

the law which proceeds from the throne of God, and more certain than the path of the planets around the sun, is that strong moral law which says that nations derived from the same source, speaking the same language, worshipping the same God under the same form, glorying in their centuries of splendid history in common, shall stand and march and, if need be, fight side by side for justice and truth and righteousness. It is to that union that I apply the words of your household poet:

Sail on, O Union, strong and great!
Humanity, with all its fears,
With all the hopes of future years,
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!

Sail on, nor fear to breast the sea!
Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee,
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers, our tears,
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears,
Are all with thee,—are all with thee!

Please God the day may soon come.