



"I believe in the brotherhood of man, not merely the brotherhood of white men, but the brotherhood of all men before the law ... If any race or class can be permanently set apart from, or pushed down below the rest in political and civil rights, so may any other class or race when it shall incur the displeasure of its more powerful associates and we may say farewell to the principles on which we count our safety.

(African Americans) have been preyed upon by all types of exploiters from the instalment salesmen of clothing, pianos, and furniture to the vendors of vice. The majority of our (African American) people find but cold comfort in shanties and tenements. Surely as freemen, they are entitled to something better than this."