

written form, and I'm working on it every minute I can get for it, and I'm trying to make real progress in this direction. But how stupid I was 20 yrs. ago not to settle down to this less but very important aspect of the work that ~~is~~ my life should accomplish. How stupid we all are in taking what comes next, doing the immediate necessity. I think of the studying I've done, and a greater part of it has been because here was a class to teach. Let's study what's needed for this class.

Here I have to speak at a certain place. Well what shall I talk about/ I think of a subject that might be helpful to these people in this situation and do some study on that. But to plan and to work in such a way that our lives will really accomplish what they should, how many of us really think these things through the way we ought.

We had a student a good many yrs. ago who was a == who had a very good ~~man~~ mind and made very great progress in his studies, but he always talked as if his ~~mouth~~ mouth was full of mush. I gave him a course in public speaking which I taught and he couldn't talk in any other way than like this! And it was very hard to understand. So I worked out a little stuff to try to improve his speaking. I said to him, take this poem: And thou ~~wilt~~ sail on, O ship of state, Sail on O union long and great, -- that poem by Longfellow. And I asked him to read it and he read it just as clearly as could be. O he did not understand it perfectly. And he would say something indistinct Then we would read that poem and he would read it so clearly. I said to him, Get off by yourself and read two verses of that poem and then go and try to put that into your speaking and he ~~he~~ looked at me sort of disgustedly. After he graduated he went and taught in a Christian college. After a few years there they dropped him. Soon I heard he was running a motel out in Arizona. I visited the college where he had been teaching, and I said to the president, Why