

This many-sided marvel rules everywhere. We have plucked the heart out of the great mystery and we stand to-day on the eve of great conquests, possessing the great conquering power which has been transmitted to us by the Creator of all things. Naturally, we respect the institutions inherited from former ages, but still more we should respect our capacity to create other institutions which shall more fully express our aspirations, and better serve every high human purpose.

There is money enough in the world to pay men to give their best thoughts in this direction. Most of us remember when a millionaire was a curiosity. Thousands of past inventions and discoveries occasion our gratitude and thanks, and we should not forget the "One Mind" that controls the universe and holds the planets in their places. Have we been but dreaming in the past, and are we thoroughly awake even now? For hath He not said, through St. Paul the Apostle, "Eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither hath entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." This does not mean, as so many imagine, that all this is to be revealed in the hereafter—but now! But there is a condition, and that is the greatest thing in the world—love. And the greater and truer our love, the more rapidly all will be revealed to us. David said, "Lift up your heads ye gates." So may we exclaim and act, we in our richness of the privileges of life; rich in luxuries; rich in comforts; rich in blessings; rich in companionships and friendships; rich in the gospel of salvation, which has never advanced in price, free to all; rich in the prospects of a better inheritance. Lift up your heads, acquit yourselves like men, measure up to the possibilities of your original creation in the image of your Creator, and only a little lower than the angels, and exclaim:—

"For all that is, and for all that was,
And ever more shall be,
Thank God our Heavenly Father,
Each day on bended knee."

Now, Mr. Chairman, we live in a great country; we *are* a great people; we acknowledge no superior; we live under the folds of a great flag, that we should all be proud to follow; that flag represents our nationality and our faith. It is the flag of three crosses, whose attributes are sacrifice, mercy and benevolence. This flag is the hope of the oppressed. It has often been assailed, but has always been carried to a triumphant place.

"Ever victorious over the world,
Honour it, stick to it, keep it unfurled.
It shall not be beaten, round it we'll stand,
The flag of old Britain, the flag of this land.

For centuries it's floated on high,
On earth and on sea, against the blue sky.
True sailors and soldiers it never will lack,
The flag of old Britain, the old Union Jack."