

The Improved Man will be self-poised, independent, candid and free. He will be a scientist. He will observe, investigate, experiment and demonstrate. He will use his sense and his senses. He will keep his mind open as the day to the hints and suggestions of nature. He will always be a student, a learner and a listener—a believer in intellectual hospitality.

In the world of his brain there will be continuous summer, perpetual seed-time and harvest. Facts will be the foundation of his faith. In one hand he will carry the torch of truth, and with the other raise the fallen.



Golden Thoughts.

- Liberty is cheap at any price.
- No party has a mortgage on me.
- I admit that the Republican party is not absolutely perfect.
- The army and the navy are the right and the left hands of the civil power.
- Governments should be for all, and should protect white and black alike.
- It makes all the difference whether a bankrupt or a banker signs a note.
- You can convince a man without killing him, but you can't kill him without convincing him.
- I know how vain it is to gild a grief with words, and yet I wish to take from every grave its fear.
- The old Democratic party followed the South and ate dirt for years, and they seem to like the diet.
- Neither do I believe it is possible to influence a solitary man who has got any sense, by slander or vituperation.

—We want honest money.

—A vast aggregate official appetite. (What was?)

—A greenback to-day is as good as gold. Who made it so?

—Where would we have been if we'd all been old bachelors?

—I think more of a black friend than I do of a white enemy.

—Six thousand millions dollars and 400,000 lives! What for?

—Democrats and Republicans have an equal interest in this country.

—Let us say, if our children do not live in a Republic, it shall not be our fault.

—Inflation means going into debt; contraction means the payment of the debt.

—The men who tried to tear her flag down will trample America's honor beneath their feet.

—Had it not been for the Republican party the old banner of stars and stripes would not now be floating in heaven.

—Libby and Andersonville, the two mighty wings that will bear the memory of the confederacy to eternal infamy.

—If a father can't protect his children at home, depend upon it, that old gentleman can't do much for them when they are abroad.

—There is an aristocracy in the South based on a trade in human beings. They are men who believed that lashes were a legal tender for a human being.

—Tammany Hall bears the same relation to the penitentiary that a Sunday-school does to the church.

—I believe in protecting American labor. I want the shield of my country above every anvil, above every furnace, above every cunning head and above every deft of American labor.

—From the wondrous tree of life the buds and blossoms fall with ripened fruit, and in the common bed of earth patriarchs and babes sleep side by side.

—Money has a great liking for money. A single dollar in the pocket of a poor man is lonesome; it never is satisfied until it has found its companions.

—Nature makes all the gold and all the silver, and the Nation coins the gold and coins the silver so that each man who sees it may know what it is worth.

—As a rule it is an exceedingly prosperous time in a man's life when he is getting into debt; as a rule it is an exceedingly hard time when he is paying this debt.

—Expansion is always at the expense of creditors, and when the wheel of fortune takes a turn, and contraction comes, that is always at the expense of the debtor.

—The kings of this (Wall) street were once poor, and they may be poor again.

—Well, when we get the tariff and office both out of politics, then, I presume, we will see two parties on the same side.

—The people of the North believe in honest dealing; the people of the North believe in free speech and in an honest ballot; the people of the North believe that this is a Nation; the people of the North hate treason; the people of the North hate forgery; the people of the North hate slander.

—Good character rests upon a record and not upon a prospectus. A man has a good or a bad character, by

what he has really done, by what he has really accomplished, and not by what he promises to do. If promises would make a good reputation, Samuel J. Tilden and the Democratic party would have one in twenty-four hours.

—This same Jacob Thompson whom the Democratic party shielded—this same man hired men to burn down the city of New York. Right in this great and splendid city of New York, that sits so like a queen on the Atlantic, men rose up in mobs to burn down asylums, simply because their walls sheltered the offspring of another race. Every one who raised his hand against these institutions should have had his brains crushed to atoms. It was a disgrace to humanity itself. Every man that was in that mob is to-night for Tilden, honesty and reform.

—The city of New York owes a great debt to the country. Every man that has cleared a farm has helped to build New York; every man who helped to build a railway helped to build up the palaces of this city. Where I am now speaking are the termini of all the railways in the United States. They all come here. New York has been built up by the labor of the country, and New York owes it to the country to protect the best interest of the country. The farmers of Illinois depend upon the merchants, the brokers and the bankers, upon the gentlemen of New York, to beat the rabble of New York. You owe to yourselves, you owe to the Republic, and this city that does the business of a hemisphere—this city that will in ten years be the financial center of this world—owes it to itself to be true

to the great principles that have allowed it to exist and flourish.

—No man has ever starved when his credit was good, if there was no famine in that country.

—The Republican party struggled until every paper promise was as good as gold.

—If my friends will not treat other people as well as the friends of the other people treat me, I'll swap friends.

—Any man that does not believe in free speech is a barbarian. Any State that does not support it is not a civilized State.

—As long as the Republican party lives this will be the asylum of the world. Let me tell you, Mr. Irishman, this is the only country on the earth where Irishmen have had enough to eat. Let me tell you, Mr. German, that you have more liberty here than you had in the Fatherland. Let me tell you, all men, that this is the land of humanity.

—Two years ago about two hundred and eighty-three convicts were in the penitentiary of Maine. Out of that whole number there was one Republican, and only one. (A voice, "Who was the man?") Well, I don't know, but he broke out. He said he didn't mind being in the penitentiary, but the company was a little more than he could stand.

—Good character cannot be made in a day; good character is made up of all good things; all the ennobling things accomplished go into this grand thing called character.

—I had rather trust a party than any man; so would you.

—Will you take the promise of Arkansas or of Massachusetts?

—There is not money enough in the veins of this world to tempt me to misstate evidence when a man is on trial for his life and liberty.

—So far as I am concerned, I had rather trust the miserly crevices of honest rocks for the money of this world than to leave it to any Congress ever assembled on earth.

—A Republican government is the very acme and height of national honor.

—I am willing to give to every human being every right that I claim for myself. Every man who won't do that is a rascal.

—In the ballot-box the vote of Dives; the vote of a wandering pauper counts the same as that of the millionaire.

—As well might you account for smallpox by saying that the first pustule was the cause of the disease. The failure of Jay Cooke & Co. was simply a symptom of the disease universal.

—The tariff affects every man and woman that has a back to be covered or a stomach to be filled.

—Death has not been a successful politician in the United States.

—Under that doctrine of State rights, such men as I see before me—bankers, brokers, merchants, gentlemen—were expected to turn themselves into hounds and

chase the poor fugitive that had been lured by the love of liberty and guided by the glittering Northern star.

—I like a black man who loves this country better than I do a white man who hates it. I think more of a black man who fought for our flag than for any white man who endeavored to tear it out of heaven. I like black friends better than white enemies. And I think more of a man black outside and white inside, than I do of one white outside and black inside.

—The Democratic party wanted you too keep your trade with the South, no matter to what depths of degradation you had to sink, and the Democratic party to-day says, if you want to sell your goods to the Southern people you must throw your honor and manhood into the streets. The patronage of the splendid North is enough to support the city of New York.

—Nothing has ever been money, from the most barbarous to the most civilized, unless it was a product of nature and a something to which the people among whom it passed as money attached a certain value, a value not dependent upon legislation in any degree. Nothing has ever been considered money that man could produce. A bank bill is not money, neither is a check nor a draft. These are all devices simply to facilitate business, but in and of themselves they have no value.

—A government that will not protect its protectors, a government that will not defend its defenders, is a disgrace to the nations of the earth, and the flag that will not protect them in her own country is a dirty rag that contaminates the air in which it floats.

—Man is the providence of man.

—The right of free speech is the priceless gem of the human soul.

—When a man hears what he knows to be true, he feels it, no matter what he says.

—I believe in the gospel of intelligence. That is the only lever capable of raising mankind. Intelligence must be the saviour of this world.

—There was a man tried in court for having murdered his own father and his own mother. He was found guilty, and the judge asked him, "What have you to say that sentence of death shall not be pronounced on you?" "Nothing in the world, judge," said he, "only I hope your honor will take pity on me and remember that I am a poor orphan."

—Gold gets its value from labor. Of course I can not account for the fact that mankind have a certain fancy for gold or for diamonds, neither can I account for the fact that we like certain things better than others to eat. These are simple facts in nature, and they are facts, whether they can be explained or not—which cannot be disregarded.

—I believe in the religion of the family. I believe that the roof-tree is sacred from the smallest fibre held in the soft, moist clasp of the earth to the little blossom on the top-most bough that gives its fragrance to the happy air. The family where virtue dwells with love is like a lily with a heart of fire—the fairest flower in all this world.

—Reason, Observation and Experience—the Holy Trinity of Science—have taught us that happiness is the only good; that the time to be happy is now, and the way to be happy is to make others so.

—Man never had an original idea, and he never will have one, except it be supplied to him by his surroundings. Nature gave man every idea he ever had in the world, and nature will continue to give man his ideas so long as he exists. No man can conceive of anything, the hint of which he had not received from the surroundings.

—Felling forests is not the end of agriculture. Driving pirates from the sea is not all there is of commerce.

—There are heroic women now. Think of the women who cling to fallen and disgraced husbands day by day, until they reach the gutter, and who stoop down to lift them from that position and raise them up to be men once more. Every country is civilized in proportion as it honors women. There are women in England working in mines, deformed by labor, that would become wild beasts were it not for the love they bear for home.

—I have no love for any man who ever pretended to own a human being. I have no love for a man that would sell a babe from a mother's throbbing, heaving, agonized breast. I have no respect for a man who considered a lash on the naked back as a legal tender for labor performed.

—I love every man who gave me, or helped to give me the liberty I enjoy to-night; I love every man who helped me put our flag in heaven. I love every man who has lifted his voice in any age for liberty, for a chainless

body and a fetterless brain. I love every man who has given to every other human being every right that he claimed for himself. I love every man who has thought more of principle than he has of position. I love the men who have trampled crowns beneath their feet that they might do something for mankind.

—There is but one test by which to measure any man who has lived. Did he leave this world better than he found it? Did he leave in this world more liberty? Did he leave in this world more goodness, more humanity, than when he was born?

—The holiest temple beneath the stars is a home that love has built. And the holiest altar in all the wide world is the fireside around which gather father and mother and children.

—We sit by the fireside and see the flames and sparks fly up the chimney—everybody happy, and the cold wind and sleet beating on the window, and out on the doorstep a mother with a child on her breast, freezing. How happy it makes a fireside, that beautiful contrast!

—The whole world doesn't move together in one life. There has to be some man to take a step forward and the people follow; and when they get where that man was, some other Titan has taken another step, and you can see him there on the great mountain of progress. That is why the world moves. There must be pioneers, and if nobody is right except he who is with the majority, then we must turn and walk toward the setting sun.

—There is a world of political wisdom in this: "England lost her liberty in a long chain of right reasoning from wrong principles;" and there is real discrimination

in saying: "The Greeks and Romans were strongly possessed of the spirit of liberty, but not the principles, for at the time they were determined not to be slaves themselves, they employed their power to enslave the rest of mankind."

—And I believe, too, in the gospel of liberty, in giving to others what we claim for ourselves. I believe there is room everywhere for thought, and the more liberty you give away, the more you will have. In liberty extravagance is economy. Let us be just. Let us be generous to each other.

—A gentleman walking among the ruins of Athens came upon a fallen statue of Jupiter. Making an exceedingly low bow, he said: "O Jupiter, I salute thee." He then added: "Should you ever get up in the world again, do not forget, I pray you, that I treated you politely while you were prostrate."

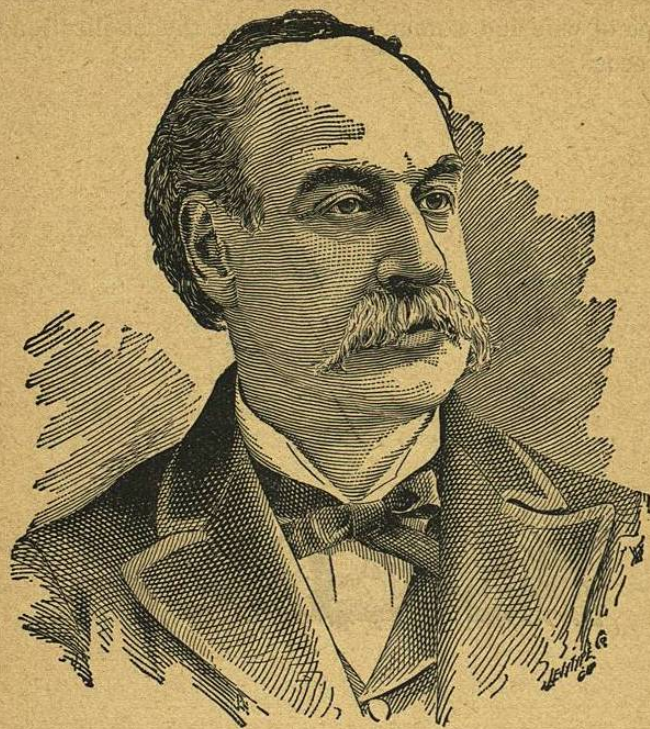
—What do you think would be the fate of agriculture depending on "the glare of volcanoes in the moon?"

—Recollect that everything except the demonstrated truth is liable to die. That is the order of nature. Words die. Every language has a cemetery. Every now and then a word dies and a tombstone is erected, and across it is written the word "obsolete." New words are continually being born. There is a cradle in which a word is rocked. A thought is molded to a sound, and the child-word is born. And then comes a time when a word gets old and wrinkled and expressionless, and is carried mournfully to the grave, and that is the end of it.

—Penelope waiting patiently and trustfully for her lord's return, delaying her suitors, while sadly weaving

and unweaving the shroud of Laerts, is the most perfect type of wife and woman produced by the civilization of Greece.

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Many children who are now being
educated by signs, have sufficient
hearing to be taught with the
Audiophone articulate speech
instead. Truly yours,
Paris, France R. Rhodes
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