pretence to accuracy; but I have expended a great deal of labor in
being as accurate as my nature and the conditioning circumstances
have permitted. I have not spared myself; I see no reason, therefore,
why I should spare the reader, for after all there is no law compelling
him to read this. There is no royal road to learning; neither a demo-
cratic one; merely one long, hard, grinding way for king and com-
moner alike. But it is for the individual to decide whether he will
walk patiently therein.

And now that my acknowledgments are at least partially made,
I wonder what is left for me! Mostly the errors, I fear. Whether those
be of omission or of commission, of judgment or of fact, I must
acknowledge them as ill-favored things but mine own.

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