

which has underrated, included twenty thousand former army men fully armed. The government, it is stated, authoritatively contemplates a much firmer course in Ulster than it has hitherto taken. If any serious disturbance occurs, the government will call out large bodies of the regular army and should the military be unwilling, the government has decided to appeal to the voters immediately on this issue.

# TIM BECKER AGAIN TO TAKE AN APPEAL

Convicted Murderer of Gambler Rosenthal to Get Stay.  
Will Mean Full Year's Respite from Electric Chair.

New York, May 23.—For the second time Charles F. Becker, former police lieutenant, occupies today a cell in the Tombs prison, the convicted murderer of Herman Rosenthal, gambler, for the actual killing of whom four "gunmen" paid the penalty in the electric chair a little more than a month ago.

Today, as on October 15, 1912, the day following his first conviction for the murder of Rosenthal, Becker's only hope lay in an appeal. On Friday of next week he will be sentenced and soon thereafter he will be returned to the death house at Sing Sing prison, which he left last February on the order of the Court of Appeals that he be given a new trial.

An appeal, which is certain to be made, will act as a stay of execution, giving Becker more than a year to live, and with it the hope of a reversal of the judgment of the trial court.

Martin T. Munton, chief of the Becker lawyers, announced that his appeal would be based on the admission of testimony of Mrs. Lillian Rosenberg, widow of "Lefty Louie," the gunman; the ruling of the court in refusing to hear before the jury the argument on the admissibility of the "Dago Frank" Cirofici confession and on the justice's charge to the jury, to which he took exception in court.

The district attorney, it was learned today, will submit to handwriting experts a number of letters which he believes were written by Becker to the condemned gunmen during their stay in the Sing Sing death house. These letters were turned over to the prosecutor by the wife of "Lefty Louie" Rosenberg after her husband's death. They passed from Becker to the gunmen; it is believed, between the leaves of books of the prison library which are permitted to circulate among the prisoners condemned to death.

Although written in a disguised hand, the district attorney believes they came from Becker, and he is holding them in reserve for an opportunity to use them as evidence against the convicted lieutenant in the latter's efforts to obtain a reversal of judgment before the Court of Appeals.

He would have to get to shore and secure through the banks money from India. He said that he could get \$10,000. This would not be enough.

The Hindus claim that they do not come within the restrictions against laborers and artisans. They claim that it is their intention to go on farms. While they have no money, they claim that they can get it from their native land.

That a number of the Hindus on the Komagata Maru, and those residing at Vancouver have seen military service was fully established when the Vancouver Hindus established semaphore communication with the steamer soon after she moved to the Vancouver side of the harbor and dropped anchors off No. 2 berth at 11 a. m. today.

The shore Hindus massed on the waterfront, and one of their expert signallers made the letter "J," which is the alphabetical call in semaphore signalling. He tried this for some time and then his signals were seen from the steamer, and a Hindu on board mounted to the rail and gave the answering call. Then the waggings started, and a number of messages were semaphored to and from the vessel until the C. P. R. police broke up the party on shore.

Incidentally a member of the immigration staff, who is a signaller, logged all the messages, which were translated subsequently but Superintendent Reid refuses to make them public. A night patrol is being maintained around the steamer. No one is allowed to go aboard, and the only people to come ashore were the captain, engineer and steward. As Sunday and Monday are legal holidays no action can be taken in the courts by the Hindus before Tuesday.

The Japanese steamer Komagata Maru, Captain Yamamoto, with 274 Hindus on board, steamed into Burrard Inlet at 8 a. m. today and dropped anchor off North Vancouver, where she remained until 11 a. m., when Pilot B. L. Johnson moved her nearer the city side. The decks of the ancient craft were seething with Hindus, all dressed up in their best clothes and with their baggage packed ready to go ashore. For they are fully convinced that they will be allowed to land and are apparently conversant with Chief Justice Hunter's decision of a few months ago, which made it possible at the time for Hindus to enter the country.

The last 24 hours have been full of incident. Last night at 9 o'clock one of the Japanese sailors dived overboard. The ship was then off Turn Point, and it is thought the man had an idea that he could swim to the beach. However, there was a strong current, and Captain Yamamoto believes the man was drowned.

At 8 a. m. today Superintendent of Immigration Malcolm R. J. Reid and several of his staff, Mr. C. Gardiner Johnson and Mr. Walton, and some customs officers went out to the vessel. As the launch neared the Komagata Maru it was seen that the rail was lined with turbans.

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