

"THE KINGDOM'S KING."

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The theme upon which I am privileged to speak this evening is the most exalted, the most ennobling, the most truly inspiring theme upon which the tongue of man or angel could dilate. What a happy thing it was that the first note of this convention was struck in that clear and inspiring tone by your excellent and beloved Bishop—"There is another King, one Jesus." And what a happy foresight that the closing note of this convention is just of the same tone—"The Kingdom's King."

Let me say it out, boldly, plainly, unmistakably: "The Kingdom's King" is "the Man Christ Jesus."

"All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let Angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!"

He is the King. It was necessary, it was the divine order, it was the purpose of the Father, that man should reign over the great Kingdom into which the world should eventually evolve itself; and there was a deep, and I may say an awful, philosophy in this purpose, in its annunciation, in its working-out and realization. "For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die; even so in Christ shall all be made alive." As man by his own hand wrought his own ruin, laid hold impiously upon the great and pure virtues that Almighty God had given him, and never ceased till he brought them down in one tremendous ruin about his head, so it was the divine and holy, the wise and loving purpose of the Creator that man should recover the lost inheritance, man should buy back the forfeited paradise, man should establish and reign and rule over the Kingdom that should spread from pole to