

III "The shadow owes its birth to light." (Gay)

✓ "Shadows are in reality, when the sun is shining, the most conspicuous thing in a landscape, next to the highest lights." (Ruskin)

I or II:

"Shadows to-right / Have struck more terror
to the soul of Richard
Than can the substance of ten thousand soldiers
(Richard III, II, ix, 66)

IV

✓ "a shadow proves the substance true."
A. Pope, Essay on Criticism, II)

King George VI, of Great Britain, quoted these lines of Louise Haskins in his Christmas Broadcast to the World at the beginning of the Second World War, 1939:

"And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:
'Give me a light, that I may tread safely into the unknown!'
And he replied:

'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God.
That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.'
~~So, I went forth, and finding the Hand of God,~~
~~trod gladly into the night."~~