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INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION.

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I call you my brethren being a member of the Middle Temple, although I would so address all the members of the Bar throughout the world. I thank you for permitting me, who am somewhat an intruder, to address you on the aims of the International Bar Association, which I am so fortunate as to represent as president this year. The Association has great ambitions, although it was born in the Far East, where the institution of Bar Association is not so fully developed, nor so thoroughly appreciated as on this Continent of North America. It is a very good omen for the future of the International Bar Association that it is being introduced into the Domain of Common Law jurisprudence, as represented by your Bar Association, whose destiny I maintain is to lead the world as peace-makers.

Although I cannot speak with adequate force in an adopted language, I hope to be able to make clear to you some ideas as to the importance and possibilities of the International Bar Association, in order that you may be persuaded to take some action to make the work of the Association our common enterprise.

The broad object of the Association as stated in the constitution is: "To promote justice by the co-operation of the members of the Bar throughout the world." This clause is concise, yet comprehensive enough to cover such aims as may be cherished for the purpose of advancing the interests of the Association, whose ultimate aspiration it is to attain the permanent peace of the world by the power of a commonly accepted standard of justice.

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