It was Hope! Jesus thought forth and declared to the world a Wise Saviour. He came forth in his greatness as a pioneer in the dark way, as a champion for freedom. He shone forth in his brightness. He the "Planet Star" upon the brow of night illuminating and permeating the gloom that hung over this western land until the darkness disappeared and the the flag of freedom waved in the breeze of Liberty.

And who shall say that all the conflicting elements have not been essential to advancement of the human mind.

The storms of nature are necessary to the growth and perfection of natures works. There must be seasons of storms as well as sunshine, the rain must beat upon the growing grains and the warm rays of the summer sun descend upon it in order that it may reach perfection against the time of harvest. And as in the natural so in the mental and ~~phys~~ spiritual. It is warfare and oppression that rouses men to action. Bind a man with chains and he strives to brake the shakles and be free, Confine in a strong tower is ever busy to invent a safe and effectual means of release. He will dare anything brave anything even death to escape from his prison h.

And thus it is with the human mind it feels even when the storm of oppression and persecution are hushed, it feels that there are other chains that bind it, it feels a restless yearning for something beyond this world and that restless yearning will not cease until it shall have reached the goal of its perfection. And it is rapidly progressing. What a change since

Now the brake over the long night of desolation that marked the dark ages of the world. What a change. The mist which warped the human mind is quietly passing away, the clouds of wrath are sinking lower and lower adown the horizon.

And what rapid strides has the human mind made since the dawning of the last century. It has searched deep into the secrets of Philosophy and science, and brought to light secret truth, freely and fearlessly it grapples with nature's elements, and shakes out the hidden causes by which effects are produced. It grasps the lightning and it becomes subservient to his will.