

Do not become sorrowful or disheartened, Old Warrior that so well hath fought with wrong, wielding thy "trenchant pen" (hast thou not also drawn sword for our country?) Have not all, that have taken up the cudgels in the cause of mankind, had to sail against wind & tide, often, taking to the oars as it were, from the days of Moses and the times of the early Christians down through the ages to the present day.

And we read in the word, how Elijah after executing the Divine Will, felt sad and alone in God's service. Yet received of God assurance that there were three thousand that served not Baal at any time. In our own country Washington and later Lincoln had at times if not all the time not only considerable apathy amongst those who should be friends, but, "foes without and foes within" the camp to hinder in the good work they were trying to do in the service of God, for man. But praise God who raised up helpers and gave victory at last, and great victory to both George Washington and Abraham Lincoln and whose "word" is not "waxed short" even now. If, "The mills of the gods grind slowly" and the grain seems hardly cracked, when it has slowly & laboriously gone through the mill, yet God has time to grind it over and over and over again if need be until it is "well done".

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and Gods servants must - patiently  
toil on; until he shall come and say  
"Well done good and faithful servant;  
enter into the joy of <sup>thy</sup> Lord"  
I would like to tell you how we admire  
to see when your pen is poised like  
St. Georges spear attacking the dragon  
- injustice to a race - or like the lance  
in a friendly tilt or a bear hunt; when  
you ~~attach~~ write in the field of romance

Would it not be a good idea to have  
"Out of the sunset sea", "A fool's errand"  
and extracts from it, bystanders notes  
Published in one volume, with say  
a title to the volume, like this "Out of the  
sunset sea and other works of Judge Tounge"

But only in the English language for, if our  
white frother as well as our father ~~was~~ is drunk  
with the lust of power and not only drunk  
and naked, but denies to our black brother  
his inheritance of a right to his manhood.  
to a free ballot and a fair count - (why  
will he not make an educational test that  
will exclude the very ignorant be he white  
or black?) let us hide; not, invite the world  
to gaze on our shame. Let us cover it, walking  
"backward with averted gaze to hide our shame"

I do not think the conclusions, arrived  
at by your friend the planter, to be correct.  
Just think what the power of habit must  
be when it reaches down through many  
generations, through hundreds of years

None can truly assert that the Irishman lacks manhood or that other Europeans do. Yet if I read aright - they have had to (I mean the peasantry or laborers) fight long & hard for their rights, or they have been given grudgingly the right to govern themselves. But they would seem fairly content & their pleasuring is not much above that of the Negro in tone. If the Negro is immoral (I have a <sup>neighbor</sup> ~~conservative~~ who has been down there & he says that white men and negro women & things Negro men also are rather a bad lot. He (said <sup>neighbor</sup> ~~conservative~~) was, some <sup>what</sup> wild before he went there but claims that he never crossed the color line in lust any way.) If the black man & woman are not patrons of virtue who have they learned evil or failed to learn good from, if not from the white man.

Content, like sleep will generally come even under very untoward circumstances, if health be fair and the body be given exercise, even though hard and weary be the labor, and dancing is like a change of one kind of labor for another, somewhat restful. Was not the Negro courage enough to fight fiercely in Africa and did not the Afric-American fight well in our civil war, when he was given the chance. Is the colored man more <sup>satisfied</sup> ~~bravely~~ than the white man of the lower classes in some of Europe or on much slimmer fare.

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I could fill page  
or page demonstrating  
that circumstances custom  
& teaching are more potent  
factors than race can  
be in bringing a people up  
or down in life

Were not the agricultural laborers  
in England 3 or 4 centuries  
ago, are they not now, but  
little above the American  
Negro, taken our country over

If a man of one color be  
superior and a man of another  
color inferior why were the  
whites so careful in Anti  
bellum days to keep learning  
out of the Negro's reach

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Why if he be inferior why? Oh Why does it take the shot gun and the ball whiff to keep him down or in "his place"

Steam when confined & subdued lies dormant & does naught unless it hath opportunity. If it have opportunity it moves the machinery smoothly & well if such opportunity be not given & the fire be hot enough something must give way perhaps destruction long & wide is with it. So human nature repressed & mismanaged if the fire of oppression be hot enough may at last burst forth & wreck the whole social system of a state & who can gather the pieces again

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or confine again the  
steam once free. We can patch  
up the old boiler if only torn a  
little, but if we repeat the  
careless & rude handling making  
hot & hotter the fire of depression  
sometime the wreck will not  
be worth patching, nor the so-  
called mill of liberty be worth  
rebuilding until all torn down  
& built true on solid foundations  
with new modern machinery  
& modern ideas of human  
rights oiled with the  
oil of gladness, applied  
to all the bearings  
where selfishness and  
fear make now so much  
friction that blood is  
poured on the dummy  
engine that burlesques  
as liberty to cool the boxes  
& keep down the burning  
a while.

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for Liberty is only  
known as a name  
for something claimed  
but not subjected to  
the vision of man in  
~~the~~ many of our states  
today. I agree with you  
fully in relation to the  
Kobro & the great fair  
exception in the suppressable  
case of the public (to others  
of all nations) prayer

When we are very sick  
we do not show ourselves  
to many, until we get  
well again in some states  
Liberty is sick nigh unto  
death & may not be seen  
until she be recovered or  
until the day of the  
funeral

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