

heart beats in my bosom that throws the warm current from the center to the extremes, so long as a single pulsation lasts in my veins, so long will this manifestation and its incidents remain fresh and green in my memory. [Great applause.]

I do hope and believe that an era of good-will is announced. Men begin to feel kindlier and nearer to each other. I think that if the South had more contact with the North—recent developments and manifestations have satisfied me of that fact—they would be nearer one people! If the South could be made to feel that the government designed doing them no injustice it would be shown that no difficulties exist between the sections to prevent unity—for the great mass of the people—North and South—feel kindly towards each other. A little more of the friction of contact would rub off the ruggedness of differences, and all that now seems inharmonious be reconciled.

I trust in God that the difficulties through which we are now passing are designed to prepare us for the maturity of a great, permanent and progressive government. I am not willing to conclude that this government has filled its mission. I think it has a great work to perform. We are extending our possessions, our power, and, though some may be opposed to the extension of our jurisdiction, yet it is my honest conviction that the great principles of the constitution are so all-reaching that if they be carried out properly, the whole civilized world could be made to work under them harmonious in its sphere. [Great cheering.] It is only the impediments that have been thrown in the way that make difficulty. We have legislated too much, and tried to make too much law. The popular mind seems to have taken the direction of invention. If we were to cease inventing and direct the mind to discovery, to finding out what law is, and after ascertaining that, conform our actions to it, we would then find all going on harmoniously. The North can work in harmony with the South, and the South with the North. Each State can work in harmony with the Federal government, and the Federal government with the States. The parts are essential to the whole, and the whole to the parts. The law that controls the government must be ab-