

shore contained in your cypher telegram of 26th September, though not very definite or precise, is satisfactory as far as it goes. More detailed information is being awaited by the Secretary of State for External Affairs before communicating to Embassy protests in case of Canadian Schooner *Marion Mosher* said to have been seized on or about 20th August last outside the three mile limit, and also relative to Canadian *H.M. Gardner* seized while twenty-four miles from the United States coast by American Customs authorities on 13th September. Captain and crew of latter have been placed under arrest and the vessel towed into New York. My Ministers anxious to know whether you can ascertain present position of these two vessels, and with particular reference to release of captain and crew of *Gardner*, the course likely to be followed by the United States authorities in regard to them. Despatch follows by mail.

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*L'ambassadeur aux États-Unis au Gouverneur général*  
*Ambassador in United States to Governor General*

PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM

Washington, October 2, 1922

SECRET. Referring to your telegram 30th September. With the exception of two members of the *Gardner* who turned States evidence and are being kept in jail as witnesses, Masters and crews of *Marion M* and *H.M. Gardner* have all been released. His Majesty's Consul at New York is doing everything possible for them and copies of relevant despatches are being sent to you. Regarding my enquiry whether the announcement of September 26th is to be made retrospective and all vessels released which are not accused of having been in contact with the shore by means of their own boats, reply is being awaited from Secretary of State.

There can be little doubt that so far, every vessel seen [?] has been engaged in smuggling operations, and I feel sure your Ministers will appreciate the desirability of proceeding with circumspection in the matter of written protests or representations in view of the strong political sentiment surrounding the prohibition question in this country.

Short of this however, everything possible is being done to obtain release of vessels and crews.

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*L'ambassadeur aux États-Unis au Gouverneur général*  
*Ambassador in United States to Governor General*

DESPATCH 275

Washington, October 18, 1922

My Lord,

With reference to His Majesty's Consul General at New York's despatch to me No. 1576 of October 16th, of which a copy was sent to Your Excellency, reporting the seizure by United States authorities of the Canadian Schooner