

# Stephen Pearl Andrews

## American Individualist Anarchist, Abolitionist, and Labor Union Activist

(1812 - 1886)

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### Quotes :

*"Under the old order of things, government interfered to determine the trade or occupation of the Individual, to settle his religious faith, to regulate his locomotion, to prescribe his hours of relaxation and retirement, the length of his beard, the cut of his apparel, his relative rank, the mode of his social intercourse, and so on continuously, until government was in fact every thing, and the Individual nothing." (From : "The True Constitution Of Government In The Sovereignty Of The Individual As The Final Development Of Protestantism, Democracy And Socialism," by Stephen Pearl Andrews, 1888.)*

*"The whole of that legislation which establishes or tolerates that form of human bondage which is called slavery is at this moment undergoing the most determined and vigorous onset of public opinion which any false and tyrannical institution of Government was ever called upon to endure. The full and final abolition of slavery can not but be regarded, by every reflecting mind, as prospectively certain." (From : "The True Constitution Of Government In The Sovereignty Of The Individual As The Final Development Of Protestantism, Democracy And Socialism,"*

by Stephen Pearl Andrews, 1888.)

*"Government still deals with criminals by the old-fashioned process of punishment, but both science and philanthropy concur in pronouncing that the grand remedial agency for crime is prevention, and not cure."* (From : "The True Constitution Of Government In The Sovereignty Of The Individual As The Final Development Of Protestantism, Democracy And Socialism," by Stephen Pearl Andrews, 1888.)

## **Biography :**

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Born in Massachusetts, Stephen Pearl Andrews (1812-1886) first rose to prominence in the South as a lawyer and abolitionist. He moved to New York, where he became interested in linguistics, and later equitable commerce. He established a utopian community in New York City called Unity Home, and it was during this time that he began to formulate his philosophy of universology. His essay, written in 1857, originally appeared in *The Periodical Letter*, edited by Josiah Warren (1798-1874).

He is the author of *The Sovereignty of the Individual*. Andrews considered the sovereignty of the individual to be "the basis of harmonious intercourse among equals, precisely as the equal Sovereignty of States is the basis of harmonious intercourse between nations mutually recognizing their independence of each other." (p. 18) According to Paul Avrich, Andrews, like Warren, was "a pioneer of the nineteenth century anarchist movement" in America.

He participated and edited *Love, Marriage, and Divorce*, a written discussion with Henry James and Horace Greeley. The discussion was published in 1853.

He was also published in Benjamin Tucker's *Radical Review*.

He married Mary D. Andrews, and lived with her in Cornville, ME.

He was one of the founding members of the Equal Rights Party

From : Anarchy Archives.

## **Chronology :**

**March 22, 1812** : Stephen Pearl Andrews's Birth Day.

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