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Horace Mann left us many quotes to ponder about life (in general) and education (in particular). Here are some quotes worth pondering:

Seek not greatness, but seek truth and you will find both.

Education then, beyond all other devices of human origin, is the great equalizer of the conditions of men, the balance-wheel of the social machinery.

Education is best provided in schools embracing children of all religious, social, and ethnic backgrounds.

A teacher who is attempting to teach without inspiring the pupil with a desire to learn is hammering on cold iron.

As an apple is not in any proper sense an apple, until it is ripe, so a human being is not in any proper sense a human being until he is educated.

Bodies are cleansed by water; the mind is purified by truth.

Education alone can conduct us to that enjoyment which is, at once, best in quality and infinite in quantity.

Jails and state prisons are the complement of schools; so many less as you have of the latter, so many more you must have of the former.

Schoolhouses are the republican line of fortifications.

You may be liberal in your praise where praise is due: it costs nothing; it encourages much. Finally, education alone can conduct us to that enjoyment which is, at once, best in quality and infinite in quantity.

Every addition to true knowledge is an addition to human power.

Are these quotes as relevant today as they were when Mann originated them?

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