

It is clear that if we require everyone coming from the United States to have a passport, it means they will have to write to Washington, pay their fee of \$10. for a passport and possibly, though this would not be essential, obtain a visa from Canadian Consuls established at various points in the United States. It is obvious that not one out of twenty prospective tourists would do this. Consideration might be given to asking the United States, in that case, whether they would be prepared to issue an "identity document" applicable to Canada alone for a short time and a small fee. Some such concession, if arranged, might save 10% out of the wreck.

This is the most inconsiderate and upsetting action that has come from the United States in twenty years.

I doubt if there is much possibility of the United States rescinding their present action, though we may have more light on this point by tomorrow.

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