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"What is called NATIONAL HONOR is at present altogether too much a matter of capricious, private, and often merely personal judgment simply because the nations are not as yet self-conscious moral beings."—JOSIAH ROYCE.

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“To argue that a nation's HONOR must be defended by the blood of its citizens, if need be, is quite meaningless, for any nation, though profoundly right in its contention, might be defeated at the hands of a superior force exerted on behalf of an unjust and unrighteous cause. What becomes of national HONOR then?”—NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER, President of Columbia University.