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The Wealth of Knowledge

If I do not learn what is in the world from first to last, somebody will be wiser than I am. I intend to know the whole of it both good and bad. Shall I practise evil? No; neither have I told you to practise, but to learn by the light of truth every principle there is in existence in the world.

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Every accomplishment, every polished grace, every useful attainment in mathematics, music, and in all science and art belong to the Saints, and they should avail themselves as expeditiously as possible of the wealth of knowledge the sciences offer to every diligent and persevering scholar.

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The catalogue of man's discipline he must compile himself: he cannot be guided by any rule that others may lay down, but is placed under the necessity of tracing it himself through every avenue of his life.

—Brigham Young