that are exactly alike, and all are
crowned with a degree of polish and per-
fected that cannot be obtained by igno-
rant man in his most exquisite mecani-
cal productions. Man's machinery makes
things alike; God's machinery gives to
things which appear alike a pleasing dif-
erence. Fields and mountains, trees
and flowers, and all that fly, swim, or
move upon the ground are lessons for
study in the great school our heavenly
Father has instituted for the benefit of
his children. Let us explore this great
field of information that is open before
us in good books and in the great labo-
ralory of nature, and let every man be-
come his own lawyer, every family have
its own doctor, and every person be his
own accountant, &c. Let even the fe-
nale portion of our community be taught
how to do business, in the absence of
their guardians. It is an erroneous idea
that a very learned man should not work
with his hands, and is better than other
people because he is learned. Educa-
tion is the handmaid to honest labor. I
should be pleased to have our young fe-
males study the fine arts, music, paint-
ing, &c., for which there is fine talent
here, but I would not have them suppose
that education in the fine arts alone con-
stitutes them ladies, or will fit them for
the active duties of life. It is more neces-
sary that they should know themselves
and the duties that will be required of
them when they are wives and mothers;
to educate them thus, is a duty that is
particularly binding upon mothers.

Let there be a mutual desire in every
man to disseminate knowledge, that all
may know. I have always followed out
the rule of dispensing what I know to
others, and been blessed in so doing. Af-
ter all our endeavors to obtain wisdom
from the best books, &c., there still re-
ains an open fountain for all; "If any
man lack wisdom, let him ask of God."
Let every Latter-day Saint constantly
practice himself in the performance of
every good word and work, to acknowl-
dege God to be God, to be strict in keep-
ing his laws and learning to love mercy,
eschew evil, and delight in constantly do-
ing that which is pleasing to God. This
is the only sure way to obtain influence
with God and all good men. I want the
fellowship and confidence of those who
are justified before the heavens, and to
have this I must walk in the path Christ
has marked out, and let all the rest go
their own way. Let all who are for God
and his laws, walk with me and gain in-
fluence with those heavenly powers, and
there is no danger but what they will
gain influence with all good persons who
labor for the same influence, which will
bear us off conquerors over all our ene-
 mies, spiritual and temporal. May the
Lord bless you. Amen.