

JOHN AND SEBASTIAN CABOT.

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Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen :

Patriotism is a sentiment, a disposition of the heart, and finds many and widely different modes of exemplification and expression, as shouting, ringing bells, firing cannon, processions, fasting and prayer, music, raising monuments, and erecting arches, &c.

The celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the declaration of American independence, and the world's fair at Chicago, commemorative of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Columbus, as well as the recent dedication of the tomb of General Grant, and the erection of a beautiful equestrian statue of George Washington, were acts indicative of a noble patriotism. Notwithstanding the history of the world shows a great preponderance of military hero-worship, rather than tributes to the grand heroes and leaders in the domain of ideas, yet there is much to encourage the thought that the grade of learning, of civilization, of philosophy and religious ethics now foreshadowed, to distinguish the past from the future, will more and more predominate, to determine that the world's greater heroes are those whose labors culminate in producing the greatest degree of universal peace and happiness without bloodshed and terror.

In this brief paper it is as impossible as unnecessary, and out of place, to attempt to produce a polished literary gem. History, however, is more than a mere chronological statement of facts. In its broader conception it must embrace