

Brilliant lies dazzle more eyes than gems or truth.

Civilization is the fruit of morality; superstition is the fruit of religion.

If you wish to know what religion is worth, try to borrow some money on it.

Prayer continues to be a good thing to preach, but a poor thing to depend upon.

About the best way to get into heaven for a day at least is to do a kindness to someone who dislikes you.

THERE is no merit where there is no trial, and till experience stamps the mark of strength, cowards may pass for heroes, and faith for falsehood.—Investigator.

Believing a thing does not make it true. Look into those things you have taken for granted and you will be surprised to find how many of them were simply told you by others.-Western World.

True love is that which ennobles the personality, fortifies the heart and sanctifies the existence. And the being we love must not be my The Paris terious and sphinx-like, but cle and limpid as the diamond, so that admiration and attachment may grow with knowledge.

The Teacher of Truth brings upon himself the calumny of humanity, because he is compelled to reveal the true character of man in order to induce comprehension of the truth. When man is utterly corrupt, he objects to the mask being torn off; and when his character is truly read and his motives, his corruptions, and his hyprocrisy exposed, he rebels.

A Good religion means what good words mean; what good actions mean; what good men and women mean. It means the best that man can think, the best that man can do, the best that man can SALEM be. It means manliness, womanliness, humanity. There is one thing which it does not mean-and that is believing something and doing nothing.—Investigator.

#### Stephen Girard.

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