

to subvert these ^{or qualities} tests, to facilitate the acquisition of knowledge, and to promote their comfort and happiness in any way. But great as shall be the luxury of these achievements of science, it will be surpassed immeasurably by the moral virtues we shall put in their possession. The great battles of public opinion will have been fought and won for them. Existences which have agonized Christendom for centuries will have been settled. Customs and systems which once tortured millions will have given way & before this enlightened conviction and benevolent labors of a Christian eye. Slavery no more will have ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~plunged~~ ^{plunged} ~~into~~ ^{into} ~~its~~ ^{its} ~~own~~ ^{own} ~~prolongation~~ ^{prolongation} from before its sunrise and fallen from the its lost hiding place in the civilized world. Intemperance, ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~its~~ ^{its} ~~own~~ ^{own} ~~evil~~ ^{evil} ~~will~~ ^{will} ~~have~~ ^{have} ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~driven~~ ^{driven} ~~from~~ ^{from} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~earth~~ ^{earth} ~~as~~ ^{as} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~evil~~ ^{evil} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~abominable~~ ^{abominable} ~~fighting~~ ^{fighting}, Popery or Superstition will have lost their hold upon the most proud populations of Christendom, and the masses of the people everywhere will have ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~assembled~~ ^{assembled} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~a~~ ^a ~~level~~ ^{level} ~~they~~ ^{they} ~~never~~ ^{never} ~~before~~ ^{before} ~~reached~~ ^{reached}. Golden and glorious future! How beautiful ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~it~~ ^{it} ~~looks~~ ^{looks}, ~~as~~ ^{as} ~~seen~~ ^{as} ~~through~~ ^{as} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~setting~~ ^{setting} ~~sunlight~~ ^{sunlight} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~future~~ ^{future} ~~years!~~ ^{years!} How happy will ^{be} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~lot~~ ^{lot} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~its~~ ^{its} ~~first~~ ^{first} ~~generations~~ ^{generations}. How all the great and benighted minds of our age are working to embrace their happiness and ~~advance~~ ^{advance} ~~this~~ ^{this} ~~progress~~ ^{progress}! ~~One~~ ^{One} ~~might~~ ^{might} ~~feel~~ ^{feel} ~~that~~ ^{that} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~whole~~ ^{whole} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~faculties~~ ^{faculties} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~human~~ ^{human} ~~vision~~ ^{vision} ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~all~~ ^{all} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~around~~ ^{around} ~~an~~ ^{an} ~~outlet~~ ^{outlet} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~Christendoms~~ ^{Christendoms} ~~present~~ ^{present} ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~stimulated~~ ^{stimulated} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~sleepless~~ ^{sleepless} ~~activity~~ ^{activity} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~erect~~ ^{erect} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~generate~~ ^{generate} ~~a~~ ^a ~~better~~ ^{better} ~~world~~ ^{world} ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~them~~ ^{them} ~~than~~ ^{than} ~~we~~ ^{we} ~~have~~ ^{have} ~~inherited~~ ^{inherited}: that a world into which the holiest Moses of our day may only look into from a distance, as the Hebrew leader looked ~~down~~ ^{down} ~~from~~ ^{from} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~peaks~~ ^{peaks} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~mountains~~ ^{mountains} ~~into~~ ^{into} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~low~~ ^{low} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~valley~~ ^{valley} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~world~~ ^{world} ~~whose~~ ^{whose} ~~misery~~ ^{misery} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~howling~~ ^{howling} ~~he~~ ^{he} ~~might~~ ^{might} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~hear~~ ^{hear}. Oh that good time coming - coming so near that we are almost near the footsteps of its first years. - ~~we~~ ^{we} ~~hope~~ ^{hope} ~~some~~ ^{some} ~~day~~ ^{day} ~~we~~ ^{we} ~~shall~~ ^{shall} ~~have~~ ^{have} ~~faith~~ ^{faith} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~width~~ ^{width} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~faith~~ ^{faith} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~believe~~ ^{believe} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~great~~ ^{great} ~~evils~~ ^{evils} ~~with~~ ^{with} ~~which~~ ^{with} ~~we~~ ^{we} ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~confronted~~ ^{confronted} ~~will~~ ^{will} ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~unknown~~ ^{unknown}. ~~But~~ ^{But} ~~we~~ ^{we} ~~shall~~ ^{shall} ~~confront~~ ^{confront} ~~them~~ ^{them} ~~before~~ ^{before} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~clock~~ ^{clock} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~centuries~~ ^{centuries} ~~strikes~~ ^{strikes} ~~twenty~~ ^{twenty}. ~~That~~ ^{That} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~first~~ ^{first} ~~morning~~ ^{morning} ~~sun~~ ^{sun} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~that~~ ^{that} ~~future~~ ^{future} ~~shall~~ ^{shall} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~rise~~ ^{rise} ~~on~~ ^{on} ~~a~~ ^a ~~tyrannical~~ ^{tyrannical} ~~rule~~ ^{rule} ~~set~~ ^{set} ~~on~~ ^{on} ~~a~~ ^a ~~slave~~ ^{slave}.

Looking at the spontaneous impulses of the public mind of Christendom, at all the tendencies, dispositions, and ^{aspirations} ~~polices~~ ^{polices} of the its great ~~communities~~ ^{communities} of nations, which have been

developed in the last ten ³ years one would think that the
future near future was all well & plenty might very close upon
the Millennium promised in Scripture. That the great communities
of Europe and America are level by that term might allow to
that the first stage of ~~that condition~~ ^{that} of peace, good will and brotherhood which
one to make one of the blessed conditions of the Millennium, except in
one simple single direction all the great enterprises are activities &
our day have worked to this end. Commerce has been released from the
restrictions that weigh it to its ~~weight~~ ^{weight} to the earth, and it is work
as it never did before to ~~intend~~ ^{serve} the material interest, & ~~no~~ ^{no} ~~divides~~
nations into ~~a~~ ^{real} ~~living~~ ^{living} ~~fibres~~ ^{fibres} a living web to interlink ~~no~~ ^{no} ~~divides~~
nations in a living web of material interests. The electric telegraph, the
decorative telegraph or ocean steam, or physics, day are accepted
until ~~the~~ ~~world~~ ~~is~~ ~~united~~ ~~by~~ ~~the~~ ~~interlinking~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Atlantic~~
have multiplied until ~~now~~ ~~we~~ ~~are~~ ~~one~~ ~~interest~~ ~~in~~ ~~any~~ ~~even~~ ~~with~~
the ~~network~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~web~~ ~~of~~ ~~a~~ ~~net~~ ~~work~~ ~~of~~ ~~veins~~ ~~pulsating~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~life~~
intelligence from people to people. Populations of different languages are
brought into interest & respect by with each other with ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~eye~~ ~~or~~
are ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~thing~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~kind~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~one~~ ~~set~~ ~~on~~
foot on purpose to ~~strengthen~~ ~~the~~ ~~friend~~ ~~ship~~ ~~between~~ ~~the~~ ~~noble~~ ~~sentiment~~ ~~and~~
to make the nations feel that their oneness of interest. The Great

International Exhibitions of Art and Industry all tend to the same
same object. These crystal Palaces with about the almost celestial
glory as gardens are the ~~temples~~ ^{temples} ~~in~~ ~~which~~ ~~nations~~ ~~gather~~
with each other and celebrate the ~~congratulation~~ ^{congratulation} of not the colour of years.

In addition to all these instruments of ~~union~~ ^{union} we see the two
most powerful nations in the world, who have filled centuries of
their history with the record of bloody wars now nothing but in hand
in close co-partnership, and bent to work often by ~~new~~ ~~means~~ ~~and~~
ties, that are now ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~which~~ ~~must~~ ~~draw~~ ~~them~~ ~~more~~ ~~and~~ ~~more~~ ~~close~~
together in all way than.

Now these are the very conditions
on which statesmen and plutocrats have looked forward to with
predication the perpetual peace of nations. These are the conditions
which the inspired prophecies of Holy Writ seem to describe as if
preliminary to that the rehabilitation of these wretched creatures
for humanity in the coming days of the race. But side by side
with these conditions of peace progress and justice, there stands a stupendous
incongruity that darkens their promise, or thwarts their issue. It

This ~~is~~ ^{is} one great antagonistic anomaly is the present arm-system of Christendom, or what is sometimes called the arm-peace policy. All other ~~systems~~ ^{systems} habits or institutions of a barbarous age have one melting way before the sun of civilization ~~and~~ ^{Christian civilization} and an arctic melting, ~~but they stand~~ ^{stand} ~~strong~~ ^{strong} like an island of ice in a sea of fire melting away even outside the boundary of Christendom. Serpents has dissolved before the rays of that rising sun. Other ~~forms~~ ^{forms} of wrong systems that have departed ~~off~~ ^{off} as dark as the history of that past, or deepening.

But here stands ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~base~~ ^{base} of this war-system ~~turning~~ ^{turning} over ~~Christ~~ ^{Christ} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~attitude~~ ^{attitude}, and ~~speaking~~ ^{speaking} ~~you~~ ^{you} ~~to~~ ^{to} a gentle spirit ~~through~~ ^{through} the ~~words~~ ^{words} of public opinion that steadily ~~unleashes~~ ^{unleashes} ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~count~~ ^{count} ~~away~~ ^{away} other selfish ~~edifices~~ ^{edifices} structures of progress antiquity, seemingly have not ~~broken~~ ^{broken} a stem in this tremendous edifice. ~~I~~ ^I ~~would~~ ^{would} ~~deprecate~~ ^{deprecate} ~~as~~ ^{as} ~~if~~ ^{if} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~spirit~~ ^{spirit} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~best~~ ^{best} ~~great~~ ^{great} ~~real~~ ^{real} ~~advances~~ ^{advances} before ~~them~~ ^{them} ~~pled~~ ^{pled} ~~over~~ ^{over} ~~power~~ ^{power} by the moral ~~crisis~~ ^{crisis} of ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~age~~ ^{age}. Had ~~given~~ ^{given} ~~them~~ ^{them} ~~power~~ ^{power} to this beast, each breathing into its being its own vicious vitality, and perpetuating in its action ~~our~~ ^{our} ~~inferior~~ ^{inferior} ~~its~~ ^{its} ~~own~~ ^{own} ~~bad~~ ^{bad} ~~characteristics~~ ^{characteristics}.

This, then, is the great overruling anomaly of our age. I am confident it is so regarded not only by the hopeful and active men who have labored so long to ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~overthrow~~ ^{overthrow} other evil institutions and customs, but ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~less~~ ^{less} ~~that~~ ^{that} the foremost statesmen of Christendom are unconscious of its dangerous inconcomity with the spirit of the times and with the few safety and prosperity of nations. The most liberal and enlightened governments feel doubtless that they are drifting deeper ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~deeper~~ ^{deeper} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~deeper~~ ^{deeper} into these tremendous ~~expansions~~ ^{expansions} for ~~now~~ ^{now} ~~amounts~~ ^{amounts} and ~~more~~ ^{more} ~~them~~ ^{them} ~~as~~ ^{as} yet see where or when the fatal tide will ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~influence~~ ^{influence} that is ~~braving~~ ^{braving} ~~them~~ ^{them} ~~toward~~ ^{toward} ~~a~~ ^a ~~lee~~ ^{lee} ~~shore~~ ^{shore} ~~will~~ ^{will} ~~change~~ ^{change}. It ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~no~~ ^{no} ~~one~~ ^{one} ~~say~~ ^{say} ~~or~~ ^{or} ~~believe~~ ^{believe} ~~that~~ ^{that} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~friends~~ ^{friends} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~peace~~ ^{peace} ~~proper~~ ^{proper} ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~only~~ ^{only} ~~persons~~ ^{persons} ~~or~~ ^{or} ~~that~~ ^{that} ~~they~~ ^{they} ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~opposed~~ ^{opposed} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~a~~ ^a ~~thousand~~ ^{thousand} ~~compared~~ ^{compared} ~~with~~ ^{with} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~whiskies~~ ^{whiskies} ~~whom~~ ^{whom} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~army~~ ^{army} ~~peace~~ ^{peace} ~~policy~~ ^{policy} ~~has~~ ^{has} ~~ostracized~~ ^{ostracized}. It has ~~shamed~~ ^{shamed} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~disappointed~~ ^{disappointed} the expectations and predictions of the first men whom the whole

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civilized world has venerated for thousands of years, as the fountain of wisdom and virtue. Just in proportion as the commerce between nations shall increase, will the dangers of war between them be diminished, was an anxious warning of Sir Robert Peel in the closing concluding days of the great struggle for free trade in Com. Surely that proposition is so thoroughly founded in common sense that one might call it a simple truism, plain & simple, and as some think of despatch that two and two make four, as of denying its correctness and propriety. Well, good Unfettered Commerce, let it have free course by sea and land, let no workman's knees be worn out by journeying upon the 'wicket-woman's' wheels, and it will reunite the nations together in a vast web of brotherhood, the second era never ending. That was the language of statesmen just in figurative physiognomy. The nations that would trade with each other on these must likely to come to blows. Well, did Commerce see the world beyond, can have such a decade for its effacement, as during the last ten years? What a glorious triumph it has won over the long and proud parts of France, bringing two great nations, hitherto which had set the two for centuries side by side with ~~used~~ ^{mutually} doors against each other's productions, into the infinite partnership of friendly trade. We will not ask the President of the United States, Gladstone or Bright what is his opinion of the 'inevitable continuity and union' of this new commercial bond, but ask any British statesman, of any political conviction, to if Sir Robert Peel's message of 1846 would not hold good in this case, and that the new commercial constitution between France and ~~England~~ ^{the} the dangers of war were between France and England ~~has been~~ ^{would be} diminished just in proportion as they recent treaty will extend the commerce between the two countries? We might go further, and ask of the most sincere and determined instrumental opponent of free trade, if he thinks it possible that a time will come when the ~~people~~ ^{popular} people of these two great industrial countries, having for a long period enjoyed all the mutual and equal benefits of ~~unfettered~~ ^{unfettered} unfettered commerce with each other, will ask or wish to return to the old restriction régime? It is very doubtful if any honest mind more of intelligence in these realms could be ~~found~~ ^{found} ~~would~~ ^{would} ~~system~~ ^{system} to take that for his position, or even to deny that the industrial population