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The writer can well afford to laugh at the easy game played against him by all dealers in 'cheap loyalty'. The same game was played for all it was worth, at the time of the South-African War. The writer has survived it, and will pass through this one, in the minds at least of those people whose opinions and sympathy he cares for.

The only serious aspect of the situation is the marked growth of intolerant and arrogant jingoism. There is, for all true Canadians, a danger to be more dreaded than the expansion of German militarism in Europe: it is the moral conquest of Canada by Prussianism under false British colours.

These brutal attempts at stifling free speech and slandering all Canadians who do not choose to worship the god of blatant jingoism have also a detrimental effect on the good relations between French and English-speaking Canadians.

Who can deny that, had the writer called himself John Brown or William Jones, and expressed his views in English, the absurd campaign of slander and misquotation to which he has been subjected would never have taken place? He might have been criticised: no sane man would have thought of calling him a 'traitor' worthy of the gaol or the scaffold. No one would have suggested the suppression of his paper.

Since our high-sounding 'patriots' appear to be so much concerned with the triumph of the Entente Cordiale in Europe, they might begin with a certain effort at doing elementary justice to their French-speaking fellow-citizens in Canada.

## HENRI BOURASSA.

Montreal, January, 1915

As a fair sample of the spirit of "true British loyalty" which animated the instigators of the movement raised to prevent the delivery of this address, a lithographed copy of the circulars freely distributed to raise the 'patriotism' of the 'loyal' people of Ottawa is annexed hereto.