

PROTEST AGAINST ARREST OF GERMANS

Captain of American Tug Files Objection Against Taking Into Custody of Crew.

St. John, N.B., Oct. 29.—A formal protest against the detention of the three German members of the crew was filed yesterday by the captain of the American tug Security, acting on the instructions of the owners, the Standard Oil Company, and the question at issue will be fought out between the state department at Washington and Ottawa.

The Standard Oil Company owns or controls a large number of ships, many of which trade with British countries, and it is said it intends to make a test case of the arrest of the three aliens in St. John. The three men have been released upon their signing the usual undertaking with the added proviso that they shall not be allowed to leave Canada during the war.