

relation with the United States remains wholly unimpaired and our intercourse with that Great Government has been characterized by mutual respect and confidence.

We have Especial cause for thankfulness that our people continue to manifest loyalty to our constitution and our laws. And that ever since the adoption there of there has been a marked desire by our people to adopt themselves to a constitutional government embodying wise and wholesome provisions for the better government of the people affording full protection to person and property and encouraging and leading up to a higher civilization which fosters religion stimulates improved agriculture and promotes a higher grade of education for our masses all of which develops the peaceful industries and virtues that will improve our condition as a Nation and as individuals from year to year and bring us nearer to the more advanced standard of intelligence power and influence of the people of the United states.

Let none of us be discouraged that our advancement in the science of government is slow the success of a few years since the adoption of the constitution is full of promise for the future let our best minds and our patriotic citizens devote their best abilities and energies to the steady improvement of our governmental system and they can rely confidently that their labours for the improvement and happiness of their