

Greece, during her period of national distinction, devoted her time and energies to the development of learning. So great success crowned her efforts that even to-day throughout the world the very mention of her name associates the mind with the home of knowledge, yet Greece with all her wisdom degenerated into one of the basest of states.

It was with the Hebrews that religion had its birth and development, but for centuries the guardians of this sacred trust have been scattered to the four corners of the earth and the place that once knew them knows them as a nation no more.

Rome sacrificed liberty, Greece sacrificed religion, the Hebrews sacrificed the manly arts and each in its turn tottered and fell, not however, without leaving its impression upon the world. The three great ideas—religion, liberty, and social law, which the Hebrews, Greeks and Romans respectively cherished, have been united to form the foundation upon which the Anglo-Saxon is rearing his national structure.

Trial by jury, Magna Charta, Free Parliaments, Habeas Corpus and Bill of Rights, all tell of a continuous struggle in which Liberty was the prize sought for and the Anglo-Saxon the winner. 'Twas this spirit of liberty that, burning in the breast of Hampden, made him dare to defy the mandates of King Charles; 'twas this spirit of liberty that sent the Pilgrim Fathers across the stormy Atlantic to seek for themselves homes amidst the forest wilds of a new continent; and 'twas liberty that Pitt, Burke, Wellington, Washington and Lincoln were called upon to defend.

It is with the Anglo-Saxon that Christianity has flourished and is to-day bearing fruit. What other race of people has ever shown such a marked desire to civilize the dark nations of the earth? What other race is so ready to accept responsibility for the ignorant, degraded and suffering, or to make generous self-sacrifice in their behalf? The Anglo-Saxon, through his organized society for uplifting humanity, has sacrificed more blood and treasure than all other nations combined and has, through his persistent endeavors, encircled the globe with the light of Christianity.