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Dear John:

You will remember that you were good enough to interest yourself in getting a passport issued to Miss. Florence I. Patterson of Estevan. You may also perhaps remember that it took over a month for the passport to be issued. Miss. Patterson wanted the passport for travel to England to join the Womens Auxiliary Territorial Service. She had been accepted by that Unit.

After she received the passport she decided that it would be wise to write to find out if there had been any change in England that would interfere with her joining this Unit and she did so and got a cablegram in reply saying that there was no change.

She then went to get her ticket from the C.P.R. and apparently the steamship Company has to get permission from the Department of External Affairs for the passenger to leave Canada. Much to my surprise and astonishment the C.P.R. got word that no permit would be issued to Miss. Patterson and she has now received a letter a copy of which I enclose.

I have written to Mr. Hanson and sent him a copy of all the correspondence and asked him to take it up with the Department of External Affairs. I thought it might be a good idea to let you know and you may have some suggestions to offer. If Mr. Hanson cannot accomplish anything I intend to write the Department.

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