handing, only a fool will express himself alike to all kinds and conditions of men.

Practice Exercise

The young leading the young is like the blind leading the blind; they will both fall into the ditch. The only sure guide is he who has often gone the road which you want to go. Let me be that guide; who has gone all roads, and who can consequently point out to the best. If you ask me why I went any of the bad roads myself; I will answer you truly; that it was for want of a good guide; ill example invited me one way, and a good guide was wanting to show me better. But if anybody, capable of advising me, had taken some pains with me which I have taken, and will continue to take, with you, I should have avoided many follies and inconveniences, which undirected youth ran me into.

Practice Exercise

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You hear every day greater number of foolish people speaking about liberty; as if it were such an honorable thing. So far from being that, it is, on the whole and in broadest sense, dishonorable and an attitude of the lower creatures. No human being, however great and powerful, was ever so free as a fish. There is always something that he must not do, while the fish may do whatever it likes. All the kingdoms of the world put together are not half so large as the sea, and all the rail roads and wheels that ever were, or will be invented, are not so easy as fins. You will find, on fairly thinking of it, that it is his restraint which is more, it is restraint which 1s honorable even in the lower animals. A butter fly is more free than a bee, but you honor the bee more just because it is subject to certain laws which fit it for orderly function in bee society. And throughout the world, of the two abstract things, liberty and restraint, restraint is always the more honorable.

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