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By O. M. Dunham.
“Nature,” says Emerson, “seems to exist for the excellent. The world is upheld by the veracity of good men. They make the earth wholesome. Life is sweet and tolerable only in our belief in such society, and actually or ideally we manage to live with our superiors.” In this little volume they become our companions through nearly every day in the year, while one of the grandest souls of the century speaks to us of them and their work. It is the hope of the compilers that every word may be found not only eloquent of past virtue and achievement, but a help to the weak, a comfort to the sorrowing, and an inspiration to all.

Brooklyn, 1886.
JANUARY.

Darkness and light reign alike. Snow is on the ground. Cold is in the air. The winter is blossoming in frost-flowers. Why is the ground hidden? So hath God wiped out the past; so hath he spread the earth like an unwritten page for a new year! Upon this lies, white and tranquil, the emblem of newness and purity, the virgin robes of the yet unstained year.

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*
January 1.

We are the children of the New and not of the Old. It is a beautiful thing for us to lay aside all animosities at the beginning of the year, and to reach forth an open palm to every one that we meet, as if we said, "Let the past bury the past. Let us begin anew."

_Sermon, The Old and the New._

January 2.

Gen. James Wolfe, 1727.
Edmund Burke, 1730.

Although we hate war, we admire the warrior.
_Sermon, Scope and Function of a Christian Life._

The man who undertakes to rectify the times in which he lives, must make up his mind to do it not by sight but by faith.
_Sermon, The True Heroism of Labor._

A mother and a dog are the only two things in this world that seem to have absolutely disinterested love.

_Sermon, The Christian's God._
January 1.

January 2.
January 3.

Lucretia Mott, 1793.
Douglas Jerrold, 1803.

There are some chords that only a mother's hand can touch. Lucretia Mott’s audiences looked up to her reverentially. Would you have said to her, Keep silence?

*Sermon, Women to Preach.*

God bless good-natured men and multiply the number of them. It is a great comfort just to look at a man who is good-natured.

*Sermon, Unconscious Influence.*

January 4.

Henry Bohn, 1796.
Isaac Pitman, 1813.

A house without books is like a room without windows.

*Eyes and Ears.*

Discrimination, quick judgment, just judgment in minute things.

*Sermon, Conduct, the Index of Feeling.*

Lift your standard high and then try to reach it.

*Sermon, The Use of Ideals.*
January 3.

January 4.
January 5.

Begin well at the very bottom. Carry up fidelity through every part of your life.

*Sermon, The Test of Love.*

Do you not know some round, healthy-blooded woman, who, while other people are crying and coming to grief, does not trouble herself, and comes out as well as they do and has comfort all the time, too?

*Sermon, Divine Providence.*

January 6.

Joan of Arc, 1412.
Benjamin Franklin, 1706.
Charles Sumner, 1811.

I do not care whether Joan of Arc saved France or lost France. She saved the world and lifted it up many degrees.

*Sermon, The Moral Teaching of Suffering.*

Do not be ashamed to carry your own bundle or trundle your own wheelbarrow.

*Sermon, Practical Ethics for the Young.*

The old State that gave Charles Sumner birth shall cut his name in letters so deep that time itself shall never rub them out.

*Sermon, Charles Sumner.*
January 7.

Millard Fillmore, 1800.

No man prospers in this world by luck, unless it be the luck of getting up early, working hard, and maintaining honor and integrity.

*Sermon, Practical Ethics for the Young.*

To those whom she loves, there can be no service too sacrificing, no deeds too onerous, no patience in their troubles too long continuing.

*Eyes and Ears.*

January 8.

Alfred R. Wallace, 1822.
Alma Tadema, 1836.

Wallace, a Christian not only, but of the spiritualistic school.

*Sermon, The Two Revelations.*

An artist sees grace, beauty, and tenderness which common eyes fail to discern.

Norwood.
JANUARY 7.

JANUARY 8.
January 9.

Caroline Lucretia Herschel, 1841.

The visible was leading her to the invisible, and she felt the power of the world to come.

Norwood.

You are not well bred, if your courtesy is a thing to be thought of.

Sermon, Morality not Enough.

Men go around looking for higher places; but the way to get higher is to work so well, that it is bad economy to have you in a lower place.

Sermon, Working with God.

January 10.

Paul Gustave Doré, 1833.
Adelina Patti, 1843.

Every man who works with his hand, should put brains in the palm of that hand.

Sermon, Fragments of Instruction.

If song is to rule, it must be the heart that sings, and not the voice alone.

January 9.

January 10.


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You cannot rise to a high and honorable place in life, except by those stepping-stones which were squared and laid down by the industry of those who have preceded you.

Sermon, Reason in Religion.

Your destiny turns on character, and the upbuilding of that character should be your most glorious ambition.

Sermon, Resolving and Doing.

January 12.

Are you on the right side of the conflict between good and evil?

Sermon, The Battle of Life.

Inspired, heroic sympathy for men, the desire to live for one’s kind, as God lives for mankind, must succeed.

Sermon, Old Thoughts in New Forms.

The scowling cloud that has overhung thee shall be struck through and through with light, bearing the colors of heaven.

Sermon, The Primacy of Love.

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January ii.

January 12.
January 13.

Charles James Fox, 1748.
Salmon P. Chase, 1808.

No man has a right to let anybody be more nimble in plotting against the commonwealth, than he is in working for it.

*Sermon, Redemption of the Ballot.*

All honor to the men, who in legislation or in jurisprudence, are finding out the truths of God in associated humanity.

*Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.*

January 14.

Matthew Fontaine Maury, 1806.

There is some stormy sea or other, on which he who would venture may venture.

*Sermon, Heroism.*

There is no spendthrift like the heart. It does not know economy, but gives all always.

*Sermon, Heart Fragrance.*

It takes a great while to answer some prayers.

*Sermon, Faith in Prayer.*
January 13.

January 14.
January 15.

Dr. Samuel Parr, 1747.

Capable of being a hero, and quite as capable of being a fanatic.

Norwood.

A mother's heart does more in the bringing up of children, a million times, than a mother's hand, though the hand is sometimes quite busy.

Sermon, The Riches of God.

January 16.

Johann August Wilhelm Neander, 1789.

It was given to this soul to pour light over things that are dark, and impart perfume to things that are odorless.

Sermon, Religion in Daily Life.

Are you a match-maker? Match-making is an art so fascinating, that it is no wonder people become addicted to it.

Norwood.
January 15.

January 16.
January 17.

Johann Wolfgang Mozart, 1756.
Caleb Cushing, 1800.

What is there in ten thousand nightingales singing through ten thousand moonlit nights that can compare for a single moment with a symphony of Mozart?

*Sermon, Spiritual Fruit Culture.*

The heroes of the world have been made up of moral qualities.

*Sermon, Conduct, the Index of Feeling.*

January 18.

Daniel Webster, 1782.

Webster, if his secret heart were known, was more vain of his sheep and cattle than of his speeches.

*Pet Notions.*

For her friends she is a continuous garden; for her not friends, a precipice.

*Eyes and Ears.*

A man without ambition is like a man without a back-bone.

*Sermon, The Perfect Manhood.*
January 19.

James Watt, 1736.
Thomas Hood, 1835.

Thought reveals and subdues the mighty forces of nature that at first terrified, crushed, and annihilated man.

_Evolution and Religion, The Conversion of Force._

A man would be impoverished indeed if the trait of wit and humor were taken away from him.

_Sermon, The Unity of Man._

January 20.

Nathaniel P. Willis, 1817.

God has given us imagination not alone to make some men poets, but to enable all men to beautify homely things.

_Eyes and Ears._

Do not use the best of your life spinning silken thread for the embroidery of that life, but please your neighbor and make him a better man.

_Sermon, Man-Building._
JANUARY 19.

JANUARY 20.
January 21.

She is buoyant, joyous, free-moving, and artless. 

Norwood.

There has never been a time when man was so potential as he is to-day. 

*Sermon, How Goes the Battle?*

If one would only keep a book, he would find that nine-tenths of the things which trouble and vex him are unreal, or things which he ought not to have thought of anyway. 

*Sermon, The God of Comfort.*

January 22.

Francis Bacon, 1561.  
Gotthold Ephraim Lessing, 1729.

The works of Bacon are not midsummer-night dreams, but, like coral islands, they have risen from the depths of truth, and formed their broad surfaces above the ocean by the minutest accretions of persevering labor. 

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

Great and distinguished by the wisdom of his writings. 

*Sermon, Brain Life in America.*
January 21.

January 22.
JANUARY 23.

William Page, 1811.

Man is forever a disciple, and not a master, before Nature.

EYES AND EARS.

Hope is a better engineer than doubt and fear.

REMARKS ON A THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

If you take true aim, you must draw the fore-sight through the hind-sight.

Sermon, THE PERFECT MANHOOD.

JANUARY 24.

Henry J. Raymond, 1820.

The editor that is taking knowledge and giving to it multiform wings and setting it flying round and round the world, he is the patriot.

Sermon, MORAL THEORY OF CIVIL LIBERTY.

She serves others for the reason that birds sing, because she loves to; for the reason that dew falls upon flowers, because such is the nature that the heavens gave it.

Norwood.
January 23.

January 24.
January 25.

Robert Burns, 1759.

Robert Burns—a true poet, made not by the schools, brought up with no external culture or assistance. He came as a flower comes in spring. We say that he was a man of the people. No; he was far above the people. He was ordained to be an interpreter of God to his kind then and forevermore.

Anniversary, Burns' Birthday.

January 26.

Dr. Samuel G. Morton, 1799.

The world owes him a great debt of gratitude.

Sermon, Apostolic Christianity.

The tendency of right doing is to raise the doer into a higher mood.

Sermon, Fact and Fancy.

Many afflictions are like orange-trees that are full of thorns, but on which, here and there, is fruit filled with sweetness.

Sermon, Motives of Action.
January 25.

January 26.
January 27.

Richard Bentley, 1674.
Frederick von Schelling, 1775.

The dead men are scattered and none shall find them. Behold, they do but sleep! At your summons every one shall speak and instruct you in the best experiences of his life.

Norwood.

Be cheerful yourself and good-natured, and respectful, and every man has a secret for you worth knowing.

*Star Papers, Unclaimed Happiness.*

January 28.

Prof. Henry Norman Hudson, 1814.
"Chinese Gordon," 1833.

No benefactor is like him who fills life with new and fruitful ideas.

*Life of Jesus, the Christ.*

Heroisms are wrought out in men. They never come extemporized for the occasion.

*Lectures to Young Men.*

If there's a woman in this town that hates dirt, she's that woman.

Norwood.
January 29.

Emanuel Swedenborg, 1688.

The spiritual man sees all that the natural man sees, and then sees much besides.

*Sermon, The Ages to Come.*

"Remember that much of knowledge is growth, not accumulation. The life that one is living in is the book that men more need to know than any other."

Norwood.

January 30.

Walter Savage Landor, 1775.

A full nature that could not be reduced to terms.

Norwood.

A true warrior without reproach, who would not do a mean thing in the struggle any more than out of it.

*Sermon, The Beauty of Moral Qualities.*
January 29.

January 30.
January 31.

Ben Jonson, 1574.
Rev. John Summersfield, 1798.

Men of genius are not creatures of another nature. They are elder brethren of the race.

Life of Jesus, the Christ.

There is no such happiness as that which grows out of a pure heart.

Sermon, Treasure that Cannot be Stolen.

No one can be dull where she is. Her lightest words and merriest have depth in them.

Norwood.
FEBRUARY.

The day gains upon the night. The strife of heat and cold is scarce begun. Yet, as the month wears on, the silent work begins, though storms rage. The sun is not heard in all the heavens. Yet he whispers words of deliverance into the ears of every sleeping seed and root that lies beneath the snow.

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*
February 1.

Richard Whately, 1787.
Thomas Cole, 1847.

Men of reason that make the truth clearer have a title that never can be invalidated.

*Sermon, Posthumous Influence of Good Men.*

There is more sympathy with God's creation in the school of landscape painting in America than in the whole mediæval school of painting put together.

*Sermon, The New Incarnation.*

February 2.

Hannah Moore, 1745.
William H. Burleigh, 1812.

She held in her hand what she had in her heart.

*Sermon, The Debt of Strength.*

Emotive, poetical, full of imagination.

*Sermon, Man's Two Natures.*

No man will escape annoyance by changing his business.

*Eyes and Ears.*
February 1.

February 2.
February 3.

Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy, 1809.
Horace Greeley, 1811.
Elisha Kent Kane, 1820.

There is many a man who has come to himself under the sweet bewitchment of Mendelsshon's music.

*Sermon, Coming to One's Self.*

Horace Greeley, foremost among journalists.

*Sermon, Charles Sumner.*

A voyager along new seas and strange continents.

Norwood.

February 4.

Mark Hopkins, 1802.
George H. Hepworth, 1833.

"The College President ought to be a great man, a sort of specimen, something for the boys to remember as a pattern of a man."

Norwood.

As it is necessary that the mathematician should make application of his problem, so it is requisite that the theory of religion should be applied to life.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*
February 5.

James Otis, 1725
Ole Bornemann Bull, 1810.

How earnest, how direct, how successful!

Sermon, The Way of Coming to Christ.

If I am a fiddler, I am ordained of God to make mankind lift up their heads; and if I do that I must have something in me.

Sermon, The Hidden Life.

February 6.

Madame Sévigné, 1626.
Wm. M. Evarts, 1818.

It is a part of woman’s rights to be intelligent. That which men ought to know women ought to know.

Sermon, Fragments of Instruction.

There is a higher realm than that in which the senses bear sway, and the lower court cannot control the higher.

Sermon, Reason in Religion.
February 5.

February 6.
February 7.

Charles Dickens, 1812.

Dickens was a child of good fortune. He has been cherished with an unabated admiration and much personal affection for a quarter of a century.

Star Papers, Sudden Death.

When God clothes a woman with beauty she is expected to deny it always. A pity that a thing which is itself so charming, should be so often veiled with falsehood!


February 8.


When the united armies marched through Washington, what a heaven-rending shout went up as Sherman's name was sounded in their ears!

Sermon, The Riches of God.

If you want a definition of humility, remember your mother.

Sermon, The Spirit of the Cradle.

Anxiety is not a religious duty; and do not so regard it.

Norwood.
February 7.

February 8.
February 9.

James Parton, 1822.

Let your reading be so comprehensive that it will take in something of all that is going on upon the globe in the time in which you live.

_Sermon, Reading._

The predominant impression she leaves upon you is of character and not of costume.

_Eyes and Ears._

February 10.


A man whose heart is really radiant cannot help showing it everywhere.

_Sermon, Treasure that Cannot be Stolen._

"I have seen folks have measles light and scarlet fever so easy they didn’t hardly know it. But I shall never be made to believe that anybody took religion so easy that they didn’t know they had it."

_Norwood._
February 9.

February 10.
February 11.

Lydia Maria Child, 1802.
Thomas Alva Edison, 1847.

Woman, by the natural unfolding of human affairs, is brought to be again a prophetess—that is, a teacher—and her career cannot be stopped.

*Sermon, Women to Preach.*

The time may come when it will be found that men can use natural laws in ways that we now call miraculous.

*Sermon, The Ideal of Christian Experience.*

I feel an involuntary disposition to take off my hat to an engine.

*Sermon, Reading.*

February 12.

Thaddeus Kosciusko, 1746.
Peter Cooper, 1791.
Abraham Lincoln, 1809.

Energetic power, invincible zeal, and a courage that did not fear disaster or death.

*Life of Jesus, the Christ.*

Peter Cooper—a manly man, who lived for his fellow-men. May God increase the procession of such men! He will increase it. It is a tendency.

*Evolution and Religion, The Drift of the Ages.*

Though slow, Abraham Lincoln was sure. A thousand men could not make him plant his foot before he was ready; ten thousand could not move it after he had set it down.

*Speech at Edinburgh.*
February 12.
February 13.

David Dudley Field, 1805.

It is the living man that has power to dominate and electrify living men.

*Sermon, Soul-Power.*

The cares that made you fret yesterday are already below the horizon. The troubles that make you anxious to-day will not be troubles when you meet them.

*Sermon, Borrowing Trouble.*

February 14.

*St. Valentine.*

Josiah Quincy, 1772.

Winfield Scott Hancock, 1824.

"Getting in love is like gathering flowers in the night; you may get a violet or you may pick a thistle."

Norwood.

A man does not live by the length of his years, but by the activity of the nature that carries him through those years.

*Sermon, The Perfect Manhood.*

Warlike and heroic, always willing to put himself in peril.

*Sermon, Heroism.*
February 14.
February 15.

Galileo Galilei, 1564.
Susan B. Anthony, 1820.

It is safe for a man to be a scientific man to-day. There is no danger of Galileo's recanting now.  
"Evolution and Religion, The Liberty of Christ."

You that live long enough will see women vote, and when you see women voting you will see less lying, less brutality, and more public spirit, heroism, and romance in public affairs.  
"Sermon, The Advance of a Century."

February 16.

Philip Melancthon, 1497.
Henry Wilson, 1812.

The sweetest life that a man can live is keyed to love toward God and love toward man.  
"Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints."

No state can live long in power and virtue except as the great body of its citizens feel an interest in the welfare of the commonwealth.  
"Sermon, Crime and its Remedy."
February 15.

February 16.
**February 17.**

John Ruskin, 1819.

Ruskin is like a forest. After studying him you will observe differently, reason differently, all the days of your life.

Norwood.

There are none that stand hardship so well as those who are cultivated.

*Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.*

God is serious. He has business. You are his child and he loves you.

*Sermon, Foretokens of Resurrection.*

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**February 18.**

Charles Lamb, 1775.

George Peabody, 1795.

Wit and humor is a bounty and benefaction from God to man.

*Sermon, The Unity of Man.*

If the top of society bends perpetually over the bottom with tenderness, if the rich and strong are the best friends of the poor and needy, that is a civilized and Christian community.

*Evolution and Religion, Poverty and the Gospel.*

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February 17.

February 18.
February 19.

William W. Story, 1819.

Art dignifies when it embodies the loves, hopes, joys, aspirations, and sorrows of the common people.

**Eyes and Ears.**

It is not enough to throw an inkstand at the devil, as Luther did. It must be constant resistance, and then he will flee from you.

*Sermon, The Nature of Conscience.*

February 20.

François Marie Voltaire, 1694.

William Rimmer, 1821.

The hand of Voltaire was not turned against the spirit of the Lord. He was removing the obstructions that overlaid the soil.

*Evolution and Religion, The Vitality of God’s Truth.*

I do not say that Nature does not express all and more than Art will ever represent.

*Norwood.*
February 19.

February 20.
February 21.

John Henry Newman, 1801.
Jean Louis Meissonier, 1815.

And so his name stands on the roll of honor.

*Sermon, Heroism.*

*Being* an artist gives a right to the name.

*Norwood.*

Saying disagreeable things in a calm and ironical way is inexcusable.

*Sermon, The Duty of Living Peaceably.*

February 22.

George Washington, 1731.
James Russell Lowell, 1819.

What did Washington do at Valley Forge? With bloody-footed soldiers he *waited*. The patience, the indomitable purpose that could stand still and wait, is among the illustrious results of that man's life.

*Sermon, Patience.*

That which ranks men is the brain that they have, the kind of brain, and the power which they have in that brain.

*Sermon, Fragments of Instruction.*
February 21.

February 22.
February 23.
Samuel Pepys, 1632.

Every intelligent man and woman should know something about his own time.  

Sermon, Reading.

We must keep on our work-clothes for our life is not done.  

Norwood.

Learn the love of praise and thanksgiving. Abhor grumbling. Abhor all dismal-minded experiences. Be a child of light.  

Sermon, The Happiness of Life.

February 24.
George Frederick Handel, 1684.
George William Curtis, 1824.

In Handel we have the supremest development of music.  


These are the ones who stand to give our ideals something more definite.  

Sermon, Perfect Peace.

Those who find their way to her heart are like a queen's guests and are entertained with a very sovereignty of kindness.  

Eyes and Ears.
February 23.

February 24.
February 25.

Francis Dominic Arago, 1786.

Whatever there may be in the laboratory or the observatory, a man has a right to proclaim it.

_Sermon, The Liberty of Christ._

One is divinely favored who may trace a silver vein in all the affairs of life, see sparkles of light in the gloomiest scenes, and absolute radiance in those which are bright.

_Lectures to Young Men, Portrait Gallery._

February 26.

Victor Hugo, 1802.

Great souls unconsciously attract to themselves the noblest ideas of the age, and by dramatic imagination give to them enlargement and a body of words.

_Evolution and Religion, The Idea of God._

One who is naturally dry is immensely shocked at folks who are naturally juicy.

_Sermon, Other Men's Failings._
February 25.

February 26.
February 27.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, 1807.

Longfellow, tender and refined, did not disdain to set his harp and sing of liberty when it was to bring upon him discords and howlings, and not the music of praise.

_Sermon, Charles Sumner._

"But a man cannot see what’s not to be seen."

"That’s a blind man’s reason for not being a guide to others."

_Norwood._

February 28.

Berthold Auerbach, 1812.

We are borne as on angels’ wings beyond the storm to those heights where we shall hear the sweet melodies of the heavenly life.

_Sermon, The Naturalness of Faith._

Have you a right to ride in the State as a traveler rides in a car, never saying "Good-bye" when he goes out of it? Do you think that when you have paid your taxes grudgingly you have paid your whole debt?

_Sermon, Crime and its Remedy._

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February 27.

February 28.
February 29.

Gioacchino Rossini, 1792.

I marvel that there are not more songs of victory sung.

_Sermon, Bearing but not Overborne._

If you have only two or three things that you can enjoy, and they are things which time and decay may remove from you, what are you going to do in old age?

_Lectures to Young Men, Happiness._
MARCH.

The conflict is more turbulent, but the victory is gained. The knolls and banks that face the east or south, sighed for release and begin to lift up a thousand tiny palms.

_Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac._
March 1.

William Dean Howells, 1837.

The blessedness of the imagination is far beyond the blessedness of the ordinary use of reason.

_Sermon, The Realm of Restfulness._

There is no ideal like that of a reliable character.

_Sermon, Truth Speaking._

Sleep, food, and exercise are your best friends. Don’t cheat them or cut their company.

Norwood.

March 2.

De Witt Clinton, 1769.

Conscientious in purpose, earnest in spirit, studious of right ways.

_Sermon, Conduct, an Index of Feeling._

There is nothing in the world more sincere than mirth.

_Sermon, The happiness of Life._

She is always dignified, yet leaves you with the sense of having been graciously smiled upon.

Eyes and Ears.
March 1.

March 2.
March 3.

Alexander Graham Bell, 1847.

It is by the medicine of a living soul that dead souls are brought to life.

*Sermon, The Debt of Strength.*

Come out of your winter into the spring!

*Sermon, Outward and Inward Life.*

A monkey is nearer a man than you were when you started to be a man.

*Sermon, The Naturalness of Faith.*

March 4.

Count Casimir Pulaski, 1748.

Occasions do not *make* heroes: they *develop* them.

*Sermon, Heroism.*

If you have the gift of art, of eloquence, of poetry, of emotion—if you have any gift, consecrate it. It has a meaning that will annihilate the distance between your heart and the hearts of other people.

*Sermon, The Law of Benevolence.*
March 5.

Frederick S. Cozzens, 1818.
Isaac J. Hayes, 1832.

He always seemed afflicted when obliged to be sobe.

Norwood.

Those who enlarge the bounds of knowledge must push out with bold endeavor beyond the common walks of men.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

March 6.

Michael Angelo Buonaratti, 1474.

The conceptions of Michael Angelo would have perished like a night's fantasy, had not his industry given them permanence.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

No one but a soldier can know a soldier's feeling for a faithful horse.

Norwood.
March 5.

March 6.
MARCH 7.
Ebenezer Elliot, 1781.
Edwin Landseer, 1802.
John Howard Raymond, 1814.

Poets, nearest of all, are in sympathy with the prophets.  
*LIFE OF JESUS, THE CHRIST.*

Nothing can exceed the minute accuracy of the painting, or the very life and spirit of animals, to be found in Landseer's pictures.

*Star Papers, National Gallery.*

His work as an educator will constitute a part of the life of four great institutions, two of which were born of him, the incarnation of his spirit and wisdom. Few lives yield so much wheat and so little straw or chaff.  
PUBLISHED LETTER.

MARCH 8.

Simon Cameron, 1799.
Edwin P. Whipple, 1819.

A good life writes its own memorial and tablet day by day.  
*Sermon, Posthumous Influence of Good Men.*

A thought is as real as the thing that makes the thought.  
*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

A man should be ashamed to ask questions of others that he can answer himself.  
NORWOOD.
MARCH 9.

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The true workman in any sphere must work by a stimulation which comes from the actual enthusiasm of loving the thing done.

*Sermon, Morality not Enough.*

Get and keep a healthy brain. Keep it fine. Train it to sharp and accurate impressions.

Norwood.

MARCH 10.

Karl Wilhelm Fred. von Schlegel, 1712.

—Reason, inspired by the imagination.

*Life of Jesus, the Christ.*

One who knows how to serve gloriously is always served gloriously.

*Sermon, The Delight of Self-Sacrifice.*

True nobility should never be satisfied with anything in any direction so long as there is anything better.

*Sermon, The Use of Ideals.*
March 9.

March 10.
March 11.

Torquato Tasso, 1544.
Rev. Francis Wayland, 1796.

Writers of great poems have given to the world creatures strong-winged as the cherubim, who lift themselves above the commotion of centuries.


His profound inquiries into cause and effect and the nature of moral government, have led to immense fertility and practical wisdom.

Norwood.

March 12.

George Berkeley, 1684.
Robert C. Winthrop, 1809.

That is a noble hero who develops a vast philosophy so that out of it shines more truth upon the souls of men.

Sermon, Wealth Toward God.

Deep and rich in moral feeling, strong and fine in affection, quick and fruitful in intellect.

Norwood.
March 11.

March 12.
March 13.

Joseph Priestly, 1733.

The science of real knowledge in the hands of an honest man, corroborates the word of God.

*Sermon, The Inspiration of the Bible.*

Blessed are those whose thoughts are chastened, whose imagination will not breathe or fly in tainted air, and whose path has been measured by the golden reed of Purity.

*Lectures to Young Men.*

March 14.

Sir Walter Raleigh, 1552.
Victor Emmanuel, 1820.

There is nothing that touches moral sensibility like greatness of moral nature in a living form.

*Sermon, Soul-Power.*

He is the prince not who wears the crown outside, but who wears the crown inside.

*Sermon, The True Economy of Living.*
March 13.

March 14.
March 15.

Andrew Jackson, 1767.

It is the salvation of the world to have a man profoundly believe and bring a great nature to his belief.

Sermon, Self-Control Possible to All.

We are obliged to begin where people are before we can lift them.

Sermon, Conceptions of God.

All her ambitions assumed the form of kindnesses.

Norwood.

March 16.

Gen. John Pope, 1823.

Every man must fight the battles of life, whatever they are.

Sermon, The Conflicts of Life.

A man's happiness depends primarily upon his disposition. If that be good, riches will bring pleasure; but only vexation if that be evil.

Lectures to Young Men, Six Warnings.
March 15.

March 16.
March 17.

Madame Roland, 1754.
Thomas Chalmers, 1780.
Moncure D. Conway, 1832.

Whoever knew thee fail in the day of trial?

Norwood.

Who is the best minister? If with Chalmers he can bring to bear the truth from astronomical relations, he has a right to be an astronomer.


If the world were filled with such men it would be a much better world.

Sermon, The Way of Coming to Christ.

March 18.

Rev. George W. Bethune, 1805.
Grover Cleveland, 1837.

A man standing apart and above, informed with the divine presence.

Sermon, The Love of Christianity.

Grover Cleveland, like Washington, has the great faculty of maintaining his own personality and enlarging his knowledge.

Interview.
March 17.

March 18.
March 19.
Andrew P. Peabody, 1811.

High philosophic thought, led to broad practical applications.

Norwood.

It is never too late to begin again.

Sermon, Past and Future.

I say that you are bound to live so as to be happy, and the divine underlying law is happiness.

Lecture, Innocent Amusements.

March 20.

David Livingstone, 1813.

Any man is a hero who can do, and does do, what the million cannot do.

Sermon, Heroism.

The poorest man in the world is the one who touches his fellow-men in the fewest points. The richest man is he who has the most warm and glowing sympathies with all classes and conditions of human life.

Sermon, The Deceitfulness of Riches.
MARCH 21.

John Sebastian Bach, 1685.
Jean Paul Friedrich Richter, 1763.
Henry Kirke White, 1785.

What organ did the hand of man ever build with such diapason as God put into the human soul? And what do men bring out of the grand instrument which is in them?

*Lectures to Young Men, Happiness.*

It is a mysterious influence which emanates from him.

*Sermon, The Fruit of the Spirit.*

It is a blessed thing to have wings!

*Sermon, The Realm of Restfulness.*

MARCH 22.

Antony Van Dyck, 1599.

The portraits from the hand of Van Dyck are almost as interesting to look at as a group of figures or a landscape.

*Star Papers, National Gallery.*

When God stirs in us deep thoughts for things that are right, they are prophecies, and we must heed them.

Norwood.
March 21.

March 22.
March 23.

\{ Pierre Simon La Place, 1749. \\
\} Richard A. Proctor, 1837. \\
Rosa Bonheur, 1822.

I need not think out the great system of astronomy in order to believe the astronomical truths of my time. I accept them at the hands of the Church of Astronomers.

*Sermon, Reason in Religion.*

A conscientious artist will not select only the garish things of nature, but will stoop to her lowliest creatures.

Norwood.

March 24.

The doors of her heart are quite royal.

*Eyes and Ears.*

Do you live by the bright picture of something better than that which you have attained?

*Sermon, The Use of Ideals.*

The necessity of a man’s earning his own livelihood is one of those great natural moral educations which is established in nature.

*Sermon, Earning a Livelihood.*
March 23,

March 24.
March 25.

A man that can bear cheerfully his fellow-men has little to learn.

*Sermon, Self-Control Possible to All.*

When God puts on the robe, the threads of which you have worked out in this life, you will be glad of everything you have done if you have done it faithfully.

*Sermon, Working with God.*

March 26.

Nathaniel Bowditch, 1773.
Sir John W. Lubbock, 1803.

He that reads Nature reads God's language.

*Eyes and Ears.*

Some of the greatest men in science, such as Darwin, Lubbock, and Huxley, have earned their fame by the study of the lower animals.

*Lecture, Humanity.*
March 25.

March 26.
March 27.

She is pure as water, as bright as a pearl, as witching as an opal.

EYES AND EARS.

Remember, if you are supine, nature is not and time is not.

Sermon, Do with Thy Might.

A gentleman must see everybody without looking, know everybody without inquiry, and say just the right thing to everybody without trying to.

Norwood.

March 28.

Raphael, 1483.

Raphael made art an instrument of human pleasure.

Sermon, Fact and Fancy.

Dr. Dewey—one of the ablest Unitarian clergymen of this generation.

Memories.

Never outrun health. A broken-down scholar is like a razor without a handle.

Norwood.
March 27.

March 28.
MARCH 29.

A man should count his mercies from the lowest to the highest, and the more he does this the more abundantly will he be blessed.

*Sermon, The Happiness of Life.*

The same thing means to-day an ounce and to-morrow a ton, according to the mood which one is in.

*Sermon, Christian Joyfulness.*

MARCH 30.

John Fiske, 1842.

Nothing on earth is like God in a man.

*Sermon, The Core of Christianity.*

Reach after new thoughts and new aspirations.

*Sermon, Past and Future.*

Don't knuckle down to things that worry you, and talk about your burdens and responsibilities.

*Sermon, A Completed Year.*

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March 31.

Réné Descartes, 1596.
Francis John Haydn, 1732.

Reason is a window through which light comes into the soul.

*Sermon, Religious Constancy.*

Music lifts the understanding into a realm which it would not reach if left to itself.

*Sermon, Right and Wrong Way of Giving Pleasure.*

A bird singing in the face of winter is a voice of God-inspiring hope.

*Star Papers, Spring is Coming.*
March 31.
APRIL.

In its wild career, shaking and scourged of storms through its orbit, the earth has scattered away no treasures. The Hand that governs in April governed in January. You have not lost what God has only hidden. You lose nothing in struggle, in trial, in bitter distress. If called to shed thy joys as trees their leaves; if the affections be driven back into the heart, as the life of flowers to their roots, yet be patient. Thou shalt lift up thy leaf-covered boughs again. Be patient. Wait. When it is February April is not far off.

Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.
April 1.

Henry Ware, 1764.
Carl Otto Bismarck, 1813.

There is something in goodness that appeals to the gratitude of mankind.

*Sermon, Posthumous Influence of Good Men.*

I would not weaken one single sinew in the sturdy arm of Bismarck.

*Sermon, War and Peace.*

If she meets you at church, in the street, at a party or concert, or in her own house, you feel that you have been shone upon.

*Eyes and Ears.*

April 2.

Thomas Jefferson, 1743.
Hans Christian Andersen, 1805.

Men who have made their mark in this world have been men who had fire in their souls.

*Sermon, Religious Fervor.*

I think nothing translates a man out of the physical and material so much as to read fairy stories.

*Sermon, Reading.*

Shall the struggles of men go on and I have no part in them?
April 1.

April 2.
April 3.

George Herbert, 1593.
Washington Irving, 1783.
Rev. Edward Everett Hale, 1822.

Like the perfume of flowers in a garden.

*Sermon, The Fruit of the Spirit.*

Those who give to the world thoughts which enrich and cheer and comfort men, never cease to work.

*Sermon, The Immortality of Good Works.*

Truth is spiritualized imagination.

*Sermon, The Realm of Restfulness.*

April 4.

Thaddeus Stevens, 1793.
Rev. James Freeman Clarke, 1810.

A giant,—despotic, patriotic.

*Sermon, Heroism.*

One of those deep natures that it is worth while to have for your friend,—a deep well that never dries.

Norwood.

Make men so much happier that they will long to be better, and long to be able to make others happier.

*Sermon, The Law of Benevolence.*
April 3.

April 4.
APRIL 5.

Elihu Yale, 1648.
Robert Raikes, 1811.
Frank R. Stockton, 1834.

Riches bless that heart whose almoner is Benevolence.

*Lectures to Young Men, Six Warnings.*

Every great-hearted teacher takes in the bottom of the class as really as the top.

*Sermon, The Graciousness of Christ.*

Those who give to the world a joyous literature— their names shall not perish.

*Sermon, Posthumous Influence of Good Men.*

APRIL 6.

Rev. John Pierpont, 1785.

His life was a test of truth.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

It is not enough for you to be as good as men who lived five hundred years ago.

*Sermon, The Primacy of Love.*

"May not I cry then?" Yes, just as the night does, and in the morning it is dew. There is not a flower that does not look sweeter for it.

*Sermon, The Privileges of the Christian.*
April 7.

William Wordsworth, 1770.
Rev. William Ellery Channing, 1780.

To the poet is given to understand the innermost meaning of God in all nature.

_Sermon, The Realm of Restfulness._

They that have soul-treasure—O, how much they are to be envied!

_Sermon, Treasure that Cannot be Stolen._

"That woman does love that man, what there is of him, and it's the Lord's wonder!"

Norwood.

April 8.

George Washburn Greene, 1811.

History, the one golden thread on which all events are strung.

_Sermon, God's Love._

Do fretting and anxiety do you any good?

_Sermon, Divine Providence._

Honor the child-like heart, the heart that gives up, the heart that sacrifices its pride and interest for the sake of another's welfare.

_Sermon, The Primacy of Love._
April 7.

April 8.
April 9.

Fisher Ames, 1758.

Under the banners of that army that means the re-creation of business, industry, commerce, and politics.

*Sermon, Scope and Function of a Christian Life.*

How grateful ought we to be to that distributive Providence which draws men and women to each other, not by agreements and likenesses, but also by differences!

Norwood.

April 10.

William Hazlitt, 1778.

Not a scrap in literature from which its author has derived a permanent renown, that was not patiently elaborated.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

He that would go up must do it by the elevation of his being.

*Sermon, Cuba, and the Brotherhood of Nations.*

Be not desolate or cast down. There is joy waiting for thee.

*Sermon, God’s Grace.*

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April 9.

April 10.
The tongue has national and political bearings. It is the silver bell of the soul or the crashing hammer of the anvil. It is a sceptre in a king's hand and sways men with imperial authority.

EYES AND EARS.

Be good as the world demands that you should be, but add to your virtue spirituality.

Sermon, Morality not Enough.

APRIL 12.

Henry Clay, 1777.

You might search all the Old Dominion for such another specimen and not find it.

Norwood.

There is a schoolmaster waiting for you behind every door.

Star Papers, Unclaimed Happiness.

Are you gathering into the house of the soul those companions that befit it? Are its guests noble and royal?

Sermon, Soul-Building.
April 13.

Henry T. Tuckerman, 1813.
William Sterndale Bennett, 1816.

Literature has learned to express the spirit of love to God and love to man, which is the essential nature of true religion.

*Sermon, The New Incarnation.*

Let us pray, then, for the days of song!

*Sermon, The Religious Uses of Music.*

*Doing* has both hands and feet, and uses them.

*Sermon, Well Wishing not Well Doing.*

April 14.

Rev. Horace Bushnell, 1802.

Spirituality is never derived from vision.

*Sermon, The Departed Christ.*

I wish that men would love the Pope more than they do. Who is the Pope? You, yourself.

*Sermon, Conscience and Its Auxiliaries.*

No man ever went through where there were tremendous odds against him and gained a victory for himself, that he did not gain a victory for multitudes besides.

*Sermon, The Comforting God.*
April 13.

April 14.
April 15.

John Lathrop Motley, 1814.
Henry James, 1843.

The history of two thousand years is the history of growing kindness to the weak and ignorant on the part of the strong and wise.

_Sermon, Poverty and the Gospel._

A sharp analyst, a man that looks up and around and perceives the minutest objects.

_Sermon, The Apostolic Theory of Preaching._

April 16.

Sir John Franklin, 1786.
Louis Adolph Thiers, 1797.

That only is a good voyage which brings the vessel home.

_Lectures to Young Men, Six Warnings._

If there is a man on earth whose character should be framed of the most sterling honesty and most scrupulous morality, it is the man who administers public affairs.

_Lectures to Young Men, Portrait Gallery._

A man who has no conscience is like a man without a dog; the door is open to every prowler by day and by night.

_Sermon, Many Members, One Body._
April 15.

April 16.
April 17.

Rev. George B. Cheever, 1807.

God speaks through every man that tells the truth and speaks in love.

*Evolution and Religion, The Signs of the Times.*

In things of the heart our knowledge is as a little child lying in a skiff upon the ocean, seeing only the sides of the pretty boat, but nothing of the great underlying sea that heaves it.

*Norwood.*

April 18.

David Rittenhouse, 1732.
George Henry Lewes, 1817.

He took his philosophical principles into outward life and found them in harmony with it.

*Sermon, Soul-Power.*

First an observer, then a philosopher.

*Sermon, Working and Waiting.*

You have a right to all that you have in you.

*Sermon, The Nature of Liberty.*

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April 17.

April 18.
April 19.

Roger Sherman, 1721.
Anna Jameson, 1797.

Roger Sherman came up from a shoemaker's bench.

_Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints._

She sharpens our wits. She suggests new ideas.

Norwood.

Never give up a man. As long as there is life in him help him. Even if your helping does not do him any good it will do you good.

_Sermon, The Temperance Question._

April 20.

Alice Cary, 1820.

Better than all, she knew the art of bringing consolation to those who were in sadness.

Norwood.

No man need hunt for hair shirts. No man need seek for blankets too short at the bottom and too short at the top. There are abundant opportunities for self-denial.

_Sermon, Problem of Joy and Suffering._

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April 21.

Bishop Reginald Heber, 1783.
Charlotte Brontë, 1816.

His glorious manhood puts all littleness to shame.
*Sermon, The Sympathy of Christ.*

Whatever the history of her own life, her victory made her a leader for others in the dark land.

Norwood.

The power of love is shown by what a service love will do.
*Sermon, Christ’s Mission on Earth.*

April 22.

Emmanuel Kant, 1707.
Madame de Staël, 1766.

Reason is a permanent blessing of God to the soul.
*Sermon, The Temporal Advantages of Religion.*

The natural world stole in upon her with mute messages, and the thoughts which they started she deemed a revelation of truths that lay hidden in creation waiting for her.

Norwood.
April 21.

April 22.
APRIL 23.

William Shakespeare, 1564.
James Anthony Froude, 1818.

Strange gift of genius that now after three hundred years makes one proud to contribute a mite to perpetuate in its integrity the very room where the noble babe was born!

*Star Papers*, STRATFORD-ON-AVON.

History was but clustering fables until the philosophic methods of history were developed.

*Sermon, What is Christ to Me?*

APRIL 24.

Edmund Cartwright, 1743.

Shall not the vast machineries of the world be inspired and controlled by men’s higher reason? *Sermon, Scope and Function of a Christian Life.*

No one can be dull where she is.

NORWOOD.

Put the saddle of patience on your back and say to suffering, “Mount and ride me,” and take the bit in your mouth and be exercised.

*Problem of Joy and Suffering in Life.*
April 23.

April 24.
April 25.

Oliver Cromwell, 1599.
John Keble, 1792.

God raised up a Cromwell to wrest liberty from the king’s hands and set it firmly upon its feet before the nations of the earth.

_Sermon, Privileges of the Christian._

For every individual there is a vision of Christ that comes to his necessities, but it comes to each according to his own nature.

_Evolution and Religion, The Manifold Christ._

April 26.


Men of wit and humor are God’s torch-bearers, sent to those who sit in darkness and despondency.

_Sermon, Making Others Happy._

You can take your choice as to whether you will work downwards or upwards, but that is the only choice you can have.

_Evolution and Religion, The Battle of Life._

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April 25.

April 26.
April 27.

Louis Kossuth, 1802.
Herbert Spencer, 1820.
Ulysses S. Grant, 1822.

Human nature is larger for the life of Louis Kossuth.

*Sermon, The Moral Training of Suffering.*

Spencer will be found to have given to the world more truth in one lifetime than any other man that has lived in the schools of philosophy.

*Evolution and Religion, Evolution and the Church.*

Grant had the patience of Fate and the force of Thor. He has left to memory only such weaknesses as connect him with humanity, and such virtues as will rank him among heroes.

*Eulogy on Grant.*

April 28.

Anthony Cooper, Lord Shaftesbury, 1801.

When I see a true English lord—a man that is a man—there is nobility!

*Sermon, Spiritual Manhood.*

You belong to the commonwealth of the universe; you are allied to princes, thrones and dominions, to powers infinite and innumerable.

*Sermon, Summer in the Soul.*
April 27.

April 28.
April 29.
Matthew Vassar, 1792.

Wealth is the scholar’s patron, sustains his leisure, rewards his labor, builds the college and gathers the library.

*Lectures to Young Men, Six Warnings.*

Do not be afraid of enjoying yourself. Mean the best things, aim at them, do as well as you can, and then take some comfort!

*Sermon, Motives of Action.*

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April 30.

Recall the wandering. Be patient with those who are out of the way.

*Sermon, Sovereignty of Love.*

That which a man sees in this world is not to be compared for beauty nor for comfort with the things which he can imagine.

*Sermon, The Ages to Come.*

"Rachel, how did you like the sermon?"
"I liked the text."
"'A new commandment I write unto you, that ye love one another.' Rachel, will you help me keep it?"

Norwood.
April 29.

April 30.
MAY.

O Flower-Month, perfect the harvest of flowers. Be not niggardly. Search out the cold and resentful nooks that refused the sun, casting back its rays from disdainful ice, and plant flowers even there. There is goodness in the worst. There is warmth in the coldest. The silent, hopeful, unbreathing sun, that will not fret or despond, but carries a placid brow through the unwrinkled heavens, at length conquers the very rocks, and lichens grow and blossom. What shall not Time do that carries in its bosom Love?

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*
May 1.

Joseph Addison, 1672.
Duke of Wellington, 1769.

Where are Addison, Steele, and Dr. Johnson? I desire to lay before them this question: Ought not a person’s face, like God’s sun, to shine kindly upon the just and the unjust?

**Eyes and Ears.**

There is many a Waterloo that is fought in the soul of a man.

*Sermon, Counting the Cost.*

Love is born behind blushing defences.

Norwood.

May 2.

Rev. Robert Hall, 1764.

I hold with Robert Hall, my original teacher, that no church has a right to refuse any man of whom there is evidence that Christ has received him.

**Meeting of the Baptist Union.**

Give the boy a handle and let him put in his own blade. There’s nothing like working out a thing yourself.

Norwood.
May 3.

Florence Nightingale, 1823.

When Florence Nightingale walked out of the accustomed sphere of woman's sympathy, and organized charity in a far distant land, she raised the conception of benevolence and heroism, and it will never go down again.

*Sermon, The Moral Training of Suffering.*

The man who does not do more than the law requires is not a good citizen.

*Sermon, The True Value of Morality.*

May 4.

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Every man that has the truth owes it to all mankind, and the debt must be paid as fast and as far as the providence of God opens the way and makes it possible.

*Sermon, The True Economy of Living.*

I am willing that Mr. Huxley should march on. Facts will overthrow theories.

*Sermon, The Battle of Benevolence.*

O, that she might live a thousand years, and be the ancestress of a thousand just like her!

*Eyes and Ears.*

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MAY 5.

Dr. John Wm. Draper, 1811.

How many times does a cheerful and hopeful physician cure his patients by what he carries in his heart and face more than by what he has in his medicine case!

EYES AND EARS.

Everything which is made has an errand to us if we will hear.

STAR PAPERS.

Make up your mind to take time to do your duty.

Sermon, The Duty of Living Peaceably.

MAY 6.

John Hampden, 1594.

There is nothing that the world needs to guard so much as liberty in thinking and freedom in expression.

Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.

Taking the average of men’s lives, they suffer more from things that never happen than from things that do happen.

Sermon, Borrowing Trouble.
May 7.

Correggio, 1494.
Euphrosyne Parepa-Rosa, 1836.

Sacred art may be called the evangelist of the senses.

_Sermon, Bearing but not Overborne._

Why does a bird sing? Because there is that in him that fires him till he has to sing.

_Sermon, God's Love._

Nothing is learned until you have learned to forget it and it has become part and parcel of you.

_Sermon, The Kingdom of Heaven._

May 8.

Alain René Le Sage, 1658.

In order to bring down the truth to our children, some little story or fable is always necessary.

_Sermon, Fact and Fancy._

If a man is going to do good when he has made money, let him, to prove it, do good in a smaller measure while he is making money.

_Sermon, The Deceitfulness of Riches._
MAY 9.

John Brown, 1800.

John Brown's name will travel through the ages as an illustrious example of what a man may do who is willing to suffer for a great principle.

*Sermon, The Moral Teaching of Suffering.*

"Feathers! feathers! They are the ruin of many souls. The rod is what folks need!"

Norwood.

MAY 10.

Jared Sparks, 1789.
Rev. Arthur Cleveland Coxe, 1818.

The real property established by a man's own intelligence and labor is the crystalized man himself. It is the fruit of his life-work.

*Evolution and Religion, Poverty and the Gospel.*

This man was divinely ordained. Before any man's hands were placed on him God had placed his hand on him.

*Sermon, Heroism.*
May 9.

May 10.
May 11.

Cardinal Reginald Pole, 1500.

If you would teach within the church you must seek ordination at the hands of men.

Norwood.

There is an emery of life that scratches; there is a dust of life that soils and dims. But the pride which God gave you should give you wings to soar above all such petty vexations.

Sermon, As Seeing God.

May 12.

Justus von Liebig, 1803.

Natural law, in order to be effectual, needs brains.

Sermon, Special Providence.

She is one of the fortunate ones who obeys those in command and yet always has her own way.

Norwood.

The blows which disturb you are the blows which on the rocks are letting loose the crystals.

Sermon, Foretokens of Resurrection.
May 11.

May 12.
May 13.

Every day should be to you a day of royal discontent.

Sermon, Ideal Standards of Duty.

Wit and humor are the natural antagonists of the malign feelings. The devil never laughs.

Sermon, The Universal Heart of God.

It seems as though every man were born with a lion under him and an angel over him—and the angel has a hard time!

Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.

May 14.

Rev. Timothy Dwight, 1752.
J. M. W. Turner, 1775.

The higher a man stands among his fellows the more scrupulously he is bound to the law of honor and purity.

Sermon, Man-Building.

We regard Art in its higher offices as a language.

Eyes and Ears.

There is a personal service in the most unlikely things.

Sermon, "As to the Lord."
May 13.

May 14.
May 15.

Michael W. Balfe, 1808.

God made the soul to be played upon by its fellows, by visible nature, by invisible things, and more than all by himself. Norwood.

Is benevolence a real vital principle? Is everybody happier where you go?

Sermon, Christian Sympathy.

He who puts his own interest to rash ventures will scarcely do better for others.

Lectures to Young Men, Causes of Dishonesty.

May 16.

Wm. H. Seward, 1801.

Elizabeth P. Peabody, 1804.

Education, practical moral culture, are the alphabetic letters by which to develop the literature of liberty.


Who more than thou ever lived wholly for others? Norwood.

Every thought of God is medicinal. Every function of the divine mind brings health.

Sermon, The Door.
MAY 15.

MAY 16.
May 17.

Edward Jenner, 1749.
Joseph Norman Lockyer, 1836.

You cannot blame a scientific man for discovering new truths. There is only one thing he can be blamed for, and that is indifference to the effect of his discoveries.


The stars in the heaven above and the strata in the earth beneath are being brought to the stand to testify who made them and for what purpose.

Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.

May 18.

Hans Makart, 1840.

Artists who clothe homeliness with beauty have brought form and color to bear on the feelings of mankind and make them happier.


Love is the best schoolmaster. It is the most stimulating to growth of all things in the world. It is the most refining and the most enriching.

Sermon, The Reward of Loving.
May 19.

\{ Johann Gottlieb Fichte, 1762.
\} John Wilson (Christopher North), 1785.

No wise man will ever reject or neglect the results which have been arrived at by any other wise man or any body of wise men.

*Sermon, Reason in Religion.*

Men who carry good-nature in society are as much perceived as spicewood is, that carries sweet odors.

*Sermon, Unconscious Influence.*

May 20.

Albrecht Dürer, 1471.

John Stuart Mill, 1806.

"It is the amount of one's self in a picture that determines whether it is made by an artist or an artisan."

*Norwood.*

John Stuart Mill's remark,—"I am what I am by the grace of my wife,"—was most sweet and admirable.

*Sermon, Soul-Power.*

Men's faculties are like so many violin strings that are yet rolled up in oiled paper and lie upon the shelf.

*Sermon, Victory through Self-Denial.*

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May 21.

Stephen Girard, 1750.
Elizabeth Fry, 1780.

Let a man do a noble thing and the decree of God in the constitution of the human soul makes everybody see that it is a noble thing.

_Sermon, The Beauty of Moral Qualities._

We give our life best not when we die, but while we are yet living.

_Sermon, Duty of Using One’s Life for Others._

May 22.

Richard Wagner, 1820.
Richard Grant White, 1822.

Where a man like Wagner has a sense of music that sets him feeling and developing tone and combinations of tone, he is a genius.

_Sermon, The Highest Things._

The main thing is that a man shall believe some thing which will govern his life.

_Sermon, Conceit._

Be not afraid that you will not be orthodox. Be God’s, and then you will be orthodox.

_Sermon, Paul and Demetrius._
May 23.

Margaret Fuller Ossoli, 1810.
Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside, 1824.

It is impossible for an energetic nature to move about among men under the force of any great controlling faculty, and not electrify them.

Sermon, Outward and Inward Life.

All that a true soldier wants to know is that he has understood his orders.

Sermon, The Reward of Loving.

May 24.

Albert Smith, 1816.
Victoria, 1819.

Men have come to think that tears are more sacred than smiles. No! Laughing is as divine as crying.

Sermon, The Perfect Manhood.

There is not reigning on the globe a sovereign who commands our simple unaffected respect as the beloved Queen of England.

Speech at Manchester.
May 25.

Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1803.

Emerson, the calm, the observational, not an enthusiast in religion, but with patriotism and humanity to make him a brave witness. It took seven generations of ministers to make one Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Sermon, Christian Sympathy.*

Only now and then is a pearl found and worn, but there are myriads of pearls beneath the waters of the sea. *Sermon, Heroism.*

May 26.

Washington A. Roebling, 1836.

The highest joy lies in the plenary inspiration of the highest feelings of the soul. *Lectures to Young Men, Happiness.*

When that magnificent bridge which will carry somebody's name to posterity shall unite these two great cities, who can imagine the thinkings, the writings, and the trades which have combined to make it possible—sinking it below the earthquake's hand and lifting it above the reach of the storm? *Sermon, Working and Waiting.*
May 25.

May 26.
May 27.

Alighieri Dante, 1265.
Julia Ward Howe, 1819.

Men do not unfold their true natures or sing their best songs—many of them—in this world.

*Sermon, Suffering, the Measure of Worth.*

Whatever is right is sexless. It belongs to whomever has in him or her the impulse to help, to lift up, or to purify.

*Sermon, Women to Preach.*

May 28.

Thomas Moore, 1780.
Louis Jean Agassiz, 1807.

Blessed be that man who knows how by song and sweet poetry to lift up homely cares and make them fly singing through the air.

*Sermon, The Perfect Manhood.*

Agassiz’s view, that men have unfolded gradually from a low point, will destroy the misunderstanding of religion.

*Sermon, The Mercifulness of the Bible.*
May 29.

Patrick Henry, 1736.
Gerald Massey, 1823.

There was no dormant faculty in him. He was alive all around his soul.

_Sermon, Man-Building._

He derives his strength from the invisible rather than from the visible.

_Sermon, Fact and Fancy._

Happiness comes from the concords of one’s own nature and not from outward circumstances.

_Sermon, Borrowing Trouble._

May 30.

Peter the Great, 1672.

If men are to be heroes when the time of emergency comes, they must be heroes before it comes.

_Sermon, Heroism._

God be thanked for the obscure who use that which is sweet in their own nature to sweeten life in humble places.

_Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness._

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May 31.
Alexander Cruden, 1701.

Does a man wish to be a profound scholar? The price which he pays for eminence is that he shall enlighten the community as he goes up.

EyEs and Ears.

I hate cackling hens and I hate cackling men. Men can so work as to find work a pleasure.

Lecture, Innocent Amusements.
The dews bring thee jewels. The winds bring perfume. The forests sing to thee. The air is all sweetness, as if the angels of God had gone through it, bearing spices homeward. The storms are but as flocks of mighty birds that spread their wings and sing in the high heaven! The earth cries to the heavens, "God is here!" The heavens cry to the earth, "God is here!" The sea claims Him. The land hath Him. His footsteps are upon the deep! He sitteth upon the circle of the earth!

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*
JUNE 1.

Henry F. Lyte, 1793.

Hymns, like God's angels, sing hope to the hearts of despairing men.

_Sermon, Thoughts on Death._

When the heavens send clouds and they bank up the horizon, be sure they have hidden gold in them.

_Eyes and Ears._

The more laws a man understands, the more liberty he has.

_Sermon, Christ's Mission on Earth._

JUNE 2.

John Godfrey Saxe, 1816.

In this world, where there is so much trouble and tears are so much more common than smiles, it is a beneficent constitution that enables a man to see things in a humorous light.

_Sermon, The Duty of Living Peaceably._

Wherever we are, we need not lack for a motive to perform noble deeds.

_Sermon, "As to the Lord."_
June 1.

June 2.
June 3.

Richard Cobden, 1804.
Prof. Edward L. Youmans, 1821.

I covet no higher honor than to have my name joined to the list of that great company of noble Englishmen from whom we derived our doctrines of liberty.

Speech at Manchester.

Any man who has discovered the truth has a right to proclaim it, and he is perfectly safe; nay, he is honored.


June 4.

Francis Parkman, 1788.

A man will *be* what his most cherished feelings are.

*Lectures to Young Men, Portrait Gallery.*

Mothers are God's chief educators in the world.

*Sermon, Truthfulness.*

"Everybody is handsome whom you love and respect."

Norwood.
June 4.
June 5.

Socrates, 468 B. C.
Adam Smith, 1723.

We want ethics for nations and the wholesome inheritance of well-regulated minds.

*Sermon, Heredity.*

Another man’s conscience is not to be judged by you. No matter what yours tells you, his tells him different, and his is as worthy of respect as yours.

*Sermon, Conscience and its Auxiliaries.*

June 6.

Nathan Hale, 1755.

However frivolous the world may be, it never fails to admire a man who risks his life for the sake of his faith.

*Sermon, Scope and Function of a Christian Life.*

How many have found heaven by following their children there!

*Sermon, Conflicts of the Christian Life*

It is impossible for one to sweep out of the heavens, as with a sponge, all the sacredness of God, and be as good a man as he was before.

*Lectures to Young Men.*
June 5.

June 6.
JUNE 7.

John Rennie, 1761.

The machinery of the world is doing the work of about twelve times the whole population of the world.

Sermon, Reading.

If you would keep a little book to find out what comes of your forebodings and unnecessary cares, I think you would discover that nine in ten are superlative ignorances and impertinences.

Sermon, Borrowing Trouble.

JUNE 8.

Robert Schumann, 1810.
John Everett Millais, 1829.

If you were to put him on an island in the ocean where there was no soul but himself, he would be thinking choruses and symphonies. This is what we call inspiration or genius.

Sermon, God's Disinterestedness.

Artists who are worthy of the name, and who give to the higher life of the soul expositions of truth on canvas, are silent teachers; and from age to age who shall measure their influence?

Sermon, The Immortality of Good Work.
June 7.

June 8.
June 9.

George Stevenson, 1781.
John Howard Payne, 1792.

Inventors who work at the material interests of society and make the way of life less flinty—their works shall continue.
*Sermon, The Posthumous Influence of Good Men.*

Yearning for sweetness and affection and never finding them, but bringing others to the bosom of home.

*Sermon, Man's Two Natures.*

June 10.

Edwin Arnold, 1832.

Songs in the air carry light and knowledge and inspiration from one age to another and one land to another.

*Evolution and Religion, The Hidden Man.*

A stagnant heart, when deeply disturbed, is long in settling; but a living, out-flowing heart carries away its sorrows down its own stream and deposits them speedily far from the fount.

*Star Papers, Springs and Solitudes.*

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June 9.

June 10.
June 11.

Sensitive folks came to a very poor place when they emigrated to this world.

*Sermon, Brain Life in America.*

The art of seeing well is not to think about seeing. Things will come to you if you are patient and receptive.

*Eyes and Ears.*

Health is the platform on which all happiness must be built. Good appetite, good digestion, and good sleep are the elements of health, and industry secures them.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

June 12.

*Harriet Martineau, 1802.*

*Charles Kingsley, 1819.*

Prose is the work-day dress in which truths do secular duty. Poetry is the royal robe in which truth asserts its divine origin.

*Norwood.*

It requires no grace to stand and do good where doing good is spontaneous.

*Lecture Room Talks.*

We are to die for our convictions if need be, but we are never to make others die for them.

*Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.*

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JUNE 11.

JUNE 12.
JUNE 13.

Dr. Thomas Arnold, 1795.
Camilla Urso, 1842.

The power of personal influence is seen where a great nature is master in a school,—like him of Rugby, who died and left no successor.

Sermon, Soul-Power.

Is it not good that the soul shall be tuned?
Sermon, The Temporal Advantages of Religion.

JUNE 14.

Richard Realf, 1834.

Men in this day write a poetry of love.
Sermon, The Era of Joy.

There is a spirit in everybody that longs for manhood, and it is our business to find out that spirit and if possible to knock at its every door.
Sermon, Peaceableness.

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June 13.

June 14.
June 15.

Gerritz Rembrandt, 1606.
Harriet Beecher Stowe, 1814.

No man has any call to an artist-life unless God has enabled him to see in nature what it is not given common eyes to see.

Norwood.

If womanhood has gone up in intelligence, in influence, in virtue, and religion, the country is safe, though its fleets were sunk and its cities were burned.

_Sermon, The Advance of a Century._

June 16.

If you are wise, you are both conservative and progressive.

_Sermon, The Use of Ideals._

Blessed be the man who really loves flowers—loves them for their own sake, so that he would sit down among them as companions and friends. Are not such the owners of the world and the richest of all men?

_Star Papers, A Discourse on Flowers._
June 17.

Rev. John Wesley, 1703.
Charles F. Gounod, 1818.

It is an awful thing to be a minister. Who is sufficient for these things?

*Sermon, The Love of Christ.*

I am sorry for anything in Nature that cannot make music.

*Sermon, Religious Uses of Music.*

Every human being has a right in you, and you have a right in every human being.

*Sermon, Christian Sympathy.*

June 18.

Frances Sargent Osgood, 1811.

Blessed is she whose eye is serene, whose voice is gentle, whose heart is sweet, whose life makes happiness.

*Sermon, Making Others Happy.*

Be a man always, everywhere, under all circumstances, and never forget that the more sensitive your honor, the higher its pitch, and the nobler its aspiration, the better it is for you.

*Sermon, The Basis of Right Action.*
June 17.

June 18.
June 19.

Blaise Pascal, 1623.
Charles H. Spurgeon, 1834.

Pascal, a contemplative Christian.

*Sermon, The Graciousness of Christ.*

The Christian ministry differs from other influences, such as institutions, laws, economies and books. It is a personal power upon persons. He that teaches of God must do it by being like that to which he would draw men up.

*Sermon, Liberty and Duty of the Pulpit.*

June 20.

Salvator Rosa, 1615.
Anna Letitia Barbauld, 1743.

Every artist dips his brush in his own soul and paints his own nature into his pictures.

Norwood.

I believe that household instruction will yet supersede all other forms of moral influence.


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JUNE 21.

In its higher form, love is many melodies wrought into a harmony.

Norwood

It is too often the case that men remember their sorrow and do not register their joy. They do not put hope over against despair and cheer over against gloom.

_Sermon, The Worth of Suffering._

Any dealing that makes you better inside is beneficent.

_Sermon, Faith in Prayer._

JUNE 22.

Mary Cowden Clarke, 1809.

Never before in any land was womanhood at such a point of honor and influence as at the present day. Nor has she done growing.

_Sermon, The Advance of a Century._

If, having secured intelligence and refinement, you ever do become rich you will not be dependent upon your wealth for happiness, and therefore you will not be in danger of the vulgar ostentation of crude riches.

_Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints._

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June 21.

June 22.
June 23.

Gottfried Wilhelm Leibnitz, 1646.

Leibnitz—a Christian and a devout man.

*Sermon, Christ.*

All hail to the men who strike fire from many a rock, so that while they learn physical facts, spiritual elements may flash out of them.

*Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.*

One must know how to work who is to know how to wait. One must experience fatigue who is to appreciate the blessing of rest.

*Sermon, Waiting Upon God.*

June 24.

Henry Ward Beecher, 1813.

I testify that there is nothing in all the earth that is not rendered more sweet and bright by having that communion with God that lifts and refines and strengthens the soul itself.

*Sermon, Christ’s Mission on Earth.*

I have great respect for all the professions; but, after a very considerable knowledge of the world outside of my own profession, I still feel that the field in which a minister acts, or may act, is the widest field conceivable to the human intelligence.

*Evolution and Religion, The Signs of the Times.*
JUNE 23.

JUNE 24.
June 25.

John Horne Tooke, 1736.

A book is a garden. A book is an orchard. A book is a store-house. A book is a party. It is a multitude of counselors.

_Sermon, Reading._

God is helping you. Do not be discouraged.

_Sermon, What is Salvation?_

Are you a light-bearer to your fellows? Have you ever thought it of yourself, or has anybody ever thought it of you?

_Sermon, Do With Thy Might._

June 26.

Philip Doddridge, 1702.

There is no bird that can sing like a hymn.

_Talks on Hymns._

Shall we apply the crucible or the mathematical rule, or any outward measure, to things that if perceived at all, must be perceived through the channel of higher thoughts and feelings, and disown them because they cannot stand the test of the lower reason?

_Sermon, Reason in Religion._

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JUNE 25.

JUNE 26.
June 27.

Who cares for the obscure, the unfortunate, and the vicious, but mothers and God?

*Sermon, The Power that Moves the World.*

A lawyer who works ten months in the year and then for two solid months amuses himself, will last twice as long as if he took no recreation.

*Sermon, Brain Life in America.*

The heart is the alabaster box of precious ointment, and whatever its affections touch they fill with undying fragrance.

*Sermon, The Door.*

June 28.

Jean Jacques Rousseau, 1712.

Guiseppe Mazzini, 1808.

Imagination is largely the alphabet out of which the real is spelled.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

There is a truth of patriotism, but it is of no validity whatever till it makes a patriot.

*Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.*

Whoever makes home seems to the young dearer and more happy, is a public benefactor.

Norwood.
JUNE 27.

JUNE 28.
JUNE 29.

Peter Paul Rubens, 1577.

A picture which addresses itself plainly and strongly to the heart's feelings will always have admiration.

**Eyes and Ears.**

I believe in love at first sight—provided it is a love that will stand second sight. But it is not necessary that one should be as blind as a bat in order to be disinterested.

*Sermon, Children.*

JUNE 30.

Bear your suffering till you know you are the master of it, as at first it was master of you.

*Sermon, Problem of Joy and Suffering.*

Her sympathy was so quick, her intuitions so fine, that she took hold of all who came near her.

*Norwood.*

Even if a man has nothing to do but turn a grindstone or sweep the streets, he had better be educated.

*Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.*

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JUNE 29.

JUNE 30.
JULY.

Rouse up! The temperate heats that filled the air are raging forward to glow and overfill the earth with hotness. Must it be thus in everything, that June shall rush toward August? Or, is it not that there are deep and unreached places for whose sake the probing sun pierces down its glowing hands? There is a deeper work than June can perform.

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*
July 1.

Of all battles there are none like the unrecorded battles of the soul.

*Sermon, The Ideal of Christian Manhood.*

Humor is the atmosphere in which grace most flourishes.

*Sermon, Unjust Judgments.*

Her eye is like an open book full of pictures. Her presence is peace.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

July 2.

Cranmer, 1489.
Richard Henry Stoddard, 1825.

He who loses his life for the sake of truth shall find it with an everlasting finding.

*Sermon, Heroism.*

Literature throws off care and brings knowledge to men’s minds.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

Try and render unrequited service joyfully.

*Sermon, The Honor of Serving.*
July 1.

July 2.
July 3.

John Copley, 1737.

Human life is like a half-finished portrait, but no man can determine what it is or how it shall look when it is perfected.


One joy stands solitary, but if you put a second, third, fourth, and fifth along, you have a level plain of peace.

*Sermon, Christian Joyfulness.*

July 4.

Nathaniel Hawthorn, 1804.

Of all the American novelists who have passed away, the author of "The House of the Seven Gables" seems to me the greatest.

*Interview.*

There is no sacrifice too great to pay for the Union unless we sacrifice that for which the Union was first made—Liberty!

*New Star Papers, Patriotism and Liberty.*
JULY 3.

JULY 4.
JULY 5.

David G. Farragut, 1801.

When Farragut drove past hidden dangers into the port of Mobile, the example of heroic manhood which he exhibited was a treasure to the human race which no man can measure.

*Sermon, The Chicago Fire.*

Blessed are they that move around about in society so as to lubricate it.

*Sermon, Unconscious Influence.*

JULY 6.

John Huss, 1373.

When truth has, in any age, been apparently destroyed it has died only as the seed dies to come up again a hundred-fold.

*Evolution and Religion, The Vitality of God’s Truth.*

A man who is happy can bear anything in creation.

*Sermon, Christian Influence.*
July 7.

Joseph Marie Jacquard, 1752.
"Fanny Fern," 1811.

He that makes a machine emancipates me, for if matter cannot be made to toil upon matter then men must toil upon it.

*Sermon, Duty of Using One's Life for Others.*

When didst thou ever shrink from giving honest counsel, because it was bitter?

Norwood.

July 8.

John de La Fontaine, 1621.
Fitz Green Halleck, 1790.

"Prose is truth looking on the ground; poetry is truth flying upward toward God."

Norwood.

Some persons, like some soldiers in an army, are more, and some are less, exposed; but all are fighting somewhere on the one side or on the other.

*Evolution and Religion, The Battle of Life.*

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July 7.

July 8.
July 9.

Elias Howe, 1819.

Just in proportion as you make machine slaves, just in that proportion you redeem the mind to greater leisure.

*Sermon, Duty of Using One's Life for Others.*

If God gave you gayety and cheer of spirits, lift up the careworn by it. Wherever you go shine and sing.

*Sermon, The Perfect Manhood.*

July 10.

John Calvin, 1509.
Sanford R. Gifford, 1823

Old John Calvin—a Christian Plato without Plato's heart.

*Sermon, Religious Constancy.*

Here is where heavenly beauty may be found,

*Sermon, Counting the Cost.*

Are you a comforter of men? Are you in any sense a benefactor of men?

*Sermon, Do With Thy Might.*
JULY 9.

JULY 10.
JULY 11.

John Quincy Adams, 1767.

If there is anything that should touch the conscience, it is the idea of serving faithfully the whole body politic.

*Sermon, Corruption in Public Affairs.*

Do not give as many rich men do, like a hen that lays her egg and then cackles.

*Sermon, The Perfect Manhood.*

JULY 12.

Henry D. Thoreau, 1817.
Benjamin P. Shillaber, 1814.

Men of large natures carry in their hearts a secret garden—a silent wilderness.

*Life of Jesus, the Christ.*

Humor usually tends towards good nature, and everything that tends toward good nature tends toward good grace.

*Sermon, Unjust Judgments.*
**July 13.**

Marshal Maurice McMahon, 1808.
Augustus Hoppin, 1828.

Ideas are more powerful than bayonets. Tyrannies are overthrown by ideas. Armies are defeated by them.

*Sermon, The Love of Money.*

"If laughing's a sin, I don't see what the Lord lets so many funny things happen for."

Norwood.

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**July 14.**

\{ Dr. John Hunter, 1728. \\
\{ Dr. Johann Müller, 1801.

One who has been healed by a faithful physician should be the friend of that physician as long as he lives.

*Sermon, Healing Virtue in Christ.*

"Talkin' roses and posies to the girls is not becomin' in a deacon."

Norwood.
JULY 13.

JULY 14.
July 15.

Cardinal Henry Manning, 1808.

Such men are priests unto others. As they begin higher up than others more is to be expected of their beneficence.

*Sermon, The Door.*

I would as soon undertake to raise my harvest by the pale moonbeams instead of the glory and fervor of the sun as to undertake to raise anything like character by the aesthetic principle.

*Sermon, God’s Disinterestedness.*

July 16.

Sir Joshua Reynolds, 1723.
Julius Froebel, 1805.

To the end of time the artist will be worth more than the artisan, the artisan than the laborer, and the laborer than the drudge.

*Sermon, Signs of the Times.*

There is no stimulus comparable to that which springs from an active living soul upon living souls.

*Sermon, “As to the Lord.”*
July 15.

July 16.
July 17.

Dr. Isaac Watts, 1674.

When Isaac Watts wrote his hymns, do you suppose he formed the remotest estimate of how like an organist at the keys of the human soul they would go on playing sweet melodies through hundreds of years?

_Sermon, Law of Hereditary Influence._

One who hunts for flowers will find flowers; one who loves weeds will find weeds.

_Lectures to Young Men, Portrait Gallery._

July 18.

Gilbert White, 1721.
Therèse Tietjens, 1831.

No truth seemed beautiful to him that had not leaves and flowers.

Norwood.

Blessed are they that can sing!

_Sermon, The Use of the Tongue._

There is no joy greater than that of grief overcome.

_Sermon, Bearing but Not Overborne._

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July 19.

Calmness, courage, hope, and happiness to all in her neighborhood.

Eyes and Ears.

Let other men's destruction be thy wisdom, for it is hard to reap prudence upon the field of experience.

Lectures to Young Men.

There is no happiness in this world like that which one mind can produce upon another.

Sermon, The Battle of Benevolence.

July 20.

Petrarch, 1304.

The dead poets were never so much alive as now, going up and down through the ages chanting their joyful strains.

Sermon, The Immortality of Good Work.

Having wit and buoyancy of spirits let them flash out in the service of religion. Don't consider it necessary to rake them up and hide them.

Sermon, All-Sidedness of Christian Life.

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July 19.

July 20.
July 21.

Matthew Prior, 1664.

Shining as the sun shines in summer days, with such gentleness as to nourish the tenderest flowers.

*Sermon, The Fruit of the Spirit.*

To be a gentleman requires that one shall be a full man.

*Sermon, The Perfect Manhood.*

There are persons going about whose souls are as an orchestra to everybody that is near them.

*Sermon, The Kingdom of Heaven.*

July 22.

Guiseppe Garibaldi, 1807.

A man who embraces a cause and puts everything that makes him into that cause is a hero.

*Sermon, Scope and Function of a Christian Life.*

Was there ever such a slave on the face of God's earth as a mother is?

*Sermon, The Vital Principle.*

The bread which we solicit of God he gives us through our own industry.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

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July 23.

Titian (Tiziano Vecelli), 1480.

A man who, like Titian, has by nature a large element of color, almost needs no education.

*Sermon, The Highest Things.*

Ask for knowledge if you desire it. You would ask for food before you would die, and you ought to be ten times as hungry for knowledge as for food for the body.

*Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.*

July 24.

John Newton, 1819.
Josiah Gilbert Holland, 1819.

He builds a great thing who builds a pyramid, but he a greater thing who builds a character.

*Sermon, Working and Waiting.*

Heart-life, soul-life, hope, joy, and love are true riches. Such riches a man will carry through the grave with him.

*Lectures to Young Men, Happiness.*

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Rev. Edward Payson, 1783.

A man adapted to the higher stages of Christian development born to it.

_Sermon, Perfect Peace._

Are they worthy of anything but pity who are not able to bear the hardships of the voyage when they are going home?

_Sermon, Reward of Loving._

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The habit of acting as though you felt interested in other people's happiness, will by and by make you so.

_Sermon, Fragments of Instruction._

The rich man's dunce stands below the poor man's smart boy—and _must._

_Sermon, National Unity._

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July 27.

Thomas Campbell, 1777.

"No man can express the great truths of human life without employing all his moral and æsthetic nature. No man can deliver great truths worthily without rising into eloquence and even into poetry."

Norwood.

How many prayers have you ever sent up for those that hate you?

Sermon, An Outlook.

July 28.

It is growth that emancipates men.

Sermon, As to the Lord.

Love is the pilot by which God is to guide this old staggering world through darkness and storms into the haven of rest.

Sermon, The Primacy of Love.

Is not this gentle reserve that yields to real admiration, but hovers aloof from coarse or cold indifference, a beautiful trait in women or apple trees?

Eyes and Ears.

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JULY 27.

JULY 28.
Art is carrying refinement and comfort and joy as it never knew how to do in earlier periods.

_Sermon, The New Incarnation._

De Tocqueville was the most far-seeing prophet of his time.

_Sermon, Moral Theory of Civil Liberty._

There is a benevolence in compliment. It tempts one to look for agreeable traits among his friends and not for faults.

_Eyes and Ears._

There is above every man’s head a height into which he may rise, and whether care and trouble fret below or tear on, they become alike silent and powerless. It is only our affections that mount up and dwell with us where bickerings and burdens never come.

_Eyes and Ears._
July 31.

Gen. George H. Thomas, 1816.
Paul Belloni Du Chaillu, 1835.

A general whose very name makes every soldier's heart bound with zeal and enthusiasm.

Sermon, Prayer.

He only who does what others cannot do, is the hero.

Sermon, Heroism.
AUGUST.

Reign, thou fire-month! What canst thou do? Neither shalt thou destroy the earth, whom frosts and ice could not destroy. The vines droop, the trees stagger, but every night the sun pities them. This is the rejoicing month for joyful insects. If our unselfish eye would behold it, it is the most populous and the happiest month. The air is resonant of insect orchestras, each one carrying his part in Nature's grand harmony. August, thou art the ripeness of the year! Thou art the glowing centre of the circle!

Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.
AUGUST 1.

George Ticknor, 1791.
Maria Mitchell, 1818.

The glory of his study was shown at the point of application.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

She knows all the coquettings of the sun and moon, and all the seasons at which the stars play bo-peep with each other.

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*

AUGUST 2.

Cardinal Nicholas Wiseman, 1802.

Christianity's only eulogy and only apology is the lives which are developed by its spirit.

*Sermon, Christianity in Practice.*

A good woman is the best thing God ever made under the heaven.

*Sermon, Naboth's Vineyard.*

There is enough of the human element in you to spoil you for a machine.

*Sermon, Soul-Power.*
August 1.

August 2.
August 3.

Rev. Wm. Ware, 1797.
Gen. Thomas F. Meagher, 1823.

To live with a good person is an education.

*Sermon, Soul-Building.*

The whole individual life of a man is a perpetual contest with something exterior to himself or something in himself.

*Evolution and Religion, The Battle of Life.*

Her heart carries warmth wherever she goes.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

August 4.

Percy Bysshe Shelley, 1792.

Fancy is itself a fact,—as much an argument as a leaf or a stone.

*Norwood.*

The strong can take care of themselves. It is the weak that need some forethought to care for them.

*Sermon, Humanity.*

An eye and an ear open to every source of information.

*Sermon, How Goes the Battle?*
August 3.

August 4.
August 5.

Straightforward, truthful, and as unbounded in kindness as she is energetic in duty.

Norwood.

Any man who supports anybody, any man who gives what is better than silver or gold, any man who gives hope or encouragement to another is helping to build God's great temple.

Sermon, Working with God.

August 6.

Daniel O'Connell, 1775.
A. Bronson Alcott, 1799.
Alfred Tennyson, 1809.

Can we yield up popularity and success for the sake of an unpopular principle?

Sermon, The Reproach of Christ.

Human nature is larger for his living.

Sermon, Moral Teaching of Suffering.

It is a noble thing to see a man so in sympathy with his time and work, as Tennyson is, that even with expiring strength he still tries to chant the truth of God to the age in which he lives.

Sermon, A Completed Year

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August 5.

August 6.
August 7.

Joseph Rodman Drake, 1795.
Canon Frederick William Farrar, 1831.

Made happy by the developing power of a true imagination.

_Sermon, Beauty._

When a large and magnetic nature appears with power to grasp men, the moral feeling becomes electric and contagious.

_Sermon, The Life of Christ._

August 8.

Sir Godfrey Kueller, 1646.
Benjamin Silliman, 1779.

The great work of a painter is inside of himself.

_Sermon, Working and Waiting._

If Nature has a secret, a Yankee will pick the lock where it is kept or be eaves-dropping till he gets hold of it.

Norwood.

Make your courage appear when there is no visible ground for encouragement.

_Sermon, “As to the Lord.”_
August 7.

August 8.
Imagination is the architect and reason the master-builder.

*Sermon, Growth in the Knowledge of God.*

He who carries to nations a true and vital gospel, carries to them seed-forms of a universal civilization.

*Sermon, Manhood in America.*

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**August 10.**

Sir Charles James Napier, 1782.
Camillo Benson Cavour, 1810.

Napier's matchless "History of the War of the Peninsula" is one of the noblest monuments of military history ever given to the world.

*Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.*

Count Cavour, the ablest statesman in modern Europe.

*Sermon, Paul's Idea of Love.*

God bless the good-natured, for they bless everybody else!

*Eyes and Ears.*
August 9.

August 10.
August 11.


Life is a battle and it is to be fought from first to last.

Sermon, All-Sidedness of a Christian Life.

It seems a great deal better business for a Christian man to encourage his fellow-men in well-doing than to punish them for wrong thinking.

Sermon, Working with Errorists.

Something is not half so dangerous as nothing.

Sermon, Do with Thy Might.

August 12.

There is a universal sympathy with men who seek the good of their fellows.

Sermon, Posthumous Influence of Good Men.

The highest deeds, the noblest qualities, the achievements of one or another in the long round of history have been the food of those who came after.

August 11.

August 12.
August 13.

Felix Adler, 1851.

You cannot find another people in America among whom the social virtues are more rigorously taught and observed than among the Israelites.

*Sermon, Jew and Gentile.*

Look up and let the light of hope shine in thy face, for God will take care of those who are dear to you.

*Sermon, The Immortality of Good Works.*

August 14.

{ Letitia E. Landon, 1802.
 Park Benjamin, 1809.

Blessed are those whose language is like a ministering angel, carrying mercy, hope, and pleasure on every side.

*Sermon, The Use of the Tongue.*

If men reflect upon others some rays of the prosperity which shines upon themselves, wealth is full of advantage.

*Lectures to Young Men, Six Warnings.*

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August 13.


August 14.
August 15.

Sir Walter Scott, 1771.
Thomas De Quincey, 1785.

There is more heroic power in that simple character in “The Heart of Midlothian” than in many a moral treatise and many a system of moral philosophy.

*Sermon, Earthly Immortality.*

Oftentimes fiction is nearer the truth than truth itself is.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

August 16.

Friendliness is but the outer court. Love is the holy of holies.

Norwood.

There is no royal road to liberty, to largeness, and happiness, except that which comes from the perfection and exaltation of your own nature.

*Sermon, Christ, the Emancipator.*

I do not consider a person good-tempered who has no temper at all.

*Eyes and Ears.*

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August 15.

August 16.
August 17.

Frederica Bremer, 1801.

Life seemed a voyage along the edge of a great spirit-world, out of which would come some infinite truth, some revelation.

_Sermon, Soul-Power._

Your best and truest self is divine.

_Sermon, The Past and the Future._

There is something beside owls in the air. There is the whippoorwill and the nightingale.

_Sermon, The Worth of Suffering._

August 18.

Charles Francis Adams, 1807.

A man should so carry his spirit power and his social power that those who are round about him should be drawn to him.

_Sermon, Right and Wrong Way of Giving Pleasure._

She does not wear silks kept in a camphor-wood trunk. She does not carry a sandal-wood fan.

_Eyes and Ears._
August 19.

Man is more than man knows. Life is grander than it shows itself to be.

_Sermon, Divine Influence on the Human Soul._

Never are you so little alone as in solitude. Never are you so little cast off as when you seem utterly hopeless.

_Sermon, The Joy that is Set Before Us._

We can easily count pain-strokes because they are infrequent, but health-throbs we do not count because they are uncountable.

_Sermon, The Happiness of Life._

August 20.

Robert Herrick, 159

"A poet thinks in blossoms just as naturally as honeysuckles do."

Norwood.

Capacity and fidelity are commercially profitable. They may demand a long time to achieve profit, but at length they are profitable.

_Sermon, The Basis of Right Action._

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August 19.

August 20.
August 21.

John Tyndall, 1820.

Studying God's great material globe and its physical laws, the rocks, the strata of the earth, and finding out what God has been about in the myriads of years that have occupied the building of this world.


We are organs, and no one has taught us to play ourselves.

Sermon, Happiness and Sorrow.

August 22.

John B. Gough, 1817.

Intemperance is the fertile source of crime. Have you done anything about it?

Sermon, Crime and Its Remedy.

It is good to hear a man thunder once in a while if it is genuine and in the right way for a good cause.

Eyes and Ears.

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August 21.

August 22.
August 23.

Sir Astley Cooper, 1768.
George Leopold Frédéric Cuvier, 1799.
Rev. Roland Hill, 1795.

The study of the lower animal kingdom throughout all the scientific world ranks as high as the study of the human body.

College Address.

Humor is nearer right than any emotion that we have.

Sermon, Unsust Judgments.

August 24.

William Wilberforce, 1759.
Theodore Parker, 1810.

He that is ever so orthodox, if he does not love, is a heretic; and the greatest heretic, if he loves God and loves man, is orthodox.


You never put in peril anything that is dear to you for the sake of others, that you are not enrolled among the heroic.

Sermon, Heroism.
AUGUST 23.

AUGUST 24.
August 25.

Francis Bret Harte, 1839.

By imagination and mirthfulness a man may minister to the understanding.

*Sermon, Right and Wrong Way of Giving Pleasure.*

Men require the sharpening of drill before they can discern what is high, what is right, what is beautiful, what is divine.

*Sermon, Reason in Religion.*

August 26.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, 1812.

What is the difference between a dew-drop and a diamond? One goes in a moment; it flashes and dies. The other endures. There are hundreds of things which are as beautiful as a diamond in their moment; but the endurance of the diamond is measured by ages, and so carries on the value.

*Sermon, Immortality.*
August 25.

August 26.
August 27.

Barthold Georg Niebuhr, 1776.
Edward Beecher, 1803.

He carried the germs of everything which bore fruit in other men’s characters and so was in sympathy with all.

Norwood.

No answer has ever been made to Dr. Edward Beecher’s arguments in "The Conflict of Ages," demonstrating that the doctrine of the fall of man in Adam had no foothold in Paul’s writings.

Brooklyn Congregational Association.

August 28.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, 1749.

Goethe’s education was living men, active and powerful round about him.

Sermon, Soul-Power.

Second thoughts are treason when an impulse is generous.

Sermon, Relation of Physical Causes to Spiritual States.

She is as good as goodness.

Sermon, Fact and Fancy.

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AUGUST 27.

AUGUST 28.
August 29.

John Locke, 1632.
Oliver Wendell Holmes, 1809.

"What was your head given you for but to use?"
Norwood.

He moves like a comet. He astonishes the regular stars with the eccentricity of his orbit, and coquets the very sun with audacious familiarity.

*Lectures to Young Men*, Portrait Gallery.

August 30.

William Paley, 1743.

By and by the time will come when good men, sublime and sweet, will be dominant in all the earth.

*Sermon, The Inheritance of the Meek.*

Do not wear your nerves where your coat sleeves are and carry yourself so that every thing grinds and grates upon you.

*Sermon, As Seeing God.*

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AUGUST 29.

AUGUST 30.
August 31.

Christina Nilsson, 1843.
Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, 1844.

It is much pleasanter to go and hear Nilsson sing than to attend primaries.

_Sermon, The Redemption of the Ballot._

One thing I know—that when we are in the other life we shall be more than satisfied; and that is all we need to know.

_Sermon, Children._
SEPTEMBER.

There are thoughts in thy heart of death. Thou art doing a secret work, and heaping up treasures for another year. Thy robes are luxuriant, but worn with softened pride. Not till the heats of summer are gone, while all its growths remain, do we know the fullness of life. Thou dividest asunder August and October, and art thyself molded of them both.

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*
September 1.

Lydia II. Sigourney, 1791.

Blessed are they who know how to instruct without pedantry.

_Sermon, The Use of the Tongue._

There can be no civilization without enterprise, and no enterprise without plans for the future.

_Sermon, Evils of Anxious Forethought._

Sigh, that others may not sigh.

_Sermon, Heroism._

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September 2.

John Howard, 1726.
Henry George, 1839.

Over every jail there is a tenderer spirit brooding than ever passes in or out through the door.

_Sermon, Waiting upon God._

A man whose sympathy is not with the strong and powerful, but with the multitude.

_Sermon, The Duty of Riches._
There is such a thing as overpowering genius, sweetness, and goodness.

*Sermon, Enmity.*

Every victory in your personal experience however humble, is a part of that spiritual resurrection from the dead which is going on all over the world.

*Sermon, Foretokens of Resurrection.*

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**September 4.**

Phœbe Cary, 1824.

Blessed be mirthfulness. It is one of the renovators of the world.

*Sermon, Peaceableness.*

Do not be afraid or ashamed of work.

*Sermon, Practical Ethics for the Young.*

What is the use of all the difference between a bird and a man if it only leads to vexations?

*Sermon, Evils of Anxious Forethought.*
SEPTEMBER 3.

SEPTEMBER 4.
SEPTEMBER 5.

Cardinal Richelieu, 1585.
Jacob Meyerbeer, 1794.

A man must do no evil though the Cardinal command him.

*Sermon*, THE NATURE OF LIBERTY.

Music cleanses and inspires the understanding.

*Sermon*, RIGHT AND WRONG WAY OF GIVING PLEASURE.

Life is a campaign of battles.

*Evolution and Religion*, THE BATTLE OF LIFE.

SEPTEMBER 6.

Marquis de Lafayette, 1757.
Catherine E. Beecher, 1800.

Lafayette was a man without guile, without selfishness; a man whose very bread it was to love his fellow-men.

*New Star Papers*, PATRIOTISM AND LIBERTY.

Suffering perfected her character into self-sacrifice, usefulness and devotion to others.

FUNERAL OF CATHERINE E. BEECHER.
SEPTEMBER 5.

SEPTEMBER 6.
SEPTEMBER 7.

George Louis, Count Buffon, 1707.

All hail to the great army of men who are questioning the secrets of the material globe!

*Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.*

Be ashamed to be dependent. Feel that to take care of yourself is honorable. Work out your living and so work out your salvation.

*Sermon, Earning a Livelihood.*

SEPTEMBER 8.

August Wilhelm von Schlegel, 1767.
Emilio Castelar, 1832.

Nobody comes into life with a philosophy in his head, but with a head that is set to learn philosophy.

*Sermon, The Unity of Man.*

Castelar in old Spain eloquently describing republicanism—the most impressive man, perhaps, of this century.

September 9.

If you say you cannot afford to read—I beg your pardon,—put out your cigar and then you can.

Sermon, Reading.

It was in his hour of darkness and weakness that he found the hour of heroism.

Sermon, Cuba, and the Brotherhood of Nations.

She did right things and doing them brought rich feelings and right conduct.

Sermon, Fact and Fancy.

September 10.

Philip Gilbert Hamerton, 1834.

They should count themselves signally blessed who are endowed with love and imagination and taste and music.

Sermon, Making Others Happy.

I wish the materialists who think that mind is matter would teach school a little while or take care of children.

Sermon, Working and Waiting.
September 9.

September 10.
SEPTEMBER II.

James Thompson, 1700.

As full of songs as the spring day is, with all the birds in the woods.

Sermon, The Unity of Man.

Our anniversaries should be of our own deepest and best experience.

Sermon, A Completed Year.

A man gets what he carries. He wakes up in others that which is in him.

Sermon, The Duty of Living Peaceably.

SEPTEMBER 12.

Charles Dudley Warner, 1829.

Wit and humor are the most civilizing of all influences upon the soul of man.

Sermon, Conscience and its Auxiliaries.

To be fully persuaded in your own mind does not mean that you are to make everyone agree with you.

Other Men's Consciences.

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No patriotic man has a right to let a crafty man be smarter than he.

*Sermon, The Redemption of the Ballot.*

There is not one single perversion of a man's nature that he cannot rectify.

*Sermon, The Comforting God.*

She saw real things as if they were visions and imaginary things as if they were real.

Norwood.

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Alexander von Humboldt, 1769.

How goodly a book God has opened in this world with stores of knowledge illimitable, if one will only humble himself to receive it!

*Sermon, Fruits, Flowers. and Farming.*

To be so placed that you cannot suffer is almost to be so placed that you cannot be educated.

*Sermon, The Worth of Suffering.*
SEPTEMBER 13.

SEPTEMBER 14.
SEPTEMBER 15.

James Fenimore Cooper, 1789.
James Gates Percival, 1795.

The process of fiction has marked the development of civilization all the way up.

_Sermon, Fact and Fancy._

Those who have set stars of poetry to cheer the darkness of the world—certainly they need not fear.

_Sermon, The Posthumous Influence of Good Men._

SEPTEMBER 16.

Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, 1796.

It is a glorious thing to see a man walking full-freighted with activity up to the very gate of death.

_Lectures to Young Men, Happiness._

You are a free, responsible agent, competent to consider and determine for yourself what is right and what is wrong.

_Sermon, The Nature and Sources of Temptations._

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September 15.

September 16.
September 17.

Next to the danger of never experiencing love, is the danger of loving.

_Sermon, The Enthusiasm of Love._

It will make you humble to have high ideals. A man who looks up all the time is never a great man to himself.

_Sermon, The Use of Ideals._

September 18.

Dr. Samuel Johnson, 1709.
Joseph Story, 1779.

There is what may be called congenital awkwardness, such as old Dr. Sam. Johnson had and never got over.

_Sermon, Fighting One Another's Battles._

The truest judges are those that are the most developed toward their ultimate nature.

_Sermon, Conduct, the Index of Feeling._

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September 19.

Lord Henry Brougham, 1778.

It takes generations to bring men up to the level of that light and liberty in which they can stand in their own individual freedom.


Never yield up your faith until it lapses into fruition. You cannot hope too much, but you may easily despair too much.

*Sermon, Salvation by Hope.*

September 20.

Robert Emmett, 1803.

A man with the heart and the greatness to suffer for his country and his kind.

*Sermon, The Atoning God.*

It matters not whose tactics you drill by. Let me see you fight, and after the campaign I will tell you who turns out the best soldiers.

*Sermon, Follow Thou Me.*
September 19.

September 20.
September 21.

Savonarola, 1452.
Horatio Nelson, 1758.
Theodore Winthrop, 1828.

Was it better that Savonarola should have his mouth stopped by the halter, or that he should have been permitted to talk on?

Evolution and Religion, Liberty and Duty of the Pulpit.

He lifted up before the eyes of men a higher ideal of heroism and consecration to duty.

Sermon, Lessons from the Chicago Fire.

September 22.

Michael Faraday, 1791.
George S. Hillard, 1808.

Faraday, a Christian man in a scientific circle.

Sermon, The Debt of Strength.

Both literature and science are compelled to serve.

Sermon, Keeping the Faith.

Do not fall into the vulgar idea that the mind is a warehouse and education a process of stuffing it full of goods,

Norwood
September 23.

Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen, 1848.

Nowhere more than in the Scriptures is fiction used for purposes of instruction.

*Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

One who is rightly performing the duties of life is worshiping, if worshiping means rendering acceptable service to God.

*Sermon, Religion in Daily Life.*

September 24.

Chief Justice John Marshall, 1755.

The justice of the peace may appeal up to the judge, but the judge never appeals down to the justice. And the higher reason is unjudged by the lower, though it judges the lower.

*Sermon, Reason in Religion.*

Sorrow is an apple-tree that gives apples which when ripe are not sour.

*Sermon, Motives of Action.*

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September 23.

September 24.
September 25.

Felicia Hemans, 1794.
William M. Rossetti, 1829.

Love makes the poet sing.

*Sermon, Man's Two Natures.*

Genius, and genius alone enables a man to be creative.

*Sermon, God's Disinterestedness.*

How often does the coming of a happy-hearted friend lift one out of despondency, and before you are aware inspire you with hope and cheer!

*Eyes and Ears.*

September 26.

Beauty is its own argument.

*Sermon, Man's Two Natures.*

Whatever it is right for any one on earth to do, it is all the more right for a Christian to do.

*Sermon, The Ideal of Christian Experience.*

Go up higher. Take another step. Break off from depressing influences, and then be happy day by day.

*Sermon, The New Birth.*

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September 25.

September 26.
September 27.

George Cruikshank, 1792.
Epes Sargent. 1812

"I never saw any harm in laughing. The whole world is full of queer things and it aint my fault it I see them."

Norwood.

Books are not for furniture, but there is nothing that so beautifully furnishes a house.

Eyes and Ears.

You should set your standard high and try to reach it.

Sermon, The Use of Ideals.

September 28.

Frances E. Willard, 1839.

Do not think that your work is slow because results are not near.

Sermon, Working and Waiting.

Are you happy? Are you good? Do you leave a trail of light behind you?


Heart-varnish will cover up innumerable evils and defects.

Eyes and Ears.
September 27.

September 28.
There is nothing that sings like a bird through all time as does a heroic action.

Sermon, The Moral Teaching of Suffering.

Activity with mistakes is better than inactivity without mistakes. Life carries with it the liability to error and so men that are alive are continually at fault.

Sermon, Religious Fervor.

September 30.

Are there not saints in commerce as well as in the cloister?

Sermon, Business Life.

It is conceit, sometimes, that leads men to think they are not properly rewarded.

Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.

One who has the faculty of judging of things accurately on every side has the best of sense—common sense.

Sermon, Evils of Anxious Forethought.
OCTOBER.

Bend thy boughs to the earth, redolent of glowing fruit. Leaves begin to let go when no wind is out, and swing in long waverings to the earth. When the gales come through the trees, the yellow leaves trail, like sparks at night behind the flying engine. The woods are thinner, so that we see the heavens plainer, as we lie dreaming on the yet warm moss by the singing spring. The year's work is done. She walks in gorgeous apparel looking upon her long labor, and her serene eye saith, "It is God!"

Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.
October 1.

Rufus Choate, 1799.

When such an one speaks, his words are arrows and the hearts of men are targets.

Life of Jesus, the Christ.

Happiness is the music of the soul itself.

Sermon, Outward Prosperity and Inward Poverty.

What is the glory of a mother but her household?


October 2.

Live in a state of mind in which forgiveness will come spontaneously.

Sermon, God’s Disinterestedness.

“The grave is a tavern where a good many men put up, and I never heard that anybody ever complained of his fare.”

Norwood.

“Is not godliness enough?” No. I have seen a great many godly men who lacked much that was desirable.

Sermon, Ideal Christianity.
October 3.

George Bancroft, 1800.
George Ripley, 1802.

The Past belongs to Gratitude and Regret; the Present, to Contentment and Work; the Future, to Hope and Trust.

_Sermon, Evils of Anxious Forethought._

Great roads there are between here and the other life for great thoughts and great souls.

_Sermon, The Year Among the Nations._

October 4.

François P. G. Guizot, 1787.
Jean François Millet, 1815.

The universal tendency of history is on the whole going from low to high, from worse to better, and from good toward the perfect.

_Sermon, The Signs of the Times._

He took the visible for his model, added those subtle graces that came from himself—and so was an artist.

_Sermon, Fact and Fancy._

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October 3.

October 4.
October 5.

Jonathan Edwards, 1703.

No man can tell how much we are indebted to Jonathan Edwards, yet if the angel Gabriel were sent to read "Edwards on the Affections" he would hang his harp on the willow and think he had no right to be saved.

_Sermon, The Mercifulness of the Bible._

With a whole heaven before you, child of God, child of eternity, brother of the whole race, now sing and go forth in your gayety.

_Sermon, The Law of Benevolence._

October 6.

Jenny Lind Goldschmidt, 1821.

Song is the wing by which we rise higher with easier beats than by any other ministration.

_Sermon, The Social Principle in Religion._

Do not be one of the men who will bow down in reverence before a text, and jump a fact.

_Sermon, God's Grace._

Everybody wants people to think that his troubles are worse than anybody else's.

_Sermon, Bearing but Not Overborne._
October 5.

October 6.
October 7.

Jan Van Eyck, 1370.

You cannot stand before one of Van Eyck's pictures without tears in your eyes.

*Sermon, The Beauty of Moral Qualities.*

Work shall drive out Drudgery and bring in Leisure, and men shall eat their bread under cool shadows with unsweated brows.

Norwood.

October 8.

Harrison Gray Otis, 1765.
Edmund Clarence Stedman, 1833.

These are the men that might lead the world!

*Sermon, Perfect Peace.*

He who breathes truth in a poem and gives it wings, so it goes through the air cheering men, lives after death.

*Sermon, Thoughts of Death.*
October 7.

October 8.
October 9.

Giuseppe Verdi, 1814.
Harriet G. Hosmer,

The fingers of Nature touching the faculties of the human soul produce effects not by the magnitude of the thing acting, but by the power within the instrument touched.

Eyes and Ears.

If woman can paint or carve no man shall say, This does not belong to womanhood.

*Sermon, Women to Preach.*

October 10.

Benjamin West, 1738.
Hugh Miller, 1802.

A true master of art, whose education and disposition led him to love the things which the race loves and to paint them, because the life of the people is the life of God.

Eyes and Ears

Hugh Miller, the quarry man, proved the truth of the maxim, Where there's a will there's a way.

*Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.*
Theodore Thomas, 1835.

There never has been a time when man as a thinking, willing, executive creature was so potential as he is to-day. The brain of man is a far more powerful instrument than it ever was before. It throws out more forces and is developing greater effects.

*Sermon, How Goes the Battle?*

You are a band of music yourself!

*Sermon, The Use of the Tongue.*

Lyman Beecher, 1775.

When in hours of transfiguration his heart revealed the tenderness of his love, it was almost like opening a window in heaven.

*Star Papers, Lyman Beecher.*

By your trials and sufferings you are being made beautiful. Do not count them to be the most fortunate who seem farthest removed from God's discipline.

*Sermon, Beauty.*

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October 11.

October 12.
October 13.

Beware of seeking more than you earn. With what will you buy her heart?

Norwood.

It is not you that preserves the truth any more than it is the pickaxe that discovers gold when it is used in the hand of the miner to dig gold out of the earth.


October 14.

William Penn, 1644.
Edward Laskar, 1829.

History was made radiant by this character.

Sermon, Conduct, the Index of Feeling.

How royal is such a man!

Sermon, Spiritual Manhood.

There is many a woman who is heroic because she can hold her tongue.

Sermon, The Use of Ideals.

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October 13.

October 14.
October 15.

How infinite the space, how transcendent the capacity, which belongs to the human soul!


Listen in yourself to that which is best.

Sermon, The True Knowledge of God.

Wherever you are in life make the best of your circumstances. Remember that you have all the time there is, in the direction of eternity.

Sermon, The Right Use of Retrospection.

October 16.

Noah Webster, 1758.

The great man distributes himself, is buried, and lives again in the tendencies which he has created.


A true woman furnishes any room and subdues its very walls to humane and gentle expression.

Norwood.
October 15.

October 16.
October 17.

A thing that is sacred to other people ought always to be respected by you.

*Sermon, Other Men's Consciences.*

Who can afford a victory gained by a defect of his virtue?

*Lectures to Young Men, Six Warnings.*

It is in the power of some men to say No to you, so that it shall be filled with more blessings than the Yes of other men.

*Sermon, Unprofitable Servants.*

October 18.

Helen Hunt Jackson, 1831.

"The angels take care of you,—if there is one of them good enough!"

Norwood.

He only is a man and she only is a woman, who are adequate to the circumstances in which God's providence puts them.

*Sermon, The Right Use of Retrospection.*

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October 17.

October 18.
October 19.

John Adams, 1735.
James Leigh Hunt, 1784.

It is possible in any sphere for a man to put into his work the best part of himself.

*Sermon, Earning a Livelihood.*

"He radiated from his nature a perpetual June."

Norwood.

Never bear your cross till it is laid upon your shoulder.

*Sermon, The God of Comfort.*

October 20.

Sir Christopher Wren, 1632.
Thomas Hughes, 1823.

All London was his monument.

*Sermon, Working and Waiting.*

Thomas Hughes could not speak of Arnold of Rugby without tears and without saying, "From the foundation to the roof-tree, everything that I am I owe to that man!"

*Sermon, The Privilege of Working.*
October 21.

Samuel Taylor Coleridge, 1772.
Alphonse Lamartine, 1790.

The masterpieces of literature, as well as those of art, are known to have received their extreme finish from an almost incredible continuance of labor upon them.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

Why are you snubbed by care—you who are the emblem of power in the universe—you who represent brain-power, soul-power, God-power?

*Sermon, Christian Joyfulness.*

October 22.

Dr. Leopold Damrosch, 1832.

He that is called of God to be a musician is simply called to prepare himself to be a musician.

*Sermon, Spiritual Fruit Culture.*

By the voice, the eye, the hand, the soul, make those about you happier.

*Sermon, The Law of Benevolence.*
October 21.

October 22.
October 23.

In the administration of public affairs the most romantic notions of integrity are not extravagant.

*Lectures to Young Men, Portrait Gallery.*

A soul's power to produce pleasure or pain in others, is very great.

*Sermon, Making Others Happy.*

"It would do you good to look in her closets and cupboards!"

Norwood.

October 24.

Sir Moses Montefiore, 1784.
Sarah J. Hale, 1790.

The secret of Israelitish eminence and excellence was and is family life feeding upon all the sources of heroism that belong to their national life.

*Evolution and Religion, Growth in Creation.*

The day is passed when a woman will be taught that her *only* business is to rock the cradle.

*Sermon, The Temperance Question.*
October 25.

Every true cross-bearer learns to carry his cross as if it were an ornament.

*Sermon, Bearing but Not Overborne.*

How blessed are they who are half way in heaven when they sit in their mother’s lap!

*Sermon, God’s Grace.*

You are to take your direction, be sure it is right; make a fire, put on steam, and go ahead.

*Sermon, Motives of Action.*

October 26.

Charles Sprague, 1791.
Henry M. Stanley, 1843.

All genius of singing poets that is benevolent is divine.

*Sermon, Permanence of Love.*

There was more of the heart of the Gospel in Stanley’s simple fulfilment of duty and promise than if he had sent a million Bibles to Zanzibar.

*Interview, Henry M. Stanley.*
OCTOBER 27.

Benjamin F. Wade, 1800.

Never remitting his testimony for liberty.

*Sermon, The Secret of Beauty.*

There is a process of airy resurrection from age to age going on of all that is greatly good in eminent natures, overhanging us, raining down influences upon us.


OCTOBER 28.

Anna E. Dickinson, 1842.

If a woman can medicate humanity by public services, I would have her do it.

*Sermon, Women to Preach.*

To let the storm beat over you, roar around you and leave you undismayed—this is to be a man.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*
October 27.

October 28.
OCTOBER 29.

James Boswell, 1740.
John Keats, 1796.

The exhilaration of a true and manly friendship lies in the thought of its continuance. There can be no deep friendship which does not sigh for endlessness.

Sermon, IMMORTALITY.

Think of lying upon clean straw in an ample barn, reading books of natural history, or sucking the honey out of Keats!

EYES AND EARS.

OCTOBER 30.

Thomas Babington Macaulay, 1800.
Adelaide A. Proctor, 1825.

He who frames into noble English discourse the truths which every human soul needs, can never be forgotten.

Sermon, THOUGHTS OF DEATH.

Like a peaceful summer’s day, like a sweet autumnal night, like a balmy, nourishing atmosphere.

Sermon, THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT.
October 29.

October 30.
October 31.

Let your ambition be no longer on a level, but high up where heaven is.

_Sermon, Moral Truths._

Men stamped with the brand of suffering have God's mark upon them.

_Norwood._

A glowing patriot a telling stories is a dangerous antagonist. It is hard to expose the fallacy of a hearty laugh.

_Lectures to Young Men, Portrait Gallery._
PATIENT watcher, thou art asking to lay down thy tasks. Life to thee, now, is only a task accomplished. In the night-time thou liest down, and the messengers of winter deck thee with hoar frosts for the burial. The morning looks upon thy jewels, and they perish while it gazes. Wilt thou not come, O December?

*Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.*
November 1.

Sir Matthew Hale, 1609.
Antonio Canova, 1757.
Vincenzo Bellini, 1802.

He leavened the age in which he lived.

*Sermon, Religious Controversy.*

A picture or statue that touches affection or moral sentiment, will speak in a language which men understand.

*Eyes and Ears.*

Sweet melodies that no one can hear without having his heart beat faster for the sound.

*Talk on Hymns.*

November 2.

Benj. Perley Poore, 1820.

Newspapers are the wings that carry human experience, order, and law all over the country. If they were dropped, society would fall back a thousand years.

*Evolution and Religion, God in the World.*

Have you a little chair of infallibility upon which you seat yourself and decide upon what is wrong without any possibility of error?

*Sermon, Conscience and its Auxiliaries.*
November 2.
November 3.

William Cullen Bryant, 1797.
"Mark Twain," 1835.

In this world where hearts ache so easily, how grateful we ought to be when God sends us a natural heart-singer who calms, cheers, and helps his fellows!

Eyes and Ears.

"There never was a kinder creetur nor a better man if it wa'n't for that wicked levity, and I don't see that he gets over it a mite."

Norwood.

November 4.

Rev. Augustus M. Toplady, 1740.
James Montgomery, 1771.

Toplady and Wesley could not preach together or live together in England. But they can be shut up in a hymn-book together without any trouble. Hymns never quarrel.

Lecture Room Talks, Revivals of Religion.

Do not wait for lightning-like emotions. Enroll yourself as a scholar. Heaven is on your side.

Sermon, Resolving and Doing.
November 3.

November 4.
November 5.

Washington Allston, 1779.

It is the artist's brain that combines, shapes, gives color and proportion and brings out the great picture.

*Sermon, Relation of Divine Providence to Natural Law.*

Let your ambition no longer be on a low level, but high up where heaven is.

*Sermon, Moral Truths.*

November 6.

James Gregory, 1638.

He invented not because he was asked to, but because invention was in him.

*Sermon, God's Disinterestedness.*

Real suffering ought to make you stronger, finer, and better than tempered steel.

*Sermon, Victory of Hope in Sorrow.*

"What are you singing about?"

"Everything and nothing. It is because I am so happy that I sing."

*Norwood.*
November 7.

Robert Dale Owen, 1801.

That subtle sympathy with invisible things which produces interiorness and depth of character.

Norwood.

Beware of getting the reputation of being smart at the expense of others.

Sermon, The Duty of Living Peaceably.

Does summer shine out of your soul and make summer for others?

Sermon, Christian Sympathy.

November 8.

William Wirt, 1772.

The heroes of the world have been made up of moral qualities.

Sermon, Conduct, The Index of Feeling.

Work out your own salvation, for there is an everlasting summer that rains down its influence upon you.

Sermon, God's Way and Our Way.
November 8.
November 9.

Never deliberate on your word, but let it go as the arrow goes to the target—let it strike and stand.

*Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.*

We don’t suppose that flowers know how sweet they are.

*Sermon, Apple-Trees in Love.*

No schoolmaster could teach men as much wisdom as those things do which men count it a misfortune to meet or endure.

*Sermon, Genius and Industry.*

November 10.

Martin Luther, 1483.

\{ Oliver Goldsmith, 1728. \}

Frederick Schiller, 1759.

Grand indeed was Luther! And yet in midsummer, August is not more full of tempestuous thunderbolts than he was of passions

*Sermon, Privileges of the Christian.*

Imagination is the angel of God’s presence, constantly making you see something higher and better.

*Sermon, The Realm of Restfulness.*
Look up! Forget yourself as far as you can. As much as possible fly out of your sufferings.

_Sermon, Salvation by Hope._

"What a pity that such a man should have no sphere worthy of his nature!"
"What a happy land that can afford to have such men for its private citizens!"

_Norwood._

_November 12._

Richard Baxter, 1615.
Elizabeth Cady Stanton, 1816.
Rev. Ray Palmer, 1808.

All hail to the men who search after God's footprints!

_Sermon, The Unity of Man._

It can never again be adopted in our time that a woman is to know nothing outside of her own family. She who is in sympathy with all that concerns husbands and fathers, is the most fit to rear her sons.

_Sermon, Women to Preach._

The form of presenting truths by hymns is the highest form of presenting it.

_Sermon, The Religious Uses of Music._

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November 11.

November 12.
November 13.

Leave whining for the dogs. You are a child of God.

*Sermon, The Past and the Future.*

There is scarcely one man in a hundred who supposes that he must ask leave of his stomach to be a happy man.

*Lectures to Young Men, Practical Hints.*

There ought to be joy in you which should at all times make you independent of your circumstances.

*Sermon, Christian Joyfulness.*

November 14.

Sir Charles Lyell, 1797.

No longer does Moses stand face to face with God on the mountain top, but men go to the mountains to inquire what God has written there by the hand of creation.

*Sermon, The Golden Net.*

One of those fortunate natures that receive benefit from all and injury from none.

*Norwood.*
November 13.

November 14.
November 15.
William Pitt, Lord Chatham, 1708.
William Cowper, 1731.
Sir William Herschel, 1738.

A great heart that turned the current of emotion into practical deeds. *Sermon, Fact and Fancy.*

How interesting trifles may become, you may see by reading Cowper's letters, which for simple beauty have never been surpassed in English epistolary literature.

*Star Papers, A Heart in Little Things.*

The names which we cherish are those of men who benefited their kind.

*Lectures to Young Men, Happiness.*

November 16.
John Bright, 1811.

These shores do not contain a nobler or purer patriot than John Bright.

*Farewell Meeting, Liverpool.*

When a person is cross before breakfast that is a good time for him to take up his cross by keeping his temper. *Sermon, Religion in Daily Life.*

There ought to be more sacredness attaching to a man's word than there is.

*Lecture Room Talks.*

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November 15.

November 16.
Stephen S. Foster, 1809

Disdaining lies, craft, cruelty, and selfishness.  
*Sermon, Scope and Function of a Christian Life*  

The secret of happiness lies in the health of the whole mind and in giving to each faculty due occupation in the natural order of their superiorities,—the Divine, first; the human, second; the material, last.  

*Star Papers, Nature a Minister to Happiness.*

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November 18.

There is often something to be done by lying still as well as by moving about.  

*Sermon, Working with God.*

A harmonious nature, well chored, even in quality, self-restrained, and with force enough to throw out a continual influence.  

*Sermon, Beauty.*
November 17.

November 18.
November 19.

Ferdinand de Lesseps, 1805.
James Abram Garfield, 1831.

Things which are voluminous, intricate, complex, superior, excellent in all their elements, demand genius for their conception and time for their evolution.

*Sermon, Working and Waiting.*

He was a Christian man, a good father, husband, and neighbor; a man whose life has been the earning of a character that should rank him among the good men of the earth.

*Sermon, James A. Garfield.*

November 20.

Thomas Chatterton, 1752.

Like a harp not subjected to rude and random touches, but swept by a skilful hand.

*Sermon, The Perfect Man.*

Do you scatter blessings about you like the mignonette whose blossom you scarcely notice, but which sheds its fragrance about and arrests the attention of every one?

*Sermon, The New Birth.*

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November 21.

Would it be manslaughter to kill a fool?

*Sermon, Moths.*

Steamships do not care whether the wind blows or not, because they have internal motive forces; but we are not steamships and we need troubles as winds do to bear us on.

*Sermon, Problem of Joy and Suffering.*

November 22.

George Eliot, 1820.
Abby Morton Diaz, 1821.

Full of that temperature and atmosphere which comes from the combined light of the higher elements of the soul.

*Sermon, The Fruit of the Spirit.*

Women are a new race, recreated since the world received Christianity.

*Star Papers The Louvre.*
November 23.

Theodore Weld, 1803.

In no way turbulent, in no way stirred up with muddy passions, gentle, cheerful, faithful,—a witness.


Go through life with the reaper’s song in your mouth, and when you die carry your sheaves with you.

Sermon, Past and Future.

November 24.

Grace Darling, 1815.

When Grace Darling ventured at her own peril to save the lives of strangers, she not only saved their lives, but she raised the tone of heroism in the whole world.

Sermon, The Moral Teaching of Suffering.

Love is the best schoolmaster. It is the most stimulating to growth of all things in the world. It is the most refining and enriching.

Sermon, The Reward of Loving.
NOVEMBER 23.

NOVEMBER 24.
November 25.

The very ideal and pattern of a saint.
*Sermon, The Farm.*

Where is there any diadem that crowns a father's head as his children do?

When men made the tread-wheel they imitated God's globe; for when people are on tread-wheels, however much they may want to sit down, they do not do it.
*Sermon, The Use of Ideals.*

November 26.

Rejoice not in what you have done, but in what you are going to do.
*Sermon, The Prize of the High Calling.*

If industry brings nothing back and saves nothing, it will save the man.
*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

I think many a man has looked back from heaven and thanked God that he had a chance to bless mankind by building good houses.
*Sermon, Earthly Immortality.*
November 25.

November 26.
November 27.

Sir Julius Benedict, 1804.

Under tears and pains and cries and with ten thousand things that seem to be jangling discords, the tuning hand of God is at work and little by little we are being brought up higher and higher.

*Sermon, The Sympathy of Christ.*

The mistake of men is not that they want joy, but that they are unwise as to the kind of joy that they shall have.

*Sermon, The Narrow Way.*

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November 28.

William Blake, 1757.  
Victor Cousin, 1792.  
George Ticknor Curtis, 1812.

A simple landscape wrought out in the spirit of love shall diffuse more happiness than some men do in a life-time.

Norwood.

To be born with a mind carries with it the right to unfold that mind.

*Sermon, The Spirit of the Cradle.*

Conscientious in purpose, earnest in spirit, studious of right ways.

*Sermon, Conduct, the Index of Feeling.*
November 27.

November 28.
November 29.

Sir Philip Sidney, 1554.
Wendell Phillips, 1811.
Louisa M. Alcott, 1832.

The gentleman is a natural king. He has the intuition of people's nature, and can touch just the spot in them that is sweetest.

Norwood.

The nation slept, and God wanted a trumpet, sharp, far-sounding, narrow and intense; and that was Wendell Phillips.

Commemorative Discourse.

With literature that is light and gay and comforting, how beneficent you are!

Sermon, The Use of the Tongue.

November 30.

John Bunyan, 1628.

I feel worried and annoyed to see the worthless names of men who were in their life great by the outside only or chiefly, while I feel inspired to stand by the spot which bears the name of such a man as John Bunyan.

Star Papers.

You are carrying more sorrows than you need to.

Sermon, As Seeing God.
November 29.

November 30.
DECEMBER.

Silently the month advances. There is nothing to destroy, but much to bury. Bury, then, thou snow, that fallest through the still air. Bury all that the year hath known, and let thy brilliant stars, that never shine as they do in thy frostiest nights, behold the work! Thou art the month of resurrection. In thee, the Christ came. Every star, that looks down upon thy labor and toil of burial, knows that all things shall come forth again. Death shall live. Life shall rejoice. It is life! It is life through the whole year.

Star Papers, The Death of Our Almanac.
December 1.

A man can make himself sovereign if he has but the purpose.

_Sermon, The Two Revelations._

There is many a fine feather that lives in a chimney corner.

_Sermon, Chimney Swallows._

There is not a person who lives on the globe that is not a fit object for your sympathy and helpfulness.

_Sermon, Bearing One Another's Burdens._

December 2.

You cannot reveal faster than men are themselves developed.

_Star Papers, Possibilities of the Future._

That which is good for your head is good for your feet. That which is good or bad for your right hand is good or bad for your left hand. You cannot give paralysis to one side and have the other go on its way rejoicing.

_Sermon, Cuba, and the Brotherhood of Nations._

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December 1.

December 2.
DECEMBER 3.

Isaac T. Hopper, 1771.
Gen. George B. McClellan, 1826.

How few know as he did, how to forget self!
Sermon, Heroism.

A great warrior who is also a great man carries everybody captive.
Sermon, Soul-Power.

DECEMBER 4.

Rev. John Cotton, 1585.
Thomas Carlyle, 1795.

No man has a call to preach unless other men are called to hear him.
Sermon, The Preacher's Commission.

Singularity is the right of every honest man. If to speak what you think makes you singular, blessed be God for your singularity.
Sermon, The Basis of Right Action.

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December 3.

December 4.
December 5.

Gen. George A. Custer, 1839.

Vigilance and courage are soldierly qualities that are perpetually required in spiritual as well as in physical life.

Sermon to Thirteenth Regiment.

A mistake is often more instructive than a success, but it is not everybody who can afford so dear a schoolmaster.

Eyes and Ears.

December 6.

Ghosts and giants are nothing to her. She has her broom and dust-pan.

Eyes and Ears.

A good character, good habits and iron industry are impregnable to all the assaults of all the ill luck that fools ever dreamed of.

Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.

What has made you so broad, so deep, so rich? God took you in his strong hand and shook you by his north wind and rolled you in his snows and beat you as a flail beats grain till the straw is gone and the wheat is left.

Sermon, The God of Comfort.
December 5.

December 6.
December 7.

A nature large and luminous.

Eyes and Ears.

If God had meant men to be polished and varnished like the vase for the shelf, he would have made them so.

Sermon, Bearing but Not Overborne.

Work in hope and contentment knowing that you are doing more than you can see or measure.

Sermon, The Immortality of Good Works.

December 8.

Elihu Burritt, 1811.
Robert Collyer, 1823.

Blacksmiths love to speak of the yet uncanonized St. Elihu Burritt.

Eyes and Ears.

If the blacksmith hammers out his learning at night by the forge and becomes able to speak ten languages, there is no use for the college.

Sermon, The Fruit of the Spirit.
December 7.

December 8.
December 9.

John Milton, 1608.

If only Milton’s imagination could have conceived his visions, his consummate industry only could have carved the immortal lines which enshrine them.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

Always an angel of mercy.

Norwood.

Pity others until there be no pity left for yourself.

*Sermon, A Completed Year.*

December 10.

Sorrow is the conflict of men on their way to themselves.

*Sermon, Problem of Joy and Suffering.*

Whatever *is* good, by and by *looks* good. Whoever is deep-souled gives that expression to the countenance.

*Sermon, The Secret of Beauty.*

If your wife is worthy of you she will share your poverty with a courage which shall shame your fears and lead you unshrinking through its wilderness.

*Lectures to Young Men.*

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December 9.

December 10.
December 11.

Charles Wesley, 1757.

Wesley’s hymns of inspiration will like soldiers of light go marching on, slaying doubt and unbelief to the end of time.

_Sermon, Law of Hereditary Influence._

Sometimes a house is dark because angels are spreading their wings over it.

_Sermon, The Worth of Suffering._

Be true to your political obligations.

_Sermon, The Duty of Living Peaceably._

December 12.

William Lloyd Garrison, 1804.

Garrison, all his life a foot-ball under fools’ feet, had more happiness than the most successful man in political life.

_Sermon, Special Divine Providence._

Few persons could afford to review the things to-day that vexed them yesterday.

_Eyes and Ears._

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December 11.

December 12.
December 13

Arthur Penrhyn Stanley, 1815.
Phillips Brooks, 1835.

"A minister is a genius in moral ideas as a poet is in beautiful ideas and an inventor in physical ideas."

Norwood.

A life full of cares is like a wagon with no oil on its axles, which groans all the time.

*Sermon, As Seeing God.*

December 14.

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1836.

To live in such a way that from you shall proceed an influence that comforts, cheers and instructs is to use life as a perpetual benefaction.

*Sermon, Using One's Life for Others.*

Remember that an anchor can be of no service that does not touch bottom.

*Sermon, The True Value of Morality.*
December 15.

All the fine linen of the saints is not that which is made up into ascension robes. Some of it may yet be found in bureau drawers.

Norwood.

Of all things on earth next to his God, a broken man should cling to a courageous industry.

*Lectures to Young Men, Industry and Idleness.*

What a glow and light she carries to others!

*Sermon, Character and Reputation.*

December 16.

George Whitefield, 1714.
Mary Russell Mitford, 1786.

Sometimes indignation is as good as thunder. Love without it is as insipid as molasses.


Come near and you will find that this woman's heart is full of peace and gladness.

*Sermon, The True Economy of Living.*

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December 15.

December 16.
December 17.

Ludwig Beethoven, 1770.
Sir Humphrey Davy, 1778.
John Greenleaf Whittier, 1807.

Of all Beethoven's symphonies, the Fifth seems to me the centre and climax,—the one bright, magnificent exhibition of consummate musical genius.

*Sermon*, **Sovereignty and Permanence of Love.**

Being dead he lives. Such men can never be forgotten.

*Sermon*, **Heroism.**

Whittier, the beautiful singer who wraps indignation and wrath about with such gentleness of spirit.

*Sermon*, **Charles Sumner.**

December 18.

George D. Prentice, 1802.
Alfred B. Street, 1811.
Horace B. Claflin, 1811.

Poets are God's priests.

*Sermon*, **The Posthumous Influence of Good Men.**

Renowned as a merchant, he was greater as a man. His memory will live as long in the midst of society, the church, the city, the State, as they themselves exist.

*Sermon*, **Horace B. Claflin.**

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December 17.

December 18.
December 19.

Edwin M. Stanton, 1814.
Mary A. Livermore, 1821.

Stanton—the noblest of all the men who stood in the great struggle through which we came,—a man with a woman's heart, a child's tenderness, and an angelic fancy.

Sermon, The Realm of Restfulness.

I believe that a woman may do anything which she feels called to do and can do well.

Sermon, The Training of Children.

December 20.

It is not for you to be overshadowed and overcome.


It may sometimes be necessary for your joy to be turned into sadness. But in order that you may be happy put down rebellion in yourself.

Lectures to Young Men, Happiness.

Have you a heart for humanity? Have you a soul that goes out for men? That is orthodox. I do not care what the creed is.

Evolution and Religion, Poverty and the Gospel.

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December 19.

December 20.
December 21.

Benj. Disraeli, Lord Beaconsfield, 1805.

Kingdoms are not so strong as are the impulses and invisible tendencies of men which go to make kingdoms.

*Sermon, The Use of Ideals.*

The grand element of motherhood and the grand element of Godhood is that of suffering for one another.

*Sermon, Moral Honesty and Moral Earnestness.*

December 22.

Thomas Wentworth Higginson, 1823.

Genius of conscience is the best genius a man can have.

*Sermon, Sins Against the Holy Ghost.*

Radiant, genial, kind, pleasure-giving.

*Sermon, The Fruit of the Spirit.*

For God's sake and your country's sake live and you shall live forever.

*Sermon, The Advance of a Century.*

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December 21.

December 22.
December 23.

Sir Richard Arkwright, 1752.
David M. Stone, 1817.

Whoever invents machinery that abbreviates labor and sets men free from the bondage of toil, is a benefactor.

Anniversary of Burns' Birthday.

Methinks the gentle thoughts and grateful silence of hundreds, every day, who pass open gardens and cultivated yards, must be more pleasurable to the indulgent owner than the fragrance of all his flowers.

Eyes and Ears.

December 24.

Dr. Benjamin Rush, 1745.
Matthew Arnold, 1822.

The tongue of man has deep inward relations. It is like a physician's wand full of incantations and witchery.

Eyes and Ears.

"You have been my master for many years. I have read all you have written two or three times over and always with profit—including the abuse."

Conversation with Matthew Arnold.
December 25.

As the vine clasping the living tree creeps along its branches, and roots itself in the crevices of the bark, and forms itself upon its shape, so, in all the variations of life, our thought of Christ, following our experiences, shall fashion and form itself.

_Evolution and Religion, The Manifold Christ._

December 26.

Thomas Gray, 1716.

There is no gentleness in the world like that which is manifested by power.

_Sermon, The Narrow Way._

You cannot afford to excuse yourself on account of your environment, for you have the inspiration of love.

_Sermon, The Honor of Serving._

You are building. Take heed how you build.

_Sermon, Do With Thy Might._
December 25.

December 26.
December 27.

Johann Kepler, 1571.
Louis Pasteur, 1822.

To-day science has joined hands with philosophy to search out the means of softening the lot of men. *Evolution and Religion, The Growth of Creation.*

As the human race ascends, new things that are divine become discoverable things that a thousand years ago would have been of no use to man if known.

*Sermon, God in the World.*

December 28.

Every man who is strong ought to have buttoned to him one or two shiftless men, that he, having organized power, may take care of them.

*Sermon, Other Men's Failings.*

You will sooner get honey from a rock than joy from self-consciousness.

*Sermon, The Prize of the High Calling.*
Dec. 27.

Dec. 28.
December 29.

Charles Goodyear, 1800.
William E. Gladstone, 1809.

Goodyear, of excellent memory and name, spent many weary years and all his property in the discoveries which have blessed economically the whole world.

Sermon, Salvation by Hope.

If any nation in Europe so acts that it damages the interests of humanity in other nations, some Gladstone is raised up to protest and protect.

Sermon, Christian Pantheism.

December 30.

It is simply what a man has in him and where it is, that determines what he is.

Sermon, Cuba, and the Brotherhood of Nations.

She would go farther and fare harder to serve a friend or to relieve a case of trouble than any one else.

Sermon, Character and Reputation.

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December 29.

December 30.
Early in my college life, under the influence of Dr. Spurzheim, I embraced the system of phrenology. As you can by taking type spell out a word, so by taking the different faculties you get to know the man.

To the Congregational Association.

Books are only another form of giving immortality to the best part of men.

Sermon, Problem of Joy and Suffering.
December 31.
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