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L'esprit des temps rejoint ce que la mer sépare;
Le titre de famille est écrit en tout lieu.
L'homme n'est plus Français, Anglais, Romain, Barbare,
Il est concitoyen de l'empire de Dieu!
Les murs des nations s'écroulent en poussières,
Les langues de Babel retrouvent l'unité,
L'Evangile refait avec toutes ses pierres
Le temple de l'humanité!

Réjouissons-nous donc dans le jour qu'il nous prête;
L'aube des jours nouveaux fait poindre ses rayons,
Vous serez dans les temps, monts à la verte crête,
Un Sinaï de paix entre les nations!
Sous nos pas cadencés faisons sonner la terre,
Jetons nos gants de fer et donnons-nous la main,
C'est nous qui conduisons aux conquêtes du Père
Les colonnes du genre humain!

LAMARTINE.

Two verses from a Toast at a National Banquet of Gauls and Bretons at Abergavenny, September 25, 1838.

### TO THE MEMORY OF MY FRIENDS

### CHARLES ELIOT NORTON

AND

### JOHN HAY

WHO, EACH IN HIS OWN WAY, INFLUENCED

AMERICAN LIFE IN HIS TIME,

BOTH OF THEM PERFECT AND REPRESENTATIVE TYPES

OF

THE AMERICAN GENTLEMAN

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### PREFACE

SINCE the outbreak of the war, and more especially since the conclusion of the armistice, I have been advised to republish my book, The Expansion of Western Ideals and the World's Peace, which was first published in 1899 and has long since been out of print. It has been considered that that book throws some important light on the early conditions leading to the war, as well as on the momentous problems now before the world and approaching their final solution. The republication of that early work may also be justified, not only because it anticipates the foundation of a League of Nations, but because it looks to this consummation primarily through the intervention of the United States in the world's affairs, and, more especially, through the closer understanding and co-operation between the great English-speaking democracies. Furthermore, it may be maintained that some of the remarks on the foreign relations of the several European States and the position which the United States ought to take in the foreign affairs of the world, made at that time and under the conditions then prevailing, may be of some importance at the present juncture.

I should again like to publish here two letters from personal friends whom I consider to have been at that time the most representative of the two broadly differing, if not opposed, conceptions of America's position in the foreign affairs of the world, John Hay and Charles Eliot Norton.

Portions of these letters have already been republished in the Preface to the First American edition of my book Aristodemocracy, etc.