Lord! but their doom and destruction is foretold. The way of the Kings of the East is being prepared, and the Orient is bright with coming splendour. God's ancient people shall yet be restored to their own land, and with them the fulness of the Gentiles. Then shall the loud acclaim of ransomed millions celebrate the pæans of Messian's triumphs in one glorious Hallelujah;—the waves shall lift up their voices,—the earth sound loud its song, "The Lord God Omnipotent reigneth! The kingdoms of this world are become the Kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign for ever and ever!"

My duty has been very imperfectly discharged; but my task is done.— Let me add a word in conclusion. The Past with its humiliations has been mourned over; we have rejoiced in the anticipations of the Future; but there is a Present duty with us still: let us arm ourselves for effort, in faith in God's Word, and in earnest prayer for His blessing; and let us sing as we have never yet sung, in Heber's glowing verse:

Waft, waft ye winds His story,
And you, ye waters, roll,
Till, like a sea of glory,
It spreads from pole to pole;
Till o'er our ransomed nature
The Lamb for sinners slain,
REDEEMER, KING, CREATOR,
In bliss returns to reign.

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