

the Order and her desire to promote its development by all means in her power.

And so standing at the parting of the ways, and looking back and looking forward, we may feel that we have much, very much to be thankful for, and that not less for the opposition which made us build our foundation securely than for the encouragement and gratitude which has so greatly cheered us.

A great field lies before us and every motive urges us to advance with courage to occupy it. I do not think that any of us will ever have reason to regret being identified with a movement which is proving itself to be so truly patriotic.

Once more then, "*Fortuna Sequatur.*"

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