

the British people as self-governing members of the British Empire." Mr. Bhupendra Nath Basu, a representative of Bengal leaders, proved in a telling brochure why India was heart and soul with Great Britain in this present fight in a righteous cause. Sir P. M. Mehta, occupying a similar position in Bombay, declared at a public meeting there, attended by thousands of its cosmopolitan inhabitants, that "in the presence of the solemn situation they were all merged in the one proud denomination of loyal and devoted subjects of the British Crown to lay at the feet of their august Sovereign their unswerving fealty, unshaken allegiance and enthusiastic homage, remembering that they owed sacred duties and holy obligations to that British rule under whose auspices their lofty destinies were being moulded for over a century and under whose wise and provident and righteous statesmanship the welfare, happiness and prosperity of the country are being incessantly enhanced."

In the face of such pronouncements by thousands of leading men, endorsed and acclaimed by the millions of India's