"I believe one reason," observes Sir Walter Scott, "why such numerous instances of erudition occur among the lower ranks is, that, with the same powers of mind, the poor student is limited to a narrower circle for indulging his passion for books, and must necessarily make himself master of the few he possesses before he can acquire more."

A head properly constituted can accommodate itself to any pillow which the vicissitudes of fortune may place under it.

He who is satisfied with himself is beyond the hope of improvement. He has the clay of earth without the fire of heaven.

A gentleman will neither trample on a worm nor cringe to a king.

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