

“of geographical and astronomical science,” but who will gain in that field, as many laurels, as they have heretofore in the field of glory; who, instead of rearing crosses, burying coins, and engraving names, are destined, we trust, to plant the standards of a Republican nation along the endless shores of the vast Pacific, not as the barren emblems of nominal sovereignty, but as signals both of power and protection, of law, knowledge, civilization, and liberty.