and dismay. The Reformation spread, and the tide rolled on. On it rolled to the British Isles and back to the Netherlands and France, until it was lost in the swelling waves of papal opposition. I have dwelt upon this period because I believe it to be more pregnant with the seeds of things" as Bacon has it, than any other. Had I time to trace the thread of history and show the effects of this new doctrine upon the world, its power, its popularity, its entering in a better day, its brilliant precedents now realigned, and its lasting and happy effects, influence on mankind, the argument deserves would amply repay me. This I have sure was the age of awakening, and I think it has been satisfactorily shown that the mighty revolution owed its origin to the greatest thinker of his time.

Save Charles XII, Gustavus Adolphus, Frederick the great or Napoleon, or any one distinguished for his actions; age take them all together, and compare the effects existing now that they have produced with those of Luther, and see what a faint glimmer to the blazing fire. True when it does glimmer it is painful for the pallet to look. Where is France? sunk as low beneath the pressure of superstition