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My dear friend

I have been thinking much lately of the
 progress of the world and the changes
 which are taking place in it. It seems
 as if we were living in a new era, and
 that the old order of things was passing
 away. I think that the world is
 becoming more and more united, and
 that the people of all nations are
 beginning to understand each other.
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