

Hathaway:

Your first letter telling me of David Brower's nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize came while I was hospitalized for surgery and was put aside. I received your follow-up letter the other day on the eve of my departure for the Ozarks on a photographic project. This answer is being written in St. Louis.

ultimate human welfare  
wildness preservation  
I can think of no award that would advance the cause of ~~conservation~~  
more effectively than ~~this~~ <sup>a Nobel Prize</sup> recognition of Brower's life-long dedication  
to ~~the preservation of his purpose~~ <sup>wildness preservation</sup>. His influence in spreading ~~the gospel~~

Henry David Thoreau's ~~gospel~~ <sup>that</sup> "In Wildness is the Preservation  
of the World" has ~~done more than any other~~ <sup>been a signal accomplishment</sup> the effort of any other single  
person <sup>in</sup> to ~~save men from their own short sighted~~  
awaken men to the consequences of ~~the headlong, short sighted~~ <sup>profligate</sup> courses  
~~they have pursued for the exploitation of the finite resources on which~~  
human survival depends.