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"I rather open, than discover things."
MONTAIGNE'S ESSAYS (1580).

"No doctrine of any importance can be transferred
in a matured shape into any man's understanding from
without: it must arise by an act of genesis within the
understanding itself."

DE QUINCEY (1823).

"To know
Rather consists in opening out a way
Whence the imprisoned splendour may escape,
Than in effecting entry for a light
Supposed to be without."

BROWNING'S "PARACELSUS" (1835).



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