

I have been taught by ocular demonstration, and sad experience, the depravity of man; and the fallacy of looking for durable happiness in terrestrial things.

My own sufferings, have implanted within my breast, that sympathy for the distressed, which is better felt than described. Nakedness and poverty have once been my companions, and I shall not readily forget to lend a listening ear to the cries of the needy.

And I would exhort myself, and all my fellow men, by the extreme sufferings I have endured, to be ready at all times to "feed the hungry, and clothe the naked;" nor ever fail to extend the hand of charity for the assistance of the unfortunate.