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To a Bullet-Pierced Skull By ALFRED I. TOOKE

An empty skull! But once, no doubt, a vast Amount of knowledge into you was passed, And stored for use whenever you required; But when a bullet into you was fired, All of those years of hoarded knowledge fled In one split second, as you tumbled, dead. Only the knowledge parted with lived on. What you had hoarded, in a flash was gone.

Life is like that! It's those who give the most, Who may be truly said to live the most; While those who hoard their knowledge find life dull, And leave behind nought but an empty skull.