

him in the forum. He must be seen at one of our grand national assemblies, in touch with his own ideas, and whose passions have already been stirred by powerful appeals. It is then that he assumes a new *rôle* — that he enters into the sentiments and feelings of the masses, embodying the sensations that sway them, in language unequalled for nobleness and dignity. Synthetically, he concentrates in his own poetic and eloquent nature the patriotic and religious aspirations breathed by all around him, and pours forth a lava tide of words burning with enthusiasm and figurative as few but him can make their words. On occasions of paramount national importance, the solemnity of the ceremony confers on him a representative character, and an individuality which combine all the elements that stir to their