January.

1

Tuesday

(Date of Emancipation Proclamation. 1863.)

"The time had come when he who should untie the Gordian knot of Slavery was to appear. Thousands of the best and bravest had grappled with the problem in vain. Many a gallant knight had graven "Liberty," upon his helm, only to find himself sooner or later doing battle for slavery. The high and the low had been baffled. What seemed at the beginning of inevitable enigma had grown daily more intricate and difficult.

(Hot Plowshares. page 413.)

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Wednesday.

"From Mary's son till now the Messianic
spirit has never appeared beneath the low=
liest lintel. The Deliverer comes always from
the plain. The middle class — above the abject
poor, and below the soul-dwarfed — is that
which gives the world the men that overturn its
institutions, relieve its people from the
bondage of their past and open the gateway
of the future. The greatest of our mighty
men was one who stood among us in such
simple guise that even those who sat at
meat with him dreamed not of his great=
ness."

(Hon Plowshares. p/o. 417)

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3.

Thursday

Our government is but a partnership in which there are twenty millions of co-partners, each having equal privilege, equal power and equal responsibility.

(Letters to a King)

pp. 76

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4
Friday.

A woman,— a keen subtle woman with her wits sharpened by love,— may and frequently does, know a man's capacity better than he, himself.

(Figs and Thistles. p.p. 337)

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5-

Saturday

It is sometimes a good thing for a man to be told that he is a fool, especially when he knows it himself and half-suspects that others are not quite ignorant of it. It shows that he has found a tolerably scarce article in this world, - a really candid friend.

(Royal Gentleman, p. 6. 487)

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6
Sunday

For eighteen-hundred years, Christianity has striven to make comprehensible the problem of the God-man, Christ Jesus. Reason rejects the anomaly. Religion appeals to Faith, and flies to the Holy of Holies which is veiled from vulgar view by the mystic formula, - "2 believe."

(Royal Gentleman p.p. 253.)

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7

Monday

You cannot hire a substitute to do service for you in the conflict for liberty, nor leave what should be done to-day until tomorrow

(Letters to a King p.p. 81)

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8

Tuesday

The distance from Zero to unity is always in-finity.

(Bricks without Straw. p. 37)

The dead leader has always more followers than his living peer.

(A Fool's Errand. p. 124)

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9
Wednesday

Good laws may arm the citizen for the performance of his duty but no device will ever be invented that will permit him to relax his vigilance or intermit his care!

(Letters to King. Preface)

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10.—

Thursday

I was so unfortunate as to be ambitious. It was not sufficient for me to be simply a De Jeunette. I wanted power: not merely that of wealth, ownership, — the power of vast estates and ample possessions. I wanted some of that which rules and governs men.

(John Eax. p

January

11

Friday

Greece and Rome were not Republics in the sense of our day, and in their expanded growth did not propose to be at any time; Switzerland and San Marino were too limited in extent to offer any valuable examples; hence while professedly a Republic had been as unique and inimitable as her own island home.

(T. I Brooks without Shaw p. p 222)

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12

Saturday

The remedy for darkness is light; for ignorance, knowledge; for wrong righteousness.

(A Fool's Errand p.p. 346)

Mars and Cupid are poor joint-tenants. If one gets possession the other is rude to be locked out for the time.

(Hot Blowshores p.p. 273)

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13

Sunday

The touch of God's finger had sanctified all mankind to him. Unconsciously his hearers forgot what so many of them were seeking for and by the lips of his servant, the Nazarene taught again to willing hearts, the one great truth of his dispensation — the Brotherhood of Man.

(Figs & Thistles pp. 405)

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14
Monday.

It is usually better to meet an unpleasant necessity half-way, than wait until it forces itself upon you.

(A Fool's Errand. p.p. 55)

The moon was shining brightly now and the white snow-carpet was lighted up with a thousand sparkling star-shapes which relieved the whiteness with ever changing lights.

(Figs and Thistles. p.p. 304)

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15—

Tuesday

As tyranny lurks forever in the shadow of the throne, so anarchy lurks always within the verge of popular government

(Letters to a King. p. 33.)

How swiftly the tooth of Time gnaws away the inscriptions of Fame!

(A Fool's Errand p. 145)

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16
Wednesday

The boundless beatitude of love burst on her all at once. She had obeyed its dictates and tasted its bliss for days and weeks, quite unconscious of the rapture which filled her soul. Now it came like a great wave of light that overspread the earth and covered with a halo all that was in it.

(Bricks without Straw. pp. 322-3.)

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17

Thursday.

We had begun to realize the wisdom of Washington, when he referred to the dogma of "state rights," — as "that bantling — I like to have called that monster!"

(Bricks without Straw p.p. 352)

The struggle for good government is not an easy nor an intermittent one.

(Letters to a King p.p. 811)

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18

Friday.

(Daniel Webster born 1782)

The great Expounder stood before the listening multitude and with the threatening aspect of a fore that does not know his power has filed, proclaimed the law, and warned the people that from their busy streets would yet be taken the man-beast — the "homo sed non persona" of the civil law — "hired to service or labor" by another. It was a strange prophecy, made with exultant bitterness by the child of the Pilgrims, who had sold his birthright for a vain ambition — an ambition that was to be foiled again by the very Spirit over whose downfall he then blindly exulted.

(Hoh Plowshares p. 282.)

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19

Saturday

The gems that deck the brow of winter were scattered on every hand in lavish profusion. The thick hemlocks were loaded with rodiant diamond-dust. A frightened night-bird flying through the clustering branches loosened a shower of pearly spray which fell glimmering and gleaming like a silver cascade to the ground.

(Higo Thistles pp 394)

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January

20

Sunday

Oh! why should we fear, when the tem=
pest comes down,
And the storm glowers o'er us with
pitiless frown?
The clouds that above us so threat=
eningly lower,
Both re=echo the mandate of in=
finite power:
Hush terrified souls! as in darkness
ye plod,
Be still and remember that I am your
God!

(Royal Gentleman b.o. 389)

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21

Monday.

There has never been a day nor an hour in the history of any State or city of the land, when those claiming to be the especial representatives of its best forces — its Christian citizens, — ought not have controlled its politics.

(Letters to a King. p. 52)

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January

Tuesday

22.

The marriage which bound her to her husband had not been completed with the ceremony that had made the twain one flesh. She had grown toward the nature which she at first only half-understood, and had contentedly yielded to its power, little by little, until Martha Ermendorf had been quite forgotten in the wife of Harrison Kortright.

(Joh Plowshares, p. 159)

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Wednesday

23.

He thought it only fair and honest that the government which had cut the freedman loose from slavery should watch over him until he could walk erect in his new estate.

(A Fool's Errand pp. 116)

Oh! fairer than the opened heaven is earth illumined with love!

(Bricks without Straw pp. 324)

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Thursday

24.

The State-rights, the jaggernaut of American politics required a million lives before it would permit slavery to be abolished, perhaps as many more would induce it to let the fettered souls be unbound and made free.

(A Fool's Errand. pp. 347)

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Friday

25.—

They, the poor-whites had been the "chunking" between the "mud" of slavery, and the "house-logs" of aristocracy in the social structure of the South,— a little better than the mud because of the same grain and nature as the logs; but useless and nameless except as in relation to both.

(Picks without Show. pp. 343.)

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January

Saturday

26.

Franklin was a great man and had studied electricity very profoundly for his day: but there are ten thousand uninoted operators to-day who know more of its properties, power and management than he ever dreamed of.

(Bricks without Straw. pp. 222)

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Sunday

27.

"God rested!" The law of His rest became a part of our being. To rest upon each recurring seventh day becomes, therefore, an act both of duty and of praise.

~~Bracke~~ (Figs and Thistles, pp 386)

Every man owes it to himself, his country and God, to do the most good that he can.

(Hot Plowshares pp 276)

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February
1
Friday

The progress of thought in a republic is the advance of a grand army.

(Hoh Plowshares pp. 268)

Turbulent, ambitious men may well say hereafter, that the road to honor, renown, fame and power, in our nation lies through the traitor's gate.

A Fools Errand pp.

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2

Saturday.

There is something about the si-
lence and seclusion in which
men walk, the very lord of all
he sees, that builds up his self-re-
liance and exalts his consciousness
of individual power to a point
rarely attained by those dwelling
in the midst of a crowded pop-
ulation.

(Sutton's Inn, pp. 286)

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3

Sunday

What has God to do with time? If He puts a task before us, shall we not undertake it because we may not live to see the end!

(Appeal to Caesar pp 69)

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4th

Monday

That government is the best for any people which produces the highest average of happiness — "the greatest good of the greatest number," — as we are accustomed to phrase it

(Letters to a King p. 32)

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5—

Tuesday

At least, O boastful Northman, remember this: what thou hast achieved has been with the word's help. What the South has done, she has done alone, — because she willed to be alone, no doubt, but still the fact remains. One life has grown out of itself: the other has sucked the veins of the world.

(Hot Plowshares pp. 181)

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6

Wednesday

You cannot find in all history an instance in which the collective ~~good~~ advantage of a people has ever yet counterbalanced their prejudices.

(A Fool's Errand pp. 148)

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7

Thursday

These mountain streams are the magic handiwork of the nymphs and fays, who for ages have lain hidden in the Springs that burst out into little lakes upon the birch-crowned summits and come rushing down the rocky defiles to join the waters of the Hackatonic.

(Bricks without Straw) p 122

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8

Friday

Thus the problem presented itself: given the form of a man, the interests and passions of man, the reason and soul of man, the powers and attributes of man, — what is the creature? And the unhesitating voice of reason, answered, — Man.

A. Royal Gentleman p/p. 258

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9
Saturday

Courage without honesty is a consuming flame, and zeal without wisdom the sure pre=cursor of destruction.
Letters to a King. pp 33.

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