Synopsis of Memorial presented to Mr. King October 20th, 1924, by the Vancouver Board of Trade.

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Re: Canadian Customs Officer - Port of New York.

Alleges that by Order in Council of February 27, 1924, appointing Canadian Customs Officer at the Port of New York, it was provided that good must be transported on vessels of Canadian or British registry, which vetoes the usefulness of the officer appointed, because the number of British vesselsmailing out of New York for the British Columbia coast is so small as to make it impossible for British Columbia merchants to establish any regular channel of trade with Eastern Canada by the Panama Canal route.

Sets out an interview with the Honourable Mr. Bureau in April 1924, in which he outlined plans to promote a semimonthly service by means of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine and other lines between Montreal and Vancouver, and at which he also announced that he had assurances from the C.P.R. and G.N.R. that they were prepared to establish a winter rate from Ontario points to Halifax and St. John equal to the rate on American railroads from the same originating point to New York.

Asserts that the Canadian Government Merchant Marine service consists of approximately one vessel every five weeks.

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