the permission of the president, meeting was adjourned.

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Meeting started at 2 PM in the lower hall of Gurdwara Vancouver. Following members were present. 1: Kapoor Singh 2: Mit Singh 3: Harnam Singh 4: Maiya Singh 5: Sunder Singh 6: Arjan Singh 7: Thakar Singh 8: Tarlochan Singh 9: Joala Singh 10: Basant Singh 11: Master Harnam Singh 12: Maihar Singh 13: Narang Singh 14: Bhagwan Singh 15: Waryam Singh 16: Gurdit Singh 17: Shiam Singh 18: Sucha Singh 19: Munshi Ram 20: Rao Singh

According to the meeting procedure, Babu Kapoor Singh Ji, president, and Bhai Mit Singh was designated as secretary of the meeting.

1: Gurdit Singh proposed and Munshi Ram seconded it that – The name of this association should be – The Hindostani Sawraj Sabha of Canada. Accepted unanimously. (End of page 15)

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2:- Babu Kapoor Singh proposed and Munshi Ram seconded it that - The Rules and Regulations of the United Home Rule League should be Rules and Regulations of this society. On the request of Gurdit Singh president read it. They were accepted with little change.

3:- Gurdit Singh proposed that – Diwan is a reliable society and our work cannot be completed with out the reliability and help of Diwan. So we should always take one person on behalf of Diwan as president or as a representative to sign the cheques so that all our countrymen have faith that their rendered help is not misused and spent on unfit work. Bhagwan Singh substantiated. Accepted unanimously.

4:- Mit Singh Proposed and Munshi Ram substantiated that – Whenever this society collect donation for the National Purpose, it should get permission from Diwan. Accepted unanimously.

5:- Mit Singh proposed that – In our country there are many persons who are imprisoned or facing hardships in jails or other places and their families and children are suffering. So, we should appeal our brothers. (End of page 16)

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Bhagwan Singh substantiated. Recommended unanimously.

6:- Master Harnam Singh proposed and Kharak Singh substantiated that – Dollars five (\$5.00) should be collected as membership from every member of this society. Some Brothers objected that membership is too much. The Majority was in favour. Carried.

- 7:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Maiher Chand substantiated that – Babu Kapoor Singh should be the President of this Society. Carried.
- 8:- Master Harnam Singh proposed and Waryam Singh substantiated that – Gurdit Singh should be the Secretary of this Society. Accepted unanimously.
- 9:- Babu Kapoor Singh proposed and Tarlochan Singh substantiated that – Gian Harnam Singh should be the Cashier. Carried.
- 10:- Narang Singh proposed and Gurdit Singh substantiated that – Master Harnam Singh should be the Vice President. Carried.
- 11:- Master Harnam Singh proposed and Gurdit Singh substantiated that – Bhai Mit Singh should be the Vice Secretary. Carried. (End of page 17)

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- 12:- Rao proposed and Munshi Ram substantiated that – Bhai Narang Singh should be the Vice Cashier. Carried.
- 13:- President adjourned the meeting after announcement that – The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 24th at 7 PM and requested everyone to attend. (End of page 18)

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- Today at 7 PM, the above Society held its meeting at 1872 – 2nd Ave W. Following members were present.
- 1: Babu Kapoor Singh 2: Bhagwan Singh 3: Mohammad Akbar 4: Master Hanam Singh 5: Sunder Singh 6: Sub. Dullay Khan 7: Waryam Singh 8: Shiam Singh 9: Maihar Singh 10: Mit Singh 11: Basant Singh 12: Gurdit Singh 13: Rao 14: Tarlochan Singh 15: Maiya Singh 16: Sucha Singh 17: Arjan Singh 18: Harnam Singh 19: Jowala Singh
- 1:- Gurdit Singh proposed that the Society should have a permanent office. Mohammad Akbar substantiated and Master Harnam Singh re-corroborated and proposed that - House #1872 2nd Ave W. should be rented from Diwan. Accepted unanimously.
- 2:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Maihar Chand substantiated that – Five more members should be taken from nearer places. 1: Victoria 2: Fraser Mills 3: Abbotsford 4: Timber Land Mills 5: Christian Beach. Carried.
- 3:- Tarlochan Singh proposed and Waryam Singh substantiated that – Whoever, becomes the member of this Society, should send his monthly membership dues compulsory. The member who doesn't send his dues for three months, neither attend any meetings nor inform and give reason for not attending the meeting and sending the dues, (End of page 18)

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- his membership should be cancelled. And opposite to it, the member who is far or near, correspond and remain in touch with the society by mail, that member's membership should not be cancelled. Carried.
- 4:- Bhai Mit Singh proposed and Babu Kapoor Singh substantiated that – Any member who is leaving Canada, should inform one month in advance to everyone so that society make arrangement for another member to replace him. Carried.
- 5:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Babu Kapoor Singh substantiated that – Some brothers should be assigned this duty - to go places and open the branches of this society and collect funds. Their names are as follows- 1: Giani Harnam Singh 3: Master Harnam Singh 4: Bhai Tarlochan Singh. Carried.

6:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Waryam Singh substantiated that – The resolution (Gurmata) the Fraser Mills congregation has passed that – This Society correspond with Jalhainwala Bag Committee to provide us space. Carried. (End of page 20)

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7:- Tarlochan Singh proposed and Harnam Singh substantiated that – Society's account should be opened in the Canadian Bank of Commerce's Fairview branch. Carried.

8:- Mit Singh proposed and Arjan Singh substantiated that – Society's cheques should be signed by the president and the secretary. In the absence of one officer, Cashier can sign the cheques. Carried.

9:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Kapoor Singh substantiated that – United India Home League should be asked to transfer all its funds to this Society as it's no longer in existence.

All its works will carried by this Society. Carried.

10:- Bhagwan Singh proposed and Sub. Dullay Khan substantiated that – Any person who travels for Society's mission, his travel expenses etc, on presenting the bill should be paid from Society's coffer. Carried.

11:- Shiam Singh proposed and Tarlochan Singh substantiated that – Dollars twenty five \$25.00 should be collected as donation from each member so that Society starts functioning. Carried. (End of page 21)

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12:- Bhagwan Singh proposed and Mit Singh substantiated that – In future, there should be seven members of Society as quorum. Seven members should commence Society's meeting. Accepted unanimously as proposed. Carried.

13:- President proposed and Maihar Chand substantiated that – President and Secretary have full authority to hold a meeting when required. But, a meeting must be called within 60 days. Carried.

14:- Maihar Chand proposed and Mit Singh substantiated that – A public meeting should be called after every six months. Accepted unanimously.

15:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Mit Singh substantiated that – The report of Society's Income and Expenses should be published after every six months. Carried.

16:- Accepted unanimously that every member should be informed, not to leave without informing when the meeting is in progress.

Kapoor Singh (Sign.)

Gurdit Singh (Sign.) (End of page 22)

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THE HUNDOSTAN SWARAJ SABHA OF CANADA
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12:- Today, the members of the Society met in the Society's office at 7 PM. Following members were present – 1: Babu Kapoor Singh 2: Mit Singh 3: Maihar Chand 4: Basant Singh 5: Bhai Harnam Singh 6: Tarlochan Singh 7: Shiam Singh 8: Narang Singh 9: Waryam Singh 10: Master Harnam Singh 11: Gurdit Singh.

(Agenda) Today's meeting was called on Babu Kapoor Singh's notice that Dr. Hardikar is visiting here. Therefore, Society should do some efforts to organize his lecture.

1:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Babu (Kapoor Singh) substantiated that – The Society should make arrangements for five functions. Society should bear the total expenses and there should be no Collection. And any other meeting on Hardikar's arrival, should be arranged per requirement. Carried unanimously.

2:- Babu (Kapoor Singh) proposed and Master Harnam Singh substantiated that – If (someone) wants his lecture at any other place, one should do that and bear expenses through the Society. Doing so, Society will get help and it will strengthen the Society.

3:- Bhai Mit Singh proposed and Babu (Kapoor Singh) substantiated that – A telegram should be sent to Hardikar, to ask him, to be in touch with us through letters before he comes so that meetings are arranged.

(Sign'd) Kapoor Singh

(Sign'd) Gurdit Singh (End of page 23)

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Today, a meeting of the Society's members and other representatives took place in the Society's office for the purpose to pass that - Dr. Hardikar should be paid his travel expenses etc. in cash. Passed unanimously that – \$150.00 should be paid in cash along and a uniform and other clothing be bought. (End of page 24)

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Today, Society members held a meeting in the Society's office. Following members were present. 1: Babu Kapoor Singh 2: Lashman Singh 3: Munshi Ram 4: Basant Singh 5: Arjan Singh 6: Mit Singh 7: Narang Singh 8: Gurdit Singh 9: Sarain Singh 10: Maihar Chand 11: Bhagwan Singh 12: Sucha Singh

Following proceedings were carried out.

First, the last meeting minutes were read. Afterwards, secretary gave the account.

1:-President Babu Kapoor Singh said that – Many brothers (Bhai / Members) say that, when this Society was established, (since) members were not taken from every and many places, then how can you satisfy everyone?

After long discussion Bhai Narang Singh proposed and Babu Kapoor Singh substantiated that – On April the 24th, a general meeting should be called, a new (executive) Committee should be elected. Accepted unanimously. Carried.

And, how the (Committee) should be elected in the future –

<u>NUMBERS OF MEMBERS</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
7 Seven	Vancouver
2 Two	Fraser Mills

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1 One	Westminster
1 One	Abbotsford
1 One	Chilliwack
1 One	Christian Beach
1 One	Rose Pan
2 Two	Victoria
2 Two	Duncan
1 One	Lady Smith
1 One	Comox
1 One	Courtenay

- 1 One Nanoose Bay
- 1 One Chemainus
- 1 One T Born
- 1 One Dominion Mills

2:- Gurdit Singh proposed that – Since we have decided to elect a new committee, should the funds be collected till April 24 or not?

Babu Kapoor Singh proposed and Munshi Ram substantiated that – If someone gives membership dues, it should be collected. Carried.

3:- Gurdit Singh proposed that – He has read in the Newspapers that the property of Master Mota Singh's sister has been confiscated. She should be helped. This motion was tabled for discussion in future.

4:- Afterwards, Bhai Mit Singh mentioned that telegram which came from AKALI Office. Passed that – One hundred Dollars \$100.00 should be sent to AKALI as help.

Afterwards, the meeting was adjourned. (End of page 26)

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Today, THE HUNDOSTAN SWARAJ SABHA OF CANADA held its general meeting in the basement hall of Vancouver Gurdwara. The secretary Bhai Mit Singh, was nominated to preside over today's meeting.

1:- Bhai Gurdit Singh read the brief report of last meeting and said that – This meeting is called due to many misunderstandings. Now, if you (members) want to follow proposed proposal and work on it, elect the members. He read the proposed list.

After this, Lashman Singh proposed and Hira Singh substantiated that – Seven members from Vancouver should be elected. On this proposal the following seven members were elected –

- 1: Batna Kalaewal
- 2: Atama Singh of Jagirdaran
- 3: Kaser Singh Tikriwala
- 4: Hari Singh Boparai
- 5: Nawab Khan
- 6: Gurmukh Singh of Chak Prema
- 7: Rattan Singh Sidhma

When the above said persons were asked to serve (on the Committee), none of them agreed to serve. (End of page 27)

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2:- On this, Bhai Mit Singh said, If none of you volunteer, the work will totally come to a stand still.

Then Lashman Singh proposed that – The reality is this that, the previous committee should carry on and should be authorised to enrol four (4) new members from Vancouver. Accepted unanimously and carried.

Afterwards, meeting was adjourned. (End of page 28)

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April 25 / 1921

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1:- Today, the Committee members held the meeting. Following members were present. 1: Kapoor Singh 2: Munshi Ram 3: Lashaman Singh 4: Bhagwan Singh 5: Shiam Singh 6: Narung Singh 7: Maihar Chand 8: Basant Singh 9: Sohan Singh 10: Mit Singh 11: Gurdit Singh 12: Arjan Singh
2:- Babu (Kapoor Singh) proposed and Mit Singh substantiated that – If it's decided to take four more members in the committee, the following brothers should be approached –

- 1: Bhai Banta Kalewal
- 2: Bhagwan Singh “
- 3: Nawab Khan “
- 4: Kishan Singh Aalakhwal

3:- 1: House rent 2: Change of cashier 3: Expenses and membership dues collection. All these resolutions and decisions were postponed till May 6th meeting.

4:- Bhai Bhagwan Singh, Nuran Singh, Kapoor Singh, Basant Singh and Gurdit Singh were assigned to go to Mill Sand Timber Land, New Westminster and Dominion Mill and request brothers there to send the membership dues. (End of page 29)

Note: There is no mention re: adjournment of meeting.

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1:- Today, the (Committee) members held the meeting and following members were present.

- 1: Babu Kapoor Singh
- 2: Lashaman Singh
- 3: Mehan Singh from Victoria
- 4: Arjan Singh “ “
- 5: Narang Singh
- 6: Waryam Singh
- 7: Maihar Singh “ Abbotsford
- 8: Batna “ Kalewal
- 9: Basant Singh
- 10: Sohan Lal “ Lady Smith
- 11: Mit Singh
- 12: Bhagwan Singh
- 13: Gurdit Singh
- 14: Sucha Singh
- 15: Master Harnam Singh
- 16: Gurbachan Singh “ Chilliwack

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1:- Lashman Singh proposed and Babu (Kapoor Singh) substantiated that – The membership dues should be reduced from \$25 to \$5 and from \$5 to \$2 monthly. Carried.

2:- Mit Singh and Basant Singh substantiated that – This membership due of dollars two \$2 per month, every member should pay it from the beginning of this year. Carried.

3:- Lashman Singh proposed and Batna substantiated that – Bhai Harnam Singh is a cashier and he lives away. (Outside of Vancouver) But a cashier must belong to here. So Narang Singh should be designated as cashier. Carried.

4:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Basant Singh substantiated that – The Dais Sawak Book Agency should be sent \$50.00 to get books. Carried.
5:- Gurdit Singh asked, “How should the fund be collected in the future?” On this Babu Kapoor Singh proposed and Narang Singh substantiated that – A poster should be published and no other travel expense should be made. Carried. (End of page 31)

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6:- Narang Singh proposed and Hira Singh substantiated that – The question of immigrations should be discussed. Many brothers who are distressed after reaching Kong Kang, (Hong Kong), if something can be done for them after spending dollars one Hundred \$100.00, then it should be done. Otherwise no long work should be started. Carried.
7:- Batna proposed and Arjan Singh substantiated that – Diwan should be requested, not to charge the rent from Society for the office space given in the house. If Diwan does not give it free, than some other place should be found. Carried.
The meeting was adjourned at this point. (End of page 32)

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(Committee) Members met and the following members were present. 1: Narang Singh 2: Maihar Chand 3: Batna 4: Waryam Singh 5: Mit Singh 6: Kapoor Singh 7: Master Harnam Singh 8: Sarain Singh 9: Gurdit Singh.
1:- Babu Kapoor Singh proposed that – The total fund collected so far, for Tilak Swaraj Fund, should be sent to the Provincial Congress Committee of Punjab. Narang Singh substantiated. Carried.
2:- Mit Singh proposed that – Due to the reduction in membership dues, people, from whom the membership dues have been collected in excess, are showing unhappiness which is evident from Sundir Singh Langari’s letter. So the excess money collected should be refunded according to their will. Master Harnam Singh substantiated. Carried.
3:- Gurdit Singh proposed that – We have received a letter in reply to our letter, in which it’s stated the The Swaraj Sabha pay the rent for the house dollars eight (\$8.00) per month because insurance etc. is paid on the house. Babu Kapoor Singh substantiated. Carried. (End of page 33)

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4:- Narang Singh proposed that – After this collection, if any further collection is done, it should be sent to Akali Dal.
This proposal was postponed until the new collection is done. Carried.
5:- The house matter to present or not? to be presented in the next meeting. Accepted.
Meeting adjourned. (End of page 34)

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August 8th / 1921

THE HUNDOSTAN SWARAJ SABHA OF CANADA
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(Committee) Members met and following (members) were present. 1: Babu Kapoor Singh 2: Basant Singh 3: Lashman Singh 4: Maiya Singh 5: Waryam Singh 6: Narang Singh 7: Gurdit Singh 8: Mit Singh 9: Bhagwan Singh.

1:- On Babu Kapoor Singh's suggestion, Waryam Singh proposed and Naran Singh substantiated that – the total money the society has, should be sent to Akali Dal for help. Everyone accepted. Carried.

3:- Babu (Kapoor) Singh proposed and Bhai Mit Singh substantiated that – The money should be sent through Bhai Piara Singh. Accepted unanimously.

Note: There is a numbering discrepancy in the original diary and there is no mention of meeting adjourned. (End of page 35)

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September 20 / 1921

THE HUNDOSTAN SWARAJ SABHA OF CANADA
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Following Swaraj members held a meeting. Mit Singh, Kapoor Singh, Waryam Singh, Narang Singh, Master Harnam Singh, Basant Singh, Lashman Singh and Gurdit Singh.

1:- Accepted unanimously that – Doctor Rajidar Kanta Das should be paid \$100 One hundred dollars from society's coffer for his fare etc. (End of page 36)

Note: There is no mention of meeting adjourned.

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December 4 / 1921

THE HUNDOSTAN SWARAJ SABHA OF CANADA
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Members met and the following brothers were present. 1: Mit Singh 2: Banta 3: Babu Kapoor Singh 4: Waryam Singh Dafaidar 5: Bhai Bhagwan Singh 6: Basant Singh 7: Inder Singh 8: Gurdit Singh.

1:- Basant Singh proposed and Babu Kapoor Singh substantiated that – the general meeting of the Society should be held on January 7th 1922. Accepted unanimously.

2:- Gurdit Singh proposed and Basant Singh substantiated that – On behalf of the Society, a telegram should be sent to the All India Congress Conference. Accepted unanimously.

3:- Inder Singh proposed and Batna Substantiated that – On behalf of the society, one hundred dollars (\$100) should be sent to Gurdit Singh as help. Accepted unanimously.

Afterwards, meeting was adjourned. (End of page 37)

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Feb 4/ 22

On February 4, 1922 at 7 PM, 'The Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada' held its general meeting in the lower hall of the Gurdwara, to elect a committee for the new year. Associates came from far and near in big numbers. First of all, Bhai Gurdit Singh the secretary of the Society requested the associates to nominate the president for the meeting. Bhai Rala Jaan proposed the name of Babu Kapoor Singh. Bhai Labh Singh seconded it. Babu Kapoor Singh thanked the gathering and declined. Bhai Vir Singh proposed the name of Bhai Jaswant Singh. Bhai Sohan Singh seconded and Bhai Bhagat Singh substantiated it. Accepted unanimously.

Babu Kapoor Singh, in his speech explained that – Today we have to elect a new committee. At present, we don't know what works we have to do, even than we have to have a committee because, in our country, a National war is on and no one knows how long it may last. We should continue this war until we achieve our goal.

Bhai Harbans Singh said that – The last year’s committee should be accepted as this year’s committee because they are experienced. (End of page 39)

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Bhai Modan Singh presented an amendment to it that – A few old and a few new members should be elected.

Bhai Basant Singh refuted both above proposals and proposed that – all elected members should be new so that all get the opportunity to become experienced. Bhai Chanta seconded it. Bhai Waryam Singh and Bhai Mahan Singh ratified. Accepted unanimously.

Following members of the committee was elected unanimously-

NO	NAME	PROPOSER	SECONDED	SUBSTANTIATES	
1	Bhagat Singh	Gurdit Singh	Tara Singh	Sohan Singh	Chinta
2	Ishar Singh	Rala	Asa Singh	Tarlochan Singh	Sham Singh
3	Jaswant Singh	Kapoor Singh	Waryam Singh	Hira Singh	Labh Singh
4	Basant Singh	Ram Singh	Gurmukh Singh	Inder Singh	Natha Singh
5	Hazara Singh	Rala Singh	Modan Singh	Chanan Singh	Kartara
6	Tarlok Singh	Dalip Singh	Bishan Singh	Bhagat Singh	Ram Singh
7	Waryam Singh	Tarlochan Singh	Modan Singh	Harbant Singh	Dalip Singh
8	Sucha Singh	Labh Singh	Bishan Singh	Modan Singh	Tara Singh
9	Hukam Singh	Harnam Singh	Hardir Singh	Ram Singh	Lah Singh
10	Bal Mukand	Vir Singh	Hardit Singh	Ram Singh	Rala Jaan

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NO	NAME	PROPOSER	SECONDED	SUBSTANTIATES	
11	Kartara	Basant Singh	Gurdit Singh	Hakam Singh	Harnam Singh
12	Pakhar Singh	Harnam Singh	Sumund Singh	Labh Singh	Faqir Chand
13	Hakim Singh	Bal Mukand	Waryam Singh	Gurmukh Singh	Sumund Singh
14	Hardit Singh	Hira Singh	Inder Singh	Gurdit Singh	Jagat Singh
15	Sham Singh	Inder Singh	Natha Singh	Dalip Singh	Basant Singh
16	Sangat Singh	Bhagwan Singh	Bal Mukand	Waryam Singh	Harnam Singh
17	Gurmukh Singh	Chinta	Vir Singh	Jawala Singh	Thakur Singh
18	Jawal Singh	Bhagat Singh	Chanan Singh	Hardit Singh	Chinta
19	Takhat Singh	Mit Singh	Rala Jaan	Hukam Singh	Sawan Singh
20	Labh Singh	Bhagwan Singh	Hakim Singh	Bakshish Singh	Banta
21	Dalip Singh	Natha Singh	PratimSingh	Ganga Singh	Waryam Singh

After electing the Committee, the president adjourned the meeting. (End of page 41)

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February 4/22

On February 4/22, 12 o’clock at night, Swaraj Sabha held its meeting in the lower Hall of Gurdwara. Following members were present.

1: Ishar Singh 2: Waryam Singh 3: Hakim Singh 4: Pakhar Singh 5: Jaswant Singh 6: Kartara 7: Bal Mukand 8: Basant Singh 9: Dalip Singh 10: Sham Singh 11: Samgit Singh 12: Labh Singh 13: Hardit Singh 14: Tarlok Singh 15: Jawala Singh 16: Takhit Singh 17: Bhagat Singh 18: Hazara Singh 19: Hukam Singh

Out of them, the following members were appointed as office bearers-

Ishar Singh	Secretary
Bhai Takhit Singh	Assistant Secretary
Bhai Waryam Singh	President
Bhai Hakim Singh	Vice President
Bhai Basant Singh	Cashier
Bhai Pakhar Singh	Vice Secretary

Afterwards, it was passed unanimously that – The new committee should take charge and account books from the old committee. Meeting adjourned.

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Committee Meeting

February 5/22

On Sunday February 5/22 at 11 AM, 'The Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada Committee' held its meeting at 1972- 2nd Ave W. Following members were present.

1: Ishar Singh 2: Waryam Singh 3: Hakim Singh 4: Pakhar Singh 5: Jaswant Singh 6: Kartara 7: Bal Mukand 8: Basant Singh 9: Dalip Singh 10: Sham Singh 11: Samgit Singh 12: Labh Singh 13: Hardit Singh 14: Tarlok Singh 15: Jawala Singh 16: Takhit Singh 17: Bhagat Singh 18: Hazara Singh 19: Hukam Singh

1:- All books etc. were taken from the old Committee.

2:- The committee asked me (Who? Isher Singh or someone else) to write letters to all associates for the consolidation of this Society.

3:- Passed unanimously that – Bhai Ishar Singh, Waryam Singh (On behalf of Sabha) and on behalf of 'Diwan' Bhai Mit Singh will sign the cheques and out of them, in the absence of anyone out of them, Bhai Basant Singh ji will sign.

4:- Bhai Pakhar Singh proposed and Bhai Hakim Singh and Bhai Hukim Singh substantiated that – The Khalsa Diwan Society of Vancouver should be requested that it give one room, out of the downstairs rooms, rent free, for Sabha's office
Passed unanimously.

Afterwards, meeting adjourned.

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Committee Meeting

April 15/22

The 'Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada Committee' held its meeting in the lower hall of Gurdwara at the scheduled time. Following members were present.

1: Hazara Singh 2 : Tarlok Singh 3: Bhagat Singh 4: Hakim Singh 5: Hukam Singh 6: Basant Singh 7: Dalip Singh 8: Kartara 9: Pakhar Singh 10: Bal Mukand 11: Ishar Singh 12: Waryam Singh.

1:- Pandit Bal Mukand proposed that – In the resolution of Society's Committee meeting on January 15/21, mistake should be corrected. Passed.

2:- Pandit Bal Mukand proposed that – Quorum should be of seven (7) members. Pakhar Singh substantiated it. Carried.

3:- Bhai Hakim Singh proposed that – An enquiry should be made into the Komagata Maru Fund. Mit Singh seconded by. Ishar Singh substantiated and said this matter shouldn't be discussed without a general meeting. Because this matter is in the hands of a special committee. So, the Society cannot interfere in this matter and should not interfere in it.

4:- Bhai Hakim Singh proposed that – An enquiry should be initiated, to find the reason why those telegrams, which were sent to Country on our (Sabha's) behalf had not arrived?

Afterwards, decision was made to hold the meeting on (April) 16/22 at 8 AM. (End of page 44)

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April 16/22

The Committee members of The Swaraj Sabha, held the meeting in the Sabha's office at 8 AM. The following members were present.

1: Waryam Singh 2: Hakim Singh 3: Hukam Singh 4: Hazara Singh 5: Tirlok Singh 6: Mit Singh 7: Takhat Singh 8: Bal Mukand 9: Bhagat Singh 10: Kartara 12: Ishar Singh.

After reading the last year's minutes of the meetings, following resolutions were passed.

1:- Bhai Hukim Singh proposed that – Bhai Gurdit Singh and Babu Kapoor Singh should be called in, in the Society's next Saturday's meeting and asked about the seven hundred dollars (\$700.00) they sent to Bhai Piara Singh. Passed unanimously.

2:- Bhai Hakim Singh proposed that - Bhai Mit Singh should be asked about the account of, The United India Home Rule League.

On this (matter), Bhai Mit Singh showed the Bank Book. There was \$78.70 in the League's account.

3:- Bhai Mit Singh proposed that – Mr. Wadia (Parsi) lecturer - who is come to Vancouver to give lectures – if he is of the same opinion as us, then he should be welcomed.

Pandit Bal Mukand and Bhai Hukam Singh substantiated. Passed. (End of page 45)

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4:- President proposed that – a meeting should be called next Saturday. Passed.

5:- Ishar Singh read Chaudari Faqir Chand's letter in which, a boycott with Canadian Japanese was mentioned on the arrest of Indian dealers in Japan. I (writer) said that – It's a big question and the Committee, on its own, cannot take a decision. And Chaudary should be asked to bring that newspaper in which this is published.

Afterwards, Meeting adjourned. (End of page 46)

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The 'Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada Committee' held its meeting in the Committee office. Following members were present. Bhai Hakim Singh, Bhagat Singh, Takht Singh, Bal Mukand , Ishar Singh, Dalip Singh, Kartara, Mit Singh, Babu Kapoor Singh. Following proceeding was carried.

1:- Mr. Wadia being a religious preacher, no help was considered for him. (End of page 47)

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May 14 / 22

The 'Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada Committee' held its meeting in the Committee office. Following members were present. Ishar Singh, Bhai Waryam Singh, Hakim Singh, Bal Mukand, Basant Singh, Kartara, Tarlok Singh.

This meeting's proceeding is – to enquire about the one hundred Dollars (\$100) sent to Baba Gurdit Singh. (End of page 48)

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July 23 / 22

The 'Hindustani Swaraj Sabha of Canada Committee' held its meeting in the Committee office. Following members were present. Bhai Hakim Singh, Bal Mukand , Basant Singh, Sucha Singh, Ishar Singh, Hira Singh, Hazara Singh, Babu Kapoor Singh, Bhai Batna. Following proceeding was carried in this meeting.

1:- Pandit Bal Mukand proposed and Bhai Hahim Singh substantiated that – on the expenses of Swaraj Sabha , the difficulties we have suffered should be compiled and published in memorandum form and following persons should be approached for help in this matter – Bhai Raja Singh Barian, Sohan Lal, Mehar Chand, Gurdit Singh, Mit Singh, Rahim, Kapoor Singh, Batna, Lashaman Singh, Harbant Singh.

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2:- Bhai Basant Singh proposed that – a fund should be collected for Congress. Bhai Sucha Singh substantiated. Carried unanimously.

3:- Passed that a minimum sum of Ten Dollars should be collected from each member.

4:- Two groups were elected to collect the fund.

Bhai Sucha Singh and Basant Singh

Bhai Hazaras Singh and Bhai Waryam Singh. (End of page 50)

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