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“I worked on nothing as assiduously during this Diet as on the freedom of writing and printing.”

“The liberty of a nation is preserved not only by the laws but by public information and knowledge as to how they are being administered.”

“The nation itself must be enlightened, but that requires reasoning. That is best developed when we put our thoughts down on paper.”

“Virtue is unafraid of daylight, never suspicious of enlightenment and least of all fears any setbacks when that is allowed to prevail.”

“That on which our epoch tramples will be taken up by posterity. And what is now called audacious will then be honoured with the name of truth.”

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