

very frankly to the United States, if we cannot adjust this difference in trade, the best thing we can do is to forget about the St Lawrence. Instead of that, and speaking very privately because in the position I occupy it is not competent for me to criticize governments- I feel we are wasting \$100,000, the amount set aside for the present investigation of the St Lawrence, and after the money is spent the two governments will have to come to close quarters and determine what they intend to do.

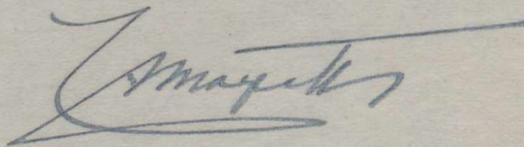
I feel I should apologize for writing you at such length. I have given you, however, some of the things that I would like to have had time to say when you were kind enough to have luncheon with me the other day. I feel that the world is settling down to business; that our neighbours have the ball at their feet and will make tremendous progress. What Canada needs to-day above all things, is a courageous public policy with something of the spectacular in it in order to bring confidence back to our people. We should create a great colonizing agency, making it clear to our people that the aim is to place 100,000 families on land "within a few years". I know that as we place people on land, we can enlarge our cities through increased population.

Canadians have reached a point where they are crying "wolf, wolf" to such an extent that if we are not cautious outsiders will commence to think that Canada is a country to be shunned. Hence I repeat, to bring this country into the limelight, we need some courageous development policy. My mind has been running along the lines above indicated.

With kind regards and wishing you the compliments of the season,

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,



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