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CANADA'S FUTURE IN THE BRITISH EMPIRE

There have been for many years past, and are now, amongst us people of the British race, in various parts of the earth of which we had obtained possession, (and particularly in Canada and South Africa) a number of politicians and newspaper editors who, while presumably themselves of that race, have done and are doing all that they can to dismember, weaken and destroy that race and its prestige and power amongst the races and nations of the earth. They speak with respect of the British Empire. Or, if they do not speak of the Empire, they are fond of rolling out that recently coined phrase or name "The Commonwealth of British Nations". Yet, all the time, whether with malice aforethought or in the stupidity of their minds, they advocate ideas and public policies which are entirely opposed to, and hostile to, the existence of a British Empire, or even of a Commonwealth of British Nations; ideas and policies that are dangerous to, and destructive of, the British race and its prestige and power. And what is there left to any race to be presently proud of if you take away its prestige and power -- its reputation and ability -- amongst the nations and races of the earth? That which would be left would only be an object of scorn on the part of its enemies and of pity on the part of its friends. Therefore I resent every thing that tends to weaken or destroy the prestige and power of the British race before its enemies or its friends. I object to the British race ever becoming an object of either scorn or pity. And by the British race I mean the people descended from the Anglo-Celtic-Norse race which, centred in the British Isles, has spread over all the earth. To me it is much more important that the prestige and power of that race -- with its language, laws, religion and power -- should be maintained than that we should have a number of little self-governing kingdoms set up -- such as the Kingdom of Canada, or the Kingdom of Australia etc., etc.

These politicians and editors have so far succeeded in their malignant and insidious, or ignorant campaign as to have destroyed the British Empire. There is no British Empire today of which we in Canada are a part. For, by the activities and propaganda of these politicians and editors, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and five-sixths of Ireland, have been shorn off from what was the British Empire. And what about India? If you take Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Ireland and India from the British Empire, what have you left? The British Empire (into which I was born, and of which and of its people, language, laws, religion, prestige and power, I was very proud, and the destruction or weakening of which, I have always resented and shall ever resent) has been destroyed to a great extent and has been greatly weakened before the faces of its enemies and before the faces of all who disliked it and its people, its language, its laws, its religion, its prestige and its power.

And this destruction or weakening has been accomplished most insidiously. One part of that insidiousness consisted in the loud proclamation by these politicians and editors that they were going to give us a Commonwealth of British Nations in place of the British Empire. But we have never had a Commonwealth of British Nations. These politicians and editors have disrupted and destroyed the Empire; but they have not given us the promised Commonwealth of British Nations. I do not know who first coined the name: "The Commonwealth of British Nations". But in any event there never has been such a thing. When was it formed? By whom was it formed? The name was a manufactured name -- a figment of the imagination -- a trumped up false name -- a name temporarily given to the various dismembered fragments of the British race and people and of the British Empire, by various politicians and editors to smooth over, or to hide from the view of the common people, what was really being done to the British Empire and race. I can understand the name "The Commonwealth of the United States of America". For there is a real commonwealth of States (not of Independent Sovereign States or