

a noble patriotism in sacrificing everything for what was in fact their greatest enemy and oppressor.

Even if this was to be expected from the mass of the people including the socialists, from whom clear thinking was not to be anticipated, however much we must sympathise with the restlessness which was manifesting itself in impossible methods, the fact that the intellectuals also accepted the call as one of a true patriotism is almost incomprehensible. When one reads the weak and futile expositions of men like Eucken and Haeckel, when one sees the names of men of world-wide reputation for learning and sagacity appended to a justification childish in its self-evident falsities, one can only presume that despotism in Germany has gone even farther than supposed, and that these men wrote and signed these things because they were ordered to do so. It is impossible that they believed in such puerilities. To approve their sincerity is to insult their intelligence, and these men have long ago proved that they are not unintelligent.

The only manly voice that has been heard from Germany is the voice of Harden. He justifies his country with an avowed acceptance of the Philosophy of Force. The rest are cowards and hypocrites.