

"EVEN so doth GOD protect us if we be
Virtuous and wise. Winds blow, and waters roll,
Strength to the brave, and Power, and Deity;
Yet in themselves are nothing! One decree
Spake laws to *them*, and said that by the soul
Only, the Nations shall be great and free."

WORDSWORTH.

"As men in proportion to their moral advancement
learn to enlarge the circle of their regards; as an ex-
clusive affection for our relations, our clan, or our
country, is a sure mark of an unimproved mind, so is
that narrow and unchristian feeling to be condemned
* * * * which cares for no portion of the human race,
but that to which itself belongs."—DR. ARNOLD.

"No man can, by care-taking, as the Scripture saith,
add a cubit to his stature in this little model of a man's
body; but in the great frame of kingdoms, and common-
wealths, it is in the power of princes or estates to add
amplitude and greatness to their kingdoms. For by
introducing such ordinances, constitutions, and customs
as are wise, they may sow greatness to their posterity
and successors."—LORD BACON.

ORATION.

THIS day is the festival of our national independ-
ence; the day of all the year dedicated to joy,
thanksgiving, the sober thought of national respon-
sibility, and the earnest pondering upon future
destinies. Let us accept the delights and privileges
it proffers us; tempering the elastic joy of youth
with the calmer reflection of maturer years, and the
sage wisdom of age.

I occupy the position to which you have appointed
me with reluctance, and stand here to fulfil its
duties with painful diffidence; for the brief period
given me by the Committee has not afforded me
time to prepare for the duty of the day in a manner
adapted to the occasion, nor with justice to myself:
and, therefore, I am sure there will be no expecta-
tion of pleasing oratory here, nor of the high grati-
fication which it affords. Perhaps, however, the
simple words and the plain thoughts I may present
to you may find rather a more attentive ear,
especially from more sober years and minds.

For you will remember that the first anniversaries
of this Republic have passed away: and the warm
exuberance of new-born nationality has given place
to care, to thought, to the consciousness of burdened
duty, the weight of national responsibility, and the
heavy cares of citizenship and government. And,
therefore, we may more properly, at this time,
think about our duties and our obligations, as a

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