

## CONQUEST OF THE SOUTHWEST

lieved to be. Slavery has vanished, but the question involved in the presence of the negro in this country is still with us; it is one of our gravest problems and demands settlement from the best blood, the sanest thought and the highest patriotism of the Republic. Sometimes I despair of its satisfactory solution, and yet I know that in His own good time God will raise up a leader for us who will show us the way. Meantime, it behooves us, by our own honest consecrated endeavors, to do our best to fit ourselves at least to follow intelligently that leading when it comes.

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