

# The power of words: liberating or damaging?

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"Information is Ammunition" campaign, Canadian Journalists for Free Expression, 2014.

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*"The press is called the Fourth Estate. It is definitely a power, but, to misuse that power is criminal."*

*Gandhi (1869-1948).*

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## Nouns

- an awareness campaign une campagne de sensibilisation
- citizen journalism le journalisme citoyen
- a counterpower un contre-pouvoir
- disinformation la désinformation
- a telephoto lens un téléobjectif
- a strap une sangle
- a submachine gun une mitraillette
- the tabloid press la presse à sensation
- a tripod un trépied
- a weapon une arme

## Adjectives

- lethal mortel(le)

## Verbs

- to misuse [sth] faire mauvais usage de [qqch]
- to keep in check garder sous contrôle
- to make people aware of [sth] amener les gens à prendre conscience de [qqch]
- to misinform désinformer

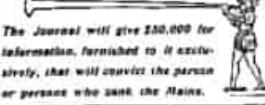
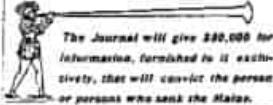
## Express your opinion

- It seems to me that... J'ai l'impression que...
- In my opinion... Selon moi,...
- I guess (that)... Je pense que...
- I would say (that)... Je dirais (que)...
- Everything suggests that... Tout laisse à penser que...

# Another colour of journalism? Are "fake news" a brand new phenomenon?

**\$50,000 REWARD.—WHO DESTROYED THE MAINE?—\$50,000 REWARD.**

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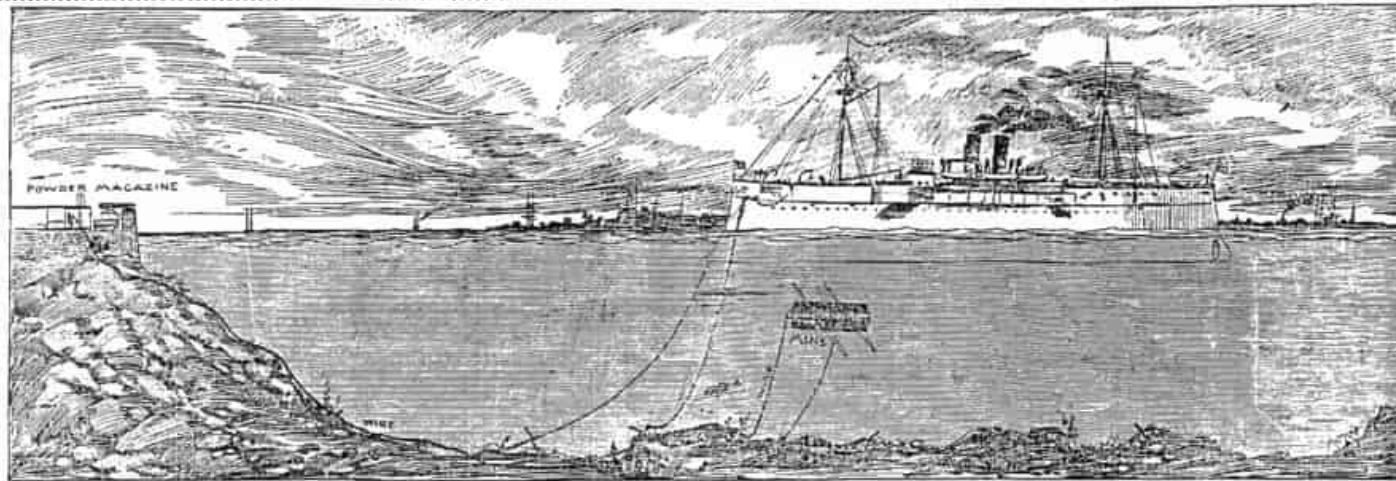
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### NAVAL OFFICERS THINK THE MAINE WAS DESTROYED BY A SPANISH MINE.

George Eugene Bissell, the Journal's special correspondent at Havana, cables that it is the secret opinion of many Spaniards in the Cuban capital that the Maine was destroyed and 250 of her men killed by means of a submarine mine, or fixed torpedo. This is the opinion of several American naval authorities. The Spaniards, it is believed, arranged to have the Maine anchored over one of the harbor mines. Wires connected the mine with a powder magazine, and it is thought the explosion was caused by sending an electric current through the wire. If this can be proven, the brutal nature of the Spaniards will be shown by the fact that they waited to spring the mine until after all the men had retired for the night. The Maine cross in the picture shows where the mine may have been fired.

Hidden Mine or a Sunken Torpedo Believed to Have Been the Weapon Used Against the American Man-of-War—Officers and Men Tell Thrilling Stories of Being Blown Into the Air Amid a Mass of Shattered Steel and Exploding Shells—Survivors Brought to Key West Scout the Idea of Accident—Spanish Officials Protest Too Much—Our Cabinet Orders a Searching Inquiry—Journal Sends Divers to Havana to Report Upon the Condition of the Wreck.