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Penticton B C Mar 22nd 1906

The Hon Attorney General,

Victoria.

Ten Chinamen forcibly deported on
S S Aberdeen by citizens
from here wire instructions what
can be done got names
of parties.

A H Wade
J P,

E Bullock Webster

J P

3 45 p m

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Attorney General

Victoria

Chinamen employed clearing land intimidated
and forced to leave transportation tickets
purchased by intimidators. Constable here
powerless must have protection immediately

Southern Okanagan Land Co

3 35 p m



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140 Vr Mc S 98 Collect 3 01 and 3.98 via Kamloops
Penticton, B C Mar 27th 1906

H A Maclean,

rep Atty Gen, Victoria

Nesbitt reports leaders will not promise that Chinese may return Penticton. They anticipate prosecution. Land company determined prosecute Principals. Company sent for lawyer Billings. I have sent for two constables. All parties arrive here Wednesday night. Chinese may refuse return unless their houses are guarded at night, which company have promised to do, but they may ask for exactly same treatment as was accorded mill owners at Salmo. Local justices may decline to hear charges as they employ Chinese themselves. They may ask that Norris be sent here to relieve them. Cannot use code. Wire reply Penticton.

F S Hussey

4 32 p m

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PROVINCIAL POLICE DEPARTMENT,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

VICTORIA, 10 April, 1906

H. A. Maclean Esq.

Deputy Attorney-General

Victoria, B.C.

Sir:-

Re: Chinese labour trouble, Penticton.

In accordance with your instructions, I have recently visited Penticton to enquire into the above matter.

The Southern Okanagan Land Company, who are operating what is known as the Ellis ranch, at Penticton, during the month of March last, imported ten Chinese to clear land.

Shortly after the arrival of the Chinese at Penticton they were driven out of town, in the night time, by a band of about thirty white men who placed them on board of the steamer "Aberdeen" and returned them to Kelowna. No violence was used and no person was injured.

Shortly after my arrival at Penticton, Mr. W. T. Shatford, managing director of the above named Company, caused an information to be laid, under section 523 of the Criminal Code, charging six of the white men, namely:-

George E. Winkler
James Mitchell
G. S. Gladden
James Edmonds
G. S. Mohr
and A. C. Judd

with intimidation. The charge was disposed of summarily, by consent of each of the accused, who were tried by four of the resident Justices of the ^{Peace} sitting together.



PROVINCIAL POLICE DEPARTMENT,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

(D.A.G. 2)

VICTORIA,

Mr. Fred. Billings, of Vernon, appeared for the private prosecutor. The accused persons, with the exception of A. C. Judd - who was discharged, were convicted and fined twenty-five dollars each or imprisonment in Kamloops gaol for a term of one month. G. S. Mohr paid his fine, and Winkler, Mitchell, Gladden and Edmonds were removed to Kamloops Gaol by myself without other police escort.

The prisoners will be kept separate from other prisoners and, as this is their first offence and the men are not sentenced to hard labour, I have instructed the Warden to allow them to wear their own clothing during their term of imprisonment unless otherwise directed.

The conduct of the prisoners on their way to gaol was excellent.

I believe it is the intention of the Southern Okanagan Land Company to again employ Chinese labour, as they claim that they cannot afford to pay the price demanded by white men for clearing land.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "W. J. Macdonald", written in a cursive style.

Superintendent.