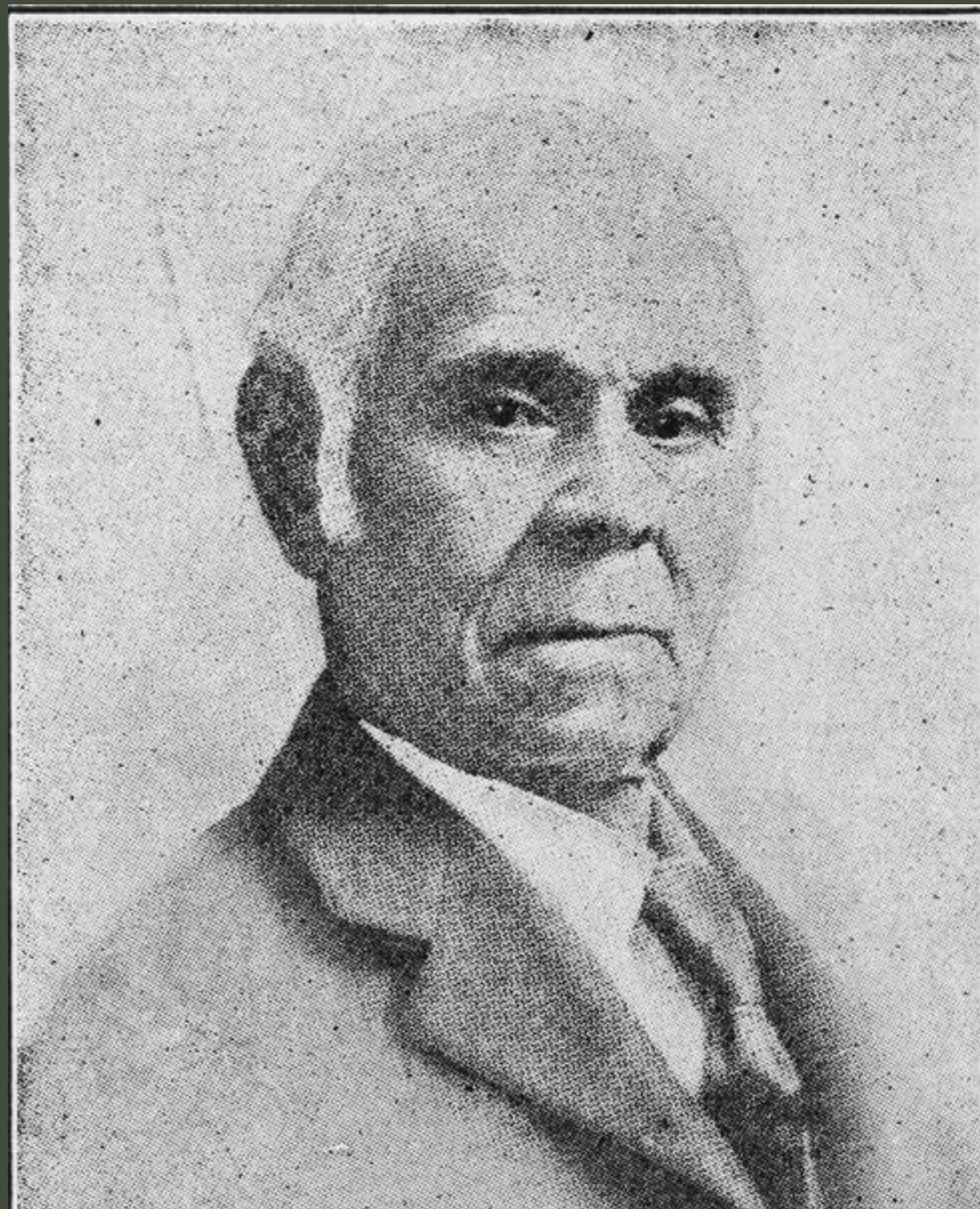


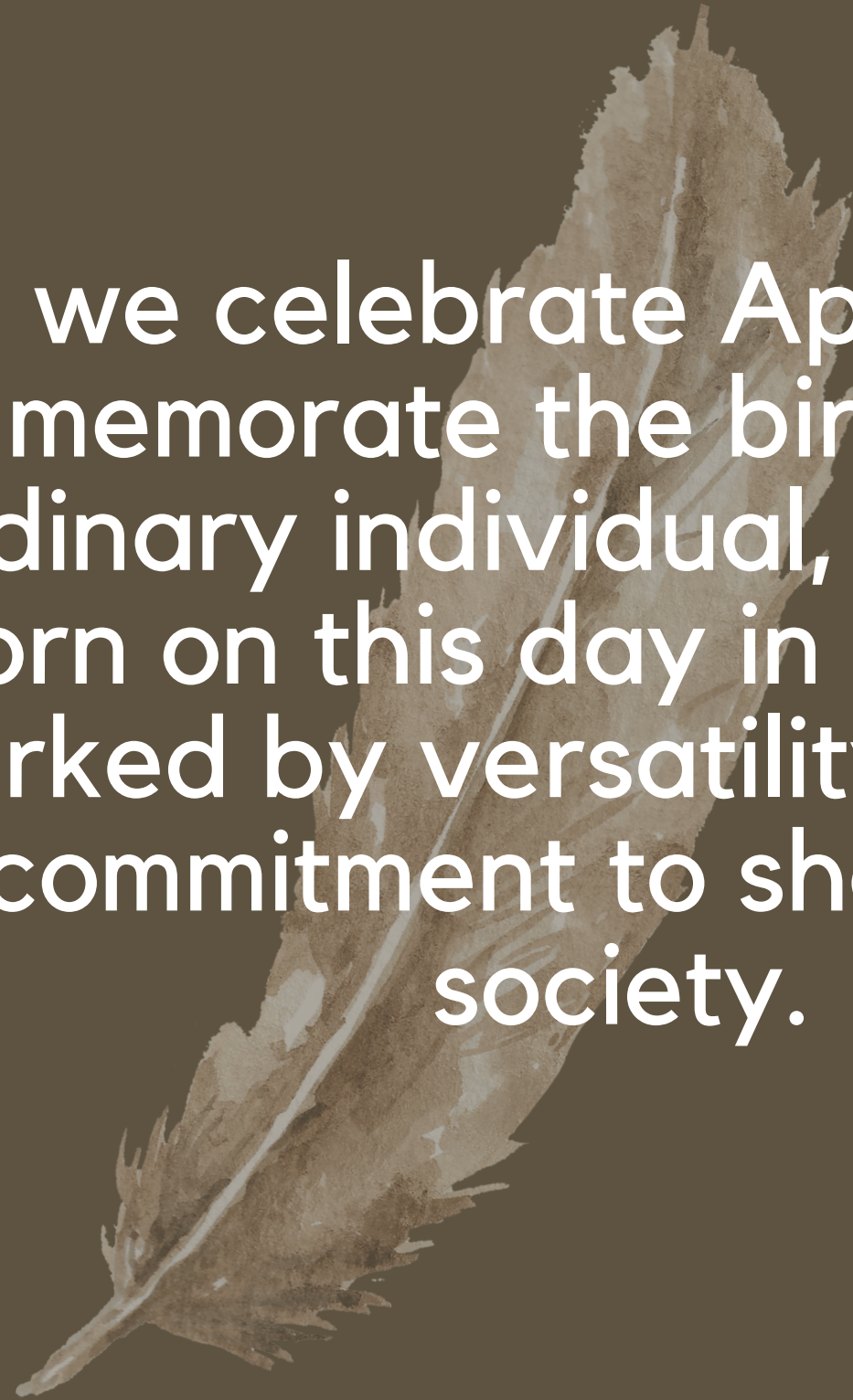
Happy Birthday



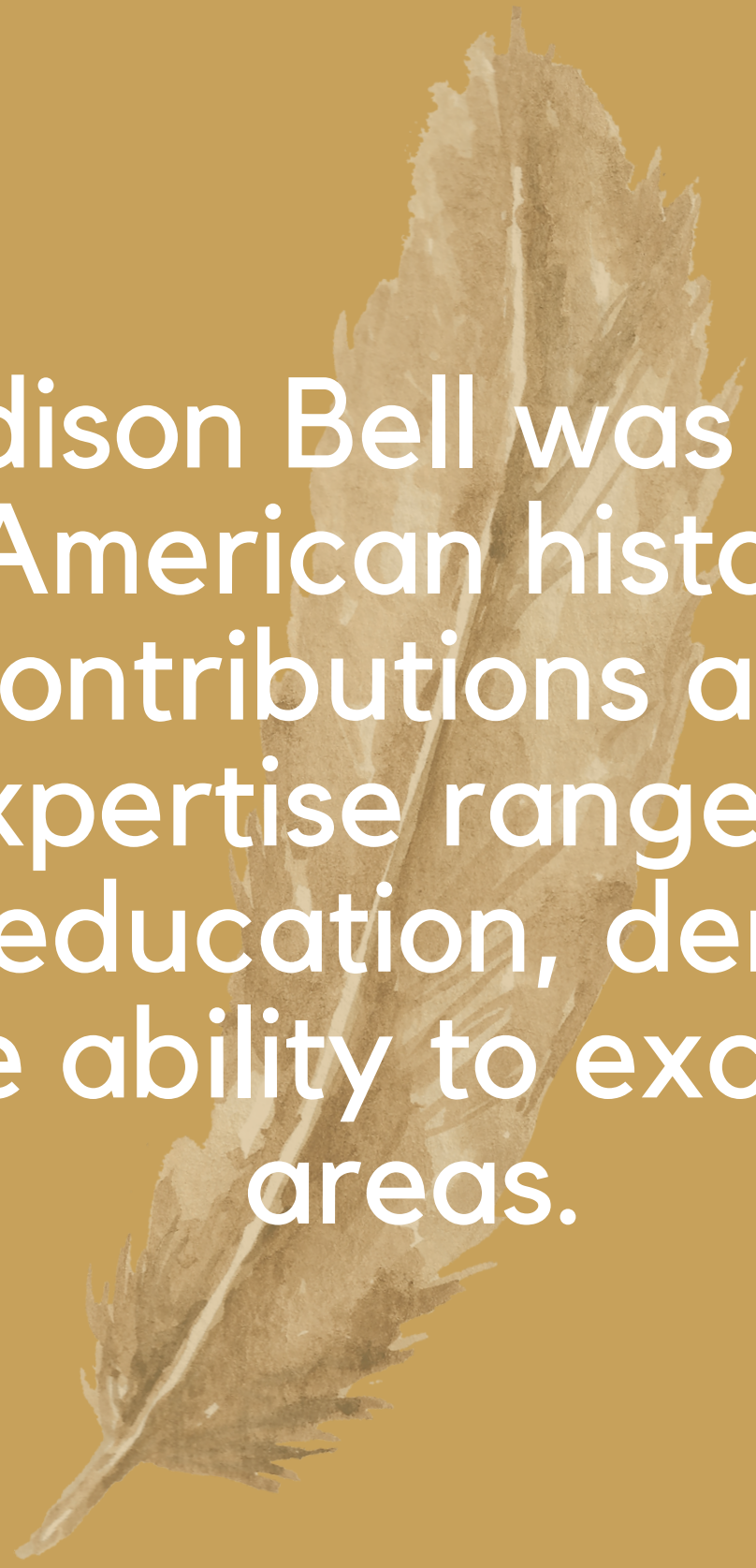
James
Madison
Bell

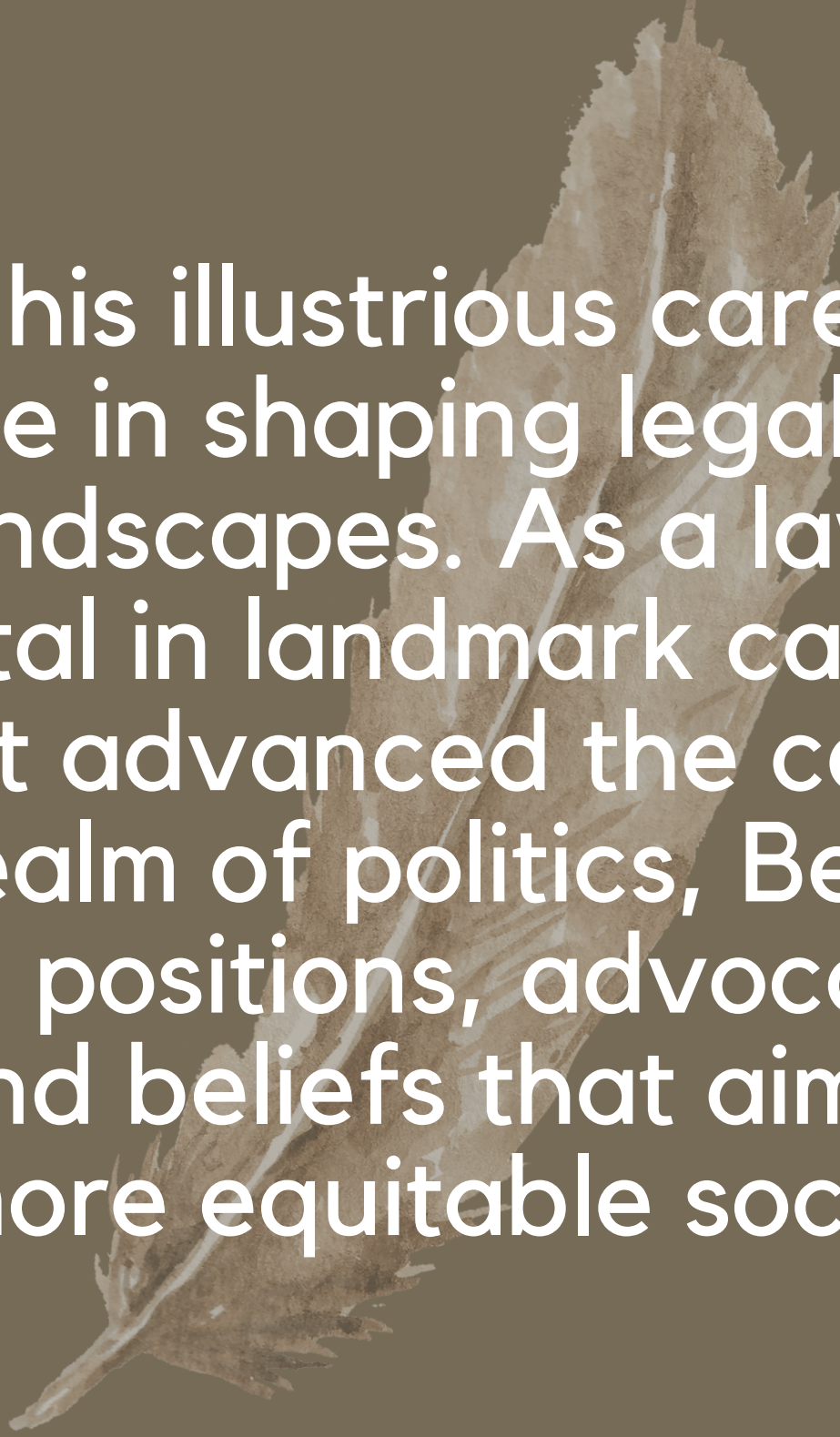


April 3rd 1826 - March 4th 1902

As we celebrate April 3rd, we commemorate the birthday of an extraordinary individual, James Madison Bell. Born on this day in 1926, Bell's life was marked by versatility, intellect, and a deep commitment to shaping American society.



James Madison Bell was a prominent figure in American history, making significant contributions across multiple fields. His expertise ranged from law to politics and education, demonstrating a remarkable ability to excel in diverse areas.



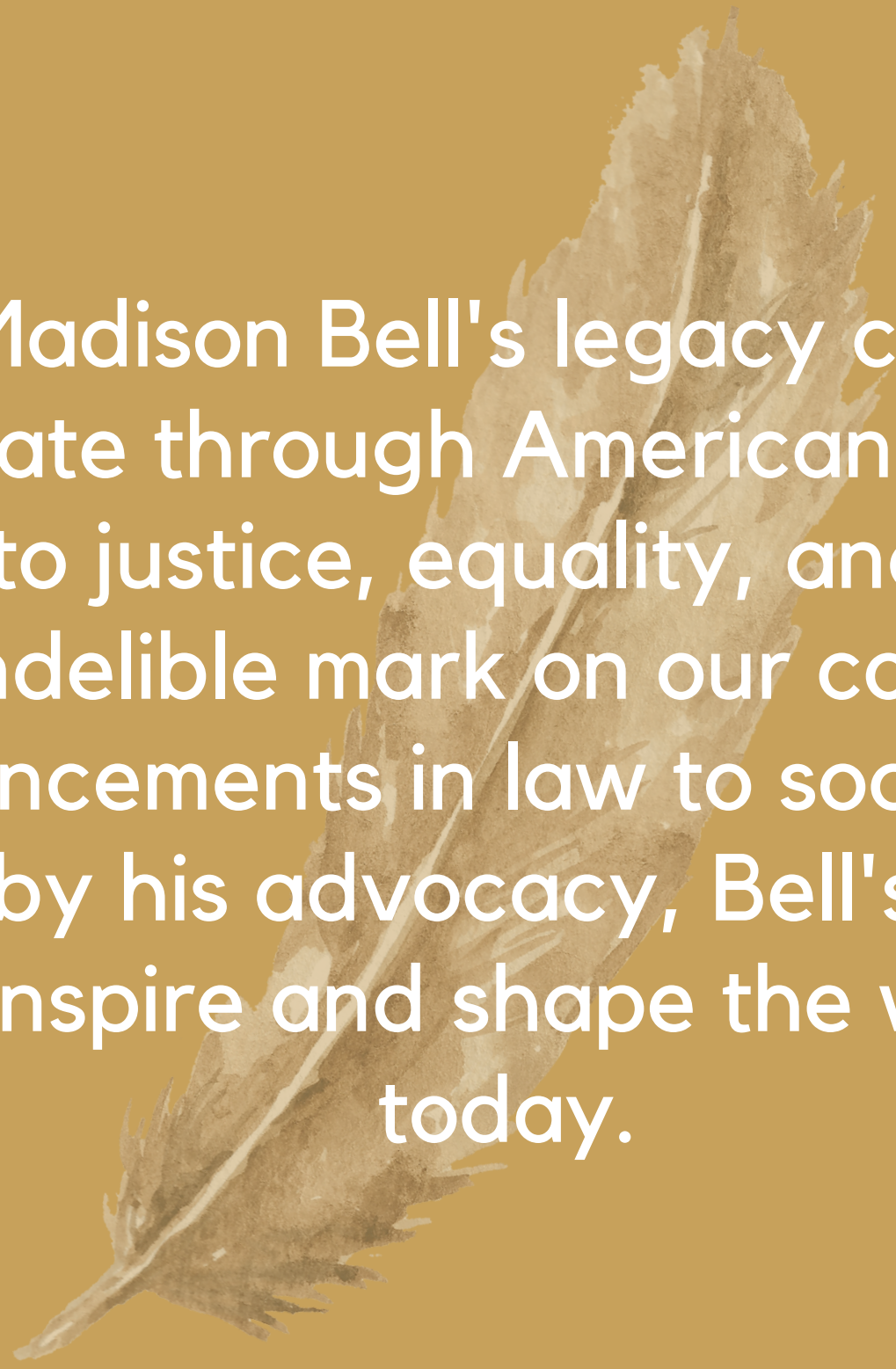


Throughout his illustrious career, Bell played a pivotal role in shaping legal discourse and political landscapes. As a lawyer, he was instrumental in landmark cases and legal reforms that advanced the cause of justice.

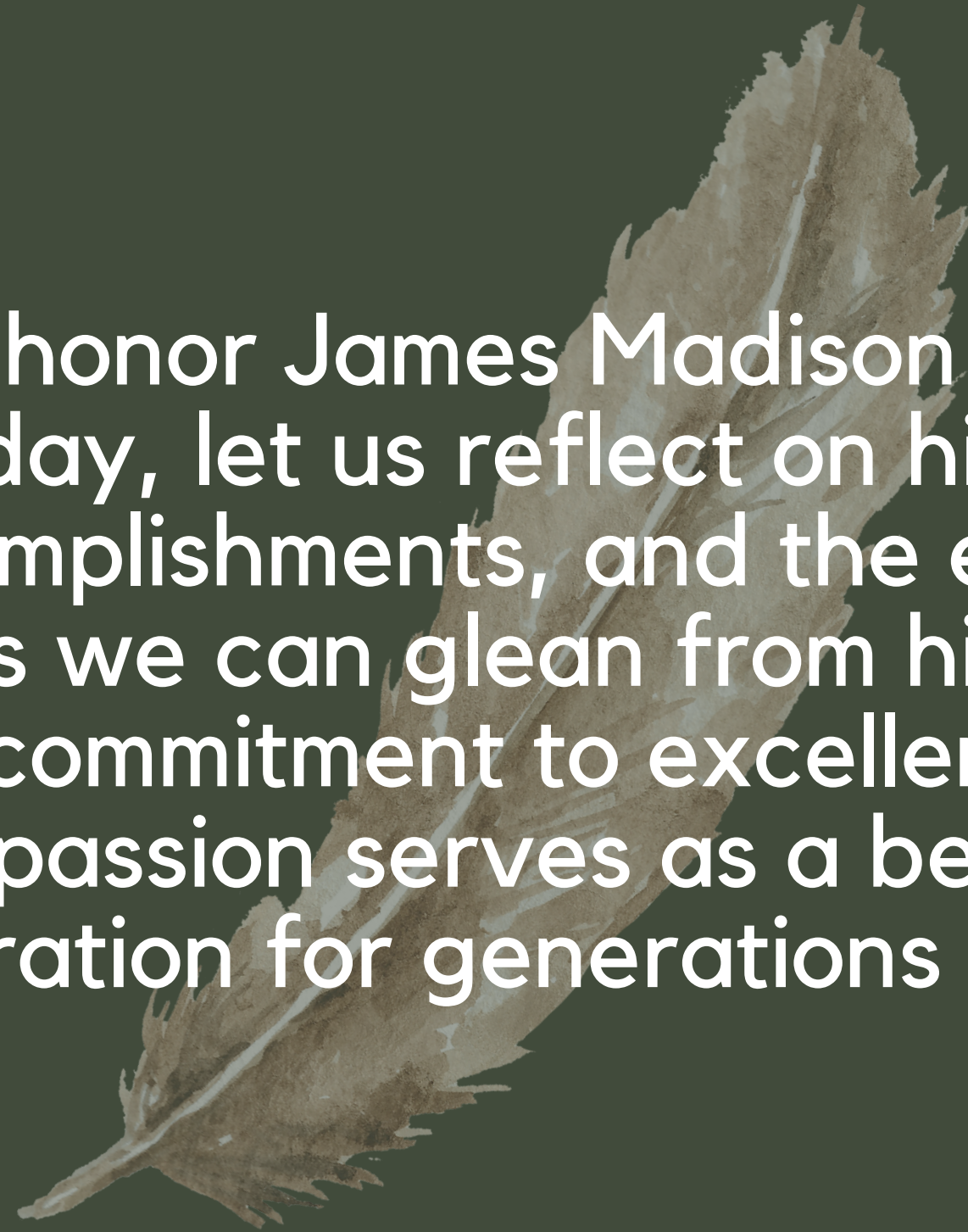
In the realm of politics, Bell served in influential positions, advocating for key initiatives and beliefs that aimed to create a more equitable society.

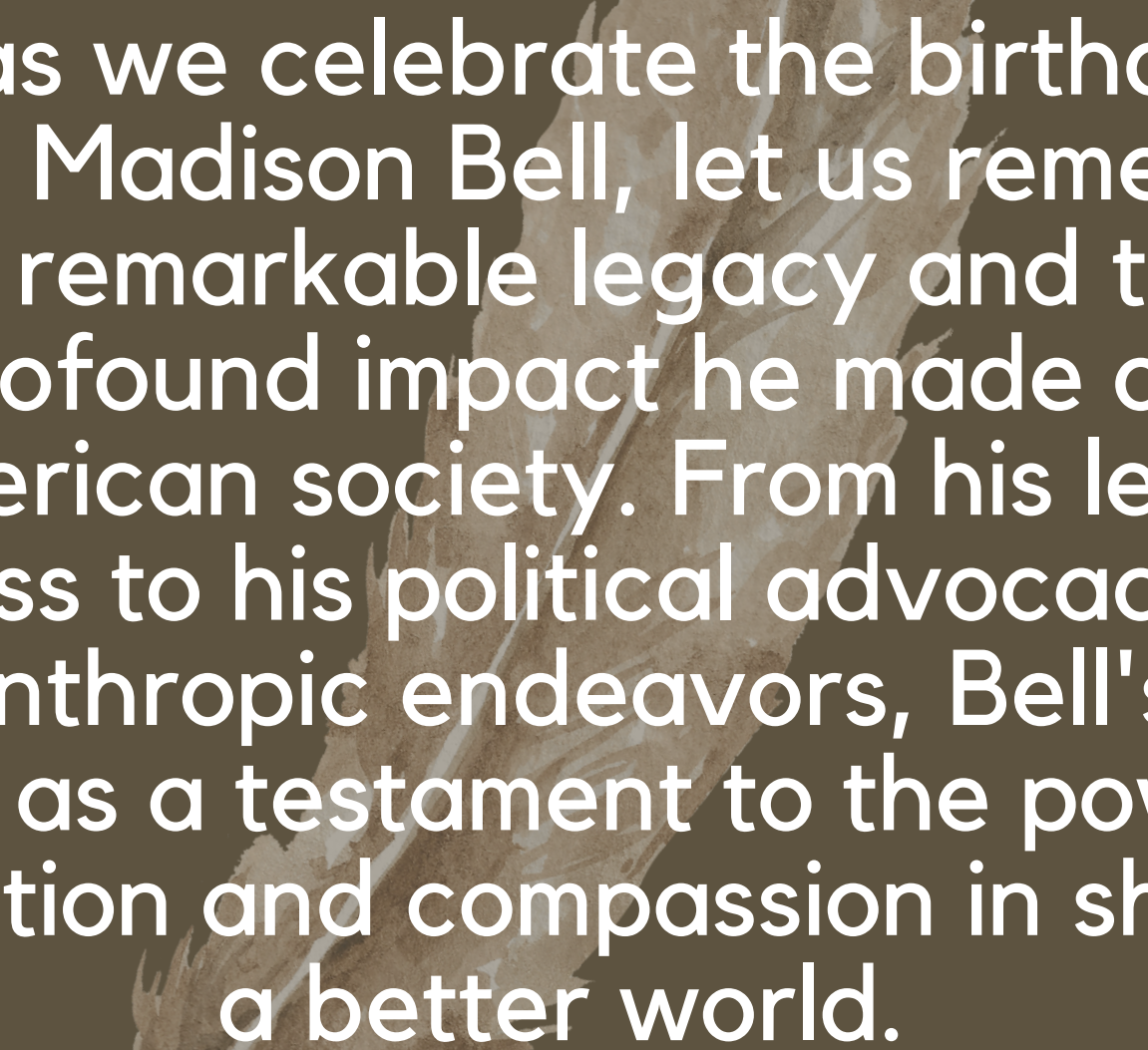
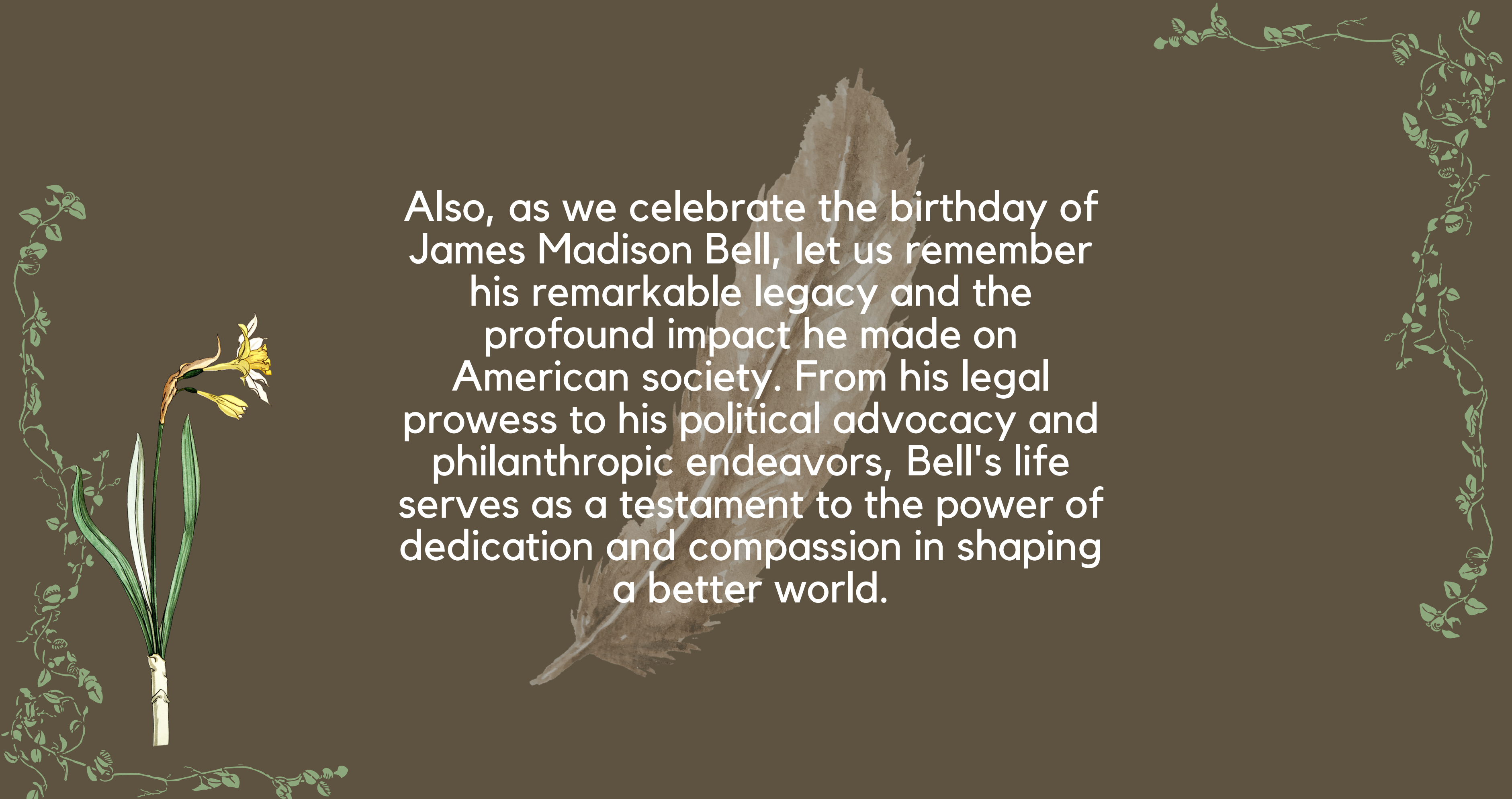


James Madison Bell's legacy continues to reverberate through American society. His dedication to justice, equality, and philanthropy has left an indelible mark on our collective history. From advancements in law to societal changes influenced by his advocacy, Bell's contributions continue to inspire and shape the world we live in today.



As we honor James Madison Bell on his birthday, let us reflect on his life, his accomplishments, and the enduring lessons we can glean from his journey. His commitment to excellence and compassion serves as a beacon of inspiration for generations to come.





Also, as we celebrate the birthday of James Madison Bell, let us remember his remarkable legacy and the profound impact he made on American society. From his legal prowess to his political advocacy and philanthropic endeavors, Bell's life serves as a testament to the power of dedication and compassion in shaping a better world.



THE POETICAL
WORKS OF JAMES
MADISON BELL



by
James Madison Bell

Forgotten Books



THE

Poetical Works

OF

James Madison Bell

INCLUDING

"Creation Eight,"

The Dawn of Freedom,

The Day and the War,

The Triumph of Liberty,

The Future of America.

48 00 1

Printed by
Gerritsen Publishing Company
of Lansing, Mich.



THE UNION AND THE RIGHT.

(A Campaign Song.)

We've placed upon our banner,
 The banner of the free,
 Harrison and Morton,
 Success and victory.
 And they shall bear our standard
 Throughout the coming fight,
 And this shall be our watchword,
 The Union and the Right,
 The Union and the Right,
 Harrison and Morton,
 The Union and the Right,

Brave sons of honored sires,
 Well known in days of old,
 And tried as in a furnace,
 And found as pure as gold;
 Tried 'mid the din of battle,
 Or in the halls of state,
 By whatsoever standard,
 The twain were truly great.
 And they shall bear our standard
 Throughout the coming fight,
 The Union, etc.

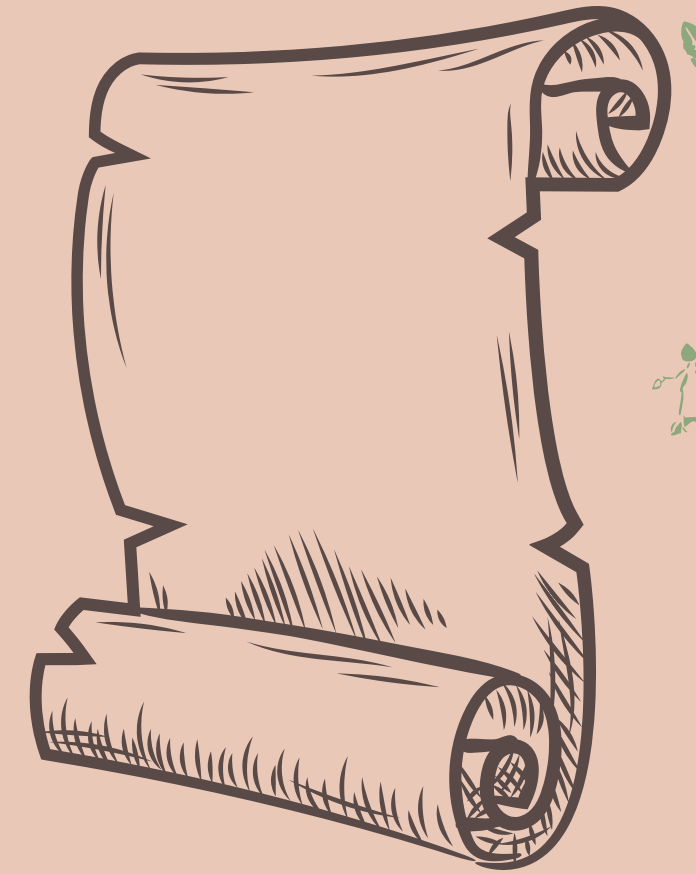
Our coats we've doffed for battle,
 And don't propose to yield
 Until the latest foeman
 Is banished from the field.



O, were I but a dramatist,
 What stores of thought I would enlist
 What telling words I would indite,
 And what a play my pen should write
 I'd hie me to the nation's dome;
 Amid its splendors I would roam,
 Discant on palace, hall and court,
 And on the nation's grave support,
 Until I placed upon the stage
 The grandest burlesque of the age;

"Moses! *Moses!*" should be my theme;
 Not He that through the crimson stream
 Led out from Egypt Israel's host;
 But "our Mose" of rant and boast,
 Who from the nation's balcony,
 Cajoled a drunken revelry,
 In telling words of pothouse lore,
 The which had ne'er been heard before,
 Since Kidd, the terror of the wave,
 Placed men's life-chart within the grave

Oh, Demosthenes! in silence rest
 Henceforth "our Mose" shall be the test
 Of all oratorical display,
 And for a sample, by the way,
 Witness his chaste and classic art,
 In his description of sweetheart,
 And Penny nibbling at his heels,
 And then how graphic he reveals
 His wond'rous buncombe, and his pluck,
 In that grave story of the duck.
 And when you have read, O think of the stage,
 And the wonderful *star* of a wonderful age!



So that the world may ne'er regret
 The mighty work that's been performed,
 And so that Time his seal may set
 Upon their future all adorned.

* * * * *

There is no right a freeman has
 So purely sacred as his choice.
 How e'er bereft he'll cling to this,
 And in its potency rejoice:

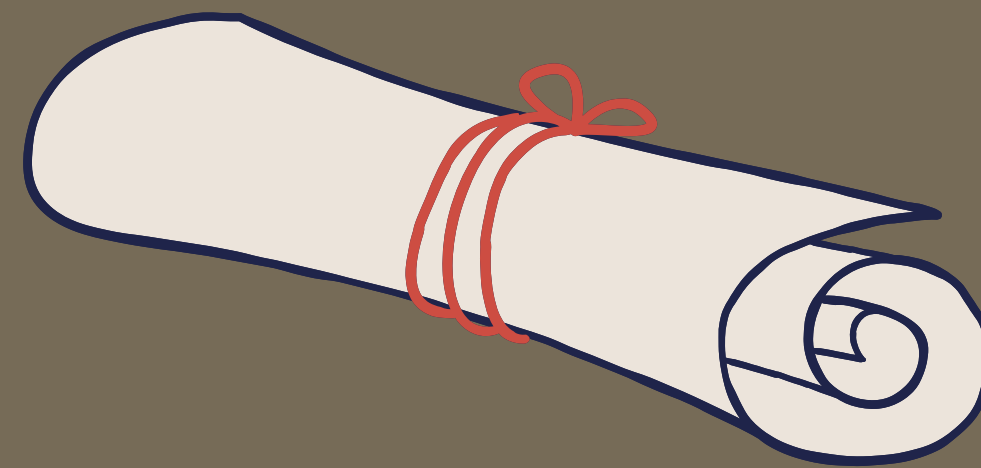
For in its exercise he stands
 The peer of titled wealth and state,
 How e'er possessed of spreading lands,
 Or gifted they in high debate—

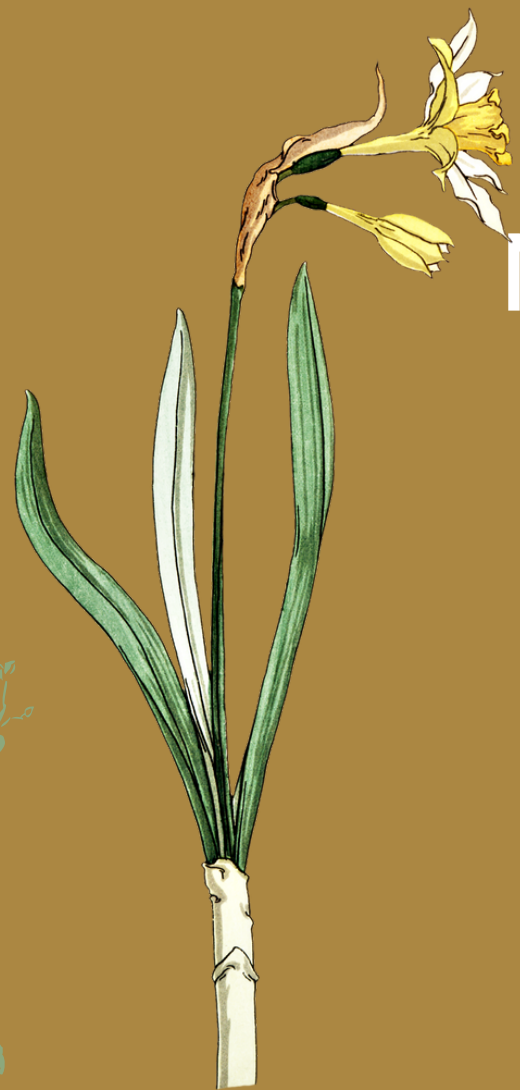
He is their peer, however grand,
 Or much upon themselves they dote,
 For there's no station in our land
 Which ranks a man above his vote.

The right to exercise a right;
 The right to choose 'twixt man and man;
 The *right* to battle for the right,
 And in the right do what we can,

Is manhood clothed with liberty—
 The just, inherent right of all,
 Regardless of ability,
 Or age, or sex, or great or small!

That right today the black man wields
 With gratitude, though long denied,
 For deep within his heart he feels
 A sacredness of joy and pride.





Thank you for joining me in commemorating this special occasion. To learn more about James Madison Bell and other influential figures in history, stay tuned to our blog for more insightful content.

