

HORACE MANN'S QUOTES

A house without books is like a room without windows. No man has a right to bring up his children without surrounding them with books, if he has the means to buy them.

A human being is not attaining his full heights until he is educated.

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Be ashamed to die until you have won some victory for humanity.

Doing nothing for others is the undoing of ourselves.

Education alone can conduct us to that enjoyment which is, at once, best in quality and infinite in quantity.

Education is our only political safety. Outside of this ark all is deluge.

Education then, beyond all other devices of human origin, is the great equalizer of the conditions of men, the balance-wheel of the social machinery.

Every addition to true knowledge is an addition to human power.

Evil and good are God's right hand and left.

Generosity during life is a very different thing from generosity in the hour of death; one proceeds from genuine liberality and benevolence, the other from pride or fear.

Habit is a cable; we weave a thread of it each day, and at last we cannot break it.

If any man seeks for greatness, let him forget greatness and ask for truth, and he will find both.

If evil is inevitable, how are the wicked accountable? Nay, why do we call men wicked at all? Evil is inevitable, but is also remediable.

It is well to think well; it is divine to act well.

Jails and prisons are the complement of schools; so many less as you have of the latter, so many more must you have of the former.

Let us not be content to wait and see what will happen, but give us the determination to make the right things happen.

Lost, yesterday, somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two golden hours, each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward is offered for they are gone forever.

Manners easily and rapidly mature into morals.

Much that we call evil is really good in disguises; and we should not quarrel rashly with adversities not yet understood, nor overlook the mercies often bound up in them.

Resolve to edge in a little reading every day, if it is but a single sentence. If you gain fifteen minutes a day, it will make itself felt at the end of the year.

Scientific truth is marvelous, but moral truth is divine and whoever breathes its air and walks by its light has found the lost paradise.

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To pity distress is but human; to relieve it is Godlike.