

but it is unfortunately not nearly as common as the more squalid form of penury which is endured in cheerless villages, or in the crowded, sunless and stuffy tenements of great cities.

Depend upon it, people know in their hearts, however they may preach, that it is an enormous advantage to

be rich, and that for the most part the races of this life are won by the two-legged men and not by the cripples, and its battles by the fellows with the regular allowance of fists. Hence nobody, if he can help it, goes to school at the much-belauded academy where Dame Poverty wields the birch.

