

FACTS ACKNOWLEDGED!

A. G. JONES

As a **MONOPOLIST** as well as a **BOODLER !!**

**AT THE DRILL SHED MEETING HE
STATED**

“The document referred to was signed by me and it was sent to England.

A VOICE--You ought to be ashamed to tell it. (Cheers.)

**MR. JONES--I am a merchant above all things, and IN MY
OWN INTEREST.**

THE DOCUMENT.

To the Right Honorable, the Lords of the Admiralty :

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR LORDSHIPS--

I, the undersigned merchant, ship-owner and inhabitant of the city of Halifax and Nova Scotia, fearing the possibility of any renewal of the expiring contract for the conveyance of the mails between this city and the British Isles by steamer, respectfully beg to draw your attention to the following facts:

That there now exists opportunities for postal steamer communication with the British Isles by way of the United States at least thrice a week, and that to pay for even a weekly direct communication from this is of no possible communication whatever.

That any subsidy so paid is nothing less than a subsidy in another form for merchandize traffic, and by heavily handicapping legitimate traders, is a serious interference with private enterprizes.

That your petitioner has had large amount invested in wooden vessels engaged in carrying trade between the two countries which has been most injuriously affected by undue competition with subsidized companies :

That the increased trade between the two countries would give employment to the Nova Scotia shipping which now seeks employment in the carrying trade of foreign countries :

That your petitioner has large amounts invested in the carrying trade between the two countries which has been injuriously affected by undue competition with subsidized companies :

And, they therefore pray that your lordships will not sanction the renewal of the present expiring contract, or the making of a new one ;

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

A. G. JONES & CO.

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