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Edgar Quinet (February 17, 1803 March 27, 1875) was a French historian and man of letters.

An effeminate education weakens both the mind and the body.

- Quinet, Edgar

Today as in the time of Pliny and Columella, the hyacinth flourishes in Wales, the periwinkle in Illyria, the daisy on the ruins of Numantia; while around them cities have changed their masters and their names, collided and smashed, disappeared into nothingness, their peaceful generations have crossed down the ages as fresh and smiling as on the days of battle.

- Quinet, Edgar

What we share with another ceases to be our own.

- Quinet, Edgar

Though ambition in itself is a vice, it often is also the parent of virtue.

- Quinet, Edgar

The law of humanity ought to be composed of the past, the present, and the future, that

we bear within us; whoever possesses but one of these terms, has but a fragment of the law of the moral world.

- Quinet, Edgar

I mistrust the satisfaction which makes a display of the possession of Infinity; that is called fatuity in philosophic terms.

- Quinet, Edgar

What are all political and social institutions, but always a religion, which in realizing itself, becomes incarnate in the world?

- Quinet, Edgar

Universal orthodoxy is enriched by every new discovery of truth: what at first appeared universal, by wishing to stand still, sooner or later becomes a sect.

- Quinet, Edgar

Philosophy may be dodged, eloquence cannot.

- Quinet, Edgar

The perfection of art is to conceal art.

- Quinet, Edgar

It is certain that if you would have the whole secret of a people, you must enter into the

intimacy of their religion.

- Quinet, Edgar

Science is Christian, not when it condemns itself to the letter of things, but when, in the infinitely little, it discovers as many mysteries and as much depth and power as in the infinitely great.

- Quinet, Edgar

Time is the fairest and toughest judge.

- Quinet, Edgar



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