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collect, arrange, and organise. And on the other hand, those who can grasp any large subject, who command an extensive view and combine a great variety of interests, not infrequently look with compassion, or even contempt, upon the patient labourer who, in the secluded study or workshop, spends his time in investigating, discovering, or inventing some seemingly insignificant fact or artifice.

Thus hundreds of valuable suggestions or contrivances pass unnoticed, and the searcher or inventor is disheartened because he has not found the organising mind which can place his discovery or invention in the right position in a body of knowledge, or in a scheme of practical work. But equally the organising master-minds are unable to do their best if they rely too much on expert knowledge or skill which has become antiquated, and neglect to look out on all sides for new helpers.