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A man cannot make a pair of shoes rightly unless he do it in a devout manner.

-Thomas Carlyle

The irregular and intimate quality of things made entirely by the human hand.

-Willa Cather

History repeats itself, but the special call of an art which has passed away is never reproduced. It is as utterly gone out of the world as the song of a destroyed wild bird.

-Joseph Conrad

It is the privilege of any human work which is well done to invest the doer with a certain haughtiness. He can well afford not to conciliate, whose faithful work will answer for him.
-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Let a human being throw the energies of his soul into the making of something, and the instinct of workmanship will take care of his honesty.

-Walter Lippmann

No man who is occupied in doing a very difficult thing, and doing it very well, ever loses his self-respect.

-George Bernard Shaw

The Artist is he who detects and applies the law from observation of the works of Genius, whether of man or Nature. The Artisan is he who merely applies the rules which others have detected.

-Henry David Thoreau

