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SUSTENANCE AND SALVATION.

REPLIES TO PREVIOUS PAMPHLETS.

MR. BOURASSA.—I have received various sorts of replies to my recent pamphlet, **The Disruption of Canada**, ranging all the way from pleasant proposals for my death by cholroform to a reference to a slip of the printer. The only one which appears to require public notice is that I am in league with Mr. Bourassa; or, as another gentleman puts it: "**Ewart is an English Bourassa,**" or, as a newspaper declares: Ewart "**belongs to the Bourassa family.**" To people who so say, I have two answers:

First: If it were true that I am in league, not only with Mr. Bourassa, but with the Kaiser, and the devil, would that fact obliterate or modify any other fact—for example, any of the facts contained in my pamphlet?

Secondly: Not only am I not in league with Mr. Bourassa, but I do not in the least agree with his attitude towards the war. In so saying, I merely repeat what, on 1 December 1916, I said in a letter to Mr. Bourassa himself. He had asked me for a condensation of an address which I had delivered to the Reform Club in Montreal. I replied as follows:

"Dear Mr. Bourassa:—

I could not adapt what I said at the Reform Club to a written article without more time than is at my disposal now, and I am not at all sure that if I did, it would meet with your approbation. I am afraid that we view present circumstances from a different angle, and perhaps you will permit me to say that I have very much regretted the course which you have, I have no doubt conscientiously, adopted.

I should not think it at all right at the present time to say anything that would tend to distract our people during the stress of war. To me, the first requisite is solidarity, and, for that purpose, necessarily the subordination of the many conflicting things and ideas which would affect that solidarity. After the war is over, all those interested, not only in its cause or purpose but in the history of wars in general, will have much to engage their attention, and quite possibly I shall not be amongst the silent ones when the right time arrives. Meanwhile I would hope that we would all