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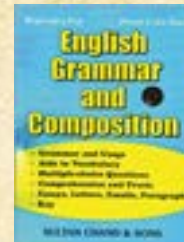
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**Action and Happiness**

Action may not always bring happiness;  
but there is no happiness without action.

– *BENJAMIN DISRAELI*

**Action and Speech**

Think before you act.  
Think twice before you speak.

– *ANONYMOUS*

**Adversity is a Great Teacher**

Prosperity is a Great Teacher;  
adversity is a greater.  
Possession pampers the mind;  
privation trains and strengthens it.

– *WILLIAM HAZLITT*



### **Are you Discouraged?**

When Abraham Lincoln was a young man he ran for the Legislature in Illinois and was badly swamped.

He next entered business, failed and spent seventeen years of his life paying up the debts of a worthless partner.

He was in love with a beautiful young woman to whom he became engaged – and then she died.

Later he married a woman who was a constant burden to him. Entering politics again, he was badly defeated for Congress. He failed to get an appointment to the U.S. Land Office. He was badly defeated for the U.S. Senate.

In 1856 he became a candidate for the Vice-President and was again defeated.

In 1858, he was defeated by Douglas.

One failure after another — bad failures — great setbacks. In face of all this he eventually became one of the country's greatest men, if not the greatest. When you think of a series of setbacks like this, doesn't it make you feel small to become discouraged, just because you think that you're having a hard time in life?

– ANONYMOUS





**Be Cautious**

It is better to be safe than sorry.

– *AMERICAN PROVERS*

**Be Ready to Learn**

Being ignorant is not as much a shame as being unwilling to learn.

– *BENJAMIN FRANKLIN*

**Begin Here**

Let every dawn of morning be to you as the beginning of life, and every setting sun be to you as its close; then let everyone of these short lives leave its sure record of some kindly thing done for others, some goodly strength or knowledge gained for yourselves.

– *JOHN RUSKIN*

**Being Optimistic**

Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow.

– *HELEN KELLER*



**Be Up and Doing**

Sure there is lots of trouble,  
Sure there are heaps of cares,  
Burdens that bend us double,  
Worries that come to wear.  
But we must keep pursuing  
Something, and see it through;  
Still to be up and doing  
Is all that there is to do.  
Though you would like to idle,  
Wait for the world to right,  
Keep your hand on the bridle,  
Fight when you have to fight.  
Women are won by wooing,  
Fortune is won the same,  
And to be up and doing  
Is all there is to the game,  
Few ever fail by trying,  
Few ever win who wait.  
All of your sitting, sighing  
Never will conquer fate.  
Whatever path you're hewing,  
One thing is certain, son;  
Either be up and doing  
Or soon you'll be down and done.

— DOUGLAS MALLOCH





**Character and Reputation**

Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it. The tree is the real thing.

– *ABRAHAM LINCOLN*

**Confess if you are Wrong**

Confession of error is like a broom that sweeps away dirt and leaves the surface cleaner than before.

– *MAHATMA GANDHI*

**Co-operation is Important**

If you do not believe in co-operation, look what happens to a wagon that loses a wheel.

– *ANONYMOUS*



**Courtesy, Like Mercy, is Twice Blessed**

Nothing is ever lost by courtesy. It is the chief pleasures; costs nothing and conveys much. It pleases him who gives and him who receives, and thus like mercy, it is twice blessed.

– ERASTUS WIMAN

**Do not Give Up**

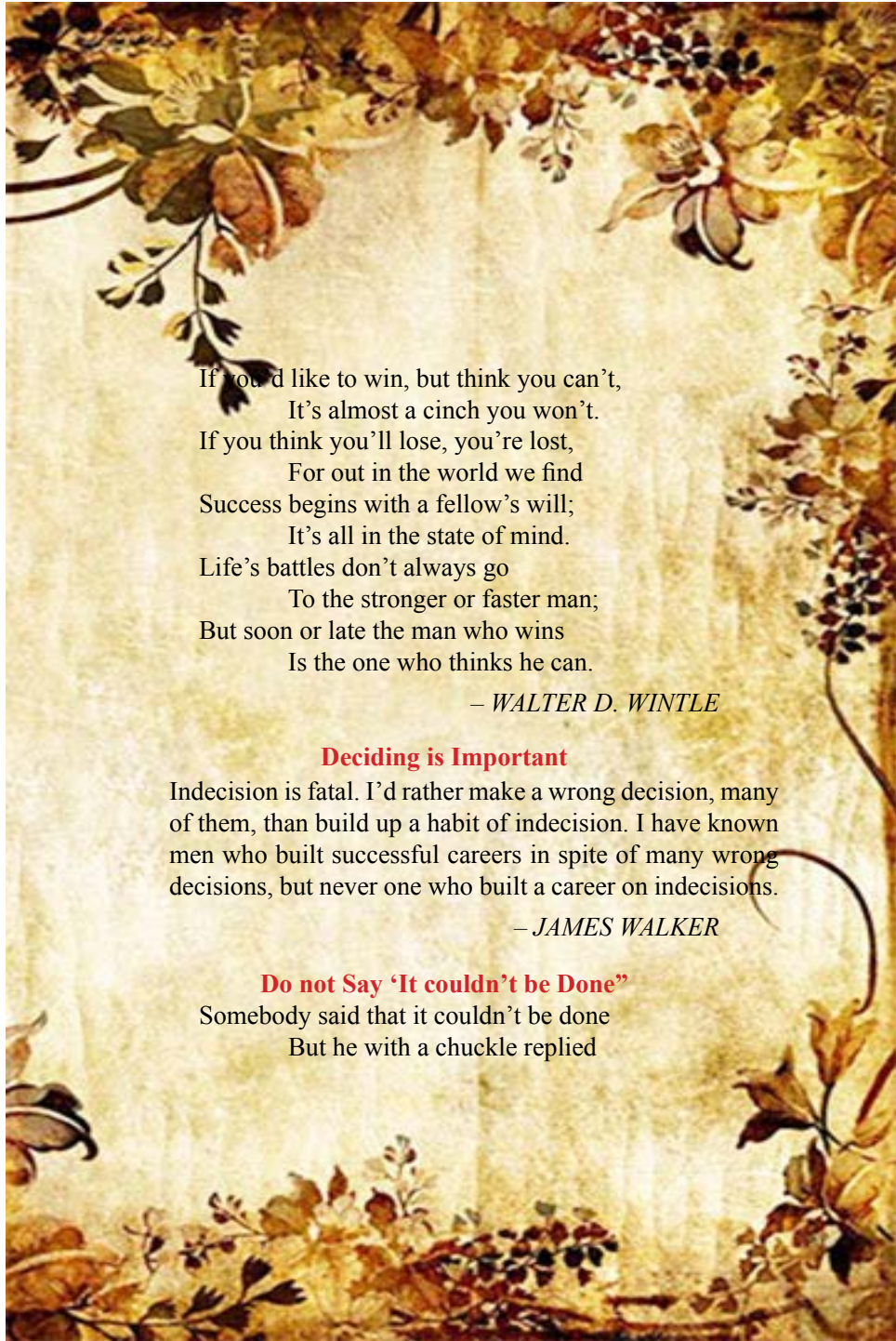
Never give up! It is wiser and better  
Always to hope, than once to despair;  
Fling off the load of Doubt's cankering fetter,  
And break the dark spell of tyrannical care.  
Never Give Up! Or the burdens may sink you;  
Providence kindly has mingled the cup.  
And in all trials and troubles, bethink you.  
The watchword of life must be, 'Never give up.

– MARTIN FARQUHAR TUPPER

**Don't Think you are Beaten**

If you think you are beaten, you are;  
If you think you dare not, you don't.





If you'd like to win, but think you can't,  
It's almost a cinch you won't.  
If you think you'll lose, you're lost,  
For out in the world we find  
Success begins with a fellow's will;  
It's all in the state of mind.  
Life's battles don't always go  
To the stronger or faster man;  
But soon or late the man who wins  
Is the one who thinks he can.

– *WALTER D. WINTLE*

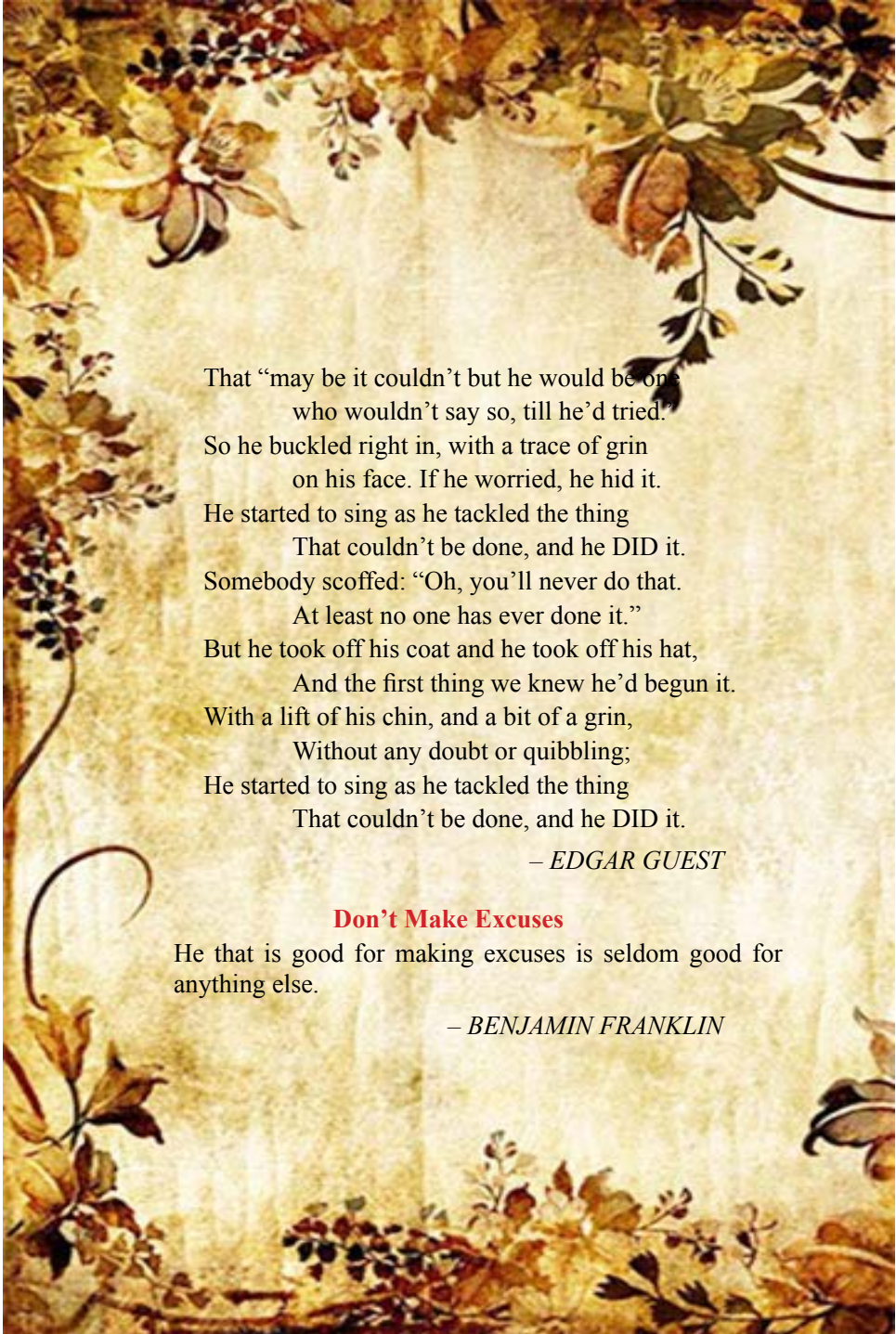
### **Deciding is Important**

Indecision is fatal. I'd rather make a wrong decision, many of them, than build up a habit of indecision. I have known men who built successful careers in spite of many wrong decisions, but never one who built a career on indecisions.

– *JAMES WALKER*

### **Do not Say 'It couldn't be Done'**

Somebody said that it couldn't be done  
But he with a chuckle replied



That “may be it couldn’t but he would be on  
who wouldn’t say so, till he’d tried.  
So he buckled right in, with a trace of grin  
on his face. If he worried, he hid it.  
He started to sing as he tackled the thing  
That couldn’t be done, and he DID it.  
Somebody scoffed: “Oh, you’ll never do that.  
At least no one has ever done it.”  
But he took off his coat and he took off his hat,  
And the first thing we knew he’d begun it.  
With a lift of his chin, and a bit of a grin,  
Without any doubt or quibbling;  
He started to sing as he tackled the thing  
That couldn’t be done, and he DID it.

– EDGAR GUEST

**Don’t Make Excuses**

He that is good for making excuses is seldom good for anything else.

– BENJAMIN FRANKLIN





**Do not Lose Things Money Cannot Buy**

It's good to have money and the things that money can buy  
But it's good, too, to check up once in a while and Make  
Sure That You Haven't Lost The Things That Money Can't  
Buy.

– *GEORGE HORACE LCRIMER*

**Don't Go Sleep when you are at the Top**

Some of the 'room at the top' is created by the men who  
goes to sleep there and fall off.

– *ANONYMOUS*

**Discharge Your Duties**

The best way to get rid of your duties is to discharge them

– *ANONYMOUS*

**Do unto Others**

Do unto others as though you were the others.

– *ANONYMOUS*



**Don't Lose Temper**

To be angry is to revenge the faults of others upon ourselves.

– POPE

**Don't Lose Minutes**

We are but minutes, little things,  
Each one furnished with sixty wings  
With which we fly on our unseen track!  
And not a one of us ever comes back.  
We are but minutes, use us well,  
For how we are used we must some day tell.  
Who uses minutes has hours to use,  
Who loses minutes—whole years must lose.

– ANONYMOUS

**Do Good to All**

Do good to thy friend to keep him, thy enemy to gain him.

– BENJAMIN FRANKLIN





**Do What You Can**

It is the greatest of all mistakes to do nothing because you can only do little – DO WHAT YOU CAN

– SYDNEY SMITH

**Do not Pray for an Easy Life**

Do not pray for easy lives. Pray to be stronger men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers. Pray for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle, but you shall be a miracle. Every day you will wonder at yourself, at the richness of life that has come to you by the grace of God

– LIP BROOKS

**Don't Proclaim Your Wisdom**

Be wiser than other people if you can, but do not tell them so.

– ANONYMOUS

**Defeat is Like a Headache**

Defeat, like a headache, warns us that something has gone wrong. If we are intelligent we look for the cause and profit by the experience.

– ANONYMOUS



**Don't Speak, Act**

My writings should be cremated with my body. What I have done will endure, not what I have said and written.

– MAHATMA GANDHI

**Do Not Entertain Unnecessary Anxieties**

One of the most useless of all things is to take a deal of trouble in providing against dangers that never come. How many toil to lay up riches which they never enjoy; to provide for exigencies that never happen; to prevent troubles that never come; sacrificing present comfort and enjoyment in guarding against the wants of a period they may never like to see.

– WILLIAM JAY

**Enjoy Your Work**

Determine to like your work. Then it will become a pleasure not drudgery. Perhaps you do not need to change your job. Change yourself and your work will seem different.

– DR. NORMAN VINCENT PEALE





**Even Anger has its Place**

Anybody can become angry—that is easy, but to be angry with the right person, and to the right degree, and at the right time, and for the right purpose, and in the right way—that is not within everybody's power and is not easy.

– *ARISTOTLE*

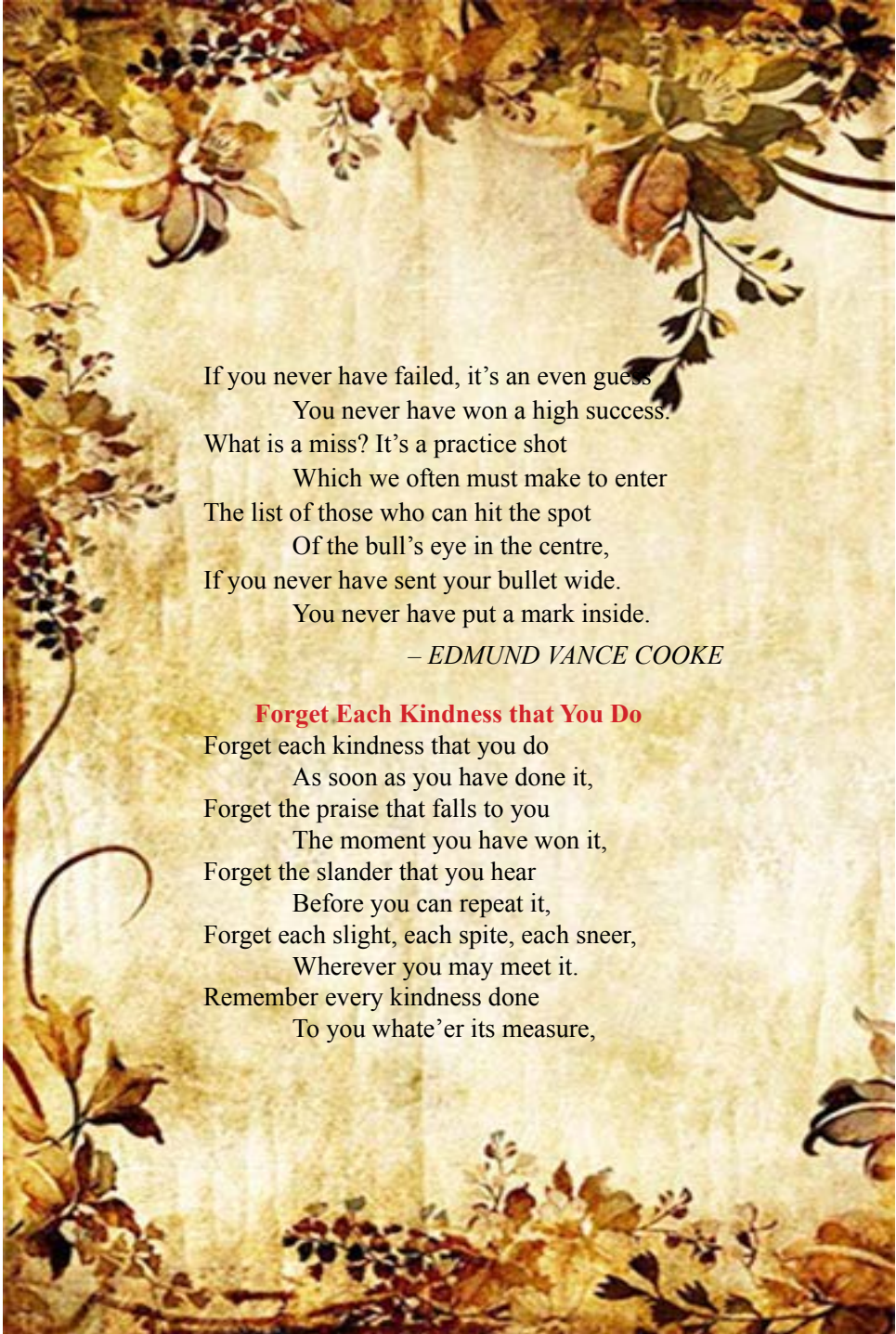
**Examine the Faults in You**

There are five fingers to the palm. We point out, when we come across a bad man, with the pointing finger. When you point at others, only one finger points out at them and three fingers point back to you. So, when you point out one fault in others, you must be able to examine three times whether there is a fault in you.

– *SATHYA SAI BABA*

**Failures are Spurs to Success**

What is a failure? It's only a spur  
To a man who receives it right,  
And it makes the spirit within him stir  
To go in once more and fight.



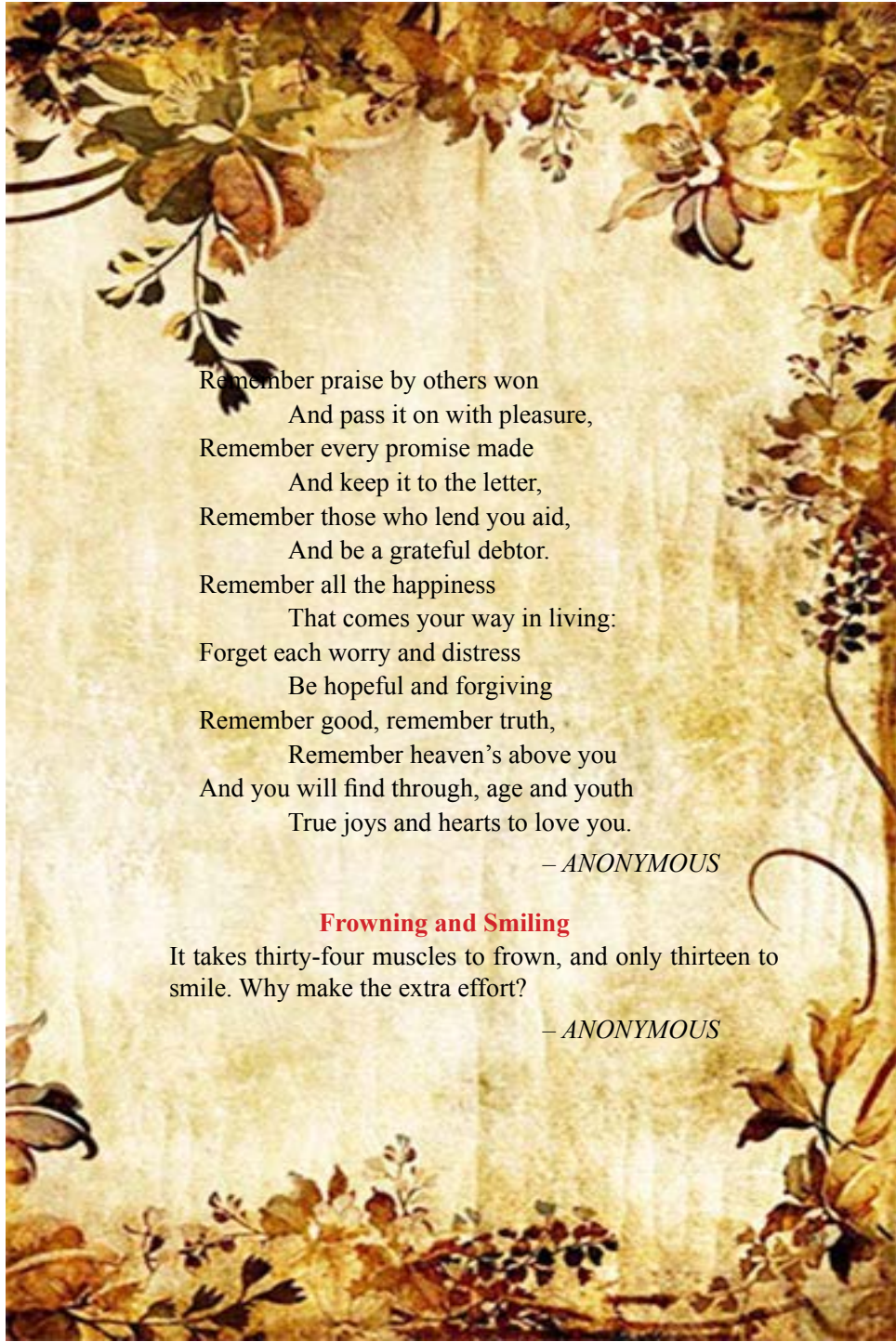
If you never have failed, it's an even guess  
    You never have won a high success.  
What is a miss? It's a practice shot  
    Which we often must make to enter  
The list of those who can hit the spot  
    Of the bull's eye in the centre,  
If you never have sent your bullet wide.  
    You never have put a mark inside.

– EDMUND VANCE COOKE

**Forget Each Kindness that You Do**

Forget each kindness that you do  
    As soon as you have done it,  
Forget the praise that falls to you  
    The moment you have won it,  
Forget the slander that you hear  
    Before you can repeat it,  
Forget each slight, each spite, each sneer,  
    Wherever you may meet it.  
Remember every kindness done  
    To you whate'er its measure,





Remember praise by others won  
And pass it on with pleasure,  
Remember every promise made  
And keep it to the letter,  
Remember those who lend you aid,  
And be a grateful debtor.  
Remember all the happiness  
That comes your way in living:  
Forget each worry and distress  
Be hopeful and forgiving  
Remember good, remember truth,  
Remember heaven's above you  
And you will find through, age and youth  
True joys and hearts to love you.

– ANONYMOUS

**Frowning and Smiling**

It takes thirty-four muscles to frown, and only thirteen to smile. Why make the extra effort?

– ANONYMOUS



**Friends and Enemies**

Have you fifty friends? – It is not enough  
Have you one enemy? – It is too much.

– *ITALIAN PROVERB*

**Faith Alone is not Enough**

Faith without work is like a bird without wings; though she may hop about on earth, she will never fly to heaven. But when both are joined together, then doth the soul mount up to her eternal rest.

– *FRANCIS BEAUMONT*

**Generosity and Pride**


Generosity is giving more than you can, and pride is taking less than you need.

– *KHALIL GIBRAN*

**Give to the World the Best You Have**

Give to the world the best that you have,  
And the best will come back to you.  
Give Love, and Love to your heart will flow,





A strength in your utmost need.  
Have faith, and a score of hearts will show  
Their faith in your work and deed.

– *MADLINE BRIDGES*

**Give Happiness When You Seek It**

The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer  
somebody else up.

– *MARK TWAIN*

**God is Love**

He that loveth not, knoweth not God; for God is love.

– *THE BIBLE*

**Get the Best of the Worst**

If the worst happens, and you get the best of it, it isn't so  
bad after all.

– *ANONYMOUS*

**Have Courage to Do the Right**

To see what is right and not to do it, is want of courage.

– *CONFUCIUS*



**Help and Co-operation**

No man is so rich that he does not need another's help.

No man is so poor as not to be useful in some way to his fellow men; and the disposition to ask assistance from others with confidence and to grant it with kindness is part of our very nature.

– POPE LEO XIII

**How are You Playing the Game?**

Life is a game with a glorious prize,  
If we can only play it right,  
It is give and take, build and break,  
And often it ends in a fight;  
But he surely wins who honestly tries  
Regardless of wealth or fame,  
He can never despair who plays it fair—  
How are YOU playing the game?

– ANONYMOUS

**How Often Do You Lose Temper?**

Anger begins in folly, and ends in repentance.

– PYTHAGORAS





**I would be True**

I would be true, for there are those who trust me;  
I would be pure, for there are those who care;  
I would be strong, for there is much to suffer:  
I would be brave, for there is much to dare.  
I would be friend of all the poor, the friendless;  
I would be giving and forget the gift;  
I would be humble, for I know my weakness;  
I would look up—and laugh—and love—and lift.

— HOWARD ARNOLD WALTER

**If You want to show Kindness, Do it Right Now**

Friends, in this world of hurry  
And work and sudden end  
If a thought comes quick of doing  
A kindness to a friend  
Do it this very Instant!  
Don't put it off—don't wait!  
What's the use of doing a kindness  
If you do it a day too late?

— ANONYMOUS



**If You have Built Castles in the Air**

If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be; now put foundations under them,

– HENRY D. THOREAU

**If You have to Advise, Do it Gently**

Advice is like snow; the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper it sinks into the mind.

– SAMUEL TAYLOR COLERIDGE

**Is Your Country Proud of You?**

I like to see a man proud of his country, and I like to see him so live that his country is proud of him.

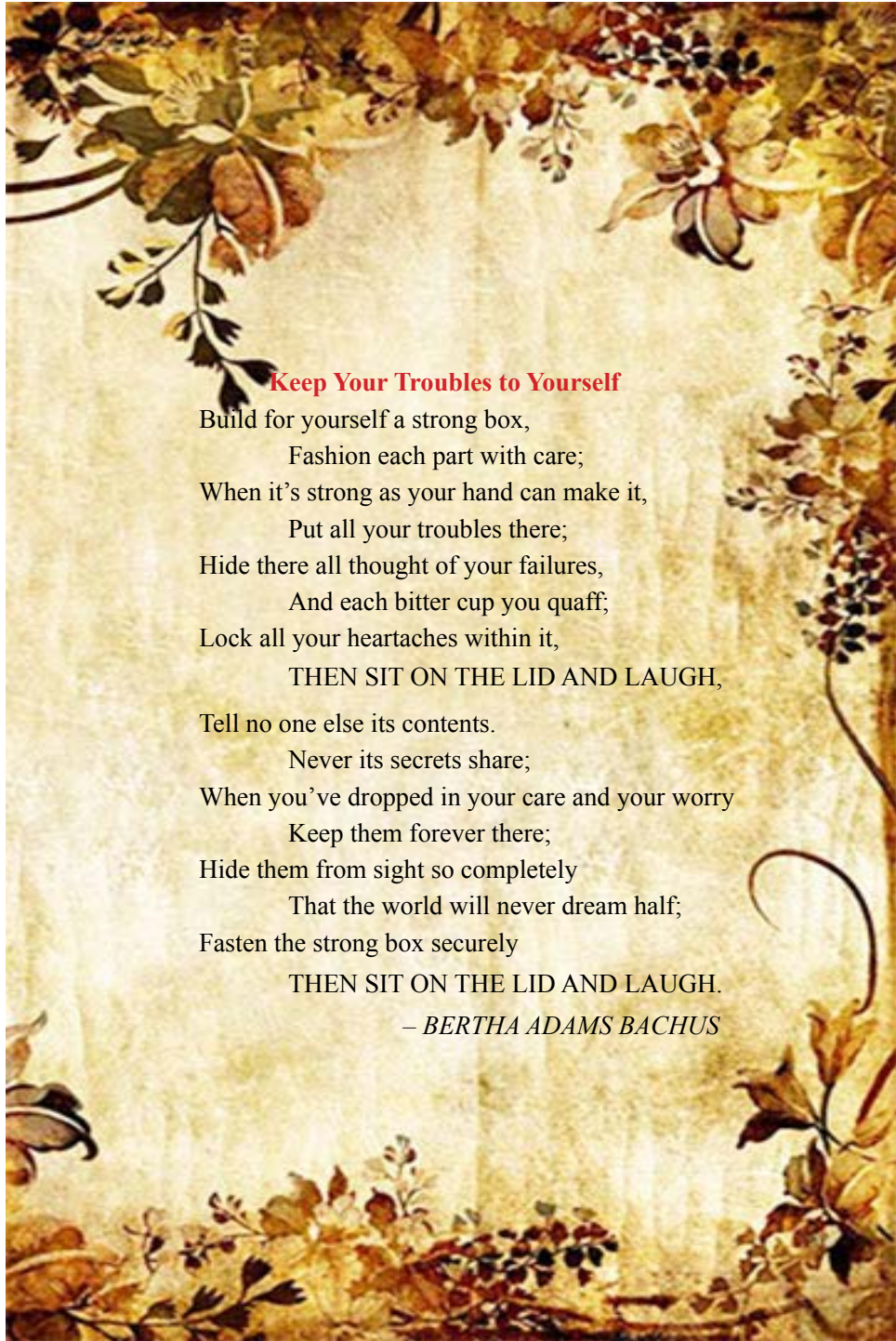
– ABRAHAM LINCOLN

**Keep Your Cool**

Nothing gives one person so much advantage over another as to remain always cool and unruffled under all circumstances.

– JEFFERSON





**Keep Your Troubles to Yourself**

Build for yourself a strong box,  
Fashion each part with care;  
When it's strong as your hand can make it,  
Put all your troubles there;  
Hide there all thought of your failures,  
And each bitter cup you quaff;  
Lock all your heartaches within it,  
THEN SIT ON THE LID AND LAUGH,  
Tell no one else its contents.  
Never its secrets share;  
When you've dropped in your care and your worry  
Keep them forever there;  
Hide them from sight so completely  
That the world will never dream half;  
Fasten the strong box securely  
THEN SIT ON THE LID AND LAUGH.

– *BERTHA ADAMS BACHUS*



**Laugh at Your Fate if it is Hard**

Fate used me meanly; but I looked at her and LAUGHED  
That none might know how bitter was the cup / quaffed.  
Along came Joy, and paused beside me where I sat, saying,  
'I CAME TO SEE WHAT YOU WERE LAUGHING AT.

– ANONYMOUS

**Law of Increasing Returns**

Render more service than that for which you are paid and  
you will soon be paid for more than you render. The law of  
'Increasing Returns' takes care of this.

– ANONYMOUS

**Learn from Past Mistakes**

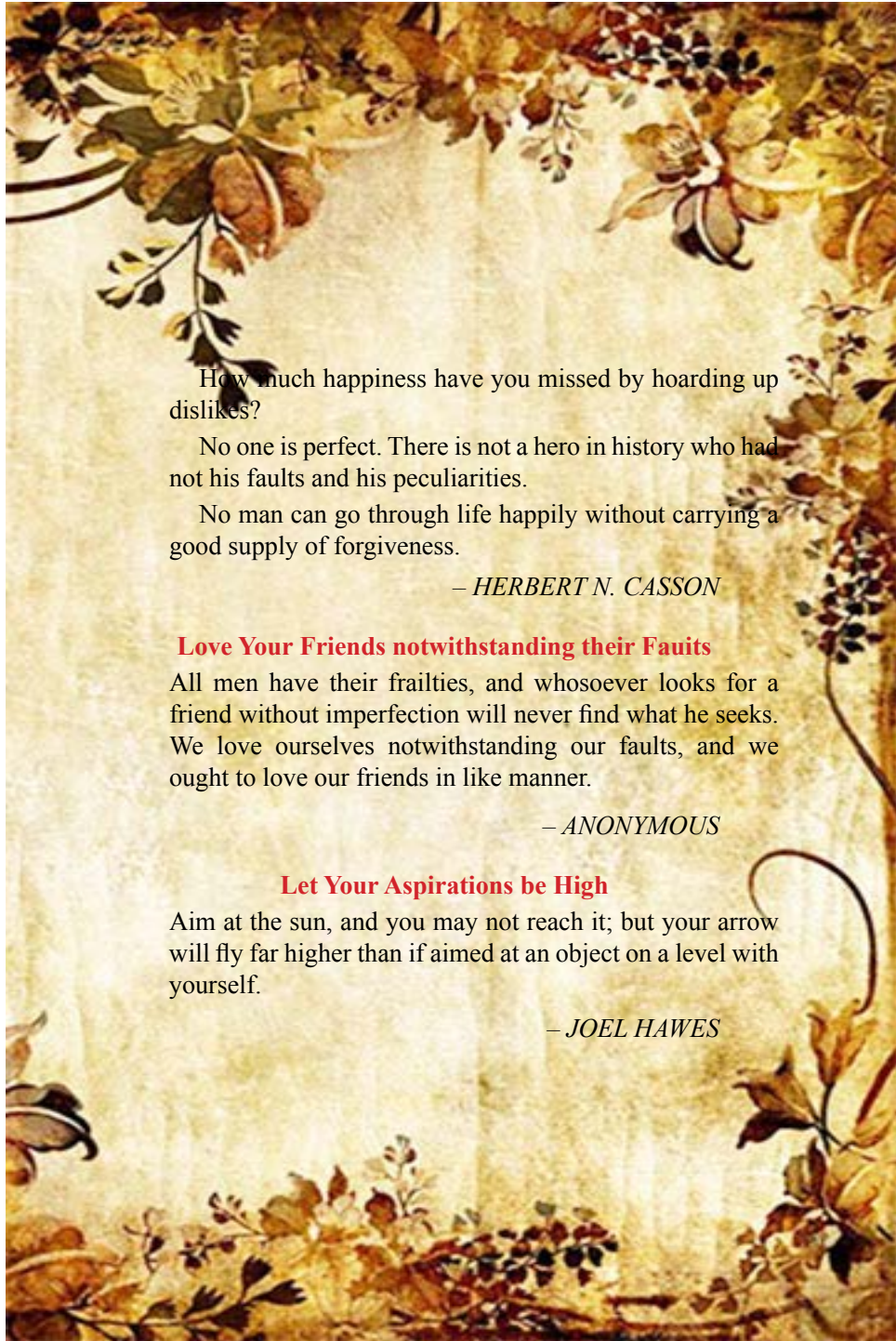
Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to  
repeat it.

– GEORGE SANTAYANA

**Learn to Forgive**

How many friends have you lost because you would not  
overlook a fault?





How much happiness have you missed by hoarding up dislikes?

No one is perfect. There is not a hero in history who had not his faults and his peculiarities.

No man can go through life happily without carrying a good supply of forgiveness.

– *HERBERT N. CASSON*

**Love Your Friends notwithstanding their Faults**

All men have their frailties, and whosoever looks for a friend without imperfection will never find what he seeks. We love ourselves notwithstanding our faults, and we ought to love our friends in like manner.

– *ANONYMOUS*

**Let Your Aspirations be High**

Aim at the sun, and you may not reach it; but your arrow will fly far higher than if aimed at an object on a level with yourself.

– *JOEL HAWES*



**Live within Your Means**

The man who will live above his present circumstances is in great danger of soon living much beneath them; or the Italian proverb says, “The man that lives by hope, will die by despair.’

– JOSEPH ADDISON

**Live in the Present; Don’t Put off Living**

One of the most tragic things I know about human nature is that all of us tend to put off living. We are all dreaming of some magical rose garden over the horizon instead of enjoying the roses that are blooming outside our windows today.

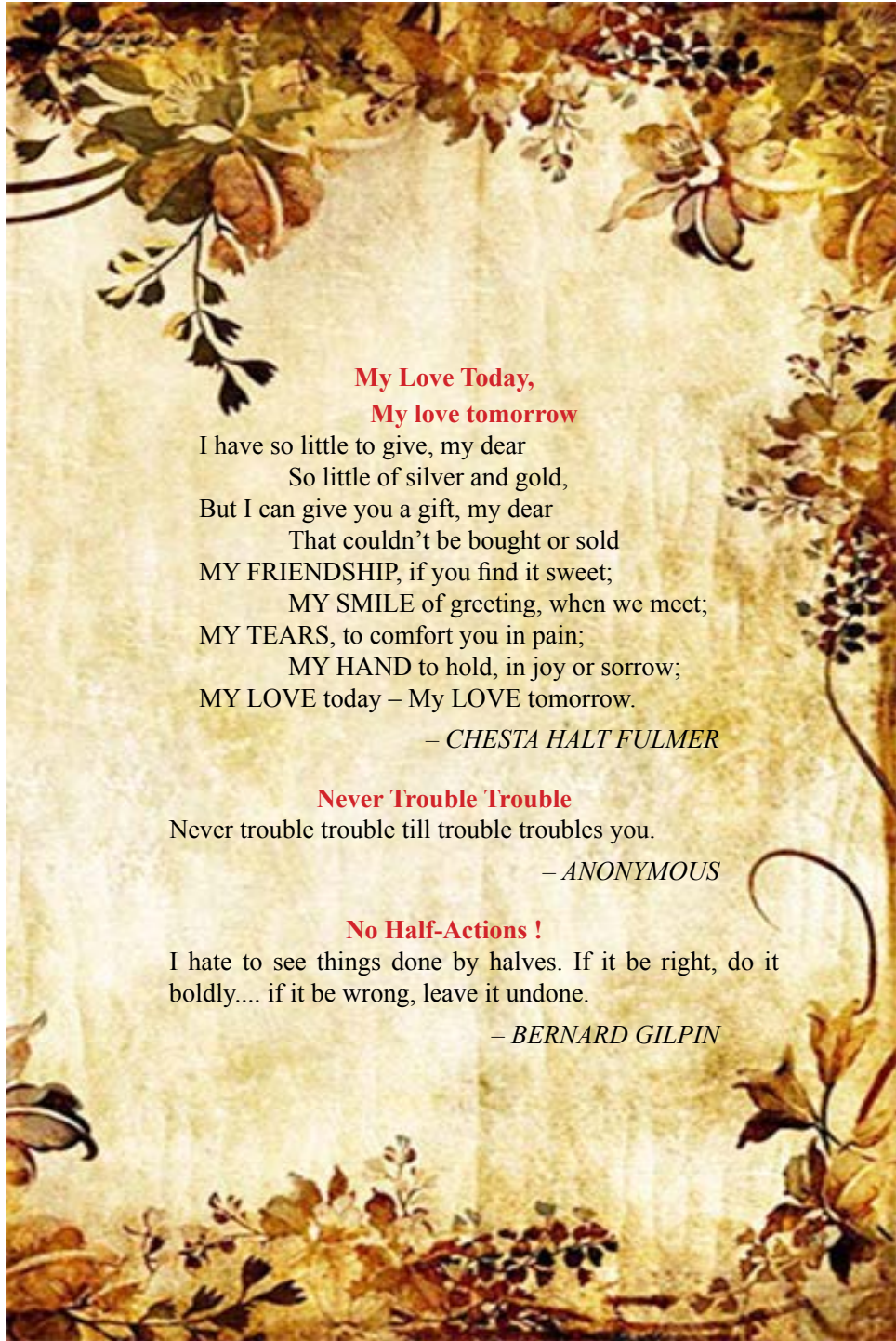
– DALE CARNEGIE

**Mighty Small Things**

Small kindnesses, small courtesies, small considerations, habitually practised in our social intercourse, give greater charm to the character than the display of great talents and accomplishments.

– M.A. KELLY





**My Love Today,  
My love tomorrow**

I have so little to give, my dear  
So little of silver and gold,  
But I can give you a gift, my dear  
That couldn't be bought or sold  
MY FRIENDSHIP, if you find it sweet;  
MY SMILE of greeting, when we meet;  
MY TEARS, to comfort you in pain;  
MY HAND to hold, in joy or sorrow;  
MY LOVE today – My LOVE tomorrow.

– CHESTA HALT FULMER

**Never Trouble Trouble**

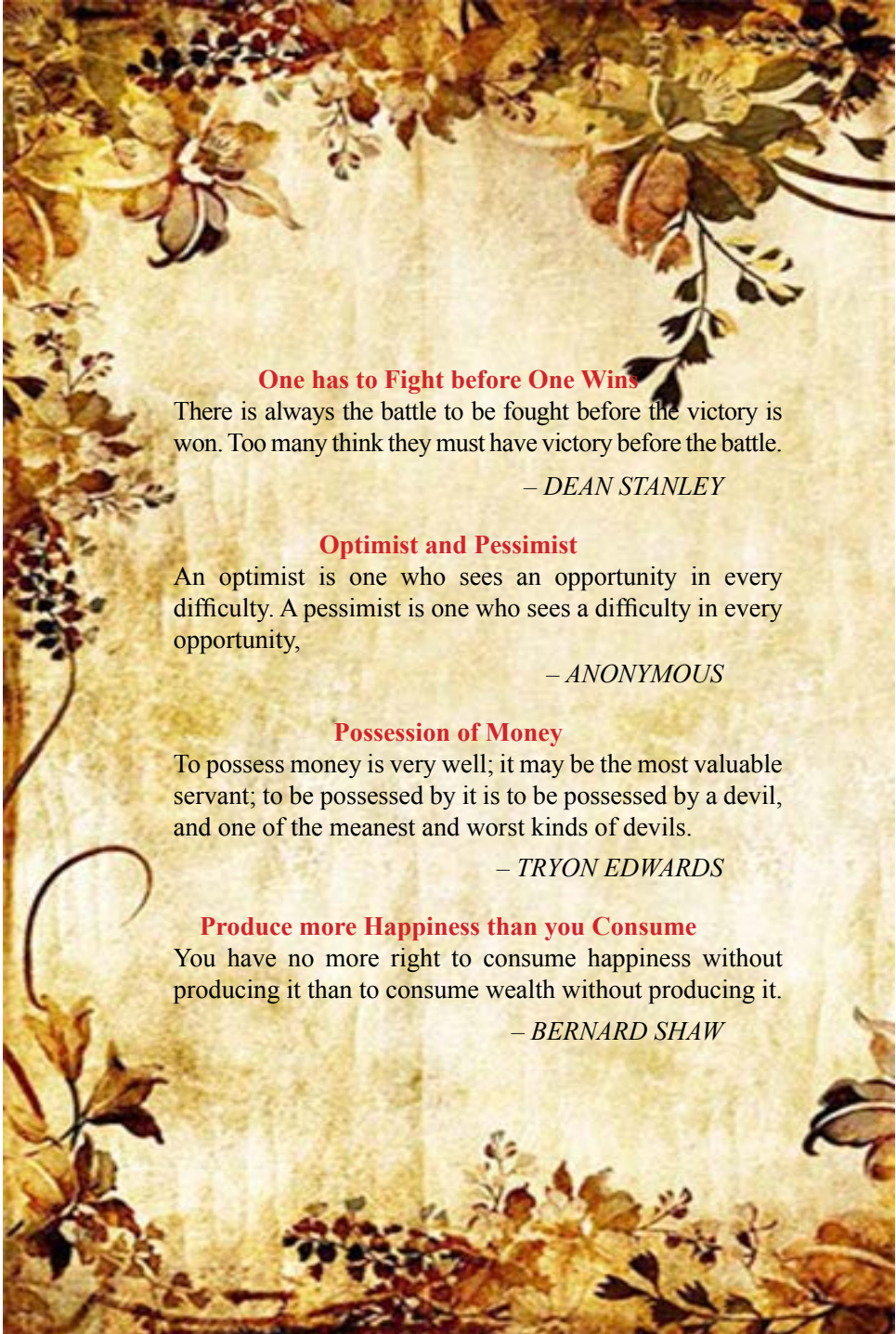
Never trouble trouble till trouble troubles you.

– ANONYMOUS

**No Half-Actions !**

I hate to see things done by halves. If it be right, do it  
boldly.... if it be wrong, leave it undone.

– BERNARD GILPIN



**One has to Fight before One Wins**

There is always the battle to be fought before the victory is won. Too many think they must have victory before the battle.

– DEAN STANLEY

**Optimist and Pessimist**

An optimist is one who sees an opportunity in every difficulty. A pessimist is one who sees a difficulty in every opportunity,

– ANONYMOUS

**Possession of Money**

To possess money is very well; it may be the most valuable servant; to be possessed by it is to be possessed by a devil, and one of the meanest and worst kinds of devils.

– TRYON EDWARDS

**Produce more Happiness than you Consume**

You have no more right to consume happiness without producing it than to consume wealth without producing it.

– BERNARD SHAW





**Recognise Your Opportunities and Seize them**

Opportunities do not come with their values stamped upon. Everyone must be challenged. A day dawns, quite like days; in it, a single hour comes, quite like other hours; in that day and in that hour the chance of a lifetime faces us.

– *MALTBIE BABCOCK*

**Rise every Time you Fall**

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

– *OLIVER GOLDSMITH*

**Rebukes are not Easily Forgotten**

It takes but a second to administer rebuke, but it may take a life – time for the one who has been rebuked to forget.

– *ANONYMOUS*

**Small Successes Lead to Bigger Ones**

Have confidence that if you have done a little thing well, you can do a bigger thing well too.

– *STONEY*



**Smile when there are Tears in Your Eyes**

It is easy enough to be pleasant, when life flows by like a song: but the man worthwhile is one who will smile when everything goes dead wrong. For the TEST OF THE HEART IS TROUBLE, and it ALWAYS COMES WITH THE YEARS. and the smile that is worth the praises of earth, is the smile that shines through tears.

– ELLA WHEELER WILCOX

**Speak only if you must**

The more you say, the less people remember. The fewer the words, the greater the profit.

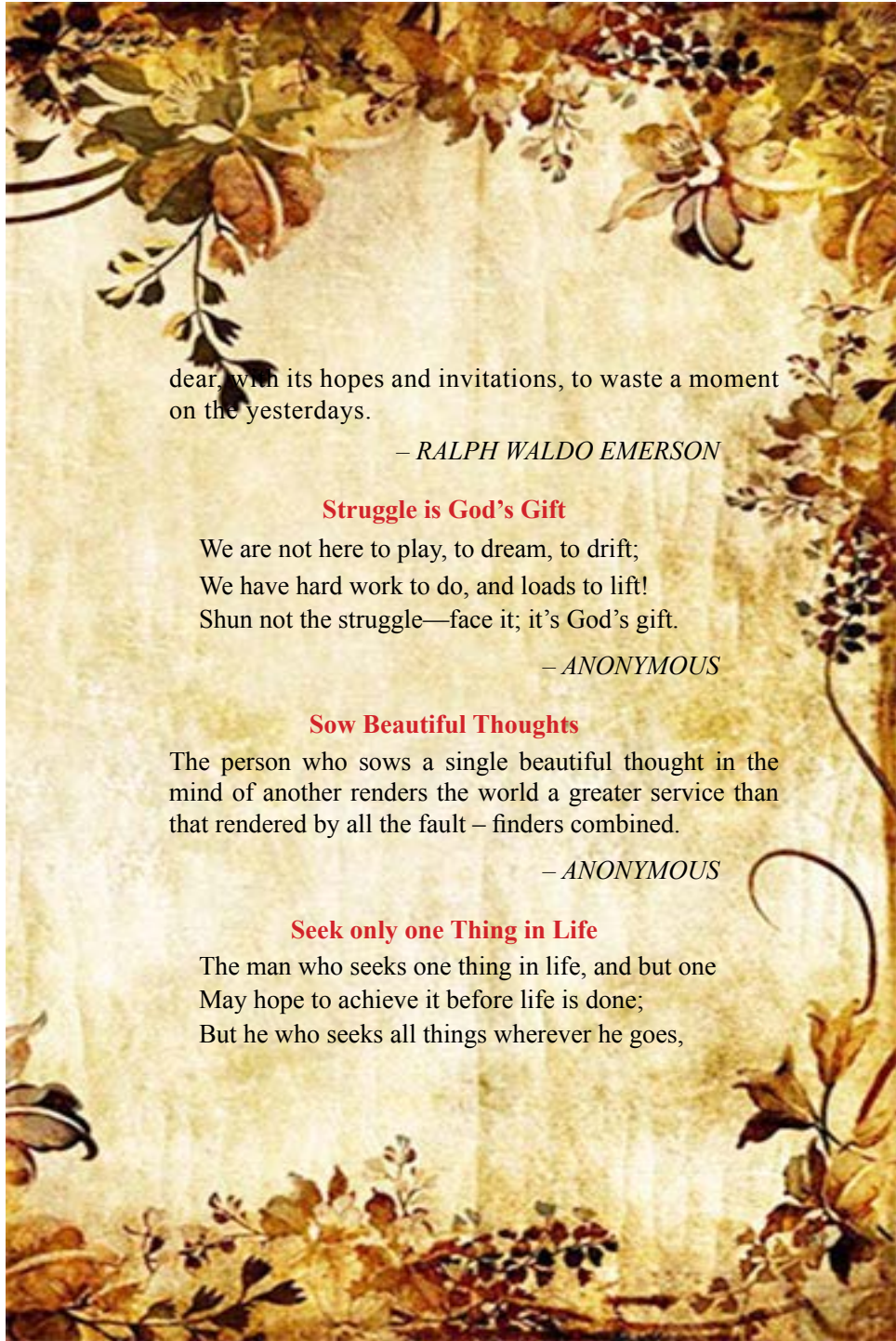
– FENELON

**Start each Day afresh**

Finish everyday and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in: forget them as soon as you can.

Tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely and with a spirit to be cumbered with your old nonsense. This day for all that is good and fair. It is too





dear, with its hopes and invitations, to waste a moment  
on the yesterdays.

– RALPH WALDO EMERSON

**Struggle is God's Gift**

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;  
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift!  
Shun not the struggle—face it; it's God's gift.

– ANONYMOUS

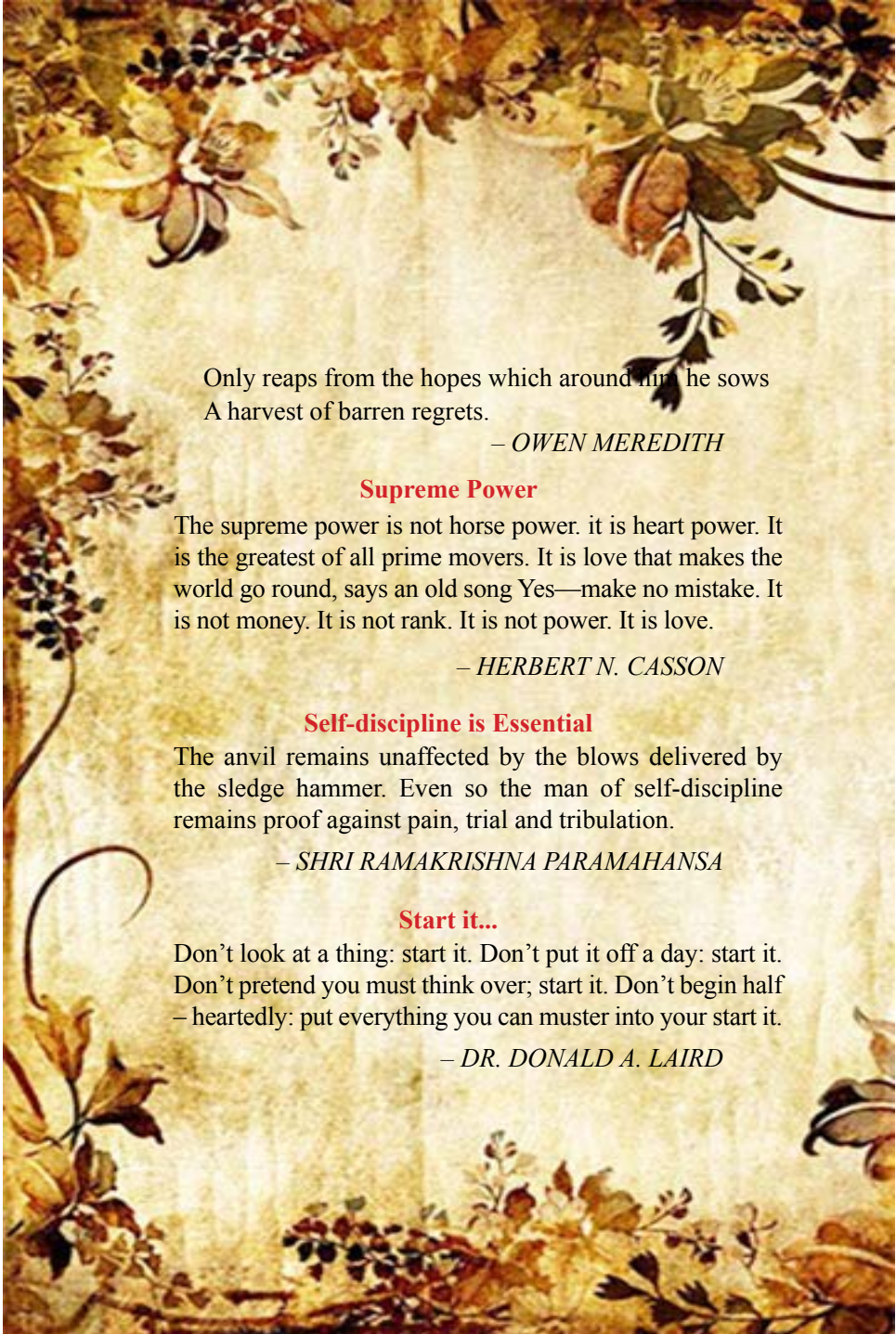
**Sow Beautiful Thoughts**

The person who sows a single beautiful thought in the  
mind of another renders the world a greater service than  
that rendered by all the fault – finders combined.

– ANONYMOUS

**Seek only one Thing in Life**

The man who seeks one thing in life, and but one  
May hope to achieve it before life is done;  
But he who seeks all things wherever he goes,



Only reaps from the hopes which around him he sows  
A harvest of barren regrets.

– OWEN MEREDITH

#### **Supreme Power**

The supreme power is not horse power. It is heart power. It is the greatest of all prime movers. It is love that makes the world go round, says an old song Yes—make no mistake. It is not money. It is not rank. It is not power. It is love.

– HERBERT N. CASSON

#### **Self-discipline is Essential**

The anvil remains unaffected by the blows delivered by the sledge hammer. Even so the man of self-discipline remains proof against pain, trial and tribulation.

– SHRI RAMAKRISHNA PARAMAHANSA

#### **Start it...**

Don't look at a thing: start it. Don't put it off a day: start it. Don't pretend you must think over; start it. Don't begin half-heartedly: put everything you can muster into your start it.

– DR. DONALD A. LAIRD





**Seek Opportunities to Do more**

I feel that the greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more.

– JONAS EDWARD SALK

**Step into the Shoes of Your Adversaries before you Judge them**

Three-fourths of the miseries and misunderstandings in the world will disappear if we step into the shoes of our adversaries and understand their standpoint. We will then agree with our adversaries or think of them, charitably.

– MAHATMA GANDHI

**Suffer to show Your Sincerity**

Self-suffering is the truest test of sincerity.

– MAHATMA GANDHI

**Serve with Pleasure**

Service can have no meaning unless one takes pleasure in it. When it is done for show or for fear of public opinion, it stunts the man and crushes his spirit.

– MAHATMA GANDHI



**There is a way**

Tell yourself, 'there is a way'. All thoughts are magnetic, As soon as you tell yourself, I'm beaten. There's no way to conquer this problem, negative thoughts are attracted, and each of these helps convince you that you are right, that you are beaten. Believe instead, there is a way to solve this problem, and positive thoughts rush into your mind to help you find a solution.

– DR. DAVID SCHWARTS

**There is no Failure, save in giving up**

A little more persistence, courage, vim,

Success will dawn o'er failure's cloudy rim.

Then take this honey for the bitterest cup;

THERE IS NO FAILURE, SAVE IN GIVING UP.

No real fall, so long as one still tries,

For seeming setbacks make the strong man wise

THERE'S NO DEFEAT, IN TRUTH, SAVE FROM WITHIN,

Unless you're beaten THERE, you're bound to win.

– C.C. CAMERON





**The Philosophy of Work**

Work as though you were a stranger in this land, a sojourner; work incessantly, but do not bind yourself; bondage is terrible.

– *SWAMI VIVEKANANDA*

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The only safe and sure way to destroy an enemy is to make him your friend.

– *ANONYMOUS*

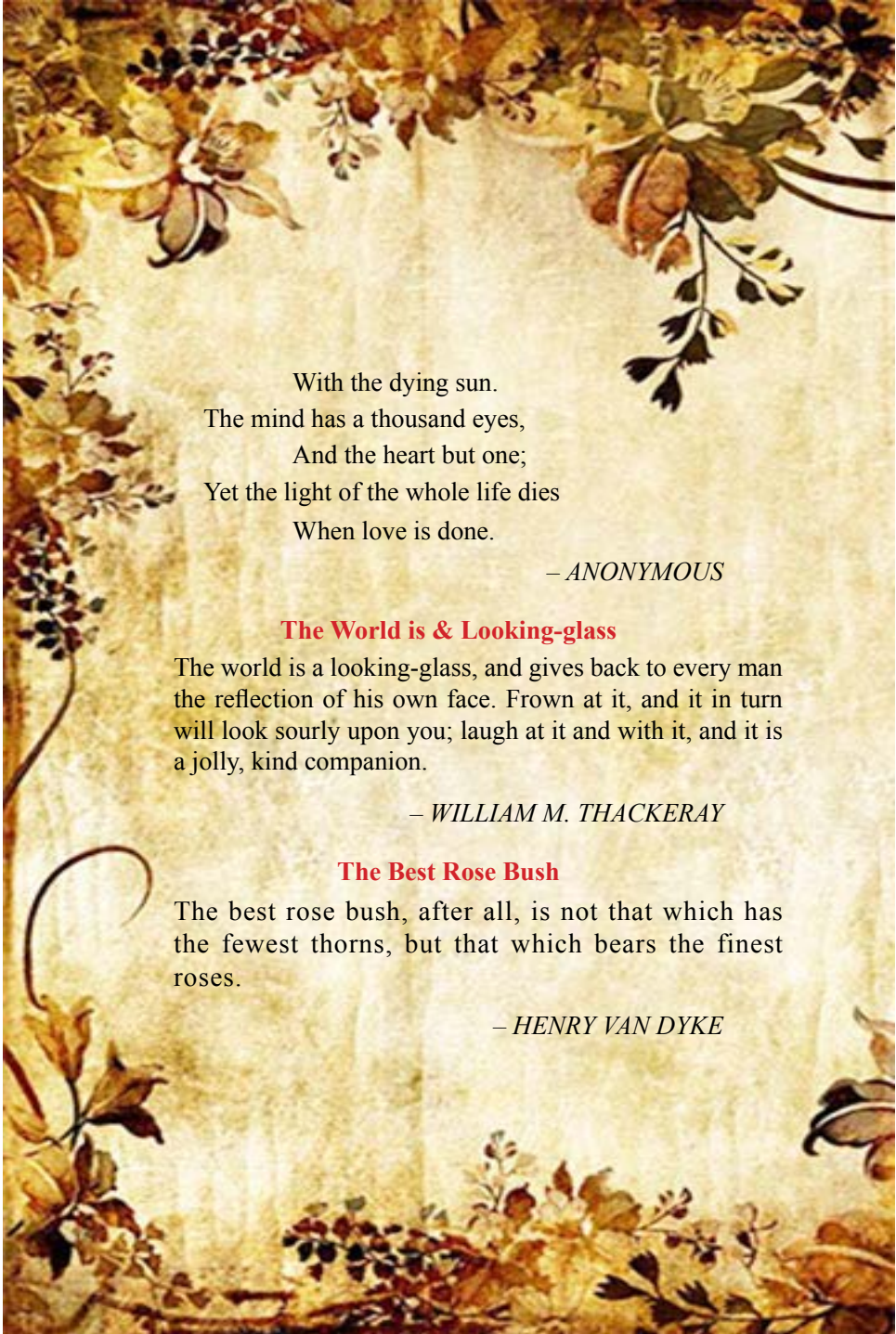
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What we can do for another is the test of power; What we can suffer for is the test of love.

– *BISHOP WESTCOTT*

**The Light of the Whole Life Dies When love is done**

The night has a thousand eyes,  
And the day but one;  
Yet the light of the bright world dies



With the dying sun.  
The mind has a thousand eyes,  
And the heart but one;  
Yet the light of the whole life dies  
When love is done.

– ANONYMOUS

**The World is & Looking-glass**

The world is a looking-glass, and gives back to every man the reflection of his own face. Frown at it, and it in turn will look sourly upon you; laugh at it and with it, and it is a jolly, kind companion.

– WILLIAM M. THACKERAY

**The Best Rose Bush**

The best rose bush, after all, is not that which has the fewest thorns, but that which bears the finest roses.

– HENRY VAN DYKE





**The Man who makes no Mistakes**

The only man who makes no mistakes is the man who never does anything. Do not be afraid of mistakes providing you do not make the same one twice.

– ROOSEVELT

**The Bee Works for Others**

The bee is more honoured than any other animal no because she labours, but because she labours for others.

– ST. CHRYSOSTOM

**Trust your Ability, not your Luck**

There may be luck in getting a good job—but there's no luck in keeping it.

– JONATHAN OGDAN ARMOUR

**The Essence of Knowledge**

The essence of knowledge is, having it, to apply it; not having it, to confess your ignorance.

– CONFUCIUS



**Truth Never Dies**

Truth never dies. The ages come and go.  
The mountains wear away, the stars retire.  
Destruction lays earth's mighty cities low;  
And empires, states and dynasties expire;  
But caught and handed onward by the wise,  
TRUTH NEVER DIES.

– ANONYMOUS

**Unselfishness Pays**

Unselfishness is more paying, only people have not the  
patience to practice it.

– SWAMI VIVEKANANDA

**When all else is Lost**

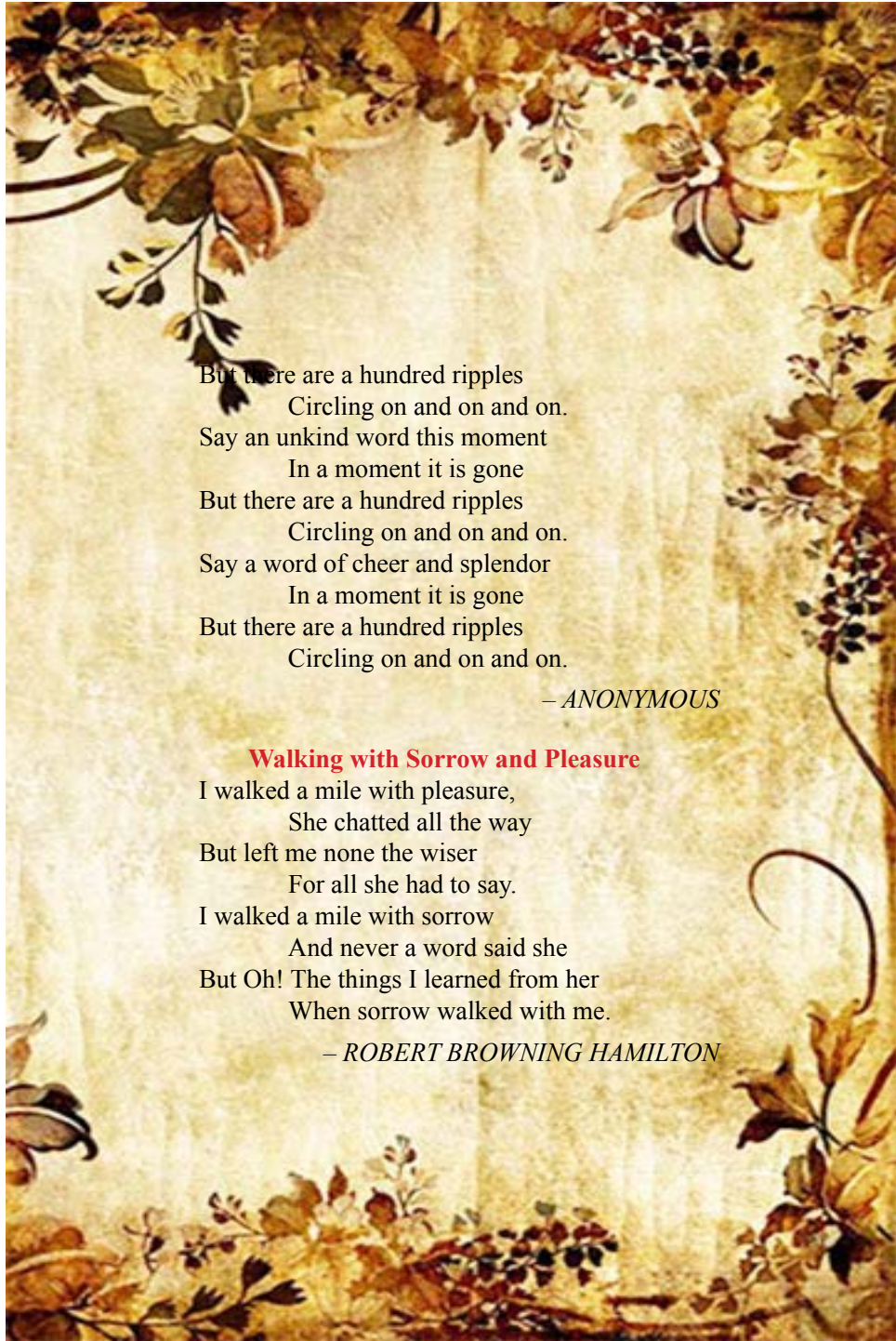
When all else is lost, the future still remains.

– CHRISTIAN N. BOVEE

**Words Produce Ripples**

Drop a stone into the water  
In a moment it is gone,





But there are a hundred ripples  
    Circling on and on and on.  
Say an unkind word this moment  
    In a moment it is gone  
But there are a hundred ripples  
    Circling on and on and on.  
Say a word of cheer and splendor  
    In a moment it is gone  
But there are a hundred ripples  
    Circling on and on and on.

– ANONYMOUS

**Walking with Sorrow and Pleasure**

I walked a mile with pleasure,  
    She chatted all the way  
But left me none the wiser  
    For all she had to say.  
I walked a mile with sorrow  
    And never a word said she  
But Oh! The things I learned from her  
    When sorrow walked with me.

– ROBERT BROWNING HAMILTON





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