

OUR GERMAN FRIENDS.

Let us not forget that at this distressing juncture there are many Germans in every Canadian community who should be treated with every consideration and with especial kindness. We have no hatred for the German people. They are blood-brothers of the Anglo-Saxon race. They are among the most estimable of our population. As a people they have done great things for the advancement of civilization. In music, in literature, in scientific research they hold a noble position in the vanguard of progress. We are at war with the fighting machine of which the German Emperor is the impersonation; but that need not prevent us sympathizing with men and women of German birth or extraction who have cast their lot in with those who have in the past been working to build up and develop our country. We can imagine with what mingled feelings of attachment to the homeland and love for the land of their adoption they view this titanic struggle. We cannot think the worse of any man for being stirred by patriotic impulses even if those feelings run counter to our own. Now is the time for us to show toleration and restraint for those of other nations who are placed in such an unfortunate and embarrassing position as the war has brought to them.