

freedom. It may roam or fly in its own subjective realm—imagination—withersoever it would, but in the external, or objective, world its operations must meet with many obstructions, restraints and limitations. It must strive strenuously if it would dominate or sink into mediocrity, insignificance and obscurity. As a social unit in corporal form it is responsible to organized society as represented by the state. As a part of the infinite and eternal, it is in essence immortal; but whether its individuality will persist after dissolution or be lost in the infinite ocean of intelligence, I will not now venture an opinion.

When the chemico-physicist shall have succeeded in producing life spontaneously, let us hope his product will be not less intelligent and beneficent than natural life, whose methods and operations may sometimes seem imperfect and fallible because of the non-development by humanity of the mental powers with which it has been so richly endowed. This non-development, however, may be purposive and according to design—a world filled with intellectual giants and geniuses might be as disastrous to mankind as the deluge.