

Where is the Canadian who would now wish to return to the limited self Government of those days? Still while these men were laying down their lives in the battle for civil and political liberty, the whole pack of the loyalist press was yelping and barking the lowdest. No expression of contempt, of hatred and indignation was too strong to denounce their treacherous, disloyal and contemptible pretensions to self government. A villain's death on the scaffold was too good for them; they should at least have been quartered.

And now what is the impartial judgment of history? The monuments which have been raised by a grateful people to the sacred memory of those patriotic citizens is the answer. Sir George Etienne Cartier himself, one of the leaders of 1837, had the proud satisfaction, before his death, of seeing at his feet those very loyalists, who had been hunting him through the country, like a mad dog, now acknowledging that they owed to his energy and pluck, the blessings of responsible government.

Again the bloodhounds are on the scent? Treason, disloyalty and every thing else which is abominable are infesting the land. Is not self government again asserted by the intelligent men of Canada, and is it not enough to unloose the pack? But, gentlemen, remember that history repeats itself; that no amount of barking abuse, and personal slander will prevent Canada from attaining the pinnacle of self government, the full emancipation of her citizens, her national independence.

When Washington and his followers signed the declaration of independence, they too were branded by you as traitors to their country, as disloyal to Great Britain. But where is the man who, in the eye of the world, stands higher this day than Washington, as the father of the most powerful and prosperous republic of modern times? Where is the man amongst you who will dare say that he was disloyal to his country and people?

You, gentlemen, who are doing your best to keep