

BOURASSA, THE DIRTY

Henri Bourassa in his paper, *Le Devoir*, pursues his contemptible, snaky policy of seeking to deceive the French-Canadians as to the real motives and reasons which impelled England to enter this war—is endeavoring, as he has been endeavoring for years, to make it appear that there is no honesty among English statesmen and that they are to-day fighting for France and for Belgium not because of any principle but solely for the reason that at the moment; to put it plainly, it suits their selfish motives, and that tomorrow, did it suit them, they would be with Germany and against France.

We quote extracts from his article, "The Consequences to Canada," as follows:—

"If the Kaiser had given to the British Government the absolute assurance that Germany would construct, during the next ten years, no warship, no torpedo boat, no submarine, no Zeppelin, not an English soldier would have crossed the Channel—neither to "save" France nor to protect the neutrality of Belgium.

"English statesmen are not able to be at the same time loyal to their country and faithful to their alliances. On every occasion they have sacrificed international loyalty to their duty toward their own country."

Nor is this all. Speaking of the causes leading up to the war, Bourassa deliber-

ately charges the Canadian leaders with having deceived the people of Canada into taking action to help England.

He states that they have "grotesquely misrepresented the real causes of the conflict and the true nature of the relations of France and England."

"It was necessary at all costs that this Canadian aid should take an exaggerated, blustering, loud-mouthed form, worthy of the rich and corpulent parvenus who dominate high finance, commerce and the politics of the Canadian nation. It was necessary that it should profit, above all, boodlers, vampires, furnishers of bribes and of election subscriptions, traffickers in boots made out of unseasoned leather and of razors made in Germany. Glory be to the Empire!"

And so he goes on, this preacher of discord and strife, this snarling Ananias, seeking to stir up rebellion in the hearts of his French-Canadian readers by making it appear that everything is wrong, everything vile, everything corrupt—nothing honest, nothing sincere, nothing worthy.

And this is the man to whom we are asked to give a "courteous hearing"—this fomentor of strife, this breeder of rebellion, this hater of all things British, this cowardly misrepresenter of facts—this journalistic snake in the grass.—
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This man Bourassa is announced to give a public address in Ottawa, on Sunday evening, Nov. 22nd, at the Imperial Theatre, Bank Street, opposite the Alexandra Hotel.
Will he get a "courteous hearing?"