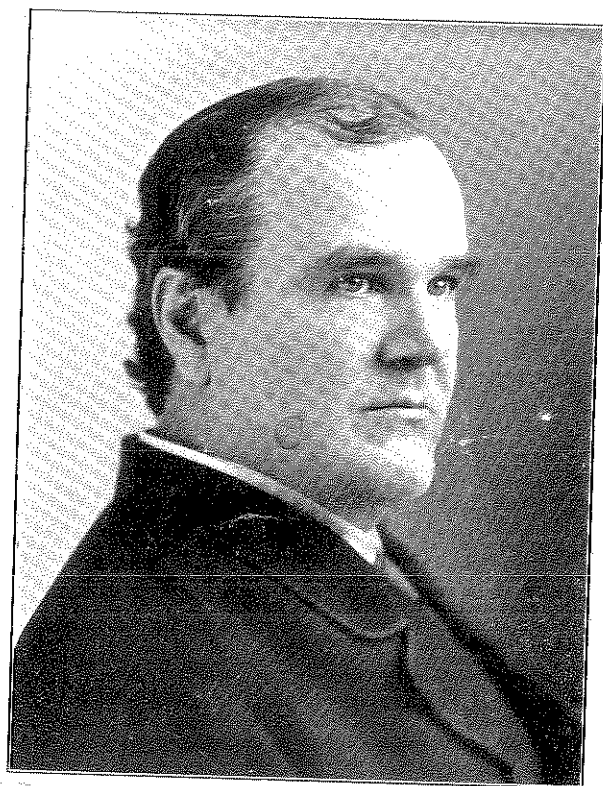


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Thoughts of Dr. McGlynn

**"God's Plan for the Prevention of
Poverty is that man should
have the Earth"**

**"It is clearly God's own Plan for the Abolition of
Poverty to restore the Earth to man again"**

Poverty and Law. "We have a belief that poverty can be abolished by conforming human laws and institutions to the great principles of equal justice."

"It is a Beautiful Law of God's Civilization that where men come together in great numbers, so far from there being any danger of their exhausting the bounties of nature, nature surrenders to them in still larger proportion her greatest mysteries and her most precious treasures."

Men Sent of God. "When the last page of the New Testament was written, surely God's hands were not tied and to every age, in every great emergency wherever there are children of God to be saved, where liberty is to be maintained, where the world seems ready to perish by the weight of its sins and woes, there always has been, there ever shall be, in the very nick of time, some man sent of God."—*Ireland's Saint, 1889.*

Immigration. "Every able-bodied man, every able-bodied woman, every healthy child that comes into this country, whether from Heaven or from Europe is money in the pocket of the country."

No Need To Be Poor. "The poverty that comes like a necessary horrid shadow of civilization to-day is no necessary consequence of civilization. It is the result of the enormous increase of value that comes to land from civilization, and because of our mistake in permitting that enormous value, that magnificent fund provided by a beautiful providential design for the benefit of the community, to become a curse by giving it into private pockets and making it an advantage for men to enslave their brethren by making artificially scarce the magnificent bounties of God."

"There Is a Distinction between what God through nature has given equally to all His children because He is the equal, impartial and loving Father of them all, and the private property which by God's own law is the proper reward of man's individual energy."

There Can Be Only One Landlord and He is the Lord Our God. "The earth He hath given to the children of men. It is a goodly habitation in which He has placed His family. And it is a monstrous usurpation of God's property to permit any man to call himself the absolute owner of any portion of it."

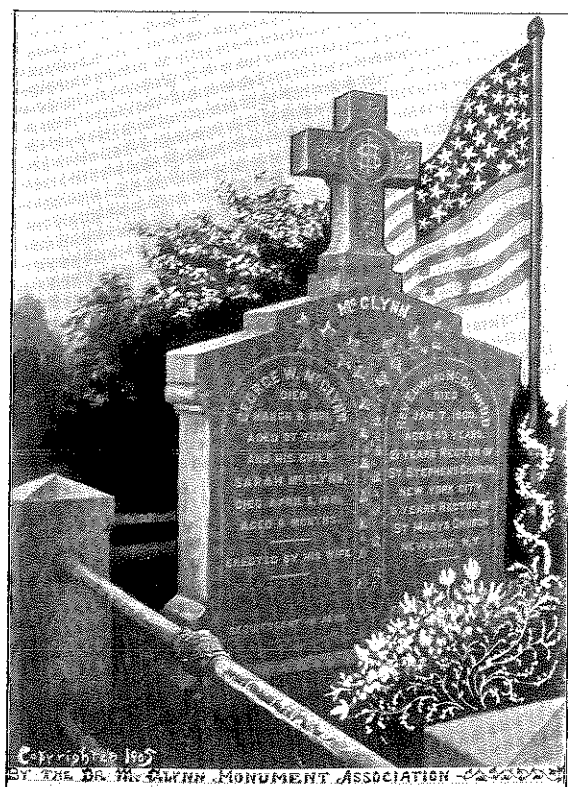
In the Groves. "Here beneath the canopy of Heaven with the beautiful sunlight of God tracing its wondrous lace-work upon the greensward as it is reflected and broken by the waving branches of these trees, I feel that I can, with as much propriety, with as much solemnity, with as much deep and heartfelt devotion as ever before any altar speak to you the truth of God."—*The Excursion*, 1889.



I fain would be a poet, and sing songs
So full of hope and love and grace to men,
That they should have the charm and potency
To lure them from ignoble thoughts and cares
To love of the ideal, infinite
Truth, Goodness, Beauty, Light, Life, Holiness,
Which men call God, but whom the Man of men
Taught us, as man had never taught before,
To call by more endearing, human name,
"Our Father," and by this sweet parable
Taught that the potent law of God is love,
And that who best would show his love for God
Must give best loving service unto men.
This, Father, would I sing with trumpet tongue
In notes so sweet and clear and strong, that men,
Touched, softened, ravished by the strain, should turn
From selfish thoughts to love of all in Thee.
Father, if Thou give not the gift of song,
One boon I crave Thou wilt not, sure, deny:
Let me my life a poem make, compact
In sweet accord of harmony divine
Of thought and will and deed with Thy sweet will.
Then may my life some light and leading be
To way-worn brothers while I tarry here,
And, when I go, some word or deed of mine
May still lure erring brothers back to Thee.

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Pro Memoria

Here in the Silent City of the Dead

Where world worn hearts have found unbroken rest:

Our tributes of respect and love we spread

Upon the mound, we honor most and best.

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His salient words seem whispered by the breeze

That sighs a gentle requiem o'er his grave

While from ethereal realms his spirit sees

The growth of thought he stirred in serf and slave.

—*Mary Quinlan Laughlin.*

Capital. "Where did the first man get his capital? Man with his bare hands and the land has produced all things. All the wonders of our civilization, this magnificent temple of art, the mightiest dome that the genius of man has ever raised over the altar of God, everything is ultimately but the product coming from a naked man on the naked earth. And God sent him down from Heaven with no other capital, no other machinery but the magnificent capital of his brain, of his muscular energies, and the magnificent natural bounties of which He has made him the lord and sovereign."

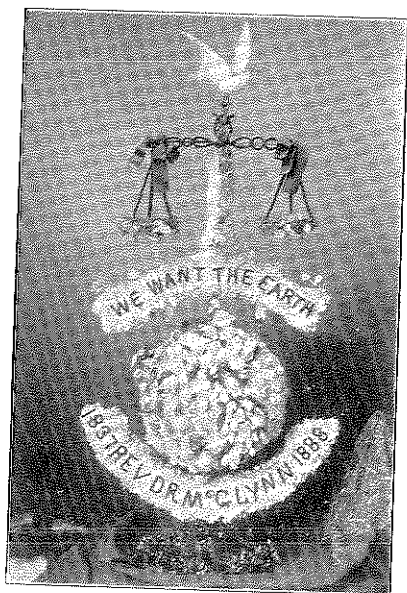
Labor—Horrid Drudgery. "This eternal drudgery of men and women, the chaining of men and women and little children to the counters, to the bench, to the workshop, the eternal tragedy of the mothers and the daughters, the incarceration of the little children in dingy tenements that may better be called prisons than homes, the unsightly scenes, the unhealthful odors, the unseemly surroundings to which most men are condemned every day and every week, and all the years of their lives, are no part of God's original plan in placing His human family here on earth and bidding them subdue the earth and possess it and enjoy it."

Labor—Healthful Exercise. "We should have leisure abundant to cultivate our minds, to improve our tastes and to gratify them, leisure abundant for rest and recreation, so that the toils and the burdens should be but a healthful exercise and not the horrid things they are to-day, debasing, degrading, distorting the stature and the dignity of man, defacing in so great measure with sores and scars, with the marks of chains, stunting, preventing the growth of the image of God in the forms and in the minds of men."

Wherever a Human Being Exists there is a Brother to be Loved." "If I know myself, in spite of my own weaknesses, I know one thing, and that is that from my earliest childhood my heart has ever beaten with sympathy for the wronged, the oppressed, the outcast, the downtrodden. I have ever been ready, forced by a nature inherited from a sainted Christian mother, to shed a tear of sympathy for every human sorrow and to feel righteous, burning indignation against whatsoever human wrong, no matter how high placed may be the author, that could do hurt to a fellow man."

"Sagacity." "It was told of a recently deceased Judge of the Supreme Court of the United States, a man who sat in the Senate of the United States, one of the most eminent men of his generation, how he, a poor lawyer, in a comparatively poor western town, had been able to accumulate some two or three millions of dollars worth of property. How? By "sagacity" in investing in lands at some distance from villages and towns, with foresight that in the course of a few years the growth of those communities, the industry, thrift, talent, virtue, patience of large communities would all keep adding to the value of his property, and in course of time cities, towns and villages would grow up on these lands, and he would be able to command an enormous price for land that cost him but a song. Now, while the law tolerated or even sanctioned what he was doing, he was guilty of an iniquity, of reaping where he had not sown, of exacting tribute where he had contributed nothing.

Declaration of Independence. "The Declaration of Independence is more than a mere charter of economic rights. It is a charter of the rights and liberties of mankind—a religious document in the truest sense because it bases the inalienable right of every human being born into the world to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness upon the gift of God."



WHAT DR. MCGLYNN TAUGHT.

The Fatherhood of God—the Brotherhood of Man.

God is the Father of us all, and not the Stepfather of any of us.

At the Father's table there is room for all His children.

The natural opportunities, the land, like the waters and the air and the sunlight, were given by the Father to us all, equally for all.

Poverty is the result of human laws that allow a few to monopolize what God created for the equal use of all.

