

The Noble Art of Leaving Things Undone

As I channel-surfed my radio one day this week, I paused for a short while at a program which talked about “the noble art of leaving things undone”.

The program was near its end I did not get much more than a glimmer of the concept. But I recognized it at once as an avenue to explore in my search for an acceptable rationale for abandoning projects in various stages of completion or contemplation.

It occurs to me, further, that leaving something “undone” or “unfinished” may in fact be eloquent recognition of the indisputable fact I seem to be never certain that I have exhausted all thinking on any particular topic --- and that all I can ever be sure of is that I expect to learn more about it as my life unfolds.

While completely realistic, this certainly doesn’t provide “closure”, a much-vaunted state of affairs these days.

Oh, well!