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Considers to refuse some form of franchise to... would probably have effect of inducing their political leaders to make use of such agitators to further their cause by dangerous methods and that if any such person ever fails to be regarded by the Community as their representative he would be less of a burden on society than

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In the course of my correspondence with you, I have had the pleasure of sending you a copy of my Despatch on the subject of the status of the Indians in the Province of British Columbia.

2. In consequence of Your Lordship's Despatch of November 1st I replied to your Despatch of November 21st which dealt with the general question of the legal status of the Indians, and in my Despatch No. 49 of March 9th, which was prepared before the receipt of Your Lordship's Despatch now under reply, I dealt with certain specific matters on which my views had been requested.

3. I regret that, on the subject of the representation of Indians by the Legislative and Municipal Councils, I have no definite opinions which can be given. The statement made in paragraph 6 (a) of my Despatch of March 9th, letter of 1897, is as follows: "I would be glad to furnish you with information on this subject."

Very truly yours, R. C. G. M. G. B.C.

Is it necessary to give a copy of this?