

his work, he scamps his own character. Every time a man does less than his best, he weakens his own moral nature. Whatever be our sphere in life, we can be our best only by doing our best. So much of man's work and so much of woman's work seems trivial; but no useful work need be trivial. If we put our best into it, we will get the best out of it.

Then I appeal to you business men—you young fellows who are just entering upon your business career, and you men who are leaders of commerce, who have influence and control in the world of finance—take your business seriously. Think not of it merely as a means of making money, but as a means of serving Christ and lifting the moral tone of business relationships between man and man.

This is the age of commerce. The age of war has not yet passed, but it is passing, and the commercial age has come.

The men who dominate the world to-day, who have control over the lives of their fellow-beings, whether for good or evil, are not the great warriors, but the leaders of commerce, the great financiers. Some of us may resent this, but we have to take things as we find them. It is not an ideal state of society, but it is at least better than a society based on militarism.

Commerce is not an end in itself; the age of commerce is not the consummation of human history; it is not the last and best age; but it is the age in which we live; and the great need of