

a fruitful example of the rewards resulting from enthusiasm and energy when applied steadily in one direction. His early death teaches us also that there is a limit to human effort and industry. Nothing is arranged according to our plans. The best workmen are called away before their work is finished. Great leaders fall while the band that follows them is still in the wilderness. Great teachers die and leave their disciples apparently paralyzed. What noble, fruitful lives in the scientific world are being struck down before their work is accomplished! How hard it seems when a great workman is called away in the midst of his life work; and yet could the light of divine wisdom and love fall upon and enlighten our view for an instant, we would see that it is only one of the indissoluble chains leading to a grand final result but whose accomplishment we are not permitted to see. Well is it for us if we can leave the result to Him and with trust and resignation murmur—Thy will be done. And if we look closely we are permitted to behold good arising from what appears to us confusion and disorder. The life of a great leader may be called a fruitful one. He gives to others an inspiration as a legacy when he falls in the midst of his work, and young and strong successors catch the burden from his dying hands and bring his plans to an accomplishment—to a fulness of accomplishment—that could never have been attained by the individual worker.

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