

Enemy - Cont'd

Today's unsettling change becomes tomorrow's truth.

Ibsen: "The man is right who is most in league with the future."

Kierkegaard: "Purity of heart is to will one thing."

Fear: A Driving Force for the Status Quo

Majority is tyrannical because they cannot do right because they are at the people's mercy.

Hovstad - wanted to print the reports but was afraid to upset his subscribers.

Mayor - No changes because the people might find out he made a mistake with the original plans, and then get rid of him and, according to the Dr. - - is too dumb to do right.

- Trying to please the majority by guessing how they feel, not asking.

- Ibsen feels the majority only rules by the fear of being removed and ~~and idea that~~ ^{to avoid anger} challenges their "prowess" keeps them rigid and immobile.

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Helen Keller.

Age ⁸ 11, ²³ 23, 52 - assaulted
by accusation, doubt + disbelief

Mark Twain: Joan of Arc,
"fellow to Caesar, Alexander the
Great, Napoleon, Homer, Shakespeare
and the rest of the immortals."
She will be famous for 1,000 years.

* Lusted 100 but dimming.
50, 20 yrs. ago every 10
year of a new H.E.

+ * Child accused of plagiarism
52 - "Verbalism" - substituting
parroted words for first hand
perception.

+ * Liberated and placed in bondage
by language.

* 1882 - Meningitis or Scarlet Fever.

Feller. 2

Dickens - "American Notes"

Laura Bridgman - Boston

Scarlet Fever @ 2 - no sound
or taste.

<sup>let
rather</sup>
AG-Bell

Wife / Mother Deaf
Sullivan

Born into poverty

X Math, German, French, Latin, Greek

* Published at 21 / \$3, 000 advance
1903

11 - "First Fairies" Plagiarism (11)

→ "The Nation" - All her knowledge
is hearsay knowledge. (23)

52 - 4 additional Author's Vols,
1933 - Cutsford, blind psychologist
"mist of green"

"blue pods of day violets"

"soft clouds tumbling"

- only imitating, not inventing

Keller 3

Keller responds

"Deaf-blind person seizes every word of sight and hearing, because sensation compels it. Light and color, of which ~~to~~ there is no factual evidence, is studied fearlessly, believing that all humanly knowable truth is open."

(thinking) → ABSTRACT

She was not ashamed of "talking bookishly." —

"The bulk of the world's knowledge is an imaginary construction... and want to say..."

"History itself is but a mode of imagining, of making us see civilizations that no longer appear on the earth."

- Accusers were "spirit vandals" who wanted to "bite the dust of material things."

Red-spectrum-mind = Physics cannot cage metaphor

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Died 1968 - 3 wks shy of 88

"I observe. I feel. I think.
I imagine."

Legacy

She refutes those who cannot perceive, or do not care to value what is hidden from sensation: collective memory, heritage, literature

"We work in the dark." Hays Jans

She was proof of Keat's phantom theme of "negative capability"

⊗ Photographed only from the side
- Bulging left eye - disfigured.

⊕ Later, both eyes surgically removed, replaced with glass.

- Sparkling blue glass eyes...
admired for their beauty and humane depth.