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I have great pleasure in complying with your request, though the fact that I am suffering from a dislocated thumb makes me willing to escape all avoidable labor in writing.

You ask me for a motto, and I would gladly offer you one worth remembering. For a young man freshly entering upon the work of his life, can I do better than offer as a constant-remembrance Carlyle's translation of Goethe?

Lo! here has been dawning

Another blue day!

Think, wilt thou let it

Slip uselessly away?

David Christie Murray