

hope that you will accept—will honor us by accepting—the honor which it is our desire to confer.

The Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain:

I have this afternoon made you a very long speech and I promise not to say more than a few words now.

First of all, let me say that I accept with the greatest pleasure the offer which has just been announced and I shall be proud to reckon myself in the future a member of the American Bar Association. I think it is appropriate that it should be so; and this intimation, coming unexpectedly to me, makes me feel that there is a response coming at once to the appeal I have been making to all my fellow lawyers to consider ourselves as one body.

And let me thank the mover of the resolution for the eloquent words which he spoke, and express my own sincere hope that the gospel I came here to preach—this gospel which has something new in it as regards the sanctions of international law, something new based in the experience of recent events in Europe—may lead to a further development of the general conscience, which will bring about the result we all desire.

And now I thank you for this splendid welcome and as I go back over the Atlantic I shall carry with me the memory of this great meeting as long as I live.