

ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE  
ISSUES IMPORTANT STATEMENT

In his capacity as Acting Secretary of State, Hon. Charles Murphy has issued a statement bearing on Canadian Trade which contains an interesting suggestion designed to remove some of the obstructions with which corporate business has been met throughout the Dominion. The statement follows:—

"It must be gratifying to all citizens who take an interest in Canadian Trade to read the optimistic reports of Bank Managers and others that have recently been published, as well as the statements made by prominent merchants throughout the country regarding an improvement in trade.

"While it is a fact that success in any business must depend upon individual initiative and application to work, it is equally a fact that such individual effort may be assisted or retarded by legislation bearing on trade. This fact has been especially brought home to me during the past couple of months while acting as Secretary of State of Canada, and in that capacity observing the operations of the Companies Act.

"A short investigation of the company situation, as revealed by the workings of the Companies Branch of the Department of the Secretary of State, indicates that there is an ob-

struction to business which raises an important question for discussion.

"The incorporated company is the vehicle of modern business. Any restrictive action which hampers or casts doubt upon the ordinary business methods of companies is bound to have a detrimental effect on the business situation generally. In Canada we have ten authorities incorporating Companies, namely, nine Provinces and one Dominion. The result is conflicting and doubtful legislation, and a situation that disturbs the public and retards the flow of business in natural channels.

"Fifteen years ago an attempt was made, through a conference of the Dominion and the Provinces, to solve difficulties of the same character that then existed. At that time, however, it was considered advisable that a preliminary clarification might be brought about by judgments of the courts upon the constitutional questions that were raised. The litigation which ensued instead of solving the difficulties as they then appeared created new ones and rendered the state of things still more doubtful. Moreover this litigation has clearly shown that the situation cannot be cleared up through further recourse to the Courts. There appears to be no

WHAT IS WRONG WITH THIS AGE?

(By Sterling Brannen.)

Too much thought of today; too little thought of tomorrow?  
Too much thought of here; too little thought of hereafter?  
Too much laxity; too little loyalty?  
Too much regard for wealth; too little regard for worth?  
Too much judging by appearances; too little judging by realities?  
Too much Dollar worship; too little Divine worship?  
Too much easy money; too few easy consciences?  
Too much feasting; too little fasting?  
Too much dancing; too little darning?  
Too many automobiles; too few perambulators?  
Too much get; too little give?  
Too much expectation; too little appreciation?

practical solution except through a round-table conference between the Dominion and the Provinces. This conference should meet in an atmosphere of compromise, and its only aim should be to improve conditions by creating greater certainty in corporate activity.

"It appears to me advisable that in the interest of Canadian business a conference should be held at as early a date as possible and as a step in that direction the views of the Provinces will be ascertained without delay."

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given, that pursuant to the provisions of the Fredericton Assessment Act of 1907, there will for the purpose of satisfying the arrears of City taxes for the years 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925 inclusive, made and assessed against Arthur Gray (and owned by Henry Montgomery-Campbell and Herbert Montgomery Campbell) and amounting in all to \$189.45, unless the said sum together with the costs of this notice are sooner paid, be sold at public auction in front of the City Hall, Fredericton, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of Saturday, the thirteenth day of February, A. D. 1926, all the right, title and interest of Arthur Gray and of Henry Montgomery-Campbell and Herbert Montgomery-Campbell in and to the lands and premises following:

"All that certain lot of land situate and being in the City of Fredericton, bounded as follows: Commencing at a point on the Northwesterly side of York Street, distant 141 feet measured South westerly from the intersection of the Northwesterly side of York Street and the South Westerly side of the reserved street between block "I" and "G" in the plan of Messrs. Campbell's lands made by Baird and Howie, thence North 38 degrees 30 minutes West 141 feet; thence South 51 degrees 30 " North 47 " thence South 38 degrees 30 " East 141 " to York Street, aforesaid and thence along York Street 38 degrees 30 " East 47 " to the place of beginning being known as Lot No. 4 in Block "I" in plan of survey of Campbell lands prepared by "Baird & Howie."

Dated at Fredericton this second day of December, A. D. 1925.  
(Sgd.) C. FRED CHESTNUT,  
City Treasurer.

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