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WILL EXCLUDE HINDU BUT SIDESTP JAPANESE

**Commissioner-general of Immigration Again
Committee Witness.**

**Asiatic Exclusion Act is Hotly Debated by Mr.
Caminetti.**

**Congressman Johnson of California Makes Some
Pointed Remarks.**

**Angrily Declares All Countries Are Excluding the
Men of India.**

Washington, Feb. 20.—Maintaining a discreet silence on the Japanese question, which he discussed freely a week ago, Mr. Caminetti, commissioner-general of immigration; was again a witness before the House committee on immigration yesterday and approved of legislation to exclude Hindus.

Mr. Caminetti, whose former utterance displeased the state department, avoided the Japanese issue yesterday and when Representative Johnson of California tried to bring up the subject he was cut short by Chairman Burnett.

The committee will report a bill excluding the Hindus, but will sidestep for the present other Asiatic exclusion demanded by the Pacific Coast.

"It is cowardly to use the Hindu bill to sidetrack bills excluding the Japanese," hotly asserted Congressman Johnson of California. "It is easy

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enough to exclude Hindus; all nations are barring them. The passage of this bill makes Japanese exclusion a remote contingency."

"The department of labor," Commissioner Caminetti said, "has so far considered the Asiatic exclusion question solely as it relates to the Hindus. Their exclusion is supposed to be an emergency matter. The department suggests that this legislation be confined to the Hindus."

Fearing the airing of the Japanese question during the debate in the House, the immigration committee probably will not report the Hindu Exclusion Bill for several weeks. It has been practically determined, however, that the measure shall receive attention at this session that the demands of the Pacific Coast members may be partially appeased.